



The Fly Line

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September Chapter Meeting

Westbrook Club House

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

Beaverton, OR 97005

Wednesday, September 1, 2010

7:00 – 7:30	Club business and activities meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome to newcomers ▪ Planning for September 18th club outing to Coldwater Lake in the St. Helen's monument ▪ Update on the Owyhee weeklong trip Oct. 4-8 and Crooked River trip on Oct. 8-9 ▪ Shared lies and fishing stories
7:30 – 8:30	Floating and fishing the Alagnak River in Alaska with member Greg Kohn
8:30 – 9:30	Raffle drawing (tickets will be sold throughout the meeting). Echo Solo Rod to be raffled off, as well as several other items. Meeting adjourns.

Alagnak River Presentation

Member Greg Kohn hosted a week-long float trip down the Alagnak River in Alaska earlier this spring. Accompanying him were members Carson Taylor and Hal Gordon, along with Harris Cover, a friend of Hal's. Their primary target was large rainbow trout, and the river did not disappoint them. This presentation will provide you an excellent opportunity to find out how you can put together a "trip of a lifetime" on an affordable budget. If you ever wanted to fish in Alaska, don't miss Greg's presentation.



The annual picnic, held at Cook Park, was a great success. An estimated 50 people attended, and everyone enjoyed the ribs and fish. The casting games were a lot of fun, and the raffle was a big hit. Al Bosco won the Echo rod and reel; congratulations to him.

Yakutat: Margaret Walker traveled with Don Nelson's group this summer to the Situk River in Yakutat. She caught her first salmon ever – actually many of them! The photo below shows her as a very happy lady indeed.



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September President Message

September has a lot going on for a FLY FISHERMAN. First of all, the lakes start to turn over (warm to cold) and the big fish in lakes start to come back within the top foot or two of the surface. This time of the year can present some of the BEST fly fishing.

September for me has always meant the time to start steelhead fishing. Get out the 7 wt and head for the Deschutes River. You will never get over the pull of a big steelhead and seeing your backing for the first time since you put it on your reel. A good day on the Deschutes will give you a lot of memories for the rest of your life.

Everyone needs to catch a steelhead.

In September, you start seeing October caddis and when I think of October caddis, I think of sea run cutthroat trout. I always make a trip or two to the coastal rivers to look for cutthroat. If you ever want a good picture of a trout, an 18 inch sea run will do the job for you. I am still looking for MY picture, but I will get it someday – this fall, I hope.

MORE fishing days,
Chuck

Upcoming Events

September 1stMonthly Meeting at Clubhouse

September 15th6:30 p.m., Board Meeting at Clubhouse

7:00 p.m., Fly Tying Night at Clubhouse

September 18thClub Outing: Coldwater Lake

October 6thMonthly Meeting

October 4th – 8thOwyhee River Outing

October 8th-9thCrooked River Outing

**October 20th6:30 p.m., Board Meeting
7:00 p.m., Fly Tying Night**

November 3rdMonthly Meeting

November 13th – 14thDeschutes River Outing

**November 17th6:30 p.m., Board Meeting
7:00 p.m., Fly Tying Night**

December 1stHoliday Banquet

Fly of the Month - Carey Bugger



Category	Trout - Smallmouth Bass
Hook	Long-Shank Curved Nymph, size 6-10
Weight	Gold bead
Thread	Brown 6/0 or 8/0
Tail	Marabou – brown Krystal Flash - lime green
Butt Hackle	Hen Cape - tan
Body	Peacock Herl
Hackle Wrap	Furnace Saddle Hackle
Ribbing	Copper Wire - fine
Collars	1 st Collar – Pheasant Rump – natural 2 nd Collar – Brown filoplume

History: A derivative of the Carey Buggy. Adapted from a pattern discovered by Hal Gordon. Used primarily as a Stillwater fly in our local lakes.

Variations: There are many variations of the fly: bead head or not; weighted or not, common colors include black, olive and brown. Usually tied in a size 8 on straight or curved nymph streamer hooks.

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.

How to Tie:

- 1) Slide a bead on the hook. Add lead-free wire wraps if a heavier fly is desired.
- 2) Tie in the marabou tail. Tail should be short, about 1.5X width of hook gap. Tie in 3 strands of Krystal flash either side of tail and cut off just slightly shorter than the marabou.
- 3) Just in front of tail tie in 3-4" piece of copper wire leaving the strand sticking out the back of the fly. This will be ribbing to secure the palmered hackle.
- 4) At the butt of the fly tie in 4 pieces of peacock herl and wrap these forward, tying them off just behind the bead. Keep the body slim.
- 5) Tie the butt of a saddle hackle (or similar) in just behind the bead. The quills should be about half as long as the hook gap. Wrap the hackle clockwise toward the back of the hook (about 4 wraps). Now use the copper wire to catch and secure the hackle by wrapping it forward (about 4 wraps) and tie off the wire with the thread.
- 6) Tie in the tip portion of a pheasant rump feather about 1/8 inch behind the bead. The quills should be about 1/2 to 3/4 the length of the hook shank. Make 2-3 wraps of the feather and tie off.
- 7) Now secure the tip of filoplume between the pheasant and bead. Wrap the entire filoplume behind the bead and secure. (A filoplume is an appendage or part of a feather. It appears to be a small delicate 'feather' attached at the base and on the underside of a larger feather. Not all feathers have filoplumes. See photo above.)
- 8) Whip finish and cement.

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