



President's Message

By Perry Kelley

What happened to October? At the September meeting Jim Gulu and I promised you a beautiful fall and especially the Indian Summer days of October. Some rain and wind was not part of our promise but we must cheer up. Idaho and Eastern Oregon really is paradise compared to most of the country. I hope you have had wonderful days fishing or hunting or whatever your outdoor pleasure is.

I think we all owe a great deal of gratitude to Dave Henderson and Tom Dyer for their excellent program at the October membership meeting. Tom and Dave have a real passion and talents for the sport of steelheading. I'm sure that we all learned a lot of techniques and methods that we all can incorporate into our own pursuits of Mr. Ironhead. Sadly it seems that the steelhead run is down this year. Let's hope they are just late.

It is interesting to note how new members find the thrill of fly fishing and how quickly they develop their skills and their enthusiasm. A good example is Mike Stanton. He joined the IHFF last spring and already is catching lots of fish. I bring up Mike because he is not only becoming a

talented fly fisherman but he brings with him an incredible knowledge of birds. With his expertise I would like to announce the November program will be Mike on birds and their relation to fly tying. Much of the material we use in fly tying comes from birds: some domestic, others genetically engineered for fly tying, some from hunting and then there are the exotic feathers. Mike had given aviary programs many times, but this time it will be relative to his newly found love of fly fishing.

Speaking of fly tying, I am beginning to gear up mentally for my winter passion—fly tying. It seems there is always a new pattern or technique to tie. I have recently revived one that I played with several years ago—the balanced fly. This is not a specific pattern. It is a method for tying many different patterns for still waters. The concept is that to correctly imitate nymphs, leeches, minnows and many other aquatic critters in water you need to present them horizontally. A typical minnow or leech pattern is usually weighted with a bead and or lead when retrieved giving it a jiggled and mostly vertical attitude. The balanced fly will enable the fisherman's presentation to become more natural.

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I will demonstrate the balanced fly at the November 15 fly tying session at the library. Later on this winter when our program is on still waters, we will explain the setup and the techniques for balanced fly fishing.



Last but certainly not least for November is Thanksgiving! We all have a lot of things to be thankful for. I am thankful for the Indianhead Fly Fishers and the wonderful people that have become our friends and fellow angling partners. It is my hope that we can, with our enthusiasm, talents and passions, perpetuate fly fishing for many generations to come. By the way, remember turkey is not only the Thanksgiving dinner entre of choice, but it also provides us with marabou, biots, wings, and tails for our fly tying pleasure. One very wise Pilgrim stated when given the choice of the bald eagle and turkey for the national emblem: "Don't choose the eagle. It will someday become an endangered species, and besides, it has very bland feathers. The turkey has a variety of feathers, is great eating, and multiplies like rabbits, and someday it will be a provider of feathers for fly fisherman."

Fly Fishing Thoughts & Ideas to Plant the Seeds for Action:

Washington and Payette county fairs offer a great opportunity to showcase our club. Olympic Peninsula Fly Fishers tie flies and recruit potential new members. They tie in three hour shifts. [Grant Baugh]

INC Magazine's cover stated " Where would you be without the. . . Inspiration, Tips and Tactics, How I Did it features, Ask the Experts answers, and Hands-on advice to take your business forward." Sounds like some characteristics that the Indianhead Fly Fishers meetings should have! [Mike Thomas]

- Have an idea to make the club better? E-Mail it to grbogue@cableone.net

Dues Reminder for This Month:

- Gordon & Janelle Adams
- Ed & Nina Gammons
- Stanley W. Graves
- Al Sillonis



Perch by the Dozens

By: Mike Thomas

"Yellow Perch" caught at Cascade Lake (way more than a LIMIT—which is the number you can clean in half-an-hour).





Warm Lake Club Outing

By: Mike Thomas

Gerry getting an early start to find a fish in the fog.



Fish Lake - Idaho

By: Mike Thomas

Idaho Fish Lake near Macall is about 10 miles from Brundage Reservoir. Great spot to fish from the bank or with a float tube or pontoon boat! All the fish I saw caught were Rainbow trout.





Great Day at Mann Creek

By: Mike Thomas

Mann Creek Reservoir outing yielded few in number, but one spot near the dam gave up half a dozen 18"-20" trout. Great day fishing and good fall weather as well. Jim Gulu and Mike Stanton also caught a few fish (not as big).





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.

- Nov. 1 - IFF Board meets at Idaho Pizza 7 PM
- Nov. 5 - Owyhee River, spawning red count, meet at the wildlife viewing area 9AM
- Nov. 8 - IFF Membership & Guests meet at Idaho Pizza. 7 PM, Fly Tying demo. 6:30PM
- Nov. 15 - IFF Fly Tying at the Weiser Library 7 PM
- Dec. 3 - Owyhee River, spawning red count, meet at the wildlife viewing area 9AM

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

Floating the Grande Ronde River

By: Grant Baugh

Why should you care if you catch a fish or not. Try to find a more idyllic fishing scene than this. We didn't catch a steelhead, but the float was beautiful and challenging at times.



Al went fishing again at Krumbo

By: Al Silonnis

Al went fishing again at Krumbo Reservoir near Frenchglen. Top 17", bottom 19"!





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