



# The Tippet *November, 2014*

## *Clearwater Fly Casters*

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A Federation of Fly Fishers Club



## **November Program: Glen Murray, “Fishing Northern Saskatchewan’s Mawdsley Lake”**



Glen is a native of Montana, growing up in the Gallatin Valley area, Bozeman. He began fishing at about five years of age with garden hackle, a favorite pattern. At eight he began fly fishing and started tying flies at ten. He has been an avid fly tyer and fly fisherman since.

Glen and his wife Iris have lived in Moscow since 1967. Glen was employed at the University of Idaho in the College of Agriculture and has been involved with some aspect of agriculture his entire life. Glen and Iris have two grown children. They have enjoyed the fishing and other

recreational pursuits of this area, as well as the diverse array of cultural and athletic venues available here.

Glen and his wife are part owners of the Mawdsley Fishing and Lodge, Saskatchewan, Canada. He has fished Mawdsley Lake since 2002. The presentation to the Clearwater Flycasters will highlight the fishing, scenic beauty, wildlife, and experiences at Mawdsley Lake. Fishing equipment including fly patterns, fly rods, fly lines and tools needed to handle large Northern Pike, Lake trout, and smaller Arctic Haultain River grayling will be emphasized as well.

### **Presidents’ Message (Roger Willemsen)**

I want to thank everyone who brought something for the raffle at our October meeting. There were some great items, including Cutthroat Beer, set of glassware, Video ‘Hooked on Fly Tying’, Book ‘The Sky Fisherman’ by Craig Lesley, fish stamps and some of the best tomatoes I have ever seen. Unfortunately I was not one of the lucky winners. Remember that one-half of the proceeds from the raffle go to our scholarship fund and every ticket purchased goes into the December drawing for a fly rod. The more you buy the better your chances of winning.

We have a great opportunity for someone to become more involved with club business and direction. With the end of the year approaching the club has an opening for new leader. My term as President will be coming to end. Assuming a leadership role in CFC provides a great opportunity to have an active voice in the future of our club. It’s also a great way to make closer friendships and learn more about the workings of the club. Please consider doing your share for the club in 2015.

### **Calendar**

**Nov 12: CFC Monthly Mtg**

**Dec 2: Executive Committee meeting, Thai Ginger, Pullman. 5:30 pm**

**Dec 10: CFC Monthly Mtg**

**Additional events at:  
[www.clearwaterflycasters.com](http://www.clearwaterflycasters.com)**

### **Information**

**The Tippet is available as a PDF file on our web site:  
[www.clearwaterflycasters.com](http://www.clearwaterflycasters.com)**

**Please submit information to the Newsletter Editor.**

**Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed, University Best Western Inn, Moscow, ID**

**Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 pm**

**Buffet Dinner \$16, Students \$8: 6:30**

**Program: 7:30**

## Backcast to October Meeting:

**President** Roger Willemsen presided at the Clearwater Fly Casters meeting.

**Guests:** Our guest speaker, Chris Caudill and his son Avery. UI freshman biology student Sarah Sant, winner of drawing from the CFC booth at the UI Recreation Fair held in September. Laura Jenkins, Chris Caudill's graduate student. David Bollingbrook, member of UI Dept. of Fisheries and Wildlife.

**Fishing reports:** Joe Vaughn reported about his fishing trip in Queensland, Australia. Lynn & Kay Youngblood reported on the NF of the Clearwater; Kay catching a 17" rainbow and Lynn catching perhaps a walleye. Jim Palmersheim fished streamers on the Joe and caught a 20" bull trout. While steelhead fishing on the Clearwater, Jim landed a 34" wild hen. Gary Evers fished the Joe in July finding small fish in deep canyons. Gary also fished the Lochsa over the Labor Day weekend and found larger fish. He also helped Marika Dobos in catching westslope cutthroat trout in the south fork of the Clearwater so they could be radio tagged. John Read recounted his CFC Fish Out trip on the Joe. Two weeks ago, John and Scott O'Donnell floated the Joe. Doug Baldwin trolled plugs on north end of Rock Lake in late September. He experienced huge strikes of perhaps brown trout. A week ago, Doug was fishing the confluence with a shrimp spinner and landed a 17-18 lb wild hen steelhead. Chris Lewis and company were fishing on the coast for tuna. They caught one that weighed 30 lbs. Chris described the catch as 20 minutes of chaos accompanied by all day boredom. Laura Jenkins, UI graduate student studying biology with a focus on steelhead is from Massachusetts. She fished for striper near Cape Cod and landed one that was 43 lbs and 48" long.

