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Newsletter of the Suncoast Fly Fishers of St. Petersburg

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President’s Message: September 2024

At the Hog Roast this past April I was fortunate to have the winning bid for a guided trip in Wyoming fishing with club member Dayle Mazzerella. Many of you know Dayle from our casting clinics the club has every year. Dayle not only guides you in some of the most picturesque places, but also provides casting instruction throughout the day. I learned a lot in the days that I fished with Dayle, not only casting or trout tactics, but also some of the history of Wyoming. Dayle is a proud Wyoming native and you can sense it when he talks about the people and the land. Dayle and his wife Barbara were very gracious hosts, having me over for dinner every night I was there. During my time spent with Dayle and Barbara we had good conversations and shared things about our personal lives, happy memories, some not so happy issues in life, some future plans and how we deal with what life gives us. I will be forever grateful for my time spent with Barbara and Dayle.

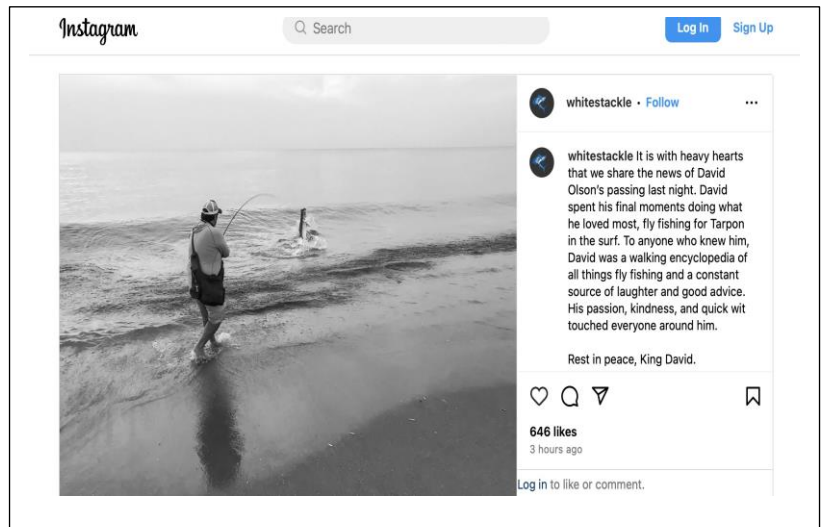
As I mentioned dealing with what life gives us, I was sitting in the airport in Phoenix on my way home from Wyoming when I received an email about the passing of Dave Olson. In one of my many conversations with Dayle, Dave Olson’s name had come up and we talked about him briefly. For those of you who don’t know, Dave Olson was a pillar in the Florida fly fishing community. Dave was a Florida native who worked and lived on the east coast. Dave was a FFI certified Master Casting Instructor and was the current President of the FFI Florida Council. I will admit that I did not know Dave very well personally, only having met him at last year’s Big Gun Shootout and working with him this past April at an FFI Florida Council event in Orlando. I can tell you how humble and personable he was; I wish I could have gotten to know him better.

As I sat in the airport thinking about Dave, my mind wondered to some of the conversations I had with Dayle. I felt obligated to inform Dayle of Dave’s passing, in his response Dayle added “better enjoy every day”. I couldn’t agree more. Dave Olson died doing what he loved, fishing off the beach for Tarpon.

Enjoy Every Day,

David

David Redd



We are Suncoast Fly Fishers of St. Petersburg

Aims and Purposes

The Suncoast Fly Fishers, Inc. (SFF) is an organization of fishing enthusiasts who love fishing with the fly rod. We welcome all people of all ages with similar interests, regardless of their fly-fishing skill level. We enthusiastically teach those that wish to learn or improve their fly casting, fly tying and related fly-fishing skills. SFF meets monthly where we talk fly fishing, tie flies and most months feature a speaker with a program highlighting local fly-fishing opportunities.

Suncoast Fly Fishers (SFF) is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization. SFF is a charter member of the Fly Fishers International (FFI). SFF is a member of the Florida Council of FFI. SFF supports the conservation of natural resources, boating safety and fishing regulations.

Monthly Meetings. Guests welcome.

