



Special Feb-Mar Events

Fly Tying. Wednesdays. 5:30 pm at John's shop. 205 N. Garfield.



Fly Tying and member recruitment. Tri-State. Date Change! To Feb 12.

Burgers and Flies. March 5.

Tippet Talk

Presidents' Message. | P, 1. Tim dreams of early fishing, promotes membership, and worries about fishing trees.

Backcast. | P, 2. Local Trout Unlimited chapter starts; Ducks Unlimited Banquet Feb. 12. Local and Bahamas fishing reports; Raffle donors and winners; Membership efforts.

John and Mary Read | P, 3. Wichita, Kan. and Tyler TX. Techno-thrillers and self-discovery books! Who would have thought it!

Fly of the Month | P, 4. Parachute Hares-ear, a dry fly version of a popular nymph that is easy to tie. Give it a try!

From The President's Desk

Greetings,

Warm Weather Fishing. I don't know about everyone else but it sure seems like spring is here already. If the current warm weather patterns hold, many of the seep lakes in eastern Washington will be set for some decent fishing by opening day, March 1st. Of course, having said that, temperatures should now plummet to record lows – only because I'm hoping for an early start on Amber Lake. I suppose I shouldn't get too far ahead of myself.

Speakers. We have a special treat for our Valentine's meeting. This month's speaker will be Andy Sewell from Pullman, WA. Andy is a local artist specializing in fine watercolors. Raised in Ketchum/Sun Valley, Idaho, he uses his love of the outdoors (yes, fishing is one of them!) as inspiration for his paintings. Andy will share about merging his outdoor experiences and love of watercolors at our February meeting. You can see some of his some of his masterpieces at www.finewatercolors.com.

Our March speaker will be Bob Sheedy, fly fishing instructor, author and self-acclaimed trout bum. Bob hails from western Manitoba, Canada and will share 50 years of secrets for fishing western US and Canadian stillwaters.

Membership. We had some really good discussions and suggestions about membership during the last board meeting. I hope that everyone has had an opportunity to finish your homework assignment. If not, take a moment to pass out that club business card to someone you think might be interested in coming to our meeting.

CFC Auction. And don't forget to save up that loose change and big bills for the auction slated for April 13th. Auctioneers Dave Tharp and George Johnson will be counting on you to help the club bring in great speakers and build up the Bill Alspach – Dave Engerbretson Scholarship program. I know I'm saving my pennies – after all, I hear rumors of a certain fishing tree railroading tradition building steam!

Hope to see you all there!

Tim Cavileer

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Upcoming Events

- February 9, 2005** Conservation/Exec meeting at the Best Western-University Inn in Moscow, ID. 5:15 pm
- February 9, 2005** Clearwater Fly Casters monthly meeting at the Best Western-University Inn in Moscow, ID. 6:00 pm
- February 12, 2005** Fly Tying and Member Recruitment. Tri-State
- March 5, 2005** Burgers and Flies. 3:00-??? pm. Craig Lewis Garage**.
- April 13, 2005** CFC Auction. We need donations and volunteers .
- April 30, 2005** Amber Lake Fishout
- July 15-17, 2005** St Joe Fishout

****Directions to Burgers and Flies**

Directions. Going east on the Troy Highway, turn right (south) on Mtn View to the end of the road. Look for the Lewis residence. We will be in shop out back.

What to Bring. Fly tying gear, money for the auction, and a great attitude!

What's provided. Burgers, beer, pop, and a great atmosphere!

Contact. Joe McGurkin. (208) 882-7798
mcgurkin@moscow.com

Treasurer's Notes

Happy New Year, everyone! I hope you all had a good holiday season and received many fine fly fishing-related items. I am happy to say I will be back for the February meeting. Debbie Bell has done a great job, as Assistant Treasurer, in keeping up with dues collection, check writing and deposits in my absence. Thanks to you all for approving the job and electing her to do it. And thanks, Debbie! It put my mind at ease to have you there.

We will continue to collect dues at the February meeting. I hope to have a complete membership and financial report in the March *Tippet*.

Another reminder: The 2005 auction will be held **April, 13**. We are soliciting

items which will be auctioned off to support the Alspach-Engerbretson Scholarship Fund. Items could include anything from services, such as fishing trips, to collections of flies, fishing equipment to artwork, hand-made gift items, home-made baked goods, or anything else you think might be attractive to someone else. We will be issuing certificates to donors for tax purposes and to extend our thanks for donations. Please let me or Debbie Bell know if you have anything you would like to donate or if you are willing to solicit businesses for donations.

2005 Anglers' calendar. See Don Shearer.

Shirley Engerbretson, Secretary/Treasurer

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Backcast (cont)

Collins-Allured Award. John Read, chair, George Hinman, and Dave Tharp were appointed to solicit nominations.

