



◆◆ **2009 Officers & Board** ◆◆

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◆◆ **Club Meetings** ◆◆

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**Place:** *Holiday Inn of Issaquah  
 1801 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW  
 Issaquah, WA 425-392-6421*  
**Time :** *6:00 PM Cocktails & Tales  
 7:00 PM Dinner*

**Board Meetings**

**Place:** *Redmond Regional Library  
 15990 NE 85th  
 Redmond, WA*  
**Time :** *6:45pm Check for date/location  
 changes*

**Chubski Roundtable**

**Place:** *Brew Pub (across from Issaquah Library)  
 35 West Sunset Way  
 Issaquah, WA*  
**Time :** *6:30pm Check for date changes*

◆◆ **OFFC Calendar** ◆◆

**April**  
 6 Board Meeting  
 13 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 18,19 Outing – Hudson Springs  
 28 **Dinner Meeting** – Jim Gallagher  
 Local Rivers-Yakima,CleEllum,Teenaway

**May**  
 4 Board Meeting  
 8,9 Outing - Rock Lake  
 11 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 26 Dinner Meeting - Jeff Brazda-Montana

**June**  
 2 Board Meeting  
 6 Outing – Lone Lake  
 8 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 23 Dinner Meeting - Matt Klungle-Cedar River

**July**  
 7 Board Meeting  
 13 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 17 Outing – Cedar River  
 21 Picnic - Lake Sammamish State Park

**August**  
 4 Board Meeting  
 8 Outing - Snoqualmie River  
 10 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 25 Dinner Meeting  
 29 Outing – Skykomish River

**September**  
 1 Board Meeting  
 14 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 22 Dinner Meeting – OFFC 35 Years  
 26 Outing – Rattlesnake Lake

**October**  
 3 Outing – Rattlesnake Creek  
 6 Board Meeting  
 12 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 17 Outing – Methow River  
 27 Dinner Meeting

**November**  
 3 Board Meeting  
 9 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable  
 24 Dinner Meeting

**December**  
 1 Board Meeting  
 8 Holiday Dinner Meeting

◆◆ **Visit our website** ◆◆



OFFC's website is a great resource for up-to-date information. With links to contact officers; Library info; Flytiers page; Topo Maps; Entomology; Post a Picture; Bulletin Board; Calendar dates; Outing times and Locations; etc...

Please send picture files to: [webmaster@offc.org](mailto:webmaster@offc.org) for publication.

**OFFC website, make it your resource**  
<http://www.offc.org/members.htm>

**President's Message**

The March General Meeting and Auction was a huge success. Almost everyone who attended walked away with a raffle or auction item they bid on. We owe a big Thank You to Tim Allen and his staff who helped to put on the auction: Many thanks to Bruce Tyson, Joe Kristof Lee McKenna, his wife and daughter, Brian Ayers, and Mike Simi. If you didn't get a chance to sign up for Ron Romig's Hudson Springs outings, you missed one of the best fishing outings you could ever go on. This fishery is like fishing at a hatchery, for their brood stock. Check out Ron's outing report next month for details. Your board has been very active, and there are two proposed by-law changes we will vote ...continued

upon at the next general meeting. They should be included in this newsletter, so take the opportunity to read them. Remember, to participate in the discussion and voting, you have to be a paid up – dues – club member. I'm going to keep this one short, since we have the by-laws proposed changes. Hope to see you at the Chubski or next club meeting.

Hope to see you soon,  
Richard Lange

### **Dinner Club Meeting – Presenter Jim Gallagher**

#### Local Guide to Present Program on Local Rivers

This club meeting is going to be an excellent time to find out about some of our closer - less well known and fished rivers - the Cle Elum, Teanaway, and upper Yakima above Ellensburg. Jim has been fishing and guiding these rivers for several years, and will be showing you the best way and places to fish. These rivers get very little pressure, and seemed to have lower Yakima River style fishing opportunities.

Jim Gallagher, Yakima River Fly Shop owner and guide (Cle Elum) is presenting a special program on Cle Elum River Fishing opportunities, to the Overlake Fly Fishermen. Jim is a well known guide specializing in the rivers around Cle Elum, and especially the Cle Elum, Yakima and Teanaway Rivers. Jim's program will highlight the not so well known fishing opportunities on the Upper Yakima above and around Cle Elum, the Teanaway River, and the Cle Elum River system. Find out what flies to use, and when on these rivers, and where are the best and easiest ways to get in and fish the rivers. He will provide information on launch ramps and special river conditions which can make your trip more adventurous. While not fishing the rivers in the Cle Elum area, he can be found floating the Kanektok River in Alaska, where he develops new flies and techniques, and brings them back home to work on his local rivers.

