



The Tippet

November 2022

Clearwater Fly Casters

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A Federation of Fly Fishers Club



November 9th Program:

“Preserving the History of the U.S. Forest Service”

Presented by

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Development Director

National Museum of Forest Service History

Missoula, Montana

The National Museum of Forest Service History is a nonprofit organization dedicated to collecting and preserving the history of the U.S. Forest Service.

Tom has worked in Development for nonprofits for the past 30 years. He lives in Missoula, MT with his wife, daughter and two dogs. He is an avid fly-fisherman in his spare time and feels fortunate to call the trout-laden rivers of western Montana home.

Our Mission

SHARING THE RICH HISTORY AND STORY OF AMERICA'S CONSERVATION LEGACY

For more than 100 years, the USDA Forest Service, its cooperators and partners have stood at the forefront of conservation in America, yet there has never been one central repository where artifacts and records could be collected, preserved, and made available for exhibition, study, and commemoration.

The NMFSH manages a collection of 50,000 items relating to the history and culture of the Forest Service.

The National Museum of Forest Service History is pleased to announce plans to build the National Conservation Legacy and Education Center in Missoula, Montana. The NMFSH, a national nonprofit organization founded in 1988, is dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the history of the USDA Forest Service and America's conservation legacy for the education and enjoyment of the general public, scholars, and historical researchers. At the Center, the NMFSH will carry out its mission and pursue its vision for national conservation education, historical preservation. As a showcase for collections totaling more than **50,000 objects, photographs, documents, books and reports**, the Center will encourage visitors to explore the cultural, ecological, economic, political, and social history of the lands and people that have defined the nation and given meaning to the term conservation.



A Message from President Kay Youngblood:

Like it or not, winter is upon us! Thanksgiving is just around the corner. I am thankful for our officers and the Executive Committee for their steadfast leadership they provide us all. We mentor each other along with our members as we share information related to the many aspects of fly fishing. Learning never stops. Continued education increases our knowledge and awareness of information and people we encounter. As we approach the end of the year, we are seeking an individual or a couple (think Lynn and Kay) that would be interested in the office of vice president. Remember mentoring? There is a year to see the rather easy process of being vice president and ultimately president of this wonderful organization. Help, guidance, encouragement, and support are a few of the elements the Executive Committee provides each other.



Whether a new or seasoned member, never held an office or a past officer, all are welcome to say YES! I want to be involved with all the good things Clearwater Fly Casters provides each other and our community.

Back cast:

At our October club meeting Fred Muehlbauer presented “Salmon Fishing on Kodiak Road System Rivers.” The annual trek to Kodiak by an ever-changing group of fly fishers began in 2002 at the instigation of Andy Kleinhofs with very few missed years with Fred being the only original participant still making the trip. The trip is made in the middle of September each year to target Coho salmon fresh from the salt water and known to aggressively take a variety of flies. Fish number have fluctuated greatly over the years with this past year being quite slow although everyone latched onto several bright silver fish. Pictured at the right are four of the six participants of the 2022 adventure including Fred, Doug Baldwin, Dave Somers from Maine, and Gary Muehlbauer from Minnesota. Others on the trip but not pictured were Chris Schnef from Idaho and Kurt Schnor from Denmark.



Information

Meetings are 2nd Wednesday of the month (except June, July, and Aug) in the Centennial room, University Inn Best Western, Moscow, ID.

Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 pm

Buffet Dinner: 6:30 pm; \$21, students \$10

Menu for November meeting:

Fish & Chips, fresh baked rolls, dessert, coffee/tea/soda

For those with dietary restrictions, meals may be ordered off the regular menu.

Program: 7:30 pm

General Club Information:

Program Chair: Ron McFarland has willfully volunteered to be our new Program Chair starting with the November club meeting. Thanks Ron!

University of Idaho AEC Fly Box Project: Steve indicated the U of I Entomology Department is being reasonable in terms of what they want for the fly boxes and that we could probably provide the needed samples easily from our own fly boxes if that became necessary. *They have provided pictures of nymphs and adults for all the groups that will be included in the boxes. The specimens are all present in the Pacific Northwest. The common names we use for most species come from the [Pacific Northwest Field Guide](#). Only larval and adult stages of these insects are to be included in each box.*

Auction planning: Planning for the upcoming Club Auction scheduled for February 8, 2023, is underway. Karen Zacharisen has offered to be co-chair of the effort. Kay will make a plea for auction items at our club meeting. Kay and Karen are open to all fund-raising ideas and would greatly appreciate all input. The biennial auction is our primary event focused on raising funds for the Club and for student Scholarships.

