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Fly Fishing Florida's West Coast with IFFF Florida Council President Tom Gadazc

Tom Gadacz's foray into fishing began with a cane pole. Eventually, he transitioned to a spinning rod. However, it wasn't until a trip in 1991 to visit his daughter, a Park Ranger at the Grand Tetons, that Tom's interest in fly fishing sparked. Soon afterward Tom took his first fly fishing lesson. He found the artfulness and challenge of the sport to his liking. Returning home to Georgia, Tom joined a local fly fishing club where the members took him under their wing. Despite working full time as a surgeon, Tom learned how to tie flies and build three fly rods. Since then, he has traveled from Alaska to the Bahamas and all parts in between, fishing for anything that swims. Tom shared his love for fly fishing with his son Nicholas who in turn introduced his son to fly fishing.



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After retiring, Tom and his wife Judith moved to St Petersburg, where he joined the Suncoast Fly Fishers. Tom actively participated in the Club first as newsletter editor, then treasurer and eventually President. Several of the Suncoast Club introduced Tom to the International Federation of Fly Fishers. After becoming a member of the Federation, Tom was asked to serve on the Board for the Florida Council. Currently, he is serving as President of the Federation's Florida Council.

Tom enjoys fishing in fishing in both fresh and salt water. He regularly travels to the western United States to visit his children and fly fish. When he is back in Florida he spends his time teaching fly casting at summary youth fishing camps as well as volunteering at the Bay Pines VA Hospital.

Join us Monday, May 2nd as we welcome IFFF Florida Council President Tom Gadacz. Tom will be speaking about fishing the western coast of Florida as well as discussing new programs, conservation efforts and incentives with the International Federation of Fly Fishers.

With Daylight Savings Time in effect, bring your fly rod and come early for casting practice around Lake Marriott.

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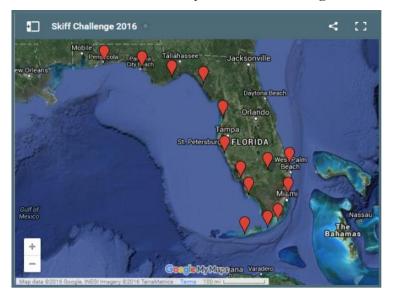
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The Florida Skiff Challenge

a bold concept: run a small open skiff from the Florida Panhandle down along the western coast of the Gulf of Mexico all the way to Key West before heading north up the East Coast and then back across the state through the Okeechobee Waterway, eventually winding up in Sarasota. It's been attempted once before (unsuccessfully, in 2015) but the Florida Skiff Challenge was once again a go this year, "rain or shine" on March 24, 2016. "This is a very unique event," says organizer Heath Daughtry of Yellowfin Yachts. "It's a gentleman's race for bragging rights only. We're not competing against each other but rather against the elements-the seas, the weather-to see who can even finish the entire 1,200 miles."

The event was limited to Florida skiff manufacturers only, not the general public. The boats had to be open fishing skiffs 18 feet or less in length, carrying a maximum of 22 gallons of fuel and powered by an outboard motor of 70 horsepower or less. The boats traveled along the coastline and were allowed to use any electronic navigational





aids the teams felt would help them make the trip safely, including radar and night vision devices. They were allowed to stop as often as necessary for fuel, food and rest but if the boats were removed from the water, their challenge was over. "The weather is the real unknown, especially in late March," Daughtry reports. "Last year we had a cold front that swept over us and when you're navigating open water in pitch darkness with the winds and seas, it's a lot more difficult than most would think. It's definitely an adventure, especially considering that we're going from Gulf Breeze in the Panhandle all the way around Key West and back up the East Coast." Most teams used a twoperson crew in the skiff and another two-person team in a support vehicle back ashore.

This year's contest benefited the Coastal Conservation Association's habitat restoration efforts in Florida. "This is really a competition to see who can raise the most money for CCA," says Daughtry. "Each team is soliciting sponsors and donations so we're hoping to raise \$10 per mile—that would mean that each team is raising \$12,000 to go directly toward CCA's habitat restoration programs.

Florida's waters and our gamefish are the real winners here." The donations



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were presented to CCA in April during the conservation organization's annual fundraiser in Orlando.

