



The Tippet

November 2021

Clearwater Fly Casters

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A Federation of Fly Fishers Club



November Program: Tim Gerlitz will present “Fall Fungi of the Inland Northwest”

Tim Gerlitz grew up in North Idaho and has been a member of the North Idaho Mushroom Club for over 30 years. He has been past president several times and is the club's educator. Tim has presented fungi workshops around the Pacific Northwest and their group has introduced thousands of people to the hobby of mushrooming since 1968. Tim manages the club's Facebook page where they currently have over 8000 followers. Tim even took a risk and gave a TED Talk on the joys of mushrooming. In addition to amateur mycology, he enjoys amateur astronomy, painting and photography, culinary pursuits (especially including fungi), traveling, hiking and backpacking with occasional mountaineering thrown in. Tim and his significant other Svetlana can usually be found hiking the backcountry of the Inland Northwest during spring and fall mushroom season. Professionally, Tim works at North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene and is the director of student disability, health, and therapeutic counseling services. Tim will talk about mushroom hunting in North Idaho and the importance of correct mushroom identification.



To Join the Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87428354858?pwd=OUdGbkdQQ2djUi9qaFM4N1huWDI3dz09>

Meeting ID: 874 2835 4858

Passcode: 413033

Information for joining the zoom meeting is the same as earlier virtual meetings via zoom and will remain the same for any future virtual meetings of the club.

Backcast

Christine Plourde presented “St. Joe River 2021: River Ranger, Fire and Restoration” where she described the work of the Forest Service regarding fires and mitigation efforts. Christine is Recreation Staff Officer, Forest Service, Idaho Panhandle National Forest, St. Joe Ranger District.

Fishing reports:

There were numerous fishing reports at the meeting:

- Jim Cash reported good success on 14”to 16” trout on the Lochsa in September. Also, fishing on Rock Lake was slow but some nice fish were hooked and one or two were landed. Water is low.
- John Classen reported going to Kelly Creek and caught some fish. The campground was nearly full.
- Laurence Rose did well on the North Fork of the Clearwater on 16-17” trout and a few in the 18-19” range and some about 20”. Leaches and woolly buggers were flies of choice. Laurence also reported fishing Mountain View Reservoir near Owyhee, Nevada for trout and was surprised to catch this big carp! (photo to the right) It took 40 minutes to land with a 6 wt. fly rod! “Never saw it until the last minute.” He also reported fishing Sheep Creek Reservoir and Siegfried Reservoir and seeing lots of water fowl and pelicans fishing.



Agenda: November 10th Meeting

1. Introductions and fishing reports
2. Discussion of Vacancies in Club Officers especially President and Vice President
3. Resume Meetings in person?
4. Presentation by Tim Gerlitz, “Fall Fungi of the Inland Northwest”
5. Adjourn.

General Club Information

- Future CFC Meetings & Guest Speakers. As mentioned above, Tim Gerlitz, guest speaker for our November Zoom Meeting, will talk about mushroom hunting in North Idaho and the importance of correct mushroom identification.
- Joe Vaughan, Program Chair, indicated that in December, a spokesman for the Coeur d’Alene tribe, will address their efforts to reintroduce a summer chinook run in northern Idaho.
- Joe also indicated that some members have expressed a desire to resume meeting “in person” at the University Inn Best Western.
- CFC Officers and recurring President and Vice President vacancies. Tim Cavalier has suggested several approaches toward filling these vacancies. Lynn & Kay Youngblood offered to split the office of president for

the next year and Steve Bush volunteered to act as the vice-president and assuming the presidency for the succeeding year (2023). These offers were placed into a formal motion, seconded, and passed by the Executive Committee.

- Student Scholarship Award. The Executive Committee approved a motion to transfer sufficient funds from the general fund to the Scholarship Fund to enable the club to offer one \$1500 scholarship in 2022.
- CFC Web Page. Cliff Swanson asked if anyone would like to take over as “Web Master” for our site and reported that the web page had only three visitors since our last gathering. He lamented the fact that there is a lot of interesting information on the web page but no one seems to take advantage of it. No decision on “Web Master” has been made.
- Fly Fishers International. Steve Bush informed us that FFI will hold an informative virtual zoom meeting for all members on November 5th. Members of TU will be eligible for some discounts if they attend breakout sessions for fee.

Important Dates and Events:

November 10, 2021: CFC Club Meeting. The meeting will feature a presentation by Tim Gerlitz entitled: "Fall Fungi of the Inland Northwest." This meeting will be via Zoom. Information for joining this Zoom meeting is available on the first page of this Newsletter.

