

The Cutthroat Chronicles

Official Newsletter of the Snake River Cutthroats

1st Quarter, 2024

A Message from the President

President's Message, First Quarter, 2024

Welcome to Spring! Well, almost. Idaho has done a very good job reminding us were we actually live after a very mild February.

The big news for this newsletter is the Eastern Idaho Fly Tying/Flyfishing Expo that is coming up on March 22nd and 23rd at the Mountain America Center. This is our chapter's big fundraising event and I hope to see you all there. More details can be found in this newsletter or on our website; Snakerivercutthroats.org. The Expo is really a phenomenal opportunity to see some amazing tyers as well as check out a lot of new gear from most of the big vendors. Entry is free to the public, and given below are events (fly tying demos, commercial booths, destination programs) that are included as such. There are also some amazing programs you can sign up for from casting clinics to our amazing Women's Program. **Openings exist in all our fly tying workshops, so consider enrolling in one. See their contents on www.srcexpo.com**

As we roll into summer, I want to let everyone know that the Trout Unlimited Western Regional meeting will be held here in Idaho Falls May 17-19. This will be a great opportunity to learn much about what TU does and to get more involved. Please visit TU.org for more information on the regional meeting.

We are working hard to get our summer outings posted up on our website. Many may have place-holder dates as with being so far out we need to be a bit fluid with the timing. Watch the website if you are interested in any of the outings for the dates as they get more firm.

Lastly, I want to thank the Expo committee and those that have volunteered their time and efforts to make our Expo as fantastic as it is. Without your help and dedication, we would not be able to pull off such an event. The countless hours and efforts are greatly appreciated.

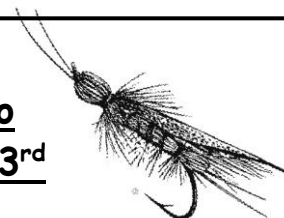
Tight lines,

Dan



UPCOMING EVENT

East Idaho Fly Tying & Fly Fishing Expo
Friday, March 22nd & Saturday, March 23rd
Mountain America Events Center



EIFTE Destination Programs

The Schedule for These Free Admission Programs is Announced on the EIFTE website, www.srcexpo.com

**The Dog Days of Summer on CJ Strike Reservoir
Tim Parrish**

**The Art of Fishing With a Tenkara Rod
Luong Tam**

**Beginning Entomology
Jay Buchner**

**Fly Fishing for Northern Pike
Buck Goodrich**

**Fly Fishing Idaho Stillwaters
Darren Huntsman**

**Fly Fishing Southwest Montana
Satoshi Yamamoto**

**Fishing in the American Falls Area
Dave Raisch**

**Fishing the South Fork of the Snake River
Elden Berrett**

Information for Attending the 2023 EIFTE at the Events Center

Use the main entrance of the Mountain America Events Center to access the 2024. Eastern Idaho Fly Tying and Fly Fishing Expo.

Admission is free for the public. Daytime events, including the fly tying demos, fly casting demos, merchandise tables, raffles, and commercial vendor booths are sited on the Hero Arena floor.

The Center asks that visitors not bring food inside, but use in-house concession stands to purchase items for meals, beverages, and snacks.

The Expo opens to the public at 10:00 AM on Friday, March 22nd and at 8:30 AM on Saturday, March 23rd.

Electronic Newsletters Available

For those still receiving hard copies of the newsletter via standard mail, but would prefer to receive it via email, please send your email address to Carol Staples, our membership chair, at carolastaples@gmail.com

Fewer mailings mean more dollars for conservation projects! The fish will appreciate your cost-saving efforts.



Hero Arena Commercial Vendors

2	Fly Fish Food JImmy's	
3	Cognito Brands	1 Arena
4	Phillips Land & Design	1 Arena
5	Jims Fly company	2 Arena
7	HM Outdoors LLC	3 Arena
10	World Cast Anglers	1 Arena
11	Springhill sales	1 Arena
12	Doublehaul Outdoor	1 Arena
13	Red Shed Fly Shop	1 Arena
14	Moonlit Fly Fishing	2 Arena
16	Snake River Net Co.	1 Arena
17	STLWTR Fishing Co.	1 Arena
18	Snake River Fly	1 Arena
19	Maxxon Outfitters	1 Arena
20	Trout Hunter	2 Arena
22	Far bank	2 Arena
24	Salmon River Fly Box	1 Arena
25	Three Rivers Ranch	2 Arena
27	ClackaCraft Drift Boats	3 Arena
30	Scadden Paddlesports	2 Arena
32	Headwater sales	1 Arena
33	Raging Rivers Sales	1 Arena
34	Drift Lodge & Fly Shop	1 Arena
35	Hyde Drift Boats	2 Arena
37	Hammett Valley Fishing	1 Arena
38	LetMRun Boats	2 Arena
40	Cutthroat Fly Shop	2 Arena
42	Cabela's	1 Arena
43	Hawgfish	1 Arena
44	Tenkara Tanuki	1 Arena
45	Picabo Angler	1 Arena

