



# The Fly Line

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## September Chapter Meeting

Westbrook Club House

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Beaverton, OR 97005

### Wednesday, September 3, 2008

7:00 – 7:30	Meeting opens. Topics of business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating a contact list for the club</li> <li>• Planning for the Timothy Lake outing on September 13<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Discussion regarding October outing on the Crooked River</li> <li>• November outing changed to the Deschutes. Possible discounted rates at The Oasis.</li> <li>• Boy Scout "Venturing Ride" event.</li> <li>• Tom Wideman will speak about Andre Scholz casting clinics</li> <li>• Searun cutthroat regulations</li> </ul>
7:30 – 8:30	Hal Gordon's presentation on Fletcher Lake
8:30 – 9:00	Raffle and adjournment

### Entertainment

Last spring ten of our members embarked on a fishing trip to Fletcher Lake in central British Columbia. They bunked in some rustic cabins, prepared their own meals, and chased rainbows for a week. Everyone had a very good time and were able to catch a bunch of fish for a very economical price. I think you will enjoy the show and find out how you may be able to join in future expeditions.



The hand holding this beautiful brown trout is Hal Gordon's. We don't need to see him again, but we do need to see proof of his success recently in Montana. Ask him about it!

### Andre Scholz Casting Clinics

Andre Scholz is a fly fisher from Germany and is known throughout the world as a spey rode expert and instructor. During the past few years his presentations at the Sandy Spey Clave received rave reviews. He is planning to be in our area on September 20-21. His clinics, which will be on the water, are expensive: he needs \$1,000 a day, but the cost can be shared by a group. For example, if 10 people participated it would be \$100 apiece; if more participated, the cost would be less. Tom Wideman and Chuck Cooney are trying to form a group to participate. Please contact Tom or Chuck if you are interested (see list of officers for contact numbers). Tom will also make a presentation at this month's meeting.

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**September President's Message**

**Timothy Lake:** Don't forget about our outing on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Volunteers needed.** For the past few years we have participated in the "Boy Scout Venturing Ride" expo. It features a variety of disciplines that will be taught to Scouts in the future and is designed to educate counselors and Boy Scout leaders. John McNally is spearheading our efforts to represent flyfishing, casting, and tying and needs volunteers to help him. Lunch will be provided and the theme will be "western," with a chance to participate in a dinner. John will provide more details at this month's meeting. You can contact him at jackdog1948@verizon.net.

**Last Chance to Support Our Cutthroat:** Help us make certain we retain our catch-and-release regulations on cutthroat trout. Write or e-mail your opinions to the ODFW Commissioners:

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**Upcoming Events**

September 3<sup>rd</sup> .....Monthly Meeting  
September 13<sup>th</sup> .....Timothy Lake Outing  
September 17<sup>th</sup> .....Board Meeting  
October 2<sup>nd</sup> .....Monthly Meeting  
October 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> .....Crooked River Outing  
October 22<sup>nd</sup> .....Board Meeting  
November 5<sup>th</sup> .....Monthly Meeting  
November 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> .....Deschutes Outing  
November 19<sup>th</sup> .....Board Meeting

## September Fly of the Month: The Poly Humpy



.....Courtesy of Skip Morris

<b>Category</b>	Trout, dry fly
<b>Hook</b>	Standard dry fly sizes 10-20
<b>Thread</b>	Red or yellow single strand floss, followed by 8/0 or 6/0 in floss color
<b>Tail</b>	Moose body hair
<b>Body</b>	Floss or yarn in color of choice
<b>Wings and Hump</b>	Tan poly is standard, but you can use a brighter color like yellow for more visibility
<b>Hackle</b>	One grizzly, one brown

**History:** Skip Morris features this fly in his book *The Art of Tying the Dry Fly*, but does not take credit for its creation. The earliest known mention of this pattern is from an old edition of *Fly Tyer* magazine under the title “Variations on the Poly Scene” by R. Monty Mountplaisir. The Poly Humpy is easier to tie, floats better, and is more durable than the traditional deer hair version. If bright poly yarn is used it is also more visible than the original version.

**How to Fish:** This is a great rough water fly. It will float through the gnarliest of water, and also works well on smooth runs. Dead drift as you would any other dry fly. Cutts sometimes even like these skated across the surface. Tie some of these up with red, black, and yellows, then go fishing.

### How to Tie:

1. Using single strand floss as thread (or just use thread), comb, stack, and measure a bunch of moose-body hair and tie in as tail. Trim off butt ends.
2. Tie in a small bunch of poly yarn at mid-shank; wrap floss or thread over it down to the end of the shank. Wrap the floss or thread back up to mid-shank, making sure the poly is completely covered. Trim off butt ends of poly.
3. Pull the poly up and over the top of body. Secure with a few tight turns of body material. If you are using floss, switch to thread.
4. Divide poly into two wings. Set wings into position and set into position as you would in any “Wulff” type pattern.
5. Tie in two hackles. Wrap one hackle to the head area and secure its tip. Wind second hackle forward and through the first. Secure and trim tip ends. Whip finish head.
6. Pull the yarn wings together and, with a single snip, trim them to wing length. Apply head cement to the thread head and you are ready to fish.

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