



# The Tippet

From The President's Desk

Greetings Fly Casters,

The summer is over, the crowds are back on campus and returning steelhead numbers don't look good. I can handle the first two items but that last one – well, it's just not right. Nonetheless, it's time to put away the small cutthroat flies and bring out the bombers, skunks and various other steelhead flies. The returning steelhead may be scarcer, but not impossible to catch if you put in your time.

The St. Joe Fishout is history and like summers gone by, this one was well attended and featured Bill Hendrix's dutch oven dinner on Friday night. Fishing must have been slow for some given the ever growing diorama in the campsite. What started out as a kid's play site from the previous campers turned into an ever growing monumental edifice to the club members. Dinner on Friday night was capped with a song tribute by Glen Murray on guitar and the somewhat timid Clearwater Fly Caster's very own Timid Singers. Oh, be sure to see video and sound recordings of both at the next meeting!

Early August found me up on Kelly Creek and the N. Fork of the Clearwater fishing, camping and swimming for cutthroats and rainbows. The swimming part was not planned but I learned a lot from the other guys on that trip. I learned that stealth goes a long way in catching trout and that there really is no substitute for good casting and good equipment.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at Dave and Sharon Tharp's place in Palouse, WA for our Annual BBQ. Be sure to bring your pictures, fishing stories and appetites for a fun evening to kick off our fall meetings!

See you there!

Tim Cavileer

*Tim Cavileer*

'Prevaricator Supreme'

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Glen Murray was the Tippet editor for two years and four months. Comparing The Tippet to other fishing club newsletters The Tippet stands out as one of the very best newsletters.. One of the many innovative things that Glen did was to start the profiles section in the newsletter. The objective of the profiles section was for members to learn a little more about each other, learn about some of their hobbies and to find out something about their fishing hobby. If Glen learned about a good fishing spot from someone he profiled he promised to never reveal that information to anyone. It is not known if Glen would fish that spot or not has yet to be determined.

I hope that I can do half the job that Glen has done. Thank you, Glen for your dedication and commitment to Clearwater Fly Casters and for making The Tippet a first class newsletter.

Cliff Swanson

*Cliff*

Editor

## Calendar

### August & September-

Gold Center Creek Restoration Project.

### September 13th - 5:30 pm

Annual BBQ hosted by Dave and Sharon Tharp at Harhar Acres in Palouse, WA

### September 23 - Red Shed

Fly Shop Second Annual Spey Clave BBQ Lenore Rest Stop

### October 7th & 8th -

Lochsa Fishout and Highway Cleanup with Kelly Creek Fly Casters

### October 11th - General meeting. Speaker TBA

### October 9th & 16th-

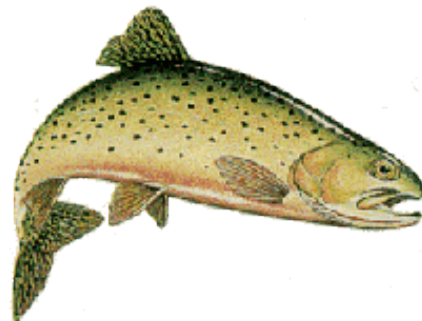
Grande Ronde Hatchery Brood stock Collection

### November 8th - November

general meeting. Speaker: Trapper Badovinac

### December 13th - December

general meeting. Speaker: Steve Ronholt and Ladin Langeman, 'Fishing with Ladin', plus the 2006 Alspach-Engerbretson Scholarship





## Backcast

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### May General Meeting

Guests included Bob Carin, Carl Johnson, President elect of Wash. FFF, and others.

**Fishing Reports** Dave Tharp- Dave reported getting skunked on Amber and getting nothing on one end of Elk Reservoir while toward sunset he came around the corner to meet Sharon who was catching #15! Sharon Tharp- reported a great day catching fish in a good fishing cove, while watching an osprey feed its young in a huge nest. Bill Hendrix- Spent one and a half hours on Amber Lake and caught nothing, tried a woolly bugger and got a 18", fish noodling, rising, put on a size 18 Hendrix special and caught a 20" rainbow, by 8:15 fish were rising all over the place and he caught several more bright, silvery fish that jumped 3 feet out of the water. For part of the day he used a charcoal grey chironomid emerger that worked well. John Read- fished Amber when it was cloudy and rainy and caught one fish, but the best fish were caught by osprey. George Johnson- floated the Clark Fork with Mark Kuipers two days and 30 miles for three fish. Bruce Frazier fished the same day as John R. and caught fish at Amber lake. He also fished the Thursday after Bill? And caught a 20" bright female on a #16 pink scud. Dale Coryell- fished Spring Valley and Moose Creek and caught bass, bluegills and crappie. Cliff Swanson- reported on the fishing event at Hordemann's pond. Some of the nicer sized fish caught by the kids were a 16" carp, a 16" bullhead and a 15" rainbow.

