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October Chapter Meeting

Westbrook Club House

14255 S.W. 6th Street (one block east of S.W. Murray)

Beaverton, OR 97008

Wednesday, October 4, 2006

7:00 – 7:30	Introduction/Start of Meeting/Business Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning for holiday banquet • Participation in Pacific Northwest Fly Tyers Rendezvous • October Crooked River outing • Change in auction date/donations?
7:30 – 8:30	Entertainment: Adam McNamara shares his secrets regarding the North Coast and fishing for Chinook, chum, silvers, steelhead, and searun cutthroat.
8:30 – 9:00	Raffle, adjournment

Entertainment

Our North Coast offers one of the best anadromous fisheries in the United States, and now is the time to find out more about it. Adam McNamara, owner and operation of Castaway Guide Service, has grown into one of the most well-respected guides of the coast. He will be at this month's meeting to discuss his unique approaches to catching Chinook, Coho, and Steelhead. Adam specializes in fly fishing but is willing to use other methods if you so choose. Chinook and silvers are now entering our local North Coast rivers. There is no better time to expand your skills regarding this fishery. Whether or not you are a veteran fisherman, Adam's program will prove to be both informative and entertaining.



Last month at Rooster Rock our club helped the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts train 12 youngsters to tie flies and to cast. Thanks to Dave Wesley, Mary Myhre, Roger Lehman, and Hal Gordon for their volunteer work.

PNW Fly Tyers Rendezvous

Over 30 of the best regional fly tyers will be present this year to demonstrate their skills, including Henry Hoffman, Norm Norlander, Hal Gordon, Jackson Leong, Ronn Lucas, Sr., and Lee Clark. Auction and raffle items will be offered. All proceeds go toward habitat protection, conservation, and educational efforts.

Saturday, November 4th, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., at Glenn Otto Park in Troutdale. Take I-84 east to Lewis and Clark Park (Exit 18), turn left up the Sandy River Bridge, cross the bridge and follow signs to the parking lot.

Admission: \$5.00 adults (3 free raffle tickets), \$7.00 families (3 free raffle tickets), children under 12 free.

Don't miss this one!

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October President's Message

Fly Donations: Once again I would like to hit up each and every one of you fly tyers to contribute some hand-tied flies for the upcoming PNW Fly Tyers Rendezvous. These donated flies are one of the primary revenue generators for the show, and the money they produce goes to very good causes: habitat protection, conservation, and educational programs. I would like our club to donate more than any of the other clubs who are participating.. So fire up your vise and tie six to a dozen of your favorite flies. You can bring your flies to me (Pete Priepeke, 503-614-8115) or to Hal Gordon (gordonhw@yahoo.com), or you can bring them to the shop or to this month's meeting. We will put your flies in display boxes just prior to the Rendezvous. Bring them to us in a paper bag if you have to, but bring them in. Let's show the other clubs that we have "the right stuff"! Don't forget – November 4th is sneaking up on us.

Club Outings: September's outing on the Deschutes did not bring out as many members as we had hoped, but nine of you did show up on Saturday to enjoy the fishing and share a hamburger in the evening. The weather was fantastic – the fishing was not fantastic, but it was better than normal. Hal Gordon and I both managed to find a steelhead, and several of the members caught some nice Redsides.

Crooked River? This month we have scheduled an overnight trip for October 28th and 29th. This is one of the best times of the year to fish the river. Catch-and-release regulations are in effect, and the pressure from other fishermen is much reduced. However, we are open to suggestions if this is considered to be too far away for the group. We could organize a Searun trip, or perhaps something at Red Hills (pay to fish in Dundee) if the group is interested. Come to this month's meeting and give your opinion. Our club is completely democratic and willing to change if the group has some ideas other than the Crooked River or if everyone would prefer something else.

Free Casting Clinic: Our sister club in Troutdale is offering a free casting clinic on Saturday, October 7th for those who are interested. It will be held at Gresham's Main City Park under the Coho shelter, just south of the intersection of Main Street and Powell, and is open to the public. The hours of the event will be 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Individualized instruction will be provided by Doug Stewart of Stewart's Fly Shop and by Jim and Donna Teeny, along with Bob Sagawa, who is a certified FFF instructor.

As a part of their fundraising efforts the club will raffle off a 9 foot 4 weight Temple Fork Outfitters Pro Series fly rod and reel. Tickets will sell for \$5.00 each and will be available under the Coho shelter until the time of the drawing. The drawing will be held at the end of the Casting Clinic. The winner does not need to be present to win.

See you at this month's meeting.....Pete

Fly of the Month: “Yellow Sally Nymph”



Submitted by Hal Gordon. Photo by John McNally

Hook	Standard 1X Nymph #10-16
Thread	8/0 Cream
Body	Cream Dubbing, Orange Antron Back, Wire Rib
Thorax	Yellow Dubbing, Black Mylar Back
Tail/Antenna	Goose Biot
Legs	Brown Partridge
Variations	Bead head is optional.

History: Sometimes fish just get tired of Pheasant Tails, Hare’s Ears and Copper Johns. Wake them up with this fly! The Yellow Sally Nymph first appeared in the fly shops around Redding, California in the late 1990s. It is designed to be seen in off-colored water and fishes well during high water or spring run-off. It is a good mayfly imitation and also freelances as an immature golden stonefly nymph.

How to Fish: Fish this fly alone if heavily weighted or attach it to a dropper and heavily weighted nymph. It must be fished deep. Concentrate on deep riffles or holding water mid-stream during flood stage. Non-tailwater fisheries may take days to clear-up, don’t cancel your trip, fish this fly in turbid water after a storm. Fish can see its bright colors from a distance.

Tying Instructions: Fix the hook in the vise and layer thread over the shank to the bend. Dub a small ball at the bend and attach two biots along both sides of the hook, the dubbing ball should separate the biot tails. Attach several inches of orange Antron and the wire rib and dub two-thirds of the body. Bring the Antron over the top to create a “shell back” and tie it down. Secure the body with the wire rib. Tie in the black mylar shell back and dub the yellow thorax. Attach the partridge legs on both sides of the thorax and tie on the biot antenna. Bring the black mylar over the top of the thorax and secure with several generous wraps of thread and add a drop of cement to the thread.

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Upcoming Events

- October 4thMonthly Meeting
- October 18thBoard Meeting
- October 28th-29thCrooked River Outing
- November 1stMonthly Meeting
- November 15thBoard Meeting
- December 6thHoliday Banquet/Monthly Meeting
- December 20thBoard Meeting
- January 3rdMonthly Meeting: Selection of Nominating Committee for February elections



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