

Puget Sound Fly Fishers

October 2014



Fight off the spooks and ghouls!

Go Fishing!

October Program - Greg Bulkley / Habitat Restoration Projects

The Leader Line

By
Chuck Tye

As discussed during the last club meeting the revised by laws are attached at the end of the news letter. Please review them because we will have a club vote to approve them during the next club meeting. Thanks.

It's Membership Renewal Time!

PSFF NEWS

Our Next Meeting
Thursday, October 9th
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Tower Lanes Entertainment Center
6323 6th Ave.

October 2014 Program

How to Turn a Degraded River Into a Premier Fly Fishing Destination

Greg Bulkley is a former academic surgeon who retired to a ranch in the South Central Oregon high desert about a decade ago. Working with Sue Mattenberger of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services in Klamath Falls, he has undertaken an extensive restoration of the watershed surrounding the five miles of trout streams on his ranch, generating one of the finest habitats for quite large, wild brown and native redband trout. This effort has involved extensive collaboration with a number of federal, state, and non-government organizations, as well as the Klamath Country Fly Casters, the Oregon Council of the International Federation of Fly Fishers, and the national IFFF to secure the needed planning, engineering, funding, and execution of these projects. Situated in a rural, traditional cattle ranching area that has suffered from great environmental degra-

ation in the past, the success of the work on his Black Drake Ranch has been recognized at a state and national level. Of greater importance, however, is the influence this success has had upon neighboring ranches: working closely with Sue, the Klamath Country Fly Casters, and many other collaborators, this work has extended widely into the Klamath Basin as a whole so that currently over 43 *contiguous* miles of the Sprague River and its spring creek tributaries are under restoration, not only on public lands, but on private lands previously not hospitable to such efforts.

Greg will speak about the great dry fly fishing available in the Klamath Basin, about their restoration effort, on how to build teams to do this sort of work, and most importantly, how to leverage relatively small financial contributions from fly fishing clubs like ours into massive projects approaching seven figures in cost and of corresponding environmental impact.

FFF EVENTS

FFF Events in 2014



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Outings News and Updates
By Larry Vaughn

Just a short, pictorial essay of the Mayfield outing:



Honest! It was thissss big!



I'll drop it right in front of him!



Ahhh! Proof! And caught on this...>>>>



I KNOW I put it in here somewhere!



It's an Atlantic Salmon, Pikeminnow strain!



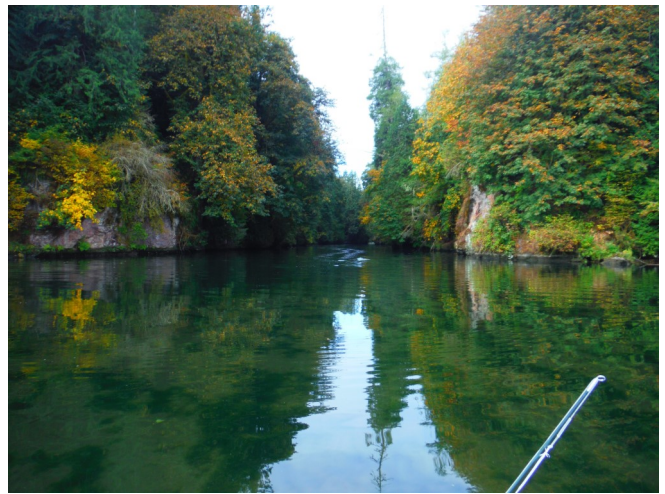
Tiger Muskie catcher!

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No more fun and games!



Spectacular!



Overkill perhaps?



Hail, hail, the gangs all here!



Here comes Fall!



...and here!

Raffle News

By Bev Simpson

September Lucky Winners Corner

Beaver skin was won by Bob Jimerson
Guest speaker **Chester Allen** generously donated a signed copy of his book "Fly Fishing for Sea-Run Cutthroat", won by Ron Shouse

\$1 per ticket or \$5 buys 6 lucky tickets ... plus a gourmet cookie, drawn mid meeting after the break.

