

Our Next AFF Meeting
Tuesday
November 22

Puerto Vallarta 215 15th St. SE Puyallup at 6 PM

The Dead Drift-November 2022

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President's Line

By Larry Gibbs

November 4 - 6 is when the FFI Virtual Expo is being held. Check out page 2 & 3. This is a great event and you only have to travel as far as your computer location within your house. All kinds of classes and seminars you can sign up for. Some are free others cost some money but remember, this is a fund raiser for a great organization. If you had to drive somewhere to attend a function like this, you would be spending a whole lot more.

I am writing this on the 23rd of October. I just went over the 14 pages of people who have signed up to view the FFI Virtual Expo. I am sad to say that other than my name being on the list, no other Alpine Fly Fishers club members names appeared.

This is such a great event. Over 100 classes you can take, seminars to sit in the comfort of your own home to listen to them, some great guest speakers over the course of the three days this event is being held.

I really hope that just prior to the start of the FFI Virtual Expo, when I check the list of who has signed up, I will see some names from our club.

Fall finally arrived, well almost anyway. At least we are now getting some decent rain. It has been a very dry summer and early fall, and the trees and other plants really show the stress of such a dry period. I say 'almost' because here it is the end of October and we have yet to have a frost. It used to be we would always get a good hard frost around the middle of September. Then as the decades advanced it changed to the middle of October. Now this year, we have yet to get any temperature in the 30's, only the lower 40's. At least we are getting a sprinkle of snow up in the higher Cascades, we need a lot more up there to set up for a good summer time river flow in 2023.

Our November Guest Speaker will be someone from Red's Fly Shop. I will be contacting Joe Rotter to see if what topics he has and I will pick one that sounds interesting and maybe new to our club. This will be a Zoom presentation using the large TV at the restaurant if I can get a remote control that will work. Their remote got legs and walked away.

GREAT NEWS!! I went to Best Buy and bought a remote that is good for most Samsung TV's and it really works! Last night Michael Martin was able to use the TV for his presentation. So much better than the Power Point projector on the screen. By the way, Michael works at Sportco in Fife and they are having a heck of a sale right now.

We sold out the Raffle Board last night and John Clark was the winner. I was offering one of 12 different items and John made his selection. We will be starting a new Raffle Board at the November meeting with lots of neat 'stuff' to select an item from if you win.

"Time is but the stream I go a-fishing in. I drink at it; but while I drink, I see the sandy bottom and detect how shallow it is. Its thin current slides away, but eternity remains." Henry David Thoreau

Good Fishing & Stay Safe





Virtual Expo Activities

Some great activities are planned for the FFI Virtual Expo. As information becomes available we'll post it to this page. Come back often to check for information.

Workshops, Seminars & Demonstrations

FFI has some of the best instructors in the world. They are coming to you online to provide some great learning opportunities through seminars and workshops. Topics covered include:

Casting

Tying

Fly Fishing Skills

Conservation & More

Auctions, Raffles & More

Want to Participate in our Auctions and Raffles? Donate an item to our auctions and raffles. Need more info? Send an inquiry to **ffiexpoauction@flyfishersinternational.org**

Bid on an item of your choice, and bid high! Remember it's for preserving the legacy of fly fishing for all fish, all waters.

Be a Sponsor or Exhibitor

All sponsors will be given an exhibitor space at the Expo, plus additional benefits at each level.

Gold - \$3000 - 1 available Silver - \$1500 - 2 available Bronze - \$500 - 7 available Exhibitor - \$100 - unlimited available



Event Date: November 04, 2022, 9:00 AM - November 06, 2022, 5:00 PM Export event FFI Virtual Expo has been scheduled. Details will be posted as available, but please mark your calendar.

Christmas Gift Drawing

I mentioned in the May newsletter that this coming December, at our Christmas meeting, I will be holding a special drawing. Each time a member attends a meeting this year, they will get one entry into the drawing. So far we have had two meetings so some club members already have two entries for the drawing. First place will be an Orvis Encounter fly rod outfit, a 9'6", 6wt, 4pc, with reel and line. I will also have second and third place winners as well.

We have one more meeting before our Christmas meeting so one more chance to get an extra 'credit' for attending our meetings.