Trout Unlimited. Steve Bush announced that Trout Unlimited now has a new chapter in our area (Three Rivers TU). They meet the last Wednesday of the month at Genesee, ID. at 7:00 pm at Hall's Corner Bar. Dues are \$15/year, with all of the dues coming back to the local chapter the first year. A primary goal is to promote cold water fisheries. A long term project is on Potlatch Creek from Helmer to Bovill. For more information contact Steve Bush either at (208) 882-4564 or moscowtitle@turbonet.com.

Ducks Unlimited. Joe Ford announced that DU banquet is Sat Feb. 12 at The Quality Inn in Pullman, WA. DU works to conserve wetlands for birds. This conservation effort also aids fish. Several guns and other items will be auctioned. For more information contact Joe (509) 334-7665 or joeford@wsu.edu.

CFC Auction. April 13, 2005. Items that you would like to donate can be dropped off in Moscow at Debbie B. (208) 883-3592 debbiebell@hotmail.com or in Pullman at Dave T. (509) 878-1769 or ics@pullman.com.

Fishing reports. **Joe Ford** caught a 38-inch sturgeon on the Snake when goose hunting was hindered by fog. At least they didn't hit the barge! **A.J.** reported some steelhead on the Ronde. **Joe Mc.** Took his son's Boy Scout troop fishing through the ice at Elk Creek Reservoir. Joe, you are a brave soul! **Dave and Marion Y.** survived another Bahamas trip with bonefish out the front door on good days and rum on the bad days. Now if he could just work on the essential clothes, gear, and medications needed (and still survive a thump from Marion), all would be well. Of course that will take at least one more trip!

Raffle. Donors were: Flash Flies, Don S.; Fly assortment from fly tying sessions from John R., Glen M., Debbie B. Cliff S., and AJ Morris; Fish plaque (coho salmon), Bob H.; Chocolates, Tom Weber. **Winners were:** John. R., fish plaque; Bob H., fly assortment; Steve B., flash flies; and Diane V, chocolates that she shared later. Thanks to the donors and congratulations to the winners.

Tippet Submissions. If you have information, topics, etc. that you would like to see considered for publication in the *Tippet*, please send them to me.

Glen Murray/Tippet Editor

Glen Murray

Backcast

Exec\Cons Comm. Meeting. Present were Tim C., A. J. & Lisa Morris, Don S., Glen M., John R., Debbie B., Dave T., George H, and Denny C. **Membership activities** included calling members that hadn't been attending recently. Future Activities discussed were: Having Fly Tying demonstrations at Tri State on Feb 12, and at the Home Show in the Kibbie Dome, March 12; updating the CFC brochure, asking Dale Coryell to hand out CFC fliers at his casting, fly tying, and rafting activities; and perhaps having a CFC activity at Spring Valley Reservoir on Idaho's free fishing Day in June. Tim C. gave CFC cards to each member at the Jan meeting and asked them to hand out the card to prospective new members.

Business Meeting. Tim C. welcomed everyone to his new reign of terror. He thanked Don S. for a fine job as president and gave Don a clear plastic fly box with a sponge bob mounted on the outside as a thank you—it even had a few flies in it! The real fly box with flies tied by CFC members will be presented at the Feb. meeting.

2005 Speaker Schedule

Feb. 9, 2005 Andy Sewell, Artist, Pullman WA. Merging outdoor experiences with watercolor.

Mar. 9, 2005 Bob Sheedy. Fly fishing instructor, author and self-acclaimed trout bum from western Manitoba, Canada. Fifty years of secrets for fish ing western US and Canadian stillwaters.

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CFC membership dues are \$20/yr for individuals, \$30/yr for families, \$10/yr for students, \$50/yr sustaining, \$300/lifetime. Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday, September through May at the Best Western-University Inn, 1516 Pullman Rd, Moscow, Idaho. Wet Fly Time 6:00 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm and program at 8:00 pm.



John Read

Residence: Moscow, ID, about 30 years. Attended UI 1968-72.

Occupation: Hardware Manager, Tri- State. 11 years

CFC Activities

John has been a member about 18 years. He has served as Vice-President, President and regularly attends monthly meetings, fishouts and the fall BBQ. John also secures campsites every year for CFC members attending the St. Joe fishout. Three years ago he organized the Wednesday night fly tying sessions. He is an excellent fly tier and a frequent contributor of flies to the Burgers and Flies Auction. John also helped erect a bull trout sign at the Spruce Tree Campground for the US Forest Service Fisheries program. He received the Collins-Allured award in 2004.

