



# Swirl Tips

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**Meeting: July 24th, 2011 @ Gordon Swansons Place**  
**Wet Fly – 6:00 p.m. Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**  
**Location Address: Map On The Back Page**

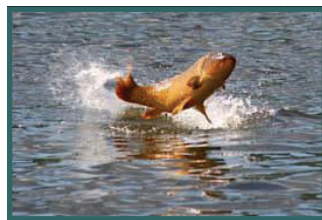


## The Presidents Message

By Dennis LeMaster

### Lots of EFFC Fishing Opportunities

July offers many local fishing opportunities for EFFC members. The "Lone Lake Carpathon" occurs over the five-day period 20-24 July. Its purpose is to reduce the grass carp population on Lone Lake to a level allowing



recovery of the aquatic vegetation in the lake. (This will probably necessitate removal of virtually all the carp.) Bring a 6-to-8 wt fly rod, a floating line, and a three-foot tippet of 12 lb. test. Also bring a big net because the fish are big, averaging over 12 pounds. An orientation will occur each morning between 7:30 and 8:30 on how to catch grass carp and proven fly-tying methods. You will even be given

some flies to get you going! Jake Jacobson has arranged for overnight parking of boats at the local Grange so you do not have to haul your boat back and forth each day. Should be fun.

### The Summer Fish



Out is at the Swansons on Sunday, 24 July on the North Fork of the Stillaguamish River. To get there, go to Oso on Route 530 out of Arlington and turn south at the gate on the right just before the bridge over the North Fork. Eighteen people have already signed up. If you want to participate, call Gary Medema so he knows how many people to plan for. [425-422-2758](tel:425-422-2758) days or [360-653-7686](tel:360-653-7686) evenings.

The Kalama Cup is being held over the period 29-31 July, which is a long-standing annual competition between the McKenzie Fly Fishers and EFFC, beginning

in 1966. The biggest steelhead caught by a member of either club member earns him lot of recognition plus bragging rights for the winning club for the following year. Call either Gordon Swanson or Jesse Scott if you are interested in participating, but better do it soon. By the way, there is no cup, but that story is to long for this space. A potluck will be held Saturday night at 5:00 p.m., bring a dish. It's a potluck, right?

Salmon fishing arrives locally in Marine Area 9 (Admiralty Inlet) on 16 July, and it arrives on 1 August in Marine Areas 8-1 (Deception Pass, Hope Island, and Skagit Bay) and 8-2 (Port Susan and Port Gardner). Finally!

It is a time of lots of local fishing opportunities for EFFC members, one of the main reasons we live here.



# 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 late 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

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

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

# Passing On.....

I believe this info should be passed on to EFFC members since many knew Frank and his family.

John Townsell

Dear John Townsell,

This morning (Saturday) I received the very sad news from Frank Headrick's family that Frank passed away Friday morning, July 1. He died peacefully, quickly, and at home, which was his wish. He had celebrated his 103rd birthday in March and was the WFFC's oldest member, having joined the club in 1940.

Private family memorial services are planned and Frank's ashes will be divided between the Palouse, where he loved to hunt, and the North Fork of the Stillaguamish, where he loved to fish, and he will join the ashes of his old friend Enos Bradner.

Steve Raymond

Regretfully,

Roger Rohrbeck



## Frank Headrick



Frank was born in Bellingham in 1908 and as a young boy spent much of his time fishing Squalicum Lake and for Cutthroat trout in the Sumas Creek. At the age of 25 Frank was introduced to fly fishing and taught himself to tie flies with his own home made vise. During this period Frank built a number of cane and fiberglass rods.

In 1940 Frank joined the Washington Fly Fishing Club along with his friend Walt Johnson. In 1942 Frank took position as club president for the WFFC and became the first to hold this position for two consecutive years.

Frank worked with Washington State Sportsman's Council for 10 years promoting fly fishing and stream rehabilitation in addition to teaching fly tying and fly casting at Green Lake (Seattle). After the Second World War, Frank along with other club members visited hospitals and taught fly tying to Italian and German prisoners of war.



Frank was very involved in conservation efforts on many lakes and rivers and on January 9th, 1940, along with WFFC members, was successful in petitioning the game commission to make the North Fork Stillaguamish and Pass Lake fly only water.

In 1946 Frank, along with WFFC, developed a program to collect steelhead and salmon, and also in rearing 23,000 surviving young for the nearby Arlington hatchery and eventually planting them in Deer creek. The success of this project spearheaded the Department of Fish and Game to their first steelhead rearing program in the North Fork Stillaguamish basin.

Some of Frank's favorite rivers to fish for the legendary steelhead were the Wind and Kalama. In 1946 it was his love for North Fork of the Stillaguamish River and its steelhead that prompted Frank buy property alongside his friends and fly fishing companions Enos Bradner, Walt Johnson, and Sandy Bacon on the famous Elbow Hole below Deer Creek. As good friends Enos and Frank spent many hours fishing the North Ford Stillaguamish and developed fly patterns and techniques in pursuit of its famous steelhead. Some of the flies they developed and fished were Franks Dandy Green Nymph for which Enos had named as well as the Helicat and the lesser known Hula Selassie; other favorites were the Purple Pearl and patterns developed by Ralph Wahl.

At 99 years old Frank still visits his son Bob and enjoys sitting in the back yard that overlooks the famous Elbow run and reminisce how it used to be.