Some of the virtual classes offered at the FFI Virtual Expo

Tying Related Classes

- 403 Simple Foam Beetle by Bill Houk
- 404 Different Styles by Jack Gillis
- 405 Deer Hair Hacks by Phil Latendresse
- 407 Tying the Life Cycle of the Midge by Richard Rohrbaugh
- 410 Classic Spey Patterns by Cameron Schutza
- 411 Hellgramite by Barry Webster
- 412 Laws Pertaining to the Possession and

Transportation of Natural Fly Tying Materials by Tom Logan

- 416 The Evolution of Balanced Flies by Philip Rowley
- 420 The Black Creeper, a George Grant Patented Fly by Dutch Baughman
- 421 Simple Patterns for Steelhead by Steve DeQuoy
- 422 Suggest Fly Tying Materials to Assist New Fly Tiers Simplify Their Fly Tying Materials Inventory by Tom Logan
- 426 Classic Salmon Fly Techniques Part A by Eric Austin
- 426 Classic Salmon Fly Techniques Part B by Eric Austin
- 426 Classic Salmon Fly Techniques Part C Final by Eric Austin
- 505 Tying Posts for Parachute Flies by Tim Papich
- 507 Tying and Fishing Cripples by Eric Austin
- 508 The Prince Charming Nymph & Moose Hair Stimulator by Rocky Gribble
- 516 Put Wonder In Your Wings by Al Beatty
- 517 Fly Tying Basics for Beginners by Bill Reisbick
- 518 Tying the Muddler Minnow by Jerry Coviello
- 524 The Coch y Bonddhu Fly by Dutch Baughman
- 525 UV Resin Shrimp by Jerry Coviello
- 526 Complete Callibaetis by Phil Rowley
- 529 Crane Fly and CDC Spent Caddis Koichi Kawa
- 530 Dave's Hopper by Jerry Coviello
- 532 Foam Dragon Bluegill Slayer by Jerry Coviello
- 535 Early Stillwater Chironomids by Cheryl Cline
- 539 Double Bunny Offspring by Scott Sanchez
- 540 The Versatile Black Ghost for Trout and Salmon by Peggy Brenner
- 603 Meat Whistle & Klinkhammer by Tim Papich
- 605 The Mayfly by Mike Morphew
- 608 Dubbing Brushes and Tying the Game Changer by Jerry Coviello
- 610 Fly Tying Basics for Beginners by Bill Reisbick
- 611 Bass and Bluegill Flies by Fred DuPré
- 617 Tying My Favorite Trout Flies by Paul Johnson
- 618 Woven Body Caddis Larva by Jerry Coviello
- 620 Managing Quill Wings by Jerry Coviello
- 626 Blane Chocklett by Blane Chocklett
- 627 New Bendback Saltwater Flies by Scott Sanchez
- 628 Choosing the Correct Deer Hair for Spinning or Stacking by Mike George

Casting Related Classes

- 401 How to Hold a Fly Rod -- The Ring Finger in the Fly Cast by John Biggers
- 409 Get the Most Out of Your Flycasting Practice by William Kopal
- 413 Loop Stability: How to Improve It by Pietro Brunelli
- 414 An in-depth analysis of the application of force during the casting stroke by Mark Huber, Mac Brown
- 425 Virtual Video Casting Analysis Using OnForm by Willy George
- 427 Teaching Workshop for Casting Instructors by Macauley Lord
- 501 Keys to Successful Completion for CI/MCI Exam Performance Task #1 by Jeff Hogan, Steven Morikawa
- 502 Journey to Casting Success: Fly Casting Skills Development by Jonathan Walter, Russ Carpenter, Sarah Trenschel

- 506 Cast and Cooking by Timothy Buckley, Kastine Coleman
- 509 Casting Form of the Best Casters by Mary Ann Dozer
- 519 Introduction to the THCI Exam Presenter: Todd Somsel, Rick Williams, Molly Semenik, all certified as MCI, THMCI
- 520 Leveraging Technology for Your CI Journey by Mary Ann Dozer
- 521 Curve Casts and Aerial Mends How and When to Use by Rex Walker
- 522 Saltwater Fly Casting Skills by Jim Schneider
- 623 Single Spey Tasks on the MCI Exam How to Prepare by Mark Huber
- 624 Teaching Workshop for Casting Instructors by Macauley Lord
- 527 Trout Spey by Bruce Williams
- 531 Master the Wind Casting in a Crosswind by Michael Carpenter
- 533 Fishing Every Trout Fly in Your Box by Jonathan Walter
- 534 Teaching Workshop for Casting Instructors by Macauley Lord
- 606 Understanding Fly Lines and Leaders by Jim Hund
- 607 A New Challenge: The Learning Center's Single-Hand Spey Ladder and the MCI SH Spey Tasks by Russ Carpenter (CI), Rick Williams (MCI, THMCI)
- 612 Casting to Keys Tarpon with Tomo Higashi and Capt. Brian Helms by Tomonori Bill Higashi, Capt. Brian Helms
- 613 Fly Fishing Injuries An overview of injuries, etc. that may occur when fly fishing by David Drez, Jr, MD

