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January 2015

January Program

Rich Youngers—Winter Steelheading



Rich Youngers, Salem's professional guide, will be our guest speaker this month. Rich has great ideas and techniques to find and catch coastal Steelhead, Salmon, and Cutthroat.

With 20 years of fishing and guiding experience, Rich offers a wealth of information for you to pursue these noble fish.

RICH YOUNGERS-WINTER STEELHEADING

Special Float Trip Raffle

At the January monthly meeting we will have a drawing for the special Rich Youngers guided float trip for 2 anglers. The prize is a float trip with one of Oregon's premiere fly fishing guides on a selection of rivers. Options include a Steelhead float on the Nestucca River, one of Rich's specialties. Raffle tickets are still available for sale. They go for \$10 per ticket. If you purchase 5 tickets, you receive one additional bonus ticket.

Board Meeting

Monday January 5, 2015

7:00 PM

Garibaldi Family Restaurant

General Meeting

Thursday January 8

7:00 PM

Pringle Community Center

January Outing

Saturday January 24

Wi-Ne-Ma Lake

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Wi-Ne-Ma Lake— January 24 Fly fishing Outing to the Oregon Coast

January Outing to Wi-Ne-Ma Lake

If you haven't already done so, check out our list of outings here in the newsletter or on our website. Should be something for everyone!

On January 24, we will fish the lake at Camp Wi-Ne-Ma on the coast. It has a good population of native Cutthroat Trout that have been very cooperative the last few years.

To get there, drive west on Highways 22 and 18 and either drive to Highway 101 and turn right or take the Three Rivers Highway, turn left on the Little Nestucca River Highway at Dolph Junction and then left on Highway 101. The Camp Wi-Ne-Ma Road turns west off of Highway 101 between Mileposts 93 and 94 just north of the viewpoint.

A floating device provides the best access, but one can fish from the shore at a couple of spots. Use a light rod with either floating or intermediate line. Use woolly buggers or other subsurface flies, probably with a bead head for floating line. Green has been a successful color.

Leroy will have things open shortly after 8:00, with hot coffee available, and will serve lunch around noon for a nominal fee of \$5. If the weather does not cooperate, bring your fly tying gear or we can also practice casting inside. This is a wonderful way to start a new year!

Northwest Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo

Mark your calendar for the NW Fly Tyers & Fishing Expo in Albany on March 13 and 14, 2015

Our club will again be managing the silent auction and we need volunteers to help with that. Volunteers will get free admission for a couple hours of help. Ken will have a sign-up sheet at the club meeting.

www.nwexpo.com

From the President

Well, I'm back! Being club president is really a fun thing and not much effort, with a lot of help from the Board and other volunteers, but I don't plan to serve a fourth term next year, unlike our Governor.

I don't plan to change much from what our club is already doing, but we're always open to suggestions. To start with, The Board has set some fun outings for 2015. We may want to add another one or so and, as you may have noticed, we will try a mid-week one at a popular destination.

Right now, we need to help Tim have a successful auction in February to help us pay for interesting meeting programs and the other costs that we must pay for our existence and operation. Read Tim's article to see how you can help.

Also, we have been helping Frank Flux with our Project Healing Waters program, which helps veterans who are interested in learning about and doing fly tying and fly fishing. Several of our members have been quite involved with this. A current project will be to assist several vets in building a fly rod. Contact me at KenKarnosh@gmail.com or Frank at 1finespringer@gmail.com if you would like to help.

Have a happy and prosperous 2015! See you at the meeting and on the water.



Ken Karnosh—SFC President

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Board Members Wanted

The Santiam Flycasters want you! We are looking for a few good men and women. If you are interested in helping decide who our presenters are and where we go for our outings, please join us. Or, if you just want to find out what goes on during the board meetings or want to share your opinion; please join us.

No experience needed, just your interest in fly fishing is all it takes to be a board member.

Fishing with the Frog

By Howard Palmer

Christmas is for Kids

Christmas, this year, has truly been an educational experience, and, I learned several things in the process. One of the more important things dealt with what not to do if you agree to sell flies at your local Craft Fair. If you do, start the day after Christmas in order to be ready the following November. It takes a lot of flies to stock a booth, and I am not talking about individual flies. No! No! I am referring to dozens of flies. Like in a gross of dozens. And, they don't get tied overnight.

As is my usual way of doing things, I kept putting it off and putting it off. When I finally decided it was time, I was almost out of it (time) and that resulted in my spending far more time tying flies each day than my loving better half thought I should be as, according to her, there were "*important things*" to get done. You know, things like putting up the outside lights and getting all the Christmas boxes down from the attic.

