

### MARCH HIGHLIGHTS



uring the March meeting the Club welcomed Captain Hanson Lau to talk about fishing for tarpon in south Florida. Hanson began fishing at a young age. He began guiding in his final years of collage. For over five years he was a full-time guide focusing on inshore species. Nowadays, he guides part-time targeting tarpon during the spring months in the Florida Keys. Over a decade of first-hand experience in one of the world's most technical fisheries helped him develop a skill set for catching tarpon and bonefish on the fly. Honson is currently an ambassador for companies such as Howler Brothers, Nautilus Fly Reels, RCI Optics, Maverick Boats, and Simrad Yachting. He is also a saltwater field tester for Cortland Lines.

In this month's issue of the newsletter you will find an article on carp fishing with Bob Clouser. We also provide highlights and photographs from the Rendezvous at Deep Creek with Jon Cave. You can read about Orvis' donation to the Everglades Foundation. We also present the winners of the Big Year Fishing Tournament. This month the Club will be fishing the Matanzas River in St Augustine on March 17. You will find the details on page 15.

Spring is here, get out and go fishing!



## On the Cover: Jon Cave demonistrating Performance Fly Casting Photograph by Jason Sheasley

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# Why TFO's Bob Clouser Loves Fishing for Carp

### By Mike Hodge

Author's Note: I met Bob Clouser at a fly-fishing show several years ago in Crystal River, Fla. I wanted to write a story on him, but I wasn't sure what I wanted to write about. Fortunately, Bob has ample patience and the feature turned out well. Enjoy.

**B**ob Clouser has a confession. He's a carpaholic.

A battle with a bonefish? A tango with a tarpon? Perhaps. But the truth is one of angling's most famous fly tyers would just as soon match wits with a carp.

"It's another species of fish that teaches you something," Clouser said. "There isn't one species of fish out there that is the same. Each one you fish for you learn new things. I found out that carp will make your heart beat, get you all excited and pull like a freight train when you get them on a fly."

The carp has delivered a life lesson or two for Clouser, who has thrown a fly since he was 14.

"I've learned that they're pretty sly," Clouser said. "They're pretty sensitive to their environment. They've got more self-preservation (skills) than (most fish) I've ever fished for."

In terms of fly-fishing popularity, the carp ranks well behind the three main species of trout — rainbow, brown and brook — and although the grass-eating fish may lack sex appeal, it wins its fair share of admirers with brains.

"People have certain things they like," Clouser said. "They like pretty. They fall for prettiness. I fall for smartness — hard to catch."

Fish for carp and you learn to strategize, to scheme, to outwit a thinking-man's fish.

"There's always something that you can do to break their habit up and find a good way to capture them," Clouser said. "It's all by sight, learning his moves when he takes your fly. I've never met a carp, on purpose, that will take your fly and run with it. I've caught them like that by bringing a streamer fly back. What I'm finding out is they hit that streamer when I was fishing it slow. When it stopped and hit the bottom, one of them went over and sucked it up. I was just lucky enough to tighten up at the same time he did that."

Clouser chuckles. It's akin, he said, to fishing for bones. You have to feed the fish.

"Every time they find something, they get pretty excited, the tail shakes, the mouth comes open and they push their head down and trap the bait between their mouth and the bottom, and they suck it in," Clouser said. "They take your fly the same way."

Although Clouser is known for inventing the Clouser Minnow and the Half and Half, he spent as much time on the back of the boat guiding as he did at his vise — and that's where he learned how to fish.

"Here's the difference between fishing and guiding: You learn by observing," said Clouser, who lives in Middletown, Pa., a single haul away from the Susquehanna River. "Every species you fish, you learn more if you don't fish for them. I learned by standing up there and holding that boat, watching the fly and watching the fish and watching the guys and how they fish them."

A smallmouth, for instance, often will rely on carp to stir up forage and use its superior speed to grab an easy meal.

Stocked trout, Clouser noted, grab their prey from behind because they have teeth. The toothless bass, meanwhile, sucks in its quarry from the bottom.

"He's spent a long time looking at fish," said David Lambert, a master casting instructor from Jacksonville, Fla. and the author of *Smart Casts*. "That's the reason





his fly is so exceptional. He's a hell of a fisherman, who approaches things scientifically."

It's this level of perseverance and passion for detail that led Clouser to invent the Clouser Minnow, one of the most popular patterns of all time. The impetus behind the fly was the darting movement of a jig.

