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Meeting: Feb 26th, 2013 @ The Pacific Rim Ballroom

Wet Fly – 6:00 p.m. Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Location Address: 3228 Marine Drive Northeast, Tulalip, WA

# Swirl Tips



## The Presidents Message

By Jim Pankiewicz

Hello my brothers and sisters of the fly.

The Board approved a balanced budget for the coming year; we can all be pleased about that. Thanks to the budget committee for helping us to prioritize.

These past few months we have had several guests at our club meetings; we can all be pleased about that too. Thanks to all of our members for helping our guests to feel welcome.

Our club has 15 new members since last April; that is very exciting to me! I think they all are just dying to be on a committee or to be an officer. Well maybe not dying but curious about it anyway.

Our fly tying classes continue to be a success. Current members are benefitting and some non-members are also enjoying the opportunity to learn to marry fur and feathers. Thanks to **Mike Benbow** for coordinating the classes and thanks to all of the instructors. I would also like to thank the “informal instructors” who come to the classes and help beginning tiers.

For the coming year we have some great outings scheduled including a new unofficial Humpy outing. I want to catch a **10 pound Humpy** that day. Okay, that probably won't happen but I hope someone does.

At our last Board meeting **Bob Banks**, the chair of our conservation committee, proposed that we create a new committee for education and outreach. The conservation committee has discussed this and they feel that they would like these types of responsibilities moved to another committee. They are willing to move some of the current conservation committee budget to the new education and outreach committee. As president I can create a new committee and appoint a chair. I am appointing **Oclair Enstad** to chair the education and outreach committee. I have not talked to him about this and I know that if I did he would not want to do it. Of course that's why I didn't talk to him. If someone else would be interested in chairing this new committee Oclair and I could be easily talked in to accepting your application.



Dolan Wernet  
With Humpy!

### 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 – 3 rd Thursday of the month, 7 pm Village Restaurant



# March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4	Board Meeting 5	F 6	7	8	9
10	11	ST Cutoff 12	T 13	14	15	16
17	18	19	W 20	Conservation Meeting 21	22	23
24	25	EFFC Meeting 26	T 27	28	29	30
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Its almost time for a  
“New Calendar”  
Please send me your  
pictures for this  
years.  
More the better.



Thank You  
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## Febuary Speaker

**Chad Jackson** with the WDFW will speak to the club on  
“Trout lakes in the Columbia Basin that you should definitely fish this year”

Many lakes within the Columbia Basin are open year-round and do not have special gear restrictions. All offer quality fishing during certain days and months, several have no anglers on them at all. A few lakes are not fished much or are overlooked because they require a short hike or receive intense pressure during the first couple weeks of spring and then are essentially abandoned. Often times, the largest trout reported come from these lakes. Included in his talk will be information on a select number of these lakes that fly anglers should definitely explore in 2013 to find fishing solitude and trophy fish.

Chad will also present a few PowerPoint slides on current WDFW business of interest to the club and comment on regulation proposals that affect recreational anglers.





# Membership News

By Gary Iverson



## New Members

Please join me in welcoming the following new members into our club.

**Bob Lloyd** lives on Camano Island with his wife Gail. He's an experienced fly fisher (over 25 years). Prefers lake and river fishing and plans to attend most of our general meetings. His selected interests are Outings, Raffle, Conservation committee, October Auction and Christmas party. Sponsor: Ron Downing

**Tony DiPietro** is an Attorney who lives on Camano Island. He's a fly fisher with over 41 years of experience. Prefers salt and river fly fishing. His selected interests are the Fly Tying Class, Auction and Awards. Sponsor: Dale Dennis

**Alex Schirer** lives in Seattle and has been fly fishing for 13 years and prefers river fly fishing. Selected interests are Conservation, Auction, and Membership. Sponsor: Gena Barker

**Pat Kendall** lives in Arlington with his wife Eileen. He has over 30 years of fly fishing experience and prefers lake fly fishing in Central Washington. He is a member of the Olympic Fly Fishers.

**John Petosa** lives in Snohomish with his wife Kathy. He's new to fly fishing although he does own a pontoon and motor boat. Selected interests are the Auction. Sponsor: Ron Downing  
Welcome aboard gentlemen!

## Membership Dues

Members who have not sent me your 2013 dues, please do so before the end of this month. Individuals delinquent in the payment of dues may not participate in club sponsored activities. Dues remain at \$30.00 for members residing in Snohomish County and \$25.00 (Associate) for those who reside outside Snohomish County. Please send your 2013 dues to payable to the EFFC at the address listed below and note any changes to your address, telephone number(s), email, etc. Please send checks only - no cash.

The following members need to mail me your dues payment.

