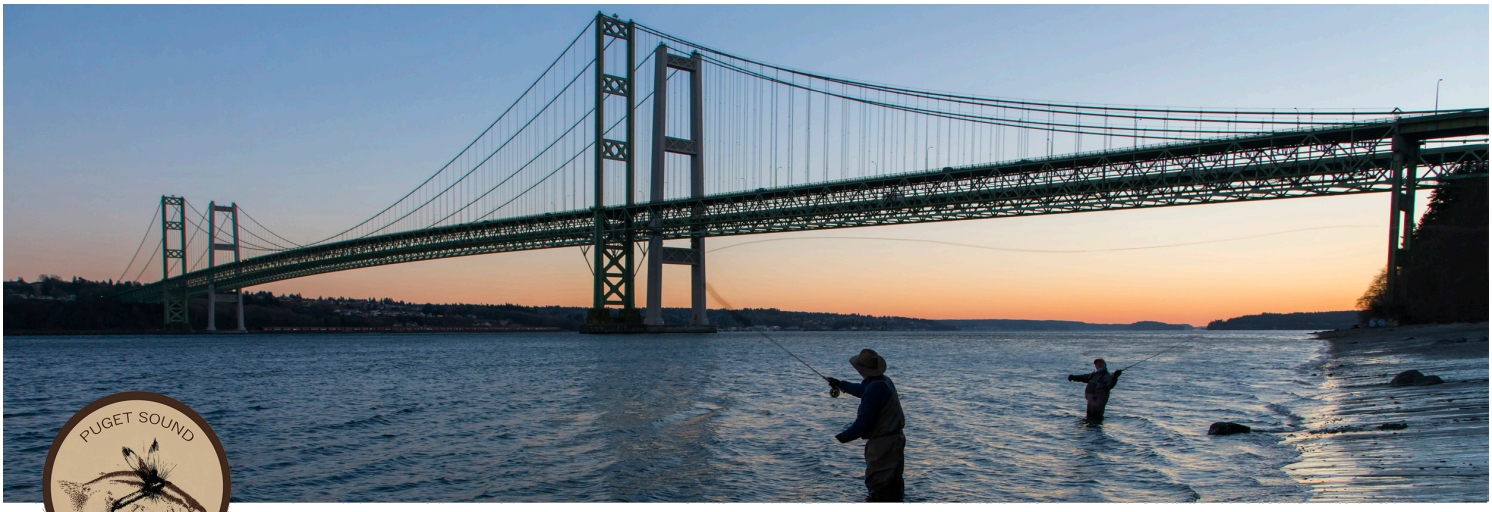


December 13th Meeting Speaker,
Carol Ann Morris

December 2018

Leader Line | Greg Shimek

Wow has this year flown by. As I sit here on a wet and windy November day writing my last Leader Line, I can't believe my year serving as the President of PSFF is drawing to a close. It has been an incredible honor to have held this position. I have enjoyed strengthening existing relationships, creating new ones and welcoming so many new members into our organization. I believe the diversity of our membership, not only age, gender and ethnicity, but also in the level of talent regarding types of fishing, fly tying, casting, watercraft use and many other topics that our members possess, is one of the many strengths that makes our club so attractive to new members and differentiates us from many other fly clubs. We should all be proud of this and work towards maintaining this core value.

It was a year filled with interesting and informative speakers, fun outings, a great picnic, educational days and a first ever, Fly Fishing 101 Class put on for the public, together with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. Quite a year by any measure. For me however the best part was being able to spend another year with a wonderful group of like-minded anglers sharing our passion for fly fishing and fellowship.

I would like to recognize all of the following club members who have stepped up this year and accepted positions that are essential to the successful operation of PSFF. Bob Jimerson, Curt Stoner, Steve Seville, Dennis Beardsley, Becci Curtis-Lillie, Kristin Macy, Robert Gerlach, Mike Koslosky, Walter Hodges, Chick Sundahl, Mark Malone, Mike Clancy and Doug Post. Thanks very much, without all your help my job would have been impossible.

I am sure 2019, with our new slate of officers, board members and committee chairpersons, will continue the traditions we all value and add new experiences that we will all enjoy.

Thanks again so very much for the fun, friendship and support you shared with me this year.

