



# The Tippet

January, 2019

## Clearwater Fly Casters

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A Federation of Fly Fishers Club



**January Program:** Krystal Lewis, Chris Lewis, Roger Willemsen, and Steve Bush will present *"Catching Golden Dorado in the Sea of Cortez"*!

The presentation will be in four parts with each of the four participants presenting a portion of the talk.



The presentation will illustrate the Saltwater Fly Fishing Trip taken by four club members to the Southern Tip of Baja California to try their hand at catching Golden Dorado. As described by the four participants, the fish attack flies on the surface! Once hooked the fish take a long runs and then go airborne for some real excitement

and real fun landing these acrobatic fish. The crew will present their weeklong trip and describe the location of the resort, accommodations, food, daily fishing routine and equipment necessary to catch Dorado and other species of fish. The trip is very well organized and leaves the traveler with very little to do after arriving in Cabo, Mexico. Local cooks prepared the meals that were authentic and very tasty. You are fishing with a local guide who knows the waters in the Sea of Cortez, which allows you to get into fish every day. Other species of fish available in the area are Bonita, Skip Jack, and Tuna on a fly! The four club members had a wonderful week of catching some exciting fish on a fly.

## **A Message from President Karen Zacharasen:**

I would like to thank everyone for allowing me to be your new President of Clearwater Fly Casters for 2019. It should be an exciting year with all kinds of adventures with our Meetings, Fish Outs, Guest Speakers, February Auction and just plain good old-fashioned fellowship. I so look forward to getting to know all of you in this coming year and I am so thankful I have such a great Executive Board to work with. They will make this job so easy to complete my goals. I am open to suggestions if you would like anything special at any of the meetings please just ask. I have my hands full following the great job our Past President Jared August accomplished. I so thank him for all the hard work he has done for the group. I also look forward to the upcoming Auction on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to attend and bring a guest, so monies can be raised for the scholarships we want to present each year.

To tell you a little about myself, I have been married to my husband Zach for almost 19 years, and we have 2 wonderful grown children named Amber & Tyler. I have always enjoyed fishing and have learned how to fly fish in just the last 6 years. It has been a wonderful challenge and fun experience for me. I enjoy singing, cooking, playing the piano, camping & painting and have always participated in community service organizations. Again, thank you much for this opportunity to represent the Clearwater Fly Casters for 2019!

## **Back Cast:**



At our November meeting Rulon "RJ" Hemingway presented "Invasives in the Lower Granite Reservoir" The club was very appreciative of his presentation and gave "RJ" an ovation and a few mementos including a certificate from our prevaricator in chief.

*The University Inn Best Western was very apologetic for the unfortunate mishap regarding our December meeting and will serve the meal at our January meeting at half price. In addition they offer the first drink free of charge. Many thanks for their generosity!*

## **Information**

**The Tippet is available as a PDF file on our web site:**

[www.clearwaterflycasters.com](http://www.clearwaterflycasters.com)

**Please submit information to the Newsletter Editor**

**Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed (except June, July and Aug) University Best Western Inn, Moscow, ID**

**Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 pm**

**Buffet Dinner: 6:30 pm; \$16, students \$8**

**Menu:**

*Baked Potato, Soup, and Salad Bar: baked Idaho potatoes, butter, sour cream, jack and cheddar cheeses, bacon and green onions, Chef's soup of the day, grilled chicken breasts, rustic rolls, spring greens, chopped romaine hearts, served with assorted dressings, seven salad bar toppings, and assorted desserts, coffee/tea/soda*

**Program: 7:30 pm**

**December Drawing:** Fred Meyer (right) was the surprised winner of the drawing for the “Christmas Fly Rod.” Presenting the certificate is Jared August as he completes his last official act as club President.



## Forward Cast:

### Important Dates and Events

**Jan 9, 2019:** Clearwater Fly Casters Meeting, wet fly hour at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM, Program to follow.

**Jan 11-12, 2019:** 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Western Idaho Fly Fishing Expo (WIFFE).

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

**Mar 22, 2019:** CCA Annual Banquet, Quality Inn, Clarkston, WA

**Apr 13, 2019:** Amber Lake Fish out

**Jun 12, 2019:** North Fork Coeur d’Alene Fish out, Meet at Devils’ Elbow Campground

**Jul 12-14, 2019:** St. Joe Fish out, Fly Flat Campground

**Jul 22-26, 2019:** Fly Fishers International Fly Fishing Fair and Fishfest, Montana State Univ., Bozeman, MT

### Biennial Auction

The Club’s biennial Auction benefitting the Scholarship Fund will be held at our February 2019 monthly meeting. Dues paid CFC members may bring a guest with the guest’s dinner compensated by the club. Members bringing a guest should provide the guest’s name to Lynn Youngblood. A no-host bar will be available as usual.

