



The Tippet

The President's Message

In a ceremonial transfer of power at the December meeting, Tim Cavileer bestowed upon me the hallowed Clearwater Fly casters Scrimshaw Bolo of Presidential Rule. Not only does this treasured artifact guarantee more and bigger fish, but it entitles line item veto rights to all who wear it. Tim, I do have one question for you about the bolo....Do I have to wear it continuously for its powers to work? Although it has gained me a new form of respect at work and home, it's a bit itchy in bed and hard to keep dry in the shower. Anyway.....

I would like to thank Tim Cavileer for three great years of executive leadership and service to the club, two as President and one as VP. Tim is the only president to serve more than one term since Sherm Lowell upon the founding of the club. During this time Tim has kept the club organized and consistently found and coordinated quality programs, all the while keeping our web site up to date. Tim has done a great job of keeping the officers and the membership informed of local issues and other club activities. A legacy that Tim leaves, greatly appreciated by myself, is the creation of program and auction committees for 2007. Tim, enjoy your retirement at your private retreat in Hyannis (or Richardson, TX?) and I hope that the club pension and private security force serve you well. We'll send the club helicopter to fetch you up for future meetings.

I would like to thank Steve Bush for agreeing to serve as our 2007 VP and 2008 president. Steve has served as our FFF representative and I am really looking forward to working with him this year. A big thanks to Shirley Engerbretson for her continued commitment and excellence as our club treasurer, Glen Murray as Tippet editor and new conservation chair, Sharon Tharp as secretary, and Cliff Swanson as our new Tippet editor.

For those who couldn't make it, the December meeting was great. We had an excellent turnout. Although they have been members since 2005 and have attended some of our outings, my daughter Katherine (age 9) and my wife Debbie (age undisclosed) attended their first meeting and witnessed my swearing-in (sorry about the swearing Katherine!). The gift exchange was a lot of fun with Katherine ending up with the final option on everyone else's gifts. She chose wisely in swapping Don Johnstone a thermometer for some excellent chocolates hand crafted by Sylvia Evers, complimented by a nice Wheatly style Okuma fly box. To help her out, I have provided a safe storage spot for the fly box in my vest. We had Steve Ronholt and Ladin Langeman down from Spokane as our program. They produce and "star" in the show

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Calendar

January 10th - Reed Miller

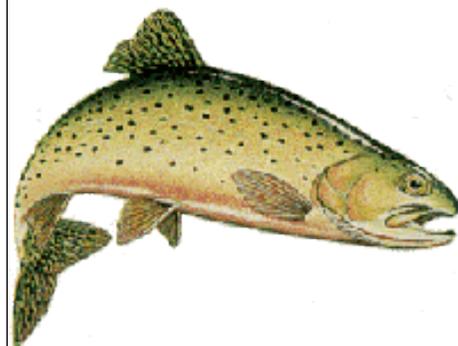
February - TBA

March - Semi Annual Auction.

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NEED MORE RAFFLE TICKETS? THEY WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE JANUARY MEETING. THE CLUBS GOAL IS FOR EVERYONE TO SELL 10 TICKETS.





Treasurer's Report for Year Ending December 31, 2006

Happy New Year, Fly Casters! Your Treasurer is happy to report that the club is alive and well going into 2007! I submit to you this brief report for consideration and will have a more complete listing of expenses at the meeting on January 10.

To all you who have not yet paid your dues, I will be collecting at the meeting.

Business Checking Account

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2006	\$ 180.81
Total Deposits (including savings transfers)	4,748.00
Expenses for 2006	3,806.76
Ending Balance, December 31, 2006	\$1,132.05

Business Money Market Account

Beginning Balance, 1-1-06	\$6,143.41
Ending Balance, 12-31-06	\$4,594.68

Account Summary

Deposits	\$ 0.00
Withdrawals	1,600.00
Interest income	51.27

I hope to see you all at the January meeting.

Shirley Engerbretson,

Treasurer

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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 Hour 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm and program at 7:30 pm.



The Backcast- December 13, 2006

Nearly 40 people attended the December Clearwater Fly Casters holiday festivities. Hopefully, everyone got to share their fall and winter fishing stories and their dreams for exotic fly fishing adventures in the spring.

Guests- New members and avid fishers included Kay and Lynn Youngblood who are now living in Palouse. They have rafts for floating, have explored many rivers in Idaho and Montana and have been catching good size trout. Kay and myself are very interested in putting together a 'just for women' fly fishing trip for this summer. No offense guys, but this way we can catch the really big ones first! So women fly fishers- let's get this together?

We also welcome Doug Baldurn and his wife Marcia, who was unable to attend. Doug and Marcia moved to Pullman from the Seattle area and would love to get involved with other fly fishers. Doug is a rod distributor and also an avid fly fisher.

Glenn Woodhouse brought his wife Debbie and their daughter Kathryn to observe his rise from VP to President in 2007. Congratulations Glenn, Debbie and Kathryn!

Steve Ronholt and Ladin Langeman, our guest speakers, also joined us for a great dinner.