Third Thursday of every month (except December) at St. Pete's Walter Fuller Park Rec Center, 7891 26th Ave. N. 6 to 8:30 pm.

Directions to our meeting at Walter Fuller Park.

From 22nd Avenue N turn North on 72nd St. N. Turn left (West) on 26th Avenue N. Then turn right into the rec center parking lot.

Monthly Outings

Club members meet up every month for a fly-fishing outing and lunch. Usually it is scheduled on the Saturday after the monthly meeting on the third Thursday of every month.

Contact us by mail: Suncoast Fly Fishers, P.O. Box 40821, St Petersburg, FL 33743-0821

Visit our website and Facebook pages, too

SuncoastFlyFishers.com

[Monthly Calendar](#)

[Facebook.com/scff2020](https://www.facebook.com/scff2020)

Online Pay Portal: Pay dues, donate, purchase

<https://suncoastflyfishers.com/eshop/>

Membership

Suncoast Fly Fishers now has 121 members including 22 family and six honorary. Annual membership is \$50 (\$40 for seniors) and \$60 for families. That includes benefits and annual membership in [Fly Fishers International](#) and the [Florida Council](#) of Fly Fishers International.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
Jim Fletcher and Bo Brown

Suncoast Fly Fishers

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Committees--Members are encouraged to serve on one or two committees. Do you? If not, speak to one of the officers at the next meeting.

Meetings, Outings, and More



Tim Elms, September speaker

Thursday, September 19, meeting.

- Come early. Quin Berry is going to be setting up targets for us at 5 pm to practice for the Big Gun Shoot-Out in Tampa in November.
- Meeting starts at 7 pm. VP Jack Collins will lead.
- Committee chairs will update members on events including the August Brisket By the Bay outing, September's outing, the first annual ladies suncoast tournament, casting clinic, Christmas Party, and more.
- Members will be invited to submit names for the board to consider adding to December's Member Tribute Outing, formerly the Don Coleman Invitational.
- Our speaker is member Tim Elms, who catches lots of juvenile tarpon. Last year Tim caught more than 100. He will tell us where he catches them. (Well, not exactly.) And he'll tell us how he catches them.

Saturday, September 21 outing

- We're fly fishing either side of the I275 Sunshine Skyway then we'll meet up for a picnic lunch at the north rest area, also known as the Blackthorn Memorial Rest Area.
- The outing was moved from Emerson Point Preserve when we learned there had been a stormwater/sewage spill in Bradenton that was affecting water quality in the Manatee River.
- Awards will be given for catching the longest snook and the longest seatrout. Be sure to measure your longest fish and get pictures. And don't forget, you're also competing in the annual outing tournament so measure and take pictures of your redfish, seatrout, and ladyfish if they look like they could be longer than the current leader.

Casting for recovery.

- Members of Suncoast Fly Fishers are being asked to volunteer to help teach fly fishing to women undergoing or recovering from breast cancer treatment. This is in Live Oak, Florida on Saturday, October 26, and Sunday October 27. One night's hotel lodging is free. If you can help, email President David Redd at redfish68@yahoo.com.

Save the dates

- December 13, SFF Christmas Party at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Largo.
- January 11 (tentative), annual casting clinic with Dayle Mazarella.
- January 16, SFF Trash 'n' Treasures meeting.
- March 29, 2025, SFF TBFFC Joint Banquet at the Carrollwood Rec Center. Speaker: Bob Clouser.

2024 Club Meetings and Outings

- October 17 Meeting, Kerry Flaherty Walia, Restoration Ecologist, Tampa Bay Estuary Program.
- October 19 Outing. Hillsborough River. Prizes for longest bass and the most bream.
- November 21 Meeting. Open House. Our speaker is Bob Schorejs, aka "Kayak Bob." Topic: Kayaks.
- November 23 Outing. Upper Tampa Bay and/or Alligator Lake. Prizes for the longest snook, redfish, trout, or ladyfish. Meet up at noon or earlier at a Phillippe Park pavilion.
- December 7 or 21. Date not yet confirmed., SFF Christmas Party. St. Jerome Catholic Church, Largo.
- No meeting in December
- December 21 Outing (tentative date) Fort DeSoto Park. This is a salute to members of the Suncoast Fly Fishers who donate more time, energy, and ideas to make our club one of the best in the U.S. The new outing name has been changed from the Don Coleman Invitational to the **Suncoast Fly Fishers Member Tribute Outing**. SFF members will be asked to suggest names for consideration.

