

Mohican Fly Fishers

Bellville, OH

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January Meeting (Jan 10)

A great start to the new year with a strong, informative, and interesting presentation by Jerry Wood (see next page). We welcome Harry Itagaki, Trent Iacano, and Mike Tzagournis as new members. Harry is apparently still feeling guilty about winning the rod last month as he brought in fresh-brownies to share. Keep it up Harry! The slate of officers for 2024 was created by the committee led by Dave Meadows. At the board meeting the slate of candidates was unanimously approved and is shown at the right. The full membership will vote to approve these candidates in the February meeting. While this is the recommended slate, anyone interested in serving in any of these roles can apply either before the meeting or at the February meeting. If you are interested, please email Dave Meadows (marchbrown47@gmail.com). Jim Stone and Jeff Todd have retired from their long long involvement as Officers. We thank them both for their contributions. ODNR Fisheries Division installed temperature probes in our river to better understand if our brown trout are succumbing to the heat. Chart on next page shows that temps never sustained at 76.5F for a week or more.

ODNR Scenic Rivers invited MFFO to become the water quality monitor for the Upper Clear Fork river. Dave Meadows will manage this activity and will be seeking volunteers. If you are a new member, it's a great way to get your feet wet!

Next Meeting (February 14)

Come and vote for your officers! Pay your dues for 2024! Enjoy a presentation by Heather Doherty and Christine Szymanski of Central Ohio Scenic Rivers. As we pursue the possibility of having the Upper Clear Fork become designated a Scenic River, listen to them describe the various water quality requirements.

Upcoming Dates

- February 3.** BUFF Expo
- February 14.** Voting for officers. **Heather Doherty**, ODNR Scenic Rivers. "Stream-side Forests and Healthy Rivers".
- March 2.** North Coast Fly Fishers
- March 9&10.** Midwest Fly Fishing Expo. Warren, MI.

Officers and Board Members

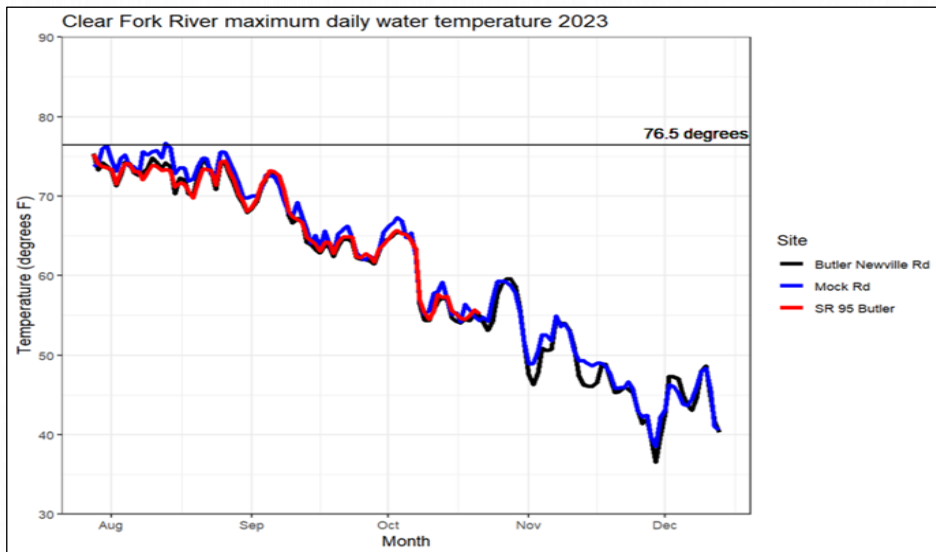
President	Matt Bower
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Salt water fly fishing. Jerry Wood has fished all over the country and shared with us his adventures with his sons of the coast of Florida, in the Mangroves, and in the Keys. He talked about great fishing stories and shared some advice on clothing, casting, and choosing guides. He has the contact information for several great guides and will share those with you. Jerry talked about the dangers of fishing in this area being interactions with alligators, crocodiles, snakes, and sharks. But, he maintains, the biggest danger is the sun! Cover yourself with light clothing, wear good sun glasses, and try not to leave any exposed skin! He talked about hooking into a seagull and narrowly escaping an interaction with a shark. He provided advice to construct leaders with heavy mono and a “shock cord” section of 25 lb. test fluorocarbon to protect your line against sharp teeth.



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MEETINGS:

The second Wednesday of each month

6:00—7:00 pm

American Legion

77 Bell Street

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Meet at American Legion pavilion in the summer



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