



Cape Fear Flyfishers Meeting Minutes—September 16, 2026

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President Al Roy called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM at the Homer Wright Event Center. Approximately 30 members attended the meeting.

NEW MEMBERS/VISITORS:

One visitor and potential new member, Edward Kingston (Cleveland OH, beginner) attended the meeting.

FLY Raffle:

- Chris Kastl won the fly raffle

FISHING REPORTS

- Fishing in the area is reported as improving as weather conditions and water clarity improve. Spanish Mackerel were caught by Capt. Joe and Rick Hettenbach off Bald Head Island. Joe also spent four days of excellent fishing (small mouth, trout) on the upper Delaware river, above Hancock NY. Dave Risberg mentioned he thought flounder fishing was picking up as he caught a regulation flounder. He also fished at the Buffalo Bill (Boy Scout) Fishing Camp in Cody Wyoming, six mi. east of Yellowstone Park for a week (\$500) and described the lodge, fishing etc., as great value with excellent trout fishing (17" on a fly) on the Shoshone. Alaskan fishing by several members brought in salmon, char and a 350 Halibut.
- Jim White has not, as yet, received an update on fishing in the ponds in Brunswick County identified by Mike Raby, from the owner,

TREASURERS REPORT

- Dominick Sangillo reporting for Treasurer Paul Askew stated that the club's gross cash balance was \$ 5964.14. Of this, 1255.00 was forwarded to FFI for dues with \$4699.14 currently on hand. There are currently 55 members fully paid up. All remaining members are encouraged to pay their dues as soon as possible.

UPCOMING EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This year's Christmas part will be held on December 8th, at Island Way Restaurant, Oak Island. As usual there will be excellent hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar,

SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS

The meeting's guests were Officers Jon Hall, Joelle Deese and Michael Jones from the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries, Brunswick County. The North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) is responsible for the stewardship of the state's marine and estuarine resources. The DMF's jurisdiction encompasses all coastal waters

and extends to 3 miles offshore. <https://www.deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries>. The Division was founded in 1822 primarily to monitor the oyster harvest and now monitors North Carolina's 2 million plus recreational anglers as well as commercial fishing. Officer Michael Jones made an excellent presentation that covered Fisheries Management, Habitat and Enhancement, License and Statistics, Marine Patrol, Shellfish Sanitation and Recreational Water Quality, and new approaches to Information Technology.

The full Power Point presentation is attached

Adjournment

- The General meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm PM. Many members continued the discussion Oak Island Pub, Oak Island.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig Beattie