

# Tight Loops



Issue Date: June, 2026

Florida Fly Fishing Association

## Biolab Road Cleanup on June 11th

See the flyer, below or contact Bill Ledward for more information.

## Fly Tying on June 16th

Daryl Gorenflo will be our fly tying instructor - at the Cocoa Library.

## June 23<sup>rd</sup> FFFA Club Meeting

Scott will lead an Open Forum about tying Leaders.

## June 25th Outing

Claude Edge Front Street Park, Melbourne - fly fishing outing.

## Fly Tying on July 21st

Bob Arnold will be our fly tying instructor - at the Cocoa Library.

## Scott Curtis will lead an Open Forum for the FFFA Club Meeting on June 23rd

Please join us at Perkins on June 23rd **at 6:30pm**. Scott C. will lead our Open Forum, discussing how to build leaders. Audience participation is encouraged!!!



## Our June 16th Fly Tying class will be held at the Cocoa Library aka Catherine Schweinsberg Rood

### Daryl Gorenflo will teach us to tie an ep fiber minnow

Please join us for a fly tying class on June 16th at the Cocoa Library at **6:30pm**. Daryl Gorenflo will teach us to tie an ep fiber minnow.

Dinner isn't available. Fly tying starts at 6:30pm, but please arrive 15 minutes early. Fly tying materials will be provided, but please bring your own vise and tools if you have them. If not, we can provide them for you



# President's Message

The Mosquito Lagoon Outing on May 22<sup>nd</sup> was enthusiastically attended by 7 of Our Club's members, but unfortunately the fish were not very cooperative. Nevertheless, the event provided great opportunities for casting practice and visiting with great friends. What was in abundance, & the reason it is called the "Mosquito" Lagoon; were plenty of hungry Mosquitos! But they were persuaded to keep a distance due to our Insect Repellant! Trust me, always carry insect repellent when you go on outings in Florida. Afterwards we enjoyed an outstanding lunch at the Goodrich's Seafood & Oyster House Restaurant located nearby. It's a fantastic restaurant and overlooks the area where we had been Fly Fishing.

Our Monthly Club meeting on May 26, was highlighted by an excellent and interesting presentation by Capt. Noah Miller. Captain Miller is an outstanding local Fly Fishing Guide. Captain Miller shared a few of his most popular flies for this time of year. He provided a comprehensive presentation about the evasive SNOOK and answered many questions. Please consider Captain Miller's guide business: Florida Fly Company Charters & you won't be disappointed!

Congratulations to Daryl Gorenflo for winning a top quality Cutco knife with an engraved FFFA Logo. And congratulations to our 3 winners of the great door prizes (saltwater flies).

Rick has been overseeing 4 of our FFFA board positions, including Program Director, organizer for fly tying, the monthly newsletter and recently, Activities Director (outings). We encourage 3 FFFA members to "Step Up" and assist with these 3 vacant positions: Activities Director, Fly Tying Class Organizer and the Newsletter.

Our Club depends on our members ( YOU ) to help organize, plan and make the FFFA a successful organization. Now is the time to get more involved - we need your help!!!

Tight Loops. . .

**Amir Pishdad, Jr.**

President, Florida Fly Fishing Association



# Calendar of Events

## June 2026

**June 11<sup>th</sup>** Biolab Road cleanup (Conservation) Bill Ledward

**June 16<sup>th</sup>** Fly Tying, Daryl Gorenflo

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>** Club Meeting, Open Forum led by Scott C.

## July 2026

**July 21<sup>st</sup>** Fly Tying: Bob Arnold

**July 28<sup>th</sup>** Club Meeting, (TBD)

## August 2026

**August 18th** Fly Tying, Steve Lo

**August 25th** Club Meeting, (TBD)

Email Point of Contact (POC) @ [FFFAevents@gmail.com](mailto:FFFAevents@gmail.com)

# Board Members & Officers



**President**  
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# FFFA OUTING ON JUNE 25TH

## INDIAN RIVER LAGOON FLY FISHING OUTING



Join us for this very fun Fly Fishing Outing. This is a great opportunity to target and catch Tarpon, Snook, Speckled Trout, Redfish and a variety of other fish.

### WHEN

6:30 am on Thursday, June 25th  
(Possibly 6am - up to Captains)

### WHERE

Melbourne:

Claude Edge Front Street Park:  
Boat Ramp  
2205 Front Street  
Melbourne, FL 32901

### WHO IS INVITED?

All FFFA Club members are invited to participate. Seating is limited, so RSVP as soon as possible!

If you have a boat and wish to participate, Captains should please contact Rick Posey or Clyde Langley to let them know whether or not you have room for Club member(s) who don't have a boat.

