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MEETINGS

General Meeting – 4th Tuesday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm Wet Fly hr.) Flying Pig Brewery
Board Meeting – 2nd Thursday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm dinner) Village Restaurant
Conservation Committee Meeting – 3rd Thursday of the month, 7 pm Village Restaurant

**Christmass Dinner Party: Hawthorne Inn at Smokey Point
Saturday, December 8th, Wet Fly - 6pm, Dinner - 7 pm.**



President's Message By Eric Nordstrom

I just got done moving yesterday to my new property in Arlington which will make getting to the “steelhead” this winter much easier. We'll now be living out in Charlie Rickett's neck of the woods so I know I'll have at least one good neighbor. If any of you want to stop by on your way up river, my new phone number is 360-631-8851.

We just got done with another successful annual auction. The attendance was good and the outcome for net fundraising was very close to our original goal so thanks to everyone that did their part in helping to make sure we can continue to have a self sustaining operating budget. Special thanks to Don Bayes, Mike Schutt, Mark Edson, Jesse Scott, Jim Melnick, John Silvey, and Rob Gamage.

Speaking of budgets, I don't want to forget to remind you that on Thursday, December 13th, at 7pm at the Village Restaurant we will be holding a budget meeting to forecast the club's income & expenses for 2008. If you are interested or will have a roll in the club this next year it is important that we have everyone there to understand what is going to be assumed behind the numbers.

It's November and that means this month is Old Timers Night. We will try to pay reverence to our past and present old timers at this meeting with an opportunity to stand up and tell a few stories during the business part of the meeting, or just sit back during the presentation to listen to Jack Berryman give us some insight on notable old timers of the Northwest such as our very own Al Knudson. This is one of my favorite meetings of the year!

Please send in your reservation form and payment now to Jim Melnick for the Christmas Party on Saturday, December 8th. We need to have a head count for this by the end of the month and if you haven't confirmed your attendance with us you won't be able to have a delicious dinner. This will be the one time of year that you'll see most of us clean shaven and smelling decent, so bring your

significant other along – or just yourself to add to the festivities. Get ready to have a good time while you do a little pre-holiday embellishment with some food, drink, and gifts. If you have any items you'd like to donate to the event for either men's or lady's items, please feel free to give me a call or shoot me an e-mail at enorthstream@aol.com.

In closing, I wanted to share some good news and bad news. First the bad – is that the Evergreen Foundation has officially disbanded and is now non-existent. Some may remember this organization was independently started up by some friends of ours as a 501c3 tax-exempt charitable group to provide fishing access. After several years of inactivity, it was decided to finally “close their doors.” The good news is that the Foundation decided to make a donation to the Evergreen Fly Fishing Club with their remaining funds. I would like to say thank you to Jim McGauhey for making a special appearance at our last board meeting and presenting us with this news.



Conservation
By Jesse Scott

We started a stream bank restoration project on Eagle Creek in Arlington this past Saturday. Sandy Atkinson, Dale Dennis, Rob Gamage, Jim Mathiesen, Neil Westover and Jesse Scott comprised the “Dirty half dozen”. We put in about 800 feet of fence posts in just under 4 hours. Next will be fencing and then tree planting. If you'd like to be involved sign up at the November meeting or give Jesse Scott a call at (425) 745-6092 or “GARDENFLY@COMCAST.NET”.

The Dirty Half Dozen





Fly Tying Contest By Joe Bernstein

The Reverse Spider tied by **Jesse Scott** back in September won convincingly over the competition.

Congratulations Jesse!

The fly pattern for November is your favorite Chum Salmon Fly. There are so many possibilities here, so use your research, imagination, or experience to come up with your favorite chum pattern.

Examples are egg-sucking leeches, marabou flies, or tube flies of various sizes, colors, etc.

RECIPE: Up to you.



EFFC Membership By Mark Simpson

December is the best month to send in your membership dues for 2008. Dues are \$30 for members and \$25 for associate members. Our

annual “dues incentive” raffle will be held for members that pay (postmarked) by 12/31/07. Send them soon for your chance to win a new Bauer reel.

Please do not send your dues to the club’s post office box or to other club officers. The membership chairman needs to receive your dues directly, preferably by mail, along with any change to your address, phone, e-mail, etc. Please complete the annual renewal form and send it with your dues so we can accurately verify your information listed in our next calendar. It is highly recommended to pay your dues by check. Your dues are important to the operating budget of our club so please pay them on time, preferably by December 31, but no later than our January general meeting.



Fly Tying Classes By Rob Gamage

I can hardly believe it’s time to start thinking about our Fly Tying Classes already! Get ready for twelve

Wednesday evenings of new patterns, techniques, tricks and, stories to give us all more confidence at the vise! For the fourth year, classes will be held at The Stillaguamish Senior Center in Smokey Point. We will start on January 2nd, from 7-9 pm, and continue every Wednesday until the last class on March 19th.

All you have to bring is your own tying tools and thread. If you don’t have any fly tying equipment yet, the club has 5 or 6 vises and basic tool sets that would love to be made useful. Just let me know ahead of time to arrange having them available.

The cost to members is \$25.00. If you volunteer to be an instructor, your cost is \$0.00! If you know someone not currently in the club who would be interested, the price for non-members is \$45. You will get to learn from twelve of the best fly tiers in our club and, hang out with some other members.

