

The Fly Line

Monthly Newsletter of the North Louisiana Fly

November 2023



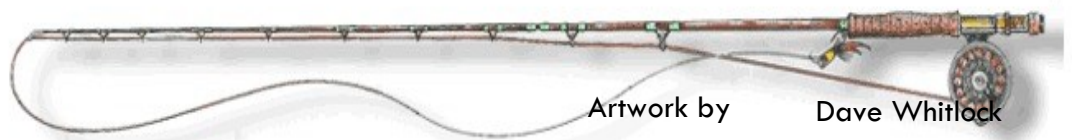
North Louisiana Fly Fishers

Established in 1984

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www.northlaflyfishers.org

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First FFI Affiliated Club in Louisiana



November 14th Meeting

Election of Officers

A business meeting

Only members need attend

North Louisiana Fly Fishers—November 2023 Election

NLFF President—Please Check Only One:

☐ Steve Oliver

☐ John Scarborough

☐ Abstain

NLFF Treasurer—Please Check Only One:

☐ Mark Chrisman

☐ Abstain

NLFF Board Members-at-Large—Please Check Yes or No for Each Nominee:

Scott Irwin	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
John Reisz	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Brett Rowell	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dickie Turner	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Jo Ann Woodard	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

The ballot to the left is a sample ballot.

The members listed were nominated for service to the club.

Official ballots will be distributed at the meeting on November 14th.

You must be present to vote.

Meeting starts at 6 pm at the Red River Refuge.

Cover Photo: Club members participate in fun Refuge Celebration.

November meeting bonus!

Bring your fly tying gear. We will tie flies from 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm.

Business meeting will begin at 6:45 PM



The 2023 Annual NLFF Banquet

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Great Success

A BIG thankyou goes out to all who participated in the 2023 annual banquet. Members flooded the banquet hall with items donated. Funds were raised to assist with club operations. This includes funds to attract interesting speakers, operational funds, and funds for club activities. Thanks again for making the evening so much fun!

Fly Tying at Bass Pro November 11th

“Tie with a Veteran”



This month the NLFF will team up with the ArkLaTexOma fly tyers at Bass Pro.

The ArkLaTexOma is a group trying to attract fly tyers from a 4 state region to tie together.

This month is “Tie with a Veteran” Day.

Where: Bass Pro

When: Saturday, Nov 11th from 10-2

All are invited to tie on this special Veterans Day. If you are new to fly tying, don't be shy, this is your chance to jump into the art. There will be extra equipment and materials on hand for you to use. You will be given a one on one fly tying lesson.

If you are experienced, come on out and tie and demonstrate your skill.

Recurring Events:

Monthly Meetings

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Red River Refuge in the Conservation Conference Center at 6 PM. Bring your fly tying equipment to meetings and come tie flies.

Red River Refuge

150 Eagle Bend Point

Bossier City LA 71112

Monthly Fly Tying

Come join us for a enjoyable morning of fly tying at Bass Pro in the White River Fly Shop. If you are new to fly tying this is a great place to start. We can provide you with a vise, tools and materials to tie your first few flies. We offer you one on one instruction. If you are an experienced fly tyer, come and demonstrate your skill. We always enjoy sharing new and different techniques and ways to tie new flies as well as proven fish catchers. If you are new and would like to tie, call Scott Irwin 318-469-0854.. We will make sure we bring the club vises and tools for you to use. Check the newsletter for the date of the tying event. Due to scheduling events at Bass Pro and holidays, the date may vary from month to month.

It is the charge of the North Louisiana Fly Fishers to afford the general public and our 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.


The North Louisiana Fly Fishers (NLFF) Club serves the Ark-La-Tex area surrounding Shreveport. As the closest cold water fishery, we consider the Little Missouri (Little' Mo) River near Murfreesboro, AR our home waters . We also fish the local rivers and lakes. We even have a growing group of kayak fishermen that, as well as the local rivers and lakes, will fish the gulf coast marshes for some saltwater action!

We meet the second Tuesday of every month at the Red River Wildlife Refuge (150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA). Meeting starts at 6 pm, tie flies and practice casting when the weather permits. See you there!

NLFF Roster

Name	Membership expiration	Phone
Jamie Franklin	12/31/2023	318-707-5959
Scott Irwin	12/31/2024	318-469-0854
Don Lawler	12/31/2023	318-510-2261
Joe Linder	12/31/2023	318-245-9385
Steve Oliver	12/31/2023	318-349-6411
Brett Rowell	12/31/2023	318-207-6097
Rex White	12/31/2026	318-294-7027
Rush Clay	12/31/2025	318-294-9272
Mike Hawking	12/31/2023	903-353-3357
Al Higgins	12/31/2023	318-507-8233
Jack Lamb	12/31/2025	
Ken Maher	12/31/2023	318-426-3750
Ardis Peace	12/31/2023	
Jim Roat	12/31/2023	318-344-2178
Randy Rogers	12/31/2023	318-422-5549
Dick Seal	12/31/2023	318-393-9893
Chuck Tiller	12/31/2023	318-465-1227
Chris Horsley	12/31/2023	
Dickie Turner	12/31/2023	318-469-9600
Lisa Doyle	12/31/2023	
Mark Chrisman	12/31/2024	318-393-4702
CL Bourn	12/31/2023	318-840-5064
Russ Rogers	12/31/2027	318-426-0834
Tom Hopkins	12/31/2023	318-347-6120
John Reisz	12/31/2024	318-560-5831
Alan Carter	12/31/2023	318-347-6076
Rick Fotenot	12/31/2025	318-455-9893
Tom Mee	12/31/2025	318-230-8697
Georgia Stephens	12/31/2023	318-401-0012
Jo Ann Woodard	12/31/2025	318-617-2912
John Scarborough	12/31/2025	318-464-8569
Matt Kendall	12/31/2023	318-603-2300
Bill Meaney	12/31/2023	318-426-7667
Tad Britt	12/31/2023	318-521-5641

