



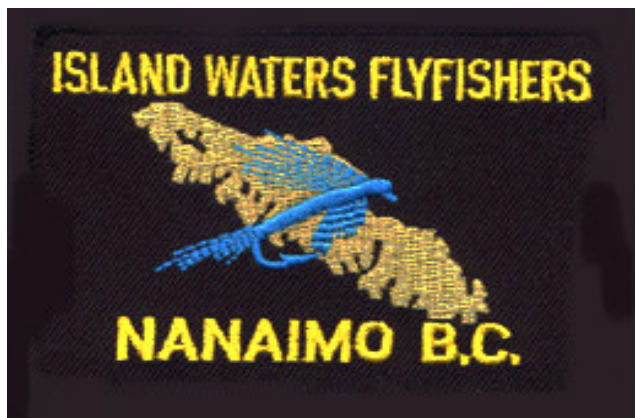
ISLAND WATERS FLY FISHERS



The management of your club is in good hands again! See page 5.

Island Waters Fly Fishers

Email us at iwff@shaw.ca or Phone
390-3266
 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.
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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/>

President's Message

Here's wishing everyone a Happy New Year and a prosperous 2009. First of all I would like to thank Mike Orr for all his help in the past year as a director looking after the web page,



Jack Toomer

Ron Moll as 1st vice in charge of membership, Ed Tremblay for looking after the video's and DVD's and Ray Garton for making the coffee etc. at each meeting. Thanks for all your help guys. While thank yous are being handed out I would like to thank everyone who turned out to help plant trees on the millstone river

on Dec. 12th. Eight members turned out and roughly 24 trees were planted. This all ties in with our Millstone stewardship which is a work in progress. To Bob Kissinger who put on just an excellent banquet and auction at the Lantzville Legion with something just over \$2900.00 being raised for club activities. The club is raffling off an 81/2' Seamor Inflatable. The tickets are all printed and I hope each member will see Brian Lapadat, who is in charge of ticket sales, to take a book of tickets to sell. We are also looking to set up in one of the malls to sell tickets. We will be looking for volunteers - so don't be afraid to put your name forward. Our first meeting of the year will have Ton Plijnaar demonstrating some of his techniques for tying atlantic salmon flies. If you have seen any of Ton's flies you will know that this will be a very informative session. Here's hoping to see everyone at our Jan. 27th meeting.

Jack Toomer
President

Gilly Fund's Electronics Building



Work is progressing on the building that will house the computer and electronics for the video camera that will be installed in the Millstone River Bypass Channel constructed in Bowen Park in 2007. Al Britten, left, is a foreman with the City of Nanaimo and Mel Sheng, DFO and Pacific Salmon Foundation, conceptualized, fund raised and lead the construction of the channel. The Gilly Fund is managed by the BCFFF and paid for the building.

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.

Free Free Free Free

21/2 boxes of 1/2 lb. flat cans and lids for canning salmon.

Bonus: the hand crank canner to seal those cans!

Call Ron Busche: 250 758-2225

Renew Your Memberships

Renewals: \$40.00

New Members: \$50.00

Who can remember the last time the dues were increased?

Register with Lloyd Erickson or see any director at the next meeting.

Wednesday Afternoon Fly Tying

These sessions are held after the Pub Lunch at approximately 1:00 pm at the Woodgrove Save On Foods Meeting Room. These will be held on the first and third Wednesdays until the middle of March (see the schedule below). Most of the demonstrators are members who have not shown us any of their favourite flies. Only one Toony to cover the cost of materials.

Wednesday Fly Tying Schedule:

Nov. 5 - John Ellis - Dugan Lake Nymph

Nov. 19 - Jim McCoy - Bend Back Streamer

Dec. 3 - Ron Schiefke - Tunkwanamid

Jan. 7 - Ted Brookman - Different Shrimp

Jan. 21 - Wayne Legge - Carey Special

Feb. 4 - Bill Pollard - Black Ant

Feb. 18 - Ron Moll - Synthetic Seal Fur Leach
and Gorilla Glue Bodies

Mar. 4 - Doug Peterson - Deer Hair Caddis

Mar. 18 - Leo Snye - Damsel in Distress

Events

January 27, 2009: Ton Plijnaar has consented to show us some of the advanced techniques used to tie display salmon flies.

