



**GENERAL MEETING
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE
COMMONS
October 9, 2007
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Leonard Gross

The feedback received from last month's program was largely positive. Ross Black and his graduate students have certainly undertaken a formidable task in identifying and cataloguing food sources in a variety of local lakes. If this project assists local fishery biologists with determining appropriate stocking levels within these lakes, as Ross hopes, this should improve the overall health of the fisheries we enjoy.

The Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club contributed a sizeable stipend to assist in making this project possible. As an organization, we have contributed financially over the years to a number of useful projects such as stream reclamation, signage at area lakes and rehabilitation efforts at McDowell and most recently Sprague Lake.

As we continue to fund projects such as those mentioned above, the IEFFC board has had to confront a declining revenue stream. As the cost for meal and bar service at our meetings has continued to rise over the years our fee structure has remained, for the most part, static. This has reduced the margin the club collects from our meal and bar service. Last year, we barely broke even and this year is no better. As a not-for-profit organization, IRS regulations don't allow the club to subsidize members' meals and bar service. We also require a minimal margin in our fee structure in order to generate the funds necessary to participate in, and contribute to, the numerous requests we receive annually.

All that being said, beginning with the December meeting we will be raising the cost of meals from

OCTOBER PROGRAM

By Dwight Tipton

Wet Fly Hour should be a special treat on Tuesday, October 9, because one of the foremost tiers in our sport will be manning the table. Skip Morris will then double as our featured speaker, and if he is half as engaging in person as he is on the phone I have no doubt he'll have everyone's rapt attention all during the evening. He will also have a good supply of several different books and CD's he has authored/produced, some of which will be for sale. Others will be donated for our Christmas Raffle. What wonderful additions to our individual libraries these would be. In fact, I'll speculate that there are very, very few members who don't already own one to several of Skip's works and rely on them heavily. A chance to add some of his newest works and to get them direct from the source after listening to an immensely interesting program is not something you can pass up.

November's program is shaping up. It appears a couple of musty, crusty members will regale you with stories and pictures of a place where the vast majority of big, that's beeeeg, rainbows have never seen an artificial fly....

\$16/member to \$17/member. The bar service will increase to \$5/liquor, \$4/wine and \$3/beer. The board will continue to monitor this situation over the next several months. However, this should be enough to keep us out of trouble with the IRS and build up our cash reserves.

NOTE FOR VEGALINE ARTICLE

By Bob Bates

Last month we had an article about Mike Runje and Vegaline. If you want to look at three other articles in *Nostalgia Magazine* you can check their website.

www.nostalgiamagazine.net

FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS MEMBERSHIP DEAL

By Carl Johnson, President of the WSCFFF

Note: Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club is an FFF affiliate club, and FFF memberships reduce our annual dues.

Starting July of this year the FFF started two membership incentive programs. The first program is for FFF affiliated clubs. This program is to increase our members to support the Federation's growing Conservation and Educational programs. One group that represents real potential is the members of our affiliate clubs who are not FFF members.

From July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 affiliate club members may join the Federation at the special discounted price of \$15.00 for a regular one year individual membership. Just mark out the \$35.00 fee in the membership application.

- These memberships will count toward the Rod Incentive program.
- **Membership form must be signed by the club president to certify that the applicant is a member of an affiliated club**

Life Member Promotion

Beginning July 1, 2007 until December 31, 2007 we will also have a life membership promotion. At a price of \$750 it will include for a new member, choice of a Sage 590-4 Z-AXIS Series Rod in 5 wt OR a Sage 890-4 Xi2 8 wt.

Thus the new life member gets a package valued at approximately \$1150.00 for his \$750.00 investment..

Rod incentive Program

For every 12 new members of a club who join the FFF, the club will receive their choice of a Temple Fork Outfitters Lefty Kreh Professional Series rod: TFO 5864P (8'6" 4 pc 5 wt) or TFO 0894P (9' 4pc 8 wt) .

If the club enrolls 18 new members, they can choose between a TFO Lefty Kreh TiCR X series rods: TFO 5904TX (9' 4 pc 5 wt) or TFO 08904TX (9' 4 pc 8 wt)

All membership categories for new members count toward the rod with the following exceptions.

