



President's Message *by Ray Perkins*

Just got back from my trip up to Washington to fish some of the many lakes in the area. We ended up fishing Lenice Lake in the Crab Creek area, Dry Falls Lake in Sun Lakes State Park twice, and Burke Lake twice. Fishing was slower than expected. Water temperatures were 5 to 10 degrees warmer than we had experienced.

Midges dominated the hatches. Bomber midges made up most of the midges pumped from caught trout. I caught a few rainbows about 19 inches. My Uncle hooked but lost a trout he said was in upper 20's. The second trip up to Dry Falls Lake I watched a guy catch and released over 25 trout using chironomids in over 20 feet of water. In order for me to fish that deep under an indicator I had to add lots of tippet. I also had to simplify the number flies and placement of the swivel to make the leader more castable. When I got home I looked up on one of the site I shop at regularly and found leaders up to 900 cm (30 ft.) in length. I have not purchased any at this time.

Water below Owyhee, Beulah, and Warm Springs reservoirs has been turned on. No reports on fishing below these reservoirs at this time. Brownlee looked a little low as I drove past on my way home last Saturday night. Fishing

seasons in many reservoirs and stream below will probably be short and intense.

The end of the year drawing this year includes the club's end of the year prize at Anglers Fly Shop, a hand-made dip net, three hand-made rod tubes, a weekend at the Owyhee Irrigation District cabin on the Owyhee River in September, and Larry Williams

(Steens Mountain Outdoors) donated two spey rods to the club. There might be a few more items that show up late on the tables.

Ray



Dues Reminder for This Month:

- Dick Garrett

Welcome to New Members:

No new members in April

Officers

- President - **Ray Perkins**
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- Janet Baker**
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- Raising -
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- Library - **Tom Dyer**
- Membership - **Gerry Bogue**
- Newsletter - **Gerry Bogue**
- Outings - **Al Sillonis**
- Programs - **Tom Dyer, Gary Herauf**
- Publicity - **Perry Kelley**

Owyhee River Clean Up

By Janet Baker, Grant Baugh & Gary Herauf

The Owyhee River Clean Up started in 2002 by the Indianhead Fly Fishing Group they started at



the Wildlife Viewing Center and went all the way to Owyhee Park at the bottom of the Dam 13 miles of river total.

This year Michelle Bryant from Twin Falls Idaho did all the contacting with the other clubs and sponsors. Michelle had about 40 people show up from different clubs and Indianhead Fly Fishing Club had about 20 people, altogether we collected 2 tons of garbage.

At the end of the clean up we all met at the park



for a Barbecue with hamburgers and hot dogs.



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Cambridge Library Fly Tying

by Dyers

On March 26th six members of the Indianhead Fly Fishers traveled to the Cambridge Library and taught several individuals the fine art of fly tying.



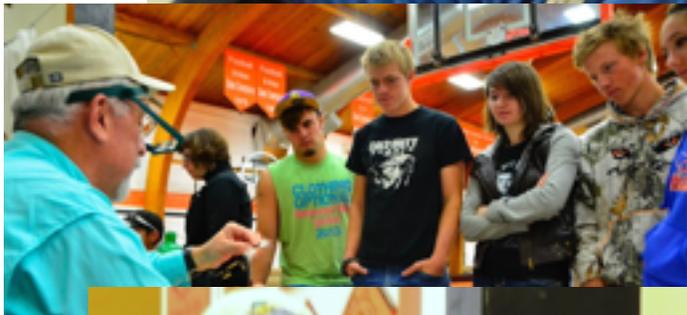


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Cambridge Casting School - by Dyers



Where did Al go fishing April 21st and 23rd?

By Al Sillonis



And See all those fantastic wild flowers!

Fly of the month

Ritt's Fighting Crawfish

by Perry Kelley (4/21 fly tying class - photos Gary Herauf)

Note: hook will ride point up. The eye will represent the hook back, and the bend will represent the hook front. The top of the hook will be the bottom, the bottom will be the top, the front will be the back and the back will be the front. Crawfish swim backwards. Cheer up, things will get worse!