Membership Update

Just a note on membership everyone. By now you all should have received your membership renewal in the mail. The response has been very good and many of you have already sent in your 2019 dues. A number of you also paid your dues at the November meet. Thanks to all you early birds. For everyone else, dues are DUE by January 1st. We need to have everyone current as soon as possible so we have an idea of where we are financially so we can budget for all our activities in 2019. Also, it is important to remember that the benefits of, Outings, our Facebook page, Newsletter notifications and email announcements are only available to members in good standing, paid up dues. Don't miss out!!

Coastal
CUTTHROAT COALITION

Save the Date !!

The third annual Coastal Cutthroat Coalition fundraiser will be held on January 10th 2019 in Seattle, Washington. More details next month.

Last Month'sTrivia Question Answer

Where is the American Museum of Fly Fishing located?

Manchester, Vermont http://www.amff.org

Meeting Speakers

December Program: “Fly Fishing Photography 101: How to Capture What You See” with Carol Ann Morris

It seems fly fishers want to record their biggest and most beautiful fish, the fascinating rivers and lakes and beaches they fish and explore--the very heart of their beloved sport--with a camera. Carol teaches them how to make their photos crisp and vivid, balanced and expressive. She demonstrates and explains the Rule of Thirds, effective use of light, the Magic Hour, UFOs (Unidentified Foreign Objects), how to photograph fish, and many other straightforward concepts anyone can use to improve their photographs. Also, Carol will show various failed photos and explain what caused the problems.

Over the past two decades Carol Ann Morris's photographs and paintings have not only appeared in most of her husband Skip Morris's 18 fly-fishing and tying books but on the covers and interior pages of such magazines as Grey's Sporting Journal, Yale Angler's Journal, and Fly Fishing & Tying Journal. Carol also speaks at fly clubs and fly-fishing shows.
She has performed her PowerPoint show "Fly-Fishing Photography 101: How to Capture What You See" all over the West--in Washington, Oregon, British Columbia, California, New Mexico--and in the East--Michigan, Ohio--at fly-fishing clubs and sportsmen's shows and fly-fishing expositions.

January Program: “Tying Flies for Sea-Run Cutthroat Trout in Puget Sound” with Jeff Delia.

Jeff’s program will focus on winter Sea-Run Cutthroat and returning Salmon fishing. He has spent 3 decades developing techniques and an extensive line of flies for Hood Canal pursuits such as Jeff’s Cone Head Squid, the Delia’s Orange, Christmas Candy, Big Fish Fly and the White Ghost.

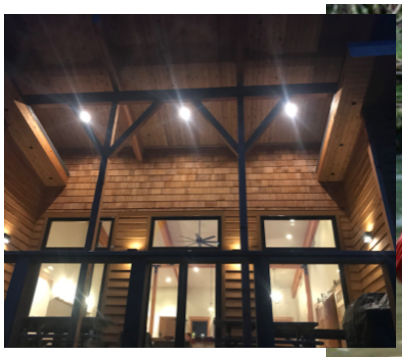
Jeff is a well known and avid Sea-Run Cutthroat fisher, fly developer and fly tier who lives in Quilcene, Washington on Northern Hood Canal. One of his articles, “In a Winter Wonderland,” is featured in the 2018 Winter issue of Flyfishing and Tying Journal.

Outings

Steelhead Trip

Oregon's NF Nehalem River, March 13-15

26 waterfalls on the float



Our Lodge

Lots of these bruisers

Water Time Outfitters will be our host on the NF Nehalem River just south of Cannon Beach, Oregon. Spend three days drifting and swinging flies to some heavy duty steelhead. The well appointed lodge on the bank of the river will be our home base. The trip includes meals (breakfast day one through lunch on day three), guided raft trip, flies and gear, with soft drinks and water on the rafts.

Fishing is for all skill levels. If you are new to steelheading, indicator rigs are the way to go. Plenty of gravel bars and easy wading make for great opportunities for swinging flies for those who like to test their spey or switch rod skills. Either way you won't be disappointed.

Trip cost; $1425. To sign up or for additional information contact;
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Not to be outdone Pierce and Mason Counties have a number of year round lakes with a variety of freshwater species eager to take the fly. Here's the list;

Mason County;
- Kokanee Lake
- Lost Lake
- Nahwatzel Lake
- Spencer Lake

Pierce County;
- American Lake
- Bonney Lake
- Bradley Lake
- Florence Lake
- Harts Lake
- Louise Lake
- Spanaway Lake
- Steilacoom Lake
- Wapato Lake (15 years and under only - great for the grandkids!)
- Waughop Lake
- Whitman Lake

Put These Dates on your 2019 Calendar
Park Lake; the penultimate club opener for many years will be held once again at Laurents Sun Village Resort on the weekend of May 17-20, 2019.

