



# FALMOUTH FLATS FLY FISHERS

## MONTHLY MEETING NOTES



**Date:** 21 May, 2024

### **Meeting Itinerary:**

- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Fly Tying
- 7:00 – 8:50 p.m. General Meeting
  - New member / prospective members / guests introduction
  - Fishing Reports
  - Upcoming Events review (below)
  - Special Presentation: Fishing the Amazon Basin
  - Knot Tying
  - Raffle

### **Club Business / Activities:**

- General Business: No significant reports / issues
- Recent Fishing / Fishing Reports:
  - (1) Shad still along the Rappahannock, but inconsistent.
  - (2) Increased snakehead presence and size above Rte 1 Bridge.
  - (3) Snakehead and largemouth caught during Snakehead Kayak Day (4 May)
- Finances / Budget: No Updates / new information
- Membership: New member gear bags provided to Mark Baily and Rick Hoagland (note – we owe L t-shirt to Rick).
- Upcoming Events / Activities Discussions:
  - 1 June: Club Day at Cedar Creek. Final sign-up on-going. 1 primary & 3 guest slots remain.
  - 7-9 June: Rappahannock River Campground campout. Sign-up / RSVP prior to 1 June.
  - 19 June: FFI Casting Clinic at Old Mill Park will replace the monthly meeting. Pic-nic dinner from 5:00 – 6:00. Fly casting with FFI master instructors from 6:-7:30.
  - 22 June: Club Booth at Bowman’s Distillery. Fly tying and club information.

## **Presentation Overview:**

### (1) Fly Fishing the Amazon Basin by Club Member Jim Civitarese

- Trip conducted in December, 2023
- 23 hour flight: DC – Miami – Panama City – Manaus – Agua Boa River
- Big Fish, lots of fish, 19 lbs peacock bass, 100+ lbs arapaima
- Three kinds of peacock bass: spotted, butterfly, & giant
- Aggressive fish. A hooked fish would be chased, hit by other fish. Even once landed, the other fish would hit the side of the boat after the caught fish.
- Video and pictures on web site

## **Attendance: 14**

- Members: James B, Craig C, Jim Civitarese, Brian H, Rick H, Lars H, Eric St, Deb S, Eric S, Rob R, Brent S, Stan S, James T, Chip W

- Visitors / Prospective Members: None