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MEETINGS

General Meeting – 4th Tuesday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm Wet Fly hr.) Flying Pig Brewery
Board Meeting – 2nd Thursday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm dinner) Village Restaurant
Conservation Committee Meeting – 3rd Thursday of the month, 7 pm Village Restaurant

Meeting: February 26, 2008 @ Flying Pig Brewery
Wet Fly – 6:00 p.m. Meeting – 7:00 p.m.



President's Message

By Mark Edson

Welcome to February! Hopefully you've all been out there fishing.

At last month's general meeting, we talked about some of the challenges with continuing to meet at the Flying Pig. The most difficult challenge is the storage of the club library. The best solution that we can come up with for now is a "tell the librarian what you want" plan where the librarian can bring in the book/video/etc. For now, we'll be publishing a list of media on our web site that you can peruse before making your requests. Please be patient while work out the details. I assume that any suggestions about how this is working will be brought before us in the delicate manner that we're all accustomed to.

One change with the new management at the Flying Pig is that they are charging us a room fee. At our February board meeting, we discussed a number of ways to handle this room fee, and decided eventually that we should just take our cash reserves out for a spin. So the club's general account will be paying for the \$50 room fee. Your dues are what has made this possible. (And, no, we don't see this as a reason to increase dues next year, etc).

The dinner cost has increased, but only as a direct match to what the Flying Pig will be charging us for the dinners. Our Ghillie's article will detail the new prices for dinner. Other than the increase in dinner fees, the next meeting will be at the same time, same way, same place, same fishermen. I hope to see you there.

Memorial Conservation Fund By Jim Melnick



A while ago we lost one of our best members.

Joe Bly who was loved and honored by all of the people that had the privilege of knowing him. He will be missed.

As a tribute to Joe, the Board of Trustees took an unusual action at their regular meeting on Feb 12, 2008. The Board unanimously decided to set up an endowment fund that will be called the Joe Bly Memorial Conservation Fund.

The purpose of this fund will be to perpetually provide money to support two of Joe's loves, conservation and helping children learn the sport of fly fishing. This is how it works:

An amount of money (\$40,586.37) has been set aside to endow this fund. Any portion of this principal money cannot be used except with the unanimous approval of all of the voting members of the Board of Trustees.

The interest earned from this fund has been designated to support Conversation Camp scholarships for boys and girls during the summer, and to also be used for other conservation projects that the Conservation Committee deems to be appropriate. The Conservation Committee has full authority to disburse the interest earned from this fund.

The Board of Trustees felt that these actions were necessary since these two designated activities, which form the basis of what our club stands for, was also what Joe believed in and supported enthusiastically.

When future generations of fly fishers ask "who was Joe Bly" there will be many people who will be able to tell them some of the stories that made Joe who he was.



Ghillie Report By Rob Gamage

As many of you know, or have heard, The Flying Pig is now under new ownership and management. This has presented our club with several changes regarding our monthly meetings we hold there. The one I will address here is regarding their new menu and prices. At the January Board meeting, the board had to select four dinner choices from this new menu. The choices were the following;

By the way, the new price for each of these dinners is \$15.00.

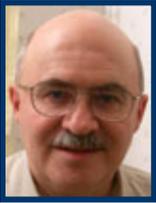
Chicken Caesar Salad- Chopped romaine lettuce with crisp garlic croutons and parmesan cheese tossed in a classed Caesar dressing.

Ale Battered Fish and Chips- Atlantic cod filets with seasoned French fries and house made coleslaw (*no dinner salad*).

Big Pig Angus Burger -The Ultimate Burger. 1/3 pound of ground angus beef with grilled mushrooms and onions, crisp smoked bacon, and cheddar and Swiss cheeses on flakey brioche bun.

Grilled Chicken Caprese- Herb grilled chicken breast with crisp prosciutto, fresh mozzarella cheese, fire roasted red peppers and fresh basil leaves on rustic panino bread.

We can always change our choices for meetings in the future so, let me know what you would like and we'll see what we can do



Fly Tying Contest By Joe Bernstein

Unfortunately, we had no entries last month (January) for the Intruder. Hopefully, we will have lots of great entries this month.

The fly pattern for February is the Callibaetis Nymph in sizes 12-22. As usual, there are many variations for this fly, but here is a representative photo (courtesy of Hans Weilenmann) and recipe to get you started.



Hans Weilenmann Photo

- Hook:** Size 12-22 1X long heavy wire **
- Thread:** 8/0 tan
- Tail:** Grizzly partridge
- Ribbing:** Gold wire
- Abdomen:** Olive hair dubbing
- Wingcase:** Pheasant tail
- Thorax:** Olive hair dubbing
- Legs:** Tips from wingcase

**NOTE: Some patterns call for a 3X heavy wire hook, such as Mustad 9672 or TMC 5263.



Conservation By Jesse Scott

We installed another 600 feet of posts at Eagle Creek, next we will install the fencing material. The result will be a 25 foot fenced buffer on both sides of the creek. The intent is to then plant trees to shade the creek and keep the reed canary grass down. Finally, large woody debris will be installed to create holes and meanders to facilitate fish passage. Bill Blake was up there last week and saw a Coho hen working her way up the creek, so our efforts are paying off. The Stillaguamish Tribal Police now have an officer dedicated to patrolling the Stilly. He has arrest authority regarding fish or wildlife issues on the river. His name is Joe Orford and you can reach his office at (360) 474-9111 or cell (425) 508-6621.

