

P.O. Box 734 Weiser, Idaho 83672

News

Special Summer Edition, August 2009

Officers (Outgoing)

President-

549-0796 Jim Gulu 1st Vice Pres-

549-0686

Bill Betts 2nd Vice

Pres-Dave Steppe 549-1468 Past President-

Perry Kelley 549-0538 Secretary-

Lynette Jones 549-0430 Treasurer-

608-0067 Mary Thompson

Board Members (Outgoing)

642-2366 Roy Davis John Hickey 452-6357 Mary Orwig 642-549-2545 4667Mark Sands Nando Mauldin 549-2883 Dick Garrett 549-1311

Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Idaho Pizza, 1255 State Street, Weiser.

Committees

Outings: Jim Gulu, George Kautz, Rod Jones, Al Sillonis

Library: George Kautz, Rod Jones. Dick Garrett

Fund Raising: Lynette Jones, Mary Thompson

Membership: Bill Betts, Dave Steppe

Conservation: Mark Sands. Nando Mauldin

Budget: Mary Thompson, Lynette Jones

Publicity: Dave Steppe

Newsletter: Perry & Sally Kelley, Mary Thompson, Dick Garrett

Education: Mary Orwig

Youth Activities: Mike Thomas, Mark Sands. Ken Gissell

Greeters: Dave & Anne Steppe

Historian: Suzanne Orwig

President's Message

Indianhead Fly Fishers Summer Picnic

Spey Casting Clinic @ Ann Morrison Park, Boise.

The second annual Indianhead Fly Fishers summer picnic will be held Saturday August 22, 5:00 PM at the picnic shelter at Weiser Memorial Park. Please bring your family and friends. Fried chicken will be provided as well as plates, cups and plastic silverware. Please bring a potluck dish and your own beverage. There will be a flycasting contest and a special family game. A good time will be had by all. Last year's picnic was a huge success with a large turnout. For further information call

Bill Betts, 549-0686,

Jim Gulu 549-0796, or

Perry Kelley, 549-0538.

John Wolter's Anglers will hold its second annual spey casting free clinic Sunday August 23 on the Boise River at Ann Morrison Park in Jeff Putnum, noted spey-Boise. casting guru, will head the instruction.

Rods and reels and lines will be provided for those who do not have their own. Hours will be 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. All participants will have a chance to win an Orvis fly rod. John stated that last year's clinic was a huge success and this year's promises to be even better.

Call Perry or Bill if you need more information.

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEMBERS

Incoming President, Bill Betts, will take over the reigns of the Indianhead Fly Fishers at the first Board meeting, September 1. Bill will be looking for two board members to replace the two outgoing board members, and he will be looking for a 2nd Vice President since Dave Steppe will be moving up to 1st Vice President. Please contact Bill if you have an interest in getting involved with the future of the Club.

What A Summer

by Perry Kelley

This has been a less-than-interesting summer in many of our fly fishing careers. It seems that we have all had to endure strange weather--lots of wind, high water some places and very little water other places, uncooperative fish, and traffic cops. Places where we would normally catch 20 or 30 fish we would be lucky to land one. What happened to the big fish? One day I actually caught a fish smaller than the fly I was using. If I were using a #6 Woolly Bugger it wouldn't been so bad but on a #22 Zebra Midge! Believe it or not. I actually was completely skunked three times this summer, each time right in front of my peers. When I got home all I could say was, "Zippo!" My confidence cloud was completely shot down. At least it has made me more or less humble. I found myself at the tying bench rather than on the stream. At least I have come up with some new and exciting tying techniques. More on that later on this year.

This brings me up to the topic of today's column. Several years ago I ran across a book that was full of excuses for having poor fishing. I should have bought it for this summer; I certainly could have used it. Oh, I can use the usual excuses: change in barometric pressure, full moon, muddy water, low water, water is too warm or cold, too many fisherman, and too many predators. What I really need is some more creative excuses, ones that sound legitimate. I would like some help.

If you can think of good excuses that will get you off the hook (no pun intended) when you come home from a fishing trip in a foul mood, please write them down or e-mail them to me. We will make up a list by the end of the year for all. We will have our own IFF 2000 Reasons WeDidn't Catch Fish. My e-mail address is: pskelley@ruralnetwork.net.

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Check out the progress being made on the Weiser Pond.



Finally— the construction of the pond started Mon., Aug 10, at least 2.5 years later than Sands and I thought it would start. There are pictures on flyflingers of the beginning day. Perry has pictures of the pre-construction (settling pond? etc.).

Mike Thomas (Monday, 8/10/09)



Photos by Mike Thomas









Water has already started to percolate into the pond!



"If a man is truly blessed, he returns home from fishing to be greeted by the best catch of his life." ~ E. Hubbard (thanks Robert)



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Sept 8 — IFF Membership 6 pm—Fly Tying 7 pm—Membership

Sept 15 — Fly Tying Clinic 7 pm — Weiser Library



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