



ISLAND WATERS FLY FISHERS



First Annual Danish Fly Casting Game: John Buchieri, far left, Earl Stevens, kneeling, Bob Kissinger, Dave Newman, Ralph Carlson and Dave Connolly. See pages 9 to 11.



The Island Waters Fly Fishers
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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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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

We just held our first Director's Meeting since last Spring - great meeting with a great group of guys. They are the ones who make my job so easy. We had to struggle a bit with trying to deal with the change in having to hold our AGM after the Christmas Party and Auction. At first it appeared that the only difference was that we would not be able to swear in the new directors at the Christmas Party. This was a good tradition but could be tolerated. But then we realized that it would be quite awkward to collect for the tickets sales at the October meeting. Also, Jack wanted to collect the auction items a few days before the auction so that they could be sorted into silent and live auctions. The silent auction worked quite well last year. The time of the live auction was reduced to about one hour which was much better than the two hours in previous years. Last year the description cards and incremental prices all had to be done in the half hour before.



Bernie Heinrichs

So it is up to us to organize our donations early (at the October Meeting would be ideal) and to purchase the dinner tickets at the same time. Early payment for these is important because the caterers at the legion need a confirmed number of plates and we are billed on this number. The year before there was a misunderstanding of this requirement which resulted in the club having to pay for over 10 unused and unpaid plates. Sorry about the long discourse on the subject but it does need to be stressed. Oh yes, we did try to change the date of the Christmas Party then the dates of the AGM but to no avail. Next year will be the same unless we can talk Jim into giving us the Legion for the first Saturday in December. But the booking problem was not the only topic discussed. Ron Moll gave us a summary of his research into buying a projector. This could be used by speakers to give presentations from a lap top, DVD player, VCR etc. When someone wants to demonstrate tying a fly, wrapping a rod or knots, a video camera can be used to project the image up on the screen for all to see. It could also be used to play portions of some of the many really informative DVD's that are available now. If you know of a good, recent one, please advise Ron Busche so that we can work it into next year's program. Last Spring Steve taped some of the fly casters at the fly casting clinics at Westwood Lake. We could do the same next year but now we will be able to show all the participants the results of their casting and can readily see where improvements can be made. The directors approved this unanimously and will be presenting a motion to buy it at the September 26th meeting. Actually, I think Ron may be able to show it at the meeting. Another motion that was approved by your directors and will also be presented at the same meeting will be to donate at least \$1000.00 to the Pacific Salmon Foundation's Fund Raiser in November. The IWFF bought two items for auction at this event last year and over \$1100.00 was realized. The PCF is at the final approval stage to build a side channel to the Millstone River in Bowen Park to allow Coho to access

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the huge spawning areas in the river and even into Brannen Lake's streams upstream of the falls. They are also the group who were behind setting out a couple of holding pens in Departure Bay and close to the Nanaimo River Estuary. This will allow thousands of Pink Salmon fry to imprint this area and return and provide us some fishing opportunities right in our area.

The directors also discussed how we could get more young people involved in fly fishing or any fishing. Fishing license sales are declining and we are concerned about maintaining the viability of the sport. Harold Tinling, BCFFF Treasurer and our rep, stated that the BCFFF is also very concerned and that one of their direct members, Denise Maxwell, has offered to come out and help us with a training program. One way would be to offer fly casting and fly tying to a group of 12 to 16 year olds next spring. What do you think? This needs volunteers and ideas. Please let us know.

Where have all the Pinks gone? After two trips of checking the beaches from Nile Creek to the Oyster River without even seeing a single Pink, we finally found a few small schools of lock-jawed Pinks at the Nile. Not even a line shake was felt from at least 5 fishers all tossing many casts into many accessible fish! The Eve usually had lots of fish and some would provide excitement upon occasion. The Cluxewe and Keogh were also a big disappointment from what has been, up to this year, a guarantee of a great time. Hopefully the Coho will reverse their pitiful showings from the last two years and surprise us with a good run this year. If not, we will get back into lake fishouts. Please call or email if you have any ideas and we will organize it via emails.

What a wind bag! I swore that I would not go on and on with these messages and look at this! There is enough here for the rest of the year. Have a great fall and good fishing.



Program

September 26, 2006: Bill Luscombe will be presenting "Beach Fishing for Coho". Bill has always given us good, lively presentations and this one looks timely.

October 24, 2006: Craig Wightman, DFO, will be presenting "Georgia Basin Living River Program."

November 25, 2006: Christmas Party and Auction. See the Ad for more information. Note that it is before the AGM and tickets will be sold at the October Meeting.

November 28, 2006: Regular business meeting followed by the Annual General Meeting then the election of officers and directors.



