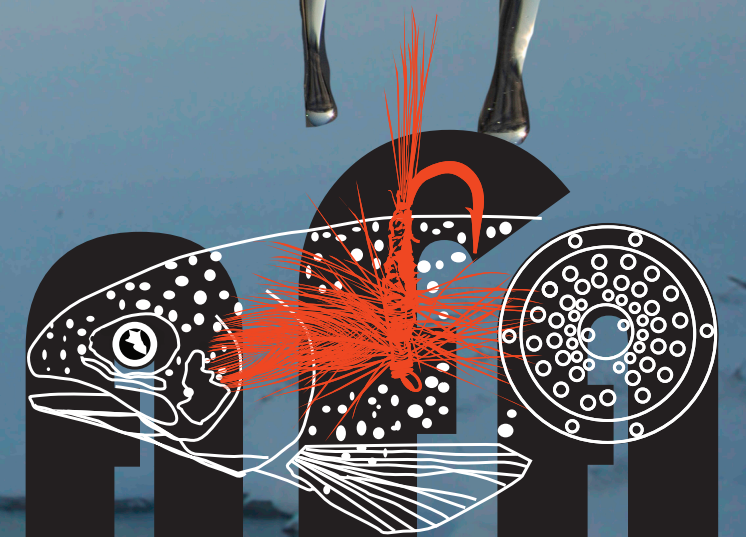


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Antietam Fly Anglers Zoom Meeting Minutes 9-15-22 7pm:

Minutes

1. The Treasurer's report was presented by Walt Lachenmyer and accepted.
2. Due to the inability of the Secretary to continue in office, Mike Saylor agreed to become the Secretary.
3. Discussion was held regarding how the money donated to AFA upon the dissolution of Creekside Anglers was held. Consensus was that their intention was for the money to be used for education and conservation.
4. A long discussion was held regarding the fact that AFA had too few young members and that the active membership is rather ancient. There was a suggestion that we consider sponsoring a middle school or high school flyfishing class or club. No action was taken.
5. Bob Davis reported on planning for the annual Casting Rendezvous.
6. Discussion was held regarding ideas for programs/speakers. The members did not want to spend \$200 for speaker MH.
7. Frank Morrissey was tasked with compiling a list of area sportsmen's organizations.
8. There was a discussion regarding rules of order and the meeting ended.

Antietam Fly Anglers Calendar:

December 15—Ben John, Beaver Creek Fly Shop head guide, on Steelheading in Erie, PA.

January 19—Members describe their fishing trips the past year, make plans for fishing trips for the coming year, picnic, Rendezvous, volunteers to help with fly fishing course at Hagerstown Community College, and other plans as needed.

February 16—Discuss the relatively new FFI Member Engagement Toolkit

March 4, 5—Fly Fishing Show, Lancaster, PA, Convention Center. FFI will have a booth. Come volunteer to support it.

March 15—TBD, confirm trip plans

April date TBD—first Adopt-A-Highway cleanup

April 29—Annual Fly Casters' Rendezvous, no meeting

May 18—TBD

June Adopt-A-Highway cleanup

June 15—fishing at the Mt. Aetna pond

Financial Report November 4,2022

Revenue		Expenses		Balance
Starting Balance 01/01/2021				\$969.36
Raffles			Advertising	
Club Rod			Flier	
Silent Auction			Printing	\$42.75
Programs/Workshops		\$341.00		
Picnic				
Rendezvous	\$ 341.00		Postage	\$0.00
Contributions		\$1,713.93		
Creekside Donation	\$ 1,398.93			
Merchandise Sales		\$ 250.00	Facilities	
			Insurance	\$325.00
			Merchandise Costs	\$72.00
			Hospitality	\$115.00
			Picnic Food	\$55.00
			Picnic Pavillion	\$60.00
			Program Costs	\$98.37
			Rendezvous	\$98.37
			Information Technology	
Total Revenue		\$2,304.93	Total Expenses	\$653.12
			Net Income	\$1,651.81
			Ending Balance	\$2,621.17

From the President:

This past November, Ken Oldham and I took a trip to Erie, PA, to do some Steelhead fishing. (see the attached picture!). Of course, it was cold, raining and sleeting, and we woke up on Thursday to drive home with 10 inches of snow on my car. But no matter. Ben put us both on fish, as you can see by the picture. We had a great time and Ben is a great guide. He has been guiding on that part of northwestern PA for over 10 years and he know the steelhead game and the streams there very well. Come to the meeting in December to get the full story. I'd like to suggest that we start to plan on club outing next year to return to Erie. Precision Fly & Tackle has 3 guides and special arrangement in the local area to make it a great outing. Come out and let your voice be heard about a future trip.

Bill



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FFI continues to focus on conservation, education, and community as the underpinning of our work. Our commitment to these principles provides the rock-solid foundation as we lean into the challenge of unprecedented times, and ascend to meet the needs of the evolving demographics of fly fishing.

JOIN FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL TODAY to help ensure that fly fishing can continue to instill the kind of passion it does today in so many of us.

WHY JOIN FFI? TOGETHER WE:

- PROTECT THREATENED WATERS AND HABITATS for current and future generations.
- BRING TOGETHER EXPERTISE in fly casting, fly tying, fly fishing skills, and conservation education and development programs.
- ADVOCATE FOR POLICIES and initiatives for conservation issues.
- STRENGTHEN THE FLY FISHING COMMUNITY by sharing knowledge and experiences.
- PROVIDE RESOURCES for fly fishing educators and professionals.
- INSPIRE A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY AND CONSERVATION ETHICS in people of all ages.

MEMBERS RECEIVE

- Access to an unmatched repository of knowledge through the FFI Learning Center
- Special offers and discounts • Recognition for special skills or achievements
- Access to a network of like-minded outdoor enthusiasts
- A chance to help make a positive impact on the sport

We've got momentum— Help us keep it going as a member of FFI. As participation in fly fishing has grown, FFI is providing enhanced opportunities to learn, sustained our commitment to conservation, and offers new and exciting opportunities to expand our community. JOIN US!

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Yes, I want to preserve the sport of fly fishing.

- 1-Year General \$35 Student (22 & under)* . . \$20
- 3-Year General \$90 Business* \$100
- Senior (65+)* \$25 Lifetime \$1,000
- Veteran* \$25 Lifetime Premium** . . \$1,500

Note: General and Veteran memberships include spouses, cohabitating partners and children under 18 years of age. Lifetime memberships include spouses and cohabitating partners.
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Fishing quote of the month:

“Angling may be said to be so like the mathematics that it can never be fully learnt...

--Izaak Walton,
The Compleat Angler (1653)

AFA information:

Just a reminder.

Don't forget to support your local fly shops:

Beaver Creek Fly Shop 301-393-9090

Hunting Creek Outfitters 301-668-4333

White Fly Outfitters 304-876-8030

The Feathered Hook Fly Shop 814-349-8757

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