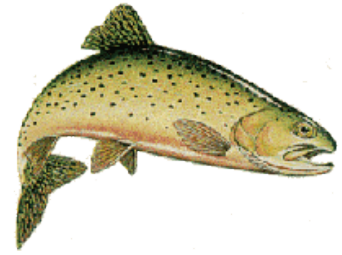




The Tippet



Presidents Message

I hope you've all had a fun summer of fishing, camping, and general loafing. It's been a great summer for my family although I really would have liked to have my kid's schedule of three months off to make the most of it. None-the-less, I did manage to get a fair amount of fishing in for a working stiff. I dedicated this summer to brewing up some "Dave Yonge Class" fishing reports filled with excitement, near death experiences, and property damage. We really don't have the space in the Tippet to go into the details here but for those who are interested in stories of other's profound sporting ignorance and misfortune as well as the revised "Universal Theory of Wheel Bearing Failure" (a.k.a. the "Raft Trailer from Hell!") you should strongly consider attending the upcoming annual CFC BBQ Wednesday, September 12th, 4:00 pm at Sunnyside Park in Pullman. This will be a potluck event with the club supplying the meat for the grill. All we need is you, equipped with a side dish and beverages.

Fall is quickly approaching. Steelhead are being caught in the lower Clearwater while more slip over the dams. Water temperatures on the Joe, Lochsa, and North Fork are starting to subside which gets the trout thinking about bulking up for winter and me thinking about my favorite season for fishing.

I hope to see you all at the upcoming BBQ and look forward to hearing what you all did for your summer vacation.
2007 St. Joe CFC Outing

Tight Lines,

Glenn

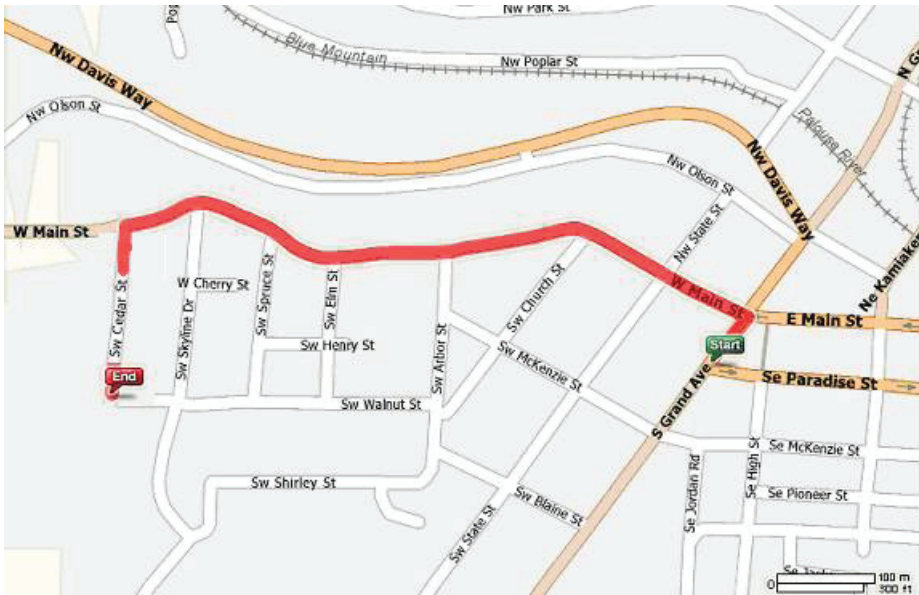
The Annual St. Joe Fishout.

by Glenn Woodhouse

The St. Joe River survived the traditional convergence of CFC club members at the Fly Flat campground for our annual July outing. John Read, Dave and Sharon Tharp, Lynn and Kay Youngblood, Bill Hendrix, Bill's friend and ex-grad student Scott from California, and Tim Cavileer independently arrived earlier in the week of the 9th with the Woodhouse family, Doug and Lillian Young, and Mary Read coming in later in the week or Friday evening. Glen Murray and Debbie Bell swung by to say hello on their way to Kelly Creek. The Young's brought with them a WSU student named Brian Lanouette, who had contacted the club through the web site just prior to the outing.

"Splinter Groups" of 2-5 fisherman would carve off throughout the outing period to float several different stretches of the Joe. Despite the 100+ degree temperatures, fishing was good from morning through the early afternoon. The Cutty's were conscientious enough to take a break around 2:00 each day allowing time for the fisherman to relax, drink a few beers, and tell a few lies in camp before venturing back out for the evening rise. Larger "bushier" dries brought up the better fish earlier in the day. Switching to deeper nymphing rigs could extend the action into the early afternoon.

Dave Tharp provided the master chef services for the Saturday morning communal breakfast with the aid of his giant grill. On Saturday night we all enjoyed a potluck BBQ with many great dishes provided by the attendees along with grilled dogs and burgers.



Calendar

Sept. 12 Annual BB-Q Sunnyside Park Pullman

Oct. 10 Larry Barrett, Fisheries Biologist, Idaho Fish and Game, Biology and Life History of Salmon and Steelhead

Nov. 14 TBA

Dec. 12 Jack Mitchell, Flyfishing the Yakima River

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Sept. Meeting:
Wednesday Sept 12, 2007
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