February 24, 2009: The always popular, Peter Morrison - Topic to be decided.

March 24, 2009: Ralph Shaw - "Jack Shaw";

April 28, 2009: An update on the stocking program by the local Department of Environment's new Fisheries Biologist, Scott Silverstein.

May 26, 2009: Wayne Pealo will be giving us some of his secrets to fly fish for Coho and steelhead in the Skeena River.

June 23, 2009 (or earlier): Picnic and fishout at Westwood Lake.

July - August: Too busy fishing to have meetings

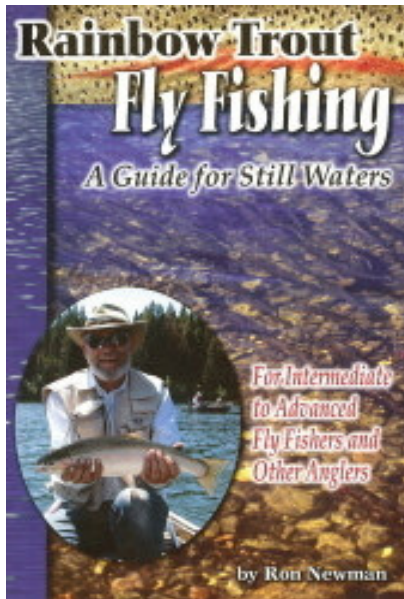
Book Review

By Frank Perilli

Title: **“Rainbow Trout Fly Fishing”**
A Guide for Still Waters:

Author: Ron Newman

Want to know more about Rainbow Trout fly Fishing, How they see, smell, hear, then this is the book for you. If the author doesn't mention it, then it isn't important. Ron Newman has covered everything you will need to know about fly fishing in still waters. The book provides the reader with lots of facts, data, and food for thought.



I found this book very hard to get interested in at first, too many statistics, I thought. The author seemed to ramble on and on about things I was not interested in, but as I pressed on I realized there is a lot more than just casting a fly to the fish.

The author is like a “Fish Whisperer”. He seems to know what the fish are thinking. His data forms a set of stats that are very easy to analyze and as he gets into the types of feed the rainbows like, things really get interesting. He describes the types of bugs they like and when they like to feed, where they like to hide, what water temperatures they prefer. Then he goes on about what type of gear to use to catch them. How to tie certain flies and how to present them to the fish. He talks about how important colour is to the angler, what is an attractor

fly and how it should be retrieved, he even explains the best way to pump out a fish's stomach contents.

Ron has spent over thirty years gathering data and researching information for this book and regardless of what kind of fishing you do you will find something in this book to interest you whether you are an old pro or a new beginner just learning Ron Newman covers it all.

Frank Perilli
Secretary, IWFF

Note: This book is in our library see Larry Miller.

Election of Officers



Roy Sorenson chaired the election of officers again this year. Thank you Roy.

The 2009 Executive and Directors

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2009 Directors



Welcome and congratulations to our 2009 Directors. Standing, left: Lloyd Erickson, Wayne Pealo, Bernie Heinrichs, Bob Kissinger, Tom Skilton, Ron Busche and Brian Lapadat. Seated, right: Frank Perilli, Jack Toomer and Harold Tinling. Leo Snye was re-elected in abstentia (actually he did consent prior to leaving).



Ray Honig, left, presents Bill McColl his prize from the Gilly Draw.



And he also gives one to another winner of the Gilly Draw, Frank Perilli.



Bob Kissinger, right, was sarcastically welcomed back to the winner's circle by Harold Tinling. Bob actually attended two meetings without winning anything! This time he won a pheasant tail donated by Jim McFee



Frank was a dual winner when he also won the fly draw.

Christmas Dinner and Auction



Jack Toomer, far right expressed his gratitude to last year's directors by giving them fly drying stands that he very expertly hand crafted. Left to right: Ron Moll, Bernie Heinrichs, Ron Busche, Harold Tinling, Tom Skilton, Bob Kissinger and Frank Perilli.



