



NOVEMBER PROGRAM

By Pat Kendall

Our November program will be Jack Mitchell owner of the Evening Hatch Fly Shop in Ellensburg. The program will be on fishing the Yakima and Kettle rivers where Jack and his crew have fished and guided for many years. He might also touch on fishing the Columbia in the Northport area for large trout.

Jack will be tying some of his favorite flies before dinner.

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

By Gary Honeyman

Here we are with only a month to go before the big Christmas raffle. Once again we at the age old question, is the raffle a way to make big money or is it to give the members a good deal on fishing equipment? My answer to that is yes to both questions. Without the members donating their special gifts, the raffle would not be the huge success that it has come to be. There are many great donations from manufactures and fly shops, but it is the donations from the members that put it over the top.

The news from North Silver is very encouraging. The aerators are all installed and the aerator motor seems to be running like it is supposed to. My many thanks to everyone that has been involved in the project over the past few years. It should be an excellent fishery next year. Bob Bates promised to bring pictures of Inland Northwest Wildlife Council members helping on the project.

I hope to see you at this once a year Members Only meeting.

JUST A REMINDER

By Dick Odell and Leon Buckles

We know you are planning to attend your IEFFC Christmas Raffle on December 9 and will be contributing an item(s) to be eligible for the donors only drawing. Yes, we will have a raffle where each donor's name will be placed in the drawing. The donors raffle prize has a retail value of \$125. If you desire, you can get items to us early, and we will have them ready to display that night. For example, we are making sheets with scanned pictures for trips. We will be at the November meeting, and you have our numbers in the roster.

A special feature this year is a "member in attendance" raffle that will be drawn from dinner tickets. No raffle tickets will need to be purchased and everyone will have an equal chance to win. But ... you must be present when this item is drawn! The retail price of this prize is approximately \$250.

Donated trips and/or flies of your favorite patterns are always popular items. We will have a box of steelhead flies tied by an outstanding lady steelheader who always catches fish after following certain men (to remain unnamed) through the runs. Usable fly fishing items you no longer need or use are often sought by other club members. Be imaginative in your plans. Newer members can get ideas from older (?) members and the "older" members know what to expect.

We will take space this time to recognize only one of our outstanding contributions. This is a Del Coppock 7' 9" hand-planed, hand-built bamboo rod for a 4 weight line. Bag and metal tube are included. What a great chance to win a special prize from a true craftsman, a Letcher Lambuth Award winner, a fine gentleman, friend and fellow IEFFC member. You will have competition from your raffle chairmen on this one! Thanks for your support.

THANKS FOR N. SILVER EFFORTS

By Boyd Matson

On October 30, an article about North Silver by Rich Landers was printed in the Spokesman Review. I thought it was well done, but many of you who worked on the project were not mentioned. There was no way an article of this type could have been all inclusive.

This is my attempt at recognizing those who devoted their time and efforts to the project. I know some of you may be missed. I'm going to just blunder on and do my best.

Bill Butler-for many things he has done and continues to do.

Bill McElroy-for the extensive research on the properties around the lake and his support as a person and club president.

Harry Calhoun-for participating in work projects and especially for getting the culvert screen designed, built and installed.

Gary Honeyman-for work projects and furnishing and placing materials, making the access accessible.

John Fechner-for general support as club president and for designing and placing the onsite signs.

Bruce Kaiser-though not a club member he contributed his valuable time helping to draft the access agreement.

Fred Shiosaki-without his help as a WDFW Commissioner, this project might still be bogged down.

Bob Bates, Leon Buckles, Del Coppock, Frank Faha, Tom Hoag, Floyd Holmes, Pat Kendall, Ray Kranches, Jerry McBride, and Dick O'Dell for helping with installing the fence and other work projects.

Members of the Inland Northwest Wildlife Council and their families worked hard on brushing inside the fence, removing the old resort building and docks and installing the aerator.

Finally, at this time I think we should recognize Terry McNabb for his cooperation and for providing the access. I am proposing that we present him with an honorary membership and something like a fly fishing outfit to show our appreciation. I, for one, would be delighted to make a personal donation to this end.

Thanks to everyone. (*Ed. Note: Incl. Boyd Matson*)

A COMMENT

By Pat Kendall

The October program was in my estimation a disaster. The presentation was not well prepared and the presenter was less than knowledgeable about his subject. I think we all got the picture that the Douglas Ranch, with Minney and Stoney lakes, is a great fishing destination, but the presentation could have been much better.

