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May Chapter Meeting
 Westbrook Club House
 14255 S.W. 6th Street (one block east of S.W. Murray)
 Beaverton, OR 97005

Wednesday, May 5, 2010

7:00 – 7:10	Brief business meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and sign-up sheet for Rock Creek Reservoir outing on May 22nd • Scholarship candidates. Copies available to those interested
7:10 – 8:45	Annual Club Auction
8:45 – 9:00	Bucket raffle drawing -- must be present to win. Meeting concludes

The Time Has Come: Annual Club Auction

The typical entertainment for our meetings is being suspended this month to accommodate our annual auction. This is the most important fund raiser of the year and helps finance our projects to support education and resource management. It has allowed us to sponsor over \$13,000 in scholarships to OSU students, provide aid to the Native Fish Society for their work on the Molalla River, support the work of ODFW and provide fly fishing classes to Boy Scouts, to name just a few of our efforts. The auction, however, is not just about money. It is usually a whole lot of fun and provides everyone an opportunity to purchase some good fly fishing equipment, flies, art, and other outdoor gear. **This year we will have a silent auction along with a bucket raffle in addition to the actual oral auction.** Tom Wideman will be our auctioneer, as in the past, and he will make certain that parting with some of your money is an enjoyable and as gratifying as possible. Bring your generosity, checkbook, and your friends. Everyone is welcome. The auction is not limited to members only. **And remember:** in this poor economy we try to help everyone by offering **60 days same as cash** to ease the possibility of any buyer's remorse. The whole purpose is to give you something for your willingness to support our club and its causes.

Washington County Fly Fishers 2010 Membership Report

Listed below are members who have paid their 2010 dues. If you are not on this list please contact our membership chairman (tom@widemans.com) via e-mail or meet with him at this month's meeting to bring your membership up to date. Annual dues are \$24.00.

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May President's Message

May 5th will be our club auction and this will be a very important meeting for the club. The money that we make from this auction will fund our scholarship program and other club-funded programs. So bring a friend and have a great time at the auction.

The board is now reviewing three candidates for this year's Marty Day Scholarship. Voting will be at the May board meeting, and the winner will be announced in the June newsletter.

The board has also voted to support the Native Fish Society work on the Molalla River enhancement. We will be sending them a check for \$1,000.00 again this year. The Native Fish Society is working on improving the salmon and steelhead habitat on this river.

The road to Rock Creek Reservoir is open – no snow this year. We will again fish Rock Creek Reservoir on May 22nd for a club outing. Last year we got in on a large fly ant hatch about 11 a.m., lots of fish and lots of fun. You should be able to use your entire Stillwater patterns, Midge, Damsel, Mayflies, and Caddis.

You may want to think about adding a day to your fishing trip and fish the Deschutes River. This should be the start of the Salmon Fly hatch. Some years it is later, but let's hope for warm weather and the Salmon Flies will be out.

More fly fishing daysChuck

Upcoming Events

May 5thMonthly Meeting: Club Auction

May 19thBoard Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Fly Tying Night, 7:00 p.m.

May 22ndRock Creek Reservoir Outing

June 2ndMonthly Meeting

**June 5-6.....Deschutes River Outing for
Salmon Fly hatch**

June 16thBoard Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Fly Tying Night, 7:00 p.m.

July 7thMonthly Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

July 10thMcKenzie River Outing

July 21stBoard Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Fly Tying Night, 7:00 p.m.

Fly of the Month: B&B Peacock Hale Bopp Leech



Contributed by Ralph Brooks

Category	Trout - Smallmouth Bass
Hook	Long-Shank Curved Nymph, size 6-10
Weight	Optional; bead or lead-free wire wrapped on shank
Thread	Red 6/0
Tail	Marabou - brown over black Flashabou - electric blue, lime green or red
Butt Hackle	Hen Cape - tan
Body	Blended brown leech dubbing and peacock ice dubbing
Hackle	Brown/grizzly neck or similar

History: The Hale Bopp Leech was first developed in the mid 1990s by Derek Fergus while hanging out at Oregon's Davis Lake. Developed for stillwater fisheries the B&B (black & brown) is a color variation of the leech that has produced fish for me in all seasons and numerous waters from Oregon to Colorado at elevations ranging from near sea level to over 11,000 feet.

How to Fish: The fly is fished with floating line in shallow water, clear intermediate line in waters 10-20 feet deep and heavier lines in deeper situations. The fly can be stripped variously (for example, short & quick, long & slow, or erratically) or trolled. In high altitude lakes early or late in the season an effective method is to allow the fly to sink to the bottom. Then using a short strip, occasionally move the fly off the lake bottom.

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How to Tie:

- 1) Slide a bead on the hook or wrap the hook shank with lead-free wire (0.25 preferred)
- 2) Tie in the tail using first a small bundle of black marabou, then an equal amount of brown marabou, and then 4 strands of flashabou. The tail should be slightly longer than the hook.
- 3) At the butt of the shank tie in a hen back hackle, wrap around the shank twice and secure. Pinch the quills to make them lay back toward the tail.
- 4) Form a dubbing loop just in front of the tail. Using a long fibered dubbing (e.g., leech dubbing) secure the dubbing in the loop by twisting loop and then wrap the body forward toward the eye and secure. Be sure to tease out the long fibers as these will give the fly more motion in the water.
- 5) To complete the fly tie in a large neck hackle just behind the eye. The quills should be about half as long as the hook. Make 3-5 wraps of the hackle and secure. Pinch the hackle quills back and slightly overwrap the hackles while forming the thread head, then whip finish and apply head cement.

Variations: There are many variations of the Hale Bopp: bead head or not; weighted or not, common colors include black, olive and brown but yellow, red, claret and white can produce as well. Some patterns palmer hackle through the body. Just use your imagination. I use size 8s almost exclusively.



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