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For me- even though fishing might blow or be real tough on a particular day I try to learn something. Maybe it is a certain flow or tree blooming at the time of a certain bug emergence. Might be how the fish might hold in high water - or what they don't do in bright sun light. etc..etc...

Haved learned a good deal when I miss strikes- hey at least the fish was gonna take it and I messed up the hookset- maybe hooksets is what you learn- even though you did'nt end up landed anything.

I have been fly fishing for a few years- but it is still exciting for me because I never know what will happen (mainly because of a lack of expereince). Also, I bounce around to many different streams- since a decent one is at least 90 minutes away I try to learn as much as possible. I think that type of fishing is good and bad because it may force you to use different methods your not used to on your home stream- good because you dont always rely on what works on your home stream.

Think of fly fishing as something that going to take years more to understand better. Not to mention how the weather/flows change every year to that impact fishing and hatches.

For most newer folks to flyfishing- who expect to show up at a new stream for the first time (say Spring Creek for example) and expecting to do well- I think is a bit agressive with expectations.

Hey- I understand everyone wants and expects to catch fish but sometimes it might be better to walk away just knowing you learned something. I know it brought me back to the stream.

My progression: learn some, fish- skunking, maybe another skunking, a fish, maybe a couple more fish, maybe take one with a dry etc...

Guess I really mean that there can be more to success as a beginner fly fisher than actually catching fish. Sometimes just recognizing what you did wrong can be success. Like not trying to cast near overhanging tress with your newly tied rig. hehe