Destinations & Misc Related

- 406 Fly Fishing This Side of the Ocean: An FFI MCI Ambassador Perspective by Pietro Brunelli
- 418 Amazing Taiwan by Kai Hsun Chen
- 419 How to Promote FFI and Your Fly Casting Classes by Lyall Crawford
- 443 Fishing the Waters of the Southeastern Council of FFI from Alabama to the Carolina Coast by Southeastern Council FFI
- 426 Fly Fishing at Your Edge on the Lower Laguna Madre by Kathy Sparrow
- 430 Texas Fly Fishing by Alvin Dedeaux
- 506 Cast and Cooking by Timothy Buckley
- 513 Fly Fishing in Malaysia by Riki Liskandarsyah
- 515 Fly Fishing Photography 101: How to Capture What You See by Carol Ann Morris
- 523 Why We Fish by Jody Martin, Macauley Lord, Bruce Williams
- 528 Fly Fishing Opportunities in the Channel Islands by Michael Schweit
- 536 Flyfishing for Iwana and Accompanying Pleasures in Japan by Shintaro Sekine
- 537 Saltwater Fly Fishing by Bruce Chard
- 602 Off Shore Fly Fishing Opportunities for Tuna, Yellowtail and Dorado by Michael Schweit
- 604 Preparing for your destination trip; Beyond the Gear by Anita Coulton
- 612 Casting to Keys Tarpon with Tomo Higashi and Capt. Brian Helms by Tomonori Bill Higashi, Capt. Brian Helms
- 615 Atlantic Salmon Fishing in Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada by Kastine Coleman, Terry Byrne

Plus classes on Fly Fishing Skills; Conservation; Women Connect; and some great guest speakers

You really owe it to yourself to check out this 2022 Virtual Expo on November 4 & 5 & 6

Fly Fishing International Fly of the Month November 2008

Reverse Hackle Adams

By Bob Bates



Joel Popham from Spokane Valley, Washington has caught many northern Idaho fish with this pattern. In fact he said he ties most of his floating flies with this technique. He showed us how to tie it at the Western Rocky Mountain Council (FFF) Fly Fishing Exposition in West Yellowstone, Montana, June 30, 2007. He learned it from Al Beatty. You can tie it to imitate any mayfly just match the color and size. It is mostly a stream pattern, but it can be used in lakes also. The style of tying the wings has been around for several years, but few people take advantage of it. One of its attributes is that the wings are somewhat transparent like real mayflies, and it also gives a suggestion of the veins in a mayfly wing. This is also called a Wonder Wing.

Fish the pattern with a floating line and leader suitable for the situation. As always cast to make a drag free float. An upstream reach cast is a big help. Sometimes mending the line is necessary. However, mending will often cause a momentary break in the drag free float so you want to do it carefully. If the fish are hitting skidding insects, forget what I said above, and skate the fly a little.

Material list:

Hook: Any dry fly hook, sizes 10 to 18. This one is on a 14

Thread: 8/0 Tail: Deer hair

Body: Light hair's ear dubbing (match color of bugs)

Wing: Brown or other bug matching color Hackle: Brown or other bug matching color

Tying steps:

