



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

**February 9, 2010
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Jason Mulligan

The winter has brought us unusually fair weather providing ample opportunity to enjoy the outdoors. Early this month I ended upland bird hunting with some aching knees and a slightly out of sorts dog. Copper tasted few birds on the year. It has been tough on him with an early season illness that was pulling a couple of his paws in the grave. It reminds me that time is short and that I need to prioritize my time with him this year. I have vowed to take him fishing, camping, and hunting more this year than I have in the past. So, in short I am trying to figure out how to apologize to my wife for missing Valentines day, Mothers day, and all birthdays in 2010 as I will be preoccupied with Coppers K-9 therapy. It is a tough job, so I know she'll understand.

I am looking forward to visiting with the club at our meeting this month and hopefully a few of you on the water. There are many things developing for our club and I am very excited to proceed with club business as we move into the more active months this spring. I would like to give a special thank you to Leon Buckles for doing a great job with the Archive displays each month. This month he will be featuring Bill Butler.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

By Bob Harley

This month's speaker will be Jim Shollmeyer. Jim is a published author and speaker. His profession is as a fly fishing photojournalist. Jim Lives in Salem Oregon. He was raised in North Dakota where he first fished for bullhead, yellow pike (his favorite fish). Jim didn't pick up a fly rod until his late 60's and since then has been chasing hatches, tying flies to match them, and fishing for trout throughout the West. Jim sold his first photograph (a March brown mayfly) to Field and Stream in 1981.. Jim has been a guide on the Deschutes River in Oregon for the last 9 years and is a life member of the FFF. He has written for most fly magazines and is the author of Hatch Guide for the Deschutes River, Hatch Guide for Western Streams, Hatch Guide for Lakes, Nymph Fly-Tying Techniques, and co-authored with Ted Lesson The Fly Tier's Benchside Reference, Tying Emergers and the Benchside Introduction to Fly Tying.

Program: CHASING WESTERN HATCHES. A seasonal look at important Western hatches along with some of the waters where they occur and tips on how to fish them.

If any of you are interested in meeting for a Saturday morning cleanup effort at Riverside State Park in March please see me at the meeting or contact me through the roster contact info. We will need members to tie flies again at the Big Horn Show this year. If you are interested please contact Tom May. Also, please remember to pay your dues before Mar. 15th. We'll see you soon, Good Fishing all!

THANK YOU
By Leon Buckles

I wish to thank the numerous club members that cheered me up during my recent surgery and stay in the hospital. The visits, cards, well wishes and gestures to help in anyway they could was greatly appreciated. The creel full of goodies from the club was really great. Believe me, the trail mix, jerky, etc., will bring back memories of how great this club is while consuming them while out on the water. The future looks great. The cancer was stage one and the pathologists report was that the margins were all clear and the lymph nodes tested negative. Another month of recuperation, per the doctor and I will be back out on the water with you guys. It is great to belong to a club that is more than just a collection of fishermen. The IEFFC is a brotherhood.

FOR SALE

I have a River Otter pontoon boat for sale. I have both the river and lake pontoons, \$600. I also have a 12-foot Zodiac inflatable for sale. The Zodiac is very very stable in the water. Gary Honeyman 509-928-7992

**5 RIVERS LODGE RAFFLE TICKETS
STILL AVAIAABLE**

Support the Federation of Fly Fishers and You'll be entered to win a 4 days, 5 nights trip for 2 at Five Rivers Lodge in Dillon, Montana. Each FFF Council will draw a winning trip (15) trips, retail value \$5300.00. All winners will be entered into a drawing for a trip to Cinco Rios Lodge in Chile. All winners will receive a \$1000.00 travel stipend. Other prizes such as rods, reels and other gear will be drawn.

Go to <http://www.fffgear.com/> and scroll down to ticket icons.

Choose to purchase 1 at \$20 or 6 at \$100.00. Simply select either item, checkout and your tickets will be mailed to you from the FFF office. Good Luck!

Ed note: Maybe I shouldn't tell you to buy raffle tickets. You just might beat me out of a great trip, but I promise to tell you about it when I get back.



**DUES, DUES, DUES
ARE DUE**

The Bylaws for our club say the following about dues. Article I.5

“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.”

Privileges include attending the meetings, going on outings and receiving *The Fly Leaf*.

Bring your \$30 to the next meeting or mail a check made out to the IEFFC to the Treasurer.