Favorites:

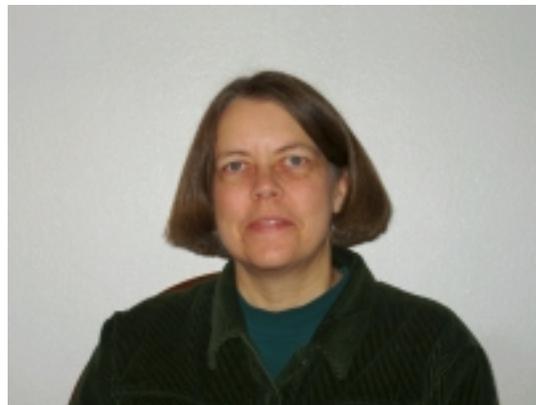
Fishing Holes: John considers the St Joe his home river and one that he knows best. He also likes the Elk River in B.C. Flies: In streams and rivers he likes stimulators. John says nothing beats seeing a fish rise five to ten feet to take a dry fly. John thinks that nymph fishing is more demanding in many ways than dry fly fishing and he enjoys that challenge. In lakes, he likes to fish water boatman .

Fish: Cutthroat. He likes brook trout, for eating, maybe because that is the trout that he eats. He releases most other trout. He rarely has fished water supporting brown trout, but the first one he caught was in the Palouse River.

Memory: Taking his daughter, Sarah ,fishing on Gold Creek in the St. Maries River drainage. John had built her a rod, given some casting instructions , and got her started fishing. He then went a short ways away to fish another hole. When John looked at Sarah fishing he saw her making side arm casts to get the fly underneath some branches. After watching for awhile he asked "Where did you learn to do that"? She replied, "I saw you doing that and just tried it"!

Volunteer, Hobbies, and Other Activities: Fly Tying, wood working, and constructed his own woodworking shop. John, at one time, had his own silk screening business and still does this for one customer. He likes to read science fiction, techno-thrillers, and books on fishing, although he would much rather fish than read about it.

Birthplace: Wichita, Kansas. Moved to St. Maries, ID in 1963.



Mary Bosch Read

Residence: Moved to Moscow, June 13, 1975 (Friday 13!).

Occupation: Director of University Publishing, Washington State University. She directs and oversees numerous publications from WSU, including Recruitment Publications, WSU Informational Publications, and University Press Books-Scholarly Works.

CFC Activities

Mary has been a member about five years. She tagged along with John to keep him straight and quiet—a big task! Mary regularly attends the monthly meetings and the fall BBQ. She usually attends the St Joe fishout to enjoy CFC friends, the outdoors experience, riding her bike, and a little fishing with John.

Favorites:

Fishing Holes: Mary likes fishing streams better than lakes. Her favorite spots are the Old Man River, St. Joe, and the Crows Nest.

Flies: Mary prefers dry flies over nymphs. Her favorite dry fly is a medium-sized brown one----secret pattern.

Fish: Although she hasn't caught a brown trout yet, she likes this fish because of it's coloration. Also likes cutthroats

Memory: When 4 to 5 years old Mary was visiting her grandparents in Arkansas. One day her granddad came out the door and said as he was going fishing. Mary decided to tag along. They walked down this old dirt road and stopped on a bridge where her granddad let out some line and began fishing. Every so often he would say something like "look at that bird over there".

Soon Mary noticed that there was no water in the creek and said Granddad there's no water. He said I know. That's why I call it fishing!.

Volunteer, Hobbies, and Other Activities: Mary likes to read non-fiction, and self-discovery books. She also enjoys riding her bike and often rides to and from work during the warmer weather. Mary also plays an acoustic guitar and is currently learning to play a base guitar. She is also active in her church and enjoys community service activities.

Birthplace: Tyler, Texas, "ya all"

Parachute Hare's Ear

(From TheFlyBench.com. Andy Cooper). Edited by GAM)

- 1) Tie on thread near hook eye.
- 2) Tie on a clump of calf body hair, tips facing forward at approximately 1/3 the hook shank length in back of the hook eye. Lift the calf hair so that it stands straight up and make several wraps of thread well up the calf hair to form a wing post.
- 3) Wrap the thread back to the hook bend and tie on bucktail for a tail. Wrap a smooth thread body and cut off the butts of the bucktail.
- 4) Dub a thin body of dubbing up to the base of the wing post.
- 5) Tie on a grizzly dry fly hackle.
- 6) Dub the rest of the hook in front of the wing post up to the hook eye.
- 7) Wrap hackle counter clockwise around the wing post and tie off at hook eye.
- 8) Whip finish a neat head.
- 9) Put a small drop of superglue at the base of the wing post, this will make this fly almost indestructible.

Note :Creator Ed Schroeder



Materials

Hook / Size : Tiemco 100 #12-16
Thread : Tan 8/0
Wingpost : White Calf Body Hair
Tail : Brown Bucktail
Body : Hair's Mask Fur
Hackle : Grizzly Hackle One Size Oversize

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Our next meeting is

Wednesday, February 9, 2005
At the University Inn Best Western,
1560 West Pullman Road in Moscow, ID
Executive/Cons. meeting 5:15 pm
Wet Fly Hour: 6:00 PM
Dinner: 7:00 PM

Please join us!

