



GENERAL MEETING
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE
COMMONS
November 10, 2015
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

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NOVEMBER PROGRAM By Skip Cavanaugh

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By Neal Beechinor

It was a great day on October 21st steelhead fishing on the Grande Rhonde River. Lee Funkhouser & I each landed 2 of those beautiful fish. Our guide, Bo Brand from the Silver Bow Fly Shop told me that my wild fish weighed about 12 pounds, but I thought it was more like 15. I suppose he is right, as he has quite a bit more experience than I. We were able to bring home 2 hatchery fish for the barbie. What a great day. We also caught (and released of course) a 20 inch bull trout, several 14-16 inch rainbows, and several white-fish. One of us even caught a big ugly sucker, but nobody needs to know who.

My wife and I spent the week of October 25th up in BC at the headwaters of the Columbia River. That would be Fairmont Hot Springs Resort, which is our time share home resort. The river has its origin flowing North out of Columbia Lake just a few miles South of the resort. It runs right through the resort golf course. I am happy to say that I hit several golf shots across the Columbia River with not one getting wet. Of course the river is only as wide as a 2 lane road with a middle turn lane. I took my fly fishing gear with me including a float tube hoping to wet a line in White Swan Lake about 20 highway miles South of the resort and 20 miles East on the gravel road. We drove to Home Basin Campground only to find the wind blowing and the temperature quite chilly. There was no one fishing. I talked to a couple guys huddled by a campfire in their parkas that told me the fish weren't biting. That was enough for me. I did not fish. What a beautiful place. I had never been there, but I sure want to go back at a better time of year.

I am so pleased that we have had so many of our members bringing guests to our meetings this year. We have had several attend 3 meetings and have become members. Keep up the good work. At this rate we will fill our club membership up to our 135 regular limit. Remember if your guest has the intention of becoming a member, the club buys his dinner for his 3 meetings.

Over the past two decades Carol Ann Morris's photographs have not only appeared in most of her husband Skip Morris's 18 fly-fishing and -tying books but on the covers and interior pages of such magazines as GRAY'S SPORTING JOURNAL, FLY FISHING & TYING JOURNAL, and the YALE ANGLER'S JOURNAL.

It seems fly fishers want to record their biggest and most beautiful fish, the fascinating rivers and lakes and beaches they fish and explored--the very heart of their beloved sport--with a camera. Carol teaches them how to make their photos crisp and vivid, balanced and expressive. She demonstrates and explains the Rule of Thirds, effective use of light, the Magic Hour, UFOs (Unidentified Foreign Objects), how to photograph fish, and many other straightforward concepts anyone can use to improve their photographs. Also, Carol will show various failed photos and explain what caused the problems.

Carol will also be happy beforehand to tie flies for a half hour or so --she tied many of the flies that appear in her and Skip's book, TROUT FLIES FOR RIVERS.

Make sure you get to this meeting. This will be a great presentation.

Presidents Message continued:

I need to bring up a subject of great importance to our club. There are only 2 more months left in this year. At our December meeting we will elect a new slate of officers for the coming year. It has been tradition that the current officers and board members move up one notch to the next office, the president moving off the board, but not into obscurity. For one reason or another, as I write this, we are short at least 2 officers/board members for the next year. All you members who have yet to contribute by joining the board, please consider it. It is not much work, it's fun, a great experience, and you get to better know a great bunch of fly fisher guys.

Please remember our gal Wendy next week as she undergoes cancer surgery. Our club will be sending her some flowers as a gesture of our affection for her.

Website Progress



INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB

Our update for this month emphasizes the member login process. You should have received your login information and updated your profile. Adding a personal photo will enhance the members only experience for everyone. Note that, if your email has changed, Steve Dixon will still need any changes for the membership directory.

If you have not yet received your login information it likely means we do not have an email address for you. Contact Lee Funkhouser and he will get you the information.

Remember to locate and send your favorite photo for the gallery. We have some great fish photos on the site now and would like to add more.

We have the capability of having a video on our home page. If you have a video that you would like to see on the site, let our staff know.

The site will continue to grow and provide services to you. Let us know if there is something special you would like to see.

Toys For Tots US Marines and Salvation Army

The November 2015 meeting is a time to share with our community. **Please bring a toy or cash donation to the meeting.** We will have a representative from the United States Marines present to collect the toys.

The brainchild of IEFFC member Jon Allan, this is one of our very important community programs. Over the years IEFFC has donated thousands of dollars and hundreds of toys to help those less fortunate. With our emphasis on kid's fishing, this program is a natural for us.

