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Casting for Recovery
By DAVE LONDEREE

On May 10th Peg Kingery and I attended a meeting of the 3C’s (Cancer & Community Charities) at the Elks Hall in Coeur d’Alene. We were asked there to discuss Casting For Recovery and what CFR has done for the people in Kootenai County. We explained to them that we are a Breast Cancer support group that provides a 2 ½ day retreat for 14 women that are at any stage of Breast Cancer. The retreat has been, for the past several years, at the N-Sid-Sen camp on Lake Coeur d’Alene at no cost for the participants and this will be our 14th year serving North Idaho and E. Washington.

Casting For Recovery is a nation-wide organization that has been serving breast cancer survivors for over 25 years. Over 10,000 women have benefited from the healing power of nature. Fly fishing has proven to help women regain strength in those muscle’s that were damaged during surgery.

My part of the talk was to tell them what I, along with NIFC, provide to CFR at the retreats. Such as the fly rods, fly tying vises and materials for tying flies and the “Guides” on Sunday morning.

The 3C’s group asked several questions to both Peg and I, and seemed to be very happy with our answers. The 3C’s group gave us a very nice donation of goods for our retreat and some cash that is greatly appreciated.

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS
NORTHWEST CLASSIC TACKLE

Bud Frasca has decided to close the doors at “Northwest Classic Tackle”. Bud is a long-time member of NIFC and has supported us very well over the years.

The shop will have a “close out” sale with 30% off everything in the store starting June 12th until everything is gone. The store will be open from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Here is your chance to stock up on all you need to outfit yourself. The store is located at 9751 Government Way in Hayden (just north of Hayden Avenue).

JUNE 2023

We are the NIFC
Since 1977, the North Idaho Fly Casters Club has been dedicated to all facets of the sport of fly fishing by providing a wide range of educational, social and conservation opportunities to the fly fishing enthusiast.

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President’s Message
By RICHARD BIRKETT

Last week we had our last meeting before summer, just in time for our annual elections. As you will read elsewhere in this newsletter, we have a new group of Officers for the upcoming year. In looking back at the past couple of years, we are fortunate to have people stepping up in support of NIFC and that’s a great thing! Thanks to all for being a participant, and to all our members who voted.

This month we are announcing the completion of our upgrades to our Facebook presence. In a separate article, I tried to outline what we did and how you can take advantage of the new Facebook Group for North Idaho Fly Casters. Please review this and let us know of any questions.

So, what are your plans this summer? Did you get your gear ready? Are you thinking about a long trip, or a few short ones? I plan on many short trips to our local waters, now that they are receding, and perhaps some other, longer trips if things go the way I hoped. But above all I plan on spending it with others.

Lucky for me the grandkids (both teenagers) are coming to visit for a month, so there will be times to spend fishing. He will continue to learn fly casting, and maybe some fly tying. She will get to pick up a fly rod for the first time. I bet she will do well, because she is a fishing Ninja – always the first to catch one, and often the one who catches the largest. I am looking forward to seeing how they will do. The best part is that both are eager and willing to learn more about fly fishing, which will make for a great experience.

I also have plans to spend time with some fishing buddies, picking up a few more along the way, as we make our weekly sojourns to the river. If Winter is the downtime, Spring is when I become electrified with all the preparation and talk about getting ready. I liken this time to a sprinter, in the blocks, waiting for the gun to start the race. We (fishing buddies and I) have been remembering what patterns worked (or didn’t) last year, while we restore our fly box inventory. We compare, recall, and share patterns. There are some new patterns that we want to try, as they piqued our interest. (Question: Does it occur to anyone else that we seem to get attracted to videos from a guy with an English accent to learn about flies to use in Northern Idaho? Asking for a friend.)

If I could recommend anything for the new fly fisher, it would be to become acquainted with the insects. We are blessed with some great fly shops locally, but often the conditions change on the river hourly. They cannot possibly predict what will happen every day, throughout the day, so it helps to have a basic understanding of bugs so we can recognize what is happening once we get out there. So, continue to go to the fly shop and talk with them about what has been happening, but also learn more about midges, mayflies, stoneflies, and caddis. These four main groups will get you most of the way there, and they will give you a much better chance of success.