- Two youth memberships count as one membership for this program
- Disabled Veteran memberships do not qualify
- Annual Renewal or Reinstatement of membership (former members less than 3 years)

Membership applications will be on the piano.

TWO STYLES OF THE FLY LEAF

By Bob Bates

This paragraph is for the folks with computers who do not receive the color electronic version of *The Fly Leaf*. Send me an e-mail at bob-bates@msn.com to sign up. You will receive it sooner than folks who get the black and white snail mail version. Most of Gene Lorenson's Fly of the Month drawings are in color, and sometimes color pictures are included. It looks a lot nicer than the snail mail version. The e-mail version also saves The Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club money.

This is for folks who receive the electronic version. My old computer was dying so I upgraded to a newer, faster and prettier one. In the process, I found that Microsoft 2007 does not have the font that has been used in *The Fly Leaf* title for years. The Park Avenue font was selected by one of our printers (or editors) long before I became involved. If you noticed a change in *The Fly Leaf* e-version on your new computer with the Vista operating system it is because Park Avenue is not on it. I could have settled for the blocky font that Vista offered me. However, tradition and aesthetics were satisfied by changing the title to a graphic. The 2007 copies of *The Fly Leaf* on our website have been corrected. Eventually all of the newsletters on our website will be changed.

FLY OF THE MONTH

Shop Vac

October, 2007

Normand Frechette

This month's pattern was brought to my attention by Chet Allison, who has been using it to good effect in the Spokane River this fall. Fished with or without an indicator it sucks up fish like a shop vac. Well. . . anyway, it really works. Swede has several variations in his shop, some without the white wing. The fly can be tied with a variety of rib and bead colors. Chet likes a silver rib version. It looks like a great pattern to have on hand.

Hook: Tiemco 2487 sizes 18 to 12

Bead: Gold or black 3/32

Thread: Fine black or brown

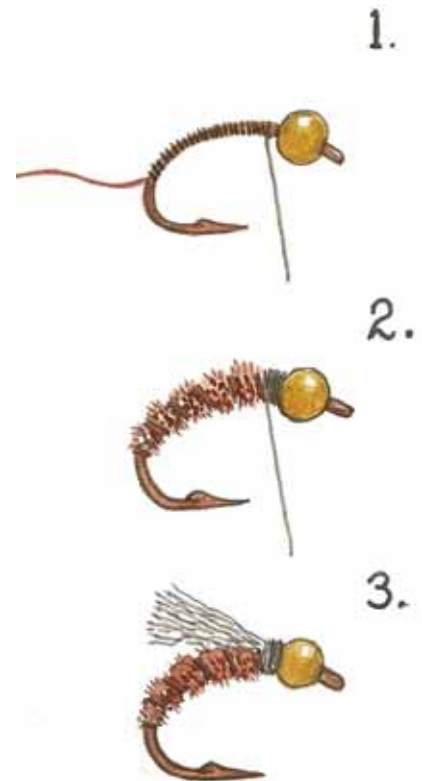
Rib: Fine copper, gold, or silver wire

Body: Pheasant tail fibers

Wing: White Zelon or substitute



1. Pinch the barb and slide the bead up to the eye. Line the hook shank with tying thread and attach the wire rib.
2. Tie in two or three pheasant tail fibers and wind them evenly up to just behind the bead, leaving a bit of room to tie in the wing. Counter wind the rib to the same point and tie off.
3. Put the wing material in place, secure and whip finish behind the bead. Trim the thread and cement.

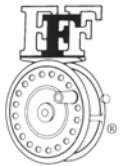


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FOUNDING MEMBER and McKENZIE PLAQUE WINNER

SEPTEMBER 29, 2007 IEFFC FISHOUT AT AMBER LAKE

Photos by Bob Bates



If you weren't there you missed Swede's culinary skills. The burgers were great.



Happy consumers



Pat Kendall caught a fish. "Now what do I do?"



*What's this? A branch of the B.C. Open Hood Cult?
See The Fly Leaf, November 2006*