Don't see your name on our membership roster? Join today. We would love you as a member of the NLFF. The club is diverse. It revolves around fly fishing but also includes travel, regional fly fishing conventions, interaction with other fly fishing clubs, and plenty of "eating meetings" You can find a membership form on our website "Northlaflyfishers.org" or use the form below.



North Louisiana Fly Fishers
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Club Membership Form

Member Information*

Primary Member's Name: _____

DOB: _____

Other Active Member or Spouse: _____

DOB: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

FFI Member?: Yes or No (Circle One) Home Phone: _____

Fly Tyer? Yes or No (Circle One) Cell Phone: _____

Kayaker? Yes or No (Circle One) Other Cell Phone: _____

Primary Email: _____

Wireless Carrier (Need to send texts): _____

*NOTE: All information is confidential and for the private use of the NLFF.

Membership Type (Check One)

☐ Family (\$35)
☐ 3-Yr Family (\$90)
☐ Individual (\$30)
☐ 3-Yr Individual (\$75)
☐ Student (\$20)
☐ Active Military (\$20)

A parent or parents along with their children under 18 years of age. Limited to a two vote maximum.

All individual members are allowed one vote.

Any student under the age of 18, but not included in a Family Membership. Student members are considered to be full members and have one vote.

Any active member of the U.S. Armed Forces. Active military members are considered to be full members and have one vote.

Payment Method: ☐ Cash
☐ Credit Card ☐ Check

NOTE: Dues are payable by the end of January of each calendar year. Make checks payable to North Louisiana Fly Fishers (NLFF). Dues for **new** members joining on or after September 1st shall be valid through the end of the following year (excludes Military and Student). For example, if you join on Sept. 1 2016, your membership would be valid through the end of 2017.

Toledo Bend Rendezvous:

A fly tying extraordinaire!



The North Toledo Bend Rendezvous is one of the most unique and highly anticipated fly fishing events in fly fishing circles all across America. It takes place less than an hour from Shreveport.

This event may be a bit old fashion, but many believe we need a little more old fashion back in our lives. This spectacle takes place in a spacious event cabin. Fly tyers from all across the country come to demonstrate their skills. All are welcome to this event, especially people new to the sport.

Tyers set up booths where they tie. You simply rotate around the room and watch the tyer apply materials to the hook. You will learn. You will come away with some flies. You will eat great food. You will relax and enjoy nature. You are welcome to tie flies yourself. You will meet some great people. You can fish the bay beside the cabin.

This event is a food fest also. Bring your favorite dish along with \$10 for admission.

When: November 3 and 4th (starts at 5 pm on the 3rd. All day and into the night on the 5th)

Where: North Toledo bend state park (stay at group cabin, get a private cabin, or camp)

Cost: \$10 for a 1 day admission. (\$40 to stay at the group camp Friday and Sat night)

More info: Contact Scott Irwin 318-469-0854 (fb at "North Toledo Bend Rendezvous")

Toledo Bend Rendezvous:

A heck of a food festival



One thing is for sure, when you attend the Rendezvous, you won't go away hungry. You never know what culinary delight you may experience. BBQ, boudin, smoked ham, green chili stew, south Louisiana gumbo. It's a mix of food from across Louisiana, Texas, and from other locals.

It's like a giant potluck supper. Just bring your favorite dish. You don't have to feed everyone, just enough for yourself and a family or two.



Cenla Fly Fishing and Light Tackle Festival

Sponsored by the Kisatchie Fly Fishers



Every even numbered year the Kisatchie Fly Fishers in Alexandria hosts a delightful fly fishing festival.

Come and enjoy the day with some of the most advanced fly fishers in Louisiana. Typically there are speakers and presentations throughout the day. There are usually plenty of items to be raffled as part of the clubs fundraiser.

When: January 20th beginning at 9 AM

Where: Kees Park, 2450 Highway 28 E

Pineville, LA 71360

Frozen Chosen

Sponsored by the North Louisiana Fly Fishers



The North Louisiana Fly Fishers is all about helping people learn how to fly fish. Sometimes you just have to go fishing. That is what the Frozen Chosen is all about. Come join your friends on January 27 for a day of fishing on the Little Missouri river in Murfreesboro Arkansas. At noon, join the gang at the pavilion at Riverside park at 12 noon. Bring a side dish. The club will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Many folks spend 2 nights at this event. Usually Friday night, Jan. 26 and Saturday night Jan 27. Cabins can be rented from Swaha lodge. (phone 870-285-2272). There is a campground near Swaha. Reservations must be made online. Search Lake Greeson "Dam Area" for the campground. Contact Scott Irwin for more information 318-469-0854. Bring your spouse even if they do not fish. There is plenty to do in the area.

**Club members
go fishing at
Lake O' The Pines**