If you are reading this on your computer type in <http://www.joincca.org> to see the latest from the Coastal Conservation Association regarding their activity in our area.

Free Island Vacation For Kids



Each year our club sponsors children to a week long Youth Conservation Camp on Orcas Island. We are planning to send six children this year and we want to be sure everyone gets the word. As a club member you may nominate a child, it does not have to be a

relative. The age ranges are 12 - 16, the dates are July 13-19 for Girls and July 20 - 26 for Boys.

Additional information and application forms are available on the Camp website at "www.washingtonconservationcamp.org". Give the completed forms to Jesse Scott.

Fishing for Kid's

By Carlos Ditto

When: May 10, 2008

Well, it may seem a little early to be talking about this but May really is just around the corner. I've got to tell you, when I retired I really was wondering what I would do with my time and was concerned that time would travel slowly. Guess what, I'm constantly out of time and can not believe how fast it goes by. With that thought in mind, May really is only a few months away. I would like to tell you again how much your help is appreciated and needed for this worthy project.

Last year we tried something new. That was having a morning and an afternoon shift. Although many of you choose to work the entire day [and it was greatly appreciated], the idea was for those who could not commit the entire day to the kid's they would still be able to participate. From the response I got, it was a success and I think we should try it again this year.

However, in case you are wondering if this truly is worth your time and effort, just talk with some of the guy's who have helped out over the years. I think that you will find that they really look forward to working with the kid's.

Now here is another thought, how about inviting the wives or girl friends [or both] to help out? Maybe even some of your older kid's and grandkid's. I am sure that although some may have a word or two to say against the idea [like are you out of your mind?] There may be a few who would enjoy the time out of doors with you.

Let me know what you think about the idea.

At any rate, we will have signup sheets out in the next couple of months.

If you have any questions before the regular EFFF meeting, give me a call at 425-339-1270 or e-mail me at ditt.cl@comcast.net.

In the mean time, let's get those flies tied up.

Spring really is just around the corner.

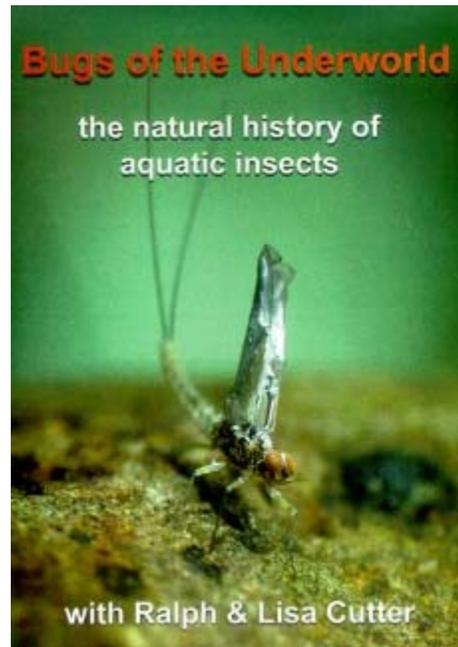
Thanks again

CarlosDitto

Bugs of the Underworld

By Bob Banks

Bugs of the Underworld DVD is a phenomenal video of the things fishes eat, and is taken in their environment providing a never before seen view of their world. This video retails for \$29.95 (it took several years to make), however I made an inquiry to the maker of the video, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cutter, and they will make it available to Fly clubs for a discounted rate of \$23 each for 10 or more, and \$18 each for 20 or more, plus \$7 shipping (no tax). If you are interested in purchasing this video, Bob Banks is putting together a list of interested purchasers. Please let Bob know if you are interested. This is really a great video!



You can see a clip of this DVD at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=isNLPP91NXA>
Way cool..

February's Speaker By Dennis LeMaster

Our speaker February is Sam Ingram, who is a fishing guide specializing on the Skykomish and Stillaguamish Rivers.

He will speak on "When, Where, and How to Fish for Steelhead and Salmon on the Skykomish and Stillaguamish Rivers".

Sam also works for Dick Nite Spoons of Lake Stevens.

Press Release NW Women Flyfishers Kim Lyons

Northwest Women Flyfishers Collect "Phones for Fish"

Cell phone recycling program benefits fish habitat

Northwest Women Flyfishers (NWF) is collecting discarded cell phones to raise funds for its Conservation Grant Program. Since 1991, NWF has provided over \$135,000 in funds for small to medium-sized conservation projects in the Northwest. The NWF Conservation Grant Program is dedicated to the conservation and increase of wild fish, as well as the preservation and restoration of streams and lakes in the Northwest.