It is very helpful for us to know ahead of time how many tiers to expect. This really helps our instructors know how many material kits to prepare. To assist us in this, I will have more sign up sheets set out on the tables at the November monthly meeting. If you can’t make it to the Nov. meeting and, would like to join us, or if you know someone who would be interested, please contact Rob Gamage – 360-691-9997 or ragflyguy@hotmail.com

I’ve been organizing the class for three years now and, I would like to step away and give someone else the opportunity take over. Heck, even a few guys could step in and split up the tasks! This is a great way to contribute your talents to the club. At the minimum I’d really like someone else to do the video portion. Please, let me know if you’d like to help.



We’ll see you January 2nd!



Monthly Meeting Raffle Items By Rob Gamage

Earlier this year, I asked the club board members for input to help me choose items for the monthly meeting raffle prizes. The general consensus was, to aim for fewer items of higher quality rather than more items of lesser quality. The board also suggested that we spread out our purchases to include more of the local fly shops. I have tried hard to accomplish both of these things.

4. Spey Flies, How to Tie Them by Bob Veverka with photographs by Micheal Radencich (in hardcover)

5. 18" X 24" clear Fishpond Watershed Dry Bag

The raffle prizes for the November meeting will be:

1. Frabill long handle, wooden landing net
2. Cortland 444 Clear Creek Taper WF 5 F Fly Line
3. Simms WaderWick Heavyweight Pants, black, size Large

Kaufmanns, and the Bellevue Orvis shop.

If you have any suggestion of items you would like to see on the raffle table, please let me know.

Also, I'd like to request that the rest of you guys do something that I like to do- Whenever I'm in one of our local fly shops, I always make sure to mention that I'm a member of the E.F.F.C. and, I thank them for the generosity that their shop extends to our club by giving discounts toward these raffle item purchases and their donations to our annual fundraising auction.

To help you out, here is a list of the local shops that help out our club.

- **Ted's Sports Center**
- **The Avid Angler**
- **All About The Fly**
- **Pacific Fly Fishers**
- **Greg's Custom Rods**
- **Hook Line and Sinker**



Publications By Bruce Turner

Send me your ARTICALS!

As you know we all love to hear about fishing and fishing events. Unfortunately not all of us make the meetings. So the only way to gather this great information is through Swirl Tips. So send me those fishing stories and photos.

I will be working on the calendar soon and will need a lot of photos of all the cool things the club has done this year. If you have any photos send them in. Digital photos are preferred (in jpg format) but regular photos will also work. I'll take photos at a meeting, on a CD, or sent to me as attachments in e-mail message.



Club Program By Mark Edson

I'm glad to welcome Jack Berryman back to our club meeting for Old Timer's night. Jack has presented to

us on our previous two Old Timer's nights, last time presenting on Ralph Wahl, Ralph Olson and Ken McLeod. This month, he will be presenting on Poly Rosborough, Ted Trueblood, and Al Knudson (!). Jack will be bringing copies of his book "Fly-Fishing Pioneers & Legends of the Northwest" which will be for sale. He will



also be happy to sign copies of his book if you bring one in. Since the last time Jack was with us, his book won first place for the Outdoor Writers Association of America's Excellence in Craft competition. It will be great to have him back. Hope to see you all there.

Photo By: *Steve Probasco*

Jack Berryman holds a wild Washington steelhead just before release.



Special Fly Tying Contest By Carl Johnson

November we will have a special fly tying contest in addition to our regular contest. The fly for this contest is the **Knudson Spider**. The winning fly will be used in the Washington State Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers 2008 fly plate. The Council hopes to have flies from every club in the state in the fly plate. The plate will be raffled off at the Council's 2008 Washington State Fly Fishing Conclave in Ellensburg on May 3rd. In addition to the Conclave, tickets will be sold at the fishing shows and club meetings prior to the Conclave. The Club plans to frame the other files from this special contest and either auction or raffle it off next year. Please tie your best Knudson Spider to the November meeting.

Knudson's Spider



Name	Knudson's Spider
Category	Sea-Run Cutthroat
Hook	Mustad 3906, Size 2 to 10
Thread	Black
Tail	Mallard Flank Fibers
Body	Yellow Chenille
Collar	Mallard Flank Tied Long over Grizzly Saddle Hackle
Head	Black



Christmas Dinner Party Reservations at the Hawthorne Inn at Smokey Point Saturday, December 8th, Wet Fly - 6pm, Dinner - 7 pm.



Buffet Menu: Holiday Fruit Punch or Spiced Cider, Hors D'oeuvres include – Fresh Veggies with Spinach Dip, Tomato & Basil Bruschetta, Stuffed Mushrooms, Potstickers, and Swedish Meatballs, Buffet Dinner – Caesar Salad, Fresh Fruit Salad, Marinated Vegetable Salad and Greek Salad, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Long Grain & Wild Rice, Salmon with Cucumber Dill Sauce, and English Cut Prime Rib, Dessert Table – Assorted Mini Bars, Mini Cheesecakes, and Yule Log.
**freshly brewed coffee and selection of teas included

Name: _____

Sign me up for _____ dinners at \$35 per person.

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

Club's cost = \$47.00
Subsidy = -\$12.00
Your cost = \$35.00

and mail to: Jim Melnick
15020 – 54th Ave SE
Everett, WA 98208

- or deliver to him
at the next meeting



Evergreen Fly Fishing Club
PO Box 221
Everett, WA 98206



EFFC Membership Renewal Form

Membership dues are \$30 for members & \$25 for associate members

Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Member's Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Telephone Number including area code: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Committee Interests: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make check payable to EFFC, fill in the Membership Renewal form, & mail both to the following address:

Mark Simpson
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