



**GENERAL MEETING
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE
COMMONS
May 21, 2013
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Mike Beasley

What is the old adage? Hope springs eternal..... If this is indeed the case, I hope you have your rods at the ready eagerly awaiting quarry finds the end of your line interesting. On my drive to work every day I have the opportunity to gaze upon the Spokane River and from the looks of it spring runoff is in full force. Hopefully in a few more weeks the high water will have past and our favorite fishing spot will be in top shape. Typically by now my beloved cougar table would have already completed its annual "Hells Anglers" fishing trip but in the last few years we chose to go later in the year in hopes of avoiding the uncertainty Mother Nature can bring us. A word of warning, if you plan on fishing the Missouri River this year you might consider avoiding June 20th through June 23rd..... I can assure you the Cougar activity in that area will be much higher than normal.

May is a big month for the Club, we have the Morningstar Boys Ranch fly tying event on Thursday May 9th and the Kids fish out on Saturday May 11th. If you have not volunteered for either of these events and you would like to please contact either Bill M. or Floyd H. I am sure they could still use your help!

At the April BOD meeting a request was made of the club to assist in the rehabilitation of the boat ramp at Amber Lake. During the meeting it was brought to the Board's attention that the ramp had been blocked off with large concrete slabs to prevent launching straight down the ramp. Chris Donnelly informed us the State

MAY PROGRAM

By Lee Funkhouser

For the May 21st club program, we are being given a special treat. Club member Leon Buckles is our speaker and will be presenting his program entitled "The Cutthroat Slam". In this program he will cover how Wyoming came by having so many indigenous cutthroat species. It is a program that you don't want to miss. In addition, Leon will be tying before the meeting. He is presenting a new wrinkle to the balanced fly.

For those of you who don't know a lot about Leon, he is one of the top "outdoorsmen" in the club. He has been a member of the club for over 50 years. He is an accomplished pilot having moonlighted in his earlier years as a flight instructor and charter pilot for Felts Aviation. He has done virtually every type of fishing including off shore fishing, where he has landed a blue marlin that weighed 1283 pounds and also earned an all tackle World Record for West African Spanish Mackerel. He is also an accomplished open water diver, a sport which has allowed him to explore shipwrecks and do some spearfishing.

He is quite an amazing individual and I am excited to have him as our May program.

put the barrier up because of a large drop off right off the end of the launch which has been the cause some very unfortunate accidents in the past. Word to the wise if you are going to launch stay to the right of the ramp and do not go too far in. The Board is in favor of providing a level of support provided some permitting and other minor issues are worked through.

In closing remember our May meeting is a week later than normal. Our scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday May 21st. Hope to see you then. This will be our last meeting before our summer break, and then we will reconvene in September.

As always, keep your anchor on your down wind side....

KIDS FISHING EVENT

By Floyd Holmes

These people helped at the kids fishing event

Bill Harrington	Jerry Harms
Randy Shaber	Dick Odell
Paul Coopwood	Dick Thiel
Jerry Harms friend Warren Dibble	Floyd Holmes

Randy Osborn and I want to thank these guys for helping to make this years event the success that it was. If I missed any one I apologize.

Thanks

SILVER BOW GEAR SWAP

By Sean Visintainer

I have my annual fly fishing gear swap coming up May 18th. If the club is willing to put a small plug in the Fly Leaf that would be awesome and help a ton!!

Here are the basics of how it works:

Fly Fishing Gear Swap Date: May 18th 9am-6pm

Sellers:

Bring in fly fishing gear starting May 11th. NO GEAR WILL BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO THIS.

\$1 per item registration fee. NO EXCEPTIONS on bulk quantities.

If your gear sells you can receive 1 of 2 options:

1. 100% value of items sold as in-store credit
2. A check for 70% of the sold items value. Checks will be cut within 2 weeks after the event.

All gear MUST be picked up within 1 week after the event.

Pontoon boats/float tubes must be dropped off and picked up the day of the event.