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Success! First Suncoast Fly Fishers Women's Tournament



And the winner is K. C. Burns of the Long Rod Squad who won the \$1000 first prize with a top score of points for the combined length of her largest two fish, a snook and a redfish. On the left is SFF VP Jack Collins. Member Bill Scarola is on the right.

Here's a [link to iAngler](#) with all the leader board results

This just in from Samantha Tallyn, who took her idea to the real world. The first annual Suncoast Fly Fishers Women's Tournament was Saturday, September 14.



Here's the breaking news from Samantha:

"The first annual Suncoast Fly Fishers Women's Tournament was a big success! We had 13 teams and 20 anglers. We had five teams that came into town for the tournament! It was a tough day fishing, but five teams caught fish. Everyone had a great time and said they can't wait for next year!"

"Our own club member Mike Larkin's daughter Marley, was the top youth angler. Our own club member Mike Larkin's daughter Marley was the top youth angler. Karen Warfel and her sister Bobbie Skukowski placed fourth outside the money with a snook and a trout at 22.75 points.

"The raffle proceeds exceeded expectations and the venue was perfect! Next year will be bigger!"



Marley Larkin and Team Sea Lark had a score of 25 points for the combined length of her two largest fish. She won the Top Youth Angler trophy, took third place in the tournament, and won first place for a combined length closest to 24-inches. That's Suncoast Fly Fisher Bill Scarola on the right. Marley's dad is Suncoast Fly Fisher Mike Larkin.



Well done, everybody! Competitors and organizers gathered up at the Tiki Docks patio for this memory photo.

Gina Russo: Florida Marine Fisheries Update



MYFWC's outreach coordinator and biologist Gina Russo was our August meeting speaker. She updated us on all the new regulations and much more.

FWC biological scientist and outreach coordinator Gina Russo was our August speaker. She's been with the FWC for more than 20 years and her offices have moved here and there. These days her offices and staffers are in Apollo Beach.

Gina updated members on all of the changes that have taken place regarding that inshore gamefish fly fishers like to catch and (usually) release.

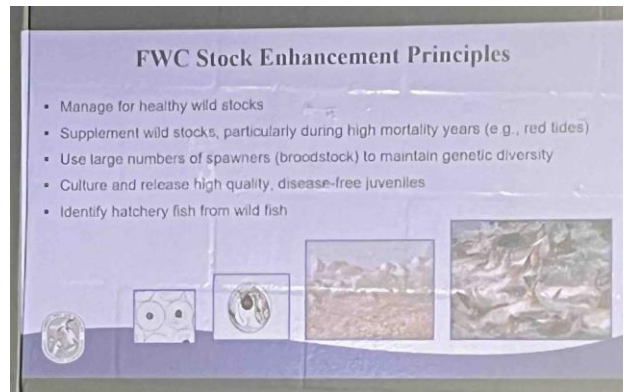
It was a lively, upbeat meeting with audience participation.. Gina kept everybody involved with talking-point slides and questions she tossed out, like, can you tell the difference between a pompano and a permit? Well, yeah. More than a few hands went up on that one. "I loved all the questions and banter," Gina said. Laughs and banter aside, here are some of the major takeaways from Gina's terrific presentation.

Florida is the fishing capital of the world

Florida is definitely the number one recreational fishing destination in the U.S. There are more than a million registered vessels and four million Florida anglers. We spend almost \$14 billion for gear and other fishing related things. Sport-fisher spending pays for almost 120,000 jobs.

Healthy populations are important

Florida's Fish and Wildlife department is leading the way on raising and planting snook, redfish and seatrout to make sure populations are strong, especially after red tide events. Digital chips are planted in some so when they are caught it helps them know where they were planted and to which "parent" group they belong. Maintaining genetic diversity is important.



We're invited to join Tampa Bay and Sarasota fly fishing clubs for...

