



4th Corner Fly Fishers

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well it's just about time for the fun to begin. The anticipation of getting back to some of our favorite waters will soon be assuaged. Silver Lake and the other lowland lakes will open in a couple of weeks, and the beaches are starting to show some action. Soon the rivers will be open as well. In all these activities please make sure that concern for safety is included in the mix. Make sure you have and wear your pfd's. Remember your wading staff and any other gear that will keep you out of trouble. We want you all there at the end of the year.

When you view all of the events, classes, meetings, or other items available through our club, consider that they are the fruits of someone's labor. Take the time to say thanks, they are giving their time to make our club better.

I would like to extend a very big Thank You to Bill Hall. After he decided it was time to call an end to his fly tying career, he sold his entire tying kit to the club raffle and donated the proceeds to the education committee! So this Christmas when you go to pick up the extra items available in that raffle think of Bill. Until then buy him a glass of wine and pass him a few bugs. Thanks Bill!!!

Have a great year.

Frank Koterba

President, 4th Corner Fly Fishers

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4CFF President



Treasurer's Report

At the end of March 2016 the club has total of 71 paid memberships and 8 lifetime members. \$3,360 was collected for single memberships and \$1,076 was collected for family memberships for a total of \$4,440.

Quarterly expenses included the following:

- Conservation \$4,370
- Monthly Meetings \$1,076
- Outings \$292
- General Overhead \$476
- Library \$55

Bank account balances as of March 31, 2016 were \$5,071 (Club Checking), \$13,886 (Club Savings) and \$12,783 (Conservation Savings).

Bill Faulkner, FCFF Treasurer



Internal Education Report

The Spey casting with a single handed rod class was conducted at Nugent's Corner in March. Seven of us spent several hours with Molly Semenik and Wayne McLemore going over the theory and practice of switch and spey casting with a single hand rod. We covered the elements of the cast and then went on to the casts themselves. (Roll, switch, single spey double spey, snap C or T and touched on the snake roll.) Adding this capability to our repertoire will take plenty of practice but it will give us other options are backed up against it with your standard rod. It is a class that we will be repeating so look for it in the future.





And speaking of the future, we have the following:

July 9th, "the Casting Games; "this is a new event e that is in the style of a links tournament on Dan Coombs property. The course will be a number of casting holes set up to test your casting skill set. We will be announcing the details as they are available.

And we are down to the last currently scheduled fly tying session. Use the link below to sign up or you can also get it in the club calendar.

April 16th 1:00pm ([Tying at Leighton's Eventbrite Link](#))

Thank you to all who have attended and hosted the sessions so far.

Frank Koterba



Monthly Meeting

This month's general meeting of the 4th Corner Fly Fishers will be held at the Bellingham Golf and Country Club on Thursday, April 28, 2016. The Wet Fly will begin at 6pm with dinner at 6:45. The program will begin at 7:30 and will be followed by the general membership meeting.

Our speaker this month is Jon Covich who is coming to share his experiences fly fishing in Cuba. Jon first traveled to Cuba in the 1990's to fish the newly opened Jardines de la Reina. Since then, he has fished every important fishing region around Cuba, and has documented them with photographs. "I absolutely love the fishing in Cuba, and can't really think of another place in the world I have been that rivals it. Furthermore, I am fascinated by Cuban life, Cuban culture, and the time warp that exists on this island. On every fishing trip I try to build in several extra days in order to see places most tourists don't, and to get a better sense of how Cubans live." Jon's Cuba presentation touches on all of this.from the legalities of travel to Cuba for Americans, to descriptions of each of the fishing areas and what makes them unique, to the realities of life in Cuba. Jon has spent the last 25 years immersed in the fly fishing industry and has been one the Pacific Northwest's tackle reps for the past 20 years. He currently represents Outcast, Fishpond, Spirit River, Buff and Galvan Reels. In addition to his business as a tackle rep, Jon has traveled to many of the world's best fly fishing destinations, as both an angler and a professional photographer. Jon is an expert on fishing and travel to Cuba, and works with Fly Water Travel as one of their travel consultants. He also is the national fly shop liason for Fly Water. Photos of his adventures have appeared in Outside Magazine, Grey's Sporting Journal, Fly Fisherman, Fly Rod & Reel, and Catch Magazine. Jon lives in Seattle Washington with his wife and two sons.

