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EVERGREEN FLY FISHING CLUB

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SEPTEMBER, 2004

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



Meeting: September 28th, 2004 @ Flying Pig Brewery
Wet Fly – 6:00 p.m. Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

September Program –

by Don Scott

Our speaker for the upcoming meeting is Jack Berryman
Jack's program is titled "Wild Steelhead Coalition and it's Mission".

Jack's bio:

Jack W. Berryman, P.H.D., is a Professor of Medical History and Ethics in the University of Washington's School of Medicine. In addition to his academic credentials, Jack is a veteran outdoor writer and photographer with over 90 articles published. He is a Department Editor for Salmon Trout Steelheader as well for Northwest Fly Fishing. He fishes with both fly and conventional tackle and is widely traveled in his fishing pursuits.

Jack is also a member of the Outdoor Writers Association of America (OWAA) and the Northwest Outdoor Writers Association (NOWA).

Fly Tying Contest –

by Eric Nordstrom

Last month's winner was Don Korzep with his Parachute Adams. Well done Don!

This month's contest will be your favorite sea-run cutthroat pattern on a size #10-12 wet fly hook. Tie up your best sea-run fly and bring it to the meeting. Let's all bring in one fly to honor our past chairman of the contest.



President's Message

by Jim McGauhey

Coming down the homestretch!! Our two major events, the auction in October and the Annual Party in December are happening in the next 4 months. I hope you're checking the garage for fishing gear, asking your favorite restaurant for a dinner donation, even throwing in those Seahawks tickets for that weekend you'll be away to help make the auction a success. Guided trips on your favorite water are always a popular item. A simple poster, maybe a photo or two, and you could be bringing in a major contribution for the club. Make sure you pay for the dinner in advance. Pay for the auction, and the December party at the September meeting.

Likewise for the Annual party at Gleneagle in December. Send your checks in now. The committee has another great event planned. Lots of fishin' stuff, lots of items for the ladies, and a great, but short, live auction.

I'm getting the camping and fishing gear ready for the McKenzie Outing the first weekend in October. This is going to be a great event! At last count we had at least 11 going, and there's room for more. Gordie Swanson is coordinating the event, so give him a call if you can make it. The McKenzie Club not only guides for our Friday and Saturday fishing, but as the host club, they also serve dinner on Saturday night. Here's an excellent chance to fish a classic Oregon river that should be in a lot better condition than our local rivers have been lately.

Speaking of local rivers. The rains have really created a mud bath! I wanted to go fishing a couple weeks ago, but didn't want to go too far. We finally went to Lake Sixteen. Not much but a couple small bass, but at least it was fishin'!

It is with great regret that I must write that Ken Lease is no longer with us. After a valiant battle, Ken passed on Thursday, Sept. 16th. I was amazed at Ken's positive attitude, and his running the fly tying competition for our monthly meetings up until a couple months ago. It makes me pause when I think I'm too busy for a club leadership position, or that other business or family matters might prevent me from participating, I remember Ken and how he was active and helping despite his ultimate personal battle. I know all of us will miss Ken's smile, his helpful attitude, and his expertise.

Let's remember Ken during our discussions at the meeting. See you then.



Auction Dinner Reservations

by Jesse Scott

Auction Dinner Reservations close on October 18th
Call Jesse Scott at (425) 745-6092 if you have last minute reservation needs.

EFFC 2004 Schedule of Activities

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sept 26 th Sun	<i>Rescheduled</i> - Cutthroat Fishout	Stillaguamish River
Oct 1-3 rd	EFFC-McKenzie Fishout	North Umpqua River, Oregon
Oct 9-10 th Sat-Sun	Unofficial Dry Falls Fishout	Dry Falls Lake
Dec 11 th Sat	Awards Dinner & Winter Raffle	Glen Eagle, Arlington
Jan 5 th Wed	Fly Tying Classes start	To be announced
Feb 26 th Sat	Winter Fishout	Village Restaurant (Marysville)
April 9 th Sat	Unofficial Lone Lake Fishout	Lone Lake, S. Whidbey Island

AUCTION NEWS

by Gary Medema

Next month is it!!!!!! Oct.26th

Have you put together a donation yet???? Have you saved up enough \$\$\$\$ so you won't get outbid on one of the great trips that are available.