1. Place a hook #4 700 B Dai Riki in the vise. Wrap shank with thread (color to match dubbing). Position the hook in the vise so the eye part of the shank is horizontal.
2. Tie in lead eyes on shank behind the hook eye using figure 8 wraps. Put Super glue on wraps.
3. Reposition hook on vise so back of shank is horizontal.
4. Tie in 10-15 strands of root beer Krystal flash at start of bend (just about even with the point of the barb and pointing down just slightly). Extend approximate rear shank length beyond bend (about 3/4").
5. Cut a strip of thin-skin. Trim to a point on each end. Remove paper backing.
6. Remove hook from vise (or just rotate the vise head if you have a fancy vise), to reposition hook point up.
7. Spin thread in bobbin counter-clockwise. Tie in thin-skin at the hook point position, and wrap to hook bend.
8. Adjust thin-skin. In step 19 it will be pulled toward the hook eye, so it needs to be positioned so it will wrap evenly around the hook shank.
9. Tie in a small dubbing ball to cover thread wraps.
10. Tie in black round rubber legs on top of shank (these represent the crawfish's eyes which are actually on stalks)
11. Tie in claws at the hook point. The end of the claws should be even with the Krystal flash. The claws are made by threading 1 1/2" of stripped rubber leg material into a small piece of foam and crazy gluing it in place. The foam can be shaped to as claw like as you think the fish will appreciate.
12. Tie in two single strands of yarn (take the yarn apart so you have two single strands). Attach to the underbody at the lead eyes, wrap to the front of the tie in point of the claws, form a head, and wrap back to the lead eyes.
13. Dub the head and front of the fly.
14. Tie in wire behind the head, wrap a short way toward the lead eyes and wrap back to lock in.
15. Tie in hackle behind the head.
16. Dub fly from the head to the lead eyes.
17. Wrap hackle heavily to bend of shank, then lightly to lead eyes.
18. With the barb of the hook facing down in the vise; trim the hackle starting at the lead eyes. Cut the hackle so it is flat and gradually tapers up to the full size of the hackle at the head. The idea is to have the hackle act as legs to hold the claws and rubber "eyes" high at the hook end and lay flat on the bottom of the lake at the hook eye end where your line is attached.
19. Flip the hook so the barb is up and stretch the thin skin and tie in at hook eye, fold over and retie.
20. Rib the body with the wire and tie in at the hook eye. Tie off the thread and trim.
21. With nylon or Velcro, brush out dubbing to form a halo combination with the hackle.
22. Admire fly and sigh with a resounding "whew"!
23. Then go catch a fish with it!

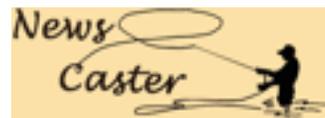


Bob, Mike, Gerry, Jim



Al,
Dick
(not
shown
- Gary
&
Perry)





Year End Prizes - be sure and come to the meeting on May 12th to see who wins!

May 5 - IFF Board meets Idaho Pizza 7 PM.

May 12 - IFF Membership & Guests meet at Idaho Pizza 6:30 PM - Fly Tying; 7 PM Meeting
Also, we will be collecting donations to send another youth to CO's camp (*see page 9*)

May 19 - IFF Fly Tying at the Weiser Library 7 PM

Sept. 16-21, 2015 - Fall Outing to Island Park/Henry's Fork [contact Mike Thomas for reservations]

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 IFF Board Meeting	6 8 AM Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	7	8	9
10	11	12 IFF Member Meeting	13 8 AM Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	14	15	16
17	18	19 IFF Fly Tying	20 8 AM Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	21	22	23 DreamCastl daho.com Swap
24	25 Memorial Day	26	27 Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	28	29	30
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Jim made about 90 patties. Albertsons also gave us a \$25.00 gift certificate which was used to buy tomatoes and brownie mix. The chips were donated by Ridley's in Weiser, Idaho. Wal-Mart in Ontario, Oregon donated the buns and donuts. Tom and Cindy Dyer purchased coffee from McDonald's in Weiser at a discount. Bob, Tom and Dave provided the BBQ's and did the cooking!! Weiser City provided the signs for the cleanup. BLM provided bottled water and cookies as well as covered dump fees. Mike Thomas purchased the hot dogs from Falls Brand Meat.

After the barbecue Michelle had all kinds of prizes donated by sponsors some of which were



the Loop, Idaho Anglers, Three River Ranch, Idaho River Sports and The Angler a special thanks go out to everyone that

donated prizes!!!

As far as food goes A special thanks go out to Jim and Sarah Gulu they were able to acquire hamburger meat at a discount from Albertsons.



Rex Franklin (Dam Facility Manager) allowed us to use the park for the BBQ and also had a nice campfire going for us when we got there. Rex also donated a cabin for the year end drawing. We received trash bags from American Rivers Society, BLM and Michelle. The Owyhee River Cleanup was a great success again this year thank you again to everyone that donated and that was involved , we couldn't of done it without you!!!





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Support Youth Conservation Camp

Each year IFF club has sponsored a youth to attend the Idaho Officers Conservation Camp. This year it is in remembrance of Bob Rogers. The club paid for one youth to honor Bob, but we are asking you to contribute so another youth can benefit from camp this year. We will be collecting donations at the May meeting, if you would like to help. For more information, here is a link to a video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=39YyuIGmmfg>

August 10-14, 2015

Youth 10-12 years old

Trinity Pines Camp, Cascade, ID

Registration: \$265.00