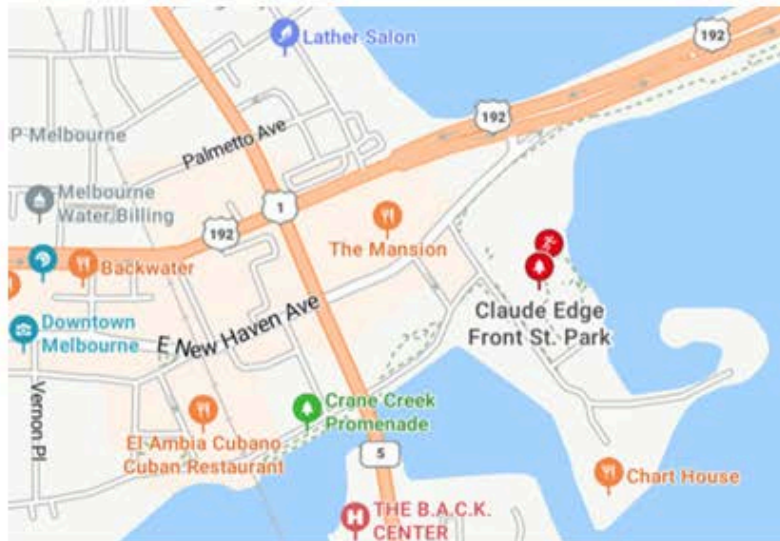
1. Sunscreen
2. Sunglasses
3. **Water** - lots!!!
4. Snacks
5. Hat
6. Jacket
7. Suntan lotion
8. Bug repellent for No See Ums & Mosquitos

### WHAT TO BRING

1. Fly Rod (7wt or 8wt)
2. Reel
3. Fishing needle nose pliers
4. Small scissors or nips
5. Washcloth: for fish slime, lol

### Recommended Flies

1. Clouser Minnows
2. Shrimp Patterns
3. Baitfish Patterns
4. Crab Patterns (Redfish crack)  
\* ideally weedless \*
5. Tod's Wiggle Minnow



### MEET AT BOAT RAMP AFTERWARDS

Let's meet at noon and go for lunch, together (YTB)

Sign up by sending an email to:

[FFFAevents@gmail.com](mailto:FFFAevents@gmail.com) attn: Rick & Clyde

You are welcome to contact Rick or Clyde directly.

\*\* If you don't have our contact information, please ask us at the next Club meeting. Or text any FFFA Board Member, to find out.

**Captains with boats are needed!**

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🌐 [www.FloridaFlyFishingAssociation.com](http://www.FloridaFlyFishingAssociation.com)

f [FloridaFlyFishingAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/FloridaFlyFishingAssociation)



## **BIOLAB CLEAN-UP BY THE FFFA ON JUNE 11, 2026**

The Florida Fly Fishing Association is committed to cleaning up a section of the Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge. It is important to "do our part" to protect this fantastic resource. By picking up trash, we protect the environment (i.e. animals, plants & fish); and it helps keep the Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge cleaner when you and I go there to fish or hike.

### **DATE + TIME**

Thursday, June 11, 2026  
8am to 10am

### **LOCATION: MERRIT ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**

**1987 SCRUB JAY WAY, TITUSVILLE FL**

Take Highway I-95 and get off at exit 220. Turn right on Route 406 (Garden Street). Continue eastbound to the A. Max Brewer Memorial Parkway. Continue on the Max Brewer Bridge until you get to Scrub Jay Way. We'll meet at the Visitor Center.