- 1. Pinch the barb with smooth jaw pliers before tying if you want to go barbless. Put a thread base on the shank, and then bring the thread to a point 1/3 rd shank length back from the eye. Pick two large hackles, and cut the stems to get rid of the fuzzy part of the feather. Match them face to face (shiny side to shiny side), and stroke about 1/2 shank length of the barbs away from the tips. Tie on to shank with a loose wrap. (Some tiers use 3/4 shank length.)
- 2. Pull both wings straight up until the wing is about a shank length long. Make sure both wings are on top of the hook. Put on a couple more thread winds to secure the wings. Clip the wings into a gallows tool to hold the wings up and out of the way as other steps are taken.
- 3. Trim forward pointing barbs. Move the thread to bend of hook and tie in deer hair to make about a shank length tail.
- 4. Put a light coating of dubbing on the thread. Wrap it forward and back as needed to build up the body a little. Also make it tight against the back of the wing. Put on a few extra thread winds if necessary to keep the wings vertical.
- 5. Select a hackle of proper size, cut off the butt, trim a few barbs, secure it behind the wing and move the thread to in front of the wing. Make two tight turns of hackle behind the wing and two turns in front of the wings. Tie off hackle in front of wings.
- 6. Trim excess hackle. Put a little dubbing in front of the hackle. Trim wings and separate them.

Closing comments: Hair's ear dubbing frequently makes a messy looking fly, but fish seem to like them. Sometimes a perfect fly will be refused, but a shaggy one will be accepted with gusto. Tie a few of these for your favorite stream or lake and give them a try when it is legal to do so.

Back of Beyond

Stephen Neal

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

At Play in the Fields of the Lord

Our world is in upheaval, false colors have been flown, we are divided and the gulf between us grows. The weather has changed, its extremes are many, with greater consequences! Whether or not we like changes, our time of living is now. This is our only shot at going through this brief moment of time. I chose to stand at attention and soak up all that passes me by. Fly-Fishing is one of life's paths I walk to be "here and now".

It had been two years since we had picked up our Spey rods and fished this river, the pandemic, and climate upheaval, interfered. We three souls were pursuing steelhead, that pursuit would deliver us to where we needed to be. Outside, warmly held in the arms of mother earth. To celebrate our arrival, we sampled the waters of God, good Scotch Whiskey. We gave thanks for a safe arrival and toasted each other and the river.



Mack's Canyon is where we entered mother nature's arms and were swallowed by river time. Deschutes River time to be specific. We were in the land of big water, the Deschutes is old, older than the basalt dome that it cuts deeply through. This is the land of sparse rainfall, short sun-bleached grass, and columnar basalt outcroppings. It is stunning, each bend in the river reveals new wonders. Deer and mountain goats can be spotted on the steep mountains that frame our world. In this river canyon we will deepen our friendships, soak in its beauty, and hopefully ease an ache, that has built up during our two-year absence. We three souls carry the same dream, to once again, reach into the Deschutes River's waters and bring a steelhead to hand and murmur a prayer of thank you, as they swim away.

One of the gifts received by those who visit here is the night sky. The air is exchanged often by the winds that blow here, keeping it fairly clean, and light pollution is at a minimum. The stars show bright, the milky way's delicate and saturated beauty is in sharp definition. How sad it is, that few people in our creeping urbanization have ever seen the milky way. During the last major earthquake in the Los Angeles basin, local radio stations were inundated with calls from concerned citizens believing that that carpet of stars now visible in the night sky was a gas cloud released by the earthquake. Oh! How far we have separated ourselves from nature.

Sleeping out under the stars or cowboy camping as it is referred to in the back-packing community, is for me a welcome night's resting place. I feel closer to our ancestors', who intimately knew our night sky, they formed pictures from star patterns and gave birth to the constellations that fill our night sky. I always sleep peacefully with the stars as my cover, The light reaching our eyes if from millions and billions of years in the past, that knowledge alone fills me with wonder and peace. Closer to home, when the sun sets, it has already been down for eight minutes, before we see it disappear. Human egos a far too large, in comparison to our significance in this immense and fascinating universe. As stewards of our home, we are lousy housekeepers.

With the thoughts of last night's stars still fresh in my memories as I step into the river. My boots have a tenuous hold on the basalt river bottom, I feel a flutter in my gut as I lay my fly line out on the water. Will I still know how to cast, how rusty will I be? I bring my rod to its apex and create a loop in the air laying out my anchor a few feet to the right, I circle the rod tip above my right shoulder, creating a D loop, my water anchor loads my rod, pulling my left hand into my belt the line shoots out over the rivers roiling surface and my fly settles in the seam of calm water below a large basalt boulder.

Hey! That was close. It took a few more casts to recover my feel and then it settled into place. My body sings with happiness, I hit the sweet spot, at no point in my cast did I try and over-power my cast, my loop remained tight, my body relaxed, pulling my left hand to my waist, my line shot out over the water and the fly settled on the river location I had chosen.

