

Alpine Fly Fishers

Our Next AFF Meeting

Tuesday

December 17

As always, at the

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215 15th St. SE

Puyallup at 6 PM


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President's Line

By Larry Gibbs

Our **December** meeting is on the **THIRD Tuesday, the 17th**, since we don't want to be having a meeting real close to Christmas. Don't forget, the December meeting is our main fund raiser meeting so we can pay for some really good guest speakers and donate to some great non-profits.

Christmas time always brings back a flood of precious memories for me, starting back when I was knee high to a grasshopper and on into my 'later years'. The smells of a ham or turkey roasting in the oven after the fresh loaves of bread were taken out (I always liked to cut off the heel of the fresh bread and lather it in butter, what a taste. Back then we always had a real tree to decorate with the balls and ornaments, light strands that would all fail if one bulb burnt out (it was my job to find the culprit) and we would hang real tinsel, made out of lead, on the tree.

Yes, lead, getting all over our hands, but heck, they still used mercury in our fillings and we had x-ray machines in the shoe stores so we could look at the bones in our feet. I guess back then ignorance was bliss.

But, they were good times. We used to get a lot of snow each winter. They would close off the hill on 40th street and we had our own private sledding area. I always had a homemade sled that my father made for me. It was big and heavy. I wanted a real sled. I remember when I finally got one for Christmas, I was so excited to be able to use it, but we didn't get any snow that winter, nor any of the other winters we lived in town. That was a bummer. Good old Mother Nature playing her tricks on us.

Onto another topic: Nature moving into the neighborhood. A few months ago we had a mountain lion living in our area. It was spotted by a number of people for a few weeks, most locations were within a block or two of my house. No recent sightings have been reported. Then a couple weeks ago someone spotted a sow black bear and her cub over around Forest Canyon (most likely they had been living in a large wooded area that just got gutted for a housing project. That is about 2 miles from me. But, last week a black bear was spotted within a few hundred yards of my place and it has been seen and photographed by several security cameras. The bear did wipe out a couple of my bird feeders going after the suet and seeds. Now those items are taken into the garage each night. To top this all off, a couple days ago I looked out a rear window of my house and saw a bobcat looking around my yard. I knocked on the window and it looked up at me, a beautiful animal by the way, and not seeing any threat, it just turned and walked back into the woods. I just hope I don't see a T-Rex. :-)

We had a good meeting last night which included five guests. While we didn't have a guest speaker, it looked like everyone had a great time talking and telling stories. When the Liar's Cup was passed around, we even had some fishing stories being told. We sold more squares off the fly rod/reel board. We only have 21% remaining to sell. Maybe we can finish that board in December. It would make a nice Christmas present for some lucky person.

Good fishing.



Larry

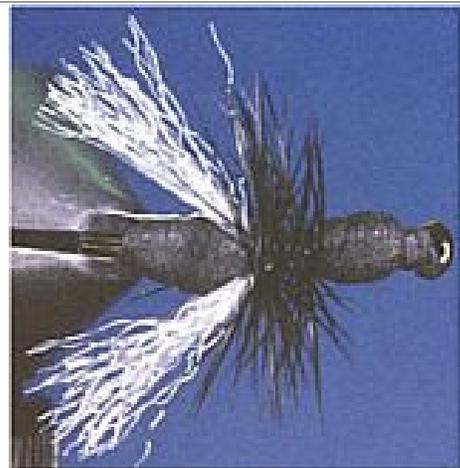
Fly Fishing International

Fly of the Month

December 2005

FLYING ANT

By Bob Bates



Gary Barnes, Rigby, ID has been tying this pattern, and using it successfully, for over two years. The fish on the Henry's Fork of the Snake R. love it. This includes fish on Harriman Ranch, and any fly that can catch fish on the Ranch has to be good. It also works on the South Fork of the Snake R., in lakes and all over Montana. He showed us how to tie it at the FFF 40th Anniversary Conclave in Livingston, MT, August 2005.

Among other things, Gary ties custom flies. The pictures were taken as he demonstrated tying the fly at the Conclave. There are times when fish are clearly rising to surface insects, but you can't tell what is happening. First look carefully at the water surface and you might see spent wing ants floating in the surface film. Or you might as I did wait for another clue. I was fishing a lake when fish started rising all over. I couldn't figure out what was going on until I heard a "clunk" on the side of my aluminum boat. There was a black carpenter ant trying to crawl up the side. I put on a black fly of the right size and immediately started catching fish. I always have had wet ant patterns in my fly box, but since then I also have some floating patterns.