As far as kids are concerned, there is nothing like the curiosity of a child who is interested in fishing. When our daughter was around 6, she watched us fish and became interested when she saw her mother get excited at catching trout. I could never get her into fly fishing, but she remains a fan of fishing.

The grandkids were an opportunity for me for a “do over”. I learned not to rush them, but rather lead them to the water and see what interests them. It’s still a work in progress, because they live far from us and do not get to go fishing when they are at home. But as you can tell we continue to fish when we are together.

Back in 2011, Tom Rosenbauer of Orvis published a podcast entitled “Ten Steps to Getting Kids and Teens into Fly Fishing” (12-29-2011). I will paraphrase his comments and recommendations here, and pass them along for those of you who are looking forward to spending this Summer with your kids, grandkids, or just helping the neighbors:

It is important to understand that not all kids take to fishing, so the worst thing is to force them into it. With that in mind, these steps will help encourage children:

- Get them into fishing first. Try worm fishing for panfish. Remember that kids love action.
- Gauge the length of the trip to their age. Attention spans matter!
- Get them into fly fishing by catching critters first and then show them a fly. Showing them how a fly imitates an insect, or a minnow makes that connection.
- Carefully pick the time and place for their first fly fishing experience when fishing is good. Target panfish first for a better chance at success.
- Go ahead of time and check it out. Like #4, the key here is to not bring them until you feel it will be a good experience for them.
- When moving up to trout, choose a recently stocked pond and use a nymph with a small indicator.
- When fishing a stream, look for riffled water and use a small streamer or wet fly. Swinging a fly gets the child used to following the fly with the tip

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Conservation Comments
By MATT ALBAUGH

Fishing and camping season is here! Recently, I had some opportunities to engage in some much-needed river therapy. I try to make it a priority to discover a new section of the river each time I’m out. Whatever is around the bend always seems more promising than the run I’m fishing. My most recent discovery led to a nice potential camping spot and to my surprise, not one makeshift fire ring or pile or signs of use. Either this spot has remained “undiscovered” or great etiquette is being practiced. Camping etiquette not only is esthetically pleasing, but it also helps protect rivers, fish habitat and your favorite campsites. Here are some things people can do to minimize their impact on our resources:

- Camp at least 25 feet from water
- Bring your own firewood or use a stove-fallen trees and driftwood provide fish habitat.
- Use established river access trails-save the trees and shrubs that protect the riverbank.
- Leave your campsite cleaner than you found it.
- Dispose of human waste properly (200 feet away from water, bury in eight-inch hole, pack out used toilet paper).

In addition to camping etiquette, use established roads, trails, and campsites; do not create new ones. User-created campsites can damage riparian areas. A healthy riparian area performs certain basic functions including healthy vegetation production, protecting streambanks from erosion, trapping sediments, improving water quality, recharging groundwater reserves, and regulating stream flow.

NIFC Election Results 2023
By RICHARD BIRKETT

Thank you for approving the new slate of officers at the May meeting. Congratulations to the following Officers for the upcoming 2023-2024 year:

- **President** Rich Birkett
- **Vice President** Tom McLaughlin
- **Secretary** Craig Baumann
- **Treasurer** Steve Sommer
- **Trustee at Large** Dave Gillmor
- **Trustees** Dave Londeree, Mark Vehr, Renee Blythe

**Note:** Mark and Renee continue their terms as past Presidents and current Trustees.

A hearty thanks to Dave Londeree and Mel Wimmer, who have moved on to other duties. Dave’s tenure as Vice President comes to an end, and he now becomes a new Trustee replacing Jack Hise. Mel steps out of the Trustee at Large position but retains website development responsibilities. Both gentlemen continue to support NIFC in their new roles!

Tom McLaughlin steps in as Vice President. You may recall Tom’s time as Conservation Director. Dave Gillmor was elected as Trustee at Large. Dave has always been there to support our club and is known to most of us as the raffle guy! He’s also actively involved with the Trout Unlimited Panhandle Chapter. Thank you for stepping up and accepting your new roles! We also would like to thank Wayne Huddlemeyer for his consideration for the Trustee at Large position. It is especially important to have folks offer their time and willingness to get involved, just like Wayne, Tom, and Dave. Thanks to all!
CLUB NEWS

THE NEXT CLUB PROGRAM

NIFC holds dinner meetings from September through May on the third Thursday of each month.

