

ISLAND WATERS FLY FISHERS



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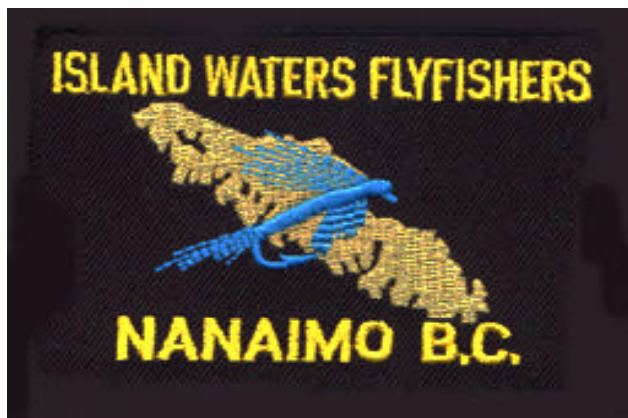


So after 40 trout, Mike reluctantly changed his favourite fly. See page 4.

Island Waters Fly Fishers

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Visit at www.iwff.ca



Meetings at 7:00 pm. on the 4th Tuesday of the Month at the Ukrainian Hall at 4017 Victoria Ave. off Norwell Dr. Visitors and Guests welcome. Phone 390-3266.

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The Island Waters Fly Fishers

The Purpose of our club is as follows:

- To practice, further and promote the art of fly fishing
- To practice and promote fish conservation and enhancement
- To encourage fellowship and sportsmanship amongst anglers



The British Columbia Federation of Fly Fishers (BCFFF) is a registered, non-profit society whose main objective is to promote the conservation of the fishing environment in British Columbia. By networking with similarly minded clubs, organizations, businesses and individuals, the BCFFF provides a voice that reflects its member's and the public's concern for the future of B.C.'s natural resources. Our organization believes that concern for the future of our province's environment is not just the exclusive domain of fly fishers or other recreation groups, but should be the concern of all citizens. Consequently, it is with this broader population in mind that we strive to protect and promote our natural resources for the benefit of present and future generations to respect and enjoy.

Visit the BCFFF on their webpage at <http://www.bcfff.bc.ca/>

An Apology from the Editor

You will notice that this edition is missing the usual insults and unflattering photos that are usually printed. The subjects (and there were pages of them) were spared the embarrassment this time because my computer crashed! It was relatively new and was used for newsletters, photos etc. and as a backup. My mistake was trusting the new one and not backing it up. Luckily I had the photos and stuff from the Haig-Browns so there are a few photos of that event. But my photos of that barbecue, the meeting, guest speaker etc. were lost. Wayne Pealo, you did a great presentation as guest speaker - thanks.

Bernie Heinrichs

Events

June 24, 2008 Ron Busche and Larry Miller are organizing a club picnic at Westwood Lake. Fish all day but come in at 5:30 pm. for hot dogs, smokies, salads etc. supplied by the club. Call Ron at 758-2225 so that we can get a head count or email Bernie.

August 24, 2008 Jack and Elena Toomer, 3015 Andres Rd. (off Jingle Pot Road), have graciously offered their yard and will host this year's Summer Barbecue starting at 2:00 pm. Bring yourself, your spouse, something to sit on, a salad or desert and a refreshment to drink. The Club will provide gourmet hot dogs, smokies, hamburgers and soft drinks.

September 3, 2008 Bob Kissinger's mushroom I.D. Workshop at 7 p.m. in the Woodgrove Save-On-Foods community room (6901 N. Island Hwy.)

September 23, 2008: David Clough will describe the Stream Keeper's Program

October 28, 2008: Tall Tales Night. Bring your fishing story and share it with us.

November 26, 2008: Guest Speaker, AGM and Election of Officers.

December 6, 2008: Christmas Dinner and Auction at the Lantzville Legion.

January 6, 2009: Ton Plynaar has consented to show us some of the advanced techniques used to tie display salmon flies.

February 3, 2009: Bob Leverman will give his eagerly anticipated "Match the Hatch" presentation.

Summer Barbecue



Just when you can't stand the thought of hauling in yet another Eve River Pink and your wife would like to see a bit more of you than your backside as you dash out the door, rod in hand, it's time for the August barbecue.

WHEN: 2 pm, Sunday 24 August

WHERE: Jack and Elena Toomer's,
3015 Andres Rd. (off Jingle Pot Road).

WHAT TO BRING: Yourself, your spouse, something to sit on, a salad or desert and something refreshing to drink. The Club will provide gourmet hot dogs, smokies, hamburgers and soft drinks.

ENTERTAINMENT: We will try to talk someone into organizing another Casting Game or something else.

Mushroom I.D. Workshop

Have you been out fishing and found a patch of mushrooms that you thought were edible but weren't certain?