Concourse Non-Profit Vendors

1	Idaho 2 fly/ Steve Drabek	1 NP Concourse
2	Henry's Fork Foundation/ Kamberlee Allison	1 NP Concourse
3	Project Healing Waters	1 NP Concourse
5	Mayfly project	1 NP Concourse
6	Casting for Recover	1 NP Concourse
7	Idaho Master Naturalists	1 NP Concourse



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2024 EIFTE Fly Tying Demo Roster.
Go to the srcexpo.com web site to see when these tiers are scheduled in the demos.

Dave Allison	Logan Cutts	Don Heyden	Al Ritt
Austin Andrews	Fisher Cutts	Charlie Hune	Al Rico
Sully Andrus	Benson Cutts	Bob Jacklin	Dave Raisch
			Indee
Chris Ashby	Michelle Edwards	Gary Jones	Rasmussen
Wes Ashcraft	Rick Ellis	Fisher Jones	Max Rasmussen
James Banas	Jeff Dean	Nick Jones	Layne Read
Justin Barnard	Tom Doxey	Stefanie Jones	Les Reitz
Gary Barnes	Mike Evans	A. J. Jorgensen	Sumi Sakamaki
Grant Bench	Steven Fernandez	Randy Randolph	Scott Sanchez
Elden Berrett	Randy Flynn	Tim King	John Schultz
Keegan Berrett	Max Fransen	Doug Kinney	Jon Scola
	Cheyenne		
Mady Berrett	Garnick	George Klomp	Charlie Skewes
Patrick			
Berrigan	Will Godfrey	Dave Kruss	Snake River Fly
Robert Betts	Michael Gonnella	Kristin Kubota	Pete Steen
Ken Bitton	Buck Goodrich	Todd Lanning	Stew Stewart
Bob Blyth	Hal Gordon	Vic Loiselle	John Stokes
		Murray	
Shawn Bostic	Mikchael Gula	Longhurst	Steven Strable
Hunter Bidwell	Doug Gosnell	Brian Lu	Merrill Tea
			Roger
Paul Bowen	Cathy Hamilton	Matt Marotz	Thompson
	Rockwell		John Van
Dave Brackett	Hammond	Jacob Mazzone	DerHoof
Dan Briley	Dave Hansen	Tom Meade	Adam Vincent
Jay Buchner	Doug Gibson	Greg Messel	Les Warren
Brad Chinn	Jon Hegsted	Dane Miller	Greg Webster
Ellen Clark	Spencer Higa	Richard Miller	Shawn West
Brighton			
Cleaver	Laura Hoffman	Bryan Moore	Chris Williams
Bryant Cook	Kyler Hoopes	Gerald Munk	Warren White
Tom Corbiere	Tiffani Wendt	Greg Nielsen	Linda Windels
J. C. Childress	Marty Howard	Marvin Nolte	Shane Wootan
Roy Crawford	Dan Hodler	Dale Picos	Tara Wootan
			Satoshi
Larry Croft	Paxton Ingram	Ryan Prophet	Yamamoto
		Ron Quesnell	Carl Yoshida

**East Idaho Fly Tying and Fly Fishing Expo
Brings Together All Facets of Fly Fishing**

begun in 1994 to showcase regional fly tying talent, the Eastern Idaho Fly Tying and Fly-Fishing Expo (EIFTE) is organized by members of the Trout Unlimited and Fly Fishers International affiliated Snake River Cutthroats (SRC) of Idaho Falls, Idaho. All EIFTEs have been held in Idaho Falls except in 1995 and 1998 when it was moved to Pocatello, Idaho. All were held in local hotels. From its humble beginning as a one day show featuring a few dozen demonstrating fly tiers, about half a dozen local commercial vendors, an entry level fly casting work shop, and an evening fund raising banquet holding raffles and a small silent auction, it has grown into a many faceted national event in the fly-fishing world. As in 2023, The EIFTE will be held in the Mountain America Events Center on Friday, March 22nd and Saturday, March 23rd.

Many local families have fly fishing traditions, and folks are moving here to enjoy the bounteous quality waters. So the EIFTE could not help but expand from its beginning into the two-day major fly fishing event it is today. Many attendees, local and from outside the area, come to the EIFTE to acquire information to form fly-fishing strategies for visits to the unmatched variety of quality regional waters, to become familiar with or to acquire fly fishing equipment suitable for use on Greater Yellowstone waters, and to obtain information on available services. Public admittance is free and EIFTE day time activities offer solid information on the entire spectrum of fly-fishing facets. These are directed toward women, seniors, youth, the fly-fisher in general, and those seeking instruction in fly-tying, fly-fishing strategy, fly-casting, and just plain “where to fish” directions. Destination presentations offer information on visiting specific waters. Daytime raffles and chance boards offer a wide variety of quality angling items.

