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# Swirl Tips

## EVERGREEN FLY FISHING CLUB

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AUGUST, 2005



### 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) Petosa's Restaurant  
Conservation Committee Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the month, 7pm Village Restaurant

**Meeting: August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 @ Flying Pig Brewery**  
**Wet Fly – 6:00 p.m. Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**

## August Presentation

*by Dale Bly*

This month's program is a presentation by Steve Hatch, who is neighbor of Dale Bly in Arlington. Steve is a retired Alaskan Air Lines pilot who lived in Alaska for many years. Steve also owned a pontoon airplane that he used mainly for fishing trips into lakes and rivers there. His movie will be on fly fishing Lake Nunnely. You don't want to miss this one. Steve is also a great fly tyer and a golfer who also likes to R.V. in his 5th wheeler.

## Fly Tying Contest

*by Rob Gamage*

The fly for the month of August will be "Your Favorite Hopper" on a size 6-10 hook. As I said in last month's newsletter, I hope to see a lot of creative entries for this month's contest!



**50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
**1955-2005**

## President's Message

by Sandy Atkinson

July was a busy month with two events on the Stilly. Special thanks to Gordy for hosting both the July meeting and the Mckenzie outing at his park-like property on the river. Jesse coordinated the cookout and Dale Dennis cooked up some great steaks at the July outing, Gordy's wife, Jackie, made some delicious lasagna for the Mckenzie outing. The food and the weather were great for both outings.

Unfortunately, fishing wasn't very productive in the skinny summer water. Certainly, summer steelhead fishing has not been very good lately. Nevertheless, the turnout for the Mckenzie outing was both abysmal and disconcerting. Gordy was planning on about a half dozen Mckenzie guys coming up, but only one showed up. Given that the McKenzie outing was on our home river, the turnout from our club was especially disappointing. On Saturday, we had Gordy & Bruce Swanson, Gary Medema, Dale Bly, Jerry Solie and myself. On Sunday, we only had Gordy, Bruce and myself from our club. This "Kalama cup" competition has a long and rich history between our two clubs. However, it is on the verge of dying out from lack of participation. This situation merits some serious discussion within our club and with the McKenzies.

In early August, we held our first board meeting at Petosa's restaurant. We were in a separate room, where they arranged the tables in a meeting setting and were glad to have us there. We have some kinks to work out, like jukebox noise from the adjoining bar, but they assured us this wouldn't be a problem in the future. I think this place will work out OK for board meetings.

The auction is only two months away, so start thinking about what you can donate and plan on spending the big bucks (like the cost of a fill-up at the gas station). Well, I'm ready for the "dog days" of summer to end, and looking forward to the cut-throat outing in September.

## August Raffle Prizes

by Mike Benbow

Everyone can use a nice grizzly saddle, so we've added that to the list. For those with a 4-weight rod, there's a Cortland 444 No. 3 sinking line. And for those who've been excited by the prospect of catching silvers, pinks and sea-runs with the hot flat-wing fly patterns, there's, "A Perfect Fish" - a book that teaches you how to tie flatwings and gives you a good explanation of why they work so well. There are also some forceps, a combo tool with nippers and nail knot tying slot, a fly box with 18 trout flies, glide line dressing and a tube of UV boat repair.

Thanks for your previous support. I hope you'll buy lots of tickets to support club activities.

## For Sale

BigFoot 10 1/2 foot camper. New \$24K, Sell for \$15k. Contact George Richardson at (425) 337-6213 or [gerichardson@earthlink.net](mailto:gerichardson@earthlink.net).

96' Ford F-250, 4X4, 460 engine, tow package, excellent condition; 85k miles, auto, PS, PB, towing shift kit, extra transmission cooler, matching canopy, much more \$10,500. Call at Jerry Harris (360) 653-6109.

## EFFC 2005 Schedule of Activities

| <u>DATE</u>                    | <u>EVENT</u>                              | <u>LOCATION</u>             |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| August 20 <sup>th</sup> Sat    | Unofficial Saltwater Searun Cutt. Fishout | To be announced             |
| September 18 <sup>th</sup> Sat | Cutthroat Fishout                         | Haller Park, Arlington      |
| October 8-9 Sat-Sun            | Unofficial Dry Falls Fishout              | Dry Falls Lake              |
| October 25 <sup>th</sup> Tue   | Auction                                   | Everett Elks                |
| December 10 <sup>th</sup> Sat  | Christmas Party/Awards Dinner             | Hawthorne Inn, Smokey Point |
| Jan 4 – Mar 22 Wed             | Fly Tying Classes                         | Stillaguamish Senior Center |
| February 25 <sup>th</sup> Sat  | Winter Fishout                            | Village Restaurant          |

## Conservation News

by Jesse Scott



The above photo was taken on Indian Creek, a small tributary of the Stilly located on the Southeast edge of Arlington. This is a classic example of a “perched” culvert. It is one of the most effective man-made barriers to Salmon passage. This particular culvert blocks access to another 5 miles of Salmon spawning and rearing habitat.

The EFFC Conservation Committee has secured the necessary permits and property owner support to remove the culvert and restore the stream bank to its natural setting. We are currently working out the removal plan and scrounging materials. We need a tracked excavator, small logs, and some two-man rock for the initial phase. After that, we’ll need some native plants, small trees, and volunteers. Hopefully, we can get the culvert removed in September and begin streamside restoration before the Salmon return.

If you would like to get involved with any phase of the project, please call Jesse Scott at (425) 745-6092 or [gardenfly@msn.com](mailto:gardenfly@msn.com). Give me a call and we can talk about it. If nothing else I’ll keep you updated on our progress.

## Old Timer’s Night – Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>

by Carl Johnson

Plans are under way for the 2005 Old Timers Program. As part of the evening’s activities, the new patches and 50th year fly boxes will be handed out to the members present. Two groups of mem-

bers will be acknowledged that evening, the three current members who joined before October 1, 1955 and the past presidents of the club.

The program for the evening will be a showing of the video put together by the McKenzie Flyfishers on the beginning of the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF). Any member who remembers the role of the EFFC in the founding of the FFF is asked to contact Carl Johnson (425-308-6161) so we can add the role of the EFFC in the founding..

## Golden Sucker Award

by Reed Miller

This perpetual trophy may be awarded, whenever warranted, to a member in recognition of a less-than-prestigious incident involving a club member while fishing. In other words, this person really messed up.

The trophy is an exquisite carving of a sucker done by Charlie Ricketts and makes an excellent display for the recipient.

The award is normally presented to the recipient by the person in possession of the trophy, but this may be done by any member. Nominations may be made by any club member. The trophy is awarded at the Christmas meeting.

The above three paragraphs are from the awards manual. The most recent recipient of this award has moved away. I need nominations for this award. I have heard of at least two incidents that may qualify for this. Please let me or any board member know of any nominations you may have in mind..



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## Auction Dinner Reservations at Everett Elks

### Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM



Menu is Roast Pork, Tossed Green Salad, Vegetable Medley,  
Baby Red Potatoes, Rolls, Coffee or Tea.

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

Sign me up for \_\_\_\_\_ dinners at \$16 per dinner.

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

and mail to: Don Mathiesen - or bring form and pay at the  
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