We are requesting items for the silent and live auctions. No item is too small or too large. Fishing related items will be featured such as pontoon boats, guided trips and fishing trips in general. Rods, reels, fly tying equipment and accessories associated with the sport of fly fishing, including books and framed art. Textile art such as quilted table runners, napkins, wood crafts, gift baskets, gourmet dinners hosted in homes, gift certificates of any kind and more are all welcome additions to the auction. (See below for ideas for the auction)

Members willing to assist are needed for a smooth running and successful auction. Anyone willing to assist should sign up with Kay Youngblood.

### Auction Ideas:

- **Rocky Mt. Elk Foundation**
- **Ducks Unlimited**
- **Latah Wildlife**
- **University Fishing Assoc.**
- **IDFG**
- **Palouse Conservation**
- **WA Fish & Game**
- **Restaurants:** gift certificates
- **Merchants:** small donations from several into 1 basket
- **Wineries:** ID & WA

- **White Pine Mercantile**
- **WSU Book Store:** student scholarships help them too
- **UI Book Store:** student scholarships help them too
- **Breweries:** ID & WA
- **Textiles:** table runners, placemats, napkins
- **Woodcraft:** fly boxes
- **Desserts:** pies, cakes, candies, cupcakes, cookies
- **Baskets:** Use your imagination; here are a few ideas  
NFL Sunday: popcorn, bowls, drinks, etc.  
Some-Mores w/food, roasting sticks, etc.  
Travel snacks & games  
Grill Out: beer, brats, beverage & tools  
Italian dinner w/ wine
- **Fishing:** fly tying materials, rods, reels, tippet, flies & more
- **Personal Fly Fishing Trip:** share your knowledge on a river
- **Host a Grand Dinner in Your Home:** your style w/great food
- **Books:** fly tying, regional fishing guide books, maps, & more
- **Hotel Night Packages**
- **Vacation Home or Cabin**
- **Wineries:** case of wine or variety pack from several wineries

**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Western Idaho Fly Fishing Expo (WIFFE)** This two day show has had attendance of over 2500 with over 80 exhibitors and numerous educational programs. The event will be held at Expo Idaho in Garden City, Idaho with two indoor casting ponds, single-handed casting and two-handed Spey casting. A social hour will be held on Friday evening. For further information see:

<http://www.boisevalleyflyfishers.wildapricot.org/BVFF-Expo>

## **Moscow Elks Vets Fly Tying and Casting Program:**

The group is looking for any used clothing that you can donate. They are mainly in need of wading boots and waders for men and women. A few women have taken the class and are in need of some equipment. Even though this is an Elks program, the majority of helpers are members of Clearwater Fly Casters. If you have gear you are willing to part with, please give them to Cliff Swanson who will be passing the items on to the Elks program.

## **Scholarships:**

Clearwater Fly Casters in Collaboration with Kelly Creek Flycasters award Scholarships each year to worthy graduate students from the University of Idaho, Washington State University and Eastern Washington University. Students are invited to submit proposals that are evaluated by club members and scholarships are awarded based on merit and potential benefit to fisheries in the area.

**Please note: Applications are due January 19, 2019 and at least two awards will be made, the scholarship amounts are to be determined.**

## **Scholarship information:**

Any undergraduate or graduate student involved with fisheries research and management, natural resources management, fishing education or other work fostering the knowledge of fishing shall be eligible for this award.

Applications will be reviewed by the Clearwater Fly Casters and the Kelly Creek Flycasters for an opportunity to receive a scholarship from one of the clubs.

## **Required:**

1. A one-page description of the proposed research project with the contact information for the student.
2. A letter of endorsement from the faculty advisor.

PDF or Word files are preferred

Email your application and endorsement letter to: [clswan12@gmail.com](mailto:clswan12@gmail.com)

or Mail to Clearwater Fly Casters, Scholarship Chair, 1121 Lamb Road, Troy, ID 83871

Scholarship Awards will be announced at the May meeting of the club.

The Clearwater Fly Casters Scholarship Fund has awarded \$14,500 in the past 5 years to graduate and undergraduate students in studies of fisheries and fishery management. Past recipients have been from the University of Idaho, Washington State University and Eastern Washington University. Lewis and Clark State College students are also eligible to participate. Research by these students benefits not only fish, but also enhances the economics of the Pacific Northwest.

## **Conservation Committee:**

Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) will hold their annual banquet and auction on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Quality Inn in Clarkston, Washington. Tickets for the event are available from Doug Baldwin and other CCA board members.

## **Membership Committee:**

Paul Agidius, Membership Committee Chair, reminds the CFC members that dues for the upcoming year are now due. Dues are \$25/yr. for individuals and \$35/yr. for families.

## **Fly of the Month: "Renegade"**

### **From the IFFF website:**

<http://fedflyfishers.org/Tying/FlyoftheMonth.aspx>

The Renegade was created in Wyoming by Taylor 'Beartracks' Williams around the late 1920's. This fly has been used in lakes and streams and known as an excellent cutthroat pattern.

### **Materials -**

Hook: Dry Fly Hook any size

Thread: Black 6/0 - 70 Denier

Tag: Fine Flat Silver or Gold Tinsel

Rear Hackle: Brown

Body: Peacock Herl

Front Hackle: White or cream



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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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.