# ISLAND WATERS FLY FISHERS





See page 3 for more details on this fly

#### The Island Waters Fly Fishers Box 323, Lantzville, BC V0R 2H0

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

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Meetings on 4th Tuesday of the Month at the Ukrainian Hall at 4017 Victoria Ave. off Norwell Dr. Visitors and Guests welcome. Phone 754-3650 for information. Please leave message.



The DDD - A fly suggested by Bill Luscombe at the May meeting. See page 4 for tying instructions.



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/

Email us at iwff@shaw.ca Visit at www.members.shaw.ca/iwff

# May Meeting

Thirty members and five guests attended the May meeting, Once again we enjoyed a presentation by Bill Luscombe. Bill's topic was Lakes of Vancouver Island. Bill showed slides on fishing the lakes as well.



Bill also had handouts on stocking lists and maps of lakes for the meeting. Bill passed on tips on when to fish the lakes, access to them and flies to use. Thanks once again Bill.

The meeting also approved a pro-rated schedule of membership fees for new members.

The Halibut excursion has been placed on hold until further notice. There is a possibility of it taking place in September. However, it would be on short notice. Leave your name with Doug Winters if you wish notification.

## **Pink Salmon Campout and Fishing**

Another "expedition" is in the works for July. This one is for pink salmon at the Eve River and is being planned by Ken McLaughlin. Watch for details later in this newsletter.

# **Calendar of Events**

**June 25th** Ian Forbes will be visiting us with a presentation. Quite often Ian has an interesting video presentation on his fishing ventures and trips.

July 28th Annual salmon barbeque at Bob and Linda Crampton's residence beginning at 2 PM . A good turnout last year and I will try not to miss it this year. The club will provide the salmon as usual. The rest of the "fixin" and dessert are potluck. So bring your favorite dishes. Bring you own cutlery and dishes and lawn chairs. It is also BYOB.

September Meeting TBA in the next newsletter also in September.



Bob Crampton and the club have received fly fishing gear from a friend of Bob's, Cam Randall, who recently passed away. Our condolences to Cam's family and also our appreciation for the donation to our club. The donated items will be up for auction at the summer barbecue and the proceeds will be donated to some cause in the fly fiishing or conservation area. Bob and the executive along with other interested individuals will make the choice. For more information see the pages on the auction items in this newsletter.

### **Eve River Magic**

#### Hi, Steve,

I'm sending you (attached) a picture of that pink salmon fly the guys use on the Eve River. As you can see, it's built on what appears to be a Mustad hook, robably a number 4, heavy wire. I also saw them tied on stainless hooks. They're dead simple to tie. I've tied mine with black thread, but purists will probably insist on pink.

Anyway, wrap the hook shank about halfway back, then tie in a dozen or so strands of pink crystal flash. Lay them along the hook shank so they extend back to about the bend in the hook, and just past the eye. Wrap the thread from just over the point to the eye. Now tie in your pink chenille, and bring the thread back toward the eve, stopping about 1/8 inch away. Wrap the chenille forward to the same spot and tie it off. Bring the crystal flash back and underneath to form a beard. Tie it off and trim just short of the point of your hook. Using a figure 8 pattern, tie in a pair of heavy bead chain eyes. Make sure they're nice and firm. Touch them with a bit of head cement if necessary, then whip finish and you're done. Simple. Even I can do it.

These flies work better on the Eve River than the standard Pink Eve that we use on the Oyster, because they're heavier. There will be times when you are fishing shallow water, and the Pink Eve will work just fine, but if you're probing the deeper holes or fishing below the riffles, the Pink Eve just won't get down properly, and you'll miss a lot of fish. I imagine the eyes also affect the retrieve, giving the fly a kind of rising and falling action. This may be important.

If the main run is in, toss whatever you want at them. You'll have fishing like you never believed possible. That one day Larry and I went up there, we started fishing around 10:30 or 11:00, had our limits by 1:00, and released fish constantly until we decided to call it a day until 4:30 when the tide forced us off the river.

I lost count of the fish, but between us, we must have easily had 50 or 75 fish. That last hour or two as we worked our way back upstream with the rising tide, we were catching fish on every second or third cast. Most of the time we both had fish on. I've never seen anything like it.

Ever.

