

Tight Loops



Issue Date: September, 2026

Florida Fly Fishing Association

Fly Tying on Sept. 15th

Kevin Sedlack will be our fly tying instructor - Cocoa Library.

September 17th Outing

Our next fly fishing outing will be held at Fox Lake, Titusville; see below for more information.

Sept. 22nd FFFA Club Meeting

Aaron Adams Ph.D. with the Bonefish and Tarpon Trust will be our guest speaker. .

Fly Tying on October 20th

Rick Posey will be our fly tying instructor - at the Cocoa Library.

Oct. 27th FFFA Club Meeting

Christine Frieseman with the Ocean Research & Conservation Association will be our guest speaker.

Dr. Aaron Adams will be our speaker for the Sept. 22nd Club Meeting

Please join us at **Beef O'Bradys 3030 Lake Washington Rd. Melbourne** on August 25th at **6:30**.

Aaron Adams, Ph.D. will be our guest speaker. He is the Director of Science and Conservation / Senior Scientist for the Bonefish and Tarpon Trust. Aaron received a bachelor's degree from St. Mary's College in Maryland, a Master's degree from the College of William and Mary, and a Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts, Boston. Aaron holds a Coast Guard Captain's license. He has lived, worked, and fished on both coasts of the US; as well as the Caribbean, where he has been conducting fish research for more than 25 years. His pursuit of effective fish and habitat conservation is rooted in his years growing up near Chesapeake Bay, where he witnessed the decline of the Bay's habitats and fisheries.

We asked him to share some tips about how to protect a tarpon or other fish during a catch and release. We also asked him to share what we can do as anglers to help with conservation. We also asked him to share information about habitat patterns in the local area to help us locate and catch tarpon.



President's Message

Fall is nearly here, bringing some of the best chances to get on the water and connect with fellow anglers. As cooler weather arrives, we look forward to another great month of fly tying, fishing outings, and fellowship.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent programs and events. Your shared knowledge, enthusiasm and growing friendships are what make FFFA such a special community. Whether you are experienced or just beginning, there is always something to learn and someone ready to help.

Please check the club calendar for upcoming outings, fly-tying sessions, and membership meetings. Especially the need for Volunteers to represent our Club's Mission at the Orlando Home & Garden Show on October 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Please contact me if you're interested.

With the FFFA leadership election approaching, we hope to fill all (or at least most) positions with new volunteers. The FFFA thrives because volunteers share their time, talents, ideas and fresh perspectives which help us grow while creating meaningful experiences for all members. I encourage members to please consider serving in club leadership.

Most of all, our club is about more than catching fish. It is about building friendships, learning together, supporting conservation, and enjoying the outdoors. A successful club is measured not by the fish we catch, but by the *friendships, knowledge, and stewardship* we are developing.

Thank you for being the "Best Part" of the FFFA. I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events and on the water.

Tight loops,

Amir Pishdad, Jr.

President, Florida Fly Fishing Association



Our September 15th Fly Tying class will be held at the Cocoa Library aka Catherine Schweinsberg Rood

Kevin Sedlak will teach us to tie the Balanced Minnow

Please join us for a fly tying class on September 15th at the Cocoa Library at **6pm**. Please note that we have begun meeting ½ hour earlier! Kevin Sedlak will teach us to tie the Balanced Minnow.

Dinner isn't available. Fly tying starts at 6pm, 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.



EDUCATION CLASS BY MIKE FRANZ

FFFA OUTING ON SEPTEMBER 17TH

FOX LAKE, TITUSVILLE FLY FISHING OUTING



Join us for this very fun Fly Fishing Outing. This is a great opportunity to target and catch Bass & Crappie and a variety of other freshwater fish.

WHEN

6:30 am on Thursday, Sept. 17th
(Possibly 6am - up to Captains)

WHERE

Titusville:

Fox Lake Boat Ramp
4400 Fox Lake Rd
Titusville, FL 32796

WHO IS INVITED?

All FFFA Club members are invited to participate. There is typically a limited # of seats on the boats, so RSVP as soon as possible! Bring your kayak if you have one. You can fish from the shore: about 500 yards; but bring wading shoes.