Christmas is coming fast, win this 11x9 **beautifully framed original art** for your favorite fly fisher



Lucky fly selection of 25 in waterproof **double-sided fly box**



CascadeSport **float tube with duffle bag**, boston valve & adaptors, storage pockets.... WOW !!



Warm heart but cold hands ? These wind resistant proof **Glacier Gloves** have a **nifty feature**.... split thumb/index finger with Velcro tabs, & one of Ron's hooks to help out.



Member Contributions in September, thanks so much.

Jason Bordash, Mike Clancy, Larry Vaughn, Mike Hardouin, Stewart Schwartz, Tim Iverson

RAFFLE BOARD SQUARES drawn when all squares sold

Be in to win ...DRAWING TONIGHT ..

TFO DEER CREEK SWITCH ROD.....

terrific multi-task 5 wt 4 pce, 11 ft rod valued at \$400... \$4 per square or 3 for \$10

Are you inDRAWING TONIGHT ...

GREYS XF2 ROD COMBO... 5wt
4 pce 9 ft Greys reel, spooled with floating line
value \$ 450... \$4 per square or 3 for \$10



(# New item will be floating in for November board)

It's Membership Renewal Time!

HOT SCOOP

Classifieds (none)

New Members

Welcome new members:

Keith Erickson
Conner Erickson
Mike Wearne
Greg Lease
Tawna Yeager
Quentin Yeager

Welcome Guests to our last meeting:

Lauren and Jackie Porsch
Leland Miyawaki
Brian Haybeck
Tim (co-worker of Brian)

2015 Candidates Sweep the Election

You may find it hard to believe but the candidates running for office were selected in a landslide victory! Not a single incumbent was thrown out on their butt.

Here are the results:

President	Mike Koslosky
President Elect	Paul Fournier
Vice President	Bob Jimerson
Secretary	Steve Saville
Treasurer	Gene Jackson
First Year Director	Paul Amschler
Second Year Director	Mike Saville
Third Year Director	Tom VanGelder

Special thanks go to the Nominating Committee; Dan Carlton, Paul Elsberry, and Catherine Walters.

It's Membership Renewal Time!

Not unlike your local NPR station, it's time once again to pledge your commitment to PSFF for the upcoming year. You can shorten this pledge drive by renewing your membership at the next meeting. The sooner you renew, the sooner we quit bugging you.

As a bonus the Board has revised the Membership Policy and now all memberships are Family Memberships. Yes, you can now include your spouse, significant other, and/or children for the low, low price of \$40.

Treasurer Gene Jackson, is standing by to accept your cash, check or money order. Send him your money today at: *PSFF Renewal, c/o 33124 170th Pl. SE, Auburn, WA 98092*

Library Report **By Galen Hansen**

There are currently 8 items that are overdue from the library. Please make sure that any materials you check out of the library are returned within the 2 month time period.

NOTE: When you return items, hand them to the librarian; do not just lay them with the library. The items end up back in the library without being checked in.

Thanks to the generosity of Ed Poppleton, I will be adding 4 new books to the club library at the October meeting. They are...

1. "Doc Hall's Journal" by Dr. James W. Hall, III
2. "True Love and the Woolly Bugger" by Dave Ames
3. "Pavlov's Trout" by Paul Quinnett
4. "Dances With Sharks" by Dave Ames

Please remember to use the format of Month/Year to avoid the confusion that is caused by those that utilize month/day...or even, as I've noticed on a few, day/year. All compliance with the month and year standard is much appreciated.

The library is set up before the meeting and is available until we break before the speaker. Please stop by and check out what is available and utilize this valuable resource.

Only club members that are current on their dues are eligible to check out materials from the library. Only 3 items may be checked out at one time. Someone that is apparently not a member of the PSFF checked out 3 items awhile back and I'm in the process of attempting to contact the individual.

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Fly Tying Education

By John Brett

A new, fun, concept is going to be tried for the October tying classes. This is scheduled for October 25th at the Tower Lanes beginning at 9 am and concluding with lunch at 12 noon. All participants will each provide the materials to be used during the tying session. Each individual will decide what they want to provide and when the class begins each will get another's material bag and have to use those materials to create their several flies!

