

Puget Sound Fly Fishers

June 2013



REMEMBER FATHERS DAY



JUNE

Jeff Brazda ---- Fishing Tips

Program

The Leader Line

by
Mike Trask

June is a great time of the year for fly fishing. Most rivers, lakes, and saltwater areas have opened for fishing—what more could a person ask for? How about a really big fish that will knock your socks off! I have tried to fish for Chinook (King) salmon on a fly in Washington and found it is not an easy prospect. The Columbia River has several runs of King salmon every year; however, it is not a fishery that you can wade-out, cast, and catch a King salmon. There are rivers that you can accomplish this; however, it will take some research on your part. Those individuals that have never fished for a King salmon on the fly could hire a guide for their first couple of times to lessen the learning curve. However, many local fly fishers have just given up fishing for King salmon in local waters and fly to Alaska. Alaskan waters are still abundant with King salmon. It is easier to catch one when you cast into a pod of King Salmon rather than just targeting one fish in a deep hole.

Why would anyone fly fish for a King salmon? First, King salmon are the biggest and most popular of all the salmon species. They are native to the northern Pacific, but have been introduced all over the world. Secondly, they are the first of five salmon species to migrate from the open ocean up coastal rivers to spawn. Fresh from the sea, these fish are preferred for their quality of the meat and their fight. However, once they enter freshwater they start to deteriorate; however, their fight will still be more than most anglers can handle. Chinook hold in the deepest holes so you have to be prepared to go deep. Chinook average

15-20 lbs. There used to be a large amount of Chinook salmon up to 50 lbs.; however, they have become uncommon in these waters. Over fishing and poor habitat have reduced their populations in local areas.

Spawning takes place from June through December with the fry emerging in the spring. Chinook salmon may spend up to a year or longer depending upon location prior to migrating to the salt. Life spans vary from 3 to 8 years with 4 being the most common. Some fishermen have related that the longer the time a Chinook spends in the saltwater the bigger the fish. As there is no empirical evidence on this, I believe the jury is still out on that one.

Depending upon where you are fishing, Chinook may enter fresh water and begin their migration to their spawning grounds almost year round. The Columbia River has 3 distinct runs: a spring run which begins in late February or early March, a summer run which may begin in June, and a fall run which usually begins in early August. The earlier runs migrate further to their spawning grounds and are highly sought after due to their strength and flavor. Coastal Chinook can enter the river systems in late September through November with some late fish showing up in late December and January.

Generally speaking, Chinook are best pursued with 9-12 weight rods with heavy sink tips as they often hug the bottom of the streams they inhabit. Although Chinook can be found in slack water, many fish will also lie in the depressions of the down-river side of gravel bars in relatively heavy current. Top fly choices include various color and weight combinations of wooly buggers and leaches. Long, slow retrieves are generally used to keep the fly in the strike zone as long as possible. The take is often subtle, but once hooked, you're in for a battle. I have fly fished for King salmon on the Humptulips River with a fly rod but was unable to land one. You need to make sure that all your knots are perfect, twenty pound mono for a tippet, and possess a lot of luck because

Our Next Meeting
Thursday, June 13, 2013

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Tower Lanes Entertainment Center
6323 6th Ave.
Tacoma WA 98406

PSFF NEWS

June 2013 Program

Presentations by Jeff of Brazda's fly fishing:

Jeff Brazda is the last of three generations of family steelhead fly fishermen in Washington waters. Owns Brazda's fly fishing and operates the "Bogy House" lodge on the Olympic Peninsula. He is an accumulation of 14 years guide experience and over 35 years of aggressively pursuing steelhead in the region.

This season I would like to speak about our new programs offered at Brazda's fly fishing.

The "Bogy House" lodge on the Bogachiel River out of Forks Washington.

Fall steelhead on the Klickitat and Methow rivers.
Trout fishing on the Yakima, Naches and Methow rivers.

Tying Tips:
The importance to using UV materials in Steelhead flies.

The new trend of shorter spey rods:
Why is this what works best for your buck and how to rig them..

Thank you and fish always,
Jeff Brazda
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WWW.BRAZDASFLYFISHING.COM

FLY SWAP

Spring is almost over. Can you believe that? With this year's excellent Park Lake outing behind us, it is time to start thinking of some good dry fly fishing in area rivers, streams and lakes. Time to hit the bench once again. This fly swap will focus on "Dry Flies". Sparkle Duns, Ants, Muddlers, Adams, Catskill Flies, Mice.... you name it. This swap is open to fly tiers and non-fly tiers alike (if you do not wish to tie flies, go out and buy some.)

