

# Flies & Lies



*A view down the Coeur d'Alene River with a Loop Multi Reel and a hand-made St. Croix rod — built during last year's mid-winter NIFC rod building class — in the foreground.*

Photo by Mike Satren

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The holiday season has begun. I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and were able to share it with family and friends. As we move into December we can look forward to our Christmas dinner meeting which has, by far, the highest attendance of all of our meetings. This December the meeting will be held on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>. Wet Fly hour starts at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner will be a choice of prime rib or salmon. The price for this dinner is \$16. Please respond promptly to Laura's request for dinner reservations. If you wish to eat dinner you need to make a reservation. The Senior Center food service staff will not be ordering extra food to accommodate those who do not make a reservation with Laura. Additionally, the club will be charged for all dinners ordered. If you make a reservation and are unable to be there for dinner, you

will be expected to pay the dinner charge.

Following dinner we will present awards to recognize members whose contributions of time and talent have enhanced the club's activities and the fishing experience of fellow club members.

The December raffle is our biggest of the year. We will have numerous fishing and non fishing items. Many of the raffle items are donated by members. If you wish to donate an item or two, you still have time. Just email Skip Quade at [sjquade@televar.com](mailto:sjquade@televar.com) and let him know what you are donating so that he can do his signage and then bring the item(s) to the meeting.

The program for the meeting will be a slide show put together by Kent Setty. The slides will be of club activities, members fishing adventures and other interesting things. If you have photos to contribute, please get them to Kent ASAP. Kent can be reached at 765-5020 or [kentset@roadrunner.com](mailto:kentset@roadrunner.com).

## We are the NIFC

For over 25 years, the North Idaho Fly Casters Club has been dedicated to all facets of the sport of fly fishing.

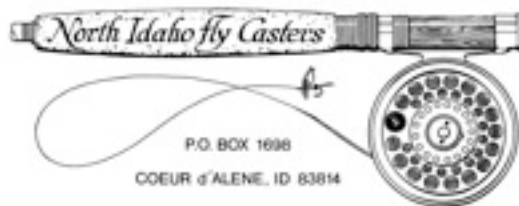
We provide a wide range of educational and conservation opportunities to the fly fishing enthusiast.

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We will do the fly raffle at the December meeting. Due to space limitations we will not have the Library at the December meeting.

Skip Wright



The North Idaho Fly Casting club has presented Fly Fishing 101 as a thorough beginning class for many years. NIFC members conduct the classes in their own areas of expertise and a greater circle stands ready to assist. Fly Fishing 101 dates will be Tuesdays at the Lake City Senior Center: March 16, 23, 30, April 6 and 13. Casting class will be May 22 and the river class will be June 19 as part of the club's Coeur d'Alene River fishout.

### **APPLICATION FOR FLY FISHING 101**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (MI)

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (Zip Code)

**TEL #:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code) (Telephone Number)

**E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. COMPLETE THE ABOVE FORM
2. INCLUDE A CHECK FOR \$125.00 MADE PAYABLE TO "NORTH IDAHO FLYCASTERS CLUB" (if you are already a dues paying member of NIFC, please make your check out for \$100.00)
3. MAIL COMPLETED FORM AND CHECK TO:  
NORTH IDAHO FLY CASTERS CLUB  
P.O. BOX 1698  
COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83816-1698



## CLUB NEWS

### THE NEXT CLUB PROGRAM

Members can make prime rib or wild salmon (\$16) dinner reservations for the December 17 meeting at the Lake City Senior Center, 1916 Lakewood Dr. (just above the light on Northwest Blvd. in Coeur d'Alene) by contacting Laura Bayless by Friday, December 11 at 667-4720 or [lbayless12@aol.com](mailto:lbayless12@aol.com).

Wet fly hour starts at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

### OUR LAST MEETING

Club member Don Childress presented the November program on peacock bass fly fishing in Brazil.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Welcome back to the 2009-2010 year of the Club!  
Dues can be paid at the December meeting or you can mail them to:  
North Idaho Fly Casters  
P.O. Box 1698  
Coeur d' Alene, ID 83816-1698  
There is no change in the dues structure.  
\$30 Family  
\$25 Single  
\$20 Senior Family (65+)  
\$15 Senior Single.

Newsletters will be distributed via email, but if you'd like to have a hard copy mailed to you, please include an additional \$10 for the Club year. If you've changed your email address, or any other information, please contact Laura Bayless.

## RAFFLE NEWS

Our November raffle was very successful thanks to Larry Krumpleman, Jim Rogers, and Paul Libengood, for their generous donations. With your help the Christmas raffle will be super. Please call me with Christmas donations to the raffle, so I can get all of the items logged in and organized.

We sold another 21 tickets for the Custom Hand-Crafted bamboo rod, built by Club member Don Green, for a total of 41 so far. Don has succeeded in creating a one man fund raiser.

Remember to donate to the December raffle and bring a pocket full of cash for raffle tickets and rod tickets. Everybody wins at the Christmas Meeting.

Skip Quade (208) 667-9243 Home,  
(208) 819-0310 Cell

## Calendar

### Dec 17

Club meeting/prime rib or salmon dinner.  
Program is Powerpoint recap of NIFC year by Kent Setty.  
Lake City Senior Center

### Dec 22

Club officers' meeting  
Sargent's Restaurant

### Jan 21

Club meeting/dinner  
Program is high- stick nymphing by Josh Seaton and G.L. Britton.  
Lake City Senior Center



Photo by Jim Rogers

*Terry Spindler on the Clearwater July 18.*



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES 11/22/09

The North Idaho Fly Casters Board meeting was called to order by President Skip Wright at 6:15 p.m.