A list of “Fish Outs” for the summer can be found on page 12. Come and join us!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

2022-2023 club dues can be mailed to:

North Idaho Fly Casters
P.O. Box 1698
Coeur d’Alene, ID 83816-1698

Annual Membership Dues:
$30.00   Family/Single/Senior
$50.00   Corporate/Business

The membership year is September 2022 through August 2023.

NEW MEMBERS

None

MERCHANDISE

To order something with the NIFC Logo printed on it, call Patrick Smith at (480) 374-0218.

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FOR SALE

Orvis Clearwater waders, size Large, worn once, $200 OBO

Reddington Sonic Pro waders, size Medium King, New, never used $220 OBO

Lost weight, my loss your gain!

For more information, contact Joe Defort, 208-215-6686

Shorten your line, focus your casts, and slow things down.
Enjoy the magic of local fishing.”
— Fennel Hudson,
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### CALENDAR

#### June 2023
- **8th** — *Skills Event & Board Meeting*
  - Landing’s Park, Coeur d’Alene
- **14th** — *Flag Day*
- **18th** — *Father’s Day*
- **24th** — *FISHOUT!* Borley Camp, NF CDA River

#### July 2023
- **4th** — *Independence Day*
- **13th** — *NIFC Board Meeting*
- **15th** — *FISHOUT!* Hidden Creek, NF Clearwater

#### August 2023
- **10th** — *NIFC Board Meeting*
- **27th** — *FISHOUT!* Devil’s Elbow - NF CDA River
  - (Note: *Sunday Event* because we cannot check in until Saturday PM. Reservations have been made.)

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### YOUR Stories Wanted . . .

Sharing YOUR memories, photographs, stories or bits of ‘this and that’ would be a wonderful addition to our newsletter. It is wonderful to see what our friends are doing in this corner of our country or around the world!

Help us create a newsletter that is interesting and fun to read by submitting some of what has brought you joy over the years (or months if you are new to fly fishing)! If you would rather ‘tell’ your story rather than write it, we can set up a time to talk and I am willing to transcribe your story for you.

Sylvia.Beth.Bach@outlook.com
or call 208-771-9697

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*When nothing is going right, go fishing!*
Fly of the Month: Courtesy of Dave Londeree

**RENEGADE**

**HOOK:** Standard dry fly size 12-20  
**THREAD:** Black 6/0 or 8/0  
**TAG:** Gold or silver tinsel  
**BACK HACKLE:** Brown to fit hook size  
**BODY:** Peacock Hurl  
**FRONT HACKLE:** White to fit hook size

**Tying steps:**
1. Pinch the barb flat or use barbless hooks
2. Mount the hook in your vise.
3. Start your thread behind the hook eye and cover the hook shank to the hook bend.
4. Tie the tinsel to the hook shank. Wind the tinsel 1/3 way around the bend and back to the shank. Cut off the excess tinsel.
5. Prepare the brown hackle by pulling off a few barbs from the stem and tie it to the hook shank at the bend just in front of the tag. Tie it to the hook shank with a few turns of the thread. Wrap the hackle 3 or 4 turns and tie it off. Cut off the excess hackle.
6. Take a few pieces of the peacock hurl. (Size 12 hook use 3 or 4, size 20 only one) Tie the hurl by the tips. You can strengthen the hurl by wrapping it a few times with the tying thread. Wrap the hurl toward the hook eye leaving enough room behind the eye for the front hackle.
7. Prepare the white hackle same as the brown in step 5. Tie it to the hook shank by the stem and wrap 3 or 4 tight turns and tie it off. Remove the excess.
8. Form a small head behind the hook eye and whip finish. Add a drop of head cement being careful not to get any in the hook eye.

The Renegade is a great fly that represents a cluster of midges and is one of my most favorite flies for the Coeur d'Alene and St. Joe rivers. You can tie a small Red Hot spot in the middle of the peacock hurl to make it a “ROYAL RENEGADE”.