The objective of the fly swap is to encourage club members to tie and/or share their favorite flies with others. I'm sure a few stories will come along with those great looking flies.

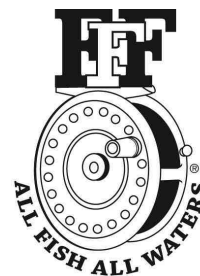
There will be a signup sheet at the June meeting. The rules of this fly swap will be communicated shortly after. This swap will be limited to 12 seats so be sure to sign up quickly.

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FFF EVENTS

FFF Events in 2013

The Federation of Fly Fishers International Fly Fishing Fair will be held in West Yellowstone, MT. This will be a FALL gathering, September 24 - 28, 2013.



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Fishing Report Provided by *The Gig Harbor Fly Shop*

This seems to happen nearly every year. We get a few brief glimpses of summertime weather in May and we just assume that June will be full-on summer! This year has been no different. After a number of days achieving the mid to upper 80's, we've now backed off to our more common late spring, early summer weather. But fear not! While we wait for the temps to warm up, the fishing can be downright blazing. Look for sea run cutthroat along all your favorite beaches and utilize the long days and extra daylight to do some exploring for new spots. Baitfish patterns should remain the flies du jour as sandlance and herring, smelt, will be all over the place. Early mornings or dusk can be a great time to utilize topwater patterns. The trust sculpin can often produce when other patterns are being refused. One item worth noting would be recognizing and thus not targeting coho smolts or juvenile cutthroat. LOTS of coho smolts will have outmigrated and large numbers of them may be feeding on your favorite beaches. Coho smolts can usually be identified by the almost disproportionately large eye they have at this size and a lack of spotting on the rays of the caudal fin (tail). Juvenile cutthroat will look like grown up cutthroat just smaller; they may have a more yellowish slash under the jaw than the distinctive orange or red we have come to know on the adults. If you find that you are catching numerous smolts or juveniles. I recommend moving on. These fish have a difficult enough life-cycle without having to be speared in the head while they are developing.

Lake fishing pressure should have backed off some from the opening day throngs and good fishing should continue until the water temps rise and drive trout down deep.

Lingcod fishing remains open until the middle of the month so if you have access to a watercraft you may wish to try to target one of these toothy critters with a stout rod 10 wt or higher. Big, gnarly flies made with bunny and/or yak hair should draw strikes. Fish them just off the structure.

Believe it or not, we're not all that far off from migratory salmon time and this year, the pinks will be coming. Probably should be getting to work tying baitfish-type flies in pink, pink, and pink. Also, starting this summer, we will be renting fishing-specific kayaks from the shop. A kayak opens up loads of beachfront that was previously inaccessible and can mean the difference between a couple of pinks or cohos from the beach or a 5+ fish day. Give us a call or stop by the shop and we'll get you set up to fish!

Salt Water Outings 2013

Dan Carlton

President Ned has asked me to put together a few more Salt Water outings for 2013. I know our SRC outings at Case Inlet have been well attended. The 2012 SRC Extravaganza outing at Purdy was also well attended in Oct. So I'm asking for input from members that would be attending these outings. I will have a suggestion sheet at the December meeting for your input, or just email me. Please keep it short. We can work out the details later.

1. I'm thinking a few more SRC outings. Depending on the weather we can get out almost every month. We can do beach or boat fishing.
2. Summer/Fall Salmon fishing in Puget Sound.
3. August - Pink Salmon Outing.

I've posted on yahoo awhile back on this subject and ask for your suggestions for more Salt water outings if interested. I got one reply. Right now the only outings we have are for SRC at Case Inlet. There's a ton of Salt water opportunity all around Puget Sound if we get out and take advantage of it. Maybe you're thinking you need a boat for this. Not true. I believe Puget Sound has more beaches then we could ever fish in a life time. A boat would help but is not critical. This is great time to buy a boat if you're thinking of going that way. Right now I'm asking you for your thoughts on this. I need to put something on the Calendar and go from there. Right now I'm thinking of a Pink, King outing in Aug, Silvers in Sept, and SRC in the spring & fall.

Raffle News

We have another TFO NTX Series 5/6 4pc. 9' rod/reel combination up for grabs. Tickets for this sweet deal are only \$1 each. This is a perfect gift for Dad's or Grad's, a special birthday, anniversary, homecoming present, going away gift, retirement bonus...Use your imagination or keep it for yourself. Also on the raffle table this month are steelhead flies just in time for those summer runs, terrestrials for those hot August days, and dry flies for rising trout. Each selection comes with a fly box. There is also a book of flies for Montana - just in time for your summer trip, and a precision Columbia River pocket knife. Remember bring money, buy tickets, win goodies and go home happy.



