



**Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 1 2013, 6:00 p.m.**

## **Special Skin Cancer Screening** **Dr. John Millns**

John Millns loves to fly fish, but knows the dangers of too much sunshine. John graduated from Ohio State U. medical school in 1974, did internal medicine at the University of Missouri, had dermatology residency at the Mayo Clinic, and then joined the faculty of USF for several years prior to going into private practice. He is clinical associate professor of dermatology at UF (Gainesville) and in private practice, doing both dermatology and dermatopathology.

John and his associates will individually examine attendees for any suspicious skin lesions. The examinations will take about three minutes for each person. All members and their guests wishing to be tested will be accommodated. Separate rooms will be set up for males and females. The examinations will be performed starting at 6:00, so come to the meeting on time.

## **TIE ALONG-AND CAST-ALONG** **All Members**

Because of the skin cancer screening, (which takes quite a while to accommodate everybody) we will not have a separate speaker. Instead, bring your tying vise and/or your favorite fly rod and join in the fun both inside and outside. Remember that we are not allowed to catch any fish from the pond, so use only a "practice" fly that has no hook.

**Directions to Our Meetings:** From I-75---Take Bruce B. Downs exit from I-75; go west 2 miles to traffic light, turn left onto Tampa Palms Blvd., then left on Compton Drive, and right at Compton Park. **From I-275---**Take Bearss East to Bruce. B. Downs; then Bruce B. Downs east/north to Tampa Palms Blvd. Rt. on Tampa Palms, then left on Compton Drive and right at Compton Park

**MAY 2013 PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

Hello TBFFC members. There is an old stock market saying that you should “Sell in May and go away.” If you do that, remember as fly fishers we should also “Sail in May and fish every day.”

Well maybe we can’t all get away every day, but be sure to fish when you can, and come to our May 1 club meeting to get your skin cancer screening from **Dr John Millns**. At least one member attributes a TBFFC screening to saving his life when John found a melanoma (the deadly kind of skin cancer) in time to have it safely removed.

Thanks to **Kelly Sobczak** for a very informative talk on how to conduct a D.I.Y. fishing trip to Alaska. I for one was ready to sign up that night.

Thanks also to **Craig Smothers** for tying his Beautiful Puglasi-inspired 2013 MCFF-CCA Tournament Fly. Craig’s fly of the month tying instructions can be found on page 7.

You will find a proposed updated version of the TBFFC bylaws later in this newsletter. We have not followed the old bylaws rigorously, but hope to get back on track this year. Please e-mail your comments and/or suggested changes to me at [dmiikka@cs.com](mailto:dmiikka@cs.com). We are hoping to finalize the new bylaws in time for the June club meeting.

Your suggestions for outings, speakers, changes in procedure, criticisms etc. are important and welcomed by your Board of Directors. Please relay them to any board member as listed in the next column.

Hope to see you at the May club meeting  
Dick 🐟

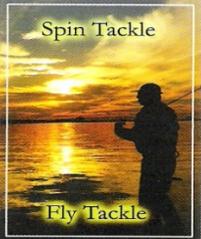
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The next meeting of the TBFFC Board of Directors will be at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, May 8, location TBD.

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## TBFFC EVENTS

### 2012-2013 TBFFC MEETING DATES

Here are the remaining meeting dates for 2013; May 1, June 6, July 3, August 7, September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4.

**Please watch this space for any changes.**

### PROJECT HEALING WATERS SAT MAY 18

Mile Reeves from BYC and his members are going to host another day of fishing. Our success is assured because we have interested vets, volunteers from our fly fishing clubs who assist each vet and boat captains who are available with boats to transport our warriors safely. We are close to a final head count of vets, but getting adequate support from our fly clubs with both volunteers and boats is needed. I am asking for some of our fly club members who have boats to help us so that we will have enough boats to cover everyone. Typically, a flats type boat would have, besides the boat operator, one volunteer and a vet. Larger boats are acceptable and could possibly accommodate another vet and a volunteer. If you could help as either a boat operator or volunteer, please contact Larry Lurie, Regional Coordinator, PHWFF, or me. A 10 a.m. start with a 2 p.m. finish for the fishing has been arranged so people can arrive and leave the same day. Registration with coffee and continental breakfast will precede the fishing and lunch will follow with some awards being presented.