*If you think you can, or you think you can't, either one will come true.*  
*HENRY FORD*
NIFC Board Minutes – May 2023
Submitted by RICHARD BIRKETT, PRESIDENT

Date: May 11, 2023
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: Original Mongolian Grill, Coeur D'Alene

AGENDA
1. Call to Order
2. Social
   a. Fishout Schedule for 2023
      i. Borley (NF CDA) - June 24 (May be onsite June 22-25) - Mel
      ii. Hidden Creek - July 15 - Mark
      iii. Devil's Elbow - August 27 (Note: Sunday Event because we cannot check in until Saturday PM. Reservations have been made.) - Rich
      iv. September 16
         1. Confirmed Huckleberry is closed for construction.
         2. Thanks to Renee Blythe for offering the use of their property on the river.
            a. Will send out details as date approaches
   b. Speakers for Upcoming Meetings
      i. May - Mike Frost, Developed Recreation Manager, USFS St Maries Ranger District
3. Educational
   a. Skills Night June 8
      i. Confirmed: Landings Park in CDA
      ii. 5-7 PM
      iii. Prep work list
4. Conservation
   a. South Fork CDA WAG
      i. Date pending
   b. North Fork CDA WAG
      i. Date pending
   c. Priest River WAG
      i. Date pending
   d. Prichard River Access Site Rehab
      i. Pending hearing from USFS personnel
5. Other
   a. Finance
      i. Financials Approved
   b. Next Board Meeting at Skills Fest - June 8
   c. Board Elections coming up
      i. Will present slate to membership for vote at May meeting
   d. Facebook update
      i. Facebook Group has been established
      ii. Will finalize communication plan before sending to membership
   e. IDFG Commission Challenge Grant
      i. Application accepted by IDFG
      ii. $1,000
      iii. Should hear late June-early July
   f. Website development
      i. Mel to find Wix website training
   g. Project Healing Waters request for rod building tools
      i. Motion approved to allow access to club equipment for PHW use in 2023 subject to a sign in/out sheet to be used for any equipment taken home.
      ii. Note: Classes to be at VFW - CDA with club members in attendance. This motion addresses the chance that some work will be done away from VFW.
6. Adjourned
Two years ago, we began looking at North Idaho Fly Casters and our social media. Part of this was driven by some changes at the top, which showed we weren’t as aware of the needs of our web page as we should have been, and that we may not have been using our social media as well as other clubs. We have learned a lot and have worked to improve along the way. Some of these changes include updates to the web page and reenergizing the Facebook page.

What we found out next was that we were doing better than most clubs but could do more if we wanted to attract new members and do a better job of getting information out to existing members. So, we examined what other organizations were doing, and learned several things: First, we were trying to do too much with the website. Maintaining the website was manageable, until we wanted to post complete lists of items (like our library) that may require constant gardening to keep it updated. The cost of the website was minimal, but then again, we were not keeping it fully up to date. The costs to do more of what we had in mind would have been much higher. Second, our Facebook page had been in existence for several years but had very little posting activities. We just needed to become more active to get more out of it. Third, we hadn’t linked our Facebook page to Instagram. Most other fly fishing organizations, like FFI, do this regularly because it works. Fourth, our Board wanted to do more. We looked and tried the Fishing Buddies page on the website, with only a few folks participating. But the limitations of the timing of a website and, we think, the exposing of someone’s fishing dates or locations could have possibly caused some folks to hold off.

What we needed was a plan for public and private use. Since the fly fishing community uses websites, Facebook, and Instagram, we wanted to do the same, and still get our members the benefit of membership in a private space with minimal cost. The Board felt that we should enhance the website and Facebook page for the public side of our club and begin a Facebook Group for the members.

Now that we have explained the logic behind the announcement for our Facebook Group, here are some FAQs to further explain the "what’s and how’s":

**What is the difference between a Facebook Page and a Facebook Group?** The Page is public, and the Group is private. Our Group is controlled by Admins who grant access. When a person joins NIFC, they can find the Group on Facebook (see below), request to join, and the Admins will grant access. Anyone on Facebook can look at our Facebook page without having to request access.