Play Hooky for the Holidays

Kayak Paddle (Yaks provided)
FWC Suncoast Youth Center
6650 Dickman Road, Apollo Beach
Friday, Dec. 13
Paddle 9:30 - 11:30
Lunch 12-1
Tour 1-2 pm

2024 snook, redfish, seatrout regulations

The Tampa Bay area gets so much fishing pressure it is its own management region, one of nine in Florida. To keep a snook it has to be between 28-33 inches and you can only keep it in the months of March, April, September, October, and November. Just one. We can keep one redfish in any month but it has to measure between 18 and 27 inches. We can keep up to four spotted seatrout over 15 inches but only one 20-inches or longer.

The excise tax helps us, too

The Sport Fish Restoration Program is Federal legislation managed by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. It collects excise taxes on fishing gear and motorboat fuel. The goal is to increase boating and fishing opportunities. In Florida funds go toward creating artificial reefs, improving boat ramps, and more.

Bill AuCoin

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Bob Burkard: September 21 Sunshine Skyway North



Bob Burkard,
meetings-outings
committee chair

Our September 21 outing was going to be at Emerson Point Preserve in Manatee County. This is where the Manatee River empties into Tampa Bay. Alas, we got closer to the date word arrived that there had been sewage spill in Bradenton that ruined water quality.

So, we made a decision to change the location to the Sunshine Skyway with a picnic lunch meet up at noon at the North Rest Area.

Ten dollar gift certificates will go to the members catching the longest snook and the longest speckled trout. It's not too late to take the lead in the annual tournament. Currently, the longest fish are snook 24", redfish 19", seatrout 18.5", and ladyfish 15". Measure. Take a picture.

Fish either side of the Sunshine Skyway but you'll want to fish the Pinellas side because the water quality on the Manatee side will probably be poor.

We have a fast, outgoing tide to a negative low tide then it will start to come back in about 9:30 am. Should be good.

The picnic lunch is at noon at one of the north rest area pavilions. We've invited members of Sarasota's Mangrove Coast Fly fishers to join us.



The North Rest Area is about a mile east of the toll booth. You can wade fish either side of I-275. This location offers many wading and kayak launching places.



That's Alan Sewell slicing his award-winning cornbread.

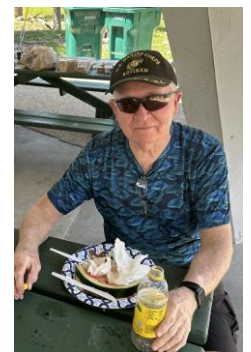
August's Brisket Outing at Fort DeSoto Park

We had a good turnout at the August Brisket by the Bay outing at Fort DeSoto Park. There were 20-plus members and guests. And the fish turned out, too. Well, seatrout did.

Member Bob Hood was pleased as punch, or something. "It was the best one for me as far as fish were concerned. I caught five trout, all 12-inches or less, three ladyfish, small but fiesty, and a 16-plus inch needle nose something that hit hard but didn't fight.

Oh, by the way, the brisket and Alan's corn bread were terrific.

Bob



Bob Hood after a satisfying picnic plate of brisket plus feisty battles with seatrout

Kelly and Wes Sobczak: Fly-Fishing Trip to Alaska

Wes and Kelly are finishing up their annual trip to Alaska. They have been at Alaskan Adventures Lodge on the Holitna River (about 210 miles northwest of Anchorage) fly fishing for silver salmon, sheefish, pike, grayling, pink salmon, chum salmon, and whitefish.



Wes with nice coho salmon. Yummy

Here's their report:

We fly fished a different location in Alaska every year since we moved from Anchorage to Tampa in 2005. This year, we chose an off-the-grid lodge called Alaskan Adventures on the Holitna River. It holds up to eight guests per week.



Kelly and a Holitna River sheefish.

from the wild, and lots of locally caught fish.

To get to the lodge we caught a Piper Saratoga (a four-passenger, single prop plane) and flew approximately 210 miles northwest of Anchorage, landing on a grass runway next to the lodge. The lodge had four cabins including showers with on-demand hot water and wood-burning stoves for guests. The lodges had names like Moose's Hutt, which is the one we stayed in. You might think we were roughing it, but the chef was a James Beard award nominee. He cooks meals from the onsite garden, berries



Northern pike, too. That's Wes.