Used cell phones may be dropped off at any the following Puget Sound area fly shops: **Avid Angler** (Lake Forest Park), **All About the Fly** (Monroe), **Creekside Angling Co.** (Issaquah & Seattle), **Kaufmann's Streamborn** (Bellevue & Seattle), **Orvis** (Bellevue), **Pacific Fly Fishers** (Mill Creek), **Puget Sound Fly Company** (Kent), and the **Yakima River Fly Shop** (Cle Elum, WA). Current cell phone collection locations are always posted and updated at www.NorthwestWomenFlyfishers.com.

In addition to the fly shop collection sites listed above, interested individuals are also encouraged to collect used phones on a one-time or ongoing basis at their clubs, businesses, work-places, churches, schools, and other organizations. If you would like to collect phones for this project at your site

or organization, contact NWF for assistance at NWFFlyfishers@hotmail.com.

The typical lifespan for a cell phone is a brief eighteen months, and currently, only 1% are recycled. On average, 130 million are retired annually in the U.S. alone, and there are now an estimated 500 million used mobile phones in the U.S. sitting on shelves or in our landfills. This mountain of toxic waste poses a significant threat to the environment, and an equally large opportunity to re-channel these devices into productive reuse. Recycled cell phones are used for social programs providing emergency-only services, or in less developed countries where there are no land lines. Obsolete phones are destroyed in an environmentally responsible manner with 100% landfill diversion.

Recycling your phone costs you nothing and contributes to the well-being of our planet and local fish habitat

NORTHWEST WOMEN FLYFISHERS



Publications By Bruce Turner

Club calendars for 2008-09 will be passed out at the March club meeting.

Be sure to attend that evening to get your new club calendar.

Thanks for all who sent me pictures. If anyone still has any pictures there is still time to get them in the calendar.

**Moving? ... Didn't get your newsletter?
Changing your phone number or e-mail?
Be sure to notify Mark Simpson at:
425-258-1149 or e-mail at:
markbsimpson@yahoo.com**



**EFFC Membership
By Mark Simpson**

Please welcome our new members:

John Gattinella, 13122 Marine Dr, Marysville, WA 98271, 360-652-8639, gattin@msn.com
John enjoys fly tying and has been a fly fisher 10 years.

Mike Cairus, 2320 Stanwood – Bryant Rd, Arlington, WA 98223, 360-474-1952
Mike has been fly fishing 5 years and enjoys stream fishing.

Tyler Sadler, 8507 55th Ave NE, Marysville, WA 98270, 425-501-8912, tsadler@comcast.net
Tyler, a fly fisher for 2 years, enjoys fly tying and book collecting.

Steve Smith, 3909 161st Ave NE, Snohomish, WA 98290, 425-397-7076, smithsm26@hughes.net
Steve's fly fished for 6 years, is a float tuber on lakes, enjoys streams and conservation.



Club dues are overdue for some members.

According to our club by-laws, an individual who is delinquent in the payment of dues may not participate as a member in club sponsored activities. As of this writing most of our members have paid their dues but some have not yet paid. Calendar year 2008 dues are \$30 for members and \$25 for associate

members. Dues checks should be sent to the chairman. Please send them to the club's treasurer, Mark Simpson, Everett, WA 98201



Please do not send dues to the treasurer or post office box. Dues should be sent directly to membership Please do not send dues to: Mark Simpson, 2505 5th St,

This is the first notice of delinquency, according to section 4.7 of our by-laws. As of this writing, my records indicate the following members have not paid 2008 dues:

- Hans Aarhus, Bruce Bell, Mike Benbow, Jim Brink, Dennis Channing, Joe Coakley, Troy Dennis, Pete Domoto, Alex Dorchak, Neil Farler, Brent Flinn, Ron Frey, Dick Greaves, Rick Jeter, Norm Johnson, Adam Larson, Jerry Larson, John Low, Joe Marsh, Gordon McKay, Greg Minaker, Dave Nunally, Charlie Ricketts, Jerry Rochford, Ira Siebert, Ken Sunderland, Doug Tuengel, Carl Warren, Dick West, Skinner Wood..

In the next issue of The Swirl Tips, we are required to publish the names of all members who have still not paid their 2008 dues. That will be the second and final notice of delinquency. Unless your dues are paid your name will be dropped from the member list 30 days after the second notice. Please pay your dues and remain as an EFFC member.

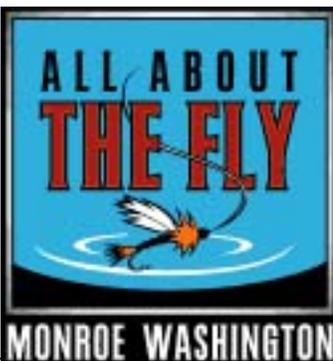
Just A Reminder.....

Support your Local Fly Shop's.

Here is a list of our local fly shops. These are the folks who help us with our raffles. If you happen to be shopping always make sure to mention that You are a member of the E.F.F.C. and, thank them for there generosity that their shop extends to our club by giving discounts toward raffle item purchases and their donations to our annual fundraising auction.

To help you out, here is a list of the local shops that help out our club.

- **Ted's Sports Center**
- **The Avid Angler**
- **All About The Fly**
- **Pacific Fly Fishers**
- **Greg's Custom Rods**
- **Hook Line and Sinker**



Thanks for your support.

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