Well wonder no more. Just come to Bob Kissinger's mushroom I.D. Workshop on the 3rd of September at 7 p.m. in the Woodgrove Save-On-Foods community room (6901 N. Island Hwy.)

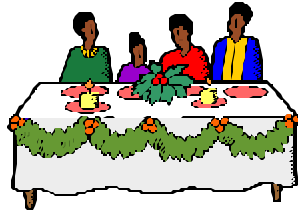
Learn the basics for 12 large common mushrooms that are found on Vancouver Island. Bring along any mushrooms that you want I.D.ed and well as any mushroom books that you may have.

As Bob says the fact that he is still alive after more than a quarter century of picking is proof that it works.



Christmas Dinner/Auction

Christmas is coming,
Christmas is coming!
Just a reminder that
our Christmas Party
is set for the 6th of
December at the
Lantzville Legion so
start collecting your goodies for the auctions
Bob Kissinger will be selling tickets in
September.



Golden Minnow

by Gerry Stevens



June Fishout/Picnic

As we have done for
the last two years, the
June Meeting is not a
meeting. It is a
fishout/picnic instead
and it will be organ-
ized by Ron and Larry
again at the same location - Westwood Lake.
Take time out from fishing, bring your spouse/
guest and join us at 5:30 pm. Smokies, gourmet
hot dogs, salads etc. will all be supplied by the
club. All that we need is to know how many are
coming. Please return Bernie's email when he
sends it out or phone him or Ron Busche at 758-
2225.



Materials

Hook: Mustad 9672 #6
Thread: Black 6/0
Tail: Golden Pheasant Neck
Body: Gold Tinsel
Wing: Jungle Cock
Head: Thread and Epoxy
Eyes: 1.5mm Prismatic Silver

Directions

Tie in the order given above. Coat the head with
clear epoxy.
This fly has been tested and a proven winner. It
caught a few nice trout in Westwood Lake when
all of the previous flies did not. It also did well at
Ellison Lake and Brannen Lake.

Guinness World Record Contender



Mike Orr's Sparkle Leech caught 40 trout. We need to check out that last fish. Did it do all of the
damage? Was it nasty? Was it hungry? On drugs? Full of lice? Mike would probably need more
witnesses and documentation to qualify for the Guinness Record Book - so how about Ripley's
Believe it Or Not?

Fishout/Barbecue with the Haig-Browns



James Tepoorten shows off his prize-winning, 17.25 in. trout. The prize was awarded in abstentia to Frank Gibbons at the barbecue because it was declared to be 17.5 in. (actually 18.5 in.) but he was disqualified because it was taken home. Rule no.16(b)ii declares that all fish must be released unharmed!

Ray Garton was the only Island Waters contestant to step into the winners circle. He had an 11.5 in. bass which was the closest to a “hidden size” prize.



By the time he got home his arms were not long enough!



Beverly Brookman has proof that she caught the longest bass of the derby. It was 12.5 in.



These are the words to one of the songs that James sang at the Westwood Lake Fishout and Barbecue

I'll Give My Old Float Tube Away

by James Tepoorten, December, 2001 (With apologies to Jed Strunk)

I remember the first time I saw it, I remember the first thing I said,
If I go out on that float tube, I know that I'm sure to be dead.
For it's naught but a little kid's pool toy, blown up with a puff of hot air,
With the bag that it's got, it's sure to be caught
By a hook and give me a scare.
But Robinsons' said I must have one. And I bitched to Matt King at the cost,
But he talked of the lakes, and the trout I could take.
Without one, they would be lost.
So, 300 hundred bucks to the poorer, I hauled it on out the front door,
Matt gave me advice, He said, "Don't you think twice,
about going on rivers out there."

Chorus

*I'll give my old float tube away, I'll give my old float tube away,
I'll hate it until, the river's run still. And the four winds
we know blow away.*

The tube sat for months in the box now, Til one morning
at nearby Elk Lake,
I pumped and I pumped, cause' I'd been stumped, by the
valve that float tubers make.

A few of life's lessons in float tubes, I learned of many
that day.

Don't walk frontwards in flippers, If you do – you fall in
the lake.

Another life lessons in float tubes, Keep your backcast under the wind,
Or you'll be stuck in the arm, the hook causing harm,
And no one to pull it out of your skin.

Another life lesson in float tubes, Was just as Ed Boulter found,
Check all of your seams, or we'll hear your scream,
As your tube splits right the way round.



Chorus

This year I found a few new tricks, Watch out backing down slippery rocks,
And don't grab your friend, when you're fallin'in, Or you'll both get watery socks.
And do up the zippers on pockets, Whenever you're out on the lake,
Fly Boxes fall down, where they're sure to drown

To the bottom, an awful mistake.

Don't cut salami in float tubes. I read once in fly magazine.

And don't let loops off your apron. Or they'll tangle your feet, all unseen.