Join Jim Gallagher on April 28th at 6:30 PM at the Holiday Inn in Issaquah for a great presentation on some of our well known, but not often fished, rivers around Cle Elum. Happy hour from 6 to 7, Dinner (\$26.00) at 7PM, with the program commencing at 7:45.

### **OFFC Club 2009 Auction**

Another great fundraising success

The Overlake Fly Fishing Club silent and live dinner auction "Fishing and So Much More" was held March 28th at the Issaquah Holiday Inn, in Issaquah. The auction featured a large selection of rods, new and classic reels, equipment, great guided trips, books as well as many non-fishing related gifts like theater tickets, jewelry and gift baskets. The Overlake Fly Fishing Club would like to thank all individuals and business that donated items to our fundraising auction. All club members are asked to support

these businesses and the next time you are in their shop to say "Thanks".

Angler's Obsession	Big 5 Sporting Goods
Brazda's Fly Fishing	Cady Lake Manor
Clear Water River Co.	Color, Cuts & More, Inc.
Creekside Angling Company	Federation of Fly Fishers
Fetha Styx Fly Rods	Fly Fisher's Pro Shop
Pizza Hut	Renton Civic Theater
The Angling Bookstore	Timber Ridge at Talus
Yakima River Fly Shop	

A special thanks to the Auction Committee, the club members that personally contributed, and to everyone who attended the auction.

### **2009 Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable**

All OFFC members are invited to join us at the Chubski Fly Tying Roundtable. One of the great benefits included as a member of OFFC is learning how to tie flies and filling your fly boxes with effective flies. For beginning tiers, or those who would like to brush up on basic skills or learn advanced techniques, our expert club tiers will be there to help you along. No tools, or materials are necessary, just bring yourself!

Please remember to bring a tying lamp or light if you have one, and an extension cord would be great too. We'll start tying around 06:30 pm, but most have been coming earlier to get a bite to eat and enjoy a refreshment. Please stop by and we'll see you there, it's a great experience!

Place: Brew Pub (across from Issaquah Library)  
35 West Sunset Way  
Issaquah, WA

Time : 6:30pm Check for date changes

### **OFFC Outing – Rock Lake May 8, 9**

The club has reserved this private lake for an outing on May 8 and 9. Located in Okanogan County in Northcentral Washington, this spring fed lake is stocked with brown, brook, rainbow, and tiger trout. Lodging at a cabin located next to the lake is included. Members signing up for May 8<sup>th</sup> can arrive on Friday afternoon, fish the remainder of the day, lodging and dinner is Thursday night, and then fish on Friday. Members signing up for May 9<sup>th</sup> can arrive on Friday afternoon, fish the remainder of the day, lodging and dinner is Friday night, and the fish on Saturday. The fee to the club to reserve the private lake, lodging and dinner is \$250 per day. Members will divide that amount for each day they sign up. For example, if six sign up for Saturday, the fee for each member for everything is \$41. As space is limited, contact John Waggoner at [outings@offc.org](mailto:outings@offc.org) or 425-277-6799 for more information or to make a reservation.

## OFFC Picnic is coming this summer

The Annual OFFC Picnic will be on Tuesday, July 21st at Lake Sammamish State Park in Issaquah. Festivities will begin at 4PM. Members and their families, and friends, are invited. There will be more details as the date draws closer, but basically you will be asked to bring a hot dish, salad, or dessert. The Club will provide soft drinks, hot dogs and/or hamburgers, etc. If you'd like beer or wine you will need to bring your own. And, maybe bring and extra beer or two for those that don't have a clue!!

Lory Watkins - 2009 Picnic Chair. lorywat@cs.com

## Proposed OFFC ByLaw Changes

The following bylaws are being proposed for change:

### Section 4. Types of Membership

a. Individual Membership: An Individual Member has the right to vote and participate in all Club activities. A new applicant for Individual Membership must submit a completed application, pay his/her dues and initiation fee, and attend a minimum of one club meeting. Following the completion of the above application process, the board of directors will act on the new applicant's request for membership. Dues for Individual Membership shall be stated in the Appendix.

b. Family Membership: A Family Membership includes spouses/significant others, and children under legal age. Each spouse and/or significant other is entitled to vote and participate in all Club activities. Candidates for Family Membership must submit a completed application, pay the associated dues and initiation fee, and attend a minimum of one club meeting. Following the completion of the above application process, the board of directors will act on the new applicants' request for membership. Dues for Family Membership shall be stated in the Appendix.