It is estimated that there are over 3,000 species of ants. However, imitating all of them is not necessary. Sizes range from the 8 or 10 carpenter ants to miniscule size 24s. Find out what ants are like in your area. Late summer and fall when the ants are flying around is a great time to search for ant eating fish. Try ant patterns in streams even if fish are not rising. Most ants are black but there are cinnamon, reddish and red abdomen colored species. It is not too surprising that fish will key on hapless flying ants that fall helplessly into the water. Also according to some they have tart or spicy taste. (Not from my research.) More information on ants can be found in Jim Abbs' article in the old FFF Fly of the Month Website.

Materials List:

Hook: Mustad 3906, sizes 14-18

Thread: Uni, Iron gray, 8/0

Body: Foam, black, 1mm, razor thin, by 1/8-inch wide

Wing: Hi viz white or tan, can use Antron or Z-Ion

Hackle: Whiting saddle, black

Tying Steps:

1. Put thread on about mid-shank, wind to rear, tie on foam a little around the bend and move thread forward to mid-shank. Trim any excess foam.
2. Pull on foam a little to make a smooth body. Pulling also decreases width. Wrap foam forward to about point of hook, then rearward to bend (above barb) and wrap forward to mid-shank. Secure foam, trim excess, wind thread rearward to a little behind mid-shank and then wind thread forward to about mid-shank.

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3. Set wing in place so fibers extend to the back of the hook. Hold in V with about half of the fibers on each side of the hook. Wind thread rearward to lock in the V shape.
4. Select a black hackle with barbs that are about a gap width long. Pull off or cut some of the barbs so there is some bare shank. Secure to hook with dull side forward just in front of wings. If the feather is not just in front of wings wind thread rearward to make sure it is. Trim and wind thread forward over stem.
5. Wrap hackle three times around shank, secure and trim excess.
6. Secure foam in front of hackle, wind thread forward over foam, trim excess and wind thread forward to within one eye width of hook's eye.
7. Wrap foam three times around shank, secure and trim excess.
8. Whip finish over front of foam and trim thread.

Closing comments: Just holding this fly in your hand you know that it has to catch fish. I'll tie a bunch of them to keep in the fly box for when the need arises.

THOMAS & THOMAS FLY ROD SALE

I was at the Worley Bugger Fly Co. fly shop a little while ago and noticed they have five Thomas & Thomas fly rods on sale. You can't beat the price anywhere!

T&T rods are a very good fly rod, one of the top rods in the nation. So, if you have ever wanted a great fly rod, give the Worley Bugger a call.

They have two Zone models for sale: 9ft 5 wt 4 pc & 9 ft 6 wt 4 pc

They have three Avant models for sale, all 9 ft, @ 4 & 5 & 6 wt 4 pc

Give them a call. Get one in time for Christmas!!!!

Back of Beyond

By Stephen Neal

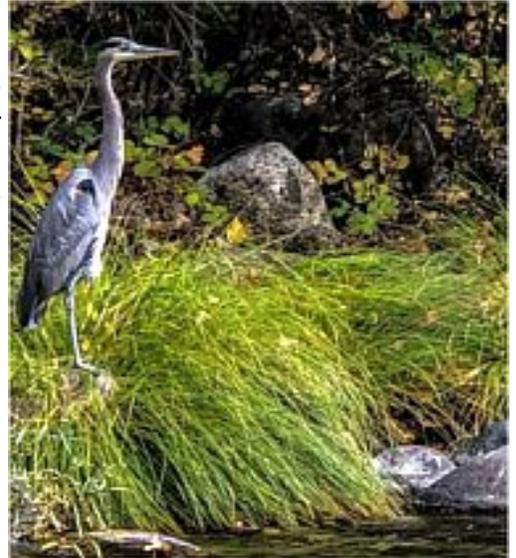
In Wildness is the Preservation of the World "Henry David Thoreau"

Ulteria

(Latin) meaning beyond, further, future.

