## **Appreciation Award**

presented to

## **John Bokstrom**

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BC Federation of Fly Fishers at the AGM in Langley, BC -May 7, 2011

The reason for this Appreciation Award goes back almost to the dawn of time – 1971. This was an era of great excitement in BC. The number of fly fishers was growing, a response to the province's population bloom, greater road access, and the number of seemingly healthy quality angling opportunities in lakes and streams.

A few forward-thinking fly fishers could see that the future would not always be so rosy. There would be a need to protect the fisheries resource and quality angling.

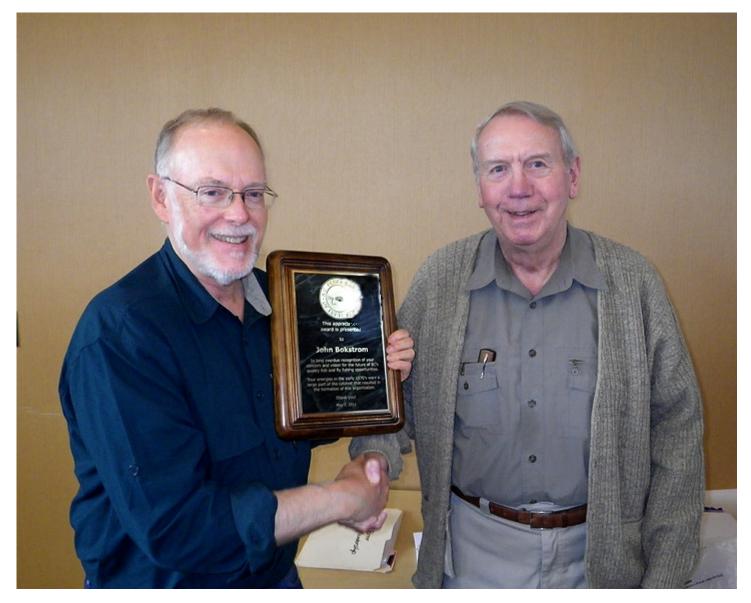
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was one of these early visionaries. He was a prime stimulus in getting fly anglers in BC to join forces for the political strength to deal with the future of our life sport. In 1971, John, along with a handful of other fly fishers, was responsible for creating an early organization that later became known as the BC Federation of Fly Fishers.

This Appreciation Award is long overdue! By oversight, in recording the history of BCFFF, John was not accorded his rightful place in the development of this organization.

In a belated and admittedly small way, BCFFF wishes to thank you, John, for all your efforts on behalf Of BC's fly anglers.

There is now a modified history document ("A History of the BCFFF 1971-2009") that resides on our website and better reflects John's contributions. Many thanks must go to Ron Grantham for ensuring that John's role in the evolution of BCFFF doesn't go un-reported.



**Peter Caverhill** 

John Bokstrom