



President's Message

Happy 2026! I hope you had a wonderful holiday season with friends and family.

2026 is a very special year for our club since it marks our 30th year! The history of women fly fishers in Idaho is a story of growing visibility and influence in a sport that was once overwhelmingly male-dominated. From the early years of informal participation to the establishment of women's fly fishing organizations and advocacy groups, women in Idaho have played a vital role in shaping the future of the sport. Today, women in Idaho are not only anglers but guides, educators, and leaders who contribute to the ongoing evolution of fly fishing in the region.



Women Fly Fishers of Idaho was formed in 1996 by a small group of women who found no organization existed for women in this state. They were interested in providing a formalized club to gather together women interested in learning the sport, providing opportunities to fish and learn together. Over the years, hundreds of women have been members, attended educational meetings and joined in fishing outings. Many lasting friendships have formed because of participation in the club.

In December 1995, Pete Zimowsky from the Idaho Press wrote a story about our club when it was in its infancy. We reached out to him about our 30th anniversary; he did a follow up story about our club that was published Monday morning. You can check it out [HERE](#).

We're celebrating this amazing milestone with a party on January 23rd. We hope you can all join us! More details are below.

Remember, we aren't having a member meeting this month; our monthly meetings will resume in February.

Tight lines!

Jill Bradley



WFFI 30th Anniversary Celebration January 23, 2025 6pm - 9pm The Stonehouse

We're not going to have a regular member meeting in January...we're having a party! January 2026 marks our club's 30th anniversary so come celebrate with us!

All the fun starts at 6pm at [The Stonehouse](#), (located next door to the Ram Brewery where we have our pre-meeting Meet and Mingles each month). We'll have some appetizers (provided by our club), no-host bar, member gift, and loads of fishy fun! Please note the Stonehouse has a separate entrance right next door (east) of the Ram.

Plus, we have lots of awesome stuff to raffle off! We have a \$250 gift card from [Senders Provisions](#), 1/2 day guided trip from [Vice Outdoors](#), chest pack, mesh water bag, fly rod case, and buff from [Brook Fishing Co.](#), a Lamson Liquid reel, a \$50 gift card from [Scheels](#), and some surprise raffle items from our local fly shops! Please RSVP on our website so we have an accurate headcount!

[RSVP HERE](#)



Western Idaho Fly Fishing Expo January 30-31, 2026 Expo Idaho, Garden City

The annual [Western Idaho Fly Fishing Expo](#) is coming up January 30-31 at Expo Idaho. If you've never been to the Expo, it's a great way to learn about all things fly fishing, test and check out new gear, and even get casting lessons. The Expo is a fundraiser for Boise Valley Fly Fishers to help support all the valuable conservation and education they provide the fly fishing community. Mark your calendars to save the date!

Volunteers needed for WFFI booth
WFFI will have a booth at the Expo to introduce people to our club. We need volunteers to help staff our booth both days! Each shift is only 2 hours so you'll have plenty of time to check out the show before or after your shift. Volunteer sign-ups are [HERE](#). (Please note that Expo admission is \$15; if you plan to volunteer in our booth and the admission presents a financial hardship, please let us know.)

Volunteers needed for Expo
In exchange for giving our club a booth at no charge, Boise Valley Fly Fishers asks us to provide volunteers for the Expo. If you volunteer for the Expo, you will receive free admission for that day. You can register for a volunteer shift [HERE](#).



All- Levels Fly Tying February 1, 2026 2pm - 4pm Anita Hurlbert's House

Please join us for an all-levels fly tying class at Anita Hurlbert's home. We'll be focusing on tying perdigons, an extremely productive fly pattern primarily used for nymphing. The club will provide vises, tools, and tying materials. A nominal fee (about \$5) will be collected to cover the cost of materials.

[RSVP HERE](#)

2026 Outings & Events Calendar

Our events chair Amy Haynes has been busy planning some AMAZING day trips and outings for 2026! She's firming up a few dates but here's a rough schedule. Full details coming soon!

WOMEN FLY FISHERS OF IDAHO	
OVERVIEW OF OUR 2026 ADVENTURES	APRIL DICK KNOX POND - LEARN TO FLOAT TUBE DUCK VALLEY OVERNIGHT
MAY BEGINNER'S WORKSHOP CASTING CONNECTIONS BRUNEAU DUNES OVERNIGHT	JUNE SILVER CREEK OVERNIGHT HORSETHIEF DAY TRIP
JULY STANLEY (ALTURAS LAKE AND AREA) OVERNIGHT SAGE HEN OVERNIGHT	AUGUST SF SHAKE AND TETON OVERNIGHT CASTING CONNECTIONS OWYHEE DAY TRIP
SEPTEMBER OWYHEE OVERNIGHT FRIDAY NIGHT FLIES - BOISE IN TOWN SF BOISE DAY TRIP	OCTOBER RIGGINS STEELHEAD GUIDED OVERNIGHT LAKE LOUIE HIKE AND FLOAT DAYTRIP BOISE IN TOWN

MORTHY EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS EVERY 3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH (EXCEPT JUNE-AUG)
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR MEMBER'S FACEBOOK PAGE OR WEBSITE: [HTTPS://WFFI.CLUB/](https://wffi.club/)



We have a new website!

If you haven't already checked it out, head over to our website to see our new look! You should have received an email with log in instructions but in case you haven't had the chance to read it, all you need to do is hit the Log In link on the top right side of your screen and then use the Forgot Password option.

This new site is faster and has much better features than our last site that allows our members to manage their accounts more efficiently. We still have our member's only zone where our event calendar and event registration is behind a "paywall" so it can only be accessed by current members. We also still have a member directory so you can reach out to members to connect, plan fishing outings, etc. There's also an awesome Groups page that serves as a forum to discuss upcoming events, fishing stuff, fishing gear, etc. Check it out!

We fully expect a few hiccups along the way, so please bear with us as we work through them. If you see anything wonky on the site, please reach out to us so we can fix it.

[Visit WFFI club](#)

Renew Your Fishing Licenses!



Many state fishing licenses expire on December 31st each year. This includes Idaho and Oregon so be sure to renew so you don't forget!

Calling all Canyon County and Gem County members!

We are going to start using Zoom at our monthly meetings and will have a "watch party" in Caldwell. We recognize it's not always convenient for members in Nampa, Caldwell, Emmett, and other surrounding areas to drive all the way to downtown Boise on a weeknight. The first watch party will be on February 18th, so mark your calendar! Full details coming soon...



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