For me the sweet spot reveals itself, when the world's distraction fade, body and mind move as one entity and your endeavor is made with perfection. Wise Men/Sages refer to it as being one mind. Oh! Man does that feel good. It's the golf swing that keeps you playing golf. It is holding your newborn child, cradled with pure love and wonder. It is that moment in love making, when you and your wife's bodies merge, there is no you, there is just one. It is sitting under a sky full of stars and the answers come.

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A cast made with grace and the power of life supplying the force, simply put, it is a feeling of completeness. "At play in the fields of the lord", is one way to describe it. When everything comes together, it is that childhood joy of play. Somewhere in life that simple phrase came into my possession, I still hold it tight to me. A small sentence that rings true, pure, and authentic.

My appreciation of that short sentence was pricked again, when I came across it or at least its cousin in a book "The Legend of Bagger Vance" by Steven Pressfield. A 1931 exhibition golf match on the Krewe Island links in Georgia serves as a teaching moment for a lost soul, drowning in the futility of life. The story is being told to



Michael, a young man, football star and aspiring medical doctor, who is in the midst of a life crisis, having lost hope in humanity. His mentor/friend a retired Doctor and golf adherent, tries to reach him by telling him a story from his childhood. At the age of ten, the doctor participates in a golf match as a caddie's assistant to another broken man, seeking himself after the horror of WWI. His caddie/mentor shows him how to find his authentic self.

"What I said to Junah back there," he began, when I said nothing but kept striding uncertainly forward, "was for your ears too, Hardy. You too are never alone, nor ever will be. Those who seek lesser teachers go unto them. My players come always to me." Will it make sense, Michael, and Irene, if I tell you how much the phrase, "my players" meant to me? I was so proud, and so relived, that Vance considered me one of "his players" All fear left me instantly.

"Remember when you saw those gulls in the storm," Vance asked me, and you had the sense of them 'playing'?" How could he know that? I didn't even question it anymore. "Your instincts were astute" he said "Play is the activity most pleasing to me. Can you guess why?" Of course, I couldn't. "Because it is authentic." But now his voice lowered, became more private. "Listen to me, young Hardy. A day will come for you when play becomes torment. When you will be drowning, not in water but on dry land. In that hour remember me. I will preserve you" – The Legend of Bagger Vance, by Steven Pressfield

"Play is the activity most pleasing to me". Eight simple words with a profound affect. That effortless movement that makes me feel complete. When it happens, I know I am at play in the fields of the lord. That morning's fishing beat felt authentic and wonderful. Not all of my casts were perfection, enough of them were close enough, to make me feel whole and welcome in this time and place. Oregon's Deschutes River Canyon.

Fishing is the play I use the most to get to my core. Where everything superficial falls away, I'm reduced to my most basic elements, standing in the flow of life (water) with a rod in my hands, casting with hope for a fish, even when they are present, they are still elusive. It is the fish which chooses to take your fly. I am a player. I used to teach Tai Chi Chuan, the practitioners are also called players. They too are in the process of letting go and finding their true self to preform the form correctly. As a fisherman I am just simply a player in the fields of the lord, on a path to find my true self.

We fisherman are dreamers, we put this trip together based upon a wish and a hoped-for possibility that the Steelhead count passing through the counting station would be headed to the Deschutes. The fishing prospects looked good, clear water, fair weather, and a promise of steelhead. We three souls are still in the possession of an unanswered dream/need to touch a steelhead in the Deschutes River. Nary a steelhead was in the river, our cast counts climbed as we combed the river. We fished mornings and evenings each of us covering different section until all three of us had fished it all. We changed locations and did it all over again. For some reason only known to the fish themselves the Deschutes River was not the destination of the steelhead crossing the dams. They were seeking the Grand Ronde and the Snake. We got the same report from the fishermen and guides we drifted

past, no steelhead in the river, everybody was coming up empty. The fish of a thousand cast is still true. I came for the fish, and there were none, lucky for me, I still found what I was looking for.

May fish tighten your lines, if they don't, you still get to enter river time. Get outside, grow, drink in the stars, and continue to play in the fields of the lord. Thank you, Pat, and Steve, it was a grand adventure.



The world is out there, the journey starts the minute you leave the door, go outside and truly live.