As Cy and I crossed over the Cascades, fresh snow covers the flanks of Mount Shasta, its beauty highlighted by the westering October sun. In our view of the present we were also looking at the future. The fresh fallen snow is the water of many tomorrows. In its current crystalline form it could be locked up in storage as a part of Mount Shasta's glaciers, for up to 200,000 years. That all depends on our efforts to mitigate global warming! Once it transitions from a solid to a liquid, it will fill the porous volcanic rock that forms the foundation of Mount Shasta. Over the next 100 to 10,000 years it will pass through a myriad of stratum, caverns, and tubes. In its underground journey, it will be compressed, strained, and purified before emerging as cold, refreshing spring water. This spring water, plus normal runoff fills and refreshes the upper Sacramento River. Prime water for a healthy fish habitat. This journey from Mountain slope, to river is just a small part of the hydrologic cycle, that involves the continuous circulation of water in Earth's atmosphere system. From the ocean into a vapor, then a solid, back into liquid and its return to the ocean.

Over the past 14 years the 6/7 of us Bob, Jeff, Scott, Kevin, Cy, Roger and I participate in a small pilgrim cycle, we gather on the banks of the Sacramento River to pursue Rainbow trout. This is an annual pilgrimage; in late October we step out onto the Camino ("road" or "the way") and converge from the north and south on the Most Holy Sacramento; to renew our friendship and to celebrate a love of fly fishing. Our meet and greet is punctuated by warm hugs, big smiles and laughter. For those already on the water the hugs come later but smiles and laughter are shared immediately, shortly thereafter a few choice acorns are launched in the vicinity of said fishing water. The acorn toss is a result of one of our first trips, I was having a great day on the water catching and releasing many rainbow beauties, when my returning fishing buddies began pelting me with the fruit of the acorn tree and laughter. Ah! friends, it was great to be back together again. The pilgrimage has been completed, let the celebration begin.



With 14 years in Dunsmuir under our waded feet, we have a plethora of memories to recount and retell. Roger's exploits are oft discussed and his thoughts on our present circumstances are speculated upon. Roger may have left this physical plane, but he is always present, on our Dunsmuir trips. While each trip is unique, we have developed patterns, for those of us from out of state, our first fish expedition starts with a trip to Ted Fay's, and a visit with Bob Grace. Cy and I need to purchase out of state fishing licenses, replace lost, worn out or misplaced fishing items and pick up hot flies. During these acquisitions we catch up with Bob, picking up fishing tips, exchanging life stories, knowledge and experiences. No trip to Dunsmuir would be complete without seeing Bob.

Our evening meal plans have distilled to three nights of dinning in and three nights of dinning out. Our predinning plans have remained unchanged, after our waders come off, pipes and cigars appear, two and three finger scotches or bourbon are poured into glass tumblers and we get down to the business of storytelling, the trading of ideas and knowledge; while the Sacramento never sleeps beneath our watchful eyes. When the last sip wets the tips of our tongues and the smoke disperses overhead, we shuffle into motion, either to gather round the table or head to the restaurant.

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This year Mike Palmer joined us for a day of golf and fishing with Bob, Scott and Jeff. I lost track of Mike when he left Fresno for a job promotion in Northern California, it was nice getting reacquainted. We always find his company enjoyable, thank you Mike for joining us for the day.

On our first trip to Ted Fay's, much to my delight and to my wife's chagrin, Bob had a Tenkara rod marked at 50% off, it was a deal I could not pass up. I've been looking at trying this form of fly fishing since listening to a presentation by Daniel Galhardo from Tenkara USA at a Fly Fishers for Conservation meeting about 12 years ago. I did not get a chance to fish my new rod, until the last two days of our trip. I had to order fishing lines that didn't arrive until Wednesday. On Thursday Kevin, Cy and I fished Burney Falls, Baum Lake and Hat creek; I caught one 6-inch trout.

On Friday morning we fished the upper Sac under the foot bridge at Simms, no strikes, no hits, no errors. I was not getting a handle on Tenkara, the learning curve was beginning to make me doubt my fishing choice. After lunch at the Burger Barn we drove to the parking area below the I-5 bridge in Dunsmuir. I headed down river, Cy crossed over and Kevin headed upriver. 45 minutes later I was still unproductive, giving up on this section of water and really doubting myself, I headed up stream to follow in Kevin's wader prints. The last day and a half of trial and error and of reading about Tenkara fishing in the evenings began to produce. Keeping my rod tip up and slowing my drift, put my nymph flies in the right attitude of presentation to the



fish and they responded. With three consecutive cast I pulled three nice sized fish out of a seam that Kevin had already fished. Now I was truly hooked, I still have much to learn and more practice in front of me, but with my first success and the ease of rod transportation and line management, I have added new knowledge, and a simplified way to enjoy my love of fly fishing. It was a very fine way to end my time on the water in Dunsmuir. Scott closed out the trip with a similar experience with standard fly rod below Financial, he had a smile on his face when he returned to our cabin on the river.

