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It is the charge of the North Louisiana Fly Fishers to afford the general public and its members in particular, a better understanding of Fly Fishing, Fly Tying, and Rod Building. We wish to perpetuate the sport as a most pleasurable and exciting fishing method and provide education, instruction and the opportunities for relaxation to the membership.

NORTH LOUISIANA FLY FISHERS founded in 1984

This Past Month

Well June has come and gone, leaving me wondering where has this year gone. It's July already and so far I have accomplished nothing. Our big day of the season is upon us with A Day With Dave Whitlock in about 3 weeks, we still have available spots left so if you know anyone who might be interested be sure to tell them about it.

Our workshops at Bass Pro are going strong. We had more than 20 tiers at the one in June, and are anticipating as many or more at this month's offering. Tom Bullock will be presenting the October Caddis. This is a very big fly for Tom to tie as he normally doesn't use hook sizes large enough to see.

Be sure to bring a rod for casting before our meeting Tuesday night.

Next Meeting:

July 8th at 7:PM at the Red River National Wildlife Refuge, 150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA. Guest speaker will be Larry Offner of Baton Rouge
Come early and bring your rod for casting practice.

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North Louisiana Fly Fishers

2nd Annual Masters Series Event



A Day with Dave Whitlock

Fly Fishing for Bass

Learn about fly fishing for bass from the man who wrote the book (literally)...the *L.L. Bean Fly Fishing for Bass Handbook*.

Date

Saturday, July 26, 2014
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Location

Red River National Wildlife Refuge
Headquarters Unit
150 Eagle Bend Point
Bossier City, LA 71112



Agenda

- Fly fishing techniques and tackle for largemouth and smallmouth bass
- Tying, casting, and fishing bass flies
- When and where to catch bass on the fly
- The life, art, and wisdom of Dave Whitlock

About Dave

Forty years ago Dave pooled his talents in painting, illustrating, writing, photography, fly fishing and lecturing, resigned his position as a research chemist, and embarked on a new career as a full-time professional in the arts of fly fishing. Dave's art and writing appear regularly in many fly fishing and sporting publications. He has written, co-authored, and/or illustrated over 30 books, and demonstrated his fly fishing, fly tying and teaching skills in numerous videos. Dave is also known internationally for his innovative fly tying designs, including the popular *Dave's Hopper*. Dave has taught fly fishing around the world, and he and his wife Emily have shared the magic of fly fishing at their Whitlock Fly Fishing School for over 15 years. Dave's experience and creative outlook on the whole spectrum of fly fishing have earned him the reputation of being one of the top professional fly fishers in the sport. Learn more at www.davewhitlock.com.



Cost: \$35 per person

(includes lunch, coffee, drinks, etc.)

*Space is limited to 75 participants;
pre-registration required (see reverse).*

Visit the NLFF website or Facebook page for additional information.

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Registration Form

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Send payment (check or cash) to: NLFF, P. O. Box 8542, Shreveport, LA 71148-8542

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

_____ Please reserve a position for me in this program. I understand that my \$35.00 must be received by June 30, 2014 or my position will be forfeited to others on the waiting list.

_____ Please place my name on the waiting list if all of the 75 slots have been taken.

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E-mail from Steve Oliver with some of the catch at Grand Isle this past weekend. Way to go guys!

The black drum was 30 inches long and we estimated about 20 lbs. I caught it on the fishing pier and fought it for about 15 minutes before I was able to get it to shore. Scott ran down the pier (well he didn't really run- I wished he had) and got to the water and was able to pull it ashore. Sure was exciting when it hit and ran off about 50 yards of line! I am sending a pic of Scott's stingrays as well.



Contraband Fly Fishing Expo

Saturday, Aug 23, 2014 10th Contraband Fly Fishing Expo Saturday, August 23, 2014 8:30am - 4:00pm PPG - Porter Hall, 2250 Prater Road, Westlake, LA. FREE ADMISSION. Sponsored by the Contraband Fly Casters / Tom Nixon Chapter. Fly Tying, Casting Demos, Lure Exhibits, Auctions / Raffles, Food and Refreshments, Equipment Displays and more! Public invited. For more details, go to www.contrabandflycasters.net or contact Warren Landry (337) 853-7755.