"When given the choice between being right or being kind, choose kind – Dr. Wayne W. Dyer

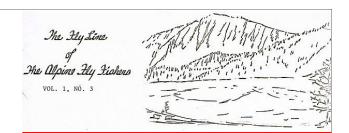
"Many go fishing all their lives, without knowing that it is not fish they are after" - Henry David Thoreau

~ In The Past ~

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

March of 1979

Ed Monger, "trial & error" Editor



This ~ *In The Past* ~ article was published in 1978. The information it contains is **43** years out of date and is not accurate.

This is a historical document only.

Program: Jerry Fleming of the Sporting Goods Shop at Carnation will present two films:

- 1. Fishing in Alaska with Jim Teeny and Dave Engerbretson. Advance reports say this is a very good film
- 2. A fishing trip to British Columbia

Door Prizes: Fisherman's Log Book

Cortland "Pro-Shop" flybox

Program Chair:

Since no brave and industrious soul volunteered to be a program chairman, the officers and trustees found a solution by holding a drawing at the last meeting. Below is a list of the "Lucky Winners" and the month that each "volunteered for:

Pat Trotter	April
Chris Jones	May
Phil White	June
Stan Gregory	July
Norm Norlander	August
Jim Baker	September
Gary Strodtz	October
Ed Monger	November
Bruce Jones	December
Cal Dunham	January

Dues Reminder: The date to pay your does was moved from April to January. We still have some members that have not paid—\$5.00 for members of last year and \$7.50 for new members.

Fly Tying Classes: Green River Community College is offering a fly tying class from March to June

The Washington Fly Fishers club is offering a fly tying class at the Sierra Heights Elementary School in Renton. They start in April.

Fly Pattern: I ran across the following pattern in the Olympic Fly Fishers of Edmonds Tightline and thought it to be an interesting pattern. This fly appeared originally in the Northwest Fly Anglers paper, "The Fly Paper".

Pat Ahern's Mosquito Larvae

Hook: #12

Tail: Carred gray hackle fibers, slightly webby, long

Body: Black thread, tapered

Shoulder: Peacock Herl

Wing: Barred gray hackle, very sparse, forward, almost like feelers



March 10 & 11 2023



NW Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo

@nwflytyingexpo

The NW Fly Tyer and Fly Fishing Expo is a fly tying & fly fishing expo for new and experienced fly fishers. The has many options for all anglers from attending classes. At the Expo you will have the opportunity to:

- •View 72 Fly Tyer Stations
- •Explore 50 Exhibitors
- •Observe Casting Demonstrations
- •Choose from 90 Classes on tying, casting, & fishing
- •Participate in Raffles & Silent Auctions daily
- Attend the Banquet & Auction



Plan on attending the Fly Tyer Expo in Albany

The Oregon Council FFI along with several Oregon fly clubs puts on this great event every year, but naturally they had to cancel for several years due to the Covid restrictions.

I have been attending this event for decades and always enjoy being there, visiting with many friends from around the country, bidding on silent auction items, hitting the raffle tables and bidding on some live auction items as well.

I will be working the FFI membership booth. Swing by and say hi if you come on down to Albany.



Alpine Fly Fishers

Future Meetings November 22

See you on:

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Washington State Council FFI joins the Amazon Smile Program







You can donate to the state FFI council with every purchase at Smile.Amazon.com

Reward programs are everywhere these days. From the grocery to airlines everybody is rewarding a purchase by giving you credit for future purchases or contributing to a cause. Now the Washington State Council of Fly Fishers International is one of the groups you can help when you purchase goods through Amazon Smile.

Amazon Smile donates 0.5% of the price of every purchase to the non-profit of your choice. It doesn't change the price you pay for goods. Amazon takes a sliver of its earnings from the transaction to donate to the non-profit you choose.

Washington FFI supports a range of education and conservation efforts every year from cash contributions. We support Casting for Recovery for women cancer survivors and Project Healing Waters serving wounded veterans. For years we've backed the annual Northwest Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing Academy that has introduced a generation of teens to our sport. Last year we helped organize and fund a successful effort to preserve public ownership of the Ebsen Fishing Access on the Grand Ronde and we helped fund new signage for fishers on the Yakima River.

It takes cash to sustain these efforts, cash we usually raise through our annual Fly Fishing Fair and other events. That hasn't been possible lately. But everyone still shops. Many FFI members shop online at Amazon. Directors of the Washington State Council have joined the Amazon Smile program to help fund our work. You can help by shopping through Amazon Smile.