Dale Dennis 9/3/07



A nice interview with Frank and Western Washington University can be found here.

[http://lib199.lib.wvu.edu/specialcollections/FlyFishing/Oral\\_Histories/Headrick.html](http://lib199.lib.wvu.edu/specialcollections/FlyFishing/Oral_Histories/Headrick.html)

## 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



# August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	Board Meeting 2	3	4	5	Saltwater Searun Cut 6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	Conservation Meeting 18	19	20
21	22	EFFC Meeting 23	24	25	26	27
28	29	FFF Conclave 30	31			

## Schedule

July 20th — 23rd

Lone Lake Carpathon

July 24th

Summer Fishout at  
Swansons Place

Aug 6th

Unofficial Saltwater  
Searun

Aug 30th — Sept 3rd

FFF Conclave in Yel-  
lowstone

Sept 10th

Stilly River Cutthroat



## Auction Stuff

By Mike Schutt

The October fund-raising auction is coming up in a few short months. Over 60% of club funds come from the auction, which helps to pay for our conservation activities, guest speakers, prizes, etc.

Member donated items make up nearly all of our auction items, so we can't do it without your help. Please scour your tying room, garage, neighbor's yard, etc. for things we can sell - and remember, it doesn't have to be fishing related to find a good home at the auction. We'd prefer to have donations by the September meeting, to avoid being slammed at the auction while we're trying to sign people in. But for the early birds, donations received by the August meeting will get your name entered for a gift-certificate drawing to one of our local fly shops; this will also allow us to put together a catalog of items prior to the auction.

I've got it on good authority that many of your favorite member-guided trips will be available again this year, along with boxes of member tied flies, and lots of other great items to bid on – it's always a great time.

Anyone who wants to tie a box or two of flies to be auctioned is welcome to do so, these are always hot items and bring in a good deal of our proceeds - we'll provide the boxes. We also want to encourage new members to get involved with the auction - it's a great way to help the club out and meet a lot of great people.

Call or e-mail me if you need to arrange to drop-off items, or bring them to the August meeting.







# Kalama Cup! "It's Our Turn"

By Jesse Scott

Kalama Cup Fishout - July 30 -31

It's our turn to host the **McKenzie Fly Fishers** from Eugene, Oregon. The object is to out fish them and win back the Kalama Cup. The Kalama Cup competition started on the Kalama river in 1966. It was a steelhead competition between the McKenzie Fly Fishing club and our club. When the Kalama River became overdeveloped it was agreed that the clubs would alternate hosting on one of their local rivers. So, this year we host them, guide them, and out fish them. Truth is they now hold the Kalama cup, a beautiful Tommy Brayshaw drawing of two steelhead, and we need it back.

**Gordon Swanson** will host the event at his property on the North fork of the Stilly. Gordon has invited any club member to camp on his property from **Thursday, July 28 to Sunday, July 31**. Bring what you have, tents, campers, RV's. There will be a porta potty on the property.

The contest starts on Saturday and ends at noon on Sunday with the awarding on the trophy. On Saturday evening at 5 P.M. There will be a potluck dinner so whether you fish or not please join in the festivities. Bring some food for the potluck plus a plate and utensils. A lawn chair would be handy as would a fold up table. Liquid refreshment will be up to each person.

If you would like to guide one of the visiting McKenzies, remember we win, please call Gordon Swanson at (425) 337-8246.

This is a really enjoyable event and needs your support. Hope to see you there.



# Salt Sea Run Outing

By Dale Dennis

Again it is time for our annual **Salt Searun Outing**. The cutt fishing this year so far has been hit and miss with cutts running from 8" to 16" with some dolly/bull trout in the mix averaging 18". Some may be lucky enough to find an early humpy.

Consistent producing flies have been small clousers (2-3") in chartreuse/white, orange/white, red/white. Of course July is bait fish season sand lance patterns to 3" work well. If you don't have any bait fish, Spiders in red or white, Werner Shrimp or even woolly buggers will work, we will be fishing water only 6' deep max. Five or 6wt rods are the norm with either a full sink or an intermediate clear full sink or my favorite a clear intermediate streamer tip. If you want to try top water action that can be really intense when they are on a feeding frenzy, I would also bring a rod with a weight forward floating line, good top water flies are girglers, floating sandlances, or Myawaky (sp) poppers.

It is important to be on the water early so we will launch at the Marysville ramp at 6:00am, Priest Point will be our destination approximately 3 miles out Ebby Slough.

I'm guessing the fishing will be over by noon. Following we will meet at the Marysville Village Restaurant for brunch and fish stories. Bring a friend; hope to see you all there.

Dale

Tides for Marysville, Quilceda Creek starting with August 6, 2011.

Day	High /Low	Tide Height	Time	Sunrise /Sunset	Moon Time	% Moon Visible
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Sa 6	Low	5:23 AM	0.3	5:51 AM	Rise	2:54 PM	43
6	High	11:50 AM	8.5	8:37 PM	Set	11:52 PM	
6	Low	5:10 PM	5.2				
6	High	10:53 PM	10.9				



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## MEET AT SWANSON'S PLACE IN OSO

TO GET TO GORDON'S PLACE  
GO TO OSO AND TURN SOUTH AT THE GENERAL STORE  
JUST BEFORE THE BRIDGE OVER THE NORTH FORK  
THERE WILL BE A GATE ON THE RIGHT

