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♦♦ Club Meetings ♦♦

Club Meetings

Place: *Holiday Inn of Issaquah*
 1801 12th Avenue NW
 Issaquah, WA 425-392-6421

Time : 6:00 PM Cocktails & Tales
 7:00 PM Dinner

Board Meetings

Place: *Issaquah Library*
 10 West Sunset Way
 Issaquah, WA

Time : 6:45pm to 8:58pm

Chubski Roundtable

Place: *NEW LOCATION*
Contact : *Joe Kristof - 425-392-2819*

♦♦ OFFC Calendar ♦♦

November

6 Board Meeting
 13 Chubski Roundtable
 27 Club Meeting

December

4 Board Meeting
 11 Christmas Party

♦♦ Visit our website ♦♦

OFFC's website is a great resource for up to date information. With links to contact officers; Library info; Flytiers page; Topo Maps; Entomology; Post a Picture; Bulletin Board; Calendar dates; Outing times and Locations; etc...

If you have fishing pictures we would like to include them to our website.

Please send picture files to:
webmaster@offc.org for publication.

Other members and potential members need to see what we are doing..

OFFC website, make it your resource.

<http://www.offc.org/members.htm>



President's Message



The October meeting was, to say the least, very eventful. First off, the speaker that Dick had lined

up called him at 10:00 the morning of our meeting and said he couldn't make it due to an unexpected demand for his services on the Klickitat. Showing how nimble he is, Dick pulled together a slide show of his 2007 trips to the Alagnak River in Alaska. It was a thoroughly delightful presentation and was well received by the members. Dick deserves a real pat on the back for his efforts not only at the last meeting but also for all the programs he has provided during the year.

The other highlight of the evening was a discussion and vote on a dues increased proposed by the Board. The discussion was very interesting and the outcome somewhat unexpected, from my perspective. After an analysis of our fiscal situation for this year it became apparent to the Board that we either need to commit to a major fundraiser every year or make some changes to the way we finance our activities. Currently the club spends about an estimated \$9000 each year supporting our Administrative, Program and Conservation activities. Administration (about 38%) consists of expenses such as FFF dues, liability insurance, the library and our our publications including the Windknots and roster.

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Programs (about 48%) consists of the cost of our classes (fly tying, rod building, casting, etc), outings, the picnic, the speakers at our monthly meetings, holiday party, auction, and raffle. Conservation (about 14%) consists of contributions to conservation projects and the Graham Memorial fund. Our income consists of yearly dues (about \$3500) and income from the auction. The Board proposed that a motion be put before the membership that the dues be raised \$15 to \$50 per year so that we could continue to provide the same services and have an auction every other year. The motion was brought to the floor during the Oct. Membership meeting. The ensuing discussion was pretty lively and an amendment was made from the floor to raise the dues \$30 to \$65. The amendment passed. The amended motion was then voted upon and passed with 23 of the 32 members (more than 2/3) in attendance voting in favor.

Several people talked to me after the vote expressing the concern that, with a raise of this magnitude, we may lose some members due to financial hardship. This same concern was discussed after the Board meeting and we believe that we have a way to accommodate those members who find this to be the case. I would strongly encourage any member who finds this to be a financial hardship to please contact myself or our Membership VP.

The proposed slate of officers for 2008 was introduced by our Nomination Committee Chair, Pat Peterman. These are President Ed Kane, 1st VP Membership Dick Lange, 2nd VP Programs Joe Kristoff, 3rd VP Education Tim Allen, Secretary Carol Kane, Treasurer Christy Leer and Trustee Ron Romig. As a result of Tim accepting the Education VP position, we will need a new Raffle chair in 2008. Volunteers are urged to contact me.

Just a reminder, the next meeting will be on Nov. 27, the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. Dick is scheduling in Joe Rotter to give us an update on what appears to be an outstanding year on the Klickitat. Put the date on your calendar and also reserve Dec 11 for the Holiday party. If you have slides for the slide show, please get them to Lory Watkins before Nov 14th.

Thanks all for your continued support and keep those lines tight.

Ed Kane

Chubski Meeting

The Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable is moving.

The OFFC Board has decided to change the location due to Bellevue High School dramatically increasing their facility use fees. A new permanent meeting location is being researched.

The November meeting was held at the Issaquah Library. Please look for emails announcing future locations.

For details for future meeting please contact:

Joe Kristof
425-392-2819

OFFC Club Outings – FISHING@OFFC.org

FISHING@OFFC.ORG

This program provides an easy and convenient way for OFFC members to arrange fishing outings. Members can use Fishing@OFFC.ORG to discuss, schedule, and plan various outings.

What is Fishing@OFFC.ORG? It is a new email address for the Overlake Fly Fishing Club. Members providing their email address as part of the membership form or annual renewal form will be listed at this address. Members can request not be included at Fishing@OFFC.ORG by contacting the club webmaster. An email to this address would go to all participating members.

How do members use Fishing@OFFC.ORG ? Participating members can contact other members to arrange fishing outings. The possibilities are unlimited. For example, a member planning on fishing at any specific time and location could invite other members to join. Another example is a member interested in fishing could inquire if someone would also like to fish on that date. This program could also assist planning or scheduling future outings. For example, a member could inquire if others would like to plan a trip to Montana, British Columbia, etc. Members should respond to the originator of the email and not to Fishing@OFFC.ORG.

