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INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB FEBRUARY MEETING Tuesday, April 11, 2023 Wet Fly 5:30 Meeting 6:30 PM RAMADA INN-AIRPORT 8909 W Airport Dr, Spokane, WA 99224

> Presidents' Message By Doug Brossoit

Hello Everyone,

I hope you've all had an opportunity to fish at some of our winter season lakes this year. Fishing has been everywhere from poor to fantastic depending on 3 big W's. when, where, and weather!

I wanted to express my sincere appreciation to Denny Carson and Bryan Harman for all their hard work in organizing another successful Big Horn Show, and a special thanks to Jerry McBride for all his phone calls to club members to fill in our host and fly tiers scheduling.

As one of those who he called, I have to say that for my first time, I enjoyed tying some flies for the kids more than I expected and I look forward to doing it again next year.

My apologies if I missed thanking anyone!

Good Luck out there and be safe!

-Doug

## **Kids Fishing is upon us!**

Remember, May is Kids Fishing Month. We support that effort through volunteers on Friday (the Ronald McDonald House day) and Saturday, and through donations to the prime sponsor, the Inland Northwest Wildlife Council. Got Questions? Ask Floyd, or Bryan, or Randy Osborne! More information inside...

## **April Meeting**

IDFG, WDFW, and Water Outlook plus Tyers and flies, oh my!

Randy Osborne received his Bachelor's Degree in Fisheries Resource Management from the University of Idaho, and his Master's Degree in Biology from Tennessee Tech University. He has worked for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife since 2000, starting out in Ephrata working as a warmwater fish biologist. He transferred to Spokane in 2002 and worked for the warmwater fish team until 2012 when he promoted to the District 2 Fish Biologist. His current duties include managing all the fisheries in Spokane, Whitman and Lincoln counties.

Andy Dux is the Regional Fishery Manager for Idaho Fish and Game in the Panhandle Region. In this position, he oversees the fisheries program in the region. Andy has worked for IDFG since 2008 and has been in his current role since 2015. He was born and raised in Idaho, received his undergraduate degree in fisheries resources from the University of Idaho, and his Master's in fisheries management from Montana State University. Andy is also an avid angler.

**Guy Gregory** is a hydrogeologist in the Inland Northwest. Following retirement from WDOE in 2018, he now provides consulting services to clients in water supply issues as Gregory Geologic LLC. He is a longtime member and board member of several Spokane area chapters of fly fishing and conservation clubs.

## Tyers galore, and prizes!

Scott Fink will tie some Phil Rowley patterns Bryan Harmon will tie his wonderful dry flies Merlin Heintz will tie Salmon Fly and Golden Stones Gordon Olson will tie favorite Steelhead patterns

There may be others.....

The flies they tie will be raffled at dinner...you gotta be present to win!

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