



**GENERAL MEETING  
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB  
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE  
COMMONS**

**February 10, 2009  
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

By Jon Allen

My earliest memory of fly fishing is going with my father to a little stream not far from our house in Cusick WA. I was too young to fish but do remember watching my father casting and catching small trout out of the stream and putting them into his wicker creel. My brother and I learned about the outdoors from our father and we cherish the memories of the fishing and hunting trips shared with him. He passed away at the age of 52. I still have his bamboo rod, outfitted with an old phlueger reel, and his wicker creel. They are both mounted on the wall of our lake cabin. Mentoring the next generation is an easy thing to do and our club gives us two great opportunities, the kid's fish out and the Morning Star outing. These two events always occur in the month of May. The success of these is dependent on your participation so when Fred Shiosaki and Bill McElroy ask for volunteers, please sign up and pass your expertise on to the next generation.

The board of directors has been informed that the project at North Silver Lake is not going well. The lack of water seems to have hampered our efforts of restoring the lake. So if you have any ideas for club projects, please share them with one of your board members. The board is also reviewing the club by-laws. If you do not have the current by-laws you can contact Bob Bates and have them e-mailed to you.

Bob's e-mail address is [bob-bates@msn.com](mailto:bob-bates@msn.com). Also, Bob has posted a PDF copy of the by-laws on the IEFFC website.

**FEBRUARY PROGRAM**

By Jason Mulligan

I have heard many tales from club members about entomology studies. Whether they have done their own 'back yard research' or know some biologist who has given them worthy tips, there are still many who scratch their heads regarding some more obscure hatches. Our presenter for this month will shed some light on the subject with his program titled, "De-Bugging Entomology". Rick Hafele will be sharing his knowledge of which he has been successful using all around the world. If you are interested, he will have some of his books for sale. I'm sure all of you sweet talkers could get an autographed copy. We hope to learn some of his tying specialties as well. Come join us for an excellent program that will further the clubs experience in its own entomology projects.

Leon Buckles, the club's historian, still needs photos of any club members or past outings that you have and are willing to share. By the multitude of members standing at the easel and white board at the last meeting, Leon's idea of posting club members Bios with pictures at each meeting is a big hit. We still need volunteers to help write the Bios of past members. So if you can help, please give Leon a call or e-mail him with the details.

It's been reported that the "Girls Gone Wild" video has migrated from the WSU table to someone at Boyd Matson's table.

**VIDEO LIBRARY**

By Harry Calhoun

Steelhead Flies Tying Classics (2 discs)

Dec Hogan & Marty Howard

No. 114

## CLUB OUTINGS

By Chet Allison

A family camping/fishing trip at McDowell Lake is planned for early June, possibly 6th and 7th.

A new phone/fishing bulletin board will be put in place. Chet Allison (329-0118) will need your name, where you'll be fishing, duration of trip, and number of fisherman you'd like to have with you. You call me with your info and others call asking if anyone is going out and I'll tell them about your trip give them your phone number and the rest is up to the fisherman.

September 26, 2009 Bar B Q at Sprague Lake or Amber Lake. See more details in a future *Fly Leaf*.

## DUES ARE DUE

By Bob Bates

### Our Bylaws state the following.

"Membership dues are due January 1 and shall become delinquent March 1. Delinquent members shall forfeit all privileges of membership after March 1. Membership may be reinstated by payment of dues, plus any additional costs incurred by the Club in arranging and making provision for payment of late dues, not to be less than \$10.00. Membership can only be reinstated if the membership is less than 135 regular members."

We now have a system to complete the membership lists much more quickly than in previous years. Hence, we will not have the administrative grace period as in the past.

## DOUGLAS LAKES RANCH TRIP

By Frank Faha

We are putting together another trip to Douglas Lake Ranch. Dates are 5, 6, 7 and 8 June 2009. Package price is \$1082 per person which includes \$164 for taxes. Deposit is \$250. Boats, lodging and meals are furnished.

Ten folks have signed up so far.

Make your reservations in groups of two using your credit card. Call Shirley: 1 (800) 663 4834 or 1 (250) 350 3344.

More details available: Call me, 448 6605, or E-mail me, [ffaha@msn.com](mailto:ffaha@msn.com)

## ROSTER CHANGE

**Richard Ralston**

Business phone number: None

Occupation: Retired

## MORNING STAR

By Bill McElroy

These are the guys who took part in the 2008 Morning Star Boy's Ranch Fishout. The event covered two days: Saturday -- May 10, 2008 was the main part with the breakfast and fishing trip; Thursday May 8, 2008 was at the Ranch to teach the boys a little fly tying and fly casting.

	Saturday	Thursday
Merlin Heintz	no	yes
Mike Beasley	no	yes
Mark Hensley	no	yes
Steve Cozzetto	yes	no
Bob Anderson	yes	no
Scott Mayfield	yes	no
Ryan Allan	yes	no
Jon Allan	yes	no
Russ Roundy	yes	no
Jim Turner	yes	no
Marc Martyn	yes	no
Bob Bates	yes	yes
Ray Kranches	no	yes
Steve Aspinwall	yes	no
Frank Faha	yes	no
Eric Apelskog	yes	no
Tom May	yes	no
Doug Pineo	yes	no
Bill Papesh	yes	no
Jason Mulligan	yes	no
Keith Kuester	yes	no
Bill McElroy	yes	yes

Matt Anderson	no	alternate
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Pat Kendall	alternate
Rod Butler	alternate
Jerry McBride	alternate
Don Perry	alternate
Lowell Tveit	alternate

## BIG HORN SHOW

By Tom May

This year The Big Horn Show dates are Thurs. 3/19, Friday 3/20, Saturday 3/21 and Sunday 3/22.