Three teams were signed up for this year's Challenge. Heath Daughtry and Chase Daniel from Yellowfin Yachts in Sarasota returned to the Challenge this year in a 17-foot Yellowfin skiff. Todd Fuller and Chris Peterson from Hell's Bay Boatworks in Titusville, Florida participated along with Tom Biller from the Sarasota-based Panga Marine. He ran a standard Panga 18-foot EVO skiff powered by a 70 horsepower outboard. "It's going to be a pretty grueling test of endurance but as a lifelong boater, all you can do is prepare for the worst and hope for the best, especially when it comes to the weather," Biller said before the race. "I like the conservation aspect as well-we sell boats because of what Florida has to offer, and we need to be good stewards of those resources."

Todd Fuller from Hell's Bay echoed those statements, saying that his team was very excited to not only test themselves and their equipment but also to assist in the conservation efforts along the way. "We've been a huge supporter of CCA for many years and feel that it's an excellent recipient of the funds we're able to raise as our conservation partner in this event," he says. Fuller and Hell's Bay Boatworks owner Chris Peterson participated int the challenge in a 16-foot Hell's Bay Biscayne, equipped with the latest in electronics from Raymarine. "If you don't prepare then you fail," Fuller states. "We're going to be ready with a plan A, B and C and also be ready for the unexpected. It will be grueling but I'm sure we'll have some fun along



the way."

Both Team Yellowfin and Team Hell's Bay finished this year's challenge, with Heath Daughtry and Chase Daniel beating out Todd Fuller and Chris Peterson. Team Panga ran into electrical issues around Cedar Key and had to drop out of the race. However, before doing so, they vowed

to be back next year.

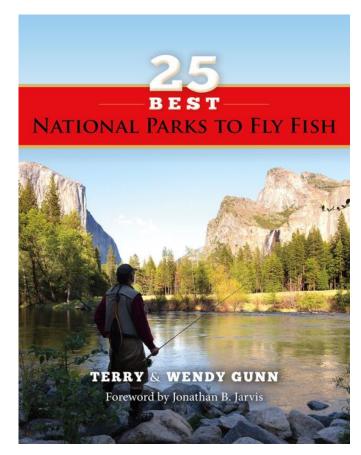


25 Best National Parks to Fly Fish By Terry and Wendy Gunn

n August 25, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed legislation creating the National Park Service, a new federal bureau in the Department of the Interior responsible for protecting existing national parks and monuments and those yet to be established. By doing so, he not only preserved America's most remarkable natural wonders, but he also created protections for some of the most idyllic flyfishing locations in North America.

25 Best National Parks to Fly Fish celebrates the phenomenal fly-fishing opportunities in the National Park System, and the centennial of the National Park Service stewardship. Authors Terry and Wendy Gunn tap into the collective knowledge of some of the most accomplished guides and anglers working the waters both inside and adjoining the nation's most accessible national parks. From jumping tarpon in the Everglades, highsticking for brook trout in the small creeks of the Great Smoky Mountains, and throwing line in the high-alpine lakes of the Rocky Mountains, these authors and contributors share their deep knowledge of each park and the many species that inhabit their waters. In addition to the detailed GIS maps, recommended flies, hatches, hot spots, and suggestions for gear, lodging, and dining for each location, this book contains more than 150 stunning, 4-color location photos that will make you want to pack up your gear and hit the road for a world-class experience in America's national parks!





Some of the National Parks highlighted in this book include: Arcadia, Shenandoah, Great Smokey Mountains, Congaree, Biscayne, Everglades, Rocky Mountain, Grand Teton, Sequoia, Kings Canyon, Yellowstone, and Glacier.

If you are planning to celebrate the US National Park Service's 100th Anniversary this year by visiting any of the 58 national parks, with your fly rods this is an indispensable companion.

25 Best National Parks to Fly Fish is scheduled to be published on June 16, 2016, just in time for summer vacation. You can pre-order your copy through Stonefly Press at: <u>http://stoneflypress.com/shop/fly-fishingbooks/25-best-national-parks-fly-fish</u>. The suggested retail price is \$32.95



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Q&A with IFFF Florid Council Presiden Tom Gadacz

Where are you originally from and how long have you lived in Florida?