Fishing was done mostly from two-passenger boats but occasionally from shore searching for silver salmon, sheefish, pike, grayling, pink salmon, chum salmon, and whitefish. In earlier seasons we also targeted king salmon, sockeye, and char. Sheefish are known as "tarpon of the north" as they jump and fight hard when they are hooked and have large mouths. The grayling and char are typically found about a two-hour boat ride upriver.

Due to consistent rainfall, the water levels were high and muddy, so we didn't find any char. On the way back to the lodge, the boat broke down turning an eight-hour fishing day into more than 12 hours as we waited for another boat to come and tow us back; however, we were still able to fish as the current pushed us downstream while the guide rowed and kept us in good casting position.

Crab Fly Pattern Bruce Evensen and Bill Scarola



Bruce Evensen



Suncoast Fly Fishers tied this crab pattern at Bruce's fly tying studio on Monday, September 9. Bruce and Bill lead members and guests through the tying steps for different flies on Mondays. Members are welcome to join them Mondays at 6:00 pm at Bruce's fly tying garage studio at 531 80th Avenue North in St. Pete.



Bill Scarola

MATERIALS:

- a- Hook, 3407, 4, stingers =6
- b- Eyes, med. barbell or bead chain.
- c- Body- macrame rope fibers, dark colors- green and brown. EP or Doll hair fibers work here too.
- d- Flash- green Krystal Flash
- e- Tail- green rope fibers left long.
- f- Glue- UV epoxy.
- g- Thread- dark colors flat wax, brown or olive.

HOW TO:

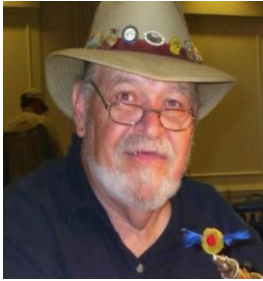
- 1= Wrap hook shank eye to bend,
- 2= Attach eyes behind the hook eye. w/ figure 8 wraps.
- 3= Add a small bunch of long rope fibers to form the tail. 2X hook length.
- 4= Add several strands of green crystal flash.
- 5= Attach bundles of alternating colors of green & brown rope fibers with figure 8 wraps. /be sure to keep the bundles close together. 4 to 6 may be necessary to fill in the hook shank. Stop at the tail fibers.
- 6= With your scissors, trim the body into a round shape. as shown.
- 7= Use UV epoxy to cover the body wraps. on both top and bottom.

Bill Scarola: Puns of the Day

This is a great oppor-TUNA -TY for me to put in some fishy puns!! If you hear of any other ones, please let MINNOW!
But there are those that say "OH FOR COD'S HAKE", not another pun.
Next time I'll SCALE back on the fish puns, but any FIN is possible!
Oh come on how y'all are KRILL-ing ME!!!

Bill

Smitty's Fly Box – Chili Pepper Fly



Layne (Smitty) Smith
RIP

The Chili Pepper Fly is mostly a yellow fly with a trace of red. It's simple to tie, with a strong profile, subtle action, and it works on every freshwater fish from brown trout to largemouth bass, and on inshore saltwater fishes, too. This is a simple streamer of feathers and thread - uniquely beautiful and unusually productive.



VP Jack Collins was browsing the Internet and saw that the Tampa Bay Fly Fishing Club has done an awesome job of posting Smitty's flies, recipes, and more. Thanks, Jack. And, if you're listening Smitty, thank you for all you did for the Suncoast Fly Fishers, the TBFFC, and for fly fishing. [Here's the link.](#)

MATERIALS

Hook: Mustad 9674, Daiichi 1750 or similar 4XL ring-eye streamer hook, sizes 4 6. Salt? Use Mustad 33011.

Thread: Red or orange 140 Denier (6/0) to match

Body: Red Flatwaxed Nylon

Tail: Golden pheasant yellow body feathers

Wings: Up to five matched pairs of golden pheasant yellow body feathers.