Please RSVP for the meeting by Wednesday, April 27 at 8am by visiting <http://4cff.eventbrite.com>, by email at msr@deepsnow.com, or by phone at 360-319-1350. Be sure to indicate if you'll be having dinner or just attending the meeting, and remember that a dinner reservation made is a binding commitment to pay. Also, a reminder that getting your RSVP in on time helps us provide an accurate count for the kitchen and we very much appreciate your help in placing your reservations in a timely fashion.

Tight lines,
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Matt Roelofs
4CFF Internal VP / Program Chair



Communications Report

The web site is stable and performing well. You may have noticed that it is now heavily populated with all sorts of events: Outings, Meetings, Internal Education, External Education and Conservation. If you are looking for something to do, or just want to see what other club members are up to, just visit the web at 4thcornerfly.com

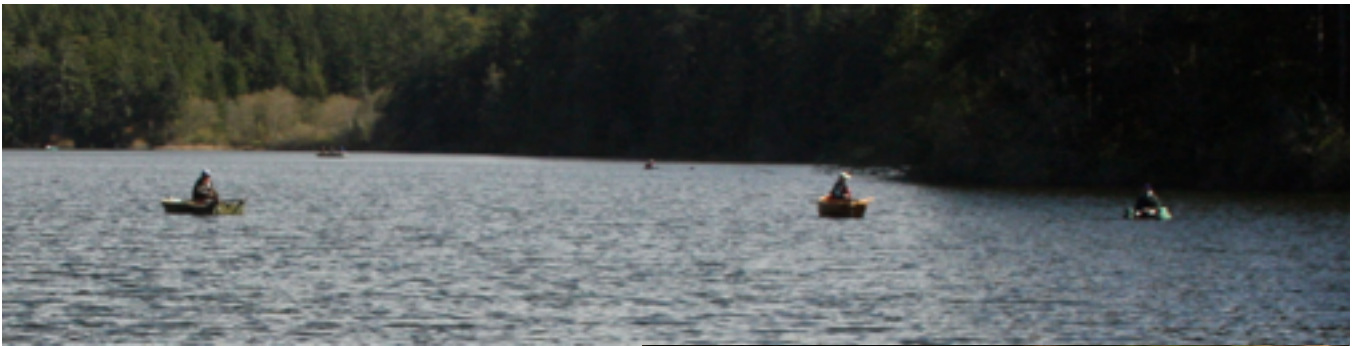
Having trouble logging in to the members only section? No problem. Just get in touch with me at pterzian@pacbell.net and I will reset your password and walk you through the process if you need assistance.

Phil Terzian

Outings Report



A rollicking fun time was had by over 20 members and guests at the first outing of the season: Pass Lake. By all reports the fishing was not easy, as usual, but those who persisted brought in a fish or two. And the chili was sublime. Mike Reed won the fly box, another masterpiece by Ed Ruckey....thanks again Ed.



Our opening day outing at Silver Lake is coming up on April 23. Be sure not to miss this opportunity to enjoy a cup of coffee and a delicious breakfast offered up by chef Koterba, not to mention stimulating conversation with your fellow members, perspective members and guests. And then go catch some fish. It should be another great outing. Hope to see everyone there. \$5 charge. Please sign up [following this link](#).



Just a reminder, the Outings Committee is eager to put together a collection of photos after each outing, to share with those who attended and those who could not. Please send your best images after each event to Tom Langley. Thanks.

Phil Terzian
Outings Chairman



Conservation Report

Hi Members,

It's Saturday afternoon and I am glad to report that we (6 members and 2 prospectives) finished our Spring work this morning at 10 Mile Creek site. Trails were cleaned up, fallen trees cut up and removed, young trees mulched for the summer weather and all extra equipment removed from the site. We plan to turn this site back over to the school come Fall and spend more time on our newly acquired conservation projects. Thanks to Don Anderson, Dave Johnson, Steve Hiller, John Leighton, Klaus Lohse, Bill Rogers and Lyle Skaar. I'm sure they will get an extra share of good fishing karma as we go into the fishing season. Don't forget that we need a bit of help next Thursday at our Squalicum Lake cleanup project. You can find details for it and other project dates on our website. Please make an effort to attend and help at at least one of the upcoming conservation projects... we can use the extra help. See you at Silver Lake, Dan



Dan, Bob, Terry, Don and Mike

Dan Coombs
 Conservation Chairman
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Squalicum Lake Creel Census

Notes: Total number of cards returned= 192. About double last years

Total fish killed and kept = 13. About the same percentage as 2014

Best flies: Leeches, different colored wooley buggers, prince nymphs, caddis dries were used a lot. There was success, esp. in May, using adult damsel patterns.