The fly-tying demos, with four sessions over two days, are the central daytime event. The demos feature well over one hundred tiers with emphasis on tying trout and salmonid fly patterns but also offering patterns for warm water and salt water fishing purposes. The demos also offer opportunity to observe the latest items and techniques in the fly tying world and the chance to meet many icon fly tiers. Fee-based fly tying workshops offer opportunities to learn specialties from renowned tying instructors. Other fee-based workshops specialize in entry level classes, fly fishing strategy, equipment selection, and fly casting. An array of about forty vendors will operate at the same time as the fly tying demos on the Hero Arena. Commercial vendor booths feature products ranging from fly tying materials, apparel, artwork, fly casting equipment, and on to guide and lodging services. Various conservation and promotional organization will be present.

The Saturday evening banquet is the EIFTE’s wind-up event. In addition to dinner it features a raffle, silent auction, and live auction. From this fund raising gala comes the SRC’s ability to fund important conservation activities that benefit regional cold water fisheries, their habitat and for public outdoor education. This fund raising action has enabled the SRC to contribute hundreds of thousands of dollars to regional conservation projects and public outdoor education. More information on the EIFTE can be observed on www.srcexpo.com, Instagram, and Facebook.



**Fly Shops Near Yellowstone Park
Go to their web sites for details**

Alta, WY: Greys River Sports

Belgrade, MT: Triple Fly Outfitters

Bozeman, MT: Bozeman Fly Supply, Montana Troutfitters, Rivers Edge, Yellow Dog Fly Shop

Big Sky, MT: Wild Trout Outfitters

Cameron, MT: Campfire Lodge, Slide Inn Fly Shop

Cody, WY: North Fork Anglers, Wyoming Trout Guides

Cooke City, MT: Trout Rider Fly Shop

Dubois, WY: Cutthroat Fly Shop

Gallatin Gateway, MT: Fins and Feathers

Gardiner, MT: Park's Fly Shop

Island Park, ID: Henry's Fork Anglers, Truthhunter Fly Shop, Drift Lodge and Fly Shop

Jackson, WY: JD Outfitters, High Country Flies, West Bank Angler, Jackson Hole Anglers, Dornan's Snake River Angler

Livingston, MT: Dan Bailey Outdoors, Hatch Finders Fly Shop, Sweet Water Fly Shop, Yellowstone Angler, Yellowstone River Outfitters

Victor, ID: World Cast Anglers

Warm River, ID: Three Rivers Ranch (Also Driggs ID, Ashton ID, Island Park, ID)

West Yellowstone, MT: Jacklin's, Blue Ribbon Flies, Big Sky Anglers, Madison River Anglers



Fly of the Month

2024 EIFTE Logo

Each Eastern Idaho Fly Tying and Fly-Fishing Expo (EIFTE) has a unique logo. The EIFTE organizing committee chooses these flies from a fly tier who has made major contributions to fly fishing. The 2024 EIFTE logo is Doug Gibson’s extended body green drake. Here is how to tie it.

- Hook:** Daiichi 1100, Size 10
- Thread:** Olive, 3/0
- Tail:** Elk body hair
- Body:** Dyed olive bucktail
- Body beam:** Elk hair forming tail
- Wing:** Tips of elk body hair for wing
- Hackle:** Dyed olive grizzly



2023 Calendar

Date	Activity
Tuesday, March 19th	Tie One On, Tap and Fill, Milligan Rd.7:00-8:00 PM
Fri.-Sat. March 22nd & 23rd	Eastern Idaho Fly Tying and Fly-Fishing Expo Mountain America Center
Wednesday, April 3rd	SRC Board Meeting 6:30 PM, Papa Tom’s Pizza
Wednesday, April 10 th	Membership Meeting, 6:30 PM, Guest IDF&G
Wednesday, May 1st	SRC Board Meeting 6:30 PM, Papa Tom’s Pizza
Wednesday, May 8 th	Business Meeting 6:30 PM, Papa Tom’s Pizza
Monday, May 2 nd and 8 th	Free Public Casting Clinic, Tautphaus Park, Buck Goodrich 5/2 and John Rivera 5/8 6:30 PM
Friday-Sunday May 17 th -19 th	TU Regional Meeting & Henry’s Fork Float Trip: more later, contact Jeff Armstrong

Outings are being organized for the summer months. Refer to the website to see when these become scheduled. More information will be in the second quarter newsletter

Note: All board meetings are held at Papa Tom’s Pizza with a ZOOM hook-up. Visit www.snakerivercutthroats.org or the Cutthroats Facebook page for a link to access membership meetings at Fairbridge Inn, outings, and other



activities. .Board meetings are open to all members.

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