Born in South Bend, Indiana. Lived in Chicago; San Francisco; Rochester, Minnesota; Baltimore; Augusta, Georgia and now St. Petersburg, FL (11 years). Spent two years in the Navy one of which was in Viet Nam as a Marine Battalion Surgeon 1/26th

What is your job/profession?

Retired surgeon. Professor of Surgery at Johns Hopkins and Chair of Surgery Department at the Medical College of Georgia

Tell us a little something about your family?

Married to Judith for 48 years, Four children (Audrey, Emily, Alissa and Nicholas); 9 grandchildren. Emily and Marley, her daughter (our granddaughter) are returning from climbing to the base camp of Everest. Two daughters in medicine, one in real estate and son in technology consulting.

How long have you been fly fishing?

25 years but seriously 10 years.



Who are your heroes or who do you admire most?

Military veterans especially Marines who saved my life many time in Viet Nam Where is your favorite place to fish?

Fort DeSoto in St. Petersburg

With what person (living or dead) would you like to spend a day on the water?

I have been fortunate to fish with many fly fishers. The best ones always teach me something.

Aside from the obvious (rod, reel and flies) what piece of fly fishing gear do you consider essential to have with you on the water?

Sun protective clothing

What is your "go-to" fly?

Clouser - chartreuse and white

What is your favorite fish to catch on a fly rod.

Enjoy them all. The most challenging has been the tarpon. Hooked several but never had one close to the boat.

If they made a movie about your life, what would the Title be and what actor would play You?

You're kidding.

What is the last book you read? Favorite book: <u>A Land Remembered</u> by Patrick D. Smith

What is on your iPod (ie what kind of



music do you listen to)?

No iPod. Rather fish in peace

How may fly rods do you own?

10 rods including two bamboo

What is your idea of a perfect day on the water?

Slight wind with clouds and tailing reds

Which talent or skill would you most like to have?

Effective teacher

What is your most treasured possession?

My family and friends

What was the most significant moment of your life thus far?

Marrying my wife

If you had an hour to spend with the next President of the United States, what would you discuss and why?

The need to act in the best interests of all the people in both political parties







Dick Michaelson and Tom Mason recently had a good day on Crescent Lake. They managed to land four catfish, two crappie and a mess of redbellies. One of the catfish weighed in at 8.5 pounds!

Well done guys!





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Editors Note: The 8-weight Shootout is a recurring event that is orchestrated by George Anderson of <u>Yel-</u> <u>lowstone Anglers.</u> This year many of the participants and judges were IFFF Certified Casting Instructors, including Dusty Sprague, MCI, and CIs Skip Zink and Jamie Allen.

ow often do you get a chance to cast 28 of the best 8-wt. rods in one place at the same time, side by side, all with the same lines, leaders, reels and casting conditions? Not a random test at a show or shop, but an honest comparison, head to head, toe to toe shootout. It was a pleasure to be invited to participate this year in the Shootout, and, it was an eye opener. The process is telling.

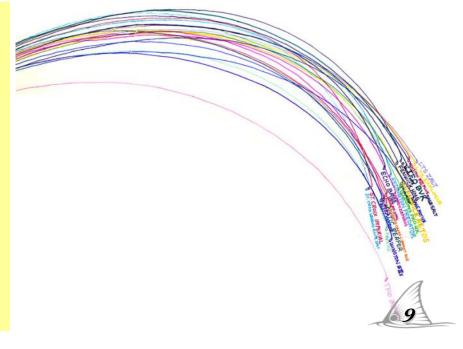
Having several rods laying in front of you — all with the same lines, leaders, and reels, with lines stretched out to 35, 60, or 80 feet — pick up a rod make a few casts to the selected distance/target - lay it down - pick up another rod and repeat the casting to the same distance/target - you very quickly can tell the differences between the rods. Go through several at the same distance/target and you can identify the one(s) you prefer over the others. Subtle differences between the rods quickly emerge. The keys to this are having all the same lines, leaders and reels and selecting a single distance and comparing rods at that chosen distance/target only, before going to another distance/target.

