



Cape Fear Flyfishers Meeting Minutes—October 23, 2024

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President Rick Hettenbach called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the St James Community Center. The meeting was preceded at 5:00 PM by another helpful casting clinic led by Rev. Jim White.

Approximately 35 members attended the meeting.

NEW MEMBERS/VISITORS:

The following gentlemen joined since the last meeting:

- Bryan Tomilson, joined in late July and lives in Wilmington
Tel: 910-538-2077 Email: btomilson@live.com
- Ken DiSessa, joined in September and lives in Leland
Tel: 973-219-1709 Email: kadisessa@gmail.com
- Dave Risberg, joined in September and lives in St. James
Tel: 954-296-8610 Email: dsrisberg@yahoo.com

The following were visitors:

- Ron Harris (former member, will rejoin)
Tel: 910-526-7516 Email: afa77troll@gmail.com
- Ed Paris
Tel: 484-426-7637 Email: aepced@gmail.com
- Trent Butler
Tel: 803-517-0402 Email: tbutler0419@gmail.com

FLY Raffle:

- Bryan Tomilson won the fly raffle

TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer Doug Donaldson reported that the club' cash balance is \$3,876.79 . We have a few costs to be incurred prior to the end of the calendar year, such as the meeting room.

UPCOMING EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 11/20 Meeting-Jimmy Jacobs: On the Fly South and CFF elections
- 12/10 Holiday Party 5:00 PM at Island Way, Oak Island
- Rick asked for feedback on upcoming events and received a positive response for all

- Fishing the point on Oak Island
 - Kayak Trip
 - Boat Trip
 - Ft. Fisher Surf Trip
- Club members mentioned there are openings on a few upcoming trips
 - Missoula Lodge June 23rd
 - South Holston December 3-6

Club Survey

The club will be sending a survey to all members to determine their interest in the following trips plus other items of interest.

- Charlestown/Georgetown trip
- Bonefish Trip
- Stuart Florida Trip
- Shenandoah Trip
- Montana Trip

Membership Directory

CFF is considering setting up a membership directory. It would be available on the web site as a pass protected document and members could choose how much personal contact information they share if anything.

Local Fishing Presentation on Google Maps

Rick Hettenbach and Jim White “Rev” facilitated a very informative presentation on local fishing spots. Google Maps was used to project on a screen the location. Several knowledgeable members; Mike Raby, Brandon McNeil, and Tom Dyum joined the discussion with their invaluable experience. The presenters discussed the types of fish, the close launching points, and how to get your boat to the location. Details of short cuts through the marsh areas during high tide were displayed. The members cautioned others on oyster reefs and mud flats to avoid. The areas included were from Lockwood Folly, along the various creeks and rivers to Bald Head Island’s marsh area.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM. Many members continued discussions at Paul’s on Oak Island.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Falkenstein

CFF Officers for 2024 are:

Rick Hettenbach -President/Club Officer

Al Roy-Vice President/Club Officer

Doug Donaldson-Treasurer/Club Officer

Dennis Falkenstein-Secretary/Club Officer

Jim White

Steve Moore

Webmaster/Conservation

Jim Larson

Joe Fetter

Dominick Sangillo

Board Member

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Director-Education

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