This year's celebration of each other had come to an end, it was time to make our pilgrimage home. Each of us pulled out onto the Camino and headed home, two North, four South and one took the heavenly route. Life is a journey or pilgrimage when we step out on the road, we have taken the first steps toward ulterior (beyond, the future) the road changes us, we go beyond ourselves.

The road features prominently in most religions and philosophies. In Europe over many centuries and in the present, religious pilgrims walked "the way" on a journey of growth and enlightenment. The best known of these Pilgrimage paths is the Camino de Santiago, (the way of Saint James). In Asia the spiritual philosophy Taoism, Tao means way, path, route, or the natural order of the universe. Pilgrimages feature prominently in both western and eastern religions and spiritual developments.

All of us walk the path of life, like the snow fall on Mount Shasta we go through the crucible of our passage through life. We laugh, cry, suffer, doubt, love, fall, fail and stand again. We stand on mountain tops, wander valleys, and stumble and fall into rivers. The way or path shapes us, changes us. Among anadromous fish the strongest and largest fish are always found on the spawning grounds of rivers with the most difficult journeys. If we examine the people who take pilgrimages like the Appalachian trail, Pacific Crest trail or the Camino de Santiago, they develop a strong sense of camaraderie, but also a strong sense of compassion. Trail magic is a term they use to describe spontaneous acts of kindness and caring. Each person still has to walk the way on their own, but on days when the journey becomes unbearable, and somebody stops and offers support, aid, water, a shoelace, a band-aid or even a prayer, they are able to make that next step in their pilgrimage. Many of the volunteers who support pilgrims are past pilgrims themselves. They are known collectively as trail angels.

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In my journeys with my fellow fishermen, (North and South) I find many of the same traits, each trip is a pilgrimage, we step out onto the road in pursuit of anadromous fish and it changes us; we face good days and bad days, high and low water, cloudy water, ice, snow, cold and heat, leaky waders, broken rods and reels and thousands of other things that vex us. But in our love of this sport we take the next step and the step after that. Our journey is the embodiment of ulteria to go beyond. We help each other with flies, casting instruction, tips and tricks. When we lose a piece of equipment, break a rod, someone has a piece of equipment to help complete the journey. Fishing is a solitary sport, but a community will help you get back on the water.

As you walk the way, always carry with you Parsley it removes bitterness, Sage gives you strength, Rosemarie gives you Love, and Thyme gives you courage, you will need all of these in facing the challenges of living. I wish you a safe journey as you go beyond. Take the next step!!

Stephen

“Many go fishing all their lives without knowing that it is not fish they are after” - Henry David Thoreau



~ *In The Past* ~

The Newsletter of the Alpine Fly Fishers
'The Fly Line' -

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February of 1976

Reed Miller, Editor



This ~ *In The Past* ~ article was published in 1976. The information it contains is 43 years out of date and is not accurate.

This is a historical document only.

Program: Last summer, **Phil White** took a fabulous float trip on one of Alaska's rivers. He came back with stories of catching big rainbows and salmon until his arm ached. Now he's going to show us slides to back up his claims. This should be a great program.

Last Meeting: The "Fishing desk of the month" plan was presented by the activities committee. The purpose of this plan is two-fold:

- (1) To give members advice on where to fish during the coming month, and
- (2) To serve as a communications focal point to match up members who may want to go fishing the same weekend and/or place.

Pat Trotter will man the desk during February.

Fishing Prospects: The rest of this newsletter is devoted to giving you some ideas on where to go fishing during February.

Winter Whitefish: Although the glamorous steelhead gets the lion's share of publicity and fishing pressure, there is another fish available to the angler. The whitefish and it can give a skunked steelheader something to take home.

The whitefish is found in most Western Washington and Eastside streams in large numbers. They are a school fish, so if you find one you usually find many. Their average size is 10" to 12" but they grow as large as 18". The whitefish is usually found in deep, 'fishy' looking pools, usually at the upper end and just downstream from where the fast water flattens out.

When water conditions are right, fly fishing can be successful. Use a weighted caddis larva imitation, size 12 or 14, on a short leader and fast sinking or Hi-Density line. You may even need to add a small split shot to get down to fish level.

The strike will be gentle at best, so a delicate touch is needed. Often what feels like a gentle bumping of the bottom is a fish taking, so strike at any hint of a take.

The whitefish is delicious fried, but many people feel the best way to eat them is smoked.