"Out of the Salt
and
into the Pan"
by Steve Saville

Well, here we are again. "Time flies" as they say and as I was deciding what to write about this month I reminded myself that we are in the "prime time" of fishing. As June has arrived, we have a multitude of options at our disposal. The early run Coho Salmon should begin to show shortly with Kings following, our cutthroat fishery is well under way, and the Ling Cod season is nearing an end (June 15). This summer should be a banner one as we are in the odd numbered year. That means a Pink Salmon season for all salt water addicts as well as the casual salt water fisherman but more about that next month as we approach the arrival of the pinks.

Ya wanna tie some flies to fill your boxes? I thought it might be appropriate to write about flies and fly construction for the salt water species we so avidly pursue. Just about everyone knows that when we are fresh water fishing we have merely to match the hatch and make the proper presentation and we can be successful. That's easier said than done. Right? It does involve a good deal of luck, as well.

I sorta feel like the sinister guy in the alley, wearing a long, dark trench coat,
"Hey kid. Ya wanna tie some flies?"
"Uh, whataya mean? I'm not very good at that stuff."
"It's easy kid. Just stick with me and everything's gonna be okay. Heh, Heh."

Please note that what follows is my own opinion and should not be taken as the last word in salt water flies. After all, I'm a hack and have to rely on many sources I can't divulge but using these guidelines has helped me be a better tier and fisherman.

Tying flies for salt water is a bit different since we can rarely turn over a rock or put out a seine to catch the insects and then imitate them. The darn seaweed and driftwood get in the way and those little chum fry are a pain in the backside to try and catch. So, we have to rely on other things. I always rely on my sources for information, ya know? Like Luca Brasi. He swims with the fishes, don't ya know?

From the beginning, I try to think about Realism or the shape, silhouette, and size of the fly. If it doesn't look

like food, a fish usually isn't going to look at it as a possible meal. If the prey I am imitating is long and slender like a candlefish, I want to tie a fly that is long and slender. Sparsely tied flies, in my opinion, are best in salt water. I also want to find colours that I think will attract the fish. I'm not sure I have the scientific knowledge to determine what colours salmon and other fish can detect so the closer it looks, the better chance I have. But colour isn't always the most important factor when imitating a salt water baitfish or crustacean. Have you ever seen a chartreuse fish? Yet that's one of the best colours to use in salt water flies. I also know that in cloudy water, darker colours are better. It's sort of like river fishing. Dark flies for dirty water. There are, of course, exceptions to every rule. Sometimes the fish are just plain angry for some reason and will strike anything that attracts their attention.

One thing that I am fairly certain of is that predator fish key on eyes. So, almost all flies I tie have large eyes, perhaps even larger than normal. I use lots of 3-D eyes and other synthetic eye materials. They reflect light as well, which is very important. Reflection draws attention to the fly. Large reflective eyes and other reflective materials lend themselves well to salt water flies. I used to like red eyes, probably because red attracts me. (There's nothing like a bright, red Corvette, wouldn't you agree?) But after doing a little study, I found that red disappears from the spectrum quickest in turbid environments like salt water. At about ten feet deep, red starts to lose its colour, changing to grey. I believe it was Lefty Kreh (I wish I knew him) said something like, "Any colour for eyes is okay as long as it's yellow."
"Kid. Tie your flies with big, reflective eyes and use some crystal flash or flashabou in all flies. If possible, use the new UV materials, too."

The footprint a fly leaves in the water is also very critical. Just look at the Miyawaki Popper. It leaves a wake as it is moves in the water and imitates an injured baitfish if stripped properly. Who's going to argue with Leland's success? Not me. I really love to add beads to my flies when tying for a couple of reasons. They displace and disturb water when stripped and they cause flies to move up and down in a "jigging" action. I don't know what that means to the predator but it must do something to create strikes.