Ken

Thanks Ken

# **Eve River Fishout**

#### Hi, Steve,

Here's the deal on fishing the Eve. I've checked the moon, and we're looking at a full moon (read full tide) on July 24 (a Wednesday). My suggested date for maximum fish: the weekend of July 20 and 21. There are a number of factors that could affect us: weather, commercial fishermen, not to mention alien space craft, but barring anything unforseen, July 20/21 looks good. I'm hoping to go up there a week or two ahead of time, just for the day, just to check how the run is coming. It's a beautiful spot, and even if the fish aren't in, it'll be a great day.

So here's how to get there. North from Campbell River, across Salmon River and past the Sayward turn-off. Follow the highway on past Keta Lake (on your left) and Rooney Lake (on your right). Both lakes are marked with signs. Cross the Adam River. (Also signed) About 10 or 15 minutes further on, you will find yourself dropping down into a valley with a steep mountainside crowding you on the left. The next river you cross will be the Eve. Don't cross it. At the bottom of the hill, you will see a wide logging mainline turning off to your right. If you get as far as the river and you are still on the highway, go back. Follow the mainline down to the end. It's quite a ways. I'm guessing, but it's probably 8 or 10 miles. There are warning signs telling you to

keep to the right hand loop, so as to avoid logging trucks. There probably won't be any logging trucks, but follow the signs, anyway. They'll take you past a forestry campsite (signed) at the Junction Pool. It's roomy, flat, and lovely in every way. And the pool in the river is awesome. Highly prized by steelheaders, it will, if our timing is right, be dark on the bottom. That shadow will be fish. Thousands of them. Catch and release here, or carry on down the road to the abandoned dry land sort. You can camp here, too. It's buggy, but it's handy to the estuary, and you can fish all the way down river to the beach. Just follow the trail from the parking area down to the river.

Guys, if you only go on one fishout this year, try to make it this one. Contact me, **Ken McLaughlin at 753-8191.** We're hoping to match people up with transportation, and possibly accommodation as well. Let me know if you have room in your camper and would be willing to take someone along.

Ken

# The DDD (Dave's Delectable Dragonfly) MATERIALS

**Hook:** Mustad 9671 #12 - 14 **Thread:** Black or green monocord

Tail: Pheasant tail fibres

**Abdomen:** 4 strands of peacock herl

**Rib:** None

**Thorax:** Olive Chenille

**Shellback:** Pheasant tail fibres

Beard: None

**Swimmerets:** Pheasant tail fibres

**TYING STEPS** 

- 1. Wrap on tying thread and tie in the tail of 4-5 strands of pheasant tail, about shank length long.
- 2. Secure to the butt 4 stands of peacock herl. Spin to twist then together and wrap to a point mid-way between the hook point and the eye of the hook. Tie off and cut.
- 3. Tie in a small bunch of pheasant tail fibres.

- 4. Tie in the olive chenille and wrap the chenille to just behind the eye. Tie off and cut leaving enough room to tie in the swimmerets and whip finish.
- 5. Pull the pheasant tail fibres over the back, tie off and cut off excess.
- 6. Tie in 4 strands of pheasant tail oat the head so that they trail back along the left side of the fly, about shank length. Repeat for the right side.
- 7. Tie off and whip finish the head.
- "The DDD was originally designed as a dragonfly nymph, but it is too slender to be such, but it makes a great generic nymph pattern as well as a pretty good damselfly nymph imitation. Tie a few up and try them when things are slow; it's one of my favourites." Bill Luscombe

  Thanks Bill.

### **Taters**

- Some people never seem motivated to participate, but are just content to watch while others do the work. They are called "Spec Taters".
- Some people never do anything to help, but are gifted at finding fault with the way others do the work. They are called "Comment Taters".
- Some people are very bossy and like to tell others what to do, but don't want to soil their own hands. They are called "Dick Taters".
- Some people are always looking to cause problems by asking others to agree with them. It is too hot or too cold, too sour or too sweet. They are called "Agie Taters".
- There are those who say they will help, but somehow just never get around to actually doing the promised help. They are called "Hezzie Taters".
- Some people can put up a front and pretend to be someone they are not. They are called "Emma Taters".
- Then there are those who love others and do what they say they will. They are always prepared to stop whatever they are doing and lend a helping hand. They bring real sunshine into the lives of others. They are called "Sweet Taters".

Have a good summer. See you at the BBQ and on the waters. Steve