This fly tying contest will be hosted by our own resident expert tier, P.J. Hicks. Judging for the most realistic and original will be the highlight of the day and the winners will be recognized with a certificate for Bragging Rights. This is planned as a fun event so bring your tying toys and a bag of materials. A signup sheet and rules of the day will also be provided at the October meeting.



PJ's Tips

Tying tip:

Claire Lilly's thread base trick

Many of you won't know Claire but he was a long time PSFF member, gentleman, tier, and fisherman. One tying trick he never failed to tell the newbies in one of his demos or classes was how to get an even thread base on your hook. After you have the first few wraps on over top of the thread and are ready to start winding back to the hook bend there will be several inches of tag end scrap thread hanging loose. Do not trim this off yet. Instead hold it up above the hook toward the rear at about a 45 degree angle under a slight tension. As you wrap back toward the bend lay the thread onto that angled thread slightly back from the previous wrap and the current wrap will slide nicely down close to the previous one. A bit of practice and you'll make perfect uniform thread bases. Trim that tag end when you get to the bend.

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A photo tour of the new (and improving) Chico Creek estuary

By Dennis Ehlers

I'd heard via the WFF website that the culvert and access road were being removed at Chico to improve the life of returning salmon. From what I saw it will be a much improved area for the fish. For fisherman, the jury is still out. I'll try to make another trip up there in the middle of October to see what progress (if any) has been made to improve fishing/parking access.



Access denied?



The view from above. The gravel in the foreground is about where the old road was, just lower.



The new creek path runs to the right of the old channel.



This is the culvert just upstream from where the removed one was.



Some of the tree stumps planted to help control erosion.



The view toward Silverdale.



And off to the left a bit.

Fly Fishing Academy News

2015 NORTHWEST YOUTH CONSERVATION AND FLY FISHING ACADEMY

Once again we are preparing for another Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing Academy to be held June 22-28, 2015 at Gwinwood Community Center on Hicks Lake in Lacey, WA. The Staff will be contacting over 50 dedicated volunteers to contribute their time for the success of the Academy and **for** the kids. This Academy is all about the girls and boys, 12-16 years old, to teach them the basics of fly fishing and conservation. The event is one full week with the staff and youth living at the Gwinwood Center and boarding in cabins. All meals are provided. Students need to bring their personal belongings, i.e., sleeping bags, pillows, rubber boots, etc. All fishing gear and fly tying equipment is provided, however, students may bring their own fishing gear.

The event is supported by WCTU and WSCIFFF and hosted by members of South Sound FF, Olympia Chapter TU, and Puget Sound Fly Fishers of Tacoma.

The cost to each student is still \$275, but sponsorships are available through TU Chapters, FFF fly clubs and private donations. No applicant will be turned away because of lack of money.

Applications will be accepted starting January 1, 2015 until April 15, 2015. Applications may be downloaded from our website – www.nwycffa.org, via email to mtclancy39@comcast.net or call 360-753-1259. Each applicant must submit an essay explaining why THEY want to attend The Academy. A letter of recommendation is required from a school teacher or counselor.

We are very proud of The Academy, this has been a life changing experience for many of our youth.

THE YOUTH OF TODAY ARE THE GUARDIANS OF THE FUTURE FOR OUR SPORT OF FLYFISHING

It's Membership Renewal Time!

2014 Project Healing Waters Event (PHW)

By Mike Clancy, Proud Vet Volunteer, PHW

Again this year, the 5th annual 2 Fly PHW event took place on The Yakima River with headquarters at the KOA camp grounds in Ellensburg, WA. on September 20th. Saturday, Chuck Tye, PHW coordinator for the NW, put 23 guided boats (all guides were volunteers) on the river from 4 different launches. Each boat had a vet, rower/guide and referee. Fishing could have been better, out of the 23 boats, one boat had a fantastic day, catching around 18 fish. Other Vets had a great experience on the river with super weather. No smoke, no wind, the river level was okay, just a beautiful day. The winning vet landed a 19" trout and he was presented with a custom made bamboo rod. The evening event was started by a wonderful dinner of prime rib with trimmings, cooked all day long in a smoker oven, prepared by Chuck's partner, Jerry Daschofsky. Jerry does an incredible job in preparing wonderful meals in his metal cooking wares. Then he presented 3 different delicious desserts.

