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Leader Line
Steve Saville
President

Thanksgiving it is...

Hey folks! It's November and as we approach the holiday season, I can think of several things I am thankful for. Health, happiness, and some pretty good fishing top the list. Thanks to all who attended last month's meeting and voted to accept the slate of officers for next year. I look forward to serving a second term as President. It has taken a few months to get used to the position, but I look forward to completing the goals I set for myself and to new challenges as we work our way into 2023.

I wanted to give a shout out and thanks to Greg Shimek for his presentation at the October meeting. If you weren't there, you missed a fascinating presentation on the efforts of the Coastal Cutthroat Coalition. I have always had an interest in science in general and ocean science in particular. The coalition continues to learn more about the sea run cutthroat that many of us enjoy chasing with a rod and our lines. Of particular interest was the effort to track the movements of

these fish through tagging and tracking as well as the animated screens that actually show where the fish move from day to day. Fascinating!

We are well into the time when chum salmon are returning so if you haven't had the opportunity to get out, do so before they are gone. We are all thankful for this yearly ritual. They are fierce fighters and offer the chance to catch a really big fish. Check the web site for flash outings to various locations. While out, be specifically aware of the weather and dress in layers. Be sure to take care of your hands and feet by wearing some sort of gloves and warm socks. Cold fingers and toes can ruin a good day fishing. Bring along a good raincoat, too. Safety first!

Many thanks to all who have attended the previous months' meetings. If you aren't attending, you are missing out. Be safe out there. Catch some fish! And take some time to give thanks

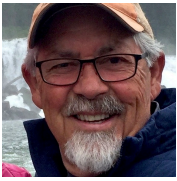
Tight Lines.

Next Meeting
November 10, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Tower Lanes

Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Program 7:15 p.m.



Education

Mike Koslosky

Fly Tying

We are heading to American Lake for this month's FishOut on Saturday, November 19. In preparation we will tie the Balanced Leech on Saturday, November 12 at Tower Lanes from 10am-12noon. As always, bring your tying gear, a handful of beads and some #8 Daiichi 4640 jig hooks or similar.

NOTE: there will be a sign-up sheet at the general membership meeting so add your name to the list. If you can't make the meeting, contact stevesaville@comcast.net to let him know you are coming.

Tip of the Month

Several months ago the club sent out a survey to solicit feedback from the membership on how you saw the club and its activities. One of the items frequently mentioned was learning more about our sport. We hear you and are planning a Fly Fishing 101 course to cover all the basics and a few advanced topics to fill in that gap you may be experiencing. Although we will be offering this course in the Spring of 2023 to prepare you for opening day, I would appreciate hearing from any of you interested in signing up in advance. I'll post a sign-up sheet at the upcoming meetings.

We offered this class a couple years ago and it covered topics such as gear, knots, aquatic entomology, types of waters to fish, conservation and ethics, fly fishing organizations. Each session included a casting workshop at a local park and now we have a new member who is a CCI to help us out. More specific details will be coming so stay

tuned to the newsletter and updates at each monthly meeting.

Yes, they are in town

It's Chum salmon time and these bruisers can be found in a number of places throughout Puget Sound. Chum salmon are hard fighting fish and love to give your 8 weight rod a workout. They aren't picky when it comes to fly choices and strike out more from curiosity or aggression since they are not in an eating mode. If you don't have a chance to fish for them, come to Gig Harbor on the weekend of November 19-20 for their Chum Salmon Festival, held at Donkey Creek Park. There will be plenty of fun stuff for you and the family from arts and craft to naturalist led talks, to upcoming habitat improvement opportunities. While they may not be pretty, they are a bucket of fun on the fly rod. Why you can even mud wrestle with one if you're lucky.

Another Good Day



Mud Wrestling Chum



Outings

David Frazier

American Lake, 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 19 (new date)

Here's your challenge: Let's see how many freshwater species we can catch at American. This year-round lake is big — 1,091 acres — and contains rainbow trout, coastal cutthroat, kokanee (land-locked sockeye salmon), largemouth and smallmouth bass, rock bass, brown bullhead catfish and yellow perch. Whew!



At this time of year, I'm counting on cooler temps, rain and possibly wind, so dress appropriately. While the lake tops out at about 90 feet, I'd suggest focusing on the shallower water closer to shore. I'll be prepared with 5- to 6-weight rods, with fast-sinking and intermediate lines

Directions: The lake has two public boat launches. We'll meet up at the WDFW American Lake Boat Launch. Traveling south on I-5 in Lakewood, exit at 122A. Turn left on Murray Road and then right onto

Thorne Lane at the roundabout. Continue on Thorne Lane at the second roundabout, which turns into Portland Avenue. At the third roundabout, make the first exit onto Boundary Street, then left onto Military, which leads to the WDFW boat launch. The launch is only about 22 minutes south of our Tower Lanes meeting hall in Tacoma.

