

Saltwater Fly Anglers of Delaware - SFAOD - July 24, 2017

Here is an update from our librarian - Steve Halstead, (410) 259-1588, 302 Lorraine Dr. Frederica, DE 19946, rxflyfisher@gmail.com

We have added a number of new titles (not necessarily new books) to our library. These were bargain books either purchased through Better World Books (check them out on line if you are looking for a particular book) or donated by club members. I have written some brief summaries to help you decide if you want to check any of them out.

#195 The Bahamas – Fly Fishing Guide - Even though this book is several years old, not much has changed (I can tell you that because I was there in early 2017). This book separates fishing by the specific island. Much is about Andros island where I fished and is quite accurate.

#196 is a second copy of Tuna on the Fly and #197 is titled Offshore Angler. This latter title is a 2004 book that is not about fly-fishing so I did not review it.

#198 Advanced Fly Fishing Techniques – Lefty Kreh – Although this is a 1992 publication, you will learn lots from Lefty by reading this one. It is subtitled, “Secrets of an Avid Fisherman.” What an understatement!

#199 Backcountry Fly Fishing in Saltwater – Carl Richards & Doug Swisher. Remember “Selective Trout”? These guys have written numerous classics. Check it out & see what you can learn from these experts.

#200 Fly Fishing For Bonefish – Dick Brown – Another classic – and a must read for anyone who fishes for wants to fish for the ghost of the flats. Be sure to read this one before you spend megabucks to fish some exotic location for bonefish.

#201 Saltwater Fly Fishing – Jack Samson – How many books with this title? But this one is another classic. This is a great guide to saltwater fly-fishing. It reads a little like a story-book but has great instructive tales. It is a bit dated as far as equipment is concerned but techniques are right on.

#202 Cathy Beck’s Fly-Fishing Handbook – An excellent “How To” written from a woman’s perspective. She and husband Barry have fished and photographed fishing all over the world. Lefty wrote the forward so you know it has to be good!

#203 The Complete Book of Fly-Fishing – A Worldwide Guide to the Fish, the Waters, the Flies & the Challenge – This is a Reader's Digest publication but don't sell it short because of that. Many great pictures, diagrams and fishing all over the world.

#204 So Many Fish, So Little Time – Mark Williams – 2007 – Typically short discussions of fishing many locations all over the world (1,001 streams, rivers, & places). Separated by USA states and countries except it also includes provinces of Canada and Mexican states.

#205 Fly Fishing in Saltwater is a second copy of Lefty Kreh's classic 1974 book dedicated to his wife. If you haven't read it you should. It is full of great information including the best list of how to handle fish (those that can hurt you) that you will ever see. You will also find great illustrations as to how to tie some of the most useful knots for fly-fishing.

#206 North American Fly Fishing – a 1998 publication. The portion on fly gear is obsolete. But the author gets into specifics about freshwater species and then saltwater species. Interesting.

#207 52 Rivers – This book was donated by member James Page. It was written in 2014 by a 60 year old woman from Colorado (Shelley Walchak) who decided to fish 52 different rivers & streams in 1 year. The rivers are in 7 western states of the USA. She tells the stories of her adventures during the year. Very entertaining and enlightening about these rivers.

#208 Sight Fishing the Flats & Beyond – this 2008 book by Nick Karas is sure to become a classic. Nick guides out of New York and covers the waters around Long Island. This guidebook covers tactics for most of the popular saltwater species.

Be sure to email me if you want to reserve one of these books and I will bring it to the next meeting. If I am not able to attend the next scheduled meeting, we can make other arrangements.

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