**Troy Dennis**  
**Alex Dorchak**  
**Chris Grieve**  
**Todd Jones**  
**Keith Mueller**

**Doug Nordstrom**  
**Eric Nordstrom**  
**Brad Steiner**  
**Paul Thompson**  
**Skinner Wood**

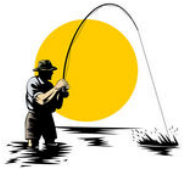


**Don't  
Forget!**



## For Sale Lot's O Stuff!

**Fishing Equipment for Sale:** My fly fishing collection has grown since I joined the Cabelas' team and I need to thin it out.....a LOT! If you know of someone new to the sport, or if you have a "need", please drop me an e-mail ([bobsuebanks@hotmail.com](mailto:bobsuebanks@hotmail.com)) and I will send you a list. It includes Sage, St Croix and other rods. Thanks.....**Bob Banks**



# "2013 Speaker Calendar"

## Evergreen Fly Fishing Club 2013 Presentation Calendar

- February 26     **Chad Jackson** with the WDFW will speak to the club on “Trout lakes in the Columbia Basin that you should definitely fish this year”. Many lakes within the Columbia Basin are open year-round and do not have special gear restrictions. All offer quality fishing during certain days and months, several have no anglers on them at all. A few lakes are not fished much or are overlooked because they require a short hike or receive intense pressure during the first couple weeks of spring and then are essentially abandoned. Often times, the largest trout reported come from these lakes. Included in his talk will be information on a select number of these lakes that fly anglers should definitely explore in 2013 to find fishing solitude and trophy fish. Chad will also present a few PowerPoint slides on current WDFW business of interest to the club and comment on regulation proposals that affect recreational anglers.
- March 26        **Don Simonson** is a member of the Washington Fly Fishing Club. He’s a certified master fly caster and is on the Casting Board of Governors with the FFF. His talk is titled: What the EFFC is receiving for our annual FFF dues. Don’s PowerPoint will cover several northwest conservation related topics important to our club and the Wounded Warrior program.
- April 23        **Mike Benbow** will give a presentation on fishing Holbox Island in Mexico for giant and baby tarpon. Holbox is near Cancun and is a small island that's all sand. There are no paved roads, so you get a more rustic sense of Mexico. But there are shops, hotels and nice beaches. You can fish for baby tarpon year round in the flats and shallow bays. They're usually from 10 to 30 pounds, so baby is a bit of a misnomer. Fishing for giants is best in summer. It's a little different than in Florida, where the big ones are mostly sought after in the shallow bays. You're fishing in about 24 to 35 feet of water, where the fish are feeding on the vast a numbers of anchovies. Basically, you use 11 or 12 weight Rods and a sink tip or sinking line. Your guide spots the pods of fish by seeing the edges on the surface, then positions the boat where he thinks it the school will go and cuts the engine. You lead the group with a cast, let the fly sink then strip it in as the school goes by. It's not unusual to have five or six shots at fish each day, which is unusual in Florida. The trip is relatively inexpensive because you aren't staying at a lodge, just a hotel on the beach.
- May 28          **Jason Cotta** is the Fishing Manager at Orvis in Bellevue and will give a presentation on bass tactics with a fly rod. Fishing for Bass is one of Jason’s passions and he’s eager to share his knowledge of these warm water fish.
- June 25         **Ryan Smith** is a guide and managing owner of Avid Angler. Ryan brings his background in biology, conservation, and photography to our club and will talk about local saltwater beach fishing. Additionally, he’ll talk about casting and how to increase distance and power into the wind and identifying ideal water to fish.
- July 21          **Summer Fish Out – Swanson’s Property on the Stilly**
- August 27        Open Presentation - Working with several potential candidates.



## "2013 Speaker Calendar"

- September 24 **Mike Benbow** will be talking about fishing for chum on the Skagit River. Not many people who fish for chum, and that's a mistake. Chum are the second largest of the Pacific salmon, usually running from the teens to the low 20s in poundage. They can fungus up and look pretty bad late in the season, but they're very good sport and will hit a fly easily earlier in the run. I'll talk about when and where to go and which flies to use for Skagit chum, which are generally a little bigger than the fish in other rivers.
- October 22 **Annual Auction**
- November 26 **Old Timers Night** - Several members of the club will provide their past and present fly fishing memories to club members. The evening format and available speakers will be announced in a future Swirl Tips.
- December 7 **Christmas Party** – Please note this date on your calendar! Other news regarding the Christmas party will be forthcoming.



## Casting

By Paul Wiltberger

A casting class is scheduled for the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February. We will meet at the Blue Stilly Park from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00. Blue Stilly Park can be reached from I-5 by going east on Hwy 530 1/3 mile to 27<sup>th</sup> Ave N.E. and going north to the end of the road. The class is free to all EFFC members. Guests are welcome and will be asked to pay a \$5.00 donation.

We will be practicing with both one- and two-handed rods. Beginners should bring a floating line. Everyone should bring eye protection, waders, and the rod and line of your choice. The Mike Benbow "Wonder Chumley Yarn Fly" is the only officially sanctioned fly to be used at this class: No Hooks.

**Chris Grieve, Dale Dennis, and Paul Wiltberger** may be able to answer your questions and help with the casting.

The next two classes are scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013.





