

Organized in 1971, the Rogue Flyfishers seek to promote fellowship among individuals and groups to further interest in the sport, to improve angling techniques, and to educate members and the public in ways to preserve and improve natural resources, environment, and conditions for fishing in the Rogue Valley.

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# **PROGRAM**



"Hey Boo Boo, it's a picinicky" THIS MONTH with some changes this year.....

Our annual Hank Rogers Memorial Picnic is changing this year. It will be held on Saturday, June 20th at River's Edge Park at 4 PM up by the Holy Water. This event is a combination get together and fishing outing and we are hoping that with the cooler weather that June provides (versus the previous sweltering July dates) we will have a larger attendance. At least we will have a much more comfortable group! We are encouraging all new members and novice fisherpeople to attend for hands-on assistance in fishing and casting techniques as well as veterans in our club with experience to share. Please bring your own snacks, fishing gear and a chair if desired as seating is not as plentiful at this venue. The club will furnish cold tea and lemonade. Any questions please contact Kellie at kclmbr@msn.com or Will at will@theashlandflyshop.com. Hope to see all of your there!

## President's Message—June 2015

Webster's Dictionary describes "Family" as "household" or "a group of people united by certain convictions."

Wikipedia states that "Family is used metaphorically to create more inclusive categories such as community."

"Community is defined as a social unit of any size that shares common values."

A "Club" is defined as "an association of two or more people united by a common interest or goal."

Webster's also defines "Family as the basic unit of society having as its nucleus two or more adults living together and cooperating in the care and rearing of their own or adoptive children."

So which are we, The Rogue Flyfishers? A club or a family? We are, in conformance with a 501 c3 non profit, a "club." When I contemplate our group I would argue that we are more like a family in more than one definition of the word.

In both a "Family" and a "Club" we find an overlap in the unification of people sharing a common interest or goal. Our "interest" of course is our love of fly fishing. Our "goal" is the improvement, protection and preservation of habitat. No one joins this "club" without quickly realizing how seriously we are committed to both our "interest" and our "goal". Our founding fathers decreed it and we have strived to honor their vision.

Beyond that common "community" definition, a "family" suggests care, connection and nurturing. Those qualities are what I find to be the most precious part of our group. While we all have a common interest and goal, we are so much more than that.

The "two or more adults living together" is all of us, in our home. Our home has a soil floor, a sky ceiling and walls of mountains and trees with windows of rivers and creeks. The "children" we care for and rear are adopted and have antenna, wings, gills and fins.

Anyone who shares our home shares our love and thus are "Family." Life ends and life begins. It is the same in our "Family" and we are blessed and fortunate to have each other. Life is short - let's cherish that.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Kevin and Charlotte Reiten Don Dabney Daniel Egleston Ted & Conner McCullough Robert Rosas Michael Turner
- Kimberly Carpenter Wayne Douma Mark Jaffe George Peat Jim Sultz

### In Memoriam.....

We were deeply saddened by the loss of our dear friend and colleague, Bruce McGregor who left us on May 18th. We all loved his positive attitude, generous nature and ever-present smile. In addition to being a talented fly fisherman, who never tired of the sport, he was also a cheerful volunteer for many of our conservation projects through the years. Bruce was a veteran of the US Navy, a smart, calm and considerate public servant and devoted to his faith, family and friends. We extend our condolences to his family during this difficult time and are thankful we had the privilege of spending time with this fine man.

We know that Bruce is enjoying tight lines and plentiful fish in heaven.

#### The Devil is in the Details

By Otis D. Swisher

I was surfing the net recently, and found this interesting article about Caddis Flies (the insect). It is by Eco Spark and has some interesting details. The Caddis Fly is "one of the largest groups of aquatic insects with approximately 7,100 described species worldwide."

Some are "herbivorous scavengers". "They can be characterized as collectors, shredders, scrapers, and predators."

Their habitat? "Caddisfly larvae are most diverse in cool, flowing water."

Their lifecycle: They go through a complete metamorphosis: "egg, larval, pupal, and adult stages."

So far, so good.

Then, the Devil being in the details, the following quote sneaked in and threw the whole article into a questionable state: "Upon emergence from the papal (sic) stage, adults are ready to mate. They may mate while in flight, or on nearby vegetation, or on the ground."

Did they really mean to say that?

7 May, 2015



#### From Lemolo Lake Facebook page

OK. So here's the story behind this magnificent 20 lb creature. We at Lemolo Lake Resort have been painstakingly trap netting invasive species tui chub for 8 years now. To my dismay, this beauty entered our net and died. Perfect male specimen German Brown Trout. These were last stocked into Lemolo Lake in 1962, and have been naturally reoccurring ever since. From our trap netting efforts, we have increased the Brown trout population a staggering 2000%. Pick up a current issue of Salmon, Trout, and Steelheader for more info about our fishery.

