



President's Message

By Ray Perkins

Just got back from my Washington fishing trip with my brother and cousin. After many years of putting on all of the clothes I brought to stay warm, last week was spent in shorts and tee-shirts spraying ourselves with mosquito repellent. High temperatures from the low 80's to low 90's with lows in the 50's and no wind resulted in water temperatures that started the week in the low 60's and ended in the upper 60's with one day temperatures actually reaching 70° by early afternoon.



Figure 1. Dry Falls Lake, Washington looking south.

Now to the fishing, the fishing was good as always but the catching was very slow compared to other years. We fished Lenore on Sunday and all three of us were skunked without a bite. Most of the rest of the week we fished Dry Falls Lake catching a total of 14 trout. Of the fourteen trout caught only two were caught on anything other than chironomids. All chironomids fishing was conducted in water depths from 18 to 22 feet in depth. My cousin and I learned to cast very long leaders sometime up to 25 feet long. The trout we caught were all in very good condition and all put a very good fight. The trout shown below actually came close getting into my backing, which would have been a first for me. *Continued Page 8*



Figure 2. Twenty-two-inch rainbow caught late in the week from Dry Falls Lake.

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Al fished at a different waterhole out of Harper on April 5th.



Dues Reminder for This Month:

- Dick Garrett



Owyhee River clean up was again a great success

By Jim Gulu

The reservoir is not full yet, but cleanup participants filled up on great food. Thanks again for all that helped!





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In Search for the Big Ones

By Grant Baugh

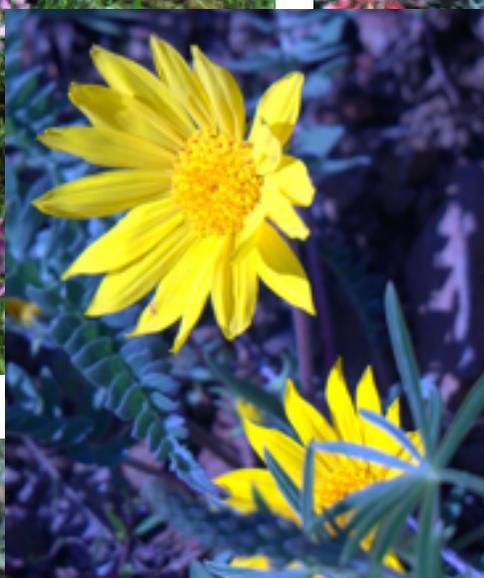
Olympic National Park has some very big fish in the Greywolf River, but the rain forest makes it very tough to get to them! And casting is a bit tricky as well...



Harper Valley Ponds

By Jim Gulu

April 19th Al and myself made a 170 mile trip into the Harper Valley desert ponds. I had my camera with me and I was glad I did. Wild Flowers all over the place. We fished three ponds and caught fish it all. South Mountain, South Cottonwood and a new one for me, Allotment #3; great day, a bit long but enjoyable.





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IFF scholarship Available

By Mark Sands

The club sponsors at least one kid each year and a spot is available for 2016. Spread the word to have any kids apply. Let any of the Board Members know who it is and have them fill out the application on page 8.

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August 8-12, 2016
Youth 10-12 years old
Trinity Pines Camp, Cascade, ID
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**Idaho Conservation Officer's Youth Conservation
Camp Application**

Eligibility: Open to children 10, 11 or 12 years of age on August 8, 2016.

Camp Dates: August 8-12, 2016

Location: Trinity Pines Camp and Conference Center, Cascade, Idaho.

Cost: \$270.00

Make checks payable to ICOA (Idaho Conservation Officer's Association)

Applications must be made with camp fee to be considered. Fee will be returned if applicant not accepted.

Return application to:

ICOA YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP DIRECTOR

3316 16th Street

Lewiston, Idaho 83501

Please be sure that all forms are completed and signed, incomplete applications will not be considered. *All applicants will be advised by mail of status. Complete reporting instructions will be sent when camp roster is completed.*

Campers Name (Last, First, MI)

Address (Mailing)

City, State ZIP

Parent/Guardian _____ Relationship _____

Address (if different from camper)

Telephone (home) (____) _____ (Work) (____) _____

Email address: _____

Emergency contact other than parent:

Telephone (home) (____) _____ (Work) (____) _____



Important IFF Tax Numbers

The club is a (501)3C charitable organization #C142076 so you can deduct contributions to the club (see your tax advisor for details). FYI our federal tax number is 71-0998737. Make a note of these numbers as they may be needed when you request donations from companies.

- May 3 - IFF Board meets at Idaho Pizza 7 PM
- May 10 - IFF Membership & Guests meet at Idaho Pizza. 7 PM, Fly Tying demo. 6:30PM
- May 17 - IFF Fly Tying at the Weiser Library 7 PM

Proposed outing to Warm Lake - Sept. 14-17
Weiser Pond Cleanup Day - June 3; 9AM - Noon (lunch for crew); 1:00PM Casting Clinic

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 IFF Board Meeting	4 8 AM Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	5	6	7
8	9	10 IFF Member Meeting	11 8 AM Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	12	13	14
15	16	17 IFF Fly Tying	18 8 AM Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 8 AM Fly Fishing Breakfast at Homestead	26	27	28
29	30	31				



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As the outgoing president I am pleased to announce that Perry Kelley has stated an interest in being the 2016-17 club president.

Tom and Cindy Dyer will be leaving as club's secretary and librarian after the May meeting. The club still needs several people to step up and take on these jobs.

Much of the snow pack has melted out of the Malheur and Owyhee basins. Currently flows upstream of Beulah and Warm Springs reservoirs are near normal while flows upstream of Owyhee are far below normal. My expectations are for Malheur River flows upstream of the reservoirs to begin dropping soon. So current water levels in those reservoirs are about as high as they are going to get. Idaho's snowpack is a little better so I would expect stream flows to remain high for a little longer.

Weiser Pond Cleanup is scheduled for the morning of Friday, June 3 starting between 8:00 and 9:00 am. After lunch we will have some casting practice and all are welcome.

Table 1. Snow water equivalent and precipitation levels for southwest Idaho and southeast Oregon.

River Basin	SWE % Normal	SWE % Median	Precip % Normal
Weiser River	72	39	114
Payette River	83	68	108
Boise River	92	73	108
Malheur River	19		104
Owyhee River	39	17	113



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Club Member Makes Custom Flies in Lewiston

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