Fishing Reports- Jim had a trip planned for Pesca Maya on Ascension Bay, near Cancun, but couldn't make it. What a bummer! Dave Y. reported the worse year since he started fishing for steelhead so only landed one this year. What a bummer! Don J. and Dave Y. drifted the Grand Rhonde and Don caught fish but Dave did not, and then they were blown off the river. What a bummer! Bill H. reported that the St. Joe River went from 450 cfs to 1400 cfs to 14,000 cfs in a few days. John and crew decided they could now float the St. Joe in record time! Reed and Nancy fished in Patagonia, Chile but are saving their fishing stories as speakers for the January fly casters meeting. AJ informed Dave Y. that the Clearwater was doing well and that he had caught a 15-pound hen. Good job. George J. fished the Grand Rhonde with two friends from Montana. His friend had never been skunked until this year. I guess they caught two fish in one week. What a bummer! Oh well. Life goes on!

Announcements - Our out-going President Tim Cavileer gave his last announcements to the club and handed out his last set of cards making everyone worry all night what they would end up doing for the club! This time, however, if you had the right card you won 'Fly Fishing Montana's Missouri River' by Trapper Badinovac. Tim Gresbeck was the lucky winner.

Fred Muehlbauer won the year end raffle for a custom made fly rod. The fly rod is wild be built by A.J. Morris. Congrats Fred and Thank you A.J.

The drawing for the 5-wt, 2-piece bamboo rod being built by Bob Clark will be in May. Everyone is encouraged to sell \$10 tickets to help support the club.

The Fly Casters Calendars are almost gone there are only four left.

Membership dues are due.

Steve Busch will be the new 2007 Vice President. Glenn and Steve will make a dynamite duo. Congratulations to Steve and Glenn.

We had a presentation of a beautiful wood fly box from Don Johnson to Reid Miller. Apparently, in 1993 Don, as V.P., forgot to give Reid, the out-going President, the traditional going away gift. Good going Don- better late than never!

Keeping with tradition, Glenn Woodhouse, 2007 President, thanked Tim Cavileer for his two years of service as Clearwater Fly Casters President, with a stylized, wooden fly box engraved with the Clearwater Fly Caster and FFF emblems. Thank you Tim for all your work in trying to keep this motley group of fly casters focused!

Guest Speakers Program - Steve Ronholt and Ladin Langeman presented a fun and very informative presentation on fishing various points in Alaska including the Kinai Peninsula, Prince of whales, Morgan's Landing, Rescin River, the upper Kinai River, Quartz creek and Lake Creek. They had some very good video coverage of some very big fish with 'talkie' so you could hear the screams when they caught their fish and tried to get them into a 12 inch net! They suggested that mid-Sept to mid- Oct. was the best time to visit so maybe we should organize a trip? Good program. Thank you Steve and Ladin.

Raffle and Christmas gift exchange - The raffle was bountiful with lots of people winning lots of things, which I couldn't keep track of but included a spey fly line, bead heads, books, and various fly tying materials. Bruce, Glenn, CB Tim, Steve, Sylvia and Gary won stuff.

The Christmas gift exchange was fun with some big wins and some little wins and a lot of switching gifts! The fudge and coconut bon-bons, a beautiful fly box with flies, partridge and antelope tie materials and water bladder were big hits. A mug, calendar, buck tail, compass with scissors, a tippet holder, a nail knot tier were generally keepers. Some people got stuck with a grass fish, and a green frog that I guess you could say were the big losers for the night- but all in fun. Have a great holiday season and Happy New Year 2007.

Dave and I will be traveling the US beginning in February and not be back until May, I fear this will be my last backcast. However, we hope to see you all at the fish out in July with great stories of rivers and fish.

Cheers,

Sharon Tharp

Secretary 2006



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“Fishing with Ladin” which airs on Fox channel 28. Imagine Wayne’s World goes to the Kenai Peninsula. These guys are great! They’re a couple of everyday fly fishing Joe’s who have the guts and drive, creativity, and sense of humor to go out and make a fun and interesting fly fishing TV show. >From their program we learned how to land Alaska Sockeye, Coho’s, big Dolly’s, and burly Rainbows with a 12” trout net (the key is continuous verbal “coaching” of the net man!). We concluded our raffle activities for the year by drawing from all of the raffle tickets purchased last year for a custom built fly rod. Our big winner was Fred Muehlbauer. Fred has selected a Cabela’s SLi 9’ 7 wt. blank that AJ Morris will build up for him with quality components. Thanks AJ, your craftsmanship and effort is greatly appreciated! Fred plans to use this rod on Kodiak Island for Coho’s and the Grande Rhonde for Steelhead.

For our January meeting our own Reid Miller will provide the program, sharing his trip to Chile with us. We will continue our raffle program of saving all of member’s tickets for a custom rod drawing at our December 2007 meeting. We are also looking for a club secretary, as Sharon Tharp is running off with hubby Dave on a multi-month, multi-state RV trip that will run through Spring. We will be looking for a volunteer at the January meeting. So please bring raffle prize donations to the next meeting as well as your spouses, kids, friends, and fishing reports for a great time.

Tight lines,

Glenn.

‘Prevaricator Supreme’

Clearwater Fly Casters

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January 10th Meeting:

Best Western University Inn, Moscow

Buffet Dinner \$15/person

Wet fly hour 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30

and Program at 7:30 pm.

Shirley will be taking dues for 2007 and she has a few calendars for sale.