



*SFF President David Redd*

## President's Message

January promises to be an exciting month for Suncoast Fly Fishers. First we will have our annual Trash n' Treasures event. Alan Sewell will again be our auctioneer. That in itself is worth the price of admission.

Remember, this event is traditionally one of our bigger fund raisers for the year. Please consider donating any items you may no longer need or want. The proceeds from the event help fund things like our outings, the SFF USF Scholarship Grant, The Mayfly Project, and rent for our meeting space. So bid big, bid often and take home some treasures.

Then on January 24th, Suncoast Fly Fishers will host a casting clinic in cooperation with FFI Florida Council. The focus for the clinic will be to cover the required tasks to pass each level of the FFI Casting Skills Development Program, the bronze, silver and gold. Participants will have the opportunity to practice any of these skills and then focus on the ones they wish to improve alongside instructors. The clinic will be led by club member and Master Casting Instructor Dayle Mazzarella and his host of instructors. So save the date and come learn and have fun. Hope to see you there.

Lastly it's time for membership renewals. If you haven't done so already, please renew your membership as soon as you can. Memberships can easily be renewed on the club website under the Eshop tab or at the January meeting.

Looking forward to a great 2026,

*David*