



River Rap

Roubidoux Fly Fishers Association
June 2011

Upcoming Events to Note on Your Calendar

The Stream Team Academy is proud to announce the next Stream Team training workshop, Understanding Streams.



Announcing:

Understanding Streams
Shaw Nature Reserve
Off Hwy 100 at I-44
Gray Summit, MO
July 15-16, 2011 (Friday -Saturday)

This stream management course will cover the interconnected relationship of streams with their floodplains and upper watersheds. We will examine the concept of streams being products of the interactions of water, energy, sediment, and vegetation. We will also discuss how these interactions occur and how everyday decisions made by agencies and landowners affect these interactions. Time will be spent in the classroom, working with a model stream table, and floating the Meramec River to investigate and analyze local stream characteristics.

Lodging and meals will be on your own. Information on local hotels will be sent to all who register.

If you are interested in attending this workshop, please call or email Naomi Gebo, 573-522-4115 ext. 3598 or naomi.gebo@mdc.mo.gov by **July 6, 2011**. Course size will be limited; seats will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. You will receive a letter of confirmation that contains detailed information about the class after you register.



Streamside News and Fishing Reports

[Send your fishing reports to Max]

Seems the cicada frenzy was almost over by the time Todd Sparks made the club outing to the Current River at Baptist Camp on 4 June. They wouldn't hit nary a cicada pattern, but would hit a black wooly worm drifted under the surface. Lou was upstream in the park with some folks from Bustin with a Cure and did alright, but with the usual trout flies - nothing special. Even the mean green sunfish were hitting Cracklebacks in the lake.

The outing to the Bourbouse almost wasn't with all the rain Mother Nature was throwing our way. Todd had noticed a big spike on the depth gauge (on the USGS site) Thursday night causing some concern. Plan B was not called upon though and both Todd and Lou made it.

While keeping one eye on the sky and the other trying to look into the off off colored water, we had some hits and brought to hand a few chunky smallies. Both of us decided a do over a little later in the year when it had cleared some would be better.



Our next outings are 9 July on the Huzzah River at Huzzah Conservation Area, then 17 July on Tavern Creek at Wilson Camp Access. If you need more info, email Lou straight away so she can get the info to you ASAP.

Tightlines!

Lou

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Recycle - Practice Catch & Release!

For those of you who fish Mill Creek here's an interesting email conversation between Bill Blunt and Flyrod Six:

Subject: Bamboo, Hogs and Rainbow Trout

“Fishing Mill Creek has been an adventure lately! From the upper parking lot I fished up stream to the small bluff and was taking a bit of a break when I heard something coming through the brush. I figured a deer was coming down for a drink but soon learned a few hogs were heading my way! Well this was the first (and the last) time I left my sidearm in the car. They stayed on the other side of the creek and went up the bluff like goats. I had my wading staff/ critter stick with me but sure was nervous for awhile, not knowing if hogs in the woods are aggressive or not. Don't think a 4 wt. would take care of a pig.”

“Bill,

“About two trips (maybe three) back I saw very fresh hog sign while crossing the field from the upper parking lot. I had my .45 on but it was stocked with hollow points. My experience hunting [hogs] in Germany says that HPs won't penetrate--I have a magazine of ball that I load up with in bear country, but on that trip I was more prepared for river pirates than I was for 150 lb potential roast pork on the hoof. And yes, they can be aggressive, especially if the sows have piglets or young pigs with them. You can bet after that time I've chambered the right magazine....

Max”

[So those who insist upon carrying those pisant 9s, take heed! Minimum for pig should be .357 with a hot load....]

Aside from that, Bill sent this picture. Note the classy rod and reel next to the classy fish.



For Sale:

Flyrod Six has his saltwater boat up for sale. It's in the "Lemon Lot" on the fort.

\$3750
or make me an offer I can't refuse

- 19'6" Aquasport 200
- 115 hp saltwater Merc

Dual battery system
VHF marine radio
Lowrance GPS / Sonar
Full Coast Guard package
2 live wells
Rod storage under gunwale
Leaning post seat back
Custom boat cover
Custom console cover
Console seat cushion set
2 downriggers
2 anchors
All lines & fenders
Trolling sockets



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Also, the Old Town Pack canoe is on the auction block—somebody pass the word to Dave Earl! Thirty-five pounds, single seater, Old Town seat backrest, two paddles, and a great lot of fun!