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March 8th Auction

4:00-7:00 at the Kempfer's Ranch 6254 Kempfer Road St.Cloud

March Club Auction

Welcome to our 2025 annual BFFA-Brevard auction coming up at our March 8th meeting. This year's auction continues with the same premise that was at our last auction. Just to give everyone an understanding of the purpose of our auction, this is our main fundraiser, which enables the club to bring in monthly speakers, as well as the special occasion speakers we bring in for day-long events. In the past, speakers for those day long events included Andy Mills, Chico Fernandez, Lefty Kreh, Jim Courier etc. This fundraiser is pivotal to our continued success for future speakers and the continued support of our membership at this event is vital.

The auction this year is going to be the same as last year in which each club member must pay \$100.00 at the door to attend and in return, they will get a credit of \$100.00 that **has** to be spent at the auction. The club member is also allowed to bring one guest and **both** the club member plus the guest will get dinner at no cost. The dinner will be ribs, coleslaw, baked beans and bread. Iced tea, water and soda drinks will be available. Remember, each member is also required to bring in an item for the auction. This item for auction should be either new or in a gently used condition. We will also have items for the auction which have been donated by companies or other people.

The paying members guests will also be allowed to bid on any of the auction items as well but must pay by check or cash. Other than the previously established use of the \$100.00 credit, **checks and cash** are the only acceptable forms of payments for club members as well.

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March Auction

Here we are again at our annual auction. Some of the items that have been donated so far are listed below and more are sure to come with our members attending. So, let's get ready for some great barbeque ribs and an exciting auction. A sampling of items to be auctioned either live or silent are an Ocean Prince Hardy Reel, ½ day guided fishing trip with Brandon Mench, Orvis Reel Case, Fenwick 5 wt glass rod, Mitchell 380 spinning reel made in France, Flies in a fly box tied by Jeff Ward and Ron Winn, 12 ft Native Kayak, Fly Display by Jeff Ward, and many other items our club members are bringing in. Check out our Facebook page or www.bffa-brevard.org to see a more complete list of items.

Just a reminder there is not going to be a Tuesday meeting this month as we are having our auction on Saturday March 8th.

Directions to Billy Kempfer's ranch are:

Take 192 west 13 miles past I-95 to first crossroad and turn left on Kempfer Road for 2/3 mile to the dead end and turn left again. Continue about 1/10 of a mile and then take the slight right on Kempfer Road and proceed down 8/10 of a mile. You should see the big pole barn on the right.

Listed below are some of the items that have been donated for the upcoming auction which might be either in the live or silent auction. If you have an item, know what it is already and want it added to this list then feel free to send it over to me and I will update the page. If you have a picture of the item(s) and want to send that over as well then feel free to do so. Updated items added in will be on our Facebook page and the website.

Item

7'6' 4/5 wt Fly Rod

2-Van Stall Service Kits

Zeebaas Spinning Reel

8'6" 4 wt Fly rod 4 -piece

Hardy Reel The St. Aidan plus two extra spools—England Made

Hardy Reel Ocean Prince England Made

Hardy Reel LRH Plus three extra spools

Hardy 5wt Reel Spool

Stil Elises's 10 wt Reel

Scientific Master 8 wt Reel

Scientific Master 10/11 wt Reel

Native Kayak 12 ft Donated by Mike Reynolds

½ Day guided fishing trip with Brandon Donated by Brandon Mench









BFFA March 2025 Events

Auction this month:

March 8th at 4:00 at Billy Kempfers ranch in St. Cloud

Outings:

Nothing Scheduled

Fly Tying:

March 17th Melbourne Library 6:15 p.m. Everyone needs to bring their own flytying tools. Jeff will have the materials and hooks for the fly.

Board Meeting:

March 11th at 5:00 meet at Ron Winn's office 2103 Grant Place Melbourne All members are welcome to join. We typically eat at Megs first and then rejoin at Ron's office around 6:00



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