Healing those who serve,

Capt. Pat Damico, St. Pete Beach, 727-504-8649,  
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### SOUTHEASTERN FLY FISHING FESTIVAL

The 2013 festival, sponsored by the southeastern council of FFF, will be held at the Ramsey Center at Western Carolina University on May 17-18, 2013.

We expect to have at least forty exhibitors and forty tiers. We are pleased to have Ian and Charity Rutter of R&R Fly Fishing, Jim Casada of Jim Casada Outdoors and Al Buhr, two-handed rod guru, as our headliners. Our MCs and CCIs have, once again, put together a best in class casting program. Paul Bourcq and Team Trout Slayer will run a mini comp competitive fishing event on the Tuck on the 17th. There are numerous (mostly free) presentations and classes. We even have programs and events for your non-fishing significant others and kids.

On Friday night, we have teamed up with the folks at Little River TU to host the Back the Brookie BBQ. All profits from this event will support brook trout restoration in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. Immediately

following the BBQ, we will be showing the Fly Fishing Film Tour in the Ramsey Center. Check out this promo:

On Saturday night, you won't want to miss our banquet and great auction items.

Please join us in Cullowhee. It will be a weekend to remember. We have 100 rooms currently blocked out as well as cabin rentals. Be sure to check out Gold Sponsor, Sundog Places, for house and cabin rentals. It is not too late to be part of our Festival or become a Sponsor. We would love to have you. If interested, contact:

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[w.kalbas@gmail.com](mailto:w.kalbas@gmail.com)

### TBFFC IS NOW ON FACEBOOK

### FUTURE EVENT

- TBFFC Casting Clinic, **Time to be determined.**

### SUNCOAST FLY FISHERS

[www.suncoastflyfishers.com](http://www.suncoastflyfishers.com)

Regular Meetings: 6:30pm on the Third Thursday of each month, **except December**, at Walter Fuller Recreation Center, 7883 26<sup>th</sup> Ave. N., St. Pete.

### MANGROVE COAST FLY FISHERS

[www.mangrovecoastflyfishers.com](http://www.mangrovecoastflyfishers.com)

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## TIPS FOR TBFFC – No. 58

### Casting Tip for TBFFC: 41

"Nothing good happens when false casting with a weighted fly." This is one of Lefty Kreh's comments that I often see violated.

Damaging collision with the rod tip with a weighted fly is a frequent cause of rod breakage. Add windy conditions and chances of getting hooked or "clunked" with a heavy fly increase dramatically. Avoid tight loops, keep the fly away from the rod tip, have your back cast and forward cast in different planes, use a Belgium or continuous tension cast, don't try to handle too much line especially if it is deep in the water. Slowing your casting stroke, picking up the line horizontally and delivering it more vertically, roll casting to get your fly closer to the surface before your delivery cast are some of the techniques that will improve your deep fly presentations.

Pat Damico, MCI 🌅

### Some Internet Sites Where You Can Get Instruction

If you peruse the internet for fly fishing instructional material, there are lots of good places to find. Here are a few to start your search.

1. **Casting Instruction Videos from FFF**

Want to improve your casting skills? Check out the helpful instructional video series from the Federation of Fly Fishers at this address:  
<http://www.fedflyfishers.org/Casting/EducationalVideos.aspx>