These lovely ladies: Roberta Miller, left, Pat Connolly, and Judy Legge are actually modelling the wind screen used at the Cluxewe Campsite. These are effective in providing a "see through" wind shelter and can be purchased in 7 X 30 ft. pieces for \$36.00 each. See Paul Inscho for more details.

Thank You Cowichan Fly Fishers

The members of the Island Waters Fly Fishers and especially those who camped at the Cluxewe are very grateful to the dedication and hard work by several members of the Cowichan Fly Fishers. These guys have blazed the trail to access the Keogh River for the last number of years and did it again this year. They are not young men - hacking out blackberries and other shrubbery is no small task. Thank you very much.

Calendar of Events

Ron Moll has made up a 2006 calendar of all of our events and activities for the year. It is posted on our web site at www.members.shaw.ca/iwffnews/.

Noon Socials and Luncheons

At 11:30 am every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at the Wellington Pub (half price specials). This is getting so popular that there are some who lunch there every Wednesday.

Club Library

The list of books has now swelled to over 60 books. Matt Haapala is the custodian and he will bring your requests to the next meeting if you call him at 754-4124. Check out the list of books on our website. The link is above the calendar on the newsletter page. There will be some lists available at the meetings.

Book Reviews

Are you looking for ideas for an article for the newsletter? How about a book review? It could be one from our library, your favourite fishing book, a fly tying book or whatever.

Fish Outs

If you have a hot fishing idea, call Bernie or anyone on the front page and we will organize it by announcing the time and place to meet by email and telephone. This system is easy to organize and a fair number of fishers show up.

Fly Fishing Pink Salmon DVD

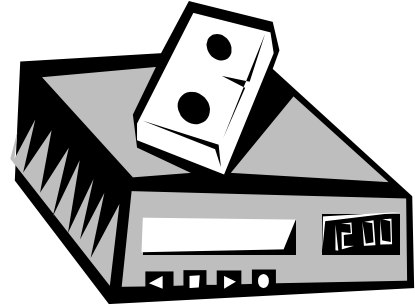
Filmed and produced by Steve Wawrykow of "on the water" action and other club activities.

The panel discussion portion reveals the secrets of success by our own expert members and is loaded with tips.

They can be obtained from Steve at 754-3650 or at the next meeting for \$20.00 (\$15.00 will be donated to fish enhancement).

List of Videos

See Ed Tremblay, or Call 245-8552, to Check These Out



Note: Some of these videos are also now available in DVD format.

- 12 FLY FISHING MAGAZINE – OLYMPIC TROUT & STEELHEAD
- 13 THE ESSENCE OF FLY CASTING – MEL KRIEGER
- 14 FLY FISHING STILLWATERS – ALF DAVIES
- 16 SURVIVING THE HOOK – D.F.O.
- 17 RELEASE 'EM RIGHT – D.F.O.
- 21 TROUT FISHING – STEVE WAWRYKOW, IWFF
- 23 STEELHEAD FISHING – IWFF
- 27 MAGIC OF FLY FISHING – STORIES OF MANY TRIPS
- 34 DUBBING THE LOOP WITH ROOTS
- 35 TYING BASS FLIES – IWFF
- 37 BASS – THE 99% SOLUTION – FISH'N CANADA
- 40 THE RIVER OF NO RETURN – IWFF REPORT
- 42 25 FISHING LAKES – MERRITT TO KAMLOOPS
- 43 - 1 NORTHERN LAKE TROUT – FISH'N CANADA
- 43 - 2 FLOATING FOR GATORS – FISH'N CANADA
- 43 - 3 LARGEMOUTH BASS – FISH'N CANADA

Henry Lake



Ready to go fishin': Matt Haapala, left, Gerry Stevens, John Bucchieri, Jed Dagenais and Bernie Heinrichs. The fishing was very slow in the morning. There was a variety of insects on the water and the fish were very leary in the clear water. It was about 1:00 pm when the great ant hatch commenced. There was at least one ant on every square foot of water on the lake and the fish were trying to snatch up every one of them. It was something that you only hear about at a Tall Tales Meeting.



It was a warm day on June 24th and the snow was nearly down to the water--even with the sun shining on it!



A queen and a male ant picked up from among the thousands on the water and if you did not have the right imitation all you could do was watch all those fish leaping and feeding

Westwood Picnic and Fishout



Ron Busche, left and hiding behind his cap, and Larry Miller, far right, decide on how much more cooking time is required for the onions. This was only one of the many momentous decisions these two had to make to put on a very successful barbecue and picnic. Thank you Ron and Larry. Wayne Legge tried to offer some unsolicited advice and it looks like Bob Kissinger is about to do the same.

John Bucchieri, left, Gerry Stevens and Jim McCoy share (what else?) - fishing stories.



WANTED

Photos, stories, poems, information, “How To’s”, book reviews etc. for the newsletter.