The differences between rods will not emerge as profoundly if you cast one rod for 15 minutes or more at several distances, then pick up a different rod and repeat the process. After a short while with any rod you adapt to it. Nor will the process work as well if you have to take the time to change lines and re-string the rods between casting. You lose something in that timeconsuming delay between casting. It's best to have it all set up identical to start, to get the most profound feel of the differences between rods.

This year's lineup of 8-weight rods was impressive -28 rods tested. Although I was able to work only the first day of the Shootout and compare a few rods, I was impressed with the comparisons I was able to make using their process. I believe you can take the comments about the rods to the bank, so to speak. They are the honest opinions of very competent casters who are experienced saltwater fly fishers.

Rod Deflection Chart

To make the deflection chart, the rods were placed at a 45degree angle and then a 6.2 ounce weight of was hung from the tiptop. The outline of the rod was then traced in different color sharpies.





#1 Scott Meridian - 80/80 Points Light, responsive and strong - does it all superbly!



#3 Sage Motive - 77/80 Points *A solid performer at all ranges*



#2 G. Loomis NRX - 79/80 Points Excellent overall - feels heavy compared to Meridian - easily tails if application of power is not spot on.



#4 Hardy Zephrus - 76.5/80 Points *Feels heavy in my hand - good power at all distances*



#5 G. Loomis Crosscurrent GLX - 74/80 Points *Feels tip heavy - excellent at distance*



#6 Orvis Helios 2 - 74/80 Points Excellent feel at close range - OK at mid-range - too soft at 70 feet and beyond



#7 Mystic - 73/80 Points *OK at close range - collapsing at longer distances*



#8 Sage Salt - 73/80 Points Lacks feel - unimpressive

| Final Results | | Best in Test | Number of Pieces | Price \$ | Craftsmanship | Warranty | Fun to Fish "got to have" | Overall Weight | Swing Weight | Performance at 35 feet | Performance at 60 feet | Performance at 80 feet | Performance at 100 feet | Perfect #8 Performance | Grand Total |
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| 2 | G. Loomis | | 4 | 6 | 9 | 10 | 9.5 | 8 | 17 | 19 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 19.5 | 158 |
| 3 | | Cross Current GLH \$690.00 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 16 | 19 | 19.5 | 20 | 20 | 19 | 155.5 |
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| 6 | | Legend Elite SW \$490.00 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 16 | 19 | 19.5 | 19.5 | 19.5 | 19 | 153.5 |
| 6 | | PRO 4x \$360.00 | 4 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 8.5 | 8 | 16 | 19 | 19 | 19.5 | 19 | 18.5 | 153.5 |
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| 14 | | Imperial \$260.00 | 4 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 16 | 18 | 18.5 | 18 | 17 | 17.5 | 144 |
| 14 | | Predator \$279.95 | 4 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 6.5 | 8 | 16 | 17 | 18.5 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 144 |
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| 20 | Hardy Zep | phrus SWS 1pc \$709.00 | 1 | 6 | 9 | 8 | 8.5 | 9 | 19 | 19.5 | 19 | 18.5 | 18.5 | 18.5 | 153.5 |

Average Scores for All the Rods Tested in the Shoot Out





Click the link below to read the Shootout results and the conclusions drawn from the results.

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US, Belize, Mexico, the Bahamas, and Canada, and has guided in Alaska. He has taught saltwater fly fishing schools and hosted groups in pursuit of shallow-water species in the Bahamas, Mexico, and Belize. He is the former manager of two fly-fishing shops and a fly-fishing guide service at the Broadmoor, a five-star resort hotel in Colorado Springs. He has appeared on NBC's Today Show and ESPN's Fishing Across America. He is a member of the Scientific Angler's Pro Staff.

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Lott Outing Saturday June 11th

B ill and Ann Lott have agreed to host a fish fly for the Club at their house along the St. Johns River. It has been a couple years since we've been able to hold an outing at the Lott's house. This year's event is scheduled for <u>June 11th</u>. If you've been to the Lott's in years past then you know it is a great family event. If you've never been to an out at the Lott's then you are in for a treat!

Members who are interested in fishing are welcome to show up early and use the Lott's house to launch canoes and kayaks. Larger boats can be launched from one of the nearby boat ramps and tie up to the Lott's dock.

