



GENERAL MEETING
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE
COMMONS
May 20, 2014
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

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MAY PROGRAM By Neal Beechinor

May brings **Leland Miyawaki** to speak to our club. His program synopsis is "The Most Fun You Can Have On The Beach With Your Clothes On."

Leland works part time at the Orvis store in Bellevue, Washington, and fishes and guides on the local Puget Sound beaches for searun cutthroat...nearly exclusively with his surface fly – the "Miyawaki Beach Popper."

He has fished most of the streams and lakes in California, Oregon, Idaho, Washington and well known hot, spots in New Mexico, Wyoming, and Montana. This is a return trip for Leland, those of you who saw him before know he gives a great program so you won't want to miss it.

Coming up this fall, in October we will have Steve Temple with Clark Fork Trout in Superior, MT. He will give us a presentation called "Secrets of the Clark Fork." Presenters for September and November are yet to be decided.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By Lee Funkhouser

It was nice to be at a recent Liar's Club luncheon and hear all the stories about fishing. It was a long winter and I believe that fishing is what we do best. Coffeepot seems to be rocking, (although the water level is way down), Amber is producing quite well, and, as always, you can't NOT catch fish at Farmer Browns. Our speakers at last months' meeting pretty much told us it would be a good year and it is starting out that way. I hope to see you out on the area lakes and rivers as things continue to ramp up.

There is a lot going on right now, and my hat is off to all of you in the fight. We have Chet Allison very involved with the Fly Fishing Fair in Ellensburg, Floyd Holmes and Fred Shiosaki handling Kid's Fishing and Bill McElroy taking care of Morningstar. On top of that, we have Jim Turner and his Legacy Committee assisting us with much of the funding for our programs involving area youth. You all make me very proud to be a part of the IEFFC.

We should have a great program with fly fishing specialist Leland Miyawaki coming over from the Puget Sound area. I can't say enough about the quality programs Neal Beechinor has brought to us this year and this one will be no exception.

I am off to North Carolina for a few weeks as I am meeting up with my two daughters who are stationed on the East Coast. I'm confident my fellows on the executive board and other committees will fill my shoes. It is great to have people who can pinch hit when you have to be away.

If you haven't been fishing, go. They're biting. Now.

Remember the meeting is a week later in May. I will be back and I look forward to seeing all of you at the meeting.

Legacy Committee May Table By Jim Turner

The Legacy Committee will make some of Fenton Roskelley's materials and equipment available at the May meeting.

The proceeds from the sale will help to continue this committee's ability to fund our programs involving area youth. This year we are already funding Kids Fishing and the Morningstar Boys Ranch outing. In addition, the committee has been able to provide the funding to transport the Ronald McDonald House children and parents to the special Friday edition of Kid's Fishing Outing.

Remember: May's meeting is May 20! Don't get poached!

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

New Member Focus

Bob Johnson

Born April 1st in Long Beach Ca. I love to fish, whether it's fly fishing the rivers or going for a big salt water variety. I started fly fishing in 1988, on the Madison River. That was my time first ever, in which I hooked a fish that caught me forever. I love to fish moving water whether fishing from my boat or walk wading. I spend most of the time fishing the Coeur d'Alene river, if for no other reason because of the lack of miles necessary to get there. I was a guide in the mid 90's and my son is currently a guide. I taught him everything I knew and now he teaches me.



Eric Delbo

I have been fly fishing since I was about 8 yrs old. I originally was taught everything from my late grandfather. I still vividly remember the first time I successfully caught a fish on the fly. It was about a five inch Brook Trout in Hazard Lake, ID. My first wasn't the largest, but it was the most exciting...seeing this tiny fish come up to eat a caddis fly probably half it's size.

I am about to graduate Eastern Washington Univ. in electrical engineering. I'm an avid outdoorsman, conservationist, musician, adrenaline junky, astronomer, brewer and always on a constant journey to try new things.



Spokane River Instream Flow

The Washington Department of Ecology is hosting an open house to discuss proposed instream flows for the Spokane River. Instream flows are flow values deemed protective of fisheries, recreation, hydropower, waste management, and other in-stream values. Once adopted, new water rights will be interrupted should river flows decrease below a set value. Ecology is seeking input on their proposed flow values. The Open House is March 14, 2014 at CenterPlace in the Spokane Valley. All interested persons are welcome.

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WANTED: FLY FISHERS FOR MORNING STAR FISHOUT

By Bill McElroy

Morning Star Boys Ranch Casting/Tying and Fishing are May 8 and 10, 2014

First of all, thanks to all of you who have participated in this event and made it such a success. All of your veterans' efforts have been greatly appreciated.

We will meet for breakfast at LindeBees Diner at 7 am Saturday May 10. The address is 111 Lefebre (Main Street by City Hall) in Medical Lake. They have the perfect size banquet room, good service and free parking. The IEFFC will buy breakfast for you and the boys. LindeBees phone number is 299-3861.

We are going to West Medical Lake and you will need a small boat. If you don't have one, boats and motors are for rent at the lake. Let me know and I will reserve one for you.

They will have no gear and usually little, if any, raingear. Bring all fishing gear for them and raingear if you have extra. Bring your lunch and maybe a soft drink for the boy. The boys will have their lunch provided by the Ranch. Please bring a spare of sunglasses if you can. Life jackets are required and are also available at the resort. We are usually done around 2:30. The Ranch would prefer not to deal with fish, so let's use the opportunity to promote catch-and-release.

The tying and casting is on Thursday night at 5:30 on May 8. The fishing day is on Saturday May 10.

This is a function that the boys look forward to every year. Come along and provide a positive role model for a young man.