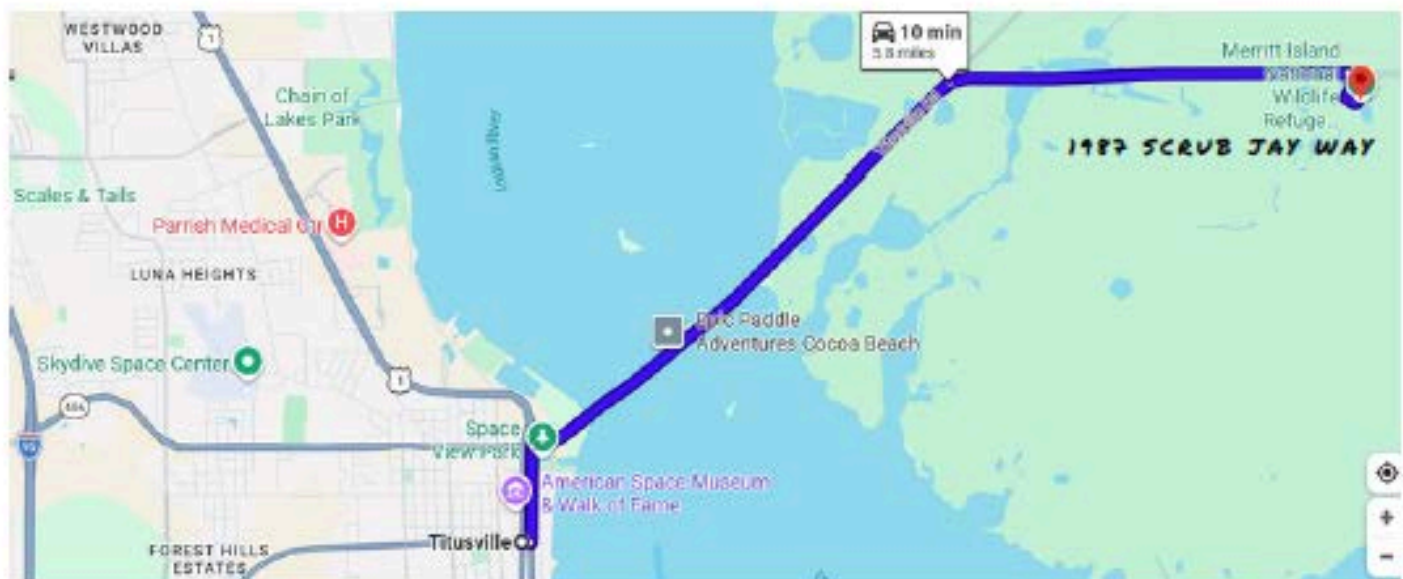
### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Sign up by sending an email to: [FFFAEVENTS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:FFFAEVENTS@GMAIL.COM)

Attn: Bill Ledward

You are welcome to contact Bill directly.

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# FFFA FLY TYING

3RD TUESDAY EACH MONTH - BEGINS AT 6:30PM  
BRING YOUR VISE + FLY TYING TOOLS

@ Catherine Schweinsberg Rood Central Library

308 Forrest Avenue Cocoa FL 32922

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# FFFA CLUB MEETING

4TH TUESDAY EACH MONTH - BEGINS AT 6:30PM  
ARRIVE 45 MINUTES EARLY TO EAT

Perkins Restaurant & Bakery

8200 N Wickham Road Melbourne, FL 32940

321-752-5200

Recommend Members attend Early  
Enjoy the Fantastic Food & Deserts at PERKINS



**MOSQUITO LAGOON OUTING**



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**FLY TYING - BOB + JACKIE CLOUSER**

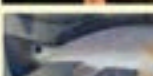


**CAPTAIN NOAH MILLER**

# Florida Fly Fishing Association Species Tracker 2026

## Total Species Caught: 46

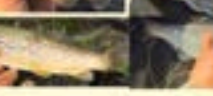
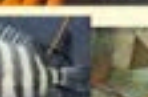
Current as of 05/4/2026



- Alligator Gar
- American Shad
- Armored Catfish
- Black Crappie
- Black Drum
- Blue Catfish
- Blue Tilapia
- Blueback Herring
- Bluegill
- Bowfin
- Brook Trout
- Brown Trout
- Channel Catfish
- Crocker
- Flier
- Florida Bluegill (Coppernose)
- Hickory Shad
- Holland's Carp
- Jaguar Capote
- Ladyfish
- Largemouth Bass
- Largescale Mullet
- Mayan Cichlid



- Mullet
- Nile Tilapia
- Northern Weakfish
- Oscar
- Peacock Bass
- Pearl Cichlid
- Pompano
- Pork Fish
- Pufferfish
- Rainbow Trout
- Redbreast Sunfish
- Redfish
- Redhead Cichlid
- Sailors Choice Grunt
- Sheepshead
- Speckled Trout
- Spotted Sunfish
- Spotted Tilapia
- Striped Bass
- Tarpon
- Tilapia
- Tripletail
- Warmouth

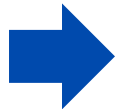


Please send clear, detailed photos to Doug Rothenbush at 402-953-8214 or [dougrothenbush@outlook.com](mailto:dougrothenbush@outlook.com)

**IF YOU CATCH A FISH WHILE FLY FISHING, + IT'S NOT ON THIS LIST, PLEASE NOTIFY DOUG ROTHENBUSH**

# Club Sponsors & Discounts

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FOR AN APPOINTMENT  
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Melbourne, FL 32901

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Monthly FlyTying  
2nd & 4th Thursday  
Starting 6pm  
Bring Vice & Tying Tools

harrygoodesoutfitters@gmail.com 321-723-4751

**FLY TYING - HARRY GOODE'S  
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