



# Swirl Tips

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January 2010

Meeting: January 26th, 2010 @ The Pacific Rim Ballroom  
Wet Fly – 6:00 p.m. Meeting – 7:00 p.m.



By Rob Gamage

## The Presidents Message

First, let me say what a tremendous honor it is for me to serve as President of the Evergreen Fly Fishing Club this year. I will do my best to follow in the footsteps of the great men who have helped mold this club into what it now is and, not stray from the path of what our club is all about. I look forward to the year ahead along with a couple of new faces as well as several familiar ones among this year's board members and committee chairmen!

By now our annual Fly Tying



### Great Instructions on Tying Your Favorite Flies

Classes will have gotten underway up at the Stillaguamish Senior Center. (This is one of my favorite services that the club offers every year.) Yet again, Carlos Ditto and Les Bouck have put together another great line-up of fantastic tyers for us. You won't find a better deal out there and it's a great way to intro-

duce our club to potential new members. The cost for members is \$25 and \$45 for non-members which will get you; 12 weeks covering 12 patterns. All materials are provided except for thread and head cement. These classes always bring me a feeling of nostalgia because it was through these same classes that I came to join the club seven years ago. It's never too late to join us. We'll make room for you!

Finally, last year the board was forced to deal with the challenging task of finding a new meeting location for our club. I can recall at least four different places we had our meetings at last year! Well, we can finally put that all behind us now because, this year we are lined-up to have

all of our regular monthly meetings, Auction and Christmas Party in the Pacific Rim Ballroom at the Best Western Inn - Tulalip. Not only is their facility well suited for our meetings, they also have a room for us to store our library! I'm really looking forward to browsing through all of those fantastic titles once again! Which reminds me, we are currently in need of a club Librarian. We won't be able to open up the library without anyone to check books in and out. If you or anyone you know is interested in assisting with this committee, please contact me at [ragflyguy@hotmail.com](mailto:ragflyguy@hotmail.com).

Here's to a new year filled with great fishing and lasting friend-



## Publications

By Bruce Turner

Swirl Tips has a new look! I hope you all like it.

It's time again for work to begin on the calendar.

You all know what I need..

### PICTURES!

Please send them to me at [bruce\\_turner@comcast.net](mailto:bruce_turner@comcast.net)

Digital photos are preferred (in jpg format) but regular photos will also work. I will also take your photos at a meeting, on a CD.

Thanks for your support!



**Dues are Due!**  
**Send it in...**  
**We count on you for**  
**Club Support.**

**Aaron Reimer**  
**President of**  
**“River Run Anglers”**

**Mike Kinney**  
**Owner of**  
**“Deer Creek-**  
**Guide Company”**



## Membership

By Gary Iverson

**D**ues are Due! \$30 for members and \$25 for associate members. Please do not send your dues to the club’s post office box or to other club officers. The membership chairman needs to receive your dues directly, preferably by mail, along with any

change to your address, phone, e-mail, etc. Please complete the annual renewal form and send it with your dues so we can accurately verify your information listed in our next calendar. It is highly recommended to pay your dues by check. Your dues are important to the operat-

ing budget of our club so please pay them before our January general meeting.



## Spay Casting

By Gary Thaye



**H**ow about having access to Spey, or two-handed, casting experience for free on local rivers? Two of our ‘local’ shops offer this unique opportunity at no cost to those taking the time and effort of showing up, whether or not you bring your own rods.

The instructors’ are recognized masters of the Spey rod; **Mike Kinney** a well known guide (Deer Creek Guide Company) and Spey rod expert representing All About the Fly in Monroe, and **Aaron Reimer** a FFF Certified Spey Casting instructor who operates his own shop in Carnation: River Run Anglers. Either of these gentlemen offer you the opportunity of handling a Spey or Switch rod; Mike on Sunday mornings at the Ben Howard boat

launch on the Skykomish (Tye Lake during high water), Aaron on Saturday’s at either Fall City next to the bridge or adjacent to the McDonald Park near the confluence of the Tolt and Snohomish at Carnation, depending upon access. In practice, show up about 9:00 am and taking a spot on the river and working on improving casting skills and technique; the gatherings last approximately to noon. The ‘Master’ will stop by and engage you to learn



# Spey Casting Cont..

what you wish to work on, perhaps it is a new cast; work out a problem, and sometimes having already determined what you need from observation; especially useful for those already experienced in Spey casting.

For those new to the Spey rod, upon arrival, make yourself known to someone to point you to either Aaron or Mike, if time and equipment permit, you may be given a setup and pointers to get familiar with the long rod. The downside is lack of complete and individual attention as the instructor may be working with a number of participants.