**How do our members gain access to our new Facebook Group?** You will have to find the Group on Facebook (Access to the Group is not possible unless you are on Facebook. If you aren’t on Facebook, then we suggest you consider doing so), which can easily be done by:

1. Go to Search Facebook on your Facebook page.
2. Type "North Idaho Fly Casters" in the search box, then hit Enter. The next page will show several options. Select North Idaho Fly Casters which should be shown in the Groups box if you have “All” selected under Filters.
3. If you aren’t a member, then you would see "Join". Click Join and that will send a message to us, which we will approve.
4. Once you are in, you will see it under Groups on your Facebook page. Once it shows under your Groups, you will not have to go through the above steps again.

**Who is responsible for our social networking?** Mel Wimmer has been and will be working on the website to provide some updates. Pat Smith has already posted the library lists (one for DVD’s and another for books) to the Facebook Group. Pat and Rich Birkett are admins for the Facebook Group page. Rich and Dave Londeree are Admins for the Facebook Page.

**What is the difference between Facebook and Instagram?** Both are connected so our posts on our Facebook page are automatically shown on Instagram. Since our Group is private, that does not carry over to Instagram.

**Are there any other plans?** Only when it comes to letting people know. The website is for our basic club

See FACEBOOK page 9
information, used by anyone looking for the best place to go to learn about fly fishing in North Idaho. The website will remain mostly unchanged over time except for changes in meeting and event dates, our officer information, and perhaps a few other things. Our Facebook page provides activity information, like Fishouts, the Skills Fest, and meeting information. It also has a feed from other sources like our local fly shops, IDFG and others. And our Facebook Group is the only private place for our members to learn about the library, Fishing Buddies, and other items such as downloads for maps.

**Here is some other stuff:** By the way, we know that some folks do not have or want to use Facebook. For that group (hopefully it’s a small group), you can always contact any of us on the Board and we can get what you need.

Access to the Facebook Group is limited to those members in good standing (i.e., dues paid). You do not have to attend meetings, go to Fishouts, or sell chocolate bars to get access. It’s all part of being a club member!

Technology is being used more and more by those in the fly fishing community and we feel that this may help us keep in contact with those who live far away and/or do not come to our meetings. It is also important for us to increase membership and attract those who are interested in fly fishing. We believe that we have a sustainable cost effective way to increase our social outreach and improve member benefits. If you have any thoughts, suggestions, or questions, please feel free to reach out to Rich Birkett. Thank you for your support and patience with this project.

## Skills Fest 2023

It’s that time again to learn more about fly fishing before hitting the water this summer! Join us for a relaxed setting at Landings Park in Coeur d’Alene to learn more about fly fishing.

Bring your fly rod and learn how to improve casting with your gear. Not sure how to wade safely? We have safety instructions. Have problems with knots? We will show you the top three knots to make your day on the water less frustrating. Bring your questions and learn about all aspects of fly fishing. This is the event to make fly fishing more comfortable and fun for you and your family.

**Where:** Landings Park  
3849 West Long Meadow Dr  
Coeur d’Alene

**When:** June 8, 2023 5-7 PM

**What to Bring:** Your fly gear (rod, reel, boots, waders, etc.) to learn more about using it properly and safely. A chair. Your own food and drink (park rules: no alcohol). Don’t forget to bring a member of your family and/or a friend too!
YOUTH FLY TYING & FISHING
By DAVE LONDEREE

It’s been a very busy few weeks for “Youth Fly Tying” at the end of May. On the 24th and 25th we were with Lake City High School fishing at the Pond at Silverwood. The kids fished with the flies they tied a few weeks before. Thanks to Mr. Norton (the owner of Silverwood) for stocking the pond, there were plenty of catchable rainbow trout. For some reason there wasn’t a bus to haul the kids to the pond so they set up a car pool and transported all the class safely for a fun day of fly fishing. A total of 26 fish were caught on the 24th and 14 on the 25th. Most were caught on a Wooly Worm and a few on a Zebra Midge.

Thanks go the Chuck Leis, Terry Wallgren, Pat Smith, Dave Gillmor, Howard Fennimore, Mel Wimmer, Matt Albaugh, Joe Defort Kelly Michelson, Wayne Hudlemeyer, Roger Grigg, Barbara Hallett, Leroy Pickrel and Mike Owen for helping with this class.