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

WHAT TO BRING

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

1. Fly Rod (5wt or 6wt)
2. Reel
3. Fishing needle nose pliers
4. Small scissors or nips
5. Washcloth: for fish slime, lol

Recommended Flies

1. Stealth Bombers
2. Gurglers
3. Small Poppers
4. Schminnows
5. Tod's Wiggle Minnow
6. Clouser 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 attn: Jim, Amy & Rick

You are welcome to contact Jim, Amy or Rick 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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Calendar of Events

September 2026

September 15th Fly Tying, Kevin Sedlack

September 22nd Club Meeting, Dr. Aaron Adams Bonefish & Tarpon Trust

September 17th Fly fishing outing: Fox Lake

October 2026

October 20th Fly Tying, Rick Posey

October 27th Club Meeting, Christine Frieseman - ORCA

October (YTB) Fly fishing outing

November 2026

November 17th Fly Tying, Bill Ledward

November 24th Club Meeting, Election & Open Forum

November (YTB) Fly fishing outing

December 2026

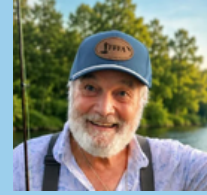
December 15th Fly Tying, Doug Rothenbush & Joel Pomeroy

December (YTB) Christmas Party

NOTE: we will not have a Club Meeting in December

Email Point of Contact (POC) @ FFFAevents@gmail.com

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FFFA CLUB MEETING

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

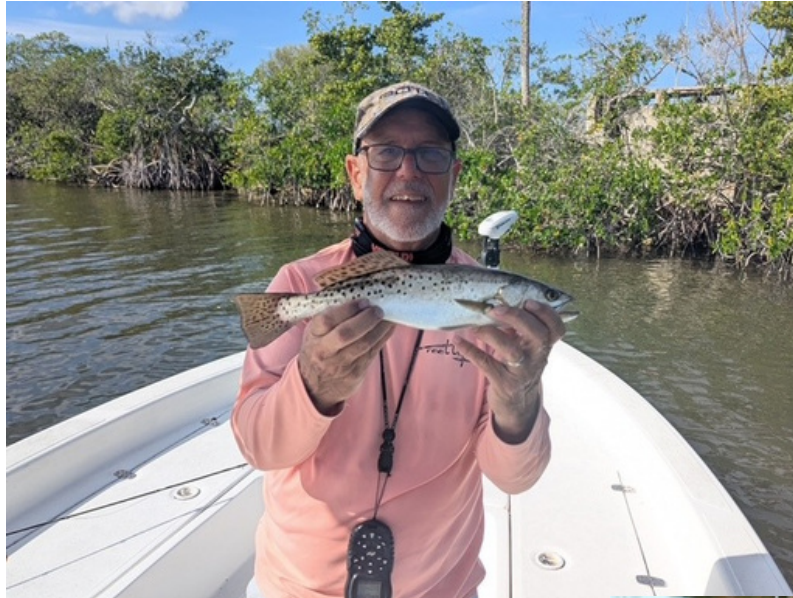
Beef O'Brady's

3030 LAKE WASHINGTON ROAD
MELBOURNE, FL 32934

FFFA MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ARRIVE EARLY TO
ENJOY THE FANTASTIC FOOD + DESSERTS AT BEEF O'BRADY'S



**AMAZON FLY FISHING BY RICHARD HART
FOR FFFA CLUB MEETING**



BALLARD PARK OUTING



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Florida Fly Fishing Association Species Tracker 2026



Total Species Caught: 53

Current as of 07/24/2026

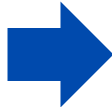
- > Alligator Gar
- > American Shad
- > Armored Catfish
- > **Atlantic Spade Fish**
- > Black Crappie
- > Black Drum
- > Blue Catfish
- > Blue Tilapia
- > Blueback Herring
- > Bluegill
- > Bowfin
- > Brook Trout
- > Brown Trout
- > Bullseye Snakehead
- > Channel Catfish
- > Crocker
- > Flier
- > Florida Bluegill (Coppernose)
- > Gulf Flounder
- > Hickory Shad
- > Holland's Carp
- > Jaguar Capote
- > Ladyfish
- > Largemouth Bass
- > Largescale Mullet
- > Leather Jack
- > 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
- > Smallmouth Bass
- > **Southern Flounder**
- > Speckled Trout
- > Spotted Sunfish
- > Spotted Tilapia
- > Striped Bass
- > Tarpon
- > Tiger Trout
- > Tilapia
- > Tripletail
- > Warmouth

Please send clear, detailed photos to Doug Rothenbush at 402-953-8214 or dougrothenbush@outlook.com

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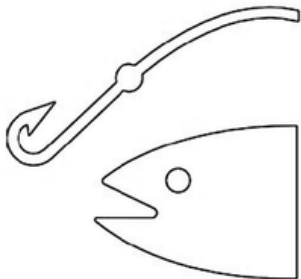
1231 E New Haven Ave
Melbourne, FL 32901

Hours:
Monday-Saturday 10am-6pm
Sunday - 10am-4pm

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

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