



The Tippet

June 2021

Clearwater Fly Casters

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A Federation of Fly Fishers Club



Fish outs coming up soon

June 18-19th – Fish out at North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene at Devil's Elbow Campground is a club event you will not want to miss. Arrive early as the campground is expected to fill up.

July 16-18th - St. Joe fish out. Rendezvous at Fly Flat Campground. There are no reserved sites, but non-reserved sites are available on a first come first served basis. This is a traditional club fish out and usually well attended. Make your plans to arrive early for securing a campsite, and of course fishing the river.



Regular club meetings to resume in the fall

We will return to regular in-person meetings this fall with interesting presentations. The club has been in contact with the Best Western University Inn, and they are expecting our return.

The Executive Committee is beginning the planning stages for the first in-person meeting at the University Inn Best Western on Wednesday, September 15th. Since it will be difficult to estimate the number of members and others who may wish to attend, we will be asking for an RSVP for that first post-pandemic club event. Further information will be forthcoming in late August or early September.

Back Cast:

There was no virtual club meeting in May and so there is nothing to report.

General Club Information:

Next Executive Committee Meeting. Our next Executive Committee meeting, an in-person gathering, will be on August 3rd at 6:00 pm at the Palouse Caboose in Palouse. Members wishing to participate in the deliberations of the Executive Committee are very welcome to attend.

Conservation Committee:

There was no report of progress in Christine Plourde's proposal seeking volunteers to serve as St. Joe River Patrol members. Christine will be invited to report on this initiative at a meeting this fall.

CCA Hells Canyon Banquet is Back!

The 5th annual CCA Hells Canyon Chapter Banquet is coming! CCA is pleased to announce the banquet will be held on Thursday, July 15th at the Holiday Inn ballroom in Clarkston.

Guests will enjoy a delicious steak or chicken dinner, along with drink specials, raffles, games, and auctions. Quality fishing and outdoor gear, along with artwork, adventures, and much more will be available at the 2021 CCA Hells Canyon banquet.

Every attendee receives a one-year CCA membership, and all funds raised stay within Washington and Idaho to help protect and enhance our fisheries. To learn about some of CCA's recent work during the past few months, please read [our latest Legislative Update](#).

Tickets for the banquet [are available online](#). Seating capacity is limited this year, so don't wait!

Membership:

Membership Chair, Paul Agidius, indicated we currently have some members who have not paid their dues for the 2020-2022 membership period.

Given the fact that we are unable to hold general meetings due to Covid-19, it was agreed that membership dues paid in 2020 will also cover dues for 2021. Thus, members will have two years of membership for the cost of one year of dues.

Members are encouraged to renew their membership by sending a check for their dues to Lynn Youngblood, P.O. Box 394, Pullman, Washington 99163. **CFC membership dues are \$25/yr. for individuals, \$35/yr. for families, \$10/yr. for students, \$50/yr. sustaining, and \$300/lifetime.**

Upon renewal, members will receive a 50th Anniversary Clearwater Fly Casters club pin.

Important Dates and Events:

June 18-19, 2021: North Fork Coeur d'Alene Fish Out, Meet at Devils' Elbow Campground.

July 15, 2021: Coastal Conservation Association Annual Banquet, Holiday Inn, Clarkston.

July 16-18, 2021: St. Joe Fish Out, Fly Flat Campground

September 15, 2021: CFC Club Meeting, University Inn Best Western, Moscow, ID Wet Fly Hour 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm and Program at 7:30 pm. Bring a friend. Bring a student!

Fly of the Month: “Brown Flymph”

Source: Federation of Fly Fishers Fly of the Month July 2012. For details on steps for tying this fly see Federation of Fly Fishers website

Comments:

Never heard of a Flymph? That is not surprising since the term was coined by Vernon S. Hidy in 1962. Bill Lovelace, Baker City, Oregon showed us how to tie this deceptively simple fly at the 2012 Northwest Fly Tyer Expo in Albany, Oregon.

V.S. “Pete” Hidy was a good friend (and protégé) of Jim Leisenring who was the best wet fly angler in the U.S. and maybe the world. Together they developed many soft hackle patterns and were very successful at fishing them.

Fishing this fly is more active than the usually recommended dead drift approach. Cast across and down so the fly sinks. At the end of the swing tighten the fly line so the fly begins to move upward like a hatching insect. Ideally have it rise in front of a fish that you have spotted, then it is called the Leisenring lift.

If you want to learn more about flymphs go to <http://flymph.com>. There you will be welcomed ... “to the International Brotherhood of the Flymph!” and see many more flymph patterns.

Whatever you chose to call them, be it Spiders, Wingless Wet, Winged Wets, Flymphs or Soft Hackles they work.

Materials:

Hook: Scud, TUE, barbless, size 10

Thread: Pearsall gossamer,

Orange Tail: Peasant tail three fibers

Rib: Oval silver tinsel

Body: Brown beaver, dyed

Hackle: Partridge, brown phase



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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. When the Pandemic is behind us, meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from September through May. Meetings are 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.