

The Tippet May, 2018

Clearwater Fly Casters

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May Program: Presentation by Stacey Feeken, graduate student at the University of Idaho

Stacey will present a synopsis of her thesis "Seasonal Distribution of Steelhead and the Anglers in the Clearwater River, Idaho." Stacey, originally from Vancouver, WA, is interested in marine and fresh water species; steelhead provides her the best of both worlds!



Scholarships awarded: Cliff Swanson awarding club scholarships to Stacy Feeken (left) and Stephanie Estell (right)





Information

The Tippet is available as a PDF file on our web site: www.clearwaterflvcasters.com

Please submit information for inclusion in the Newsletter to the Editor

Meetings 2nd Wed (except June, July and Aug)

Best Western University Inn. Moscow, ID

Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 pm

Buffet Dinner 6:30 pm

Members \$16, Students \$8

Menu for May Meeting:

Mediterranean Chicken and Rice with Caramelized Onions, Mushrooms, Garlic, Garbanzo Beans, topped with a Balsamic Reduction, served with a side of Feta Cheese, garlic green beans, mixed green salad, rolls and butter, tiramisu, coffee, tea, and soda

Program: 7:30 pm

Presidents' Message (Jared August)

Good luck this season, and see you all at the cookout in September!

Back Cast:

Recipients of club scholarships in 2017 made presentations at the April meeting. Austin Anderson described work "Growth consequences of habitat selection and dispersal for rearing juvenile steelhead" and John Heckel presented his work on "Life history characteristics, distribution, and habitat use of west slope cutthroat trout in the St. Maries River basin."

Forward Cast:

Important Dates and Events:

May 11-12: North Idaho Fly Fishing Expo & Youth Fly Tying, Lewiston, ID (See information below)

Jun 13: North Fork Coeur d'Alene Fish Out, Meet at Devils' Elbow Campground

Jul 13-15: St. Joe Fish Out, Fly Flat Campground

Aug 7-11: Fly Fishers International Fly Fishing Fair, Boise, Idaho

Feb 13, 2019: Clearwater Fly Casters Auction, Best Western University Inn, Moscow, ID

North Fork Coeur d'Alene Fish Out Inaugural

Participants should meet at Devils' Elbow Campground between 9:00 and 10:00 am. Directions: From Coeur d'Alene, take I-90 28 miles east to the Kingston Exit. Take that exit north on a paved Forest Service Road for 40 miles where you come to Devil's Elbow Campground. Club members with experience with the river and areas for fishing will be available at the campground to provide some advice for fishing the river. According to Lynn Youngblood, "there are several places on the road where one can pull off and fish the river, which the road follows closely. One possibility for those with floating devices is a 4-mile float from Devil's Elbow to Kit Price Campground, a nice float indeed which Kay and I have taken more than once." Also, The club has generously agreed to cover the fee for parking at the campground for participants that arrive prior to 10:00 am. A group campsite may also be available for the event.

Conservation Committee:

The conservation committee has great concerns about the "Columbia River Policy Review and Next Steps" briefing that recently took place and apparent policy revisions. The objectives of the policy "are to promote orderly fisheries (particularly in waters in which the states of Washington and Oregon have concurrent jurisdiction), advance the conservation and recovery of wild salmon and steelhead and maintain or enhance the economic well-being and stability of the fishing industry in the state." However, the commission states that "the phase out of gillnet gear for fall Chinook fisheries directed and harvestable up river brights (URBs) has been constrained by the lack of suitable gear alternatives, resulting in the Commission decision to modify the policy to support an additional two years (2017-18) of large gillnet main stem fisheries directed at URB Chinook. CFC members are urged to contact WDFW commission at the website below and express their concerns about this change of policy that directly threaten returns of salmon and steelhead to rivers of eastern Washington and northern Idaho.

https://wdfw.wa.gov/commission/comp_review_columbia_river_basin_salmon-C-3620.pdf

Committee chairman, Doug Baldwin, has organized a letter writing initiative for individual club members to express their concerns about continued gillnetting on the Columbia River to WDFW. Examples of points to include in individual letters will be available at the May meeting and also by contacting the Doug directly.

Club Fly Tiers Fly of the Month: Two Toned Golden Stonefly Nymph

Materials:

Hook: 2X to 4X long sizes 12 to 1/0

Thread: Red

Tail: Matched slips of Turkey Wing or

Tail Quill

Body: Gold Tinsel – flat or braided

Underwing: Fox Squirrel Tail

Main Wing: Matched slips of Turkey Quill

- to match tail

Collar/Head: Deer Hair – spun and flared

- trimmed to desired shape

Recipe courtesy of Tim Cavileer



Federation of Fly Fishers Fly of the Month

From the IFFF website: http://fedflyfishers.org/Tying/FlyoftheMonth.aspx

Materials -

Hook: Size 12 Sproat bend, down-eye, 1X-heavy

wire, and 1 X-long shank. (Daiichi 1560)

Thread: Orange 6/0 - 70 Denier

Tail: Wood Duck Flank Fibers tied split; 1 and 1/4

length of the shank of the hook

Body: Hare's Ear Mask and Red Fox Squirrel

mixed with a little clear antron

Rib: Fine Silver Wire Hackle: Brown Partridge



Fly Fishing Fair

sponsored by Fly Fishers International

Boise, Idaho

August 7-11, 2018 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Daily

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

A week-long event providing fly fishing education and fun activities.

WORKSHOPS

FISH FEST

Guest Speakers & Celebrities
Vendors | Fly Tying & Casting Demonstrations
| 1-Hour Seminare Iron Fly | Kids Activities |
Auctions & Raffles & Much More!



Shauna Williams fishing the Owyhee River, near Boise ID

LOCAL AREA FISHING

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS & CAMPING

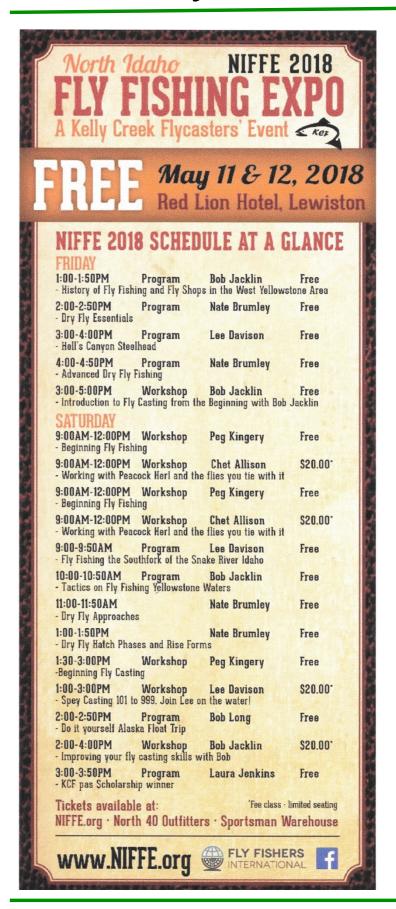
The Grove Hotel is hosting the event.

REGISTRATION

Opens May 23, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. MDT

For additional information see:

https://flyfishersinternational.org/Events/EventsOverview/tabid/783/Default.aspx



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Membership and Monthly Meeting:

CFC membership dues are \$25/yr. for individuals, \$35/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 Hour 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM and Program at 7:30 PM.