A primary reason of the free clinics is these fellows hope you may enroll in lessons to hasten your learning process. If you choose not to take lessons from these fellows, you are still wel-

## Aaron Reimer with Student Learning about Spey Casting

come and with advice from friends, DVD's, books, and practice, you can become a good Spey caster. The hosts learned by this process, now they are able to pass along their learning to you in an accelerated manner. With this introduction to Spey casting, you should be better prepared to determine if, or how, you are to learn the art of Spey casting or to make an informed choice of a two handed rod



The major benefits of these sessions include introduction to Spey casting, or to improve one's skills through practice plus attention by Mike or Aaron. Another great benefit is these fellows open the river by contacting the state during the closed season on lesson days, giving us the opportunity to practice Spey casting out of season.



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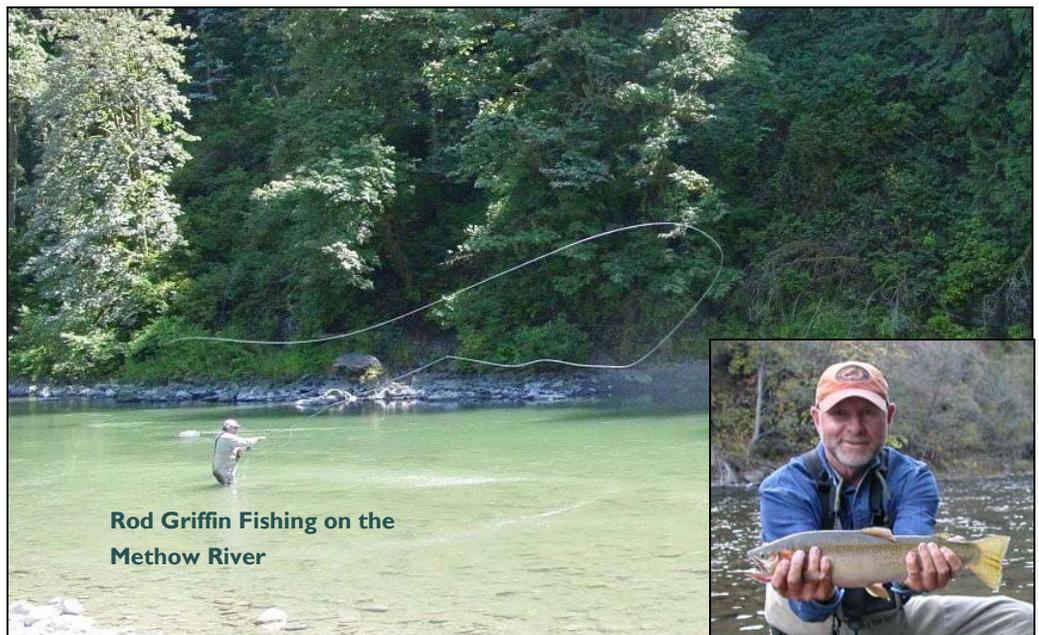


## January Speaker

By Rob Gamage

This Month's speaker will be **Rod Griffin**. Rod owns and guides for [Griff's Fly Fishing Adventures](#) out of the Methow River Fly Shop in Winthrop, WA. Rod guides on several Washington rivers (Methow, Klickitat, Grande Ronde, Wenatche and the Yakima) for Trout, Steelhead and Bass and his presentation will be about that very subject; Trout and Steelhead fishing in Eastern Washington rivers.

Come get a good seat at The Pacific Rim (Best Western Tulalip). See you there!



**Rod Griffin Fishing on the Methow River**

# Awards for 2009

BRAVO to all those who submitted an AFFIDAVIT for the 2009 Trophy Fish Awards!

As we all know just submitting an affidavit puts you in the contenders drawing. The venerable Jerry Harris (Jerry Buron's fishing coach) won the fly line drawing.

## FISH-OUT AWARDS

WINTER (Dub Price Memorable) AWARD -----no winner

SPRING-----two winners: **Gordon Mckay and Al Varva** 22 1/2" rainbow

Team Competition-----none

Distance Casting-----none

Accuracy casting-----none

FALL (Al Knudson Award)-----**Dale Dennis** 17"cutthroat

TOMMY BRADSHAW AWARD (Mckenzie Fish out)-----none

## TROPHY FISH AWARDS

TROUT: Rainbow.....**Carl Johnson**.....24"

Brown.....none

Cutthroat.....**Dale Dennis**.....20"

Lahontan.....none

Out-of-State Trout (any species).....**Jerry Buron** 27 1'2

Fly Line Raffle.....none

CHAR: Eastern Brook.....none

STEELHEAD: Summer.....**Gary Medema**.....27 3'4

Winter.....none

Out-of-State Summer.....none

Out-of-State Winter.....none

Fly Line Raffle.....none

PINK: **John Silvey**.....25"