Initially, Clouser used split shot, bucktail and Christmas tree tinsel on a long-shank hook. He said it wasn't until the first lead eyes were developed in the early 1980s that the modern version of the fly was born.

"It took years of things falling together," Clouser said.

A foxtail Clouser is his favorite smallmouth fly. His second favorite is a crayfish imitation.

Even in his 70s, Clouser still continues to tinker at his tying table while trying to come up with new patterns or making a classic fly better. His advice: Prepare for a lot of trial and error.

"If you're developing flies, you better have a trash can next to your vise," Clouser said.

And if you're on the water, pay attention.

"Every day is different," Clouser said. "Watch the fish. Let the fish tell you what to do."

Advice that any angler could use.





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## Hand Tooled Leather Fly Rod Case

### From Capt. Lawrence Piper

In addition to being one of North Florida's top fishing guides, FCFF Member Captain Lawrence Piper is an accomplished leathersmith. His leather products are highly sought after by the most discerning of anglers.

Lawrence recently finished an exquisite hand tooled leather fly rod case. He managed to find time during the winter lull in guiding to finish this masterpiece. It took 33 hours of precision work to complete. Click on the image below or use the following link to watch Lawrence explain his handiwork: <a href="https://youtu.be/fWeFfEQ55es">https://youtu.be/fWeFfEQ55es</a>

If you would like one of your own, contact Lawrence at <a href="https://www.ncommons.com/lwpiper@comcast.net">https://www.ncomcast.net</a>. The cost is \$975 plus tax, shipping and handling. Work on your one-of-a-kind case would begin in November 2018 with an anticipated completion date of February 2019. Be sure to check out all of Captain Piper's leather goods at the Anglers Mark web site - <a href="http://theanglersmark.com">http://theanglersmark.com</a>.









# Finders Keepers

Via Instagram: www.instagram.com/tiborreels/

his Tibor Everglades reel was found among the pebbles and rocks of a river. The luck finder send it back to Tibor to be reconditioned. He now has a good-as-new reel and a great story to tell.



















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# RENDEZVOUS AT DEEP CREEK



his year, the First Coast Fly Fishers decided not to hold its traditional annual banquet. In lieu of a formal affair, the Club organized a Rendezvous at Deep Creek Lodge featuring Sage Ambassador, and renowned casting instructor Jon Cave. Past member Bobby Weed graciously allowed the Club to use his fishing lode on Deep Creek in St Johns County. It was the perfect venue for an all-day fly-fishing immersion complete with a fish fry for lunch.

The day began with Jon discussing performance casting. According to Jon, "...fly casting should be easy and effortless, whether you're making a short presentation or one in excess of 100 feet. That level of performance required fundamentally sound techniques that will serve as the foundation for understanding and mastering many types of casts..." A proper grip is the foundation for a good cast. From holding the rod to shooting line, Jon explained how to build a proper cast. Afterward he demonstrated proper casting techniques then spent time, one-on-one with each of the Club members showing

them how to improve their cast.

The day's festivities concluded with the raffle and silent auction. This year's items included trips with the area's best guides, Lamson and Orvis reels, Simms gear, Dyna King vice and tying tools, Vauaghn Cochran artwork, Redington rod and reel combo, Temple Fork Outfitters rods, Yeti cooler, and much more. This year's grand prize was a half-day private fly fishing instruction followed by a half-day of fishing with Jon Cave.









e would like to thank Jon Cave for headlining this year's event. As one of the most sought after fly fishing instructors in the business, he has long been a Club favorite. In addition, the Club would like to thank all of the members that attended this years Rendezvous and helped to make it a success. For several new members, the Rendezvous was the first Club event they attended. The money raised through the silent auction and raffle will allow the Club to fund and organize special events and casting clinics throughout the year. We would also like to thanks those folks who generously contributed to the HEAL Foundation.

A lot of planning and organization went into planning the Rendezvous. The success of the Rendezvous was due in no small part to the help and contribution of several individuals and businesses. We could not have put together this year's event without their help. Our deepest appreciation goes to:

Corri and Jeff Davis
Bobby and Leslie Weed
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hen 2017 came to an end, so did the FCFF's Big Year Fly Fishing Contest. The premise of the contest was to catch as many different species of fish on the fliy in a years time. Fresh water or salt water, it didn't matter as long as the fish is typical to and caught in Florida waters. Members had from January 8, 2017 until January 8, 2018 to do their best.

