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News Caster

November 2013

President's Message

by Tom Dyer

Although it is not a message from Tom; I thought I would take his space this month to apologize for the lateness of this newsletter. On the move to Arizona this time, I have had numerous problems with the computer, the least of which is a loss of internet files which contained all of my contacts, include those of the club. I finally got squared away enough to get this newsletter out

Again, my apologies.

I am finding it necessary to change email carriers once again. Please contact me at my new, and probably temporary if things don't improve, address at:

Gframes_dick@hotmail.com

Don't forget the meeting tonight.

Although you had no choice, Thanks for your patience.

Dick

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Programs: Tom Dyer

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Join in the Fun!

Meeting tonight

November 12, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Idaho Pizza, Weiser

What Can a Fly Fisherman Catch?

By Perry Kelley

The other day in the coffee shop, the subject of fishing and especially fishing in the good old days came up. As expected, the subject spawned (no pun intended) a myriad of stories, biases and prejudices from the contention of caffeine partakers present. There were bass fishermen, fly fishermen, catfish catchers and, of course, bank maggots (Marvin Orwig s favorite slam). In the heat of the conversation it was pointed out that the only fish to take a fly is a hatchery trout. Other species of fish would never be fooled by a lure that really did not look, smell and taste like the real thing. Although I did not contribute to the discussion, I started to think of the many different species and sizes of fish that I have caught in my 64 years of fly fishing. I m sure that many of you have experienced much of the same fly fishing really does not limit the variety and size of your take. Here is a list of some of the fresh water fishes that I have landed with my fly rods.

- Trout: Rainbow, steelhead, west slope cutthroat, Yellowstone cutthroat, Lahontan cutthroat, bull trout, brook trout, golden trout, brown trout, lake trout, rainbowcutthroat hybrid.
- Warm water fishes: yellow perch, crappie, bluegill, sunfish, walleye, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass.
- Anadromous salmon: Chinook (hooked but not landed), coho (silvers), humpies (pinks), sockeyes (reds), chums (dog salmon)
- Landlocked salmon: Kokanee, coho, chinook
- Whitefish and grayling: Mountain whitefish, grayling
- Pike: Northern pike
- Catfish: bullheads, channel catfish, other unidentified catfish
- Rough fish: pikeminnow, suckers, chubs, carp, skulpin, dace, shiners
- Birds: Ducks

The purpose of this article is not to prove a point or win an argument, but to reflect on the many species of fish that have taken a fly during my life of fly fishing. The ducks that I have hooked were diving ducks that were snagged with nymphs and sinking lines. Most of you can compile a similar list of species of fish taken with flies. The point taken is fly fishing is a viable and effective method of fishing. Let s hope our children, and grandchildren can have fishing experiences like ours in the future.

Learn to tie flies like a pro



We will Fish for Food!

How would you like to arrange a three day fishing trip out of state(or in state) where you do not need a license or steelhead tag and have someone offer to feed you three meals a day—no charge?? Well that is what Indianhead Fly Fishers Charlie Daniels, Frank Thomas, Mike Thomas and guest Bruce Hamilton were invited to do on October 22,23, and 24. The invite was given by Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife. The location was the lower Grande Ronde River near Troy, Oregon. We were among some 40 volunteers in this project whose goal was to catch 50 or more hatchery steelhead for hatchery broodstock in 2014. By collecting these fish for broodstock, they (OFW) hope their offspring will continue to enhance the "fall" Grande Ronde steelhead fishery into the future.

Two of us fished with fly rods and two with spinning rods. The bait bouncer (CD) landed a "native" steelhead the first day that we had to release. The bobber-jig fisherman (FT) caught the lone hatchery steelhead the second day. This was the only steelhead transported that day to the hatchery in Enterprise, Oregon. No steelhead were caught on our third morning of fishing. Our guest, Bruce, caught a 19' Bull trout and a small Rainbow trout. Ole (MT) made well more than the 1000 casts necessary to catch a steelhead and not even a sucker did he catch. In fact he even resorted to fish with small flies in order to catch a small trout and not get "skunked" to no avail, neary a bite did he git!!—Damn-- He did, however, consume the following: 2 BBQ chicken breast, 3 pounds of pasta, a gallon of baked beans, 23 candy bars, 24 apples, 3 pounds of pulled pork sandwiches, 9 (small) bags of potato chips, 6 ham, beef, turkey, and cheese(3 kinds) sandwiches,14 cookies and 3 cans of Natural Ice beer

Look for this invitation next year? You need your own fishing gear and a place to stay! The Shilo Inn at Troy has 3 rooms with a bathroom down the hall (one that was semi-destroyed by tornado type snoring).

The scenery was exceptional. The weather was in the 70's. The fishing was great. The catching was poor. But the food was great. All at NO CHARGE {except for the beer}.

The Indianhead Fly Fishers will be presenting a beginning fly tying class this winter. The class is open to anyone interested in learning how to make their own flies. Materials, and instruction will be provided free of charge, and tools will be loaned for the duration of the class.

People interested should contact Perry Kelley at 549-0538 or 707 2112 (cell).



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Your membership dues are due. Please see Jim Gulu and pay ASAP so he doesn't have to get rough with you.

Ed & Nina Gammons,

Al Sillonis,

Michael Bishop





Perry (left) and Al (below) found some good fishing at Malheur Reservoir this past month and a nice brown {bottom left) was caught by Marv at Owhyee River

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Seriously, there are some fine fish to be had on the Owyhee.

Coming Events

Nov 5—IFF Board, 7 pm Idaho Pizza

Nov 12—IFF Membership Meeting—7:00 pm Idaho Pizza

Nov 19– Fly Tying at Weiser Library—7:00 pm



"Let's jump a few times just to drive the fly fishers crazy!"

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Of course, folk fish for different reasons. There are enough aspects of angling to satisfy the aspirations of people remarkably unalike Maurice Wiggin					1	2
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