

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE  
*SOUTH EAST IDAHO FLY FISHERS*  
SEPTEMBER 2009

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*NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT*

BY DARRELL BROWN, PRESIDENT

Greetings Fellow SEIFF Members,

I hope you had a great and safe fishing summer. I know this fishing season was great for me because I started out spring fishing on Chesterfield in a float tube even before the ice was off the reservoirs. But summer is drawing to a close and if you are like me, time just seems to “fly by” these days! Before long the Eastern Idaho State Fair will be here and gone and this reminds me we are moving into the fall season.

As in the past, I want to express my sincere thanks and appreciations to the SEIFF board and our club members. Since I last visited with you this past spring, club members were actively involved with the 2009 Fly Fishing and Tying Expo at Idaho Falls in April. Our volunteer support provided assistance with many of the youth activities such as fly tying and fly casting. Our club was well represented with the master fly tying demonstrations. Our presence was also there when it came time to tear down the entire operation in preparation for the evening banquet. In my estimation, this was one of the best years yet in terms of the money raised by the Expo. When it came time for the hosted appreciation dinner to recognize the volunteers, we had so many Pocatello club members we organized our own table and had a great evening of socializing together. The Cutthroat club of Idaho Falls once again showed their appreciation of our continued support with a donation check to our club in the amount of \$1,000.

Later in the spring Dan Murbarger and Bud Smalley made timely contacts to the Bannock County Weed Control Office and our club once again took on the task of Woad Weed pulling in the corridor behind the Great Western Malting Company. It was a typical rainy day but the conditions were excellent for pulling weeds. Bud and I combed the area and by the end of the morning Bud declared it as being “Woad Free”. This is a fairly large area of ground including parts of the mountain slopes west of the Portneuf River. This Woad Weed extrication is a club fund raiser and it brought another \$1,000 into the Club’s coffer. Thanks to Bud and Dan for taking the lead on this project.

In May our club took on the task of making more progress on the Portneuf River above Lava Hot Springs. This is a cooperative effort between our club and the Idaho Fish and Game. A major milestone was reached as we closed off Mr. Holbrook’s stretch of the Portneuf River from livestock by completing cross buck and pole fence on both sides of the river. On our last work day in May, we finished the west side of the river down to another section of fence. What this means in terms of protecting the river is that for the first time in probably decades the river is protected from cattle tram-

pling the banks and getting into the river for a 3/4 mile stretch. Reaching this goal typifies the tremendous dedicated effort by both Fish and Game and SEIFF. We could not have done it without each other's cooperation and we could not have done it without Trout Unlimited's generous Embrace A Stream grant of \$10,000.

We have also had a busy summer getting organized for this fall. We have new SEIFF decals, patches, hat design and colors and a club brochure. With the opportunity to have club meetings at Roger's store, Portneuf River Outfitters, the club has purchased new folding chairs and a sound projector. Investing in items like the projector and chairs for club meetings at Roger's store will pay for themselves against the cost of reserving a room and visual equipment when meetings are held at ISU.

## ***BOARD MEETING MINUTES***

*BY DAVE JOHNSON, SECRETARY*

Darrell Brown, Clyde Lowther, Tom Banyas, Dave Whitworth, Roger Thompson, Dan Murbarger, Bud Smalley, & Dave Johnson in attendance at Board Meeting held September 17, 2009.

### Finances

\$307.00 in checking                      \$17,233.62 in savings

### Chapter Efficiency Report

Darrell passed around our club's efficiency report showing the time members have spent supporting club activities as volunteers.

Bud will put together a report for Trout Unlimited showing how we have spent the Embrace-A-Stream grant funding.

### Club Fund Raisers

We received \$1000.00 for Woad Weed Pulling

We received a check for \$1000.00 for our support for the Idaho Falls Fly Expo.

### Programs

Tom reported that we have Scott Sanchez for our October 8<sup>th</sup> meeting which will be held at the Pond Student Union Building at ISU.

Tom also reported that Craig Matthews is still planning on doing a presentation for our April meeting.

### Newsletter

The deadline for contributions for the October newsletter is Monday, September 21.

### What's New with SEIFF

Darrell showed us patches with the SEIFF Club logo on them. We will be selling them throughout the year at club functions. We also have decals with the club logo. 20 folding chairs have been purchased for club use. Darrell purchased a projector for the club so we don't have to rent one for club meetings or other club functions. We have on order redesigned hats with the club logo. Darrell also developed a brochure about the club for handing out at various club functions. We also have a new larger banner with the club logo on it that will have a permanent home in Portneuf River Outfitters where many of the future club meetings will be held.