All total, 24 different species of fish were caught by out participants. Fifteen were fresh water species and nine came from the salt water. The species included:

#### Fresh Water

American Shad
Hickory Shad
Bluegill
Crappie
Filer
Largemouth Bass
Needlefish
Redbreast Sunfish
Sailfin Catfish
Warmouth
Striped Bass
Golden Shiner
Brown Hoplo
Spotted Sunfish
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#### Salt Water

Bluefish Redfish Seatrout Flounder Mangrove Snapper Pinfish Common Jack Ladyfish Sheephead.

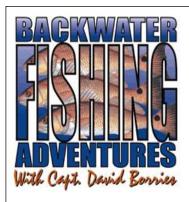


By the time the Big Year Tournament officially ended, two angler, Robert Benardo and Robert Yelverton each hung 14 different species of fish. Benardo managed to score a sheephead to take advantage of the *Edlin Rule*.

The official tournament rules stipulate that in case of a tie, the angler that posted the most fresh water species would be declared the winner. However, the two Roberts did an exceptional job. So we decided to award each of them with a new Temple Fork reel. Congratulations Guys!





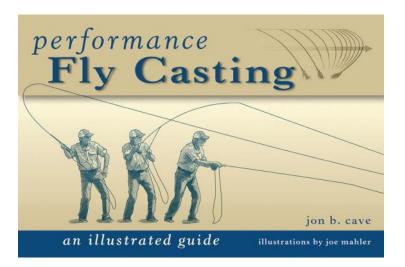


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# Fly Casting

detailed explanation of performance fly casting can be found in Jon Cave's 2010 book of the same name. Performance Fly Casting provides practical, comprehensive casting instruction for developing a smooth and effortless cast. The Club has several copies of Jon's book for sale for \$15. If you were unable to attend the Rendezvous, this is a great way to see what you missed. For those that attended the event it is a great refresher on Jon's casting philosophy. It is a book you will find yourself referring to time and time again. Get your copy today!





# "Modern Fish Act" Improved at Markup

The American Fly Fishing Traded Association has released a statement addressing the Senate Commerce committee's action on the "Modern Fish Act." "Many of the concerns AFFTA expressed with the bill as introduced have been addressed," states AFFTA president Ben Bulis, while noting "the bill can continue to improve."

**Bozeman, MT** – The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation today reported out of committee S. 1520, the "Modernizing Recreational Fisheries Management Act," also known as the "Modern Fish Act." Ben Bulis, president of the American Fly Fishing Trade Association, released the following statement in response to the Senate Commerce committee's action.

"AFFTA welcomes the bi-partisan efforts that went into improving the Modern Fish Act in the Senate Commerce Committee. Many of the concerns AFFTA expressed with the bill as introduced have been addressed, thanks to the hard work of the committee. AFFTA believes the bill can continue to improve and that these and other issues should be considered as part of a comprehensive, bipartisan reauthorization of the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

"Saltwater fly fishing is the fastest growing segment of the fly fishing industry. AFFTA recognizes that abundant and well-managed ocean fish populations supported by healthy coastal and marine habitats are essential to the growth and vitality of the fly fishing industry. AFFTA remains focused on advocating for improvements to the Magnuson-Stevens Act that advance science-based fisheries management, increase the accuracy and efficiency of data collection, and proactively protect fish habitat. Responsible management and access to ocean fisheries, along with protection of important marine habitats, is imperative to safeguard our industry, now and for future generations."

AFFTA advocates for and promotes the sustained growth of the fly fishing industry. By igniting consumer demand for products and services, providing businesses the tools to be successful, and advocating for access, protection and restoration of fishing waters, we will continue to enhance the passion and profitability of the sport of fly fishing.





Founded by Bobby and Leslie Weed (our hosts for the Rendezvous), The HEAL Foundation is a local non-profit organization in Northeast Florida. Through grants HEAL supports organizations serving those with Autism Spectrum Disorders. The Foundation serves as an outreach organization providing, educational programs and camps tailored to the needs of our Autism Community.

Since 2004, the HEAL Foundation has awarded nearly \$2 million in grants to help children affected with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Autism Spectrum Disorders are characterized, in vary-

ing degrees, by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication, and repetitive behaviors. The CDC reports that 1 in 50 school aged individuals are diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Since the 1980's Autism The recent sharp rise in numbers of Autism has been described as an epidemic among children. Many with Autism also suffer from a constellation of illnesses, intestinal disorders and autoimmune diseases.

