

Rockport Fly Fishers

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The President's Note

By Mike Cook

Folks we didn't just dodge another bullet with hurricane Ike we were spared from a full amphibious assault. As you know Galveston and Houston took a beating and the poor people of Bolivar and Crystal Beach have pretty much lost everything. My thoughts and prayers are with them. I now have a new found respect for tidal surge. Who knows what Rockport would look like today if we had taken a direct hit? Please take future hurricanes seriously.

Get your long rods out we are going to have a month long tournament in October. It will be a "One Sided Spot Tournament" and the lucky member that catches the red fish with the most spots on one side wins. We have a \$50 gift certificate from Seaworthy Marine for the winner and hope to have 2nd and 3rd place prizes also. There is no entry fee for this event so everyone should get out in October and have some fun. Tournament rules are included in this newsletter.

Since our November meeting falls on Thanksgiving we will not have a meeting in November. We are planning to have a Christmas Party on December 11. This will be a catered dinner party. Every Whim Catering will serve prime rib dinner with sides and dessert. We hope to have a speaker and who knows what else we may do. There will be a \$10 per person cover for the party and we would like to have a good head count for the caterer by December 1. Please let us know as soon as you can if you will be able to attend.

At this time I think the party will be at the Senior Center but that is subject to change.

As I'm writing this note we do not have a speaker for our September meeting but I'm still working on it. If we don't get a speaker in time we'll just have to ad lib a little and hopefully get some members to tell some fish stories. Maybe we can go outside and have a little casting contest or something.

We are in need of some new blood in the board of directors and will be accepting nominations for board members and officers. If you have any interest please let us know. The new board of directors will be voted on at the December Christmas Party/meeting.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Speaker TBA

Thursday, Sept 25, 2008 7:00 pm

Rockport Senior Center
912 S. Church St.

Bring your own beverages and snacks

Meeting Schedule

Our meetings are on the last Thursday of each month. Fly tying and casting from 6 to 7 and General Meeting from 7 to 8:30.

September 25—Meeting

6:00p-7:00p Casting & Tying Demonstrations, Socializing.

7:00p-7:30p General Club Business

7:30p-8:15p Program

8:15p-8:30p Wrap-up/Door Prize/Raffle/Auction!
(Donations for door prize/raffle/auction needed and appreciated!)

Program Title: TBA

October 30—Meeting Speaker: TBA

Call for Nominations RFF Officers and Board Members

Positions include President, Treasurer, Membership, Newsletter, Webmaster and Board Member.

This is your opportunity to give back to the club and serve the Rockport Fly Fishers.

We can't do it without you!

Elections will be held in December.

Do you have a computer projector and screen the club can use? We currently borrow a projector and screen from TPWD, but it may not always be available for our meetings.

Contact Mike Cook, captmcook@clearwire.net

Calendar of Events

Fly Tying Roundtable

1st and 3rd Wednesdays (Oct 1 and Oct 15).

All Welcome! No Charge!

6:00pm to 9:00pm

Rockport Senior Center

912 S. Church St. (Loop 70 - south of Market St.)

Featured Tyers and Beginner's Table each Roundtable

BYOB&S (Bring Your Own Beverages & Snacks)

BYOFTS (Bring Your Own Fly Tying Stuff!)

October 1st—Tommy Austin.

Tommy will be tying a pointer crab, his go-to fly for practically everything.

October 15th—Al Springstead.

Al will be tying the EP piggy perch.

We need featured tyers for the round table. If you know someone who would be interested please let me know.

Contact: Ron Head

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OUTINGS

September 19-21 — Surf Outing/PINS in conjunction with Austin Flyfishers. This is primitive camping or you may just want to come out for the day on Saturday when we will drive the beach all the way to the Mansfield Channel.

October 4-5 — TPWD Expo/Austin. We will have a booth for the Rockport Fly Fishers. Come to Expo and tie flies and help promote our club.

<http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/exptexas/programs/expo/expo2008/>

October 17-19 — Oktoberfisch, Junction, TX. For more info go to www.fredericksburgflyfishers.org.

October 18 — Fishing Clinic, Aransas Wildlife Refuge. We need fly tyers and fly casting instructors.

October 25—Aransas Kayak Expo. We will have a booth at this event -- we will need some fly tyers.

<http://everythingkayakexpo.com/>

If you are interested in participating in any of these events, please call Walter Laas 512-294-3150 or e-mail wjlaas@charter.net

Rockport Fly Fishers
October 2008 Redfish Spot Tournament

Rules

- Must be a Rockport Fly Fishers member to enter
- No Entry Fee
- The single redfish with the most spots on one side wins.
- Fishing Starts at 7:00 am Wednesday, October 1 Lines out 4:00 pm Thursday, October 30
- Winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd) will be announced at the October Meeting
- This is a catch and release tournament so the size of the fish makes no difference
- Fish must be caught on a fly using normal fly fishing techniques
- Fish must be photographed with all spots on one side showing in the photo
- There must be a normal playing card included in the photograph
- If any spots are touching they will be considered one spot
- Photos may be emailed to David Ishman at badluckbuck1@yahoo.com
- In case of ties the winner will be determined by the first photo email received



Nice, but these fish don't qualify!

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