Coldwater Lake and Cowlitz River float, August 16-19 at John and Kathy Clark's place outside Toledo. DON'T MISS THIS TRIP. John is a fabulous host and his ranch property is set up for us to circle the meadow with our RV's, tent's, campers, and cots. I won't spoil the surprises he has installed for our convenience - you just have to be there to experience them.

As always, contact Walter Hodges or myself if you have any bright ideas about fishing.

2019 EVENTS

January 23-27, 2019 - Washington Sportsmen's Show, Washington State Fair Events Center, Puyallup, WA. (Google for website)

February 16 & 17, 2019 – The Fly Fishing Show, Lynnwood Convention Center,
Lynnwood, WA. www.flyfishingshow.com

March 8 & 9, 2019 – NW Fly Tyer Expo, Linn Country Expo Center, Albany, OR.,
www.nwexpo.com

May 3 & 4, 2019 - WSCFFI Ellensburg Fly Fishing Event, Kittitas Valley Event Center County, Ellensburg, WA. www.wscffi.org

June 23-29, 2019 – NW Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing Academy, Gwinwood
Conference Center, Lacey, WA. www.nwycffa.com

July 23-27, 2019 – Fly Fishers International Fly Fishing Fest – Bozeman, MT.
www.flyfishersinternational.org

Don't Miss Out!

January 10th 2019

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international fly fishing film festival

Benefiting:

At.....

HULA HULA

1501 East Olive Way

Seattle, WA 98122

Tickets- $30. Advance $40. At the door (Must be 21 to attend)

Tickets available @

https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3629732

Doors Open @ 4pm - Film starts @ 7pm

HUGE RAFFLE, DOOR PRIZES & LIVE AUCTION!

CLUB CALENDAR

December 2018

PSFF Calendar

Merry Christmas

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 Fly Tying 6:00pm Puget Sound Anglers Tacoma	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 PSFF Meeting 6:00PM	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 PSFF Board Meeting	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

PSFF Member December Anniversaries

Member	Years	Member	Years
Daniel Benson	5	Ned Krilich	11
Daniel Carlton	11	Terry Lueck	6
John Fullerton	3	Kristin Macy	4
Bryan Habeck	4	Scott Manson	3
Steve Hammer	6	Beth Mason	3
Michael Hardouin	19	Dick Matthaei	40
Don Harold	5	Bill Micklus	4
Ralph Harrison	5	Gordon Myers	7
Frank L. Hayes	6	Terry Sanchez	6
Tim Howell	5	J. Michelle Swope	4
Susan Hunter	3	Chuck Tye	11

NW YOUTH CONSERVATION AND FLY FISHING ACADEMY

- by Mike Clancy

2018 is almost over, and we are now in the planning stage for 2019. We will be accepting new applications effective January 1, 2019 for another wonderful event for our girls and boys, 12 to 16 years old. What a great opportunity for these kids to learn about conservation and fly fishing. They will spend a week at Gwinwood Christian Community Center on Hicks Lake in Lacey, WA. June 23-29, 2019. They will enjoy clean, warm cabins with showers and comfortable bunks. All meals and fly fishing gear is provided.

Our goal is to open the door to the future in conservation and fly fishing, regardless of financial means, for any serious minded youth willing to do the work.

The applicant must write an essay, stating why "THEY" would like to attend The Academy and they will need a letter of recommendation from their school counselor, science teacher, minister or a responsible person. Applications may be submitted via email or U.S. Mail.

Questions may be directed to Mike Clancy @ mtclancy39@comcast.net, Jim Brosio @ brosioj@q.com or Tom VanGelder @ TVG@comcast.net. Applications are available on our website – www.nwycffa.com email address – nwycffa@comcast.net. And we are on Face Book.

We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can always build our youth for their future -FDR

Puget Sound Fly Fishers

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 fly fishing by social, educational and political means. 2. To encourage fly fishing 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 fly fishers, 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.

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 $45 per household per year plus a one time ($15 Initiation Fee) per member nametag.

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

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