



Clearwater Fly Casters The *Tippet* Sept, 2005

*Special Fall Events*

**Annual BBQ: Sept. 14. 5:30 pm**

Shirley Engerbretson's home. 1272 Highland Drive, Moscow, ID. CFC sponsored. Contact Shirley if you plan to attend at (sengerbn@moscow.com). Interested in set-up, meal prep, clean-up: Contact Tim (208) 883-4572 or tcav@uidaho.edu. Bring dessert to share

**October 12: Regular CFC and executive/conservation meeting at the Best Western-University Inn, Moscow.**

**Dec. 14: CFC Christmas Party. Speaker will be Alspach-Engerbretson Scholarship Winner.**

*Tippet Talk*

**President.** Tim extends invitation from Shirley E. to a BBQ at her home. Fall speaker programs include are very own fishing legends and adventurers.

**On tap for the Oct. 12 meeting is Dave Yonge steelhead adventures.**

**Speakers on Nov. 16 are St. Joe fishing Guru's John Read and Jim Palmersheim sharing years of fish lore, mis-and true adventures, and fish tales. | p. 1.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasury has \$\$\$, over \$6700. Pay your membership dues in November and keep us solvent. Angler Calendars are in limited supply. Get yours now. | p.2

**Backcast, Guests, fishing reports—Bruce, John, Bill, Glenn, Jerry, and Dave got some good ones! | p. 2-3.**

**Fishout camp, St. Joe Lake and Falls on upper St .Joe River photos| p. 3.**

**Fly of The Month.** Crawfish Tube Fly Large trout and bass enticer. Fish them slowly on the bottom and hang on! | p. 4

**From The President's Desk**

Hi Folks,

Welcome back to the Palouse! I trust that everyone had an enjoyable summer and that it included a lot of fishing trips. I made it out to the St Joe fishout and enjoyed two days floating and fishing the upper Joe along with several club members. Waking up to the sound of splitting firewood, leisurely breakfasts, and tying flies sure was the ticket for July. Friday night's Dutch oven dinner saw 20 plus members gathered around to enjoy Bill Hendrix's fine cuisine that almost wasn't. I think it's safe to say you missed a great outing if you weren't able to make the trip.

**September 14th.** Our annual BBQ meeting will be held this year (starting at 5:30 pm) at Shirley Engerbretson's house in Moscow. Shirley has graciously agreed to host the BBQ in her newly remodel home complete with an outdoor dry stream bed. Grilled BBQ ribs, baked beans, potato salad, and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided by the club. Please plan on bringing a dessert to share. Casting competition in the dry stream and tall tales of your summer's fishing exploits will be the entertainment for the evening. Shirley's address is 1272 Highland Dr, Moscow, Idaho. Please RSVP Shirley at (208) 882-1687 or email her at sengerbr@moscow.com so that we can get a general head count for the evening's meal. If you would like to help with setup, cleanup or taking responsibility for a part of the meal, please contact me at (208) 883-4572 or tcavi@uidaho.edu. Plan on arriving early for the casting competition, followed by the meal and ending with the lies, I mean, fishing reports.

Starting in October the Clearwater Fly Casters will be meeting back at the Best Western - University Inn in Moscow.

**October 12th.** Dave Yonge will present a talk on steel heading in the Clearwater and Snake Rivers. 'There and back again in one piece: Epic tales of surviving a steelhead fishing adventure' might not be the official title of his talk, but if you've heard Dave give some of his fishing reports, you know it won't be a far off. Plan on attending this one.

**November 16th.** Legendary fishing duo John Read and Jim Palmersheim will present, 'Fishing the St Joe' at our October meeting. Combined, these two probably have more than 40 years experience fishing this river. They have seen it all, and done everything twice, from flies to floats to killer pack-in trips. More than an adventure.

**December 14th.** This is our Christmas party. The speaker will be our Alspach-Engerbretson Scholarship winner.

That's our line up for this fall. Hope to see you all at Shirley's!

Tim Cavileer

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'Prevaricator Supreme'  
Clearwater Fly Casters

**Treasurer's Notes—Sept, 2005**

Welcome back to all you Fly Casters! I hope you had a great summer and were able to do lots of fishing in many great places! Oh, and I hope you caught some great fish, too.

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We are starting out in pretty good shape for the new season of Clearwater Fly Casters' activities. The Treasury has a combined total of \$6,725.86 in the checking and savings accounts.

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Annual Club dues cover the time period from January through December. The categories and amounts for dues are as follows:

- Individual:** \$20.00/yr
- Family:** \$30.00/yr
- Sustaining:** \$50.00/yr
- Lifetime:** \$300.00
- Student:** ½ yearly dues
- Honorary:** A member, age 65 or older, with 15 years membership in the Clearwater Fly Casters, is granted honorary membership for life.

I will begin accepting dues for 2006 in November. We would like to increase our membership, which has been dwindling for a couple of years, so invite any of your friends who are interested in fishing to come to a meeting with you.

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The Angler's calendars for 2006 are in. This calendar includes four bonus months of September through December of 2005, in addition to fishing tips, hatch dates and destinations. And, if you purchase from the Club, you will save nearly \$3.00 off the retail price. What a deal! There are only 18 available, so get yours now.

We hope to see you all at my house for the Barbeque on September 14 for good food, good company, and plenty of fishing stories.