I did eventually get about 80—90 dozen made up plus a number of display flies. Throw in a few pair of Earrings, and a few Santa Flies, and I was able to put in a decent showing at the two Craft Fairs. The lights got put up; the boxes got removed from the attic; and, all the "*really important stuff*" got done. Joy of joys, it is almost time to put it all away. I really hope it doesn't take too long because now I need to refill all the little boxes with flies so that I can get started on another gross or so to add to next year's stocks. Luckily, I was able to sell enough to replenish my fur and feather supply and I am almost looking forward to planning for next fall.

The second thing that I learned (*like all old people throughout history*) is that children of today are ridiculously smarter than those of my generation. I recently got a new "SMART PHONE" which, with a little trepidation, I am now able to answer. (*Sometimes.*) Actually, I can even retrieve my E-mails, get on Facebook, and play Words with Friends. I really thought I was doing a good job with it. That is, until I spent Christmas Day with our 4 year old Great Grandson, who proceeded to SHOW ME how to play video games on his.

My first question was "Why in the world does a 4 year old need a Smart Phone in the first place"? My second was "Where, in heavens name, do they learn how to use one?" And, then it hit me. As I looked around the room, at least 6 or 7 adults were busy playing with their Smart Phones. Well, what is a child to do? That's easy; you learn what all the fun is about and get involved. After all, I remember when my own children learned to change the channel on our Black and White TV; right after we had more than one channel. So, I guess it's all relevant. In the meantime, I really need to practice my video game techniques so I can whip that little darling's butt, the next time I see him.

On second thought, as smart as he is, what I really need to do is put a Fly Rod in his hand and teach him how to fly fish. It shouldn't take long at all, before he can learn to out fish Great Grandpa just like every one else.

Tight lines,

Howard

*2015 Santiam Flycasters
Annual Auction —
Thursday, February 12*

Make sure to mark your calendar for this important date. The Santiam Flycasters Annual Auction is a win-win for our club. It raises funds necessary to cover speaker fees, Pringle Hall rental fees, outing costs, and other expenses. Membership fees are not enough to cover all of these costs. The auction also benefits club members by providing fly fishing, camping and related items at a good value.

We receive some of the auction items from fly fishing equipment manufacturers, retailers, outfitters, and fly shops. However, many of these items come from our own members in the form of hand-tied flies and fly fishing equipment and camping supplies. So, please consider tying a dozen or so flies for the auction (we will provide the fly boxes). If you have the skills, mounted display flies are popular items at the auction.

Also, consider donating one of your surplus fly rods, reels, fly lines, fly tying tools and materials, or camping equipment. Donated items should be clean and in good condition (one flyfisher's surplus is another's treasure).

For more information, please contact Tim Johnson, this year's auction coordinator, at tim.the.fisherman@gmail.com or 503-363-8435.

2015 Outings Schedule

January 24	Wi-Ne-Ma Lake
February 21	Middle Fork of the Willamette
March 21	Crooked River
April 11	Willamette River
May 23	Davis Lake
June 13	Trail Bridge Reservoir
June 27	Deschutes River (Warm Springs to Trout Creek)
July 11	East Lake
July 25	North Santiam River (Stayton to Shelburn)
August 15	Metolius River
August 19	Three Creek Lake
August 22	South Umpqua River
September 12	Salmon River
September 26	Willamette River
October 10	Crooked River
October 24	Deschutes River (Warm Springs to Trout Creek)
November 14	Trask River
November 21	Nestucca River

FOR SALE:

- Griffith Montana Mongoose Fly Tying Vise...\$175.

New... Never used...includes base, C-clamp, bobbin rest, material holder...etc.

- FREE FURLING BOARDETC. I have an 8 ft board/jig for making furled leaders... [not braided]... that I will give away to anyone interested. I have a second that I would sell for \$25.

I also have a variety of platforms/machines for making dubbing brushes that I would consider selling.

CONTACT Phil Huewe email: pjhuewe@comcast.net

January Fly of the Month
Sloan's Paralyzer
Presented by Jim Ferguson



designed by Dave Sloan

Hook:	TMC 100 sizes 6 - 10
Wing post:	Calf body hair
Tail:	Two strands of pearl Krystal Flash
Body:	Olive-brown Superfine Dry Fly Dubbing
Rib:	6/0 thread (I used olive, reversed wrapped)
Body hackle:	Grizzly, clipped short
Parachute hackle:	Grizzly
Under wing:	Pearl Krystal Flash
Wing:	Elk body hair (I used elk bleached cream/white)

This fly is pictured and featured in an article, "Lower Yuba River, CA", by Greg Vinci printed in the November / December 2014 issue of "**Northwest Fly Fishing**." This fly looks like a good one to use in any pocket water where stones or caddis are present.

