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## December Chapter Meeting

Westbrook Club House

14255 S.W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street (one block east of S.W. Murray)

Beaverton, OR 97005

*Wednesday, December 5, 2007*

7:00 – 7:15	Meeting opens with limited business matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome to all guests and members</li> <li>• Solicit volunteers for February elections</li> <li>• Thank everyone for their support during the year</li> </ul>
7:15 – 8:30	<b>Banquet begins. Bring your appetite. There will be plenty to eat for all.</b>
8:30 – 9:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raffle – more useful prizes!</li> <li>• Fly swap for those who may want to trade favorite patterns. Also time to share fishing stories</li> <li>• Clean-up and adjournment</li> </ul>



## Annual Holiday Banquet

Every year our December meeting is dedicated to a feast to celebrate the season and our members. That time has come once again. It always proves to be a good time, so plan on bringing your friends and family. The banquet is open to everyone. The club will provide the entrees, and David Eisenhauer and Shane Stewart will be carving up enough ham and turkey for everyone.

All you are asked to do is bring your favorite side dish, casserole, salad, or dessert. It is always a pleasure to taste some of the favorite recipes from different family traditions, so bring what you and your family enjoy most, but whatever you do, bring your appetite and some fishing stories. Lively conversations are always a welcome addition to the meal.

Seth White, our \$1,000 scholarship winner, gives a presentation at the November meeting regarding the status of high desert area steelhead native to the Columbia River system

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*December President's Message*

**End of the Year:** It is hard to believe, but another year is almost over. It has been seven years and three months since our first meeting, and we have come a long way since our humble beginnings at the River City Fly Shop with a total of four members who were not totally sure what step they should take next to grow a club from scratch. Things have worked out well, thanks to all of you who have been loyal and generous members. In the past year we have had many accomplishments that everyone needs to be proud of:

- This year we gave \$3000.00 in scholarships to Oregon State graduate students for research involving our native fisheries.
- We gave \$1,000.00 to "Casting for Recovery" and cancer research. Our contribution was matched by Orvis, so our contribution effectively amounted to \$2,000.00.
- We had ten fish-alongs during the year, offering our members many opportunities to learn about fly fishing.
- Our March auction raised well over \$4,000.00 thanks to our generous members.
- Our contribution to the Fly Tyers Rendezvous as volunteers resulted in a very successful show. As a reward for our efforts we will be receiving \$1,000.00 for our treasury, which will go toward our scholarship fund for 2008. Thanks to everyone who volunteered for the Rendezvous event.
- Our August BBQ and the holiday banquet kept everybody "fat and happy." I guess that is a good thing!

**Annual Dues:** Our club fees (\$24.00 a year) are due once again this January. If you during January for the entire year of 2008 you can save by paying only \$20.00. After that the full \$24.00 is required. See Tom Wideman this month and beat the rush with the discounted rate!

**Elections:** New officers and Board of Directors members are welcome. Volunteer if you want to help. We will be selecting new people at our elections in February.

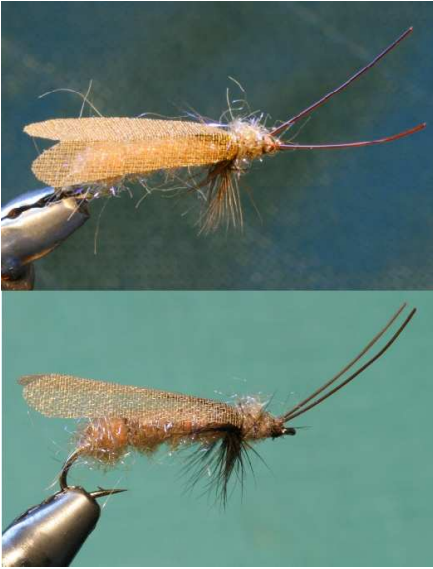
.....Pete

*Upcoming Events*

- December 5<sup>th</sup> .....Monthly Meeting: Annual Holiday Banquet**
- December 19<sup>th</sup> .....Board Meeting**
- January 2<sup>nd</sup> .....First Meeting of 2008**
- January 16<sup>th</sup> .....Board Meeting**
- February 6<sup>th</sup> .....Monthly Meeting: Elections**
- February 20<sup>th</sup> .....Board Meeting**
- March 5<sup>th</sup> .....Monthly Meeting**
- March 19<sup>th</sup> .....Board Meeting**

## Fly of the Month: “Jayhawk’s October Caddis”

Created by Ralph Brooks



<b>Hook</b>	Natural Bend 2X Long #8-10
<b>Thread</b>	8/0 Tan
<b>Body/Thorax</b>	2 mm Orange Foam Strips over-wrapped with UV Callibaetis Ice Dub
<b>Legs</b>	Black, Brown or Furnace Neck Hackle
<b>Wing</b>	Tan No-Fray or Web Winging (sheets or pre-cut)
<b>Head</b>	Natural Hare’s Ear Dubbing
<b>Antennae</b>	2X Monofilament( color brown with permanent marker)

**History:** I was tired of throwing stimulators for October caddis and wanted something new this past fall. When an October caddis is on the water, if it isn’t jumping all over the place, it is usually half drowned, lying flat and quietly at or just below the surface, and its wings are spread slightly. With that in mind I came up with this pattern that rides in the film or just below the surface. In case you haven’t figured it out, Jayhawk refers to the University of Kansas of which I am a grad, past faculty, and lifelong fan!

**How to Fish:** So far I have used this fly successfully in calm or slow moving backwaters by letting it drift on the surface. If no floatant is put on the fly it will soon disappear just below the surface. Strikes can come at any time. In riffles the fly quickly drowns and is usually nailed in the tailout. So far the fly has been deadly for searuns (Trask, Nehalem and redsides (Deschutes). Oversized caddis are on our waters in the fall and off-and-on through the winter months. I’ve watched Metolius bows crash them on the surface in February. So the fly could be useful just about any time.

**Tying Instructions:** Using a sheet of orange 2 mm foam and cut a thin strip (about 2 mm wide) from the edge. Tie the foam strip into the hook just ahead of the bend. Wind the foam forward 2/3’s the distance to the eye and tie off. Wrap the foam firmly but not overly tight as it is providing bulk for the body and will help the fly float. Using only 3-4 turns, wrap the thread back to the rear of the fly. Now sparingly dub forward over the foam body. Tie in a hackle just ahead of the body, wrap 3-4 times and tie off. Use your fingers to pull all the hackle downward and “x” the thread across the top several times. This forms the legs of the fly. Cut the wing (or use pre-cut) so it is long enough to extend slightly past the bend. Tie in the narrow base of the wing just ahead of the legs. Tie in two pieces of monofilament that have been colored with a brown marker pen. “X” the thread between the strands to hold them apart and let them extend forward of the eye a half inch or more. Dub a bulky head with natural hare’s ear and tie off. Add a drop of cement to secure the head. **Ralph Brooks**

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