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FLY OF THE MONTH

Dragon Fly Nymph

February, 2010

Everett Caryl's Class

Back in 1974, Walt Balek attended Everett Caryl's fly tying class. Walt took notes in all of the twelve classes. The notes contained not only the information and techniques covered, but also, all of the featured flies and their recipes. Dr. Balek suggested that this information could be shared in the Fly of the Month column for the enlightenment of our younger members and the re-enlightenment of us old duffers who knew and worked with Everett. We can see a bunch of the old, basic fly patterns selected by a real expert and recall how well they worked. They still do! Everett's first class featured a dissertation on hook styles and the Black Hackle Peacock pattern. Since last month's Fly of the Month is very similar the Black Hackle Peacock, we'll skip to a pattern from class number two, the Dragon Fly Nymph. Over the next couple of years we will feature flies from Everett Caryl's class along with new patterns that our members discover or develop.

Hook: #8 3x long

Thread: Black

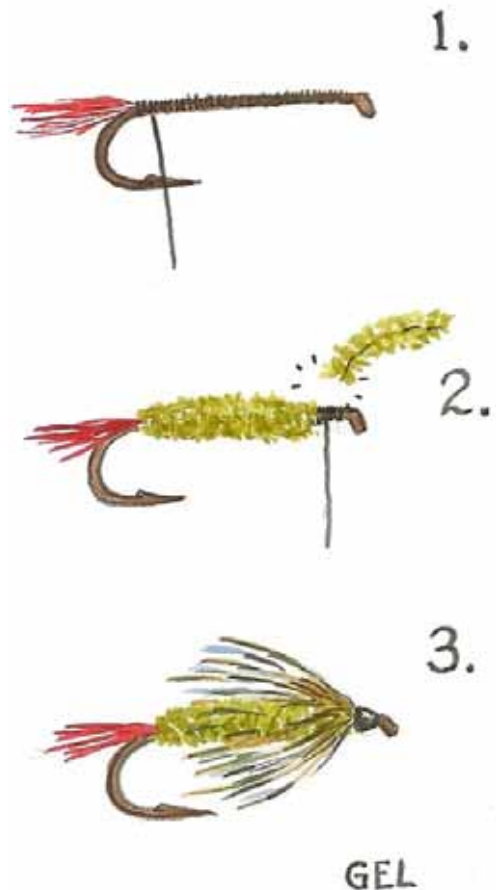
Tail: Red hackle fibers

Body: Golden-olive chenille

Hackle: Pheasant rump, small and well marked



1. Pinch the barb and line the hook shank with tying thread. in a short tail of red hackle fibers.
2. Tie a plump body of chenille.
3. Tie in the pheasant-rump hackle by the butt and wind 2 or turns. Use the tying thread to sweep the hackle fibers back along the body. Tie off and whip finish.



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CHARTER MEMBER and McKENZIE PLAQUE WINNER

FUTURE PROGRAMS

By Robert Harley

Our **March** speaker will be Chris Donnelly, Region 1 fish biologist, talking about Amber Lake history and anything else we can get out of him as to what we can expect this spring. He will also bring the new Region 2 biologist to introduce him to us.

Mark Pinch will give a history of what our club has done on the Spokane River.

April is still open.

May, I just booked Jim McLennan: Author, speaker, fly tier etc. (McLennanflyfishing.com) great web site with credentials.



WASHINGTON FLY FISHING FAIR

By Bob Bates

In what has rapidly become known as the best fly fishing show in the state, the Washington Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers is again bringing you a 2-day extravaganza April 30-May 1, 2010.

There will be demonstration fly tying by up to 125 tiers from all over the U.S and Canada. Come see Skip Morris demonstrate some of his pet patterns and learn how he makes the fish bite. Sit across the table from Steve Brocco or Harry Lemire Washington Fly Tying Hall of Fame winners, or watch John Newbury and Bruce Staples, Buszek Award winners, tie their pet patterns. See Karen Royer turn out her "so realistic it's got to be alive" flies.

Brian O'Keefe heads the list of the masters who will demonstrate what can be done with the long rod.. Other casters will be showing what can be done with a single handed rod. You can try some of the new rods and lines

Classes will include fly casting, fly tying, drift boat safety and fishing. Free seminars will cover many topics.

<http://www.washingtoncouncilfff.org/>