



# The Tippet

October, 2014

## Clearwater Fly Casters

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A Federation of Fly Fishers Club



### October Program: Chris Caudill

Department of Fish & Wildlife Sciences, University of Idaho

“Snake River Steelhead: Trials and Tribulations of Migration in the Modern World”



Chris Caudill is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Fish and Wildlife Sciences at the University of Idaho. His research interests are in the ecology and evolution of animal movement and the conservation of

aquatic resources. He holds a MS from the University of New Hampshire (1995) and Ph.D. from Cornell University (2002). He conducted postdoctoral research at Georgia Tech before joining the Fish Ecology Research Lab (FERL) at the University of Idaho in 2003 for a second post-doc. He has directed the FERL program since 2008, largely focusing on the migration ecology of adult salmon, Pacific lamprey, and American shad in the Columbia, Snake, and Willamette rivers.

### Presidents' Message (Roger Willemsen)

Welcome back to the start of our regular meetings. The buffet at the upcoming October meeting will be provided by Best Western at no cost to us. Yes, it's a **free meal!** Best Western has been an excellent host for our meetings for years but the service at our May meeting was marginal due to all the construction that was going on. They offered to make up for it by offering us a buffet on the house. I personally think this is 'mighty fine' of them. It's a good time for us to show our appreciation with a hardy thank you and a gratuity for the 'free' meal as well.

Paul Agidus, Membership Chair, tells me that some members haven't paid their membership dues for 2014. Are you one of the guilty?

Our October meeting would be an excellent time to invite a potential new member. These are great opportunities for new members and guests to get to know some of the seasoned folks - please remember to welcome them at our meetings! It can be intimidating for new members and guests at the monthly meetings - if you see a new face, say howdy - heck, invite them to join you at your table!

### Calendar

**Oct 8: CFC Monthly Mtg**

**Nov 12: CFC Monthly Mtg**

**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**

OK - it's still warm and the weather forecast continues to look good. Get out there and do some fishing! Our streams and creeks are really fishing well and so are the lakes. I have to share some-thing with you - this is truly my favorite time of the year to fish. I love the fall colors, the cool nights, and the aggressive trout that eagerly take a fly. Best part is that most of the other fishermen and women have called it quits for the year so I find myself all alone on "my" piece of water. I'm heading to the Kelly Creek area this weekend. Fishing mixed in with a little grouse hunting makes for a fine adventure!

## Backcast to September Potluck at Robinson Park, Moscow

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

**Guests:** Steve Hummel and Fay Nagler

About nineteen people attended the potluck at Robinson Park. It was a rather cool and windy evening but the campfire kept us warm. There was lots of socializing accompanied with abundant food and drink. Everyone was having so much fun that we forgot to take notes. Fishing 'stories' abounded but the only one I can remember in detail is the one I told.

Lynn Youngblood announced that 2015 fishing calendars are available at \$20 each.



## Fly of the Month: Cheeky Mouse

From the FFF website, [www.fedflyfishers.org/tying/flyofthemoth.asp](http://www.fedflyfishers.org/tying/flyofthemoth.asp)

**Hook:** Size 2-4 TMC 5262 or other long nymph hook

**Thread:** Gray 3/0

**Body:** Pine Squirrel zonker strips

**Back:** Gray ¼ inch Evazote Sheet Foam

**Tail:** Ultra-Chenille

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

Have you ever wanted to tie a mouse, but did not want to spin deer hair? Deer hair may float like a cork, but it does not resemble the hair of a mouse. Recently, I came across a mouse pattern that is so elegant and simple that I had to learn how to tie it. This months fly comes from the East Idaho Fly Tying Expo in Idaho Falls, April 26, 2014 where I sat down with Nick Jones the creator of the Cheeky Mouse.



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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.