Hats: Hats are now available at club meetings.

Calendars: Calendars for 2023 have been ordered from Willow Press and should be available at our November meeting for \$12 each. As in previous years, calendars are entitled, "What Fly Fishing Teaches Us", and "The Art of the Fly."

Important Dates and Events:

November 9, 2022: CFC Club Meeting at University Inn Best Western, Moscow, ID. Wet Fly hour at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm and program at 7:30 pm. Bring a friend, bring a student!

December 6, 2022: Executive Committee Meeting at 6:00 pm at Paradise Creek Brewery in Pullman.

December 14, 2022: CFC Club Meeting at University Inn Best Western, Moscow, ID. Wet Fly hour at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm and program at 7:30 pm. Bring a friend, bring a student!

February 8, 2023: Club Auction and Club meeting at University Inn Best Western, Moscow, ID. Wet Fly hour at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm and program at 7:30 pm.

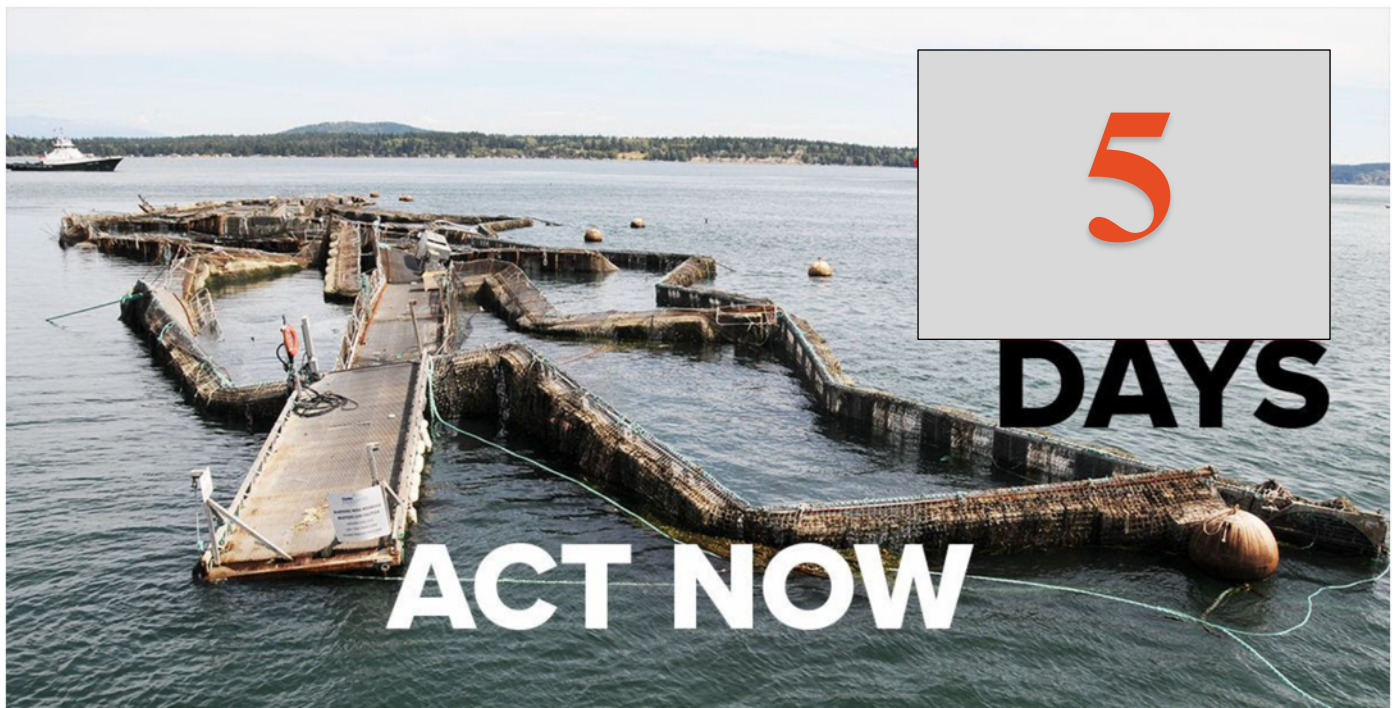
Membership:

Annual Membership is by academic year beginning in September and ending at the end of August of the following year. Members are encouraged to renew their Membership in-person at a monthly meeting by handing a check to Membership Chair Paul Agidius or 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.**

Conservation Committee Report:

(The Wild Fish Conservancy provided this report and urges quick responses.)