- * Mike Benbow Stilly float for humpies
- * Dale Dennis- peninsula steelhead
- * Ted Lewis- Sauk or Skagit steelhead float
- * Dale Dennis-saltwater sea-run trip
- * Carl Johnson- Montana Clark Fork trout
- * Jessie Scott-Jim Creek lakes
- * Roy Morris-peninsula steelhead or Sekiu coho

These are all great learning opportunities from some great hosts. If you would like to offer a trip give me a call as soon as possible (Gary Medema (360) 653-7686).

If it is possible for you to bring your donation to the Sept. meeting that would be great. It would help things go a little smoother at set-up and check-in time on the night of the auction. Be sure to make your dinner reservations in advance by contacting Jessie Scott at the Sept. meeting or by mailing a check for \$15 to Don Mathiesen. Dinner this year will be herb chicken like last year.

As in past years if you don't donate an item to be auctioned you will need to pay \$5 or 5 flies at the door (this applies to members only). I still need a few people to work as runners/spotters, check-in & check-out. If I haven't heard from you by the end of the Sept. meeting I'll have to hunt you down. Volunteering is way more cool!!! We'll most likely have some raffle and silent auction items, so plan to arrive early. Be sure to invite some friends. Remember that the auction will be held at the Elks Lodge 2731 Rucker Ave. Let's make this a great year and support our club. Be sure to attend, arrive early and spend \$\$\$\$.

Kalama Cup (Oct 1, 2 & 3 – 2004)

by Gordie Swanson

It's time to start planning for the annual fishout between the Evergreen and the McKenzie Fly Clubs. This affair starts Friday morning at daylight and is over at noon on Sunday. The place is Susan Creek Campground on the North Umpqua River. See http://www.or.blm.gov/roseburg/rec/susan_cr_camp.html

The campground has hot showers and electricity in their restrooms. They do not have any hookups for your RV, but there are water faucets scattered around the campground.

The McKenzie's will guide us to their favorite drifts and show us how to fish it. Don't always believe them and don't always let them go first. They are a great bunch of guys, but remember we have to kick butt!

Let me know if you plan on going by Sept. 24th. The McKenzies will need to know how many of us are going so they can plan for dinner Saturday night. Call Gordon Swanson at (425) 337-8246.

Awards

by Bruce Swanson

As of now I have only received 4 affidavits for the year end fly box awards. I know that there have been more nice fish caught than three, so if you would like to have a chance at one of those "nice" Wheatly fly boxes, or a chance at winning a new fly line, please fill out an affidavit or two and send or give it to me.

Membership News

by Mark Simpson

Please welcome Chris Grieve to the club. Chris lives at 15602 83rd Ave NW, Stanwood, WA 98292. His phone is 360-652-1419. His e-mail is christheflyguy@yahoo.com. Chris has been fly fishing for 10 years and prefers river fishing but enjoys lake fishing also. He is a part time guide and teaches fly casting. He also ties his own flies. Tight Lines to you Chris!

September Raffle Prizes

by Mike Benbow

The board raised the amount of money for raffle prizes this year, and that means we'll have a larger number of prizes in September and a special prize for the old-timers meeting in November. But first things first. Let's talk about the upcoming meeting. Since it's salmon season, I thought we'd include a couple items that you can use. The first is a Slimline fly box with some flies that should work in the salt for either cutthroat or silvers. We also have a book on hiking the beaches in Puget Sound. This is the Bible for people who look for public access to saltwater areas where they can fish from the beach. It's a great reference book to really learn where to go around the sound if you don't have a big boat.

Other gifts include a mini gear tote to use instead of a fishing vest, a gear lanyard for the same purpose, a case to protect two of your reels, a Teeny hook file and a set of Aussie nippers. We also have a nice camouflage intermediate sinking line for a 4-weight rod. There's one more item that we'll include on the prize list, but I'm writing this from work and I forgot to bring the complete list to the office. So look for at least one surprise gift.

We won't have any raffle prizes at the October auction, but we will have a lot of nice gifts for November. The main one will be a Temple Fork 3-weight rod. Temple Fork is a maker of lower cost rods, but they're actually quite good and certainly a great value for the money. I particularly like the 3-weight, so if you don't have one, plan on buying some extra tickets in November. We'll also have a nice catch and release net, a fly line, a nice book and lots of other stuff. Thank you for supporting the raffle - it helps to keep the club running and to make the meetings more fun.