Money collected during the Rendezvous, along with a contribution from the Club will go directly to the HEAL Foundation to support its mission of *Inspiring*, educating, and funding services for those affected by autism in our community.

For more information, check out upcoming events or to learn how you can further support the HEAL Foundation, please go to:

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#### March Outing....

### Matanzas River March 17, 2018

his month the Club will be fishing the Matanzas River. We will launch from the **Doug Crane Park and Boat Ramp** on Shore Drive in St Augustine; south of the 312 bridge. Low tide is at 4 pm. So we will plan to meet at the ramp at 2 pm to fish both the outgoing and incoming tides.

#### **Boats**

You will need a boat for this outing. The trip is suited for both power boats as well as canoes and kayaks. If you do not have a boat, but plan to attend the outing contact Eric Kazmerchak at fcffoutings@gmail.com and he will make arrangements to have you paired up with someone that has a boat.

#### Flies and Equipment

We will be targeting redfish, trout and flounder during this outing. There may be an occasion to cast to some jacks so an 8-weight rod is preferred. Since we will be fishing the incoming and outgoing tides, a floating line will suffice.

Since the water is still relatively cold, you will want to use relatively large bulky flies. Keep in mind, if a fish is going to expel energy for a prey fish in cold water, it will favor a larger baitfish over a smaller one. Hence the need for bulky flies. On the upside, there no need to use a lot of weight with your flies since we will be fishing in relatively shallow water.

Consider using dark colored Clouser minnows, Deceivers, Half-and-Halfs, Puflisi minnows, Cave wobbler and other baitfish patterns to search for fish in and around structure and drop-offs.

#### How To

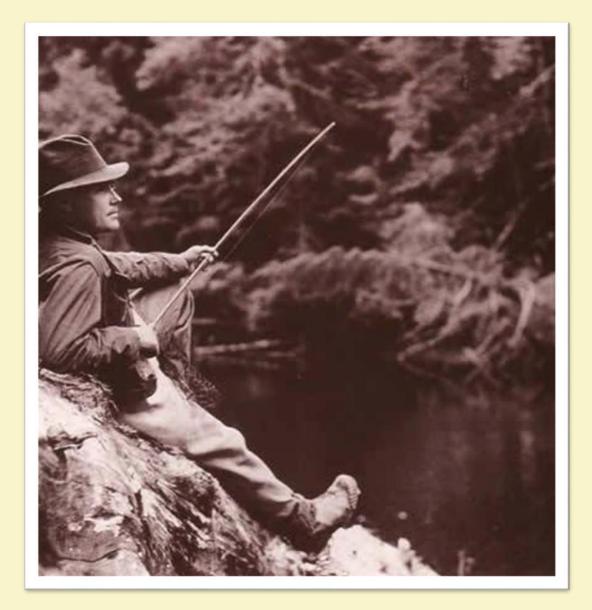
Since the water is still cold, you will find fish laying up in shallow, warmer water on the mud flats. You will need a stealthy approach and accurate casts to be successful. When fishing deeper waters or blind casting to holes and oyster beds, use slow retrieves.

Plan to be on the move looking for fish. Don't waste time sitting and blind casing in one spot or area. Find a promising area, make a couple of casts and if they are not productive, move on. The fish that aren't laid up on the mode flats will be on the move, so should you. Plan to cover as much water as you can.

#### Be Safe and Good Luck!







"The most indispensable item in any fisherman's equipment is his hat. This acient relic, with its battered crown and well-frayed band, preserves not only the memory of every trout he caught, but also the smell."

Corey Ford Humorist Tomorrow's the Day (1952)

## Orvis Announces 2018 Matching Grants

**Sunderland, VT** – The Orvis Company, Inc. of Sunderland, Vermont, is pleased to announce the recipients of its annual Customer Matching Conservation Grant program. These grants are the cornerstone of Orvis's annual commitment of five percent of its pre-tax profits to protecting nature.

Each year, members of the Orvis Conservation Committee explore the problems affecting the preservation of our natural environment and select what they feel to be the most pressing issue. They collaborate with non-profit organizations working on initiatives that can effectively move the needle to mitigate this issue. For 2018, the overarching issue is the protection and preservation of clean water.