I will have an email list for everyone and provide further information as required. Please sign up at any of the upcoming meetings, or contact me directly, see the Roster.

Chambers Creek Lawsuit Settlement

From NWSportsman Magazine

Hatchery steelhead smolts would be released into the Skykomish River this spring and next, but they would end for 12 years on the Skagit, according to papers filed in U.S. District Court April 25, 2014.

A proposed settlement between the Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife, which was sued over Chambers Creek early winter steelhead production without a federal permit by the Wild Fish Conservancy, says that the state agency would also pay the Duvall-based group \$45,000 in lawyers fees.

The settlement indicates a native broodstock program will be studied on the mainstem Skagit and its tribs other than the Sauk. It also appears to OK continued releases of Chambers steelhead after the state secures a permit from the National Marine Fisheries Service for its programs on the North Fork Nooksack, Green, North Fork Stillaguamish, Snoqualmie and Dungeness.

WFC had been trying to get WDFW to halt releases in Snoqualmie and Nooksack as well as the Skagit for a dozen years, according to a letter from Michael Grossman at the state Attorney General's office. The documents indicate that the Skykomish may receive more than the 180,000 smolts that were otherwise going to be released into it in the coming weeks.

Jim Scott, Fish Program manager for WDFW, says that being able to continue releases into the Sky was one of two key points. "The big thing for us is they won't sue us for 2 1/2 years of our other programs," he says, pointing to Puget Sound Chinook, an "immensely" important hatchery fishery. "We were very concerned that was the next step for them."

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Bob Harley's Grip and Grins
Missouri River



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In an effort to increase access to the publication of The Fly Leaf we have created a new email address for submissions to the publications committee. Please try to use that address for any future submissions or questions you wish to address to the editorial staff.

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FLY OF THE MONTH

Parachute May

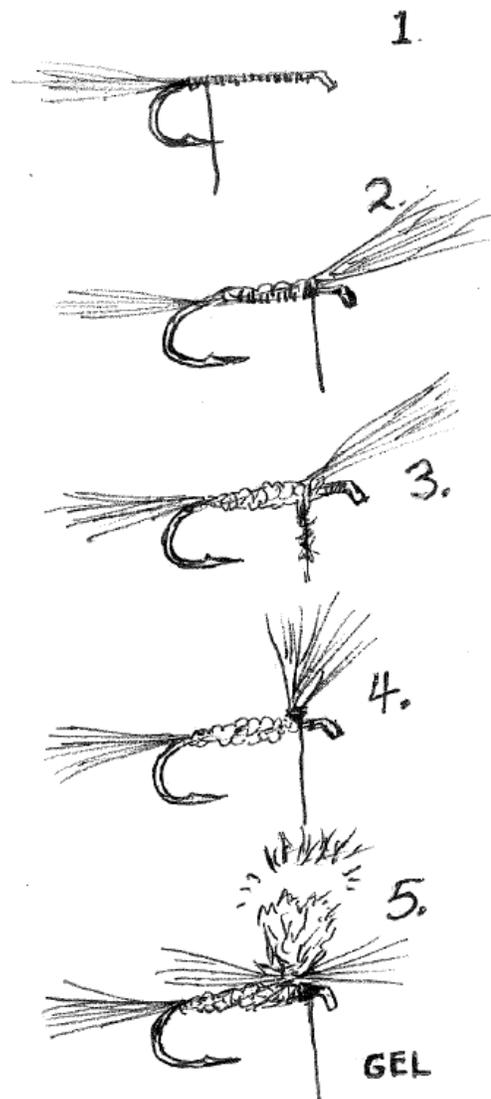
May 2014

Gene Lorenson

Here is a may fly for the month of May. This pattern is a basic fly that can be altered for size and color and can be used to match whatever bugs are hatching. It's a fantastic floater that continues to stay on the surface after lots of fish take it. Just blow it off and cast again! Good angling this spring and summer.

Hook: 18 - 10 regular
Thread: Fine black mono
Tail: A few wisps of fine hair or hackle tips
Wing-post: White Poly yarn
Body: Fine tapered dubbing of color choice
Hackle: Parachute wound around the post. Color to match body.

1. Pinch that barb and line the hook shank with thread. Tie in the tail fibers.
2. Tie the poly yarn along the hook with the long end extending over the eye of the hook.
3. Using a fine dubbing, form a slim, tapered body and trim.
4. Form a post out of the poly yarn with several turns of the thread around the base.
5. Tie the hackle in front of the post and wind several turns parachute-style and secure behind the hook eye. Carefully place a drop of cement in the base of the wing-post. Form a small head, whip finish and cement.



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May Hatches
By Guy Gregory

May in Washington is the beginning, but not the height, of the mayfly season. Brown, Speckle, and Mahogany duns are at their most frequent, mid-day emergence, while Blue Winged Olives typically wane somewhat from their late winter population. A bit more warm weather, and we'll see some Green Drakes and some Red Quills, so having a few in your box is not a waste of time.

Damsels start in good weather, so nymphs are active in Stillwater. Caddis that really show up now, green and brown sedges, sizes 12-18 in my experience, can be good late in the day.

And of course, it's trout candy time. Bars and cafes are full of rumors of stonefly hatches, so be sure to keep those Pteronarcys and Golden stones around. Big fish gotta eat.

For those of you interested in hatches and hatch charts, see <http://www.flyfishingentomology.com/>, a great source for Washington insect knowledge.

Submissions for publication in the Fly Leaf can be made by contacting Lee Funkhouser at flyleaf.ieffc@gmail.com. Articles should be submitted by the last Friday of the month for inclusion in the following months newsletter.