Chuck proceeded to present the awards and then Jerry conducted the raffle, everyone took something home. This is a wonderful event, the goal is to entertain our vets and give them the experience to fly fish, maybe for their first time. One vet, a Navy lady, was absolutely thrilled with her new experience. She had never cast before, Chuck gave her a quick lesson, and she was doing a great job. She told me, "I now have a new sport". She picked out a new vest in the raffle. She's on her way.

There are so many people to thank for their participation in this event, not only the guides that donated their boats, the cooks, the folks that tied the flies for the event, the referees, the folks that donated items for the awards and raffle, the folks that moved all 23 vehicles from launch to take out – thank you. Our Club was well represented by Tom Van Gelder, Dave Alberts, Steve Saville, Chuck Tye, Robert Gerlach, Carrol Hall, Tom Case, Dave Bryant, P. J. Hicks, Keven Ryan, Mike Koslosky and myself.

The 6th Annual 2 Fly Event for next year will be conducted September 19th, 2015. Same place, KOA Ellensburg.

In the great words of our leader – "Thanks for piling on folks"

It's Membership Renewal Time!



Out of the Salt And Into the Pan

By Steve Saville

Call me Ishmael. Some years ago- never mind how long precisely- having little or no money in my purse, and nothing particular to interest me on shore, I thought I would sail about a little and see the watery part of the world. It is a way I have of driving off the spleen and regulating the circulation. Whenever I find myself growing grim about the mouth; whenever it is a damp, drizzly November in my soul; whenever I find myself involuntarily pausing before coffin warehouses, and bringing up the rear of every funeral I meet; and especially whenever my hypos get such an upper hand of me, that it requires a strong moral principle to prevent me from deliberately stepping into the street, and methodically knocking people's hats off- then, I account it high time to get to sea as soon as I can. This is my substitute for pistol and ball. With a philosophical flourish Cato throws himself upon his sword; I quietly take to the ship. There is nothing surprising in this. If they but knew it, almost all men in their degree, sometime or other, cherish very nearly the same feelings towards the ocean with me.

Herman Melville Moby Dick

I've taken a hiatus from this column for several months for a couple of reasons. I didn't want my writing to become stale and lose readership but more importantly, I felt I wanted to expand my fishing experiences and thanks to our incredible outdoor schedule, I've taken advantage of several of the Lake fishing opportunities over the months in an attempt to become a more versatile fisherman. But... I have felt like Ishmael in a lot of ways because I have neglected salt water to a fault.

This has been a great year for sea run cutthroat, king salmon, and to this point, the Coho run looks to be very strong. Don't get me wrong. I've fished the salt on several occasions. Several of us took a day trip to catch King Salmon in the ocean. We were successful. A few weeks later, we took a trip to fish for Albacore Tuna. Again, we were successful and I was able to boat the biggest tuna of my fishing career, on a fly. It felt good and to paraphrase the column title, it went to the pan and tasted delightful! And I've actually been to the beach three times in the past two weeks and again I have been successful catching a Coho on a hand-tied Clouser Minnow. It's always rewarding to fool Mother Nature, to an extent, by landing a fish on a hand tied fly.

It was great to sit in the audience at our September meeting and listen to Chester Allen doing his thing, pumping all of us up to go cutthroat fishing. It was also great to see Leland Miyawaki there to listen to Chester, as well. We are truly lucky to have the relationships with two of the best Puget Sound fisherman around.

Now that I've recovered my senses, I intend on hitting the beach again, several more times to take advantage of the Coho run underway as I'm writing this. There's something unique about standing in the salt water and watching the sun rise over the Cascades or set over the Olympics to enhance the experience. When the fishing is good, there's nothing like it. When it's less than good, there are always other things to stimulate the senses like the smell of salt water, the views of sea birds, fishing Ospreys, Blue Heron, and Bald Eagles. I hope you get my drift. If you aren't fishing the salt, you're missing one of life's real pleasures for a fisherman.

I'd urge you all to get out and do it as soon as possible. If you're unfamiliar with the beach, feel free to join me and I'll share what I know and what my friend Luca has passed on to me. Tie up some Clousers and Miyawaki Poppers, Sand Lance, and Popsicles and hit the beach. Don't let this opportunity slip by. The Coho are here and the Chums are coming! Tight lines.