**Conservation Reports-** Steve Bush reported on the Gold Center Restoration Project. Cliff Swanson reported on the decommissioning project on Porcupine Creek. Dave Tharp reported that the adopt a highway program will happen this fall on the Lochsa, near good fishing, and could also work on a road decommissioning project. Carl Johnson, President elect of Wash. FFF wants to work with local clubs on how he can make the FFF council to be more efficient. He also had some interesting facts about the Washington FFF : There are 19 affiliated clubs in the state. The council has a yearly event in the fall which includes a casting competition Sept. 25 to be held in the Carnation area. Washington has more certified masters casters than any other state except the California FFF. The Washington FFF needs more representation from local clubs. Carl is traveling to member clubs to listen on how FFF can support them locally. (cont. page 3)

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**CFC membership dues are \$20/yr for individuals, \$30/yr for families, \$10/yr for students, \$50/yr sustaining, \$300/lifetime. Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday, September through May at the Best Western-University Inn, 1516 Pullman Rd, Moscow, Idaho. Wet Fly Time 6:00 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm and program at 7:30 pm.**



John at his best!



## St. Joe Fishout by Glen Murray

As presented at the St. Joe fishout  
to the tune of Nine Hundred Miles

**Verse 1:** Well this campground that I'm in,  
On the Joe with some friends  
Telling fish stories and wild river tales;  
And if the fish don't bite,  
There'll be no bragging rights.

**Chorus:** Cause I'm here on the Joe, don't you know.  
And I hate to see the Caster's Fishout end.

**Verse 2:** Now there's Dutch-Oven Bill,  
With his ovens and his skill.  
Beef, chicken, pork, dessert and much more.  
Bring your drink and your smile,  
For you'll eat for awhile.

**Chorus:** Cause I'm here on the Joe,  
Don't you know.

And I hate to see the Caster's Fishout end.

**Verse 3:** Then there's Breakfast Dave you know,  
With his grill and a smile  
Share bacon, eggs, cakes, and coffee black.  
With my Clearwater friends,  
I share breakfast again.

**Chorus:** Cause I'm here on the Joe, don't you know.  
And I hate to see the Caster's Fishout end.

**Verse 4:** Now I'm packing up my gear,  
Won't be back for a year.

Be sure to take care as you go.

And the tales begin again,  
With my Clearwater friends.

**Chorus:** Cause I'm here on the Joe, don't you know.  
And I hate to see the casters fishout end.  
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Bill and Reed relaxing at Amber lake

## St. Joe Fishout

This years turnout was great with over twenty five in attendance in attendance. One of the highlights of the trip was the trip that Tim C., John R., and Dave T. took from the campground down to Conrad Crossing. Everyone but Tim was in a hurry to get going that he lagged behind waiting for the hatch to come off. He did exceptionally well at catching fish unlike the rest of the group. It will be a long time before Dave will let Tim forget this outing. Seems that the group in front were worried that Tim may have tipped his water craft over and may have gotten himself into trouble.

Again as usual the dinner prepared by Bill Hendrix was superb.

## Amber Lake Fishout

There were twenty five people there from The Clearwater Fly Casters and the Kelly Creek Fly Casters clubs. CFC had the majority of people as KCF had only five or six in attendance. Fishing was moderate. Most people caught fish and they seemed to be on the larger size 17-21". It wasn't a high numbers days but very pleasant. The temp was in the 80's and sunny with hardly no wind. Tim got to fish after 3 p.m. and only caught one - 11". He was busy in the morning cooking lunch for everyone. Tim reports that the fish were mocking him all evening long by rising all around him!



Dave cooks a great breakfast at the St. Joe fish out as Glen and Debbie look on.

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## Treasurer's Report

Report Ending April 30, 2006

### Receipts

Cash	\$88.00
Checks	\$85.00

### Total Disbursements from:

Checking	\$149.28
Checking Acct. Bal 4/30/06	\$710.20
Savings Acct. Bal 4/30/06	\$5,160.95
Deposits Following 4/30/06	\$173.00
Total Cash on Hand	
Checking and Savings	\$6,044.15
Reserve for Scholarship Fund	\$2,000.00
(included in the savings account balance)	

Shirley Engerbretson

*Shirley Engerbretson*  
Treasurer



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September Meeting is at Dave and Sharon Tharp's HarHar Acre. (see directions above)  
The Club will provide meat and soft drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Dinner will be served around 6 p.m.

Wanted - Used Watermaster or Wilderness Access style raft. Contact Glenn Woodhouse at 509-595-1342 or e-mail at [gwoodhouse40@msn.com](mailto:gwoodhouse40@msn.com).