Buyers:

Event starts at **9am Saturday May 18th.**

Prices will **REMAIN THE SAME** throughout the one-day event.

All sales are final.

Gear that is acceptable: Rods, reels, lines, waders/boots, clothing, fly tying tools/materials, pontoon boats, accessories, and anything related to fly fishing in good working order!!

AWARD TO IEFFC MEMBER

Bob Bates received the 2013 Council Federator of the Year award from the Washington State Council Federation of Fly Fishers. It recognizes his work on the new WSCFFF website.

TRUTH CLUB

By Dwight Tipton

Northsiders, are you aware that you now have a place close to you where you can go on a Tuesday and talk fishing... and don't have to lie about it? Yes indeed, you have such a place, and, you can get there without spending an hour in traffic, then have a much larger part of your day left to do as you need to, all the while feeling refreshed by having truthfully recounted your fishing adventures to your Northside peers. All this plus the ability to attend the Tuesday gathering held way down south at Frankie Diddles, or whatever the name of the place is, whenever you have the time, and sufficient gas in your tank, to get there. Pretty nifty, huh?

Our meetings are held at Rosauer's Restaurant at the Division St. "Y" starting at 0730 every Tuesday morning. Come and have breakfast, coffee or whatever while listening to or telling truthful anecdotes of fishing majesty. Come join us, you'll enjoy it. Oh, and Southsiders are cordially invited as well, but need to remember that this is the Truth Club.

ROSTER CORRECTIONS

By Lee Funkhouser

I have to report two issues with the Roster. Both happened somewhere between my final check and the printing, but both were my fault so I will bring money for the poacher to the next meeting.

1. Stephen Aspinwall's name was somehow deleted in the final copy. (I have called and apologized to him already). (922-7434)

2. Alan McLeod has a second number listed that needs to be taken off the roster (922-6710). He told me about it at the meeting and I deleted it, but somehow in my merge it was repopulated into the second phone number spot. (I have called and apologized to him also).

I knew when I took this job that it would be almost impossible to print without error, but I will continue to aim at a perfect roster. At any rate it should be in everyone's mailbox. My goal was May 1st this year so that part of the goal was reached.

ROSTER CHANGE

Bob Burton

Home Phone: 327-0449

Cell Phone: 509-991-6646

Wife: Alice

FLY OF THE MONTH

Mini Black Hackle Peacock

May 2013

Gene Lorenson

This pattern is a small, modified version of the well-used Black Hackle Peacock. It is a great small nymph for lake or stream when a small fly is needed. It can be tied using a bead head for faster sinking. Bluegills love it as well as trout.

Hook: 16 - 12 regular shape

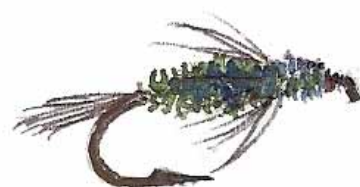
Thread: Fine black

Tail: Black hackle fibers

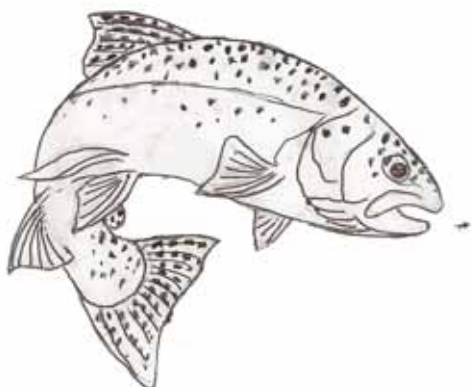
Body: Peacock herl

Hackle: Small black hackle fibers

Head: Peacock herl or small black bead



1. Pinch the barb, put the bead on *if* desired. Line the hook shank with thread. Tie in the tail fibers.
2. Form the body with peacock herl to about 2/3 of shank length.
3. Attach and wind the small hackle. Use the tying thread to make it point back to the tail of fly.
4. Form the head of the fly with herl on the front 1/3 of the pattern. Wrap a few turns of herl behind the bead, if used.



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