Fishing, the whole point

By Bob Triggs

Assuming that you are fishing from the shore. What I have learned from saltwater fishing in this region is that everything is tidally dependent to a degree. But if you wait for any particular time of day, or stage of tide, you may miss some very good fishing. I have caught cutthroat and salmon at every stage of tide here, including low slack water periods when almost no one else fishes. If you are fishing for salmon then the first thing to do is find some popular salmon fishing beaches with a long history of people fishing there every season. The more time that you spend in a location like that, fishing every chance that you get regardless of tides, the more that you will learn, and the more fish that you are likely to catch. Most often this will include points of land with a cusped spit.

These shoreline land features include some current on each side of the spit at some stages of tide, usually with a major current flow on the larger cycles of tides. These currents create the erosion and sediment transport that creates these land features. So the gist of this is not the land features, but the currents that create them. A significant back eddy or counter current will form along these beach structures, which also plays a role in the formation of the beaches, and the bait fish and other forage species will prefer these areas of less current, which often has warmer water and more eel grass and kelp habitat etc. And larger predatory fish will be hunting for this forage in the current lines and rips that form along these shores. Using a marine chart and road map you can easily find many of these points of land in this region, some of which have public access fishing. Here's a picture of a typical cusped spit, from the Washington Department of Ecology.



If you are fishing for sea run Coastal Cutthroat trout on the beaches you will sometimes find that these trout are feeding in many kinds of habitats. Generally we are looking for more complexity, structure, seaweed and eel grass beds, kelp, shoreline vegetation and woody debris, pocket estuaries etc., when Cutthroat fishing. But these spits are not to be missed as we sometimes catch very big Cutthroat adjacent to distinct shoreline features like these. Of the largest Cutthroat that we have caught, some of them were caught on what people would think of as salmon fishing beaches, larger points of land etc., independent of tides.

Movement and tidal flow is a very important key to catching more fish. Yes, we catch fish at slack tide too, but movement is really the energy of it all. This is especially important in the heat of summer when a tide is coming in, bringing fresh cold, nutrient rich waters, cooling off the shores and shallows, and moving the bait. That can trigger salmon and trout to feed, often very close to shore.

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Gig Harbor Fly Shop – Fishing Report

-Justin Waters

September is one of the best months to be a fly fisherman just about anywhere in the world! Here in the Puget Sound region we are no exception, but specifically the last two weeks of September and first two weeks of October seem to be my favorite.

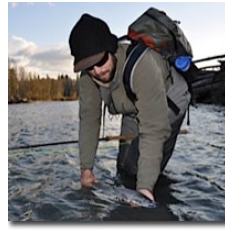
Cutthroat in the salt has seen one of the best months ever! Big fat fish, super aggressive takes, and some great action on the surface. They seem to go absolutely bonkers for Olive, Orange, and White combinations this time of year. As September turns into October we will continue to find fishing looking up, and the fish will start getting those "fall colors" that we all know and love.

Coho in the salt have been a little late showing up but seem to get better every day! With this rain our fingers are crossed it will move the rest in from the Straits to the Sound. Pink and Chartreuse tend to be my favorite color combinations although we hook quite a few fishing for Cutthroat on more natural baitfish imitations, and what an awesome surprise that always is! If you are fishing closer to the river and see jumping and rolling fish you may want to try throwing some smaller, more buggy patterns such as Comets or Spiders.

Salmon in the rivers on the coast continue to move in and light up flies, and can provide some consistent excitement. With this weather system coming in it is anyone's guess what the conditions will be out there. We can expect to have some good salmon fishing on our Puget Sound rivers in the coming weeks as well, although if it is solitude you are looking for prepare to go for a little hike.

Late summer run Steelhead can be found in some of our Puget Sound rivers and Columbia River tributaries for a while still, and fall is a great time to try skating dry's and getting some awesome floating line action.

Stillwater fisherman should be getting excited for some great fall action on our lakes! I know a certain North Sound lake in particular that can provide some amazing nighttime action in October.



