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GENERAL MEETING
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB
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COMMONS

January 12, 2010 Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m. Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Jason Mulligan

It has been a great year for the club. I would like to give a word of thanks to Jon Allen for his conception of our toy drive in December. It will be a part of the IEFFC contribution to our community for many years, and a stellar addition to the already great Christmas raffle. Thank you again to all of those involved in the Christmas raffle.

Now that the busy holidays are over, I would like to say I am excited to serve the club as your 2010 president. Dwight Tipton and Jon Allen have helped me tremendously along the way as well as many others. It has been a challenge and an honor to get to this position. Our club is a special organization to be a part of. I have had opportunity to get to know some members who make the IEFFC legendary through the activities of running the chairs.

JANUARY PROGRAM By Bob Harley

Clay and Del will be doing a Power Point presentation on some of their trips, our resident artist of fish paintings also has some photos to share on his last exotic fishing trip as well.

In 2010, the board has several items of business to address. The Runje Releaser is going to have a much larger presence as one of our pet projects. There will be a Spring and Fall cleanup effort in Riverside state park. The Spokane River Committee will be exploring our position as a club in several Spokane River issues. Chet Allison has planned some really good local outings for our members. The board will be exploring several other service projects and working as much as possible to revitalize our membership.

I am truly honored to be a part of this exciting year. I urge everyone in the club to make an effort this year to get to know a new member, stay close to the ones you do and fish with the ones you don't really like. Again, that is what makes our club unique. There are sporting classics in our ranks and legends to follow. By the way, this club can only have continued success if you participate. So, please pay your dues before March 15th.

ELECTIONS FOR 2010

The list of proposed 2010 IEFFC Officers and Board members was presented by the President.:

President: Jason Mulligan Vice President: Bob Harley Treasurer: Chester Allison Secretary: Mike Beasley

Directors:

Steve Dixon (2010) Tom May (2011) Lee Funkhouser (2012) Mr. Hugh Evans rose and made the following motion.

"Mr. Chairman:

I caution this club and its members to condone and confirm this cabal of carp, cod, and cutthroat catching candidates, whose careers while common, may allow them in combination to cobble together some creative concepts which complement the club."

There was a second, which was followed by a unanimous positive vote.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

By Leon Buckles

The Historical Committee would like to thank all the members that contributed to the archives this last year. Contributions consisted of memorabilia, past issues of the Fly Leaf, rosters, photos, newspaper clippings and obits pertaining to members and the club. It is only through contributions of club members that we are able to do the Featured Member of the Month each month. Sometimes we wonder if it is looked at or appreciated. Then last month more than one member asked about it since we did not have the display. It will continue as long as we have club member participation.

The club now has a complete set of Runje Releasers, from inception to the present, thanks to George Potter. Recently I received a large pile of paper that normally would have been thrown away. In addition to many clippings of interest was an article by Rex Gerlach published in the Feb 1968 issue of Sports Afield titled "ICE-WATER STEELHEAD". The article mentioned

several of our members like Fenton Roskelley, Benton Collins, Dr Clifton Smith and Dr. Al Cunningham. The archives did not have a photo of Benton Collins until we laid hands the article. Our older members will recall that we lost Ben while he was playing a Coho.

This year we would like to archive photos of each and every member. At the present time the archives are completely silent on forty of our club members and only one photo of many others. Somewhere down the line you will probably be famous and we would like to have you as Featured Member of the Month. Help us achieve our goal. Any officer or board member would be happy to receive your contribution. If you feel self conscious, give the photos to your fishing buddy and let him turn them in. We return the originals to you.

Thanks again for your cooperation this last year.

METHOW VALLEY FLY FISHERS LITTLE TWIN LAKE SOLAR AERATOR By Duncan Bronson

In 2006 MVFF was awarded a \$12,000 WDFW grant for installation of a shore powered aerator at Big Twin Lake. We were successful in raising \$5,000 from various WA fly clubs. These funds plus local contributions enabled us to complete the \$20,000 project. The carryover at Big Twin was most successful due to the effectiveness of the aerator system. Many WA clubs enjoyed some excellent fishing this year.

This January, we will consider applying for a new grant. The grant request will be approximately \$20,000 for installation of a solar powered aerator on Little Twin Lake.

MVFF will be seeking some \$8,000 in contributions. We still have to apply for the grant, but would like to know of other club support.



The Toys for Tots event was a success. Over 100 toys came in. Members who contributed had a chance to win a 9ft 6wt, BIImx, Winston Rod. The lucky member was Frank Faha.

Photo by Leon Buckles

FLY OF THE MONTH

Herl Black January, 2010 Gene Lorenson

Bob Bates gave me the wake-up call Sunday evening. "The first Fly-of-the-Month for the New Year is due Tuesday." After a great holiday season of family visiting, over-eating and general lethargy, you might think I would be in a panic for a new fly. But, wonder of wonders, I had a guaranteed fish catcher all ready to go. It's easy to tie and works for every kind of fish in both lakes and streams. Tie it in sizes 12 to 6, with or without a bead head, and you cover a lot of bases. Best wishes and better fishing in the New Year.

Hook: 12 — 6 2 or 3X long

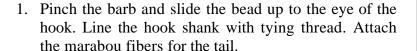
Thread: Black mono

Bead: Black (optional)

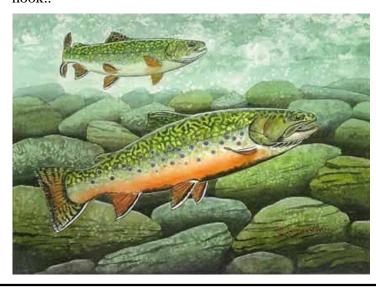
Tail: Black marabou fibers

Body: Thick, tapered peacock herl

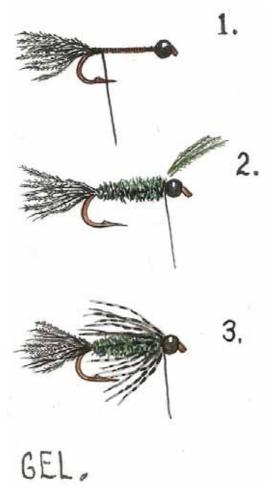
Hackle: Pheasant rump fibers, dyed black



- 2. Take enough peacock heel fibers to make a nice fat body and spin them on the tying thread. Wind a tapered body up to the bead, or eye if no bead is used.
- 3. Select one or two pheasant rump feathers (depending on hook size). Tie them in and wind the hackle. Fold them back slightly and secure them with a few turns of thread. Whip finish behind the bead or at the eye of the hook..







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AWARDS

Gordy Olson received the Fly Fisherman of the Year Award, The Club's most prestigious award. We will have an article next month.

Leon Buckles was given the Ed Wolfe Memorial award for his work as Club Historian, and his other long time contributions to the club.



Steve Aspinwall, & Allan Jones are smiling over all the donations they are receiving from Club Members.

Photo by Leon Buckles

DUES ARE DUE

Bring your \$30 IEFFC dues to the meeting or mail a check made out to IEFFC to Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club PO Box 2926 Spokane, WA 99220. A member not paying his dues by March 1 will be considered delinquent and lose all membership privileges.



Dick Odell selling a bunch of raffle tickets to Bob Burton Photo by Leon Buckles.