## Committee Reports and Announcements:

### Steve Bush

- Encouraged CFC to become Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) members. CCA is very active in reducing gill netting that in turn helps all recreational fishing. It is only \$25.00 to join for a year and is under the leadership of Gary Loomis. Jim Palmersheim noted as an Alaska fishing guide, there were many, many more King Salmon due to a ban on commercial fishing in some Alaska streams. Jim promotes state Fish and Game controlling the limits, not commercial fisherman.

### Lynn Youngblood; Treasurer

- Reported that there is about \$3,000 in the general operating fund and \$5,600 in the scholarship fund. Calendars are for sale for \$10.00 each. Let Lynn know if you are interested in purchasing one. Club dues are now due since our year is associated with the academic year, not the calendar year. Dues are \$20 for individual and \$30 for family. Student dues are \$10.

## Dates to Remember & Put on Your Calendar

- **November 12:** Clearwater Fly Casters Meeting. Bring a friend! Bring a student!
- **December 2,:** Executive Committee meeting, Thai Ginger, Pullman, 5:30 pm
- **December 10:** Clearwater Fly Casters Meeting

**Raffle** was conducted. All raffle tickets will be kept for the custom rod raffle in December. Members are encouraged to bring "different" raffle items to supplement and support this raffle.



## Program Notes:

President, Roger Willemsen introduced Chris Caudill, Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Fish and Wildlife Sciences at the University of Idaho. Chris reviewed the basic facts of steelhead, including habitat and spawning. Steelhead smolts head for the ocean, their journey and the return of adults to their birthplace was explored. Chris discussed the how and why of this process with the intervention of man transporting the fish around the many dams. By reviewing the pit tagged steelhead's return to spawn, not all fish returned to their actual birth place. Chris presented the positive and negatives of making "wrong" turns in their long journey birth to spawn. Although steelhead numbers are increasing, only 1 in 5 fish are wild. Chris promoted the special showing of the movie "Blackfish" soon to be at the Kenworthy Theater, Moscow. The 4-H's of habitat, hydro dams, hatcheries and harvest will be explored in the movie relating to salmon and orcas.



## Fly of the Month: Klinkhamer Special

From the FFF website, <http://fedflyfishers.org/Tying/FlyoftheMonth.aspx>

**Hook:** Klinkhamer extreme, size 12

**Thread:** 8/0 dark orange

**Body:** Uni yarn, orange

**Hackle:** Badger

**Post:** Poly, white

**Cheeks:** Gray 2 mm Cross-Link Sheet Foam

According to several websites Hans van Klinken (a Dutch fly tier) developed this fly in 1984. He was attempting to mimic the caddis larva he found in the grayling he fished for in Norway and his native Holland. He had been using a pattern called Rackelhanen. It floated well when cast upstream, but it sank when "tweaked" or jiggled a little to simulate a live insect. Apparently it took him 4 months to develop the pattern to his satisfaction. His pattern became known as the "Klinkhamer Special." It caught trout and grayling all over Europe. Since Hans was imitating a light body caddis larva he had a white or light body. Some tiers have told Judy she was doing it wrong when she used an orange body to simulate an October Caddis. However, if you think about it, from the beginning it is a case of matching the hatch. One website has black, olive, cream, brown, sulfur and claret Klinkhammers.



Present this pattern in the usual dry fly way -- drag free float. Its white wing is something for you to see and a body under water for the fish to see.

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### Membership and Monthly Meeting:

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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.