Some places to try are the Green River near Flaming Geyser, the Yakima almost anywhere and the North Fork of the Stilly near the mouth of Wallace River and the Middle Fork of the Snoqualmie.

Oh, by the way, once I hooked a steelhead on a single egg, size 12 hook and 3 lb test leader while fishing for whitefish on the North Stilly, so maybe you should use a heavier leader.

Searun Cutthroat fishing off of Chambers Creek near Steilacoom.

Alpine Fly Fisher Meeting Dates in 2019

December 17 - THIRD TUESDAY!!!

Alpine Fly Fisher Meeting Dates in 2020

January 28; February 25; March 24; April 28; May 26; June ?? (Picnic)
July/August (no meetings); September 22; October 27; November 24; December 15

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River Traditions
www.rivertraditions.com

Note from the editor:

David Humphries of River Traditions has created the Guide Recommended site. I have been buying items from David for many years at his River Traditions website. His Guide Recommended site offers many helpful tips about fly fishing. Each one of the pictures is a link to some great tips and suggestions.

While you are at it, go on over to his River Traditions website at <https://rivertraditions.com> and check it out.

Larry

FFI Charter Club Benefits

MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE & INDUSTRY PARTNER PROGRAMS

With FFI's Membership Incentive Program, for every 12 new FFI members your club recruits, your club receives \$75 towards the purchase of merchandise in our Industry Partner Program. Our industry leading partners provide products at discounts for club fundraisers, educational events, and member recruitment and encouragement in local projects.

CHARTER CLUB INSURANCE PROGRAM

FFI Insurance Program offers a significantly reduced premium on club insurance for FFI Charter Clubs. The master policy purchased by FFI provides Directors & Officers coverage of \$1M, Commercial General Liability of \$4M aggregate/ \$2M per occurrence, \$1M hired/ nonowned auto, and \$1M Umbrella liability. Open enrollment forms are sent with the annual report, but clubs can join any time during the year.

LEARNING CENTER

FFI's Education Committee has published learning modules for 4 major areas: Casting, Conservation, Fly Fishing Skills, and Fly Tying. Clubs can use the materials to teach and help your members enhance their skills. These comprehensive presentations will soon be accompanied by instructor/ teaching manuals. Try it out at one of your club meetings!

CONSERVATION & EDUCATION

FFI provides grants for conservation and education projects to councils, clubs and other organizations that are furthering the mission of the organization. Habitat restoration and education activities are a top priority for FFI. In addition, we offer scholarships for graduate students who are focusing on fisheries or conservation type degrees.

FFI also recognizes our members, through the Awards Program, for their work in conservation and education. Call FFI HQ for more information on grants and awards. Applications are due April 1 each year.

OTHER BENEFITS: No club fees / FFI HQ files club federal taxes / Inclusion in FFI's 501(c)3 (optional) / Legal advice from FFI's attorney / FFI HQ staff support / Access to Equipment Loan Program / Club mapped & listed on FFI website / Access to Speakers Bureau portal / Access to Newsletter Content / Access to Club Leader Report portal / Flyfisher magazine, E-news, & ClubWire / Local club list given to all new FFI members / FFI calendar & social media postings of your events

Grande Ronde Land Purchase

At the start of September, during a Board of Directors meeting, the **Washington State Council** Fly Fishers International voted to become involved in the purchase of some great steelhead land on the Grande Ronde so the people using the fishing area will have some place to park and camp. The WSC voted to donate **\$2,500** towards securing a PSA to place a hold on any other people from trying to purchase the land. The PSA has been secured. We now have 3 months to come up with the rest of the money so the WSC can purchase the land and donate it to the WDFW.

The Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club (IEFFC) brought this matter to our attention. They have been working with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) and Wild Steelhead Coalition (WSC) to purchase an 8-acre parcel of land on the lower Grande Ronde River. The land, next to a couple of very popular steelhead angling spots - the **Shadow Hole and Turkey Run** - is currently being used by hundreds of steelhead anglers each year for access to the river and for parking/camping. Every steelheader who regularly fishes the lower Grande Ronde is familiar with this area and has most likely used it. Due to the generosity of the land owner, he has not posted the land however he has now decided he would like to sell it. He would prefer that it remain open for public use rather than having a private entity purchase it and then potentially block public access. The WDFW owns the shoreline easement so there would always be a narrow trail available but no parking/camping area that users have become accustomed to.