# Proposed Regulation Change

## Stillaguamish River

### Proposal

It is hereby proposed that the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission act to amend the current regulations that allow harvesting rainbow trout on the Stillaguamish river system.

It is requested that catch and release regulations be applied throughout the Stillaguamish river system and that, with exception of the North Fork between the first Saturday in June through Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> from mouth to Swede Heaven Bridge, selective gear rules be enacted throughout the Stillaguamish river system.

### Rational

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife currently allows the retention of trout within the Stillaguamish system. Resident rainbow trout and jack steelhead larger than 14 inches and less than 20 inches in length may legally be retained by recreational fishermen at various times and places throughout the Stillaguamish river system. Allowing the harvest of these fish is contrary to the efforts of Federal and state governments, conservation groups, local Native Americans, and sportsmen to protect an endangered species of wild anadromous fish.

It has been established by the scientific community that resident rainbow trout and jack steelhead play an essential role in the successful spawning of their seagoing brethren. They are all part of the same gene pool. Removal of these fish from the river system has an enormous impact on a declining species. Changing the regulations that allow harvesting these wild fish will help mitigate the decline of wild steelhead within the Stillaguamish river system.

The Evergreen Fly Fishing Club, the Olympic Fly Fishers of Edmonds, and The North Fork Stillaguamish River Steelhead Society have voiced their support for this regulation change.

Thank you for consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,  
Paul Wiltberger  
3826 282<sup>nd</sup> St. N.E.  
Arlington, WA 98223  
360-435-5525



## Library New's

By Dave McCutchen

We have a new copy of the DVD “Fly Fishing Still Waters – Chironomid Techniques” presented by Brian Chan and Don Feschi (our original one was damaged). This video covers the Chironomid Life Cycle, fishing strategies, equipment selection, setups, and a discussion of fly patterns. Viewers will learn to use floating lines and strike indicators and floating lines and long leaders as well as sinking lines to make effective presentations. There are also step-by-step instructions for tying four innovative chironomid pupae flies!

### Book News

The latest edition to the EFFC library - “The Chronic Flyfisher” by author and guide Lewis Johnson. This book serves as a primer for catching rainbows in the Central Interior lakes of B.C. For the novice to the ardent enthusiast, Lewis provides an overview of stillwater equipment, techniques, tips and strategies, including a collection of productive fly patterns used in the area lakes. This guide features easy access lake locations, complete with area maps and depth maps to help plan the next fishing getaway. Check it out!

### Library Statistics

In 2011 and 2012 a total of 40 books were checked out of the EFFC library – 20 of those books were checked out by one member. During the same time period over 100 DVDs were checked out.



## Awards

By Paul Wiltberger

The **Golden Sucker** was not awarded in 2012. The Golden Sucker perpetual trophy is “awarded to a member in recognition of a less-than prestigious incident while fishing. In other words, this person really messed up.”



Send your written nominations to the Awards Committee. We are fly fishers. We screw up. Be a snitch.

The winner of the 2013 **Winter Steelhead Fishout** was an obdurate gent named **Salmo Gairdneri**.

# A Fish Is Still A Fish!





# Fly Contest

By Anthony Scicluna

## **February's fly for our contest is the adult Stonefly**



First and foremost for their size, adult Stoneflies are some of the more interesting aquatic insects that inhabit a trout stream.

If you are lucky enough to be fly fishing during a stonefly hatch, then you know that nothing else will satisfy a hungry trout. Even larger trout that might normally ignore aquatic insects will zero in on these huge bugs. The stoneflies simply are too large and too nutrient rich for large trout to ignore. The key, like in all fly fishing situations, is knowing the waters you are going to fish and having flies in a variety of sizes and colors to match the naturals.

The fact is, if you find yourself on the water during a stonefly hatch and you don't have a stonefly pattern on hand, you might as well stop your fly casting and sit down and relax because you won't be catching trout.

Okay as always, let's start with the adult. If you look around during a mayfly hatch you can't miss them. These bugs are a nice size. Here in the West, the biggest are the Golden Stonefly and the Giant Black Stonefly. As you may already know, the larval stoneflies will stay in their nymph form for three years. When they mature they will make their way from the river bottom to the shore. From there they will climb onto the branches of nearby foliage to let their skins dry. When their skins have become brittle they split and the adult emerges to fly away and mate. The female then will fly to the water to deposit her eggs. She lets her abdomen break the surface and her eggs will fall to the bottom to repeat the cycle. The problem for the stoneflies is that they are not the most adept at flying. Often times their wings will get too wet and they will stay stuck in the water. Presenting an adult Stonefly pattern with Jerky movements will get amazing strikes from huge trout.

My all time favorite fly to use is an attractor or a stonefly as the stimulator fly. They come with an orange body, a yellow body and a green body. These are killer flies and I always have extra on hand. Sometimes I'll tie on an emerger pattern or small dry behind it.



# Evergreen Fly Fishing Club

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## 2013 EFFC Membership Renewal Form

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

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

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

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

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee or Board Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please send your check payable to EFFC along with the completed the renewal form (above) to:

Gary Iverson, EFFC Membership

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