To address this issue, Orvis has awarded cash grants to the following organizations:

Trout Unlimited to support the Save Bristol Bay/Stop Pebble Mine campaign. If Pebble Mine is built, one of the most magnificent ecosystems and the world's last great wild salmon habitat will be endangered forever. Save Bristol Bay

Everglades Foundation, continuing support for the Now Or Neverglades campaign. While great strides were made to save America's River of Grass in 2017, the battle isn't over yet. To fund the construction of a reservoir to correct environmental imbalances, this initiative now moves on to the national stage. #NowOrNeverglades

Throughout 2018, Orvis will feature each of these grant programs in its catalogs and retail stores, and on its website, as well as in other print and online promotions. "The in-kind value of this type of exposure exceeds \$600,000 on top of the cash grants," says the director of multi-channel marketing, Brian Galloway. "These promotional efforts, coupled with the matching funds from Orvis, provide a remarkable opportunity for customers, organization members, and the general public to amplify their contribution to the protection of clean water through these programs."

Orvis CEO Perk Perkins coined the company mantra, "If we are to benefit from the use of our natural re-

sources, we must be willing to act to preserve them." Orvis has selected these projects because they provide us with the opportunity to make an immediate and substantial impact on two of our most imperiled and iconic bodies of water. "For Orvis, it is not only a moral obligation but an investment in our future," said Perkins. "We invite customers to participate with their own donations, and we match their contributions dollar for dollar."

Over the past 29 years, Orvis has raised and donated more than \$21 million to a wide variety of conservation organizations, including National Wildlife Federation, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Clark Fork Coalition, and World Wildlife Fund, to name a few. Details of this year's and past years' Orvis Customer Matching Grant projects can be found at www.orvis.com/commitment.







# Remembering Lefty

ust as the newsletter was being finalized, we received word that Lefty Kreh passed away at his home in Cockeysville, Maryland. He was 93. The sport of fly fishing has never known a bigger ambassador, and likely never will. It is hard to imagine anyone who has ever cast a fly rod not knowing of Lefty Kreh.

Much has been written about Lefty and more will be written in the days and weeks ahead. In November of last year, Lefty officially retired traveling and speaking on the recommendation of his doctor. Somehow news of Lefty's retirement got misconstrued, and it was reported that he had died. Lefty's granddaughter, Sammantha "Sam" Aus, set up the Facebook page <u>All the Best for Lefty Kreh</u> as a way to dispel the rumors and for fans and admirers to pass along their best wishes. Lefty lived a big life and the Facebook page contains photographs and remembrances of friends and family. The page contains links to several articles written by or about Lefty.

Earlier today Sam posted the following announcement regarding her grandfather's passing:

Dear friends,

I am sorry to relay sad information to all of you.

Bernard Victor Kreh "Lefty" passed away today in the presence of his family. He passed without pain. He told us multiple times during the worsening of his illness how lucky he was to have so many friends. During these last few weeks he was so sick and without energy that he was unable to respond to any emails and the many phone messages left for him. I can say this was a-great comfort to him.

There will be a celebration of his life in the upcoming weeks. We will update you when plans are made.

Lefty would want us to celebrate life and not mourn him.

During the course of the week that I've been here, one thing he kept mumbling was Spirit

Springs, over and over. When I asked him, what or where that is, he simply replied, that's where he's going, to fishing heaven, to Spirit Springs.

He passed peacefully and with no pain. He was surrounded by family and loved ones.

At the time of his death, a hard wind shook the house as if he was taking the winds home to my Grandma.

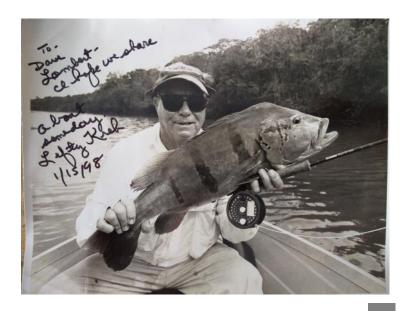
As he got me into photography, he once told me he had to carry a camera with him because you never know when something may take your breath away and you want to take it home for later.

So on ending this, I know myself and all of you are going to look to the water now, and if you come to a spot where something takes your breath away, I'm going to feel his presence each time and take a photo. That way I can take a bit of the inspiration and his spirit back home with me.

Tight Lines, best wishes, and All The Best,

Sam and The Kreh Family

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to: Greater Baltimore Medical Center / Gilchrist hospice in honor of Lefty Kreh to Mail to: GBMC Philanthropy, 6701 North Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21204; or online at <a href="https://www.gbmc.org/donate">https://www.gbmc.org/donate</a> (Under "Designation" choose "Other." Then in the next field, type: "Lefty Kreh Memorial"); or call: 443-849-3303.