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EITHER HAND FLY CASTING

By Dan Lagace*

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Yesterday, I taught a ten-year-old boy to fly cast. When we completed the lesson, he was making superb casts to a distance of 110 feet: sixty feet left-handed and fifty feet right-handed, that is

Either-Hand fly casting offers numerous advantages, and not the least of them is a dramatic improvement in your strong-hand casting. It also doubles the range of fishing and presentation angles in open, windy conditions, and when you are casting into cover. In addition, Either-Hand fly casting lets you avoid most back cast obstacles, allowing you to fish with equal ease from "either side of the river." Further, it's an excellent way to teach yourself how to teach fly casting to others.

Try the following eight-step process to teach yourself how to cast with either hand. Be sure to wear eye protection and use a bare leader when you try this. It will take about 30 minutes. Lefty's reverse the instructions.

1. Start with 45 feet of line. Grasp the rod with your left hand and pinch the line between the first finger of your left hand and the grip.
2. Envelope the outside of your left hand with your right hand: thumb-over-thumb, fingers-over-fingers.

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FLY OF THE MONTH

Double Posted Parachute Ant

November, 2003

Jerry McBride

The November offering solves several of the problems confronted when fishing fast water with small ant patterns. First, one must be able to see the fly as takes are often very subtle. The bright, double post makes for good visibility. Jerry says treating only the posts with floatant makes the ant float properly upright and not on its side. Another problem with tiny flies is keeping the hook gape clear of body material. In this pattern the material is mainly on top of the hook shank, leaving the gape wide for good hook ups. When a small ant is called for this pattern fills the bill.

Hook: Tiemco 921, size 16-20

Thread: Black 8/0

Posts: White or high visibility poly yarn

Body: Black dubbing (Fly Rite or equiv.)

Wing: Black hackle

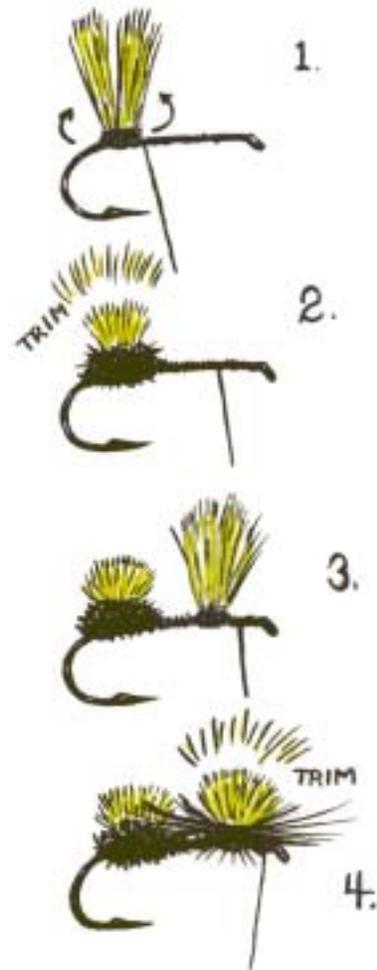


1. Pinch the barb and line the hook shank with tying thread. Take a 2-inch length of poly yarn and tie it securely just forward of the hook bend. Pull the two ends up and wrap the thread around the base of the yarn, creating the post.

2. Apply dubbing to the thread and then wrap around the post, placing each successive wrap below the previous one. When the body is large enough tie off and wrap thread forward to a point just back from the eye of the hook. Trim post so it sticks above the body about the same height as the body.

3. Lash down another piece of poly and form another post as described in step 1.

4. Tie in the black hackle, wrap it around the post and tie off. Whip finish behind the eye. Trim the front post to the same height as the rear post.



Either Hand Fly Casting (Cont.)

3. Begin false casting with the rod on the right side; left arm comes across the chest. Let your right hand control the rod, your left hand becomes part of the grip; goes along for the ride. Most pressure is with the right hand.
4. Increase grip pressure of left hand so right and left hand pressure are equal. Both hands in equal control to assimilate good left-handed casting from right hand experience.
5. While false casting, move your hands close to right side of your face, sensing equal control with both hands.
6. Lay the line down with a forward cast. Lift the line, still casting from the right side, make 6 false casts, lay

the line down. Repeat until pickup back cast is as good as regular false casts.

7. Transfer control to the left hand. Lift the line to cast, but now to the left side of your face. Continue false casting while moving your hands incrementally between casts to the left hand casting position, with hands outside of your left shoulder, right arm comes across your chest. Transfer control to your left hand by gradually increasing the pressure of the left hand on the grip while diminishing pressure with the right hand with each false cast
8. Separate your hands and manage the running line with your right hand.

Cast left-handed!



Steve Dixon gave Bob Harley a 2 for 1 certificate to Big K Ranch in Oregon that was won in last year's Christmas Raffle. Bob and Doug Brossoit went on the trip. Big K Ranch guide is holding a King salmon they caught. October 18, 2003

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