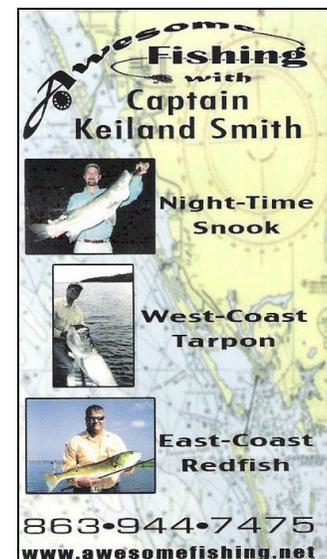
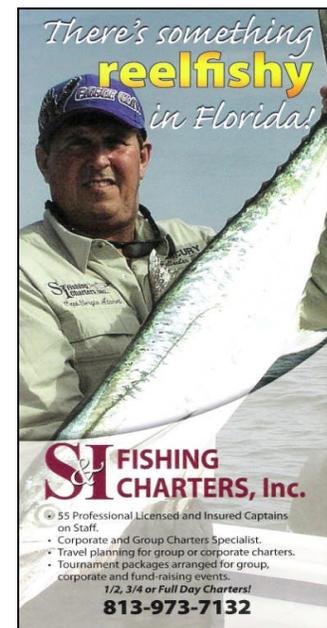
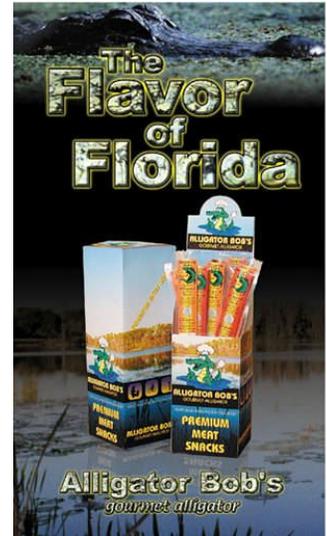
2. **Orvis** has some good videos to view if you can find them on their website. Here are two:

<http://howtoflyfish.orvis.com/chapter-one-play-all-videos>  
<http://howtoflyfish.orvis.com/chapter-ten-steelhead-salmon-fly-fishing>

3. **Cabela's** has a series of slide presentations that cover the various aspects of equipment and casting on their **Fly Fishing University**. Some of the subjects include:

- Introduction to Fly Fishing
- Fly Reel Training
- Fly Line Training
- Fly Casting Training
- Leader-Tippet Training
- Entomology Training

Dick Miekka 🌅



Member Photos, May 2013

### **Another Winner!**

**Wes Sobczak** holds the trophy to which his name will soon be added for winning the fly division at the Sarasota CCA tournament this April. He also won the club trophy since he represented the Tampa Bay Fly Fishing Club, and gets to keep it for a year. His winning snook and seatrout are shown below.

**Frank Rhodes**, his fishing partner, came in second.



## First Aid and Prevention - Lightning

Richard Oldenski MD

Every year in the United States, thunderstorms produce an estimated 25 million cloud-to-ground flashes of lightning. Each one of those flashes is a potential killer. National Weather Service data indicate that an average of 54 people is killed by lightning every year, and hundreds more are injured with most suffering permanent disability. The majority of these lightning strikes occur in Florida, the Atlantic Coast and the Gulf Coast States. In Florida, lightning causes more deaths than any other weather related event.

Three factors predispose to a lightning hit: height, isolation, and "pointiness" which is not a factor with people unless they are holding a long skinny rod. The primary risk factor for lightning injury is failure to acknowledge that lightning poses a threat. Lightning injury prevention is not convenient. It sometime involves changing plans and evacuating to safer areas. No place outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area.

Lightning can travel 10 miles in any direction from the thunderstorm clouds. Thunder usually cannot be heard more than about 10 miles away. By the time you hear thunder, you're already in danger and should be seeking a safe shelter.

Direct lightning strikes account for only about 5 % of injuries. A victim is more likely to be struck by a flash discharge from another struck object, by contact voltage from touching an object that has been struck, or by ground current that spreads out across the surface of the earth when a nearby object is struck. An upward current that does not connect with a downward leader to complete a lightning channel can also be induced in a person and cause injury. The explosive force of lightning can also knock a person down, causing blunt trauma injuries and fractures. A lightning strike produces an estimated 10,000-200,000 amperes of current and 20 to 1 billion volts. A current of 100,000 amperes can throw rocks weighing 50 pounds 20 yards or more.