Try to bring toys of a \$10 value or higher and remember that cash is also very vital to the program. **Your donations are appreciated.**

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Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

Spey Casting “Clave” By Guy Gregory

Picking up the two-hander can be daunting. Unfamiliar hand motions, the industry’s deliberate confusion over line weights and styles, and the cost... Yet the benefits beckon: less stress on shoulders, easier manipulation around obstacles, and greater ability to cover water. But how to get information? Spey folks have what they call “Clave”s. Several of the best are in the northwest, and the Clearwater Spey Gathering is nationally known. I attended this year’s meeting, sponsored by Poppy’s Red Shed Fly Shop near Peck, Idaho.

At this September gathering, talks began about 9:00 AM with on-the-water demonstrations by leading guides, tackle manufacturers and reps, and



other experts. These folks discussed almost every kind of line, cast, and fishing situation, and all I saw answered questions shouted from the assembled audience on shore. Up on the road, manufacturers of everything from boats to flies had tables where you could see, touch, and demo their equipment...but you couldn’t buy it! In fact I was hard pressed to pay for anything, even lunch was free, as were drawings for lots of great gear.

If you’re a beginner at the two-handed game, I suggest a trip to this, or one of the other “spey-clave” events to meet and talk with these folks. You’ll get some pointers, and get introduced to folks who want you to succeed. And if you’re a seasoned hand, you’ll get hands on experience with some fantastic tackle.

For next year’s Clearwater event, check in with the Red Shed fly shop page, www.redshedflyshop.com

Phil Rowley Lake Strobel Offer From Jerry McBride

I am looking forward to speaking to your club in 2016. That will be just prior to my heading down to Argentina where I am hosting two trips to Jurassic Lake. If you or any of your club members are interested in perhaps joining me please let me know. *Phil Rowley*

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Please Note: Air fare to El Calafate and Gratuities extra.

Dates are March 26 to April 2nd and April 2nd to April 9, 2016.

Contact Phil at flycraft@shaw.ca or call 780-464-5499

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

Bayley Lake Project Jim Athearn

On October 24th, IEEFC volunteers cleared the inlet channel to Bayley Lake.

This is an ongoing program every year or so to improve spawning access for rainbows out of the lake. The intent is that, if they are able to spawn, they will survive and can return to the lake and carry over to provide a few larger fish to be caught. There was some evidence that there might even have been some reproductive success this year which would be an added bonus.

Members who participated included **Jerry McBride, Bob Schmidt, Bob Burton, Leon Buckles, Lee Funkhouser, Stephen Aspinwall, Scott Fink, and Jim Athearn.**

After the work was finished, everyone had lunch and had a great afternoon catching a few of the fish. An added surprise was a visit to Bayley Lake by WDFW officials who thanked our club for the work we have been doing on the channel.



Before picture to the left and After picture to the right.

Board Meeting Location By Neal Beechinor

Our board meetings are held at Frankie Doodles, 30 E. 3rd, just off Division near the freeway. All members are welcome at 5:30 PM the Thursday after our regular membership meeting.

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

FLY OF THE MONTH

Double Posted Parachute Ant

November, 2015

Jerry McBride

The November Fly of the Month is a repeat from a number of years ago. This 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

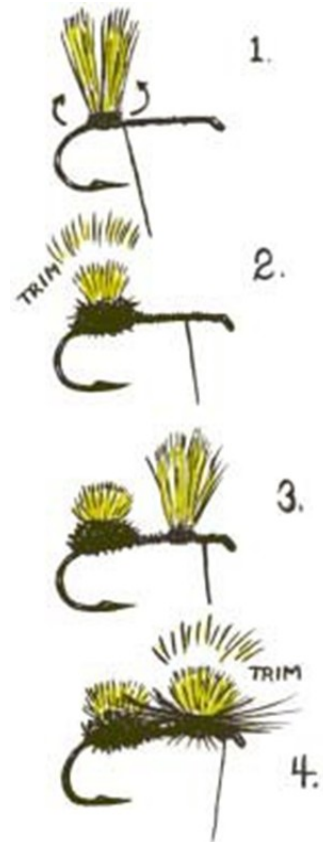


1. Pinch the barb and line the hook shank with tying thread. Take a 2-inch length of poly yarn and tie it securely just forward of the hook bend. Pull the two ends up and wrap the thread around the base of the yarn, creating the post.

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.



**FFF Report
By Chet Allison**

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Ellensburg, WA April 29 & 30



Fly Members,

Are you a tier that has never tied at the National Fly Fishing Fair? If this sound like fun (and it is) the Federation is looking to build their tyer data base and is looking for new tyers. If you are a IFFF member or would join the IFFF and send me your contact info I will send your info to the Federation office to add you to the data base and down the road you will be invited to come and tie at the national fair. The fair will be in Livingston in 2016 and 2017. You will tie your fly patterns your way.

Thankyou,
Chet Allison
WSCIFFF BOD

To Join FFF simply go to the website listed.

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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.