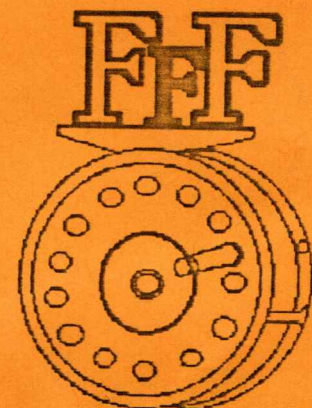
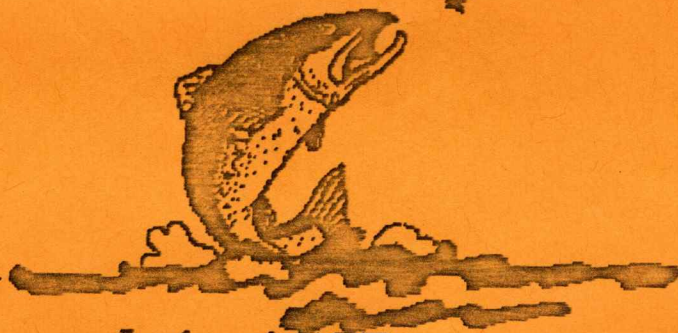


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Ed immediately launched into his float tube leaving Jim to fish from the bank. Well, anyone who knows Jim can imagine his frustration as he fished the weedy shallows. All the while watching Ed terrorize the prime

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**Calendar:**

July 11 4 pm North  
Star Eng. Deer Creek  
Fishout

July 16 6 pm BBQ at  
Chico Rod & Gun Club

July 18, 19 Eagle Lake

**CONCLAVE 87'**

The Club is asking for  
your help. Please tie 1/2 dozen  
flies for the conclave and bring  
them to the August barbecue.  
The Club will donate the flies to  
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advantage. Jim is normally a very discreet  
fellow ( he has been known to blush at the  
site of a baby's bare behind and only kisses  
his wife at home- with the lights off) but after  
what seemed like an eternity he opted for a  
new tactic. Throwing caution to the wind he  
stripped his clothes off and set out in his  
float tube.

In the next hour Jim caught three  
huge rainbows and missed several others.  
Ed caught nothing. What was Ed doing  
wrong? Why wasn't he catching anything  
when he was using the same tactic as Jim?  
The only difference was their attire, or more  
specifically Jim's lack thereof. Ed was fully  
clothed (thank goodness) and Jim was in the  
buff. But why did this matter? There must  
have been something about him that  
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dry flies and possibly some minnow patterns.  
Come enjoy trout and squaw fishing at its  
finest. The Eagle Lake fishout will be arranged  
at the BBQ.

## Annual Barbecue swap and auction July 16 6pm

Come Join the club for its annual chicken  
barbecue swap and auction. The barbecue will  
start at 6 pm at the Chico Rod and Gun Club  
across from the golf course in upper park. The  
Club will provide the chicken and drinks. We  
are asking members to bring the following.  
People with the last name starting with the  
initials a-f please bring a hot dish, g-h please  
bring a salad, o-z please bring a dessert or  
bread. If you would like to help with the children,  
call Mark Adams.