Lightning causes death in about 10% of its victims, mostly due to cardiac arrest. Most of those who survive are left with some degree of permanent injury, usually neurological. Other factors related to fatal outcomes are head burns, leg burns, cardiopulmonary arrest and injuries from blunt trauma from being thrown by the blast. Milder injuries include superficial burns, hearing loss and eye injuries. Brain injury and chronic pain syndromes are the most reported chronic sequelae.

If you witness someone get struck by lightning, call 911 immediately. If the person is not breathing and has no pulse, begin hands only CPR. ( Go to [www.heart.org/HandsOnlyCPR](http://www.heart.org/HandsOnlyCPR) now and learn this easy lifesaving procedure) If the person is conscious, stay with them until medical help arrives, as they may experience confusion, seizures or cardiac arrest. Check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.

### WHEN THUNDER ROARS, GO INDOORS !

This slogan summarizes NOAA's recommendations for lightning strike prevention. When you hear thunder or see lightning, immediately move to a safe building or a safe vehicle, and don't come out until 30 minutes after the last thunder clap or lightning bolt. A building is safe if it has a roof, walls and floor, and has plumbing or wiring. Any fully enclosed metal-topped vehicle such as a hard-topped car, minivan, truck or bus is safe. Once inside, stay away from windows, showers, sinks, bath tubs and electronic equipment like TV's, radios, computers and corded telephones.

If you are in a remote outdoor area and cannot get to a safe vehicle or building, there are some measures you can take to *slightly* lessen the odds of getting struck. Avoid open fields, the top of a hill or a ridge top. Keep away from tall trees, towers or poles. Stay near lower stands of trees or in a valley or ravine. Stay away from water, wet objects and metal, as these are excellent conductors of electricity. Avoid close contact with others; stay 15-20 ft. apart. Stay low, hands over your ears to protect your hearing, and keep moving. Remember, these steps will not prevent you from being struck by lightning. Get to a safe vehicle or building.

If you are out in a small boat, drop anchor and get as low as possible. Large boats with cabins, especially those equipped with a lightning protection system, or metal marine vessels, are relatively safe. When thunderstorms are threatening, it's best not to go out if you have a small boat with *no* cabin.

Lightning only takes an instant, an instant that can kill you or injure you for life. Don't let lightning put an end to your fishing days. "When thunder roars, go indoors!"

For more information, go to:  
[www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov](http://www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov)  
[www.struckbylightning.org](http://www.struckbylightning.org)

## ***FLY OF THE MONTH***

### **2013 MCFF/CCA Tournament Fly**

*As Tied by Craig Smothers*



Tying with Enrico Puglisi fiber isn't terribly difficult. Mastering how to work with it takes time and practice. I'm not there yet. These instructions along with the accompanying YouTube video should help you visualize the construction of a short (length) baitfish. Fuller and longer baitfish have a different set of instructions.

#### **Materials:**

**Thread:** White Flymaster+ 3/0 or Flymaster 6/0

**Hook:** Dai Riki 930 or Mustad 34007 #1

**Body:** Golden Olive Minnow 3D and Baitfish Belly 3D EP

**Fibers:** Red EP Silky Fibers, Rootbeer and Pearl Magic EP Sparkle

**Eyes:** 6 or 7mm 3D eyes

**Misc:** Dave's Fleximent, Fletch-Tite glue, Poodle wire brush, Long shears

#### **Tying Instructions:**

- 1) Thread down the hook to the bend then slightly forward. Using a half-length of the white, fold the material across the thread and tie in with the "V" in an up and down orientation. Follow with the pearl flash.
- 2) Move forward 25%. Tie in a half-length of the olive material, again in an up and down orientation. Tie in the rootbeer flash. On the underside of that tie in point, tie in the red silky fiber and trim just behind the hook.
- 3) Move forward 25%. Tie in the olive and flash as before. On the underside, tie in the white with the orientation to the sides rather than up and down. Tie in the pearl flash.
- 4) Move forward 25% to the hook eye. Tie in ¼ length of the olive on top with the flash. On the underside tie in a ¼ length of the white and flash, again with the

orientation to the side. Build the head, whip finish and glue.

