

President's Message: June 2024

This month Suncoast Fly Fishers has some exciting events that give us a chance to showcase the club and practice our aims and purposes.

We will have two youth casting sessions in Riverview, one on the 11th and one on the 25th. For the past several years Hillsborough County Parks and Recreation has invited the club to introduce fly fishing to the youths enrolled in their summer Eco Camp. A typical session will have around twenty kids

ranging in ages 9-13. Although it may only be for a couple of hours per session, we hope that some seeds have been planted.

The other exciting event is a FFI Women's Connect seminar on beach fly fishing. The seminar was held on the 15th of this month in Orlando at the Bass Pro Shops. Suncoast Fly Fishers member Samantha Tallyn organized this event to promote women's fly fishing and to also help promote a ladies fly fishing tournament she is planning to be held in September of this year. Volunteers from the club will be in Orlando to help with the seminar and to promote the club.

It is events like the ones taking place this month that I think epitomize what our great club is about, bringing fly fishing to the community through our dedicated members.

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