OUR SOUND, OUR SALMON



ONLY 5 DAYS UNTIL ALL PUGET SOUND NET PEN LEASES EXPIRE

In just 5 days, every lease that authorizes commercial net pens to operate in Puget Sound will have expired. Without new leases, Washington's sole net pen operator, Cooke Aquaculture, will be required to pack up and remove their net pens from Puget Sound, effectively eliminating this industry in Washington. The expiration of these leases offers Washington a once-in-a-decade opportunity to take bold action to protect Puget Sound and join governments around the world in abandoning this dangerous and antiquated industry.

Further elevating the urgency and importance of this exact moment is that after four years and countless appeals, every single lawsuit Cooke Aquaculture has waged against the state has been dismissed or is quickly coming to a close. The conclusion of this litigation eliminates all remaining legal leverage Cooke could wield in a last-ditch effort to pressure the state into granting the company new leases that would secure their future in our public waters for the next decade or longer.

It is your unwavering dedication and support that made it possible to reach this critical moment and [with only 5 days left, we're calling on you to help finish this fight for the health of Puget Sound.](#)

TAKE ACTION

HILARY FRANZ'S MONUMENTAL DECISION

With the clock counting down to November 10th when every net pen lease in Washington will have expired, the future of the commercial net pen industry and the health of Puget Sound lies solely in the hands of Washington's Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz. In the coming days, Commissioner Franz will need to make a monumental decision whether to give in to pressure from Cooke Aquaculture to issue new 12-year leases for net pen aquaculture or calls from the public to restore Puget Sound for the benefit and use of all.

Commissioner Franz has a strong record when it comes to holding the net pen industry accountable. She led the investigation finding Cooke at fault for the catastrophic Cypress Island net pen collapse, terminated half of the company's leases following that event, and refused to concede or compromise the public's natural resources when defending Washington from four years of Cooke's meritless lawsuits.

By statute, Commissioner Franz is required to make a decision that is in the best interest of the public. Earlier this year, we delivered a nearly 200-page [Taking Back Our Sound petition](#) on behalf of nearly 10,000 individuals and over 100 businesses and organizations all calling on Commission Franz to restore Puget Sound for the public's benefit and use by all. Through emails and letters, Commissioner Franz heard directly from individuals, groups, and elected officials throughout the northwest and even international advocates urging the importance of Washington's decision for the future of this industry in communities worldwide. These efforts are just one example of the countless milestones and accomplishments we've celebrated and made possible together since we launched the [Our Sound, Our Salmon campaign](#) five years ago to protect wild salmon, killer whales, and the health of Puget Sound from this dangerous industry. All of these efforts will now culminate in Commissioner Franz's pivotal decision.

But this fight isn't over, and Cooke Aquaculture is a billion-dollar corporation actively fighting tooth and nail to continue using our public waters to profit at the expense of the health of Puget Sound. If we don't speak out now, we risk the threat of another decade of chronic pollution, viral outbreaks, and massive escape events. With only 5 days until Cooke's leases are expired, **this is your last chance to fight for the future health of Puget Sound.**

Don't wait, take action today by urging Commissioner Franz to make the right decision for wild salmon, orca, tribal treaty rights, and the health of Puget Sound.

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**"It is a privilege,
not a right, to do
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**Commissioner
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Wild Fish Conservancy
N O R T H W E S T



Fly of the Month: “Grey Ghost”

(Courtesy of Fly Fishers International website September 2022)

Edition: October, 2022

Carrie Steven’s Gray Ghost is arguably the greatest feather wing streamer ever produced. Invented at her home at Upper Dam Maine, it has caught fish everywhere in the country from the early 20th century to today. The step-by-step sequences here show it tied using a vise, but Carrie Stevens never used a vise. The video shows the fly done “in hand”, as she might have done it.

MATERIALS

Hook: Partridge Carrie Stevens 10x1 Size 4 streamer hook or similar

Thread: White throughout, black at head with an orange thread band

Tag: Flat silver tinsel

Body: Orange floss

Underbelly: White bucktail under the shank, 4-6 strands of peacock herl over the shank

Throat: Bunches of white schlappen followed by a golden pheasant crest

Wing: Golden pheasant crest, then four gray hackles; crest and hackles are of equal length

Shoulders: Silver pheasant body feathers

Cheeks: Jungle Cock

Head: Black with an orange band



CLICK [HERE](#) FOR THE INDIVIDUAL STEPS TO TIE THIS FLY
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