To join follow these steps:

Visit smile.amazon.com

Sign in with the Amazon.com credentials you ordinarily use to shop at Amazon.

Search the list of charities and select Fly Fishers International Inc. Seattle WA. Make sure it says Seattle!

Bookmark smile.amazon.com on your computer to make it easy to return to the charity site.

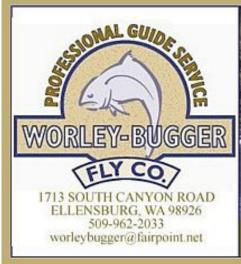
Every time you shop through Amazon Smile a portion of every purchase you make will help fund FFI education and environmental stewardship in Washington. Several FFI councils nationwide participate in the program so be sure to select Fly Fishers International Inc. Seattle WA when you sign up.

Since our founding 56 years ago, Washington FFI has worked to support the 22 FFI member clubs in Washington and Alaska and design ways to promote and conserve fly fishing for all fish in all waters. Washington FFI pursues projects and partnerships that educate the public about our sport and the habitats that sustain salt and freshwater fisheries. We have a track record of success creating innovative education programs, sound conservation efforts and a strong community of fly fishers statewide. Help Washington FFI continue that success by signing up at smile.amazon.com and selecting:

Fly Fishers International Inc. Seattle WA as your non-profit of choice. Thank you.

Editors Note: I already had a link to Amazon on my computer but it did not open to Amazon Smile, so I copied the URL to the Smile site and opened up my link and pasted the new URL in it. Now I open to Amazon Smile when I click the link. It doesn't cost me any more money and the WA State Council FFI gets a donation from Amazon.

Larry





Worley Bugger Fly Co.

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!



Clark Fork Trout

St. Regis, MT

Steve & Peggy Temple have their fly shop just on the north end of St. Regis, right across the street from the road down to the boat launch.

Check it out!!!

For a really good guided drift boat fishing trip, you should contact Clark Fork Trout.



Fly Fishers International

President's Club

The President's Club at Fly Fishers International represents the highest level of financial commitment to the organization and comes with exclusive benefits and opportunities as a way of thanking donors for this level of generosity. Over the course of FFI's history, the President's Club has been instrumental in our ability to ensure the legacy of fly fishing for all fish in all waters. Members of the exclusive giving circle can support any program or project at FFI that most inspires them, and at a level that recognizes their level of giving, including Platinum, Gold, Silver, or Bronze. The program allows for a pledge to be satisfied with yearly or monthly payment plans.

QUESTIONS? Email: operations@flyfishersinternational.org or phone: 406-222-9369 ext 4

Check out the FFI Donate page on line: https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Donate/Presidents-Club

The categories and their associated benefits are as follows:

BRONZE \$5,000 / Payable at \$500/ year or \$43/month

Benefits Include:

- Quarterly virtual President's Club meeting with exclusive special guest
- One-on-one meetings with the President and CEO for each member of the President's Club
- Opportunity to select the special President's Club Award
- Invitation to President's Club destination travel opportunity
- Specially designed President's Club pin, FFI President's Club sticker, and FFI hat

SILVER \$10,000 / Payable at \$1,000/ year or \$85/month

Benefits Include:

- Quarterly virtual President's Club meeting with exclusive special guest
- One-on-one meetings with the President and CEO for each member of the President's Club
- Opportunity to select the special President's Club Award
- Invitation to President's Club destination travel opportunity
- Specially designed President's Club pin, FFI President's Club sticker, FFI hat, an FFI T-shirt
- Exclusive individualized fly fishing instruction for President's Club members or person of their choosing

GOLD \$15,000 / Payable at \$1,500/ year or \$125/month

Benefits Include:

- FFI Life Membership
- Quarterly virtual President's Club meeting with exclusive special guest
- One-on-one meetings with the President and CEO for each member of the President's Club
- Opportunity to select the special President's Club Award
- Invitation to President's Club destination travel opportunity
- Specially designed President's Club pin, FFI President's Club sticker, FFI hat, and an FFI embroidered shirt
- Exclusive individualized fly fishing instruction for President's Club members or person of their choosing.

