



**INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB
SEPTEMBER MEETING**
Tuesday, September 9, 2025
Wet Fly 5:30 Meeting 6:30 PM
RAMADA INN-AIRPORT
8909 W Airport Dr, Spokane, WA 99224

Presidents' Message
By
Guy Gregory

Ah, September. For we outdoorsy types, it begins the most wonderful time of the year. Doves are grouping up to head south. Soon steelhead will enter local rivers in bigger numbers than now. Not long after waterfowl will form up into groups, Upland birds will color up, and big game will begin their fall mating rituals. Can you possibly get enough time to do it all? Or will you attempt something like a cast-and-blast, chasing steelhead in early morning, with an afternoon chukar hunt? Or leaving elk camp in evening to cast to a few cutties in the stream? Yes, this is our time of year.

We've got a lot of club and local activities coming your way this fall, too....more opportunity to make more friends, catch more fish, and have more fun! Check out the calendar: Get hold of Jerry to join up for the October 11 Bayley Lake Spawning Channel maintenance project (including breakfast and half-day fishing). Test out your casting at the WSCFFI Casting Skills Development Program on October 5. Then, get ready for the Fall Fishout on Medical Lake October 18.

Note also this fall is time to recruit new club board members and officers. I'm actively seeking a new club Secretary and Vice President this year. We're also seeking a new club Treasurer (a 3-year position) to help us keep the financials of our club in great shape to meet our club goals. If you're interested, contact me or another board member directly. Otherwise, when I call you to ask for your help, please strongly consider joining up...It's a bit of work, yes, but it's good work, with good people, doing good things. And you'll learn new ways to fish, and new places to fish while you're at it. Step up, pitch in, and become a big part of the future of this club.

Our club will be 70 years old next year. We've a rich history because our members get together to accomplish things. Many of those members are legends in the Northwest Outdoor community. With your help, we can ensure and enhance the future of outdoors activities here, and have fun, make friends, and catch fish in the process. See you at the meeting!

September Program
Grant and Lottie Richie
Wallowa and Grande Ronde Rivers
Fishery and Hatches

Grant & Lottie Richie of Minam, Oregon will be talking about their home waters, the Wallowa and Grande Ronde Rivers, what you can expect of the fishery by the season and the big hatches of each season. Grant & Lottie bought the Minam Store business in 2011 and have been guiding and outfitting fly fishing trips for the past 14 years.



Minam Store Outfitters guides multi-day trips down the 40 mile roadless, wild and scenic section of the Wallowa & Grande Ronde. This is eastern Oregon's best trout fishery. They also guide day trips on the first 10 miles of the roadless stretch and shuttle back to Minam via the railroad tracks. This is a one of a kind shuttle via rail! Their home is on the banks of the Wallowa River at the confluence with the Minam River, giving them intimate knowledge of their home waters.

This is a great presentation about a very accessible fishery underutilized by lots of inland northwest anglers. Check out their web presence on social media, and hit up their website..they feature fishing, rafting, bird hunting and food and wine floats on the Ronde, Wallowa, and Snake Rivers. Don't miss this presentation!

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