Dave Connolly, far right, swears in the 2009 Directors: Ron Busche, left, Wayne Peallo, Harold Tinling, Brian Lapadat, Bernie Heinrichs, Jack Toomer, Frank Perilli, Tom Skilton, Bob Kissinger. Leo Snye was not present.

Christmas Dinner Awards



Frank Perilli, right, accepts the Bill Brown Literary award for his contribution to the newsletter. Take note, guys, you too could be a winner next year - all that it takes is to get your article published.



Bernie accepts the "Member of the Year Award" from Jack Toomer.



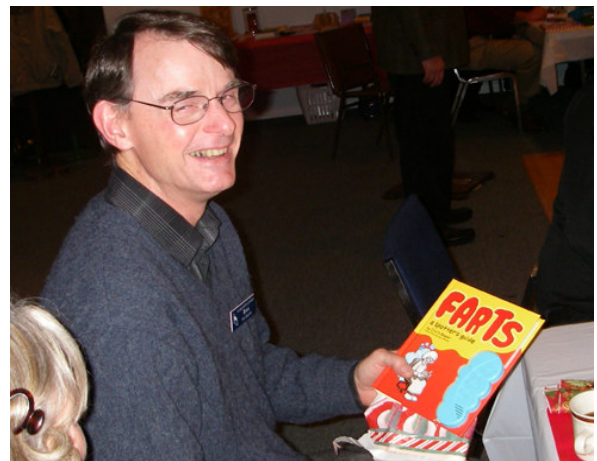
Then it was Jack's turn to receive a gift for his contribution as President during 2008.



Harold Tinling was the winner of the Web Page Draw for a gift certificate. He qualified for this draw by contributing four articles or photos to our web page. Each contribution earned him one entry.



Ron Busche was "rewarded" for his efforts over the last 3 years as Program Director and for his appreciation of fine literary works.



Ron was still smiling, sort of, after he opened his "gift".

Christmas Auction



Larry Miller, auctioneer, with his two elves, Bob Kissinger and Jack Toomer. We don't have small elves in our club!



Bob models the willow cane, walking stick during the auction.



Harold and Mary Tinling were the "Keepers of the Coin" at the auction which netted over \$2900.00 and there is still a raffle coming up in March.



One of the conditions of winning the bidding on this mystery item was that it had to be opened in public. Ray Honig obliged and voila!



Ton Plijnaar displays his shadow box of flies tied from patterns of Canadian stamps. This was a highly desirable item and the bidding went up to \$350.00.

Thank you donors and buyers and especially to Bob Kissinger who organized it and to Tom Skilton who solicited the suppliers. You all made this the most successful auction yet!

Winners



Paul Inscho won the fly rod draw



And Earl Stevens won the Gore Tex rain suit.



Millstone River Tree Planting



Jack Toomer and Larry Bishop unload the firs to be planted beside the Millstone River.

At the November, 2008, meeting a resolution to adopt the Millstone for stewardship was passed unanimously. It did not take long to follow up with action. Eight inches of snow did not deter nine hardy IWFF members from moving and planting 24 tall Douglas Firs along a stretch of prime coho brood waters in the Millstone River. Charles Thirkill, an honourary member, obtained the trees from the NALT Nursery off Spruston Road and had them dug up the weekend before. He took the photos and excluded himself from them. Thanks Charles for these and especially for organizing this great project.



Ron Moll, left, and Jamie Ker tie on the guide ropes to hold this 15 ft. fir from blowing over.



Ray Honig and Bernie Heinrichs also tied a few.



Jamie Ker, left, Ed Tremblay and Ron Busche stake out another large fir.

The land owner, Juergen Blattgerste, observed over 10 spawning coho at a beaver dam just upstream of this site. It was about 10 days prior to the planting.



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WIN THIS SEAMOR INFLATABLE BOAT



Draw: March 31, 2009

Tickets: 1 for \$5.00 or 3 for \$10.00