## PERPETUAL AWARDS

Clevish Award (Conservation): **Bob Banks**

Haufler Award (Fly tying, etc): no winner

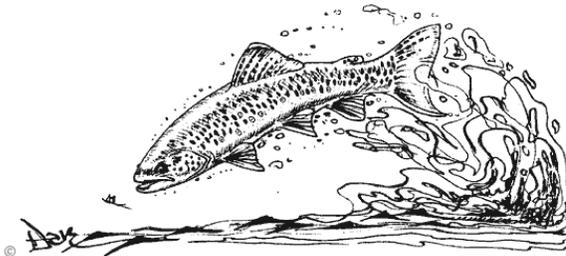
Golden Sucker Award: **Jim Pankiewicz**

President's Trophy: **Rob Gamage**



**Way To Go!**

*Use the Award  
Affidavit on the  
next page to  
record your  
catch for this  
year.*



# Award Affidavit Form

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

We encourage you to release the majority of fish caught to insure a future fishery. In case of two equal fish caught in the same category, the released fish will take priority. Please, don't enter spawning fish.

Time frame for affidavits is Nov.1 of one year and continues to Oct. 31 of the following year. Present this affidavit to the Awards Committee Chairman no later than Oct. 31.

Fish must be caught on a cast fly, using conventional fly lines (no lead core) and leaders with only one fly. Barbless hooks are preferable.

Awards will be presented for the largest fish in each category.

## CLASSIFICATION AND QUALIFYING LENGTHS

TROUT (IN-STATE)	18 inches
TROUT (OUT-OF-STATE)	20 inches
CUTTHROAT-SEA-RUN	15 inches
BROWN TROUT	18 inches
CHAR	15 inches
STEELHEAD-SUMMER	25 inches
STEELHEAD-WINTER	25 inches
SALMON-KING	30 inches
SALMON-COHO & PINKS	25 inches
SALMON-CHUM	28 inches

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SPECIES \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE CAUGHT \_\_\_\_\_

LENGTH \_\_\_\_\_ PATTERN \_\_\_\_\_ HOOK SIZE \_\_\_\_\_

RELEASED (Y) (N)

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS \_\_\_\_\_

## MEETINGS

General Meeting – 4th Tuesday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm Wet Fly hr.) Pacific Rim Ballroom

Board Meeting – 1st Tuesday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm dinner) Village Restaurant

Conservation Committee Meeting – 3rd Thursday of the month, 7 pm Village Restaurant

# January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Fly Tying	7 Last Qtr	8	9
10	11	12	13 Fly Tying	14	15 New Moon	16
17	18	19	20 Fly Tying	21	22	23 First Qtr
24	25	26 EFFC	27 Fly Tying	28	29	30 Full Moon
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## Schedule of Events

January 6th

Fly Tying classes start

January 26th

EFFC Meeting

February 27th

Winter Fishout

March 12 and 13th

Flyfish Expo Albany OR.

March 27th

Unofficial Lone Lake Outing



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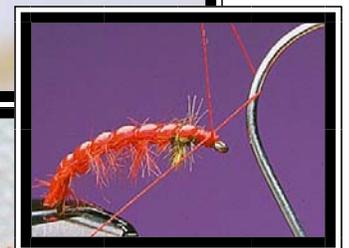
## Fly Tying Contest

By John Gattinella

**Happy New Year** to everyone! I hope Santa brought you some new fly gear or accessories, and that one of your New Year's resolutions is to do more fishing this year!

For January's fly of the month contest, we have an easy one that is a favorite fly of the lake fishermen - the **Bloodworm**. This fly catches fish here in our local lakes as well, or sometimes better, than many other lake fly patterns. Personally, I have had some of my best days at Lone and Pass Lakes with a bloodworm. I've seen some pretty good patterns from our

club members, so bring one in and toss it in the contest.



# Remember To Support Your Local Fly Fishing Shops!

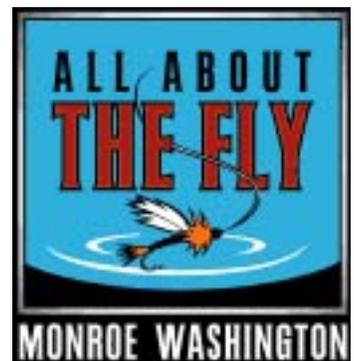


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## EFFC Membership Renewal Form 2009

**Membership dues are \$30 for members & \$25 for associate members**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number including area code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to EFFC, fill in the Membership Renewal form, & mail both to the following address: Gary Iverson  
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