How do we begin? This new service for OFFC members will be introduced in Windknots and club meetings prior to year end. Program start up date is planned for early 2008 with actual date to be determined by club webmaster. Contact John Waggoner at Outings@OFFC.ORG or ph. 425 277 6799 for more information. An outing is planned on the Yakima River on Saturday, October 13th.

Please call or email me if you have any questions or need assistance.

John Waggoner
(425)277-6799

November Club Meeting – Klickitat River

Fly Fishing for Steelhead on the Klickitat River

Presented by Joe Rotter

The Club Meeting is featuring a program on Steelhead Fly Fishing on the Klickitat River with guest speaker, Joe Rotter.

Joe Rotter is a well known guide for Reds Fly Shop on the Yakima River in the Canyon. He will be presenting a program about the different fly fishing techniques for catching the steelhead as they return to spawn in one of our local Washington Rivers. He will emphasize fly patterns, tackle, technique, and specific river locations (hot spots). He will also talk about targeting steelhead in the same water while fishing for Salmon. Joe is a well known guide, having lived and worked in the Puget Sound area for the past several years.



Overlake Fly Fishing Club
2007 Annual Holiday Dinner

Tuesday, December 11, 2007

Issaquah Holiday Inn

Olympic Room
 1801 12th Ave NW, Issaquah, 425 392-6421

Cocktail Hour 6:00 pm
 Ferron Ridge String Quartet..... 6:00 to 8:00 pm
 Sit-Down Dinner..... 7:00 pm

You are cordially invited to our 2007 Holiday Dinner – a relaxed, sit-down dinner including your choice of Prime Rib or Champagne Salmon, side dishes, rolls & butter, salad and coffee, tea or soda. We will have a raffle with a fly rod and other great merchandise.

After dinner we'll say farewell to our 2007 officers and committee chairpersons and inaugurate our 2008 officers and welcome our 2008 committee chairpersons. And, of course, we all look forward to another excellent slide presentation of our club members' fishing exploits by Lory Watkins to end our year.

Families, spouses, and significant others are encouraged to join the fun.

You must submit the form below and payment to our treasurer, Christy Leer, by Friday, November 30, 2007 to join us. There will be no payment accepted at the door ... admission is by pre-paid registration only.



2007 Holiday Dinner Reservation Form

Please indicate names of attendees and please check an entrée for each person.

Champagne Salmon **or** Prime Rib

Name(s): _____

Number in Party: _____ **Amount enclosed @ \$29.50 per person:** _____

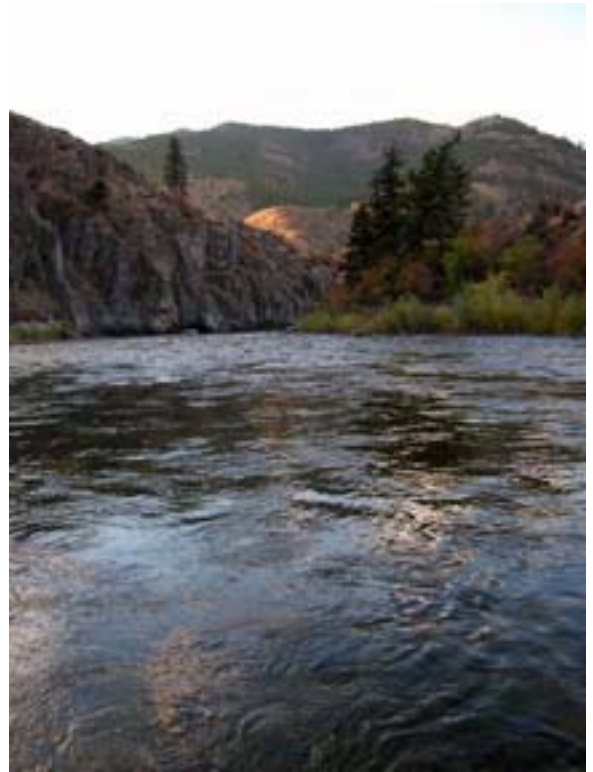
Make check payable to OFFC. Mail to: Christy Leer
 14627 SE Newport Way
 Bellevue, WA 98006
 206 310-7013

Washington Conclave Fly Plate

Fly Needed for Washington Conclave Fly Plate
Larry Graham's "Lightening Bug"

The Washington FFF has requested that each fly fishing club in Washington provided a fly, representing their club, to be mounted on a fly plate which will be auctioned off at the Washington Flyfishing Conclave on May 3, 2008 in Ellensburg. At the November 13th Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable, members attending decided to involve all interested OFFC members in this activity. Here's how it will work. We will be tying a "Lightening Bug" which was originated by Larry Graham, a previous club member. This famous pattern would really reflect OFFC, since it was originated by a club member. All people attending the OFFC Xmas Party on December 11th, will vote on the fly to be submitted to Washington FFF for the fly plate. Flies will be displayed without the tiers name and each person will cast one vote. The fly with the most votes will be sent to the FFF with the tiers name. The remaining flies will be included in the Xmas auction. Flies should be brought to the OFFC Xmas Party on December 11th or if you can't make the party, send your fly to Joe Kristof by December 9th. If you have any questions, call Joe Kristof at 206-910-7954.

Joe Kristof
24507 SE Mirrormont Way
Issaquah, WA 98027



Keep fishin'! Take a friend!



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