

IWFF Honorary Member  
**BILL MCCOLL**



Bill hails from Ontario where in his younger years explored various sorts of fishing. Bill retired from the Hudson Bay Company and moved to Nanaimo in 1996.

His family is comprised of his wife Fran, their 3 children and grandchildren.

It was not until he joined IWFF in 1998 that he started to fly fish, tie his own flies and build graphite rods. (under the tutelage of fellow member, John O'Brian). This enthusiasm with fly fishing led him to become a director of IWFF. Most of his fly fishing centred around Vancouver Island, (Westwood Lake, Nile Creek, beach areas, and Eve River to name a few favourite spots).

It should be mentioned that on a particular fishing expedition to the mouth of the Eve River, along with fellow members of IWFF, they beat a hasty retreat to shallower water when an Orca decided to join the troops in pursuit of the pink salmon.

Beside Bill's fishing prowess, he is noted for his ability to always share a story/yarn at the monthly meeting during the Gilly portion of the meeting. These yarns were always looked forward to by the members and fondly missed. It should be noted that Bill's favoured fly was one tied by fellow club member, the late Bill Brown, called the B.B. fly.

Bill McColl, intrepid Fly Fisher and Great Storyteller.

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