Step -By - Step Directions *See pictures at end of text.*

1. Mount hook in the vise, attach thread leaving head space and wrap a thread base to the half way position on the shank and then wrap forward to the 1/3 shank position. (Fig. 1).
2. Select, stack, pre-glue and attach the white calf body hair with the waste ends to the rear. (Fig. 2) Raise the butt ends to almost vertical and trim the butts. This should produce a slanted butt cut off zone. (Fig. 3) Tie down the stubs, bring your thread forward to a position in front of the calf body hair. Raise the calf tail up to form the wing

post and make several wraps in front. Make wraps up the wing post and back down and form the post so it stays vertical. (Fig 4) Apply head cement to the wraps and post.

3. Wrap the thread to the rear tail tie in position. (Fig 5)
4. Attach two strands of Krystal Flash to form the tail. I took the thread a little forward and tied in the strand of Krystal Flash on top of the shank near the post waste end and then folded the Flash over towards the rear and bound down the Flash. This fills in the drop off behind the wing post tie down. Trim the tail to about body length or $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the gape. (Fig 6)
5. Attach the thread ribbing material. I used a doubled over olive 6/0 thread. Attach the body hackle. If you use a regular sized hackle, the directions are to trim it short. I used a midge sized hackle and did not have to trim it shorter. (Fig 7)
6. Take the thread almost to the back tail tie in position. Dub a body using the Olive-brown Superfine Dry Fly Dubbing. Leave a space for attaching the wing behind the post. I went a little too far forward in my example. (Fig 8)
7. Wrap the hackle forward over the body using about 5 or 6 open turns. Tie off the waste. Reverse wrap the ribbing thread while wiggling it thru the hackle fibers. Tie off the rib waste material. Trim the hackle and ribbing waste. (Fig 9)
8. Tie on the under wing Pearl Krystal Flash. (Fig 10)
9. Select, clean, and stack the Elk body hair for the wing. I pre-glue and pre-cut the wing material. Tie on the wing making several secure wraps. Cement the covered stub area. (Fig 11) The wing should extend back to the bend or just slightly longer. My wing is a little long and sparse. You can make a wrap around the elk hair butts prior to securing it to the shank. Wrap forward in tightening wraps and come back with some secure wraps but do not make a real tight wrap at the initial tie in location. If you do, the wing material will flare. more than you want.
10. Select and prepare the grizzly hackle by stripping off the fluff. Tie in the hackle stem by the butt in front of the post. Leave enough bare stem to bind it down to the post. Bind the stem to the post and bring the thread back to the wing tie in position. (Fig 12)
11. Dub a thorax and wrap the dubbing behind and in front of the wing post. End with the thread just in front of the wing post. (Fig 13)
12. Wrap the hackle around the post. Each wrap should be just below the one above it. Tie off the hackle by taking the thread up and around the stem binding it to the post. Wiggle the thread as you make several wraps to keep from binding down hackle fibers. (Fig 14) Bring the thread to the front, form the head and whip finish. Trim the hackle tip waste. Put a drop of head cement on the head and post area. There are two ways to wrap the hackle. You can wrap the hackle so the fibers curve down or you can wrap the hackle allowing the fibers to curve up. Books will give advantages to both methods. When wrapped with curve upwards, the fly is supposed to sit a little lower into the water film. Hackle choice is another variable to consider. Usually, we use an oversize hackle for the parachute. With the elk hair wing and dry fly dubbing you might want to scale back the hackle length on the post. (Fig 14)

I cleaned up (trimmed away) some of the hackle fibers to clean up the post zone. (Fig 15) You may want to fuzz up the bottom of the thorax a little.



Fig 1

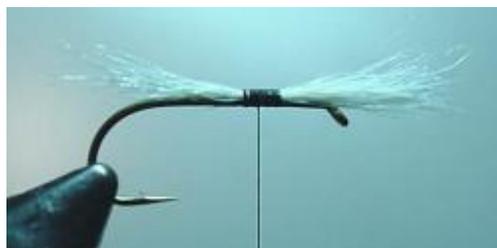


Fig 2



Fig 3



Fig 4



Fig 5



Fig 6



Fig 7



Fig 8



Fig 9



Fig 10



Fig 11



Fig 12



Fig 13