When I tie, I try very hard to get the correct profile for the fly. That means after I finish the tie, I shape it to look similar to a baitfish, shrimp, or other crustacean. That helps enforce the realism of the fly. If it's a baitfish, I almost always make the bottom white and trim it shorter than the other colours. I also add some sort of flash as mentioned before, between the white and other materials. That simulates the lateral line in the fish. Almost all fish have some sort of lateral line which acts as a sensory organ. The line is ultra-sensitive to water movement and pressure changes so if the predator is

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Stuart Schwartz
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NW YOUTH CONSERVATION AND FLY FISHING ACADEMY – 2013

Registration for The Academy is on Saturday, June 23rd when 23 boys and girls will be showing up with all their paperwork, sleeping duds, fishing cloths, etc. preparing for an exciting week. Some have a little experience, most don't, but these kids will learn quick with the help of all the great volunteers. Jim Brosio has a great line up of instructors and we have the schedules made up for the fishing. Our next challenge is getting volunteers to help the kids fish on The Deschutes River and on the Nisqually Pond by I-5. If you would like to help with the guiding, please give me a call @360-753-1259 or Jim Brosio @360-943-9947. Guiding consists of helping the kids land fish or just assisting them when needed. Some will just need encouragement since the kid fishing next to him is catching all the fish. You know how that goes. We welcome your help, this is a very rewarding event. The kids will never forget your help. Remember – *they are the guardians of the future for our sport of fly fishing.* Mike Clancy – Jim Brosio, Co-Directors



Many of you use epoxy to tie the newer materials type flies; buzzers, epoxy head saltwater patterns etc. It gets messy trying to find something to mix it in and the leftover epoxy is a bother. Jim Mause showed me this trick he uses. Playing cards. They are cheap, even free at the casinos, and they have a plastic coating and are the right size to mix enough 30 min or even 15 min epoxy for about a dozen flies...if you're quick.

Library Report by Gaalen Hansen

After my check of the library records, I am sorry to report that there are 20 books and DVD's that are overdue. Please return them at the next meeting or arrange to have them returned. Also, some of the cards for materials were dropped off without being filled out. In the future, please hand the cards at checkout to me or my assistant so we can ensure that they are filled out correctly. Remember... the date to put on the card is in the form mm/yy. If you put on month and day, we may be hitting you up for a book that we think is years overdue because the date is entered wrong. In the case of last month, if you put in month and day, we would think the material was checked out in May of 2009.

A reminder...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.

I would appreciate help setting the library up before each meeting. Frequently the clubs storage closet is blocked by bowling alley materials and accessing it is a problem. Since we are not charged for the space we utilize, we can't complain to Tower Lanes and I, for one, very much appreciate all the do for us. So...if some of you that are early arrivals at the meetings would give me a hand, I would be very appreciative.

I am ordering the "Stillwater Solutions Recipes" by Brian Chan and Phil Rowley. If there is additional material that you would like to see added to our inventory, please drop me a line, or let me know at the meetings what you think would be a good addition to the library. My email addresses are galen1943@gmail.com and galen1943@yahoo.com. Gordon Myers email address is gemyers50@msn.com.

Puget Sound Fly Company:

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RIVERS: The vast majority of our State's rivers will be opening up next weekend (Saturday June 1)

TROUT: Flows are looking reasonable and favorites like the Tilton and the Cedar should be fishing well from Day 1.

STEELHEAD: Remember being able to wet a line in an "S" river for Steelhead??? You will be able to again. The Snoqualmie, Stilly, and Sky will all have fish waiting. These fish have not seen a hook for a couple of years... dumb enough for you?

LAKES: If you haven't had your fill, the past several weeks' cooler weather has extended the lowland lake fishing. Even after they get too warm, lakes such as Rattlesnake and Leech (elevation) will start turning on. Don't forget Eastern Washington Lahontan lakes such as Omak and Grimes.

SALTWATER: Cutthroat fishing is good and will only get better. If you don't know where to go by now, ask us!

CLEARANCE ITEMS:

-ECHO DH 9136-4 (13'6" 9 WEIGHT 4PC.) WAS \$349, NOW \$199

-Various Simms Jackets from \$69- \$99

-Redington Women's Deschutes Jacket now \$99



Steve Savile (cont from page 5)

attracted to the flash of the lateral line it adds realism to the imitation. It's just a quirk I have.

The last important factor I take into account is the hook size and placement. If I'm fishing for Ling cod or other large fish, I'm going to use at least one very large hook like maybe a 2/0 to 5/0 depending on the size of the fly. Big fish, big fly, big hook. My smaller patterns for salmon are tied on size 2-6 for baitfish, sometimes 12-16 for small crustaceans like euphausiids. It's also not uncommon to use a stinger hook on flies for salmon to take care of the "short strikes" that often happen. Keep in mind that whether you're fishing for salmon or Ling Cod, the hooks have to be barbless in Puget Sound waters. If there is a stinger, I think it should be tied point up. That way, it doesn't drag in the sand and I have found it hooks the fish in the upper jaw more often.

Now get to the tying bench and fill those boxes! If you have any extras, send them my way. I have only one original pattern. I'd show it to all of you but then Luca would be very busy after. Tight lines.