We need to raise at least \$30,000 to cover the land purchase, closing costs, and the WDFW environmental evaluation. We also plan to install a memorial to honor everyone who contributed to the project. Along with the IEFFC contribution for the earnest money, we have already received commitments from individuals.

The State will do an environmental impact study (EIS) for this action which may up to a year to complete. Hopefully the land purchase will move quickly which will leave some amount of time when the WSC will be the new landowners and can then donate it to the WDFW. The state has offered to lease the property from the WSC until such time as they can receive the land donation in order to cover the WSC in the interim for liability issues and operating expenses.

UPDATE: Fund raising has been going nicely. Looks like they will make their goal and have a little left over for a nice sign stating who all helped fund the purchase of this land.

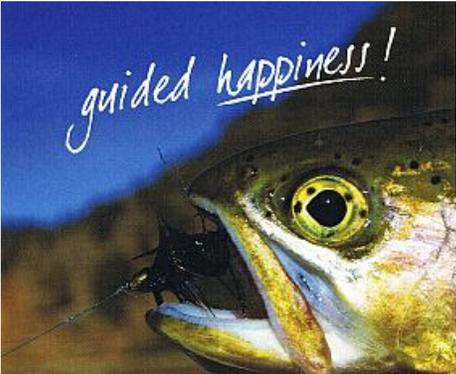



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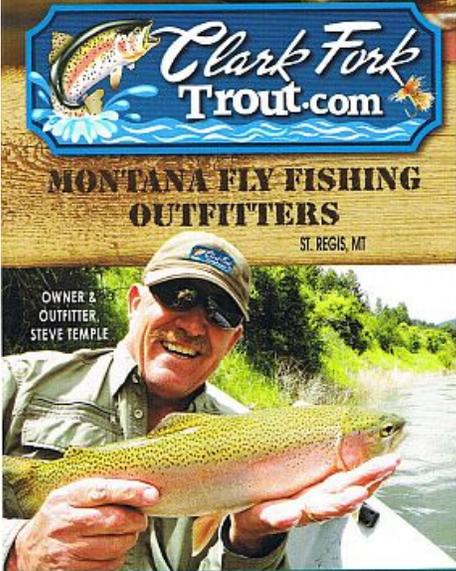
Steve Worley has some great guides and he has put together the best fly shop filled with a massive amount of fly tying materials and equipment. You really need to stop by the shop and check it out. Just take the Canyon Road exit off I-90 and turn north towards town, the Worley Bugger Fly Co. shop is on the left or west side of the road. Open all year. Stop by and say Hi!

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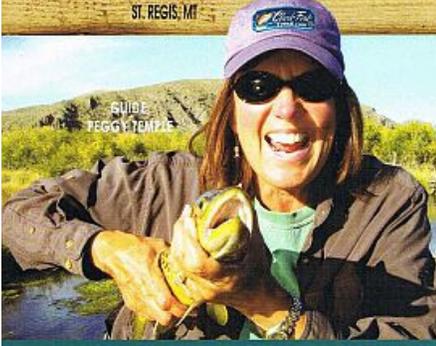


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TFO Fly Rod / Reel Raffle Board

We have a great rod/reel/rod case raffle board starting up at our March meeting. Check it out!

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Each blank offers a very slim profile finished with our exclusive Tactical Series™ stripping guides and ultra-lightweight chromium-impregnated stainless snake guides. Their reduced-profile burl cork handles are both handsome and durable – plus they retain their superb feel under all fishing conditions. Blanks are matte black with black thread wraps and emerald trim. Larger models sport machined aluminum reel seats with gray carbon fiber inserts.



NXT LA II REEL

Lighter, higher-performance and now large arbor – the new Temple Fork LA NXT II reel is the definition of value in a fly reel. Lightweight cast aluminum, adjustable disc drag, and interchangeable spools make these reels a necessity for every freshwater angler. The NXT LA II reel is for 6/8 weight rods.



There is also an Adams Built rod/reel case to protect and carry this great outfit around.

Let's finish this rod board off at our Christmas meeting, then in January we can start a new fly rod board. Steve Egge has donated a really nice **Loop** 9ft, 5wt, 4c fly rod with a **Loop** reel and a fly line. Thank you Steve!!!!!!



December 2019 / January 2020

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| 29 | 30 | 31 | "Happy, happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childhood days, recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth, and transport the traveler back to his own fireside and quiet home!" - Charles Dickens | | | |

"Whose woods these are I think I know. His house is in the village though. He will not see me stopping here to watch his woods fill up with snow." - Robert Frost, Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening

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