Please RSVP if you are interested in attending.
Contact: David Frazier dfrazier@wavecable.com
(360) 265-6963

Cady Lake Report

The day started with breakfast at The Hideaway in Belfair. Good food and lots of it. Ditto the conversations. We had 12 members attend today's outing and everyone seemed to be catching fish. Plus Tom Krughoff had a memorable cartoon kind of catch on a bead-head nymph, to boot (or shoe). All kinds of patterns seemed to be working.

A good start to the day



In attendance were: Bobby Kemp, Phil Oliver, Jim Baker, Rob Jensen, Penny Mabie, Susan Hayman, Mark Paul, Mike Koslosky, Ron McNeal, Tom Krughoff, Tess Frazier and myself.

Then the fun began ... some caught fish



And Tom Krughoff caught "sole!"



December Outing

Nahwatzel Lake, 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10

Programs

Chic Sundahl

November Program:

"Successful Chironomid Fishing Throughout the Year" with Jerry Buron

Jerry takes us from understanding the chironomid's importance as a trout food source all the way to detailed descriptions of chironomid leaders, boat setup suggestions, and even Jerry's favorite chironomid fly patterns. He is sharing his knowledge of this important subject in a book, "Complete Guide to Successful Chironomid Fishing" which he will bring to share with club members.

Jerry Buron is a retired educator and long-time member of the Evergreen Fly Fishing Club. He has given chironomid fly fishing presentations throughout the Pacific Northwest. Jerry is an accomplished innovative fly-tier, presenter, and photographer with more than fifty years of fly fishing experience.

December Program:

"Comparing Omak and Pyramid Lakes" with Fly Fish Dan

According to his You Tube Page he has over 22,000 subscribers and 563 videos. One thing he likes to do is follow the narrow blue lines on maps depicting unnamed streams and creeks that take him to out-of-the-way fly fishing destinations. Should be a good program.

Still can't access the Forum? - Ask a PSFF member

Having trouble accessing the FORUM?

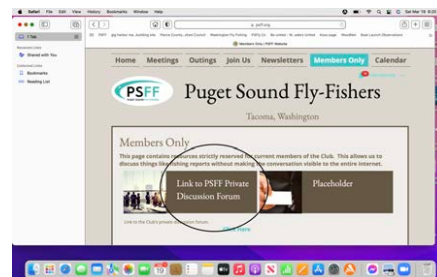
Launch the PSFF.org webpage as shown in figure 1 and click on the Members Only tab. That takes you to figure 2 where you click on the circled button taking you to the Sign Up or Log in page.

As a new FORUM member, you need to Sign Up first as shown in figure 3. You enter your email address and create a password. Once you've done that you are set and it will take you to the FORUM home page shown in figure 4. Explore the FORUM a bit to see what members have posted.

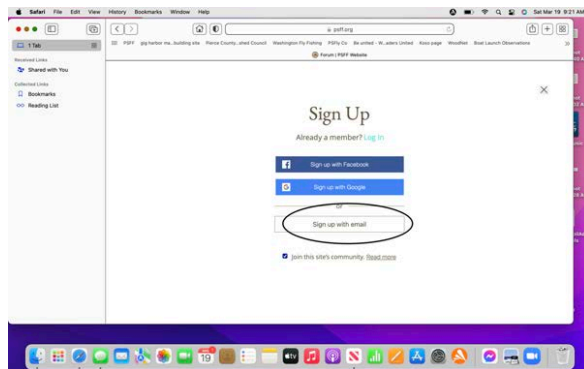
Once you have done the initial set up you will receive an email anytime someone on the FORUM posts something. Now you just have to Log In instead of Signing Up.



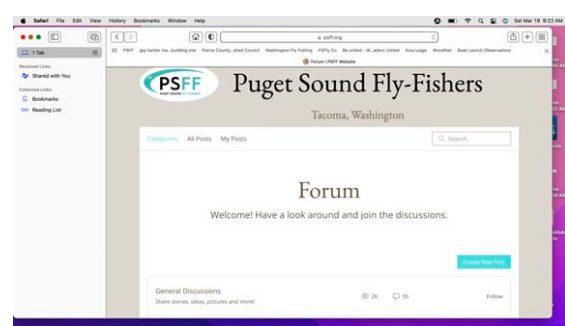
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