Recycle your magazines to the waiting rooms in the hospital. Bring them to Larry Miller at the next meeting or noon lunch.

Do not throw out your fishing magazines--bring them to the welcome table at the next meeting. They are appreciated by the members.



Keith McDonald, left, Gord Davis, Jed Dagenais and Paul Inscho getting primed for smokies and hot dogs.



Bob Crampton, left, impress Ed Tremblay, Jim MacFie and Harold Tinling with his description of enticing trout with his 3 in. chironomid.

Brian Lapadat, left, and Jack Nelson have not been with the club long enough to lie--but just give them a little more time!



And the ladies took advantage of the opportunity.



Dave Connolly surreptitiously retrieves his secret fly when the fishing slowed down at the Eve.



Judy Legge, left, Jeanne and Doug Winters, Roberta and Larry Miller and Wayne Legge enjoying one of their hot tub days during their Fly Fishing/Hot Tubbing tour of the B.C. Interior last June.

Annual Banquet and Auction

Location: Lantzville Legion, Lantzville

Time: Cocktails at 6:00, Dinner at 7:00
Saturday, November 25, 2006

Cost: \$12.50 each and **an article to donate to the Auction.**

Purchase your tickets at the October, 2006 meeting.

Jack wants your auction items at least a few days prior to the auction so that they can be sorted and described.



Call Jack at 756- 0987 for more information.

This year the Auction and Christmas Party is before the AGM and regular meeting in November. We could not change the hall dates or the Legion dates. Since we need to give the caterers at the Legion committed numbers for this event, it is important to plan ahead and pay for your tickets in advance. We lost money in previous years due to members registering and then not showing and not paying. Last year the silent auction shortened the auction proceedings to manageable time but Jack needs the items a few days before Nov. 25 so that he can determine which auction to delegate the item and write up descriptions for them.

Malaspina Aquaculture Tour



Steve Wawrykow, far left and behind Ron Moll, Paul Inscho, Frank Dalziel, Dave Newman, Ron Busche, John Snook, Bob Kissinger listen to Gord Edmundson explain the rearing of white sturgeon at the tour of Malaspina's Aquaculture Centre. Al Clarke is at the far right and in front of Gord.



Gord Edmundson shows the group a small sturgeon. Each successive tank yielded bigger and bigger sturgeon until we got the last one which was housed in a separate building. Those sturgeon were over six feet long and after 8 years were nearly mature enough to spawn.



Doug Peterson, right checks out the sea cucumber with Al Clark and Gord Edmundson. It was swelled up to raise its spikes in a defensive manoeuvre. Thank you Gord and Frank for your very informative tour.

Summer BBQ



Dave Newman, centre, accepts his prize (a BCFFF cap) from Bernie Heinrichs, left and Harold Tinling for getting the best score during the Danish Fly Casting Game. Thank you Harold and Mary for the great job in organizing this and the Bocce game for the ladies. There were a lot of good comments about the games and even more laughs.



Dave Connolly won his cap for getting the closest score to the predetermined hidden score. Bernie had to buy his cap - no luck and no skill.



Earl Stevens won his cap for reporting an honest score - a rare occurrence for this group!



Joan Honig and Taylor Tremblay won the best score prize for their efforts in Bocce.



Jeanne Winters and Judy Legge got the closest to the predetermined hidden score. These two roses had to put up with the thorn in the middle but it was only momentary and they eventually recovered.



Suzanne Stevens won the draw prize for the participants in the Bocce game. Her husband took the photo so what you see is what you get.

More Winners, Heroes and Casters



Yes! Was Harold's Comment to the booing crowd as he collected his hard-earned draw prize after the Danish Casting Game.



But the crowd cheered wildly when the hosts, Jack and Elena, were recognized for their great job and provision of their beautiful yard.



Sherry Kissinger, Maureen Tremblay and Dave Newman, far right, getting some of Jack's great smokies.



Dave Newman back for seconds to try out Wayne Legge's culinary skills. Thanks Wayne.



Gerry Stevens picks up a few pointers from Bob Leverman who is trying to slide his fly under the "bridge".

Bob Kissinger applies a bit of finesse as he flips his fly around the barrel on the eighth station.



Ladies Bocce



Elena Toomer, far left, Rena Bucchieri, and Lill Stevens apprehensively watch Isobel Heinrichs' delivery. Another game is in progress to right and the men's casting game is in progress in the next field. What a great location for fun and games at the Toomer's acreage.

Diane Moll delivers to the appreciative audience of Madeline Tremblay, left, Joan Honig and Taylor Tremblay. Ed Tremblay, Ray Honig and Ron Moll all succeeded in eluding the camera.



Jeanne Winters demonstrates a fine delivery to the admiration of Judy Legge, left, Roberta Miller and Janine Banks.