Cheeks: Matched pair of golden pheasant red body feathers

Flash: (Optional) 1/8 inch strip of Baitfish Emulator Flash tied in before Step 5

Eyes: (Optional) Jungle cock, prepared ring-necked pheasant church windows. Note: Take small church window feathers; strip off fluff, dip fingertip into Softex or use a dab of Sally Hanson's Hard as Nails. Coat feather by drawing between coated finger and thumb blowing on it to harden in elongated shape. You may have to do this a couple of times to get desired look. It will closely resemble jungle cock when finished. Finish with a thin coat of Solarez UV Resin.

TYING STEPS

Step 1: Ring-eyed hooks in sizes 4 and 6 look best with the typical feathers from this smallish bird.

Feel free to use any 3xl to 6xl streamer hook to vary the sink rate and length of the baitfish profile to meet conditions. I like a 3xl, with the final fly having a strong oval profile to match a shiner. A 5xl or 6xl hook gives a slimmer profile mimicking a smelt. The first step is to lay down a smooth thread base.

Step 2: Tie on one yellow/gold pheasant feather from the saddle as a tail. I like to tie this in "flat" along the top of the shank with the length equal to 1.5 times hook gap.

Step 3: Match three pairs of body feathers for markings and size to complement the hook length. Stripping the fluff and preparing the feathers ahead of time makes for a very easy tie. Advance the thread to the one- third point on the shank and tie on one feather per side. This first pair covers about half the tail. Half hitch and advance the thread.

Step 4: Tie in a second pair of feathers at the 2/3 point on the hook shank. Half hitch and advance the thread to within two hook-eye widths of the eye. Tie in the final pair of veiling feathers.

Step 5: Match a pair of red cape feathers to be used as cheeks.

Step 6: Mount the cheeks, tie off and clip excess. Wrap a neat thread head and coat with Solarez UV Resin.



Capt. Pat Damico: Protect Fly Fishing Gear

Protect your fly fishing equipment. After fishing, rinse the rod and reel with a fine spray of water from a hose, reducing reel drag adjustment to minimal setting. Store the rod horizontally. When dry, strip the line that was used off the reel and clean with a towel soaked in warm water treated with non-detergent soap and dry with another towel. Apply line cleaner or dressing according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Remove the spool from the reel, clean, and lubricate lightly. Some reels do not require lubrication. If storing, remove each rod section and clean ferrules making sure sand or dirt is removed. Place a very thin application of candle or ferrule wax on each male ferrule. When assembling, some have four or more pieces, align guides or dots off center and turn the same way to align properly. Start with the tip section. To disassemble, begin with the butt section turning in the opposite direction as they separate and place in a sock then rigid tube to prevent breakage. Occasionally, a light cleaning of rods with furniture polish will further protect the finish.

Fly fisherman and casting instructor Pat Damico charts lower Tampa Bay and can be reached at captpatdamico.com and (727) 504-8649

Captain Pat

Fishy Funnies

On a bleak and rainy Fall day a man walks up to a pub looking for some warmth and a stiff drink to fortify himself against the damp chill. In front of the pub he spots a forlorn and bedraggled man standing alone in the rain and holding a simple stick with a string attached, at the end of which is a small hook that is resting in a small puddle. The gentleman feels sorry for the fellow so he invites him inside and offers to buy him a drink. At the bar the two men are warming up and enjoying a glass of scotch each when the gentleman, unable to contain himself any longer, asks, "So how many have you caught so far?" The stranger looks at the gentleman, lifts his drink, and replies, "You're my eighth today." (Hat tip: Tim Gibean)

An ice fisher drilled a hole and started fishing. He heard a voice from above: ***There are no fish there.***

So he drilled another hole and tried again. Once again he heard that voice. ***There are no fish there.***

The fisher looked up and asked...***God, is that you?***

The voice answered. No. I'm the rink manager.

Used Gear for Sale

Woody Miller is selling his fly fishing kayak.

Phone: 727-560-6086

It's a Jackson YuPIK 12-footer.

It's ideal for fly fishing with an open deck design.

Excellent shape! \$1300.00



New Member Jim Fletcher has lots of like-new gear for sale.

