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# Swirl Tips

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## MEETINGS

General Meeting - 4th Tuesday of the month, 7pm (6pm Wet Fly) Flying Pig Brewery

Board Meeting - 1st Thursday of the month, 7pm (6pm dinner) Buck's American Café

Conservation Committee Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the month, 7pm Village Restaurant

## Auction: October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2003 - Everett Elks Club No-Host Bar – 6:00 p.m. Dinner – 7:00 p.m.

### October Auction

*by Don Scott*

Just a few more days till the Auction!!! The committee has been working very hard to make this the most successful auction ever. Don't forget to invite your friends. There are so many great items and trips available you won't be disappointed. This is the club's biggest fund raising event of the year. These funds allow to continue the conservation work we are so proud of, as well as the many other activities the club is involved in through-out the year.



The auction takes place on Tuesday Oct. 28th at the Everett Elks club located at 2731 Rucker. A social hour, including a no-host bar, starts at 6PM with dinner and auction following at 7 PM.

### Auction Reminders

*by Eric Nordstrom*

- ✓ Remember that if you don't bring something to donate to the auction, bring your 5 flies or 5 dollars. This does not apply to guests!
- ✓ The set-up will be starting at 5 pm so if you are bringing something to be auctioned off, bring it early so it can be incorporated.
- ✓ Also a reminder for those that won a year's lease on the perpetual auction items at last year's event...you have to bring them back or give them to someone else that will make sure they arrive early to the auction. You will be fined heavily if you fail to meet this obligation and/or possibly face a stiff prison sentence.
- ✓ Remember to most importantly bring yourself (with cash, credit card, or checkbook) and finally a friend who likes to raise their hand.

## President's Message

by Jesse Scott

Hey, where did this year go? It's already time to kick back and spend a great evening listening to Don Bayes trying to sell strike indicators to Jack Hutchinson. I've been eaves dropping on the Auction Committee, and I think you're in for a treat this year. There are lots of items, some great trips, and a familiar venue. Need I mention the proceeds go to a worthy cause?

Plans for the Christmas Party are moving right along, and I think you'll enjoy the changes. The wives will also have a chance to see Don Bayes in action, and I promise to keep the business to a minimum. In fact, you may get a turn at the mike.

Don Scott is busy looking for a location for the fly tying classes. There are several sites in Marysville that look good. We should have it nailed down by next month.

Carl Johnson, Gordon McKay and I attended the Washington State Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers meeting in Ellensburg on October 11th. The 2003 Fly Fishing Show in Bellevue was a success. It will probably become an annual event. The show is scheduled for February 20-22, 2004. It doesn't look like there will be a Casting Expo next year. The council did agree to give their support for a possible resolution of the slide area on the North Fork of the Stilly.

I'm sorry to end this, my next to last message, by telling you we still haven't found someone interested enough in our club to take the helm next year. I have really enjoyed working for you this year and deeply appreciate your support. If you'd like to spend a few hours each month working with a great bunch of guys this may be your chance.

## Trophy Awards

by Ken Lease

This is a reminder that all affidavits have to be in by Oct. 31 to be eligible for the Trophy Award Contest.

## Christmas Party – Update

by Jesse Scott

The party is on Saturday, December 6th at the Glen Eagle Country Club in Arlington. The social hour starts at 6 p.m. and dinner will be at 7 p.m.

The party will end at 10 p.m. A dinner reservation form is on the back of this issue. The reservation requests must be received by November 19th, so don't delay.

The evening's program will include a raffle, a small auction, a brief awards presentation, and will conclude with the election of officers. Jesse Scott will be the Master of Ceremonies. Don Bayes will call the auction. Roy Morris will handle the raffle. As you can see, the party committee has made some changes to make the evening more enjoyable. There will also be suggestion forms on every table, please bring your ideas for next year and we'll do it. It's your party, come and enjoy yourselves. Be prepared to join in and celebrate the holiday with friends.



## The Passing of OC

by Dale Dennis

OC passed away on Sunday evening, September 7<sup>th</sup>, at his home with his family at his side. As a long time friend and fishing companion of over 20 years he was like a brother to me, I am going to miss him dearly. Over many days, weeks and years we explored the Olympic Peninsula together pursuing our passion of steelhead fishing.

