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# MO Fishing

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We will meet at the Nature Center on November 3rd. There will be fly tying at 6:00pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

For the November program it was decided to go back to having an expert panel to ask your fly fishing questions. Ralph Eichholz and Dennis Stead agreed to be our panel. Ralph will provide his reasons to fly fish and describe the many fishing opportunities available to you here in southwest Missouri. Dennis enjoys searching materials, finding new flies using several resources including the internet; he will give you some of his finds and the reasons he enjoys fly tying.

This is an open forum for new members, giving you an opportunity to get good information and get advice to better fly fishing. Bring your questions and share the evening with lively discussions.

I checked and the Sunset is now 6:20 PM. Since there was interest for casting a fly rod last month, **I will be Memorial Park at 5:30 PM. Just stop by.** I will have a few 8 wt. rods on hand for casting practice. This will probably be the last chance until next year to get out in the grass to practice casting on a meeting night, with daylight savings time falling back in November.

**Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter  
Calendar for October 2016**

November 1	Branson Monthly meeting 6-9 PM
November 3	Springfield Monthly meeting 6-9 PM
November 5	Jolly Mill fishing trip
November 19	Roaring River State Park fishing trip

**Club Notes from Bob Randall:**

***Report from the Nominating Committee:***

The Nominating Committee has selected the following members for office for 2017:

President-Elect: Sam Stewart (he will function as vice-president in 2017 and be the president in 2018)

Treasurer: Pat Collins

Secretary: Bob Randall

Executive Committee three year position: John Bush

Executive Committee three year position: Charles Stewart

As you probably already know, Harry Morgan is this year's president-elect and will be next year's president.

We will take this up at the annual meeting in December. That meeting is the Christmas Party and it's location will be held at a restaurant, location to be announced. Further nominations, if any, will be accepted from the floor and the vote to accept the nominees will follow.

***Chili Feed Report:***

And all who attended had a good time! We had our annual chili feed at Lake Taneycomo at the Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery fishing access pavilion. Between Springfield members, Branson members, Kansas City members, some folks we invited to join us, we had close to 40 people. We had plenty of food. We couldn't get all of the chili into the pot at one time. Dennis Stead said, "It seemed like the chili pot was magical. Every time got half empty, I would turn around and it was filled again."

Some of us fished and most of the fishing reports I heard were not too hot, Branson member Mike Marriott caught at least 11 fish. Way to go Mike!

***Next Great Fishing Adventures:***

Saturday, 11/5 - Jolly Mill is adjacent to the Capps Creek Conservation Area. From Monett, take Highway 60 west 7.50 miles, then Wallaby Road south 1.75 miles to its junction with Jolly Mill Drive. John Bush has a report from a local that MDC will stock the creek with trout very soon. RSVP Bob Randall 417-224-1104 or John Bush 417-772-4180.

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Friday, 11/18 Roaring River State Park: This is a Friday during the catch and release season. You won't need to buy a trout permit at the store. Remember that C&R season is from Friday thru Monday. Don't try to fish there on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Same goes at Bennett Spring and Montauk but not at Maramec Spring. RSVP to Bob Randall 224.1104 or John Bush 772.4180.

**State Council By-laws:** I have submitted a proposal to the State Council to revise their by-laws. This will not change Springfield's by-laws. I will briefly discuss it or answer questions at the next meeting.

**I truly hope that life is eternal.** No, not my life or yours or any individual life. I mean life in general; I mean the essence of life; I mean cellular organisms that reproduce, obtain and use energy, develop, respond and adapt to their environments. I find encouragement in the report from the Rosetta space probe of carbon-based organic compounds found on Comet 67P. We may never discover other life, but that find means it may exist. I just like the idea. I just want to believe that somewhere, sometime, in this universe or an alternate one, there will be a purple, radially symmetrical rational living being who grasps a 9 foot 6 weight fly rod in one of its tentacles, and casts a fly out over a lake of liquid ammonia to a monster trout, the ultimate, dominant species. Long live trout.

**Don't forget to vote:** Amendment 1 is the 10 year renewal for the State Parks, Soil and Water Conservation tax (1/10th percent sales tax). It is not a new tax. It was started about 30 years ago and has been renewed several times since. With this tax, there is no entrance fee to Missouri's state parks and we have gone from having the nation's second worst erosion problem to being close to the best. Polling suggests that it is likely to pass again. However, it needs to pass by a high margin so that we send a message to contrary politicians who would like to get their hands on conservation and natural resource management practices and finances. Other states are watching Missouri and a strong win here will help conservation and natural resource management elsewhere. Vote yes on Amendment 1 in November. It's good for Missouri.



