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SEPTEMBER MEETING

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Farm House Restaurant, La Conner

Wet Fly: 6:00PM

Dinner/General Meeting: 7:00PM

2014 Skagit River Salmon Festival
Saturday, September 6th, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Fidalgo Fly Fishers

Casting

The casting equipment supplied will be three nine feet TFO 5/6 wt rods, lines and reels, two eight and one half feet TFO 5 wt rods, lines and reels, one Echo Micro Practice rod and one Joan and Lee Wulff Fly-O rod. The leaders will be 5 to 6 feet monofilament with a piece of yarn attached to the tip. There will be two rings for targets and a rod rack. If needed, we will use yellow tape to create a safe casting area of 30 feet, facing the public, by 60 feet deep. The purpose for the club casters is to give young and old alike a short, fun experience learning the basics of casting.

Casting Coordinator: Richard Raisler

Instructors schedule:

11:00 to 1:00 Ann Nash Russ Osenbach and Oliver Iversen

1:00 to 3:00 Deene Almig and Alice Turner

3:00 to 6:00 Russ Osenbach and Carl Hendricks

Fly Tying

The Skagit River Salmon Festival will be open to the public from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm; however, the hours above reflect the fact that we will have to set-up and take-down our booth with canopy, chairs, tables, banners, etc. This year the Festival will be located at the Swinomish Casino on a grassy area near the Swinomish Channel.

The Club will provide the fly tying materials in individual packets, fly tying tools, and our new Renzetti travel vises. The fly pattern for the public to tie with individual assistance from Club members is the Woolly

Worm. The fly tying demonstration pattern is the colorful Knudson Cutthroat, our Club logo. The Club fly tiers will receive via email these fly tying recipes in advance, so they could practice them, if desired. Examples of these fly patterns will be available at our booth. Bring your comfortable folding chair. The Festival will give us one free table.

Bring two 6ft. tables and 10 folding chairs from Consumer Rental: Bruce Freet
Bring the Club canopy and banner: Richard Raisler
Club information handouts: Boshie Morris or Bruce Freet
Renzetti traveler vises (5): Carl Hendricks
Fly Tying tools and material packets; and fly rod rack: Bruce Freet
Set-up Crew (10 to 11 am): Tim Cooley, Patrick Smedlie, Bill Brodie, Loren Greenwood, and Oliver Iversen

Fly Tying Coordinators: Bruce Freet, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm; and Bill Fairey, 2:00 to 6:00 pm

11 am to 1:00 pm: First Team of Fly Tiers (and set-up crew, starting at 10 am)
Danny Beatty
Tim Cooley
John Freeman (also Club photographer)
Robin LaRue

11:00 to Noon Fly Tying Demonstration: Danny Beatty
Noon to 1:00 pm Fly Tying Demonstration: Bruce Freet

1:00 to 3:00 pm: Second Team of Fly Tiers
Dennis Wilson
Russ Osenbach
Brian Faber (?)
Ellie Wright

1:00 to 2:00 pm Fly Tying Demonstration: Russ Osenbach
2:00 to 3:00 pm Fly Tying Demonstration: Brian Faber (?)

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm: Third Team of Fly Tiers
(take down crew)
Patrick Smedlie
Jim Paget

Greg Peterka
David Priebe

3:30 to 4:30 pm Fly Tying Demonstration: Greg Peterka

Return tables and chairs to Consumer Rental: Ryan Johnson

Take-down: Ryan Johnson, Jim Paget, Bill Brodie, and David Priebe

The crowd will probably decline to the extent that the take-down can begin about 5:30, but we are committed to stay until 6:00 pm. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Bruce Freet, who is coordinating the fly tying portion of the Fidalgo Fly Fishers booth. Thank you very much for donating your time and talent.



Description:

This sea-run cutthroat trout fly was originated in the 1930's by Al Knudson of Everett and is the Fidalgo Fly Fishers Club logo. Al Knudson invented cutthroat trout, salmon, and steelhead flies. He was a guest speaker for Fidalgo Fly Fishers meetings in 1978 and 1979. Many of his flies are on display at the Western Washington University museum collection on Pacific Northwest fly fishing. The Knudson Cutthroat fly is bright and colorful: red tail, beard, and under-wing; yellow body; flat silver tinsel, and a white over-wing. This is an excellent fall sea-run cutthroat trout fly pattern because both yellow and red are favorite cutthroat colors.



Description:

In England during the fifteenth century, a book mentions “dressing” a fly by winding a feather the full length of the hook. Today, this feather is palmered or wrapped with the underside facing the hook eye to produce a waving “leg” motion when the fly fisher strips the fly line. However, Don Martinez of West Yellowstone is credited with popularizing this pattern in the United States during the 1930s. While the Woolly Worm looks like a caterpillar, it is most likely an attractor fly pattern. Its profile and bottom retrieve could simulate a dragonfly larvae, leech, or small forage fish like a sculpin.

Up Coming Events:

Skagit Salmon Festival September 7th

Lynnwood, WA: February 14 & 15

Photo of the Month