Over his long time battle of 13 years with cancer he was as positive of a person that I have ever known, his zest for life was reflected in his family and his friends as well as his passion for fly fishing and fast cars. Everyone who knew him as I did would agree there has never been a better man than this man we called OC.

O Claire is survived by his wife Pam; his sons O Claire Enstad, Jan Enstad and daughter, Melany Anaya; his mother, Gladys Enstad; Two brothers, Gale Enstad and Loren Enstad; and sister, Fayanne Silva.

Services were held on Saturday September 13th at Maple Park Lutheran Church in Lynnwood.

## EFFC 2003 Schedule of Activities

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Oct 28 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Auction (Bring Friends) Dinner	Everett Elks Club
Dec 6 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Christmas Party Dinner	Gleneagle Country Club
Feb 28 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Winter Fishout Dinner	Village Restaurant

### Fly Tying *by Don Scott*

We are still looking for a site to house our Wednesday night fly tying sessions beginning in January. If anyone has any ideas would you please give me a call at (360) 387-7723.

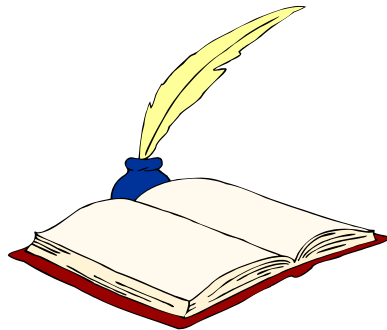
### 2004-2005 EFFC Calendar *by Eric Nordstrom*

I am starting to assemble the calendar for next year already and I *need* your photos! Get them in early if you can because I'm hoping to really make this a nice calendar by producing it in color. Please submit your pictures along with a short description of each photo so that I can write something in the caption. Pictures from club activities are always good!

FFF Clubwire:

#### Book Review

Trout Stream Fly-Fishing  
by Harry Murray  
Frank Amato Publications, Inc.  
Portland, OR, 2003  
103 pages, softbound  
illustrated, color  
suggested price \$9.95  
reviewed by Bruce E. Harang



This is a book small in size but big in its being able to get a fly fishing beginner catching fish. Physically the book is 4 by 6 inches so that the beginner can take his text book with him on stream. It is also very inexpensive to purchase so there is no need to fear getting it wet or losing it. That is where small-

ness stops however. Within this small framework the author has assembled a tremendously large and excellent body of fly fishing know-how to get the beginner up, out, and catching trout.

The book is directed to teaching a beginner how to fish small and medium sized trout streams. In order to make sense of this the author first clearly defines the types of trout water he is going to talk about and then discusses the trout he is going to teach the reader to catch. The book then moves to general topic chapters on fly tackle, fly casting, trout foods, reading water, and spotting trout. Along the way Harry provides the reader with some clear insights to fly fishing truths that don't seem to be taught anymore. For example the author reminds us all of the simple fact that fly size governs the line size and the line size governs the rod weight. And the clear logic of Charlie Brooks in teaching that presentation is everything and the fly fisherman's job is to find that one spot in the stream that allows for the best presentation of the fly to the trout. Casting is covered in two and one half pages of text and two illustrations. The few knots needed to start fly fishing successfully are clearly described and illustrated. The basic gear and its relevance are also well described in just a couple of pages. In other words, the beginner is given what is needed without the catalog of bells and whistles that only confuses.

The final three chapters teach specific strategies for fishing in the early season, the late spring/summer season, and the fall season. With detailed text and great color illustrations showing excellent methods of dry fly, nymph, and streamer fishing for each of these times of the trout fishing year.

The production in full color and the excellent layout is simply amazing for a book, which will cost you less than ten dollars.

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If you or someone you know wants to learn to successfully fly fish for trout this little jewel will do the job. This book presents a well defined goal and then provides a clear concise plan that allows for reaching that goal. It will get the beginner started, be a good companion, and allow the beginner to succeed in catching some trout. That is its purpose and it does that well. For the beginner, this book is worth far more than its cost.