### Randy Wayne White Book Signing March 15, 2018

The Bookmark, Neptune Beach

Former Florida fishing guide turned author will be signing copies of his latest Doc Ford Novel, *Caribbean Rim*, at 7 PM on Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at The Bookmark in Neptune Beach.

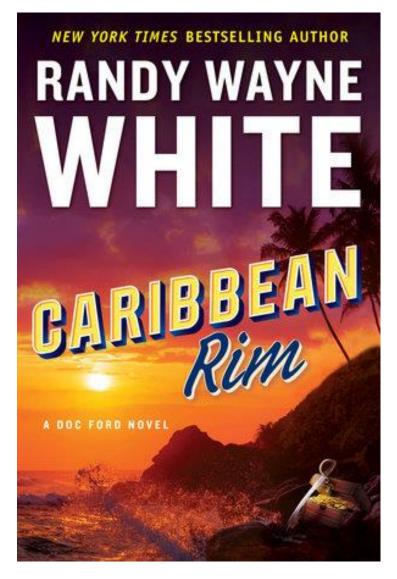
#### **About Caribbean Rim**

Murder, sunken treasure, and pirates both ancient and modern send Doc Ford on a nightmare quest in the thrilling new novel in the *New York Times*-bestselling series.

Marine biologist Doc Ford has been known to help his friends out of jams occasionally, but he's never faced a situation like this.

His old pal Carl Fitzpatrick has been chasing sunken wrecks most of his life, but now he's run afoul of the Florida Division of Historical Resources. Its director, Leonard Nickelby, despises amateur archaeologists, which is bad enough, but now he and his young "assistant" have disappeared—along with Fitzpatrick's impounded cache of rare Spanish coins and the list of uncharted wreck sites Fitz spent decades putting together. Some of Fitz's own explorations have been a little... dicey, so he can't go to the authorities. Doc is his only hope.

But greed makes people do terrible things: rob, cheat, even kill. With stakes this high, there's no way the



thieves will go quietly-and Doc's just put himself in their crosshairs.

The Bookmark is located at 220 1<sup>st</sup> Street in Neptune Beach.



# WATERWORKS Guru Series II L A M S O N Fly Fishing Reel

ere is your opportunity to win a Lamson Guru Series II Fly Fishing Reel. All you have to do is be smarter than everyone else in the Club and provide the correct answers to 10 trivia questions.

Here is how it works. Each month for the next ten months we will ask a Club or fly fishing-related trivia question. Provide the correct answer to the most questions and you win. We will award the reel at the January 2019 meeting. In the event of a tie, we will randomly draw the name of the winner from the list of participants with the most correct answers.

#### The Rules

To participate you must be a member in good standing with the First Coast Fly Fishers. All participants must submit a \$10 entry fee with their answer to the first question, by no later than the May meeting (May 7, 2018). Entry fees and answers will be collected at the April and May meetings. If you are unable to make it to one of the next two meetings you can mail your entry fee and answer to the Club's PO Box address, which you will find on the first page of the newsletter. In order for the contest to go forward, we must have a minimum of 15 participants.

Questions will be announced on or before each monthly meeting (except for this month). You will have until the meeting date of the following month to provide your answer to that month's question. Answers will be emailed to the Newsletter Editor at fcffnewsletter@gmail.com. Each participant will be awarded 1 point for each correct answer. Half-a-point will be awarded for each correct answer to the bonus question. However, in order to receive credit for the bonus question, you must answer the monthly question correctly.

#### The Prize

Totally enlightened. Steadfast and stylish, Guru has long set a standard for enlightened excellence as a rugged, fully USA-machined, and ultra-reliable reel at a great price. By increasing the arbor to a larger diameter and making the spool narrower—all the while decreasing its total weight and parts—Guru Series II takes it to another level. We've updated the spool geometry for enhanced retrieve rates, opened the porting to reduce



weight and improve line drying, and integrated the counterbalance. We even introduced a curved crosssection for structural stability. Taking your game to fishing nirvana, the Series II will be your Guru for life. MSRP \$259.99.

#### The Question

Name the make and model of Lefty Kreh's first fly reel.

#### **The Bonus Question**

What modification did Lefty make to this reel. Be specific.



Lefty's Inner Sanctum and his collection of reels



#### MARCH 2018 TIDES JACKSONVILLE (MAYPORT BAR PILOT DOCK)

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