May 31st brought us the Timberlake High School in Spirit Lake, Idaho. We had 26 students and a very short first period. All the kids managed to get their Wooly Worms and Zebra Midge tied thanks to the help of Chuck Leis, Bob Holman, Wayne Huddlemeyer, Dave Gillmor, Kelly Michelson, Howard Fennimore, Pat Smith and Tom McLaughlin. Thursday June 1st again first period was spent Casting on the football field. Most of the kids did great. June 2nd we were again at the Silverwood Pond where 21 trout were brought to the net. All safely released.

It was a great spring this year and we look forward to doing it again in the fall. Thanks again to all that helped this year and especially to Mr. Gary Norton.
of the rod, as well as some casting practice. Avoid dry flies at this point because that involves more complicated casting mechanics that could frustrate the young fly fisher.

- Bank fishing is better than boat fishing at this point. It’s easier to cast from stationary ground and gives them more room to move around.
- Do not try to go a full day. If that hatch goes on for hours, it doesn’t mean that the kids will be interested as much or as long as you might be. Keep this to 1-2 hours, or when their interest seems to wane. Tom reemphasizes this point as it is so important.
- Bring snacks and drinks because you are going to need them!

As kids become teenagers, they seem to enjoy the complexities of fly fishing more. Orvis did some studies and learned that teens often want to learn more. Tom recommends showing them knots and introducing them to fly tying. Our own experience at NIFC has shown that teens are, for the most part, appreciative of knowing about fly tying and casting.

Tom recommends that other ways could help in expanding their knowledge by folding fly fishing into a hiking or horseback trip. There are also many fly fishing videos on Vimeo and YouTube. With some parental oversight, you can locate some videos on youth fly fishing, fly fishing and fly tying, and even some of the trailers for fly fishing films may be of interest to our teenagers.

I became interested in fly fishing way before the Internet. All it took was seeing someone do it, and having parents let me do it. After that, I couldn’t get enough. I try to “let” the grandkids find their way too and look forward to the many times we have left to fly fish and learn together.

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*Suggestions from our readers*

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https://nwoutfitters.com/river-reports
https://flyshop.north40.com/coeur-d-alene-fishing-reports
https://www.silverbowflyshop.com/fishingreports/

**River Flows:**

USGS North Fork @ Prichard
https://waterdata.usgs.gov/id/nwis/uv?site_no=12411000

NOAA North Fork @ Enaville
https://waterdata.usgs.gov/id/nwis/uv?site_no=12413000

**Information (Regs/Maps):**

IDFG North Fork CDA
https://idfg.idaho.gov/ifwis/fishingplanner/water/1162568475573

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**Associations:**

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Fly Fishers International
https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/
Thank you, Mike Frost and Chris Robinson
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The May 18, 2023 meeting was the last face to face meeting for this season. The speakers were Mike Frost of the St. Joe National Forest and Chris Robinson from the CDA National Forest. Mike told us some of the history and what his job entailed. He is quite a busy guy. He runs a string of horses and mules for use in the back country, has to supervise the employees and volunteers to maintain the trails, roads and campgrounds in the St. Joe National Forest.

Next came Chris Robinson. Chris is in charge of the Coeur d’Alene National Forest and works out of the CDA office. Chris has many of the same duties as Mike, and I’m sure stays busy especially during the summer and fire season.

They both mentioned that they are always looking for volunteers and camp hosts, so give them a call if you are interested.

NIFC 2023 FISHOUTS . . .

♦ Borley Camp (NF CDA) - June 24 (May be onsite June 22-25)
  Mel, Streamkeeper (612) 816-1379

♦ Hidden Creek - July 15
  Mark, Streamkeeper (208) 449-8808

♦ Devil's Elbow - August 27 (Note: Sunday Event because we cannot check in until Saturday PM. Reservations have been made.)
  Rich, Streamkeeper (208) 660-1975

♦ September 16 - Thanks to Renee & Greg Blythe for offering the use of their property on the river. We will send out details as date approaches

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing CDA

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This program is for disabled Veterans. If you are interested in participating or volunteering, please contact Brian Saks (208) 561-1375 or brian.saks@projecthealingwaters.org

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June 30

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