October 2006 Newsletter - Alpine Fly Fishers

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Meeting -

Tuesday, October 24, 2006

Niftys Fiftys Pub and Grill, 8924 Canyon Road E, Puyallup Telephone 253-531-8202 Wet Line 6:30 P.M., Dry Line 7:30 P.M.

Program: Salt Water Fishing

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Open letter to club members...

by Bill Aubrey

Alpine Fly Fishers President

We have started off our fall meeting schedule. Be sure to mark your calendars for the 4th Tuesday of the month at Niftys Fiftys on Canyon Road.

This month we have Anil Srivastava from Puget Sound Fly Company in Kent as our presenter. I have been trying to get Anil for more than a year. He is a great instructor and communicator. He will primarily be talking about the salt (possibly tuna, bones, cutts), but he is also open to questions, etc. For future meetings, I am trying to line up Phil Black, Steve Worley and possibly a surprise from the Deschutes.

This is your club so I am soliciting your input. Thus, I have a number of questions, and I will welcome any and all comments, critiques, criticisms, or whatever. A sampling of questions follows:

Speakers and presenters—Do you want them? What kind (topics) and
who? How about some state or federal guys? Remember, some of these
folks come and speak for free and some we pay. It helps if we show them
interest and courtesy when they give up their time to visit with us.

- Outings—Do you want them? What kind? When? How often? Can you be the ghillie for one?
- Meeting location and time—This is a big one. For those of you new to the club, we have moved four times in the past three years. Finding a location that met our requirements (available, good-sized room that we could have exclusive use of, good food, alcohol, and a fairly central location) was a major endeavor. We had to reschedule our meeting night. Personally, I think Niftys fits our needs, although we are working on a sound system. But then, I remember getting to one location where we had a speaker and no room because of a T-ball party, and the totally unacceptable food at the Elks. But, we are very interested in hearing your views.
- We still have a large number of tickets for Trophy Lake. We sell them for \$9.00 each or a six pack for \$50.00. They each are good for 1 hour of fishing (usual cost \$15/hr). Trophy Lake is near Port Orchard. There are three ponds and large, hungry trout. It's a great place to take newbies or kids, or to pass those miserable winter days.

We would really appreciate your input. You can bring it to the meeting, call me (253-678-3683), or email me (billaubrey@comcast.net), Fred Fishback (ffishback@yahoo.com) or Steve Egge (steveegge@comcast.net). Tight Lines!

Bill

(Ed. Note: This letter was written because of concern about dwindling meeting attendance and participation.)

Carey Special Recipe

Hook: Tiemco 5263, sizes 4-10

Thread: Black
Tail: Pheasant tail
Rib: Copper wire

Body: Olive chenille or peacock herl

Hackle: Pheasant tail

Dependable Carey Special still an effective pattern

Contributed by Bill Fox

A traditional Northwest lake pattern, the Carey Special still finds employment, especially in the lakes of British Columbia. It represents a dragonfly nymph. or lake dwelling caddis. Body color variations include brown or red with silver ribs. I fish it by trolling, counting down and retrieving, or just retrieve in short or long strips.

Washington State Sportsmen's Show

From Pat Blackwell...

This is the month that we start the signup sheets. Those that sign up early get to choose their preferred dates. Clear your calendar and help promote our sport and our club.

As in the past we need fly tyers and spokespersons. Those that think that they may want to tie flies but are just beginning and are a little worried that they won't be good enough, WRONG..... we need all skill levels to encourage others to participate. If you haven't volunteered in the past and are not into tying your own flies join us as a spokesperson, no prior experience needed, just the desire to have fun.

The show runs January 24-28 at the Puyallup Fairgrounds.

Don't Forget to view the club's web site at www.alpineflyfishers.org and join in on the club's Yahoo groups conversations.