

Coachman Challenge Program

Intermediate- Improving Your Skills			
Goal – to advance your fly fishing skills including fishing different weight rods and using a variety of lines and techniques.			
Topic	Description	Criteria	
Knots	Learn 2 additional knots and demonstrate their application	Successfully demonstrates two additional knots e.g. perfection knot, arbor knot, Duncan loop, (uni) blood, nail,	Sam Yee
Rod set-up	Demonstrate rigging for dry fly fishing, and indicator with 2 flies	Successfully demonstrate	Tech Thursday
Fly Tying	Successfully tie two flies and explain what they mimic	One nymph and one dry	Jim Berdan
Casting	Show casting accuracy and form Learn single and double haul	Hit target (hoop) at 45 feet Avoid tailing loop	Before meeting/Summer Social Sam Yee/ Forrest Oldham/Ken Geisser Ron Rabun
Fishing	Catch and release 2 different types of fish. For example: trout, bass, sunfish, shad, steelhead, striper, catfish etc.	Photo or witness	Paul Wisheropp
Participation	Attend two club outings	See list of outings	Fishmeister send list to Paul Wisheropp to record
Club Promotion	Bring in a new member or acquire 2 annual dinner prizes	Prizes valued at least \$25	Rich Wilson-member Lona and Laurie Banks-annual dinner
Entomology	Identify four different aquatic invertebrates and compare with the artificial flies	Identify nymph/larva and adult caddisfly, mayfly, stonefly and dragonfly and match with appropriate artificial	We have the hands-on matching game which we can do at a Social Laurie Banks/ Ken Davis
Conservation	Participate in an approved conservation project	Find on your own or contact our conservation committee for assistance	Keith Pfeifer
Mentoring	Work with someone at a fishing event	Spend at least 2 hours helping a youth, veteran, newbie learn fly fishing skills	Director of event send list to Paul Wisheropp to record
Fly line	Understand the different types of fly line	Explain the difference between floating, hover/intermediate, sinking and their uses	Check off at a Tech Thursday