- 5) Remove the fly from the vice. Brush the fly out with the poodle brush on both sides. With the shears, cut from the back to the front. Start from where the white meets the olive. Aim at the short ¼ length fibers in the front. Go slow! Trim a bit at a time brushing the fly out with your fingers. The white side should be toward the bottom of the hook gape. Work on the final shape.
- 6) I glue my eyes on so the middle of the eye covers the leading edge of the red silky fibers. Use Fletch-Tite and work the glue down into the fibers. You are actually gluing the eyes to the shank of the hook. Use that as your center line for the eyes.
- 7) **Here's an easier way to understand these directions**, especially if you didn't see it tied at TBFFC; go to

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j0Zxnum9hs0>

This is a video presentation on how to tie this fly. I have several videos which can be found at: [www.mangrovecoastflyfishers.com](http://www.mangrovecoastflyfishers.com) in the fly tying section.

Craig 🍷

## ***Fishing Report and Forecast***

*"What a great time to go fishing!"*

**MAY 2013**

**Ted Hagaman** fished with **Walt Durkin** 4/1813. Both had a great day. Ted caught 7 redfish, 3 on fly. Walt caught 5 reds and a 27.5" snook.

**Robert Fischer** reports lots of small trout on grass flats between Clearwater and Tarpon Springs, plus. A few keeper trout in deeper water.

**Wes Sobczak** and **Frank Rhodes** had great success at the Sarasota CCA fishing tournament in April. See photos on page 5 above.

**Capt. Rick Grasset** reminds us that Tarpon fishing will take off during May as migratory fish arrive along our beaches. Also look for Spanish mackerel, tripletail, cobia and false albacore (little tunny) in the coastal gulf. Snook will move into passes and the surf and reds and trout should feed heavily on shallow flats as baitfish become more plentiful. Blues, Spanish mackerel and more mixed with trout on deep grass flats of Sarasota Bay should also be good options.

Tight lines

Bob Gaulin 🍷

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**A proposed modification to our TBFFC bylaws** is printed below. Please send your comments and suggestions to [dmiikka@cs.com](mailto:dmiikka@cs.com) . We hope to finalize the new bylaws in time for a membership approval vote at our June club meeting.

Note that the original text to be retained is in black, the proposed deletions are in gray, and the proposed new wording is in red.



## CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE TAMPA BAY FLY FISHING CLUB

### ARTICLE I. NAME

SECTION 1. The name of this organization shall be known as TAMPA BAY FLY FISHING CLUB. (TBFFC).

### ARTICLE II. OFFICE

SECTION 1. The principal office shall be in the city of Tampa, Florida.

### ARTICLE III. OBJECT

SECTION 1. The primary purpose of the Tampa Bay Fly Fishing Club is to promote the interest of fly fishing and provide educational opportunities to those interested.

SECTION 2. To better the protection of the environment (estuaries, flats, shorelines, coastal waters, lakes, etc.), flora and fauna which support the fisheries, and fishes, both in the Tampa Bay area and in the State of Florida.

SECTION 3. The securing of legislation in aid of the purposes stated above and rational enforcement of the same.

SECTION 4. Promote and support the International Federation of Fly Fishers and fly fishers everywhere.

### ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Any person who is interested in fly fishing, signifying his intention to do so, and paying one year's dues, may become a member.

SECTION 2. The membership of this organization shall have no numerical limitations.

SECTION 3. The membership shall be of active and honorary status. Active members shall be those who vote, attend meetings and fund raisers. Honorary members are past members or those selected by the Board who have the privileges but not the duties of an active member and are not required to pay dues.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the members to attend all regular meetings promptly, to pay dues and meet other financial obligations to the club, and to aid in the promotion of the objects for which the club was formed.

SECTION 5. Any person may be expelled for cause, from membership, by a vote of a majority of the members present at any regular monthly meeting, provided that notice of such proposed action has been previously given to the member at least two days prior to such monthly meeting.