Present: Skip Wright, Renee Blythe, Mike Steiner, Kent Setty, David Heberer, Gayle Wright, Bob Clark, Greg Blythe, Don Boehm, Jim Rogers, Skip Quade, Steve Hamman

**Old Business:**

- Discuss fishout results from the survey. Tabled to next meeting the decision about 2010 fishout dates and places.
- Librarian Steve Hamman has proposed that the club divest some videos, DVDs, and books, in the raffle or by silent auction in January with proceeds benefiting the library. Board approved.
- Tabled till next meeting, Kent's follow-up with Fish and Game on guides on the CDA River system.
- The Board completed their investigation from last month's letter.
- Fly Fishing 101 dates will be Tuesdays at the Senior Center: 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6 and 4/13. Casting class will be 5/22 and river class will be 6/19. Organization meeting will be in January.

- Rod building and net building class signups will be at the December meeting.

**New Business:**

- Christmas meeting will be Dec. 17 with raffle, auction, program. Skip needs items for the raffle.
- Gayle will research the IRS information and present her recommendation for hiring a CPA to help with filing the club's tax records for 2009.
- Skip Quade presented Ed Lider's draft proposal to Fish and Game and the Forest Service for establishing 12 boat put-in/take-out sites on the Coeur d'Alene River. Board will review and discuss at next meeting.
- Bob presented information on a Homeland Security proposal to pull out all deadwood in the CDA River system.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Renee Blythe, Secretary



Photos by Mike Satren

*NIFC librarian Steve Hamman, left, and NIFC member Robert Brady, right, enjoy picture-perfect days on Teepee Creek near the Magee Airstrip where Mike Satren's 1957 Cessna 182 patiently waits. The airstrip is at the end of a long drive up the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River or it's a short flight of about 20 minutes by air from the Coeur d'Alene Airport/Pappy Boyington Field.*

*Hamman enjoys a good hand-rolled cigar while Brady tries his hand-rolled fly rod built during last winter's rod building class under the tutelage of Doug Fagerness who has enabled many NIFC members over the years to build their own fly rods.*



## FOR THE GEAR BAG

With the holiday season approaching fast, here are some gift ideas for the angler on your list:

- **Annual State Park Passport** - The \$25 passport (sticker on your windshield) allows you to bring your vehicle into any of Idaho's state parks as many times as you wish during the calendar year without paying the daily parking fee. A passport for a second vehicle is just \$5. The sticker can be purchased at any Idaho State Park, or at the Regional Service Center on Kathleen Ave.
- **Interagency Annual Pass** - The \$80 pass admits pass holder(s) and any accompanying passengers in a private vehicle at all Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and US Fish & Wildlife Service sites charging entrance or standard amenity fees. The Interagency Senior Pass is available for \$10 for citizens of the United States who are 62 years of age or older. It is also honored at all Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation and US Fish & Wildlife Service sites with and offers a 50 percent discount on some expanded amenity fees. (Amenity fees are for campgrounds, highly developed boat launches and swimming areas, cabin or lookout rentals and services like hookups, dump stations, special tours, transportation systems and reservation services). The Pass can be purchased on the USFS website or at National Forest offices.
- **Join an organization – dues** - How about membership in an organization that promotes fishing and conservation such as our own North Idaho Fly Casters, the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF) or Trout Unlimited?
- **Books** - Check out Amazon.com or bookstores for the large variety of books on fly fishing, hiking, camping, history and exploring Idaho and the Northwest.
- **Magazines** - Subscriptions to fly fishing magazines and publications such as Northwest Fly Fishing, Fly Tyer or Field and Stream.
- **Equipment** - Check out local fly shops for gift ideas. Gift cards are handy. Gear bags, wader bags, wader mats, hats, outdoor clothing such as fleece and gore-tex, and sweaters made from the "new" fabrics make great gifts. There is a lot of new technology and features in fly boxes including rust proof materials, compartments, threaders and systems.
- **Guided Fishing Trips** - Contact a fly shop for a guided trip on rivers or streams in the Northwest.
- **Donations** - Give a donation in someone's name to any of the organizations that promote fish and wildlife conservation. There are many organizations including our own North Idaho Fly Casters who use donations to fund conservation projects. Other organizations include Orvis, Cabelas, Nature Conservancy, Idaho Fish and Game, Federation of Fly Fishers, to name a few. Check out the websites on-line for more information.

Renee Blythe



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## Club Officers

### President

Skip Wright (208) 660-0016

### Vice-President

Don Boehm (208) 704-2622

### Secretary

Renee Blythe (208)  
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### Treasurer

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773-5366

## Trustee

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David Heberer (208)  
625-0384

Jim Rogers (208) 665-9909

Greg Blythe (509) 979-2099

## Committees

### Membership

Laura Bayless (208)  
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### Conservation

Bob Clark (208) 667-6733

### Youth

Jim Rogers (208) 665-9909

## Library

Steve Hamman (208)  
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## Raffles

Skip Quade (208) 667-9243

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## Newsletter

Mike Satren (208) 818-1287

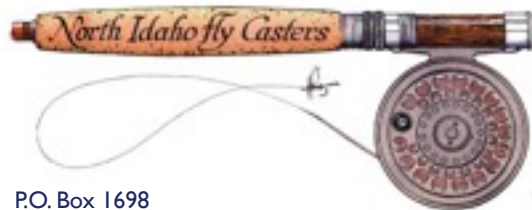
## Merchandise

Dick West (208) 772-0819

## Quartermaster

Kent Setty (208) 756-5020

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