It's Membership Renewal Time!

Fly of The Month (flashback)

Credit to FFF Website

Federation of Fly Fishers Fly of the Month
The lowly Woolly Bugger



October 1998
Comments by Jim Abbs

For many beginning fly tiers, their first pattern in their first fly tying class was the ubiquitous Woolly Bugger. This relatively new fly became popular in the late 1970's through the innovation of Russell Blessing of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and the promotion of Barry Beck. While it has it may have its origins in the very old (British) pattern the Woolly Worm, it is now an American standby. As Eric Leiser declared, the Woolly Bugger is one of the most important patterns to be added to our fly boxes in the last generation. The reason is versatility.

Woolly Buggers catch trout, bass, salmon---in both Atlantic and Pacific rivers, steelhead, Arctic char, northern pike, bluegills and even carp. It would not be an exaggeration to say that there is hardly a fish that swims that could not be caught with a Woolly Bugger. This wide-ranging success is due to the fact that these flies can be used to imitate a variety of fish food forms, including baitfish, crustaceans, insect nymphs salamanders and leeches. To achieve this chameleon status, Woolly Buggers are tied in green, red, olive, gray, grizzly, brown, black, yellow, white, and purple and in all combinations of these colors. This fly can be fished near the surface, or with the addition of weight it is often fished deep.

For fly tiers, the basic Woolly Bugger is simple and easy to tie, and by incorporating new sparkling materials, like Krystal Flash and Flashabou, it continues to produce. Obviously the Woolly Bugger may not be a glamorous fly, but it deserves to be in everyone's fly box for all kinds of fly fishing, from warmwater to saltwater.

Interestingly, most English fly tying books do not acknowledge the woolly bugger by name, but instead the Woolly Worm. However if you look at the English Woolly Worm, it has a long tail like the American Woolly Bugger.

Fishing the Woolly Bugger is a matter of patience and confidence. Because of the soft saddle hackle rib and the marabou tail, it does not require much action on the part of the angler to give this fly a pulsating, undulating look. In a stream or river, slow to very slow is the key because the current will make it look alive. In a lake, a little more action may be required, but not too much and not too fast.

MATERIALS

HOOK: Mustad 79580 or 9672 (sizes 4-16)

THREAD: Color chosen to match fly

BODY: Chenille (Black and olive are popular, but many colors are used)

TAIL: Marabou feathers (about as long as shank of hook); some tiers add Flashabou or Krystal flash to tail

RIB: Saddle feathers tied palmer style (tied spiral style the entire length of the hook shank)

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TYING STEPS

1. Wind thread around hook shank; cover lead wire if weight is used. Wind thread back on shank near barb of the hook.
2. Tie in a clump of marabou feathers large enough to present a visible tail when wet.
3. Tie in saddle hackle with the convex side toward the hook.
4. Tie in a six inch length of chenille and wind thread forward to a point 1/8 inch behind the hook eye.
5. Wind chenille forward forming a long slender body. Tie off chenille and trim.
6. Wind hackle feather forward in an even spaced spiral wrap. Tie off feather behind hook eye and trim.
7. Form head with thread, whip finish, trim and apply head cement.

Please Credit FFF Website or FFF Clubwire with any use of the pattern.
You can direct any questions or comments to FOM at flyofthemonth@fedflyfishers.org

It's Membership Renewal Time!

PSFF Calendar

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
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			October 1 7 Seas Gig Harbor Fly Tying 6:30 PM	2	3	4 Outing - Naches River Wade Fishing
5	6	7 Outing - Lost Lake	8	9 Club Meeting 6 PM	10 Outing - Yakima R. Wade & Float day 1/4	11 Outing - Yakima R. Wade & Float day 2/4
12 Outing - Yakima R. Wade & Float day 3/4	13 <u>Columbus Day</u> Outing - Yakima R. Wade & Float day 4/4	14	15 7 Seas Gig Harbor Fly Tying 6:30 PM	16 Board Meeting 6 PM	17	18
19	20	21	22 Bass Pro Conservation Night 6PM	23 Bass Pro Grand Opening	24	25 Newsletter Deadline 10 PM Tying Class at Tower Lanes 9 AM
26	27	28	29 7 Seas Gig Harbor Fly Tying 6:30 PM	30	31 Spook & Ghoul Day! (Halloween)	