A lot of work goes into planning something like this, not to mention the fact that the Lott's open their home to the Club for the day. So, the Club is looking for a couple of volunteer to assist with planning and orchestrating the outing. Volunteers will be asked to help setup for the event as well as assist with the cleanup afterward. If you or your significant other (or both) are interested in serving on the Lott Outing Committee, please contact President Seth Nehrke at NehrkeSM@gmail.com.

As time for the outing draws near, Bill will be assessing the "fish situation" and may be asking folks to help supply fish for the outing. Don't start collecting and freezing fish now. In the next could weeks an email will be sent out regarding the type and amount of additional fish we will need for the fish fry. In the meantime, continue to keeping practicing so you can heed the call when it comes.

RAFFLE

If the fishing, food and fellowship isn't enough to entice you, we will be giving away stuff. We managed to hold back a couple of items from the banquet in February, which we will be giving away at the outing. These items include:

- Simms Nippers
- Simms Thirsty Tarpon Keychain
- Simms T-shirt
- Simms Trucker Hat
- Simms Solarflex Shirt
- Dr Slick Scissor Clamp Hemostat
- LED Light
- Buff Sun Gloves
- Simms Sling Pack
- Box Handtied Flies
- (Hint: we may even have a rod to give away)

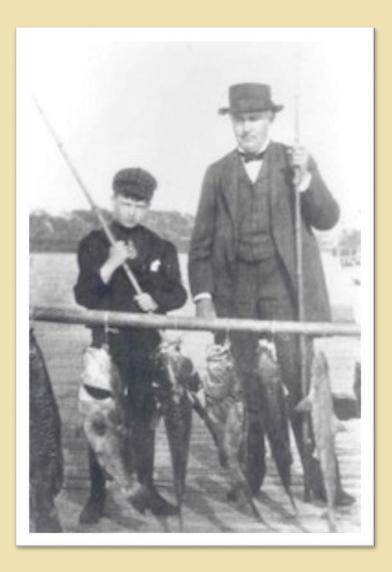
Here is how the raffle will work. The Club will be selling tickets at the May and June regular meetings as well as at the Lott outing on June 11th. Raffle tickets are \$5 a piece or eight for \$30 (same as the banquet). At the Lott outing we will have a live drawing. All of the tickets will go into one bucket and the winning tickets will be drawn from that bucket. You need not be present at the outing to win. <u>So, be sure to write</u> <u>your name on the back of the tickets.</u> If you are unable to attend either meeting or the outing, you can still purchase tickets and participate in the raffle. All you need to do is sent FCFF President Seth Nehrke you money for the tickets. Make the check payable to *First Cost Fly Fishers* and mail it to:

> Seth Nehrke 13018 River Springs Way Jacksonville, FL 32224





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-Thomas A. Edison Diary Entry July 17, 1885

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Everglades - April 16 to 18,2016

By Seth Nehrke

B art Isaac, Rob Benardo, and I made our annual trip to Flamingo to camp and fish the Everglades for a few days. While conditions were tough, a good time was had by all. We made a prolonged 9 hour drive on Friday the 15th. Shortly after arriving, as Rob and Bart were setting up their tent it began to rain. It rained so hard I saw Noah rigging his ark (I slept in the truck).

We fished all day Saturday, finding some tripletail that would not allow themselves to be caught. We spied some big tarpon back in the creeks that were rolling, but would not eat. We ran to the campground to avoid a storm. When we arrived the Ranger was warning everyone of 70 mph winds and 2-inch. Luckily with the aid of Bart's barometer watch (and the weather channel on his phone) we were able to determine that the storm was going to skirt us.

We spent the next two days picking on babies - both tarpon and snook. Numbers were not as high as we hoped, and we saw a lot of water that was devoid of life (no



grass, no bait, nothing). Bugs were tolerable, especially with the mosquito racket. I think we will all be back again next year

Click the following Youtube link for a slow motion video of Bart's tarpon: <u>https://youtu.be/cfOQuvXD_k8</u>

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MAY 2016 TIDES JACKSONVILLE (MAYPORT BAR PILOT DOCK)

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