November 16, 2021: International Fly Fishing Film Festival is postponed due to the Pandemic. Stay tuned for information on rescheduling.

December 7, 2021: Executive Committee Meeting at 6:00 pm at Paradise Creek Brewery in Pullman. Members are encouraged to participate in the deliberations of the Executive Committee and offer their ideas and perspectives on the operations of the club.

December 15, 2021: CFC Club Meeting. A spokesman for the Coeur d'Alene tribe will address their efforts to reestablish a summer chinook run in northern Idaho.

Membership:

Membership Chair, Paul Agidius, indicated some members have not paid their dues for the 2020-2022 membership period.

Given the fact that we are unable to hold general meetings due to Covid-19, it was agreed that membership dues paid in 2020 will also cover dues for 2021. Thus, members will have two years of membership for the cost of one year of dues.

Members are encouraged to renew their membership by sending a check for their dues to Lynn Youngblood, P.O. Box 394, Pullman, Washington 99163. **CFC membership dues are \$25/yr. for individuals, \$35/yr. for families, \$10/yr. for students, \$50/yr. sustaining, and \$300/lifetime.**

Upon renewal, members will receive a 50th Anniversary Clearwater Fly Casters club pin.

Conservation Committee

Conservation Committee Chair Doug Baldwin has no new information on litigation regarding continued gill netting on the Lower Columbia. Governor Inslee has requested a pause in the litigation.

Fly of the Month

North Idaho Fly Casters Fly Casters Fly Of The Month Oct. 2021 Presented by Dave Londeree

SQUIRMY WORMY

HOOK: Size 14-10 Nymph hook

THREAD: 6/0 color to match the body

DUBBING: Color to match the body material

BODY: Squirmy wormy, color you desire

Picture by Nancy Whitt



1. Pinch the barb flat and mount the hook in your vise
2. Start the thread at the hook eye and wrap back to the bend of the hook.
3. Apply a small amount of dubbing to the thread and form a base for the body material.
4. Apply more dubbing material to your thread and tie the worm body material to the hook. This material is very soft and a bare thread will easily cut the material.
5. Whip finish at the hook eye and you are done.
6. You can get 2-4 flies from each piece of material in the package.
7. Pictured is RED. The material comes in several colors.

Forwarded by Mike Clancy:



WDFW FISHING RULE CHANGE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
1111 Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA 98501
wdfw.wa.gov

November 1, 2021

Ringold Springs Access opens to bank fishing for fall salmon

Action: Opens salmon fishing for bank angling only from 1/4-mile downstream of the Ringold wasteway outlet to 1/2-mile upstream of Ringold Springs Hatchery Creek.

Effective date: Immediately, through Nov. 15.

Species affected: Salmon.

Location: Ringold Springs Hatchery access area (Columbia River CRC535). Area open is restricted to 1/4-mile downstream of the Ringold wasteway outlet to 1/2-mile upstream of Ringold Springs Hatchery Creek (CRC535).

Rule: Min. size 12". Daily limit 6. Up to 2 adults may be retained. Release all salmon other than Chinook and coho. Fishing allowed from the bank only.

Reason for action: Ringold Springs Hatchery began rearing and releasing coho in 2019 with the first release of 250,000 juvenile fish to the Columbia River at Ringold in 2020. Adult coho returns to the hatchery are expected to be sufficient to provide a limited fishery in this area of the Columbia River.

Additional information: The steelhead fishery in the Hanford Reach remains closed due to low returns.

Information contact: Paul Hoffarth, District 4 Fish Biologist, 509-545-2284.

Fishers must have a current Washington fishing license, appropriate to the fishery. Check the [WDFW "Fishing in Washington" rules pamphlet](#) for details on fishing seasons and regulations. Fishing rules are subject to change. Check the WDFW Fishing hotline for the latest rule information at 360-902-2500, press 2 for recreational rules. For the Shellfish Rule Change hotline call 360-796-3215 or toll free 1-866-880-5431.

Individuals who need to receive this information in an alternative format, language, or who need reasonable accommodations to participate in WDFW-sponsored public meetings or other activities may contact the Title VI/ADA Compliance Coordinator by phone at 360-902-2349, TTY (711), or email (Title6@dfw.wa.gov). For more information, see <https://wdfw.wa.gov/accessibility/requests-accommodation>.

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Membership and Monthly Meeting:

CFC membership dues are \$25/yr. for individuals, \$35/yr. for families, \$10/yr. for students, \$50/yr. sustaining, \$300/lifetime. When the Pandemic is behind us, meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from September through May. Meetings are 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.