Put your sunblock in the right pocket. And not in the back one up high,
Or you'll twist like an eel, and you're gonna feel,

Your back's gone and you're gonna cry.

Chorus

There's nothing much good about float tubes.
And it scare's me - what's lurking down deep
The weeds grab your watch, the strap cuts up
your crotch,
And the boredom makes everyone sleep.
Don't fix your strap in the water, Or you'll spin
round in circles like Bill.

The fin will fall off, one-leg's a write-off, and It's swimming, not fishing at will.
I've about had it with float tubes. The kicking is hard - no mistake.
The wind blows you round, any time you go down, it's an hour to kick up the lake.
And which type of fins are performers, And cost a small fortune to buy,
With booties, waders and fins, I'm going to begin,
I'm giving pontoon boats a try.

Chorus



Bob Kissinger still has a few of these signs left for distribution to your favourite waters. We would also like to track the amount of garbage that we remove during the season and report it at the end of the year.

Timid Fish Will Rule

Aggressive fish get caught easier and sooner. The laid back ones are left to spawn and pass their characteristics on to their progeny. So, according to a study published by the National Academy of Sciences, the old timers are right: "They just don't fight like they used to".

This study was done by Peter Biro and John R. Post of the University of Calgary on rainbow trout in two small lakes near Merrit B.C. Each lake produced the same result. Active and bold trout are more likely to run into trouble by bumping into gill nets and angler's hooks. They are the ones that grow faster and produce more eggs because they do get more food. The shy, cautious trout grow slower and do not produce as many eggs. It was proven that these traits are passed along to their descendents and sets up genetic selection towards smaller, docile fish. The study also proved that protecting large fish does not necessarily solve the problem because the young broods from them are still zipping around and getting into trouble.

The solution: fly fishers need to develop flies that will attract those timid trout and get them out of the gene pool!

Thank you, Bill McColl, for the information.

Events and Services

Pub Lunches

Come out to the Wellington Pub on Victoria Ave. every Wednesday from 11:30 A.M. to late noon. After the smokers were banished, we took over one of their rooms and are enjoying the new, affordable buffet meals. Guests and new members are especially welcome to join this very informal gathering.

Club Library

The list of books has now swelled to over 85 books.

Larry Miller is the custodian and he will bring your requests to the next meeting if you call him at 390-4495. Check out the list of books on our website. There will be some lists available at the meetings.

Fly Fishing Web Sites

www.iwff.ca

Our club's site contains past issues of the newsletter, fly patterns by our members, photo stories, calendar of events, library books etc.

www.bcfff.bc.ca/

This is the site of the British Columbia Federation of Fly Fishers our parent organization.

www.gofishbc.com/

The site of the Freshwater Fisheries Society of B.C. They are responsible for stocking the lakes all over B.C. Check out their stocking statistics for local lakes and many in the interior of B.C.

www.anglingbc.com

This is the most popular site in B.C. and covers fly fishing, articles, gear, fishing reports, best tackle, fishing clubs, books, forums, resorts etc. for lakes, rivers and salt water.

www.bountyfishing.com/blog/2007/08/07/27-aquatic-lifeforms-you-never-caught-while-fishing/

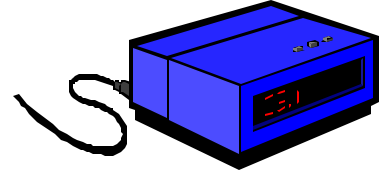
Paul Inscho found this one and it is well worth typing it into your browser

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List of DVD's

See Ed Tremblay (245-8552) at the meetings to check these out



Casting DVD's

Introduction of Spey Casting

Spey Fishing Steelhead

The Art of Spey Casting

Joan Wolf: Dynamics of Fly Casting

Fly Tying DVD's

Brent's Top 10 Lake Flies

Streamer Flies for Trophy Trout

Fishing Still Waters Shrimp and Leeches

Tying the Classic Salmon Fly

Expert Techniques Tying Fly Patterns

Fly Tying: The Anglers Art #1 and #2

Fly Fishing

The Trout Bum Diaries

Top 85 Tips on Fly Fishing for Trout

Expert Techniques for Stillwater Fly Fishing

Fly Fishing 2 and Matching the Hatch

Fly Fishing Large Western Rivers - Winter

Fly Fishing Large Western Rivers - Summer

Fresh Water Fishing Society & Trout Fishing

Successful Fly Fishing - Casting Techniques

Successful Fly Fishing - Salmon, Brook Trout

New Fly Fisher #1

Fly Fishing Salmon

Matching the Hatch

Casting Shadows #1 and #2

Magic of Fly Fishing - Cowichan River

There are also numerous DVD's produced by IWFF on Fly Tying, Fishing Techniques, Casting, etc

We still have the video tapes as listed in previous newsletters.