Leader Line (cont from page 1)

Chinook like to break things! Your best locations for finding King salmon are rivers that do not have a Pink salmon run. Rivers with a Pink salmon run will be over-flowing with anglers and unfortunately, most of the nice runs will be occupied.

A while ago, I had a chance to talk with Garry Sandstrom about fishing for King Salmon in the saltwater. For those that don't know Garry Sandstrom, he owned the "Morning Hatch Fly Shop" and is a very good fly fisherman. Garry related that most of the "Kings" he has caught in the saltwater on the fly have been from a boat. He went onto to relate that he was targeting another species off of Queen Charlotte Islands and was rewarded with an 18lb King salmon. Since then he has caught several "Kings" usually just before or after high slack tide over bottoms of thirty to fifty feet. He stated that Mark Mandell's, "Calamarko Squid", tube fly dressed with fluorescent materials work best, because it glows so brightly. Gary also related that using a full sinking line is needed to get the fly to depth. Paul Fournier of PSFF makes a nice squid pattern, tied with UV and glow in the dark material, it should work well. Paul's Squid, Spirit River Inc., 2014.

Unless you try....you will never catch one!

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10 am to 2 pm

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You will be able to try casting your dream rods and talk fly fishing with our local experts. We'll also have a fund raising raffle with proceeds going to our philanthropic activities. Hope to see you all there.

Fly of The Month

Fly of the Month

Fly of the Month is produced by Bob Bates, a longtime Federator, serving the Washington Council of the IFFF. If you use the Fly of the Month in your publications or on your website he asks that the International Federation of Fly Fishers be given credit for the production.

The current month's Fly of the Month will be posted to this page around the 1st of every month. Back issues of the Fly of the Month can be found at the bottom of this page in PDF format.

Questions

Questions should be directed to Mr. Bates at flyofthemonth@fedflyfishers.org.



CINDER FLY



Opening Comments

Carl Sanders tied this pattern at the 2013 North Idaho Fly Fishing Expo, in Lewiston, Idaho. He uses it in a variety of places around Enterprise, Oregon where he lives.

In stillwater (lakes and ponds) floating or sinking fly lines may be used depending on the depth. One technique is to let the fly sink a bit in hope that a fish sees it and gets aggressive. Then retrieve it with a variety of speeds until the fish tell you what they like. If nothing happens let the fly and line sink a little more. Many anglers use a count-down method to control the depth. They will start with 5 or 10 seconds, and if nothing happens they let everything sink a little more. When they dredge up weeds they shorten the count.

This fly, to me, looks like the idea and name came from the Cinder Worm Fly in the salt water world. Always keep your eyes open for ideas (patterns) that might help you be more successful.

THANKS TO FFF WEBSITE

Materials list

Hook: Wet fly hook, heavy, 12-14

Thread: Pearsall, 14/0, black

Hackle: Partridge, dyed blue dun

Rib: Silver tinsel, small flat

Body: Synthetic Living Fiber (SLF) orange and black

Tying steps



Step 1

Put thread on hook at about thorax location, wrap back a couple of times and then forward as shown.



Step 2

Pull off fuzzy fibers, and put hackle on hook with dull (concave) side up. Wrap backward over the stem.



Step 3

Trim stem and continue wrapping thread rearward. Attach rib at bend of hook.



Step 4

Wax the thread a little to help hold the dubbing. Put some of the orange SLF dubbing on the thread. Put it on thread by rolling dubbing between thumb and first finger. Make dubbing noodle tight on the thread.



Step 5

Wrap the orange dubbing to about mid-shank. Put black dubbing on the thread, not as tightly as the orange. Overlap the orange with the black so you get a nice transition.



Step 6

Spiral the rib forward, secure it and trim.



Step 7

Pick the hackle up 90 degrees to the hook. Park the thread about two wraps of hackle behind where the hackle is tied in. Make two to three wraps of hackle back to the thread. Tie down the hackle; wiggle the thread through the hackle to the front. This strengthened the hackle. Then whip finish the thread in front of the hackle. Before the whip finish there was a little empty hook shank between the hackle and the hook eye. Normally Carl does not put head cement on the thread winds.

PSFF CALENDAR

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						JUN 1
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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 and other selective fishing techniques as a means of conservation and increasing fishing opportunity.
3. To encourage the conservation, enhancement of sport fishing.
4. To promote "Sportmanship" in all aspects of club and individual activity.
5. To aid in the eradication of pollution and other practices destructive to fisheries.
6. To actively assist and encourage the public to become flyfishers, and to adopt the club's 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 ghillies 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 (Family \$60) per year plus a one time (\$10 Initiation Fee) per member.

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 through 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.