IEFFC is taking part in the show. We tie flies, talk about fishing, show people our book, etc. It is an interesting time for any one taking part. I still need IEFFC volunteers to work at the booth, helping kids and beautiful young ladies tie flies.

Please check your calendars and determine when you can do your part. There will be an opportunity to sign up at the February meeting.

# FLY OF THE MONTH

Chubby Chernobyl

February, 2009

Silver Bow Fly Shop

One recent dreary day, I stopped by the Silver Bow Fly Shop to brighten things up by drooling at the goodies and gabbing about fly fishing. In the course of our conversation I asked Sean if he would recommend a fly of the month for February. We perused the approximately one million fly patterns for a while and he chose, with confidence, the Chubby Chernobyl. Sean pointed out its many attributes. It floats like a cork, the wings make it highly visible and help it to land upright on the water, and it can be tied in a variety of color combinations and sizes. It works well twitched on the water surface and, of course, it is great fished with a dropper and weighted nymph. I had fished this combination on the Snake at Jackson's Hole last September and can attest to its effectiveness. It is a bit tricky to tie, but once you get the hang of it, it's worth the effort.

**Hook:** 4X streamer 6 to 12

**Thread:** Color to match body 6/0

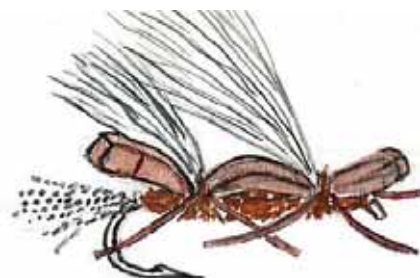
**Tail:** Bunch of Pearl Krystal Flash

**Dubbing:** Synthetic material (gold, red, tan, or orange)

**Shell:** 2 m. closed cell foam (tan or brown, red body uses black foam)

**Legs:** Silicone leg material

**Wings:** Poly yarn, white

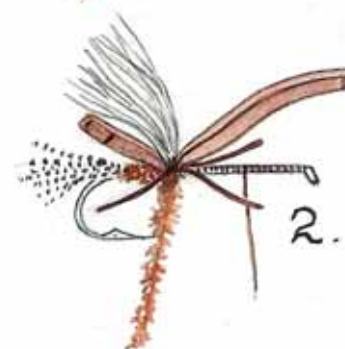
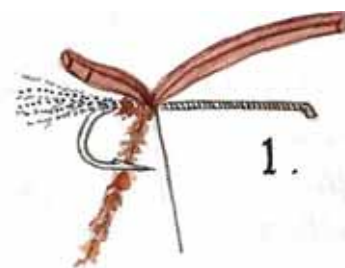


1. Pinch the barb and line the hook shank with tying thread. Tie in a bunch of Krystal Flash for the tail. Next, form a slender noodle of dubbing. Keep it separate from the tying thread. I use a dubbing loop. Wind the dubbing up to just above the point of the hook. Now tie in the foam for the over shell as shown.

2. Tie in a loop of poly yarn on top of the foam, fold both sides back and secure with a couple of turns of thread. Next tie in the legs on both sides so they extend out parallel to the hook shank. Use plenty of material so the legs can be trimmed to the desired length after the fly has been tied. Move the tying thread up to the spot for the next wing and legs.

3. Wind the dubbing loop over the wing-leg wraps to cover them. Continue winding the dubbing up to the tying thread. Repeat the previous process of securing the foam shell, poly wing, and legs. Cover the thread wraps with dubbing and put a few turns of dubbing up to the eye. Remove the excess dubbing and whip finish. Carefully trim legs, wings, and shell.

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**2009 WASHINGTON FLY FISHING FAIR**

By Bob Bates

On May 1 and 2, the 2009 Washington Fly Fishing Fair is a fly fishing celebration sponsored by the Washington State Council of the FFF in Ellensburg, WA. It is an opportunity for all those interested in fly fishing to gather, exchange ideas, advance their knowledge and have some fun. The selection of Ellensburg as the event site is no accident. It is conveniently located for both Eastside and Westside fly anglers. The Kittitas Event Center is a wonderful facility with sufficient room for fly tying demonstrations, casting competitions, the Danish casting games, free seminars and special classes. Plus, a river runs through it. In early May there should be some good hatches.

The fair starts at noon on Friday and concludes with a banquet and auction Saturday evening.

You can watch 125 tiers create their favorite patterns, ask them questions and learn their techniques. Tiers include: Henry Hoffman; Al Beatty; Bruce Staples; Harry Lemire; John M. Newberry; Steve Brocco; Darrel Martin; Les Johnson; Tak Shimizu; Paul Jacobson; Mark Romero; Karen Royer; John Olschewsky; Vern Jeremica; Glen Wilson; Preston Singletary; and Scott Peters.

In the fly casting competitions you can test your skills with other casters in the Northwest. A 5 WT rod competition will use a combined score for accuracy and distance to rank the casters. Get the tournament rules on the website below and read them before the competition!

Danish Casting Games course - Go through the course for fun or register to compete for a prize.

There are fly tying classes (one given by Leonard Gross) and fly casting lessons for which a small fee is charged.

Additional information including registration forms for classes, banquet and RV rental space can be found on our website [www.washingtoncouncilfff.org](http://www.washingtoncouncilfff.org)