PLATINUM \$25,000 / Payable at \$2,500/ year or \$225/month

Benefits Include:

- FFI Life Membership
- Quarterly virtual President's Club meeting with exclusive special guest
- One-on-one meetings with the President and CEO for each member of the President's Club
- Opportunity to select the special President's Club Award
- Invitation to President's Club destination travel opportunity
- Specially designed President's Club pin, FFI President's Club sticker, FFI hat, an FFI embroidered shirt, and an FFI Yeti mug
- Exclusive individualized fly fishing instruction for President's Club members or person of their choosing.
- Unique, customized FFI Special edition fly rod when member reaches the \$100,000 level

Editors Note:

I am a proud member of Fly Fishers International and have been for over two decades. I really believe in what the FFI is doing and their goals. We are truly an "All Fish, All Waters" organization with strong beliefs in conservation and education. I belong to the President's Club as well as the Thousand Stewards program and the Legacy Circle. I would really like it if you, the reader, would join me in helping to support Fly Fishers International.





FFI1K - BECOME A MEMBER OF 1000 STEWARDS OF FFI

You have a unique opportunity to invest in the sport you love.

Fly Fishers International (FFI) has been an organized voice for fly fishers around the world since 1964. We represent all aspects of fly fishing – from the art of fly tying and casting, to protection of the natural systems that support healthy fisheries and their habitats so essential to our sport. Today, our mission is to ensure the legacy of fly fishing for all fish in all waters continues by focusing on CONSERVATION, EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY.

Join us in safeguarding the long-term health of fly fishing around the world by becoming one of the FFI1k, by committing to donate \$500 per year for 5 years (total of \$2500).

The funds raised by the FFI1K are vital to providing a solid foundation on which to continue to grow and expand our mission and to support:

- -Spearheading projects that improve our fisheries and protect our fishing opportunities
- -The FFI Learning Center's wealth of fly fishing knowledge and resources
- -Camaraderie among anglers built at our annual Expo and other events

Join the FFI1K Now

FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL (FFI) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit with the distinctive mission to preserve the legacy of fly fishing for all fish in all waters. Formed by some of the most influential luminaries in the world of fly fishing and conservation back in 1964, and dedicated to innovative strategies to inspire a new generation of fly fishers, providing FFI members the opportunity to leave a legacy in the sport we love.

FFI continues to focus on conservation, education, and community as the underpinning of our work. Our commitment to these principles provides the rock-solid foundation as we lean into the challenge of unprecedented times, and ascend to meet the needs of the evolving demographics of fly fishing.

JOIN FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL TODAY to help ensure that fly fishing can continue to instill the kind of passion it does today in so many of us.

WHY JOIN FFI? TOGETHER WE:

- PROTECT THREATENED WATERS AND HABITATS for current and future generations.
- BRING TOGETHER EXPERTISE in fly casting, fly tying, fly fishing skills, and conservation education and development programs.
- ADVOCATE FOR POLICIES and initiatives for conservation issues.
- STRENGTHEN THE FLY FISHING COMMUNITY by sharing knowledge and experiences.
- PROVIDE RESOURCES for fly fishing educators and professionals.
- INSPIRE A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY AND CONSERVATION ETHICS in people of all ages.

MEMBERS RECEIVE

Access to an unmatched repository of knowledge through the FFI Learning Center

- Special offers and discounts Recognition for special skills or achievements
- Access to a network of like-minded outdoor enthusiasts
- A chance to help make a positive impact on the sport

We've got momentum— Help us keep it going as a member of FFI. As participation in fly fishing has grown, FFI is providing enhanced opportunities to learn, sustained our commitment to conservation, and offers new and exciting opportunities to expand our community. JOIN US!





Membership Categories

□ 1-Year General......\$35 □ Student (22 & under)* ..\$20 □ 3-Year General.....\$90 □ Business*......\$100

□ Senior (65+)*.....\$25 □ Lifetime.....\$1,000 □ Veteran*\$25 □ Lifetime Premium**..\$1,500

Note: General and Veteran memberships include spauses, cohabitating partners and children under 18 years of age. Lifetime memberships include spauses and cohabi-

tating partners.

*Membership eligible for up to 3-year purchase (multiply price by number of years).

*Lifetime Premium member will receive a custom-built rod from TFO Rods.

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November / December 2022

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Club Meeting	23	24 Happy Thanksgiving	25	26
27	28	29	30	"So dull and dark are the November days. The lazy mist high up the evening curled, And now the morn quite hides in smoke and haze; The place we occupy seems all the world." - John Clare, November 1793 - 1864		
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