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MTFA Springfield Chapter members:

I have officially submitted proposals to revise the MTFA-State Council by-laws. They are attached along with a copy of the current by-laws. Read them if you want. If you choose to do so, you will probably want to compare the changes and the current by-laws side by side. However, I have condensed the revisions into a more readable form below. Your comments are welcome. These revisions will not change the MTFA-Springfield by-laws.

**Bob Randall**

The by-law revisions would:

**(Article III Chapters)**

-basically change the word "chapter" in the chapter discussion to "a trout fishing club or a chapter of such a club".

**(Article IV Formation of New Chapters)**

-correct the problem of the word Chapter as discussed in the Article III proposal.

-expand the groups which can petition for formation of new Provisional Chapters to:

-members of any trout fishing club in Missouri

-a chapter of such club

-a new group wishing to form a trout fishing club in the State of Missouri

-eliminate the one year time requirement before petitioning for Provisional Chapter status.

-remove requirement that the Board of Directors (BOD) accept any Provisional Chapter petition.

-leave intact the sections which define the responsibilities of the BOD.

-the BOD will still have the responsibility of determining whether granting the charter is in the best interest of the Association.

-allows the BOD to have more control over a Provisional Chapter by removing the provision that the BOD cannot dissolve a Provisional Chapter while it holds a Provisional Charter.

-leave intact the section allowing Provisional Chapters to attend all meetings.

-remove the requirement to send all Provisional Chapter money to the BOD

-remove the responsibility of the BOD to act as banker for the Provisional Chapter

-require a proposed budget from Provisional Chapters

-limit money spent outside of the budget without approval of the BOD.

**(Article VIII Board of Directors)**

-Eliminate the numerical limit to the BOD. This clarifies that the 2nd vice-president position which was added after by-laws were last amended is truly a part of the BOD and eliminates the possibility of future by-law changes necessitated by the same reason.

**(Article IX Meetings)**

-allow for one alternate delegate to State Council meetings for each chapter.

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# Winter trout fishing kicks off in early November

*MDC staff will stock 73,000 of the cold-water-loving fish in 32 urban-area lakes throughout the state.*

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) is stocking 73,000 rainbow trout in 32 urban-area lakes around the state for winter trout fishing beginning in early November. Many of these areas allow anglers to harvest trout as soon as they are stocked, while other areas are catch-and-release until Feb. 1. Find locations at [short.mdc.mo.gov/Zo6](http://short.mdc.mo.gov/Zo6).

The daily limit for catch-and-keep at these locations is four trout with no length limit. All Missouri residents over age 15 and under age 65 must have a fishing permit. All nonresidents over age 15 must have a fishing permit. To keep trout, all anglers of all ages must have a Missouri trout permit.

“Trout are typically found in the cold, spring-fed, streams of southern Missouri,” MDC Fisheries Programs Specialist Andrew Branson said. “Stocking selected lakes and ponds around the state during the winter months provide close-to-home trout fishing opportunities in parts of Missouri that you normally won’t find trout.”

Buy hunting and fishing permits from vendors around the state, online at [mdc.mo.gov/buypermits](http://mdc.mo.gov/buypermits), or through MDC’s free mobile apps -- Mo Hunting and Mo Fishing -- available for download through Google Play for Android devices or the App Store for Apple devices. **NEW: SAVE TIME by buying permits for yourself, family, and friends in a single transaction. Select the “Additional Customer” option during your permit purchase.**



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Monthly meetings at the Springfield Nature Center are the first Thursday of the month at 6 PM for Fly tying and 7 PM for programs and business meeting. <b>Committee Chairs</b> <b>Program Chair</b> – Kim Schultz <b>Education Chair</b> – Ralph Eichholz <b>Social Chair</b> - Leslie Chastain and John Bush <b>Newsletter Editor</b> – Eve Krit-Anderson, <b>Librarian</b> - Dennis Stead / Harry Morgan <b>Equipment/Supplies</b> –Wayne Frizzell /Kim Schultz <b>Web Page</b> - Brent Simmons <b>Membership Chair</b> – Kim Schultz <b>Liaison to Natl./State org</b> – Bob Randall <b>Public Relations</b> – Bob Randall		

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