Email him at jimfletch54@gmail.com or phone him at 727-580-6582

RODS



Orvis "Clearwater" 9-wt Fly Rod, 9 ft, 4-piece, like new, asking \$75. <<<<<<

Sage "Motive" Fly Rod, 9-wt, 9 ft, 4-piece, Like-New condition, asking \$150 >>>>>>



REELS

Sage "Spectrum C" series Fly Reel, color Black, Size 7/8, Like-New condition, spooled w/Backing, Fly line, & Leader, asking \$50

Sage "2200 Series" Fly Reel, color Black/Blaze, size 2210, Like-New condition, spooled w/Backing, Fly line, & Leader, asking \$75

Sage "4200 Series" Fly Reel, color Platinum, size 4210, Like-New condition, spooled w/Backing, Fly line, & Leader, asking \$100



MISCELLANEOUS

<<<MFC (large) Fly box, with Flies, Like-new condition, asking \$50

Fly fishing miscellaneous extras, asking \$25 >>>>>

Orvis Practicaster, practice fly rod, new condition FREE



Bill AuCoin: Flyfisher Flyover



Smitty, if you're listening, thank you! VP Jack Collins was browsing the Internet and saw that the Tampa Bay Fly Fishing Club has done an awesome job of posting Smitty's flies, recipes, and much more. Plus, there are flies and recipes from others too. You'll love 'em all. Thanks, Jack. If you're new to the club, Layne (Smitty) Smith was our club's superstar fly tyer. He died February 2, 2024. ([Tampa Bay Fly Fishing Club](#))

This is a big deal. Tim Elms has called my attention to this event. It's a symposium with more than a dozen well-known and savvy experts sharing how-to info and strategies. November 16. Check it out. ([Flyfishsouthwestflorida.com](#))

Flip Pallot from A to Z. Flip was one of the people who introduced fly fishers to saltwater fly fishing starting way back in the 1960s. This was in Miami. He fished and was good friends with Stu Apte, Chico Fernandez, Jose Wejebe, Lefty Kreh, Joe Brooks, and many more. Even Miami mafiaman Bobby Erra. Yeah. ([Angler's Journal](#))

SFF Member Chuck Hall goes to this site regularly. "While they are usually very technical (like this one) they do often make me think." ([The Curious Fly Caster](#))

Blast from the past. You'll get a kick out of reading the September 2006 newsletter. It includes, for example, a write-up on the club's fly fishing expedition on the Withlacoochee River. The river was loaded with fallen trees and cotton mouths. And there's much more. If you were in the club those days, you'll recognize names and memories will come flooding back. ([Suncoastflyfishers.com](#))

Bob Clouser is our Hog Roast speaker. His shop and event headquarters are in Live Oak, Florida. You can buy flies that he has personally tied. I'm pretty sure he'll be bringing some to the March Hog Roast with the Tampa Fly Fishing club. ([clouserflyshop.com](#))

Fly Fishers Book Club. Anglers Journal is home to an online virtual community where you can easily connect with passionate anglers and explore great literature! Each quarter, we'll dive into a handpicked book, sharing stories, insights, and the unique bond that fishing brings. Led by our Editor Charlie Levine, our next meeting is just around the corner, and we'd love for you to join us! ([Angler's Journal](#))

You know who this is don't you? R. L. Winston Rod Company and Bauer Fly Reels have posted a 10-part fly casting instructional series: One on One with Joan Wulff. ([Winston Rods](#))

More fly casting video tips by superstar Tim Rajeff. He founded Echo Fly Rods. ([echoflyfishing.com](#))

Hurricane Debby did this. Once again Manatee County is dealing with a major storm water-sewage spill that is flowing down the Manatee River and into gulf and bay waters. That's why we changed the location of the September outing from Emerson Point to the North Skyway Rest Area. ([WTSP](#))

Pinellas beaches test good. Fort DeSoto Park's North Beach tested good on September 9. So far, so good. ([Florida Healthy Beaches](#)) ###

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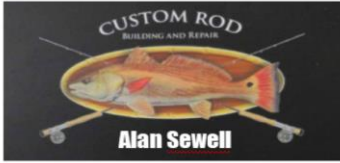
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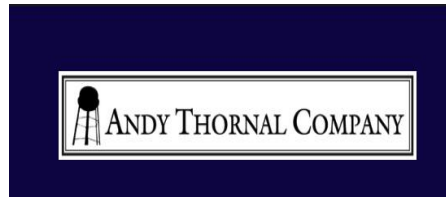
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