Shirley Engerbretson,  
*Shirley Engerbretson,*  
Secretary/Treasurer

**Backcast**

**Executive/Conservation Committee Meeting.**

**Members attending** were Tim C., A. J. Morris, Debbie B., Glen M., John R., Dave T., Don S., George H., Kent A.

**Sept BBQ** discussed. Catered or Potluck? Potluck favored.

**Allured-Collins Award** will be made jointly to two individuals in the fall.

**Membership and club recognition.** A booth at the Latah County Fair was discussed. Fly Tying demonstrations, casting demonstrations and techniques, TV monitor with running slide show, fly board with CFC member favorite fly patterns and membership cards-applications-brochures were suggested. A.J. will head up this effort. Glen will assist.

**Business Meeting.**

**Raffle.** Incomplete information available on the raffle. **Donors?? Either** didn't sign sheet or the sheet wasn't returned to the editor, but thanks to each of you for your donations to the club raffle. **Donors:** Please sign donor sheet at the front table. Thanks. **Winners** were: Debbie Bell, a book plus Furled Leaders, Brian McNeil Furled leaders, George Hinman, Flies, Mary Read Furled Leaders, Sloan Craven, Pheasant Rump, Lloyd Lutke, Furled Leaders. Al H., ??

**Guests.** Jim Gouldin, Arkansas-Montana, Forest Sciences; Sloan Craven, PhD student, Archeology, WSU; Dan Caldwell, Retired, Lloyd Lutke.

**2005 Speaker Schedule**

- Oct 12, 2005.** Dave Yonge. Steelhead Adventures.
- Nov. 16, 2005.** John Read and Jim Palmersheim. Adventures and Secrets of the St. Joe River.
- Dec. 14, 2005.** Winner of Alspach-Engerbretson Scholarship.
- Spring speakers:** Interested yourself or have a suggestion? See A.J. Morris.

**Clearwater Fly Casters Officers 2005**

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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.

## Fishing Reports.

**Amber Lake Fishout.** Bruce F. caught an 18.5 incher; Bill H. and John R. did OK in the afternoon on red-wire chironomids. John R. caught four over 20 inches on Damsel Nymphs. and Dave T. caught a few Glenn Woodhouse caught three fish between 18-19 inches on Amber.

Dave T. said Amber and Coffeepot were OK, but that Deer Springs, West of Coffeepot was over run with vehicles and people even though dirt road was rough and gated.

Bill H. also fished Amber lake in May with Damsels and had one fish about 19 inches on a Damsel Nymph.

Jerry V. and son fished the Smith River in Montana and caught Browns over 20 inches.

**Conservation.** A. J. reported that Milltown Dam on the Blackfoot is coming out. Glen later found out that the river will be re-routed to enable dredging and removal of heavy metal sediments before the dam is removed.

Cliff S. said the IDFG trapped and tagged 200 wild steelhead on Bear Creek. Cedar Creek, Pine Creek, Little bear Creek and other tributaries of the Potlatch will also be sampled for steelhead smolts.

David Yonge and Don Johnstone fished the Everglades for Tarpon and Snook, even caught some!

Rivers in B,C. designated Special Rivers will have a \$20-25 fee per day for fishing in addition to the fishing license.

**May Speakers.** Bruce Frazier and Reid Miller highlighted N. Pike and Lake Trout fishing on Mawdsley Lake in N. Saskatchewan. CFC members on this trip in addition to Bruce and Reid included: Debbie B. Bob H., Glen M., Don Johnstone, and Doug Young. Numerous pike were caught, some as large as 42 inches +. A Lake trout caught by Glen coulter was estimated at over 20 pounds.

**Ideas!** Bring your ideas and suggestions for CFC programs and activities to our meetings.



St. Joe Fishout Camp, 2005



St. Joe Lake, 2005



Falls on Upper St. Joe River, 2005

**Crawfish Tube-Fly** (From TheFlyBench, Tier: Jason M. Franz)

- 1) Cut a 1 3/8-inch portion of small tube.
- 2) Using a lighter heat up one end of the tube. Then press the hot end against a flat surface, knife or flat piece of metal. This will make a very small lip at one end of the tube. This lip will secure the thread in place and keep it from slipping off the tube after you finish the fly.
- 3) Place the tube in a tube holding tool in your vise with the tube lip where the hook eye would be.
- 4) Tie in thread 1/8 of an inch from the base end of the tube and leave 1/8 bare tube. This is where the hook will be placed using a special plastic sleeve.
- 5) Tie in bucktail for the shell back (carapace) tips first, the butt section should be over the vise.
- 6) Dub a small ball of dubbing.
- 7) Tie on burnt mono eyes.
- 8) Tie on one marabou feather as claws spit the marabou feather with an X wrap to form bunches on either side of the tube. Wrap dubbing over the X warp.
- 9) Tie in soft hackle grizzly feather.
- 10) Dub a football shaped thorax.
- 11) Palmer thorax with grizzly feather.
- 12) Tie on copper wire for ribbing.
- 13) Tie on Antron yarn and advance thread to the tube lip.
- 14) Wrap a smooth abdomen with the Antron yarn.
- 15) Pull the Bucktail over the entire fly and tie off at lip.
- 16) Rib abdomen with copper wire using open winds and tie off fly with whip finish. Cut bucktail to form a small neat tail. Use head cement on the thread to finish the fly.



**Materials**

- Hook:** Daiichi 1150. 6-8  
**Tube:** Small Diameter, 1/8  
**Eyes:** Burnt Mono  
**Carapace:** Bucktail, Tan  
**Claws:** Marabou, Olive brown  
**Legs:** Grizzly, soft hackle, natural  
**Thorax:** Scud dub, tan  
**Abdomen:** Antron yarn, tan  
**Ribbing:** Copper wire

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Our next meeting is:

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Please join us!

