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Newsletter

Thursday, June 16th, 2016
7:00

Captain Jim Freda

N.J. Saltwater Fly Fishing

Captain Jim Freda has been fishing the ocean and beaches of the Jersey Shore for over thirty years. He is recognized as one of New Jersey's top saltwater fly fishing and light tackle guides. Jim is a principal member of Shore Catch Guide Service, LLC located in Manasquan, NJ that specializes in saltwater fly fishing charters from both the beach and boat. Jim is also a highly respected and established outdoor writer. A member of the Outdoor Writers Association of America he has been published nationally in Fly Fishing in Saltwaters Magazine. He also writes for several regional and New Jersey based publications that include On the Water, "Fishin Forum" magazine, and the Fisherman.

He also has a weekly fishing column that appears in New Jersey's second largest newspaper, The Bergen Record and also a weekly saltwater column in The Coast Star and The Ocean Star Newspapers of Monmouth and Ocean Counties. Jim and his partners in Shore Catch, Captain Gene Quigley and Shell E. Caris travel around the tri-state area giving saltwater fly fishing seminars and demonstrations. Recently they were featured on the nationally syndicated TV show "Vacations on the Fly" hosted by Gary and Robin Edwards. They have also appeared on Mark Crescenzo's "Family Outdoors Fishing Show", and Mike Jackson's Outdoor Radio Show. Jim and his partners, Capt Gene Quigley and Shell E. Caris book, authored [Saltwater](#)

Tactics a Tactical Approach, a Guide for Beach and Boat Fishermen.

In the past several years Jim has fished the entire 127 miles of the New Jersey Coast with some of the most respected charter captains, local guides, and resident experts in researching his bestselling book "[Fishing the New Jersey Coast](#)", Burford Publishing Company. The book covers over 140 locations ([Table of Contents](#)) from Sandy Hook to Cape May and how to fish them most productively.

Last Month Joe Humphreys

Joe talked about his life as a fisherman and his years teaching fly fishing at Penn State. His videos showed several very clever techniques he developed for trout fishing.

One of his most interesting demonstrations was how he fishes really small and tight sections of stream using a "Bow and Arrow" cast with your fly rod. Clever, but it sure looks like you will hook yourself or break your rod.

Club annual Upper Delaware Camping Trip

June 3, 4, and 5th was the annual club Upper Delaware Camping Trip. As usual, both the weather and fishing was challenging. It rained Friday day, Friday night, Saturday night and on and off Sunday. Fortunately, the weather was good on Saturday day and Saturday evening for the club dinner. Once again Lenny and his team did an outstanding job with the steaks, potatoes, corn, scallops etc. The steaks were great! (If you got there a little late you discovered that the club piranhas had already devoured the oeuvres.) Scary group! Seriously, the club owes a lot of thanks to the amazing job done by all the chefs on this trip.



Green Drake from the West Branch.

The fishing was challenging. There were some Green drakes hatching on the West Branch, but not much bug activity this year. That may be due to the unusual weather pattern. Some nice fish were caught in the late evenings but you had to work for them.

When I go on this trip it is always with the hope/expectation of getting one of those twenty-inch Brown trout. This year I tried some new flies and new strategies, but the results were mixed. I didn't catch any fish Friday evening, caught two fairly nice browns on Saturday morning and didn't get any that evening. Hope springs eternal, so I gave it one last shot Sunday morning before the rain and flood came. I hit the main river mid-morning and fished with wet flies and weighted nymphs for several hours with no success. Finally, I had a solid hit and hooked a large, heavy fish that moved slowly into the current. It rolled and showed its long, orange side and I was sure I had finally hooked my 20-inch Brown. After a modest fight, I saw that

I had really hooked the biggest 20+ inch Sucker I have even seen. After that catch, I knew it was time to go home.



Stone flies hatching on the main Branch.

Monthly fly tyers.

Thanks to the fly tying volunteers for May. Steve Sklar tied parachute sulfurs and Ed Emery tied a gold stonefly nymph.

Upcoming Club Events

Have a Great summer!

Other news

Pa. Fly Fishing Heritage Day Yellow Breeches

14th Annual PFFMA Fly Fishing Heritage Day Saturday June 18th, 2016

This year's Heritage Day will be filled with fun from beginning to end, with over 60+ Vendors and Exhibitors, Speakers and Demonstrations, there will be all-day Fly casting instruction, a Fly casting competition, many Fly tiers in action, Raffles, Silent Auctions and the always popular Fish Swim Race on the Yellow Breeches. Several programs are scheduled and will take place in our museum and streamside.

This year The Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum will again be co-sponsoring The Mid-Atlantic Fly Casting Championships. This event will again be co-sponsored and conducted by the Cumberland Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited (CVTU) Full details on registration, and contest rules will be available on CVTU's website at www.pacvtu.org.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS and EVENTS

10:00—Rod Rohrbach, "Techniques For Tough Trout" and how to catch them

11:00—Brian Shumaker / "Fly Fishing for Smallmouth Bass Techniques and Places" how, when, and where to catch smallmouth on the fly.

1:00—Fish Swim Race / Streamside

1:30—Greg Hoover / "Streamside Aquatic Insect Identification Demonstration"

Two New Raffles for 2016, tickets will be available at all events, and at : www.paflyfishing.org

Five Cane and Glass Fly Rods by:

Tom Smithwick, Massimo Tirocchi, Chris Barclay, Bill Harms, Thomas & Thomas

Five Guided and Hosted Trips by:

Joe Humphreys, Lee Hartman, Tom Baltz, Carl Richards, Brian Shumaker

Help us celebrate our fly fishing heritage, Don't miss out on this years events More vendors then everMore fly casting and tying instruction then ever Bigger Fish Swim Race then ever, TAKE A CHANCE and purchase your fish ticket on our website. New things added every year Come join in the FUN on JUNE 20th, 2015. **REGISTER NOW**.....the \$25 registration fee includes the famous Allenberry Resort Picnic Lunch\$10 each without lunch, **FREE admission for children 15 years old and younger.** Youth lunch is \$12 each, you must also register for the youth lunch. You may register and pay on our web site through Paypal at www.paflyfishing.org

Allenberry Resort offers a room rate of \$49 for PFFMA members. We encourage you to register early as rooms are limited. Call Allenberry Resort for reservations 1-800-430-5468

Not a member ??? join at www.paflyfishing.org from \$25 to \$250

All 2016 events are held at the Allenberry Resort, 1559 Boiling Springs Rd. Boiling Springs, PA 17007 / Overnight lodging is available to PFFMA Members at \$49.00 per Room + taxes, rooms are limited,

If you would like to be added to our email mailing list, please email us your email address to: info@paflyfishing.org.

Directions to Club Meeting Site:

**Greater Plymouth Community Center
2910 Jolly Rd, Plymouth Meeting PA 19462 610-277-4312**

From Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-276)

Take Exit 333 (Norristown - old exit 25). At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Plymouth Road. At the light, turn right onto Germantown Pike West. Continue approximately one (1)

mile, through four (4) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Blue Route (I-476)

Take exit for Germantown Pike West (Exit 20). Continue on Germantown Pike west for approximately one (1) mile, through five (5) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Route 202

Follow Route 202 to Germantown Pike. Travel EAST on Germantown Pike, through five (5) traffic lights. At the next traffic light, approximately half a mile, turn left onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

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