SECTION 6. The Board of Directors shall have the power to forfeit a membership for non-payment of dues after thirty days default.

SECTION 7. The annual dues of the TBFFC shall be:

\$25 per year for individual membership, \$35 for family membership;  
 \$100 per 5-year individual membership, \$140 for family 5-year membership;  
 \$200 for a lifetime individual membership (no lifetime family memberships);  
 \$95 individual, \$105 family corporate annual membership (includes ad in newsletter).

Upon the vote of the Board, fees may be prorated after October 1. The annual dues will only cover the period from January 1 to December 31 in the year for which the member has paid.

## ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of this organization shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Executive Board consisting of seven or more directors.

SECTION 2. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the TBFFC. The duties shall include but are not limited to the following:

A. President: Presides at all regular meetings and is an ex-officio member of all committees, shall be the executive head of the TBFFC, shall approve all payments to be made from the funds of the TBFFC, shall sign all agreements made on behalf of the TBFFC and perform the other duties incident to his office, all subject to the control and direction of the Directors.

B. Vice President: Presides at the regular meetings in the absence of the President, and replaces the President in the event of a vacancy. He/she shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

C. Secretary: Shall take, record and store the minutes of each regular meeting. He/she shall make the minutes available to any member at any time. The secretary shall write, send, and maintain a record of any correspondence of the organization as required, shall send out notices of meetings, and shall have custody of all papers, documents, and statements of the association, except the vouchers and records of the Treasury. The secretary shall mail to each member on February 1 of each year the annual statement of the TBFFC's operation for the previous fiscal year, which statement shall provide the Treasurer's report, together with the call for the annual meeting.

D. Treasurer: Shall keep an up-to-date financial account and shall be responsible for all money belonging to and for the TBFFC. The treasurer shall receive all moneys and securities of the TBFFC, give receipts for the same, deposit the funds in a bank to be approved by the Board of Directors, shall keep such funds so deposited until paid out, give security for the faithful performance of his duties if required by the Board of Directors, keep an account of all receipts and disbursements and submit a report of his acts quarterly, or whenever called upon to do so by the Board of Directors. The treasurer shall sign all checks, bills and other documents of a financial character, but only after the same has been directed by the President of the Board of Directors. He shall furnish the Secretary, not later than January 1 of each year, with a copy of his annual report. He shall sign all membership cards on payment of dues for member paying.

SECTION 3. The nomination of officers shall be submitted by the floor during the regular monthly meeting one month prior to the designated Annual Business Meeting. Officers shall be elected by a majority hand vote of those present at designated Annual Business Meeting for a one year term. Officers shall take office on January 1. Officers are not limited to terms to be served.

SECTION 4. No member shall hold more than one office at a time.

SECTION 5. In the event of a vacancy of an officer the position will be filled by appointment of the President and consent of remaining executive board, until the next annual meeting.

## ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The regular meetings of the TBFFC shall be held on a day and at a time and place decided upon by a majority vote of the Board. The availability of a meeting place would determine the meeting place. At the present time and until decided otherwise by the Board, regular meetings shall be held at seven o'clock PM on the second Wednesday of each month, at the Interbay Community Center, but may by vote omit any future monthly meetings.

SECTION 2. Special meetings of the board may be called by the President or by the other Board members if a two day notice is given. The President can also call meetings only with Board members when deemed necessary if he gives two days notice. Special meetings may also be called on the written request of at least seven TBFFC members.

## ARTICLE VIA. CLUB EVENTS

SECTION 1. The club shall sponsor an Annual Banquet to be held at a location suitable to its members. Appropriate fees shall be charged to cover the banquet costs which may include meals, entertainment, speakers, prizes, and auction items.

SECTION 2. The club will sponsor appropriate Outings for the benefit of its members. These outings may include designated fishing days at public parks or other venues, overnight camping, special events such as the Big Gun Shootout, Clinics to improve casting, fly tying, or other skills, club representation at fishing or boating shows, joint outings with other fishing clubs, sponsorship or participation in charitable events, etc. Outings may include meals and in some cases the club may charge a fee to cover costs.