May seemed to be the hot month for triploids

- Terry

2015 Squilicum Lake Creel Census

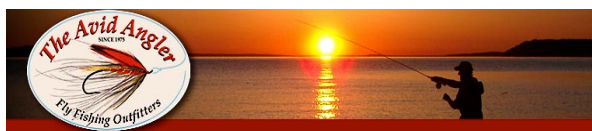
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Jan.	8	9	3	0.3	1	1	1		
Feb.	10	22	65	3	18	36	7	1	3
Mar.	30	62	68	1.1	36	22	10		
April	54	87	73	0.8	27	41	5		
May	75	151	164	1.1	77	38	49		
June	27	52	45	0.9	27	15	2	1	
July	7	5	1	0.2				1	
Aug.	8	11	1	0.1		1			
Sept.	22	46	95	2.1	23	65	5	3	
Oct.	19	50	68	1.4	13	46	9		
Nov.	9	18	16	0.9	13		3		
Dec.	10	14	17	1.2	14		3		

A Few Of Our Club Supporters



<http://www.theconfluenceflyshop.com>





4CFF CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Conservation Projects

Conservation is the cornerstone of our club. Projects are continually being added to our calendar. The only thing that is needed is the willingness to give something back to the resource will all love. Call Dan Coombs at (360) 398-1637 and sign up to be put on the list of volunteers.

Fly Tying Sessions

Fly tying sessions are constantly being held. Whether you're an expert or just beginning, please join us. Check our website <http://www.4thcornerfly.com> for dates, times, and locations. R.S.V.P.'s are required.

Education Classes

We need Volunteers to help teach fly tying and fly casting at various places throughout the year. Even if you have tied for a little while, your presence is needed. Please contact Klaus Lohse (671-8453) if you wish to participate.

OUTINGS

Our club has a constant list of fantastic outings every month. We also have smaller outings for those who can only make it on the weekends. For a list of outings, their dates, and locations, please check out our website <http://www.4thcornerfly.com>.

Phil Terzian is our present Outings Chairman and can be reached at (408) 410-0969.

If you are new to fly fishing, our club has fly rods, reels, and fly tying equipment available for use. Also, if you attend ANY outings, it's wise to bring your own lawn chair. (it's better than a rock or a tailgate.)

For more information, please contact the hosts.

Monthly Meeting

Apr 28,
2016

BELLINGHAM
COUNTRY CLUB
3729 Meridian St
Bellingham, WA 98225
(360) 733-3450

RSVP to Matt for reservations:
<http://4cff.eventbrite.com>
msr@deepsnow.com
360-319-1350

Don't forget to
bring a fly for the
FLY PLATE!

Next Board Meeting

May 3, 2016

Trinity Lutheran Church
119 Texas Street
Bellingham, WA
6:00 P.M.

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Raffle Chairmen: Nathan Weston

Directors: Sid Strong, Paula Faulkner, Mike Riber, Nathan Weston and Angus MacArthur

Volunteers are ALWAYS needed in our club. Conservation projects, educational classes, and all chairman positions are always open for new and old members.

It is the responsibility of ALL members for ALL of the outings to obey ALL local, state, and national regulations.

We represent an outstanding conservation and fishing club. Let's set a great example to ALL.

*All entomology sketches are drawn by Jack Salstrom, Member of the FCFE.
All Fly illustrations are drawn by Ed Ruckey taken from, "Diary of Northwest Trout Flies" by local author and FCFE Member Dan Homel.*



4th CORNER FLY FISHERS



Aims and Purposes

The Members of the Fourth Corner Fly Fishers (located in Bellingham, WA) are united by our enjoyment of the sport of fly fishing and by our desire to preserve and enhance fishing opportunities for all. To these ends, we will strive to promote conservation of angling brotherhood and to broaden the understanding of fellow anglers.

The purposes for which the Club was formed are:

- To operate a social club for the pleasure, association and recreation of its members engaged in fly fishing activities.
- To work to protect wild fish and the habitat which sustains them.
- To work for the betterment and preservation of angling waters and surrounding land.
- To improve the "State of the Art" of flying fishing and to keep members informed of developments of interest.
- To develop and carry out programs of education designed to encourage individuals of all ages to become fly fishers and to promote ethical use of the resource.



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