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**Tuesday-June 6th, at 6:30
BFFA Club Meeting
at the Italian American Club
1471 Cypress Ave
Melbourne**

Nathan Outlaw will be our guest speaker for the June meeting. Nathan recently returned from fishing for tarpon in Puerto Rico and will be sharing his adventures there while giving a slide show.



Ramblings and other news

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We recently had our first knot tying session with the 4-H group led by Gus Koerner, Program Assistant 4-H Youth Development. The next event is fly casting on June 3rd. The rest of the schedule is here as well. If anyone is interested in helping, get in touch with Frank Catino and let him know.

The day/time of the first fly casting event is this Saturday, June 3 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am. The location is Dr. Robert A. Anderson Park in Rockledge 1220 Pluckebaum Rd, Rockledge, FL 32955. It is at the corner of Clearlake Road and Pluckebaum Road.

Saturday, June 3—Casting instruction
Thursday, June 15---Knots and fly tying
Saturday, July 1---Casting instruction/Fishing
Thursday July 13th---Knots and fly tying
Saturday, August 5th—Casting instructions/Fishing

As mentioned in our last newsletter we have added another member to the Board of Directors, as Alec Buchness has agreed to join in. Alec recently started a Facebook page for our club which is Backcountry Fly Fishing Association of Brevard. Check it out.

Fishing has been decent out in the Indian River Lagoon of late, mostly around the creek mouths after it has been raining. When you are in the kayak, getting to those areas can be challenging but as I read the other day, it is better to fish not where I want the fish to be but rather where they actually are.

Snook season for harvesting is over and from June 1 through Aug 31 will be only catch and release.

Fly Tying with Jeff Ward

June's Fly is a Wobblin Gator Tail Fly

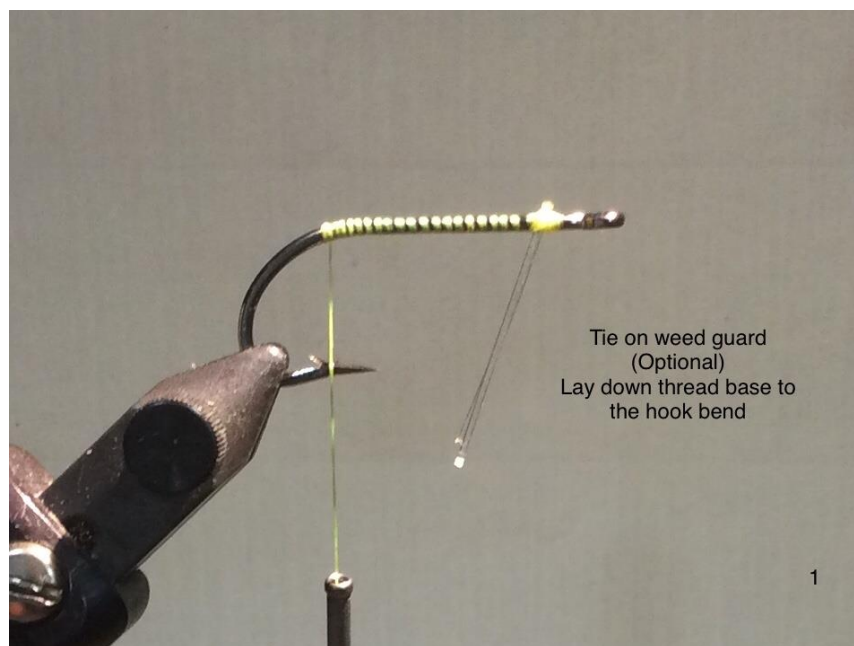
Recipe:

Hook: FTD OS700 #1

Body: 2mm Foam cut 55mm x 14mm
35mm x 10mm

Thread: 210 Chartreuse

Tail: FTD Gator Tail Olive Green



Tie on 4 inches of the Gator Tail at the hook bend



Wrap thread forward to weed guard
Palmer front 2 inches on hook shank up to weed guard
(About 3 wraps) secure and trim excess





Place hole in foam over the hook eye
Fold back, tie down and whip finish
Put some wraps between foam end hook eye and cement



Video (1).MOV

For those of you getting this by email vs a printed copy, I am hoping you can click on the link above and it should show how this fly moves its way along the top of the water. The action of this fly coming through the water is something to see.

We had a good turnout at our last outing held at the Donald McDonald park down in Roseland. From the looks of things, it appears Steve once again fed the masses well. Picture is on the next page of the Capt. holding court.



BFFA June 2023 Events

Monthly Dinner Meeting:

June 6th at 6:30
Italian American Club—
1471 Cypress Ave. Melbourne

Fly Tying:

Melbourne Library
June 19th at 6:00 pm

Outings:

Nothing scheduled

Board Meeting:

June 13th 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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