Propose that the body of the bylaws be amended as follows:

Under "Section 6. Dues and Initiation Fees" changed to "Section 6. Dues and Fees" that the following be added:

f. Members must pay dues in full to maintain their membership. Officers have no authority to grant exceptions except as specifically granted herein.

g. Members desiring to make other payment arrangements to pay dues may propose an arrangement to the membership chair and such proposal shall be accepted or declined at the discretion of the 1st Vice-President Membership and the President. If an arrangement is accepted, the Member shall be considered as paid for inclusion in the roster and membership privileges.

h. Non-Members. Non-members will be asked to pay a fee to help offset the costs of the program and the meeting room, as stated in the Appendix. The fee may be waived at the discretion of the 1st Vice President Membership or President.

## APPENDIX

Dues and fees:

Dues:	
Individual Membership	\$65
Family Membership	\$70
Associate Membership	\$15
Life Membership	\$1000
Honorary Membership	No Membership Dues

Fees:

Initiation Fee – Individual	\$10
Initiation Fee – Family	\$15
Non-member Meeting Fee	\$10

Membership dues are due and payable on January 1st of each year. Dues notices will be mailed on or about December 1st of each year. Notice of delinquency will be mailed on or about January 15th.

For discussion at the meeting:

A proposal for a change to the bylaws:

We continue as a membership to desire great programs and a dinner meeting and to bear the cost of those activities. We collect dues and participate in fundraisers to build the financial resources to pay for club expenses including programs. Every member has contributed to the cost of a program by the payment of dues and has the right to attend the meeting to watch it.

Our meeting space is not paid for from budgeted expenses. We have to find and pay for a place to meet funded from outside the dues and fundraising budget. The way we have traditionally handled that, because the membership has preferred a dinner meeting, is to enter into an agreement with a dining facility where the meeting room will be subsidized by purchasing a minimum number of meals (in the facility we are currently at the number of meals is 30). If less than 30 attendees buy dinner, the club must make up the difference from its operating budget.

Guest who attend and buy dinner help us meet that minimum and make a contribution to the club in that way. It is not infrequent that the purchase of meals by guests keep us from a shortfall and we welcome their participation.

Guests who choose not to buy dinner contribute nothing to the greater good and are subsidized by the rest of us who are footing the bill. We have traditionally welcomed them nonetheless with the hopes that they would become members and contribute to the good of the club. Some individuals chose to not become members or buy dinner after kicking the tires and looking around and we want to change the bylaws to allow those visitors to make a small contribution to the cost of our events by requiring that they pay a \$10.00 fee to attend. The folks at the door need a simple rule if enforcement becomes problematic so we suggest that the by-laws be changed as indicated. The 1st Vice President can waive the fee at his discretion to accommodate someone interested in investigating their fit with our group.

## CHARTER

### The Larry Graham Fly Fishing Enhancement Fund

The Overlake Fly Fishing Club (OFFC) in recognition of the contribution that longtime member Larry Graham made to the Club and to northwest fly fishing hereby creates the Larry Graham Fly Fishing Enhancement Fund (THE FUND) for the PURPOSE of funding specific projects that enhance the fly fishing environment in waters of the Northwest, including the preservation and restoration of trout, with priority given to the Yakima River; And do also encourage the use of The Fund for OFFC-sponsored projects for said PURPOSE.

CONTRIBUTION to The Fund shall be made by the yearly deposit of five hundred (\$500) from the OFFC Treasury, and by donations from individuals, and from the sale of specific items designated to be donated to The Fund. On an annual basis the Board may supplement the designated yearly deposit to The Fund by a discretionary amount, subject to the limits in the Appendix. The Fund shall be maintained by the OFFC Treasurer who may, with Grant Committee Board approval, invest The Fund in a short term insured principle enhancement account. A yearly report of The Fund's contributions and disbursements shall be published by the Treasurer.

DISBURSEMENT of The Fund: Monies in The Fund will be disbursed principally, although not exclusively, by identifying worthwhile projects already being actively funded or that will be funded by other organizations. Any OFFC member can suggest a project or group to the Conservation Chairman to support with The Fund's money, which will be brought forward to the Board with supporting information and a recommendation. The amount, timing, and recipients of The Fund's donations shall be the decision of the Board as part of regular Board meeting business. The Board shall appoint a Grant Committee of a minimum of three members. A person not affiliated with OFFC may become a member of the Grant Committee when approved by the Board. The Grant Committee shall prepare, maintain, transmit, receive and review grant applications for specific projects. The completed grant application shall be approved or denied by the Grant Committee with concurrence of the Board. Disbursement of The Fund shall then be made to an approved grant applicant.

[Note: The Appendix states the Board is limited to a \$500 limit in discretionary spending. Larger amounts require a vote by the general membership. If it is desired that the \$500 limit not apply to disbursements from The Fund, it should probably be made explicit in this Charter]

### Build an LED Vise Lamp for Less Than \$5!

I have a couple of inexpensive tying vises that don't come with a fancy lamp, but I occasionally tie in the evening or in otherwise poor light conditions and want better light. For

less than \$5 you can build a powerful LED lamp for your vise.