This month's Workshop at Bass Pro

Tom Bullock will be presenting the October Caddis this month on July 17th at the White River Fly Shop in Bass Pro. The October Caddis is a large insect, adult size will range from just under an inch to almost 1 1/4 inches long. As the name indicates it emerges in the fall. The larval stage lives in moderate to fast currents and build pebble cases for protection and live among the rocks and gravel. The adults will survive for a couple of weeks after they hatch and can be found in the vegetation on the banks of the stream. They get blown out of the bushes and grass and land in the water, and the females return to the water to lay eggs on the surface becoming an important food source for trout. Both forms of the caddis (pupa and adult) are at times important to not only the trout, but to trout fishermen also.

Come join us. It will be an educational evening as well as fun. Bring your vise and tools, Bass Pro will supply the materials. If you don't want to tie just come to watch and visit. If you want to tie and don't have a vise, come and use one of ours. We always bring extra vises and tools.

See you there. Don't forget. July 17th at the White River Fly Shop in Bass Pro Shop in Bossier City, LA. We start at 6PM and are usually there for about an hour and a half.



The GCC is having their annual Fly fishing Fair in Ocean Springs, Mississippi on September 13, 2014. Anyone who is interested in volunteering to be a demonstration tier at this event should contact Ron Foreman directly at 1redflytyer@bellsouth.net or by phone at 337-842-1439. Ron is the coordinator for tiers for this show. .

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NLFF BANQUET

Save the date, Tuesday October 14, 2014, for the annual NLFF fund-raising banquet. Make plans donate your gently used but still useful items that your fellow club members have been coveting. This is your chance to do something good for the club and make room for more gear.

GRAND ISLE TRIP

The Grand Isle Trip was a lot of fun, as usual. Despite the wind, some fish were caught. Steve Oliver took the prize for our group with a 20 pound 30 inch Black Drum. Scott got a 17 inch Black Drum and some small Red Fish. Bud got a couple of specks and a 16 1/2 inch Sheepshead. Rex didn't want to embarrass the other guys, so he kept his catch a secret.

The Red Stick Club hosted us to a Shrimp Boil Friday evening and a fine fish fry of the day's catch Saturday evening. As always, it was good to see old and new friends and catch up on the year's fish tales. The weather for the weekend had been a little cantankerous, but sure enough cleared up beautifully by Sunday morning when folks needed to be headed for home. This is definitely a trip you need to consider putting on your calendar for next year, the weekend after Father's Day!



MASTER SERIES EVENT THIS MONTH

July 26th is the day we have Dave Whitlock coming down to present a day long program for our club. See the flyer on page 2 and the registration form on page 3. This is a very important day not only for NLFF but for the entire regional fly fishing community. If you have not yet registered, please do so now. Tell your friends and neighbors, and the people at work. You never know who might be interested in being there. Coffee, juice and donuts will be available early, and lunch will be served. Help us get the word out, time is short. If anyone needs a registration form, they are available on our website, Facebook, contact any board member, or contact Tom Bullock and we will get you one. If you have never been at an event with Mr. Whitlock do not miss this opportunity! His presentations are outstanding, his artwork is amazing, and his knowledge of fishing is unsurpassed. Make your plans now and we'll see you there.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

7/8 NLFF Meeting 7:00PM Red River National Wildlife Refuge. Come early for casting practice.

7/17 Workshop at Bass Pro. See article on page 5.

7/26 NLFF Presents: A Day With Dave Whitlock. See newsletter for registration details.

8/5-9 IFFF National Fly Fishing Fair Park High School Livingston, Montana

8/23 Contraband Fly Fishing Expo in Westlake LA. See article on page 4.



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