						November 1 Outing - Case Inlet for Sea Run Cutts
2 Bass Pro Friends & Family Night 6 PM (?)	3	4 Election Day	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Veterans Day	12 7 Seas Gig Harbor Fly Tying 6:30 PM	13 Club Meeting 6 PM	14	15 Outing - Rattlesnake Lake
16	17	18	19	20 Board Meeting 6 PM	21	22
23 / 30	24 Newsletter Deadline 10 PM	25	26 7 Seas Gig Harbor Fly Tying 6:30 PM	27 Thanksgiving	28	29

**Check for Newsletter Article Deadline Date.
Remember articles can always be submitted early.**

Puget Sound Flyfishers

Club was founded in 1956 and has a long and proud history of involvement, action, camaraderie, and fun. The club's website is located at www.psff.org

Aims and Purposes of the Club are:

1. To improve and encourage the sport of flyfishing by social, educational and political means.
2. To encourage flyfishing as a means of conservation and increasing fishing opportunity.
3. To encourage the conservation, enhancement and quality of sport fishing.
4. To promote both "Fellowship" and "Sportsmanship" in all aspects of club and individual activity.
5. To actively assist and encourage the public to become flyfishers, and to adopt the club's mission and philosophies.

General Membership Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month (except August). These meetings are for social, entertainment and educational purposes.

Educational Activities: The club offers classes and instruction in fly fishing, fly-tying, fly-casting and rod building. The club has an extensive library of books and videos. The club sponsors an annual Spring Clinic to promote flyfishing.

Outings: The club organizes monthly outings to various lakes, rivers, and estuaries. Experienced gillies provide expert information and instruction on how, when and where to fish.

Conservation Activities: The club has a long and proud history of encouraging flyfishing (and other selective fishing techniques) as a means of conserving and increasing fishing opportunities. The club is active in many of the important conservation issues of the day and in helping to fund local conservation projects.

Membership / Dues: Membership is open to anyone 18 or over. Dues are \$40 per household per year plus a one time (\$10 Initiation Fee) per member nametag.

Affiliations: The club is an active member of the Washington State Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers

HOW TO JOIN THE PSFF YAHOO GROUP.

To receive and post to the PSFF Yahoo group you must first sign up as a member of Yahoo if you're not already signed up.

In your browser search for or go to Yahoo.com and look for the button asking if you want to join Yahoo. Click on the button and follow the instructions to join Yahoo. You will need an email address, a user name and a password. Remember these as periodically Yahoo will ask you to use them to resign in.

Once you are a member of Yahoo look at the top of the Yahoo page and find the search box. Enter PSFF in the box and press the 'Search' button. There will be a number of results as PSFF is used by several entities.

Scroll down though the list until you find Puget Sound Fly Fishers. Select the Puget Sound Fly Fishers and Yahoo will take you to the group site. You will notice a small box that asks you if you want to join the PSFF group. Select (yes.)

Another page will open up seeking your sign in information for the PSFF group. This information is separate from the information you entered for Yahoo itself. There will be a box for you to enter a short message telling the moderators why you want to join and basically who you are. Again you will be asked to select an email address where the PSFF group messages are sent.

You will need to select whether you receive individual messages or a Daily Digest. I suggest a daily digest but you can change this selection at any time later. At the bottom of the page you will have to enter, repeat, a displayed code of mixed letters and numbers. When you have done this go down to the bottom right and select 'Join'. You are done.

All new members are on a moderated basis and unable to post until approved by a moderator to help prevent SPAM and malicious posting. One of the moderators will handle your status usually within 24 hours.

PUGET SOUND FLY FISHERS CLUB CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

This organization shall be known as the Puget Sound Fly Fishers Club of Tacoma, Washington.

Club Mission - The mission of the Puget Sound Fly Fishers Club is to promote, encourage, support, and celebrate its members and the community in the sport of fly fishing.