I started with a pack of three LED stick-up lights from Target. This pack runs about \$10 and includes three 2¾-in. diameter plastic LED lights. Each light has three LEDs, takes three AAA batteries, and has a sticky patch on the back to allow it to be stuck inside a drawer, a closet, or anywhere you need additional lighting. Turn on the light by pressing the clear LED cover. Turning it off is the same. The three LEDs in each light throw a lot of light, enough to illuminate an entire closet, so one is plenty for fly tying.

Next, from McLendon

Next, from McLendon's Hardware I bought (1) a scrap piece of ¾-in. o.d. hollow aluminum tubing about two feet long, which I trimmed to about 18-in long; (2) a small hose clamp that can be adjusted with fingers; and (3) a 1½-in flat washer.

I bent the tubing a bit to allow it to be clamped with the hose clamp to the vise shaft and over-reach the vise jaws. I epoxied the washer to the upper end of the tubing. When cured, I stuck the lamp's sticky pad onto the washer, positioned the lamp to where I wanted it, and tightened the hose clamp.

That's it! I keep the lamp positioned about 4-in above the vise jaws so I've got plenty of room to swing my thread bobbin around the fly and the tubing doesn't interfere with any functions of the vise. No cords, plenty of light, and the three alkaline batteries will power this lamp for about 100 hours before they must be replaced.

For any questions, visual, etc. please contact Alan.

Alan Jones

### 9<sup>th</sup> Annual "Casting For A Cause" Casting Clinic

*This was held last weekend but is an event worth recognizing for its contributions and for those who participated.*

The 9th Annual "Casting For A Cause"  
FLY CASTING CLINIC  
Saturday, April 25, 2009

Improve your casting technique while benefiting Casting For Recovery!

Courses Offered:

- **BEGINNING FLYCASTING:** The basics — how to roll cast, pickup and lay down line. (Due to its popularity last year, two Beginning Level classes will offered each session.)
- **CONTROL and PRESENTATION:** Improve loop control, accuracy and roll casting.
- **INTRODUCTION TO DOUBLE HAUL:** The double haul gives you the ability to cast further with less effort. (Must be able to hold 40 feet of line in the air and shoot line on the back cast.)
- **PRIVATE INSTRUCTION:** Two students per instructor. \$100 per person for 2 hours. Learn whatever you want to learn about flycasting, freshwater or saltwater.

(Limited to four students for each morning and afternoon session.)

• **SPEY CASTING:** Introduction to the two-handed rod and casting techniques. Spey equipment will be available for use. (This class is held on the river. Students need to bring waders and boots. Progression of skills will be individualized for each student's needs. Students may register for both spey sessions, if desired.)

All proceeds from the clinic will support an upcoming fall fly-fishing retreat for Washington breast cancer survivors. This nationally recognized not-for-profit program was designed to help women with breast cancer experience physical, emotional and spiritual healing through fly-fishing retreats held in natural settings.

If you are an experienced, intermediate or novice fly-fisher, there is a clinic that targets your interests and skill level. Join nationally-acclaimed fly fishers and a team of FFF Certified Fly-Casting Instructors for a day of fly casting instruction!

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 25, 2009

**Morning Clinic:** 9:00 –11:00 a.m.

**Lunch:** 11:30 - 1: 00

**Afternoon Clinic:** 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Tolt McDonald Park — Carnation, WA

**COST\*** All sessions include lunch

\$50 - One Clinic only (morning OR afternoon)

\$75 - Two Clinics (morning & afternoon sessions)

\$100 - One Private Clinic only (morning OR afternoon)

\$125 - One Private Clinic AND one of the other courses offered

(\*suggested donation)

**Featured Instructors:**

Mike Perusse: FFF Certified Master Flycasting Instructor.  
George Cook & his Cast Team: Former Dir. of Schools for Sage Rods

Jimmy LeMert: FFF Certified Master Flycasting Instructor.

Tony Vitale: FFF Certified Master Flycasting Instructor.

Marilyn Vitale: FFF Certified Master Flycasting Instructor.

Don Simonson: FFF Certified Master Flycasting Instructor.

Aaron Reimer: FFF Certified Two-Handed Casting instructor.

Carl Zarelli: FFF Certified Master Flycasting Instructor.

Aaron Culley: FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor.

Kip Keener: FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor

Jim Higgins: FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor.

Judy Graham: FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor.

Craig Koeppler: FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor.

Ryan Smith: FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor.

Walt Swanson: FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor.

**Keep fishin'! Take a friend!**



**The Windknots**

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