Is It Your Turn?

by Jesse Scott

Currently our club is in need of a President, Vice-President, and Secretary for 2005. The President presides over club activities and guides the flow of the two

meetings. The Vice-President is responsible for arranging the monthly programs. Don Scott already has the January, February and March programs set up. The Secretary records the minutes of the two monthly meetings and keeps the club mailbox emptied.

You won't be working alone. Dale Bly, Dale Dennis, Don Mathiesen, Gordon McKay, Jim McGauhey, and Reed Miller will also share board duties with you. When you include the Committee Chairmen you have a total of 16 people, including 4 past presidents, to rely on.

Over half of our current members have served as club officers at some time during their membership. I'm sure each of them had some misgivings, as well as other demands for their time. Rest assured, that every Past President stands ready to answer your questions and lend their support. The time requirements are only two evenings a month, one for the board and one for the general meeting.

We all share and enjoy the efforts of those who have stepped forward to make our club what it is today. Would you seriously consider doing the same?

FFF Membership

*by Bob Shirley (FFF Volunteer) *shortened to fit*

There were a lot of changes made to the Federation of Fly Fishers during the Board of Directors meeting on August 17 in West Yellowstone. You will hear more and more about these changes in the near future and how we all hope those changes will enable, empower, and energize the Federation from top to bottom.

However, I'm going to talk about something that has not changed. That is the need for the Federation to grow. If you are not growing you are dying. I don't want this organization with our history of accomplishment and with so much promise for the future to go away.

To support and encourage your recruitment efforts for the Federation, we have come up with a "Grass-roots" membership drive. Let me assure you that we are going to make it very much worth your while to share the Federation of Fly Fishers with others. We have some absolutely great trips to give away to enthusiastic recruiters, and everyone who signs up new members will be eligible to be a prize winner.

Auction Dinner Reservations at Everett Elks

October 26th, 7 PM.



Menu is Herbed Chicken, salad, vegetables, and rolls.

Name: _____

Sign me up for _____ dinners at \$15 per plate.

Total enclosed \$_____ *Make check payable to: "EFFC"

and mail to: Don Mathiesen
15319 NE 166th Ln
Woodinville, WA 98072



Awards Dinner Party Reservations Glen Eagle Golf and Country Club Saturday, December 11th, 7 pm.

Menu is Honey Baked Salmon Filets and Carved Prime Rib of Beef



Name: _____

Sign me up for _____ dinners at \$27.50 per serving.

Total enclosed \$_____ *Make check payable to: "EFFC"

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Kalama Cup 2004

The following is an article from the McKenzie Flyfisher's September newsletter (McKenzie Messenger) that explains this annual competition a little for those who aren't very familiar with it and gives a nice complement to those who usually participate from our club. Many of you are planning on going this year down to Oregon and we wish you luck in bringing back the trophy. Make sure to also read Gordie Swanson's article on page 3 (above).

"Set aside the weekend of October 1, 2 and 3 for a trip down to Susan Creek Campground and our hosting of the annual Kalama Cup competition with the Evergreen Flyfishing Club. This event was created long ago between the McKenzies and the Evergreens by Bill Nelson and crew. Bill, who had been a member of the Evergreens, was the prime mover in the creation of the McKenzie Flyfishers. Each year the two clubs would meet on the Kalama River to see which club could catch the largest steel head. The winning club would have its name placed on the Kalama Cup trophy and would hold the trophy until the following year. The original battleground, the Kalama River, lent its name to the event and to the trophy before its steel head run dwindled to its present very low levels. Subsequently, to this day, the event alternates between the Umpqua, hosted by the McKenzies, and the Stillaguamish (Stilliy), hosted by the Evergreens. This is our year to host the event on the Umpqua (Susan Creek Campground). Join us in showing rallying support for the event and to show the Evergreen Club a good time as they did on the Stilliy last year. This is traditionally a very fun event. If you do not normally fish for steel head, not to worry, the Evergreens are good at it and can, as capably, show you around the Umpqua as they can the Stilliy."