### Volunteer Activities

Darrell and Dan did a fly casting clinic at the Bannock County Fair in Pocatello this summer in conjunction with Fish & Game. Darrell also worked the Fish & Game exhibit at the Blackfoot State Fair and passed out the new club brochures.

### Fence Building

We need to build new fence from where we left off this spring on down to the Fish and Game property at Upper Mike's place on the side away from the highway. There are several watering access spots that need to be installed along the new sections of fencing. Work days are planned for October 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and possibly November 7<sup>th</sup>.

## ***MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS***

Your membership can be renewed at Portneuf River Outfitters, Ace Hardware (talk to John Taylor), or at any club meeting. Annual memberships cost \$10.

## ***TAYLOR'S HOT SPOT - ONEIDA NARROWS***

*by John Taylor*

Lower flows make this section of the Bear River a good destination. The river doesn't fluctuate near as much. Approximately 6 miles of public access provides plenty of fishing. BWO's, Caddis, hoppers on top, as well as bead heads, pheasant tails, and small streamers can work.

Rainbows, browns, whitefish and a few cutts or smallmouths are possible.

Good luck and good fishing!

## *Kick Off Program - Scott Sanchez*

*by Tom Banyas*

Well. It is getting to be that time of year again. Cool temperatures and hungry fish. Life is GOOD!!!!

But.... don't forget about the South East Idaho Fly Fishers first meeting of the year. Yep, that's right Thursday, October 8, 2009 will kick off the club's 2009-2010 season of programs, conservation practices, and in general, a continuation of all the good stuff we have been accomplishing in years past.

Speaking of the October 8<sup>th</sup> program—we have an outstanding one for you. Mr. Scott Sanchez is back by popular demand. I can't believe that it has been four years since he last presented a program for us.

Scott has been well published in a variety of fishing/outdoor magazines as well as writing books on the subject of his special brand of fly tying.

Scott is literally on the cutting edge of innovative and unique fly tying . He ties flies to be used (successfully) by and for the fisherman. The only time he ties presentation type flies is when he is presenting them to the fish. His approach is extremely unique and very practical. "Scott is responsible for many of the innovative trends in fly tying today", so says Craig Matthews. Mike Lawson says "Scott Sanchez is one of American fly tyings brightest stars-the only thing he lacks is a big ego".

Come early (6:30PM) on Thursday October 8 to the Pond Student Union building, third floor, Selway Room and watch Scott tie some of his great innovative patterns. Then, stay for the meeting at 7:00PM, as Scott will present a wide and varied program on fly tying and fishing many of the areas of the Western U.S. and locally, as well. (Scott hails from Jackson Wyoming, were he is employed at the Jack Dennis Fly Shop)

We hope to see you at our first meeting of the year---Thursday October 8, 6:30PM in the Selway room on the third floor of the Pond Student Union Building .

Best Fishes always, and

Sincerely,

Tom Banyas, Programs Guy for the South East Idaho Fly Fishers.

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Please find listed below the date, location and presenter (if already scheduled) for all of the South East Idaho Fly Fishers meetings for 2009-2010

Thursday, October 8, 2009 - 7:00 PM at Selway Room, Pond Student Union Bldg, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor ISU Program by Scott Sanchez

Thursday, November 12, 2009 - 7:00 PM at North/Middle Fork Room, Pond Student Union Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, ISU, Program TBA

Thursday, December 10, 2009 - 7:00PM at Portneuf River Outfitters, 257 North Main, Old Town Open Tying –all are welcome to participate.

Thursday January 14 , 2010, 7:00 PM at Portneuf River Outfitters, 257 North Main, Old Town Program TBA

Thursday February 11, 2010, 7:00 PM at Portneuf River Outfitters , 257 North Main, Old Town Program TBA

Thursday March 11, 2010, 7:00 PM at Portneuf River Outfitters, 257 North Main, Old Town The State of the Water and Fishes for the up coming fishing season, with Idaho Fish & Game Biologist Dave Teuscher

Thursday April 8, 2010, 7:00 PM at Salmon River Suite, Pond Student Union Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> floor ISU. Program by Craig Matthews, from Blue Ribbon Fly Shop in West Yellowstone, Montana. This is a “MUST SEE” program.

This will be our last meeting of the season.

### ***NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS***

All submissions and suggestions are welcome. However, we do reserve the right not to use them! E-mailing your suggestions and submissions is the easiest for us to prepare for the newsletter. Please send to: <[R83245@basicisp.net](mailto:R83245@basicisp.net)>. Written submissions or suggestions can be dropped off at Portneuf River Outfitters or to any of the club officers.

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