ARTICLE VIB. LEGAL REQUIREMENTS The club and its members will be required to follow all applicable laws, including payment of fishing licenses, parking fees, etc. during all meetings and events.

SECTION 1. LIABILITY INSURANCE The club will carry and annually renew appropriate liability insurance covering its members and officers, and will diligently fulfill any requirements to maintain the validity of said insurance. A member of the board of directors shall be assigned to assure insurance compliance.

SECTION 1 a. WAIVER OF LIABILITY FORMS As part of maintaining the validity of club liability insurance, each club member must sign the Waiver of Liability form provided by the club. In addition, nonmembers will be required to sign the form each time they participate in a TBFFC sponsored event. The treasurer shall maintain all signed copies of the waivers.

## ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. This constitution may be amended by the vote of a majority of those present at any regular meeting of the members of the TBFFC, provided;

First, that it has been presented in writing and subscribed by seven members; and,

Second, that it has been read at a previous meeting of the TBFFC; or,

Third, that a notice, in writing, setting forth such proposed amendment shall have been sent to each member in good standing at least ten days prior to the meeting at which the amendment is finally to be passed.

## ARTICLE VIII QUORUM

SECTION 1. Eleven members of the TBFFC shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 2. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meeting of the Board.

## ARTICLE IX MANAGEMENT

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors, and they shall be invested with the power to; control and manage the affairs, funds and finances of the TBFFC, fill vacancies among the officers or in the Board of Directors, do all lawful things which they may deem expedient to promote the objects and interests of the TBFFC.

SECTION 2. No officer of the TBFFC shall receive any compensation for his services or any remission of his dues.

## ARTICLE X RESIGNATION

SECTION 1. All resignations shall be made in writing to the Secretary but no resignation shall be accepted while the member offering it is indebted to the TBFFC in amount, either in dues or otherwise.

## ARTICLE XI FISCAL YEAR

SECTION 1. The fiscal year of the TBFFC shall begin January 1 and end December 31 of each year.

## ARTICLE XII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of all TBFFC officers and those elected to the Board.

Section 2. Board meetings shall be held on the forth Wednesday of each month at a location and time decided upon by the majority vote of the club board.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors, and they shall be invested with the power to; control and manage the affairs, funds and finances of the TBFFC, fill vacancies among the officers or in the Board of Directors, do all lawful things which they may deem expedient to promote the objects and interests of the TBFFC.

SECTION 4. No Board member of the TBFFC shall receive any compensation for his services or any remission of his dues.

SECTION 5. The Executive Board shall meet if the President or Board members deem it necessary and gives two days notice.

SECTION 6. Attendance by Board Members at Board meetings is critical to the smooth functioning of the TBFFC. Therefore, Board members are required to attend a minimum of four ~~six~~ monthly Board Meetings during any ~~six~~ ~~twelve~~ month period. A Board member may be replaced or dropped from the Board for lack of attendance and/or participation by a majority vote of the Board.

#### ARTICLE XIII PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the TBFFC in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the members of the TBFFC may adopt.

#### ARTICLE XIV PROHIBITION OF HAZING

SECTION 1. This organization prohibits its members, both individually and collectively from committing any acts of hazing as defined herein:

"Hazing" means any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health or safety of an individual for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with this organization. Such term shall include, but not be limited to, any brutality of a physical nature, such as whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the elements, forced consumption of any food, liquor, drug or other substance, or any other forced physical activity which could adversely affect the physical health or safety of the individual to extreme mental stress, such as sleep deprivation, forced exclusion from social contact, forced conduct which could result in extreme embarrassment, or any other forced activity which could adversely affect the mental health or dignity of an individual. For purpose of this section, any activity as described above upon which the initiation or admission into or affiliation with this organization is directly or indirectly conditioned shall be presumed to be a "forced activity", the willingness of an individual to participate in such activity notwithstanding.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 10/25/95 ~~4/10/13~~.

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