Club focus

- To improve and encourage the sport of fly fishing by social, educational, and political means.
- To encourage fly fishing as a means of conservation and of increasing fishing opportunity.
- To encourage the conservation, enhancement, and quality of sport fishing.
- To promote both "Fellowship" and "Sportsmanship" in all aspects of Club and individual activity.
- To actively assist and encourage the public to become fly fishers and to adopt the Club's mission and philosophies.

ARTICLE I — MEMBERSHIP

- All memberships will be family memberships and are good January 1st to December 31st. Family memberships can include all family members that live at the membership address. Club notices will be made to all membership households. All membership households shall be eligible to attend all meetings, participate in all Club activities, have the right to vote, hold office and to serve on committees.

ARTICLE II — MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

- The operating and fiscal year shall be January 1st through December 31st.
- Membership meetings and any special called meetings are held at times and places determined by the Board of Directors (BOD).
- Notice of the annual membership meeting and any called special meeting is provided to voting members at least 10 days before the meetings by postal or other delivery or electronic means.
- Twenty percent of members in good standing shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the annual meeting or special meeting.
- A two-thirds majority vote of the members present shall be necessary to amend or add to the bylaws of the Club or remove a Director, Officer or a general member from his office and/or the Club for cause,
- General meetings of the membership will be held to a minimum of 10 meetings in a calendar year. Schedule to be established by the BOD.

ARTICLE III — BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President and three Directors.
- Open meetings of the Board of Directors will be held to a minimum of 10 meetings in a calendar year and will be held in addition to the regular membership meeting. Schedule to be established by the BOD.

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- Meetings of the Board of Directors are called by the President. A majority of Officers and Directors forms a quorum; a majority of votes is required to carry a matter where a quorum is present. Proxy voting is not permitted.
- The Board of Directors shall together transact the general business and policy of the Club.

President -

- Term of office shall be two years.
- First year as President and second year as Immediate Past President.
- The President shall preside at all meetings of members and meetings of the Board of Directors and shall have general charge and supervision of the Club, subject to direction of the Board of Directors.

President-Elect -

- Term of office shall be one year.
- The President-Elect is to be prepared to assume the duties of the President, if required.
- The President-Elect shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President.

Vice-President -

- Term of office shall be one year.
- The Vice-President is to be prepared to assume the duties of the President-elect, if required.
- The Vice-President shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President.

Secretary -

- Term of office shall be one year.
- The Secretary shall have charge of such books, documents, correspondence and papers as the Board of Directors shall determine and shall keep a record of the meetings of the Board of Directors and general membership, shall give notice as required of all meetings and shall keep a record of the Club archives, including a depository copy of the newsletter, and the current master copy of the Club constitution and bylaws. The Secretary shall keep master copies of the Club Articles of Incorporation, and 501(c)(3) IRS filing

Treasurer -

- Term of office shall be two years.
- The Treasurer shall have custody of all monies of the Club to be deposited in such banks as designated by the Board and to be subject to withdrawal on such conditions as the Board of Directors may designate and shall be responsible for the billing and collecting of all dues. Shall maintain the official list of members and shall keep an accurate account of all monies received and disbursed, render statements thereof, and perform such other duties incident to the office as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.

Directors -

- Term of office shall be three years, with staggered terms, having one director position elected each year.
- There shall be three Director positions.

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Removal -

A member of the Board of Directors may be removed by a three-quarters vote of the Board, with the member proposed to be removed not voting. The member is provided with advance written notice including the reason for the proposed removal, an opportunity to contest the proposed removal in writing or in person at a meeting of the Board, and final written notice of the Board's decision.

Article IV - Elections

- Only members in good standing may serve on the Board of Directors, or as a committee member.
- Voting at membership meetings shall be in person with each voting member having a single vote.

Nominations -

The nominating committee shall be made up of the Immediate Past President and two former Past Presidents appointed by the President. The Immediate Past President will serve as chairman and will provide in writing to the membership the Nominating Committee's slate of nominees 30 days prior to the annual meeting.

Election -

Election of Officers and Directors shall be made by written ballot of members present at the annual meeting each year. The nominee receiving the largest number of votes for each office shall be elected.

Vacancies -

A vacancy in any office shall be filled by action of the Board of Directors. The appointee shall serve the remainder of the term.

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all business of the Club.