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## ***Dying and Tinting*** *submitted by Joe Branham* *of saltwaterflytying.com*

I generally use Rit dyes. There seems to be some concern that these dyes will not work very well, but I assure you that they do. I dye a lot of the materials that I use.



Do not get your water too hot. Generally the temperature of the hot tap water is

fine. Make sure that you keep the water at that temperature. If you get the water too hot, you will cook your materials.

Tan is a very common color in saltwater and there are two different colors of tan. One is what I call tan and the other is an orangish tan. To get the orangish tan, use Tan Rit dye. To get the regular tan color, use Ecru and about 1/4 as much Tan. This will give a very nice tan color without the orange tint.

To get a light pink, use Rose Pink, but only use a very small amount of the dye. The more dye you use, the more of the rose color you will get.

Chartreuse is another color that depending on your taste, you can have two separate colors. Some like a greenish/yellow which will be on the green side and others, myself included, like a yellowish/green which is on the yellow side. I generally mix Neon Yellow and Neon Green Rit dye to get chartreuse. I mix a little more yellow than green. Depending on the color you want, mix the dyes accordingly.

You do not have to soak your materials for long periods of time. Calf tails should be wet when you put them into the pot. It does not take but a minute or so until they are ready. Marabou should be very wet. Some of the marabou that I get and dye, seems to have something on it that makes it repel water. You will have to make sure that this material is wet. Check it regularly when dying, This needs to be stirred quite a bit or some of the plumes will not pick up the dye.

To dye saddle patches or necks, I generally soak them until wet and then dye them. If you have the water too hot, you will cook the skin. Check occasionally to see how they look. A hint on these-I cut my necks so that I only dye the feathers that I need. If I want the larger feathers, I only dye the top of the neck, if I want the smaller feathers, I dye only the bottom of the neck. I even cut the middle section out and dye it if I need that size feather.

Buck tails can be a problem. I try and get bleached white tails. The tails that you get that are greasy, can be a problem to dye. The best thing here is to soak them in an Ivory liquid and water solution. Rinse and re-soak until they are not greasy. They might still turn greasy when you dye them because of the heat of the dye bath. If so then wash them again after dying.

Black is a very hard color to dye. I do not even attempt this color. I have never succeeded. I just buy what I need dyed black.

You can control the color you get by the length of time that you leave your materials in the dye bath. *(continued on page 5)*

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Rit dyes do not have a vivid color most of the time. Add a handful of table salt to the dye bath and the color will be more vivid.

Use white vinegar to "Set" the dye. While the material is in the bath, add a cup or two of vinegar to the bath to set the dye.

Use Rit dyes to tint your body materials. These dyes work very well on v-rib, mono, diamond braid and most of the rest of the materials that you use for bodies. You can get some very nice effects using this method.

One last item. Be very nice to your wife prior to and after any dying you do in the kitchen. If you are like me, you will make a mess.

Dying deer hair can be a problem. I generally cut the pieces into squares about 2X2. You will have to check these a lot. The dye will take on the outside and the tops of the hair. You will have to check to make sure that the dye has gotten into the inside of the square and the base of the hair. Again, do not overheat. Deer hair takes longer than most other materials.

If you want to dye rabbit or rabbit strips, be very careful on the heat. Too much heat will cause the hide to stiffen up and break. Use hot tap water. That is plenty hot enough.

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- WADERS

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## Christmas Party Dinner Reservations

**Menu:** Caesar Salad, Roasted Baby Red Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Honey Baked Salmon Filets, Carved Prime Rib of Beef, Rolls, Assorted Desserts, Coffee/Tea

Cost is \$26.50 per dinner. Pay at the September meeting or get your check in by November 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Date is Saturday, December 6, 2003, at Glen Eagle Golf Club, Marysville. The club calendar is in error!!!

Party starts at 6 p.m. and Dinner is at 7:15, it's buffet style this year.

**( Save this in case the wife asks what's for dinner )**

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## Christmas Dinner Reservations

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ 26.50 = Total \_\_\_\_\_

Give form & Check to: Don Mathiesen, 15319 NE 166<sup>th</sup> Lane,  
Woodinville, WA 98072

\*\*Make check payable to "EFFC".\*\*

**Christmas** reservations must be received by November 19, 2003.