Larry Ellis did a fine 5 page Brag O Rama on us. Thanks Larry! Clint Cvitanovitch from The Trophy Room taxidermy is mounting this for us, and it will be displayed in our lodge.

While we are disappointed with this unfortunate mortality, we are proud of our efforts in invasive species eradication. We have removed over 80 tons of tui chub, improved water quality 300% and only experienced 44 game fish mortalities.

While not caught on a line and hook, this fish is a testament to a strong natural fishery, and fortifies Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's prediction that the next state record Brown Trout will "Likely be caught in Lemolo Lake."



# 10th Annual Charity Golf Tournament

## Saturday, June 27, 2015 Eagle Point Golf Course - Eagle Point, OR Registration at 8:00 am– Shotgun start at 9:00 am

We are pleased to announce that the registration process for Casting for Recovery's 10th Annual Charity Golf Tournament, scheduled for June 27, 2015 at the Eagle Point Golf Course, is now open. As a reminder, the tournament is an 18-hole 4 person scramble; check in at 8AM with shotgun start at 9AM. Be sure to register for the fun filled day while helping Southern Oregon Casting for Recovery raise funds to host 14 breast cancer survivors at the 2 1/2 day retreat which is free to those selected to attend.

Golf registration will once again be \$100 per person and will include: three flights, bag drop off, golf cart, practice facility, continental breakfast, lunch, putting green contest, KP and LD contests, a raffle, auction and more.

You can register by:

1. Going to our website (www.teeupforhope.org) and clicking on registration. That will take you to a secure registration payment page. Please note, if you already have a team, you can register and pay individually, or as a team. If registering as an individual member of the team, please be sure to include your team captain's name so we can assign you to the correct team.

2. Go to our website ( www.teeupforhope.org ), click on registration, then download the registration form, print it, complete it and mail it along with your check(s)

3. Print the attached registration form, complete it and send it in with your registration fee (s)

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## 2015 Chewaucan-Dairy Creek + North Fork. Sprague River Outing

RFF's 2015 Chewaucan Outing will headquarter at US Forest Service **HAPPY CAMP** multi-site campground on Dairy Creek, principal tributary to Chewaucan River. Dates are set four to six weeks earlier than usual, **Tuesday, June 30 to Thursday, July 2** to avoid low water. This site is miles above most irrigation diversions and offers more dependable flows of cool water; last August, flows were still strong in mid-August. In 2013, Bob Schuck landed a nice 22-inch redband trout but seems to have forgotten what fly he was using. Bill Tinniswood, ODFW Fish Biologist suggests Salmonfly and grasshoppers on Dairy Creek and Chewaucan. Some use elkhair caddis or Griffiths Gnat with red tag, and Gary Graham typically tries a Royal Wulff.

Wednesday some will fish the nearby Wild and Scenic North Fork of the Sprague River. Redband and brown trout fishing is good in June and July with good Golden Stonefly and caddis hatches, but any bull trout must be released. Lee Thomas Meadow eases backcast problems, and Sandhill Crossing accesses more timbered settings. Thursday is open to revisit previous reaches on Dairy Creek, North Fork. Sprague, or stretches of the Chewaucan River itself.

You'll need to bring pretty much everything: water, food, shelter and fly gear. Happy Camp has fire rings and a nice toilet, and a few Adirondack-style shelters but there is **no water pump** like the Marsters Springs campground. **Host John Ward** will call to answer your planning questions or call him at **541. 884. 2015**.



North Fork of the Sprague River at Lee Thomas Meadow

Patrick Ward fishing Dairy Creek



## **Beginning Fly Fishing Class**

THANK YOU to John MacDiarmid for a great Introduction to Fly Fishing Class. It was well attended with excellent feedback and, thanks to John, garnered six new members for The Rogue Flyfishers. We are happy to welcome all of them to our conservation & fishing family!

### <u>WHEN 2 + 2 = 6</u>

That's called synergy (a cooperative action that produces a total effect greater than the sum of individual parts). We experienced just that at the Bear Creek Watershed Symposium on Friday, May 22nd when RFF and SOFF put together an outstanding team that treated 200 Jackson County youth to fly-tying and casting. As Rebecca Slosburg, the BCWS organizer stated "Thanks so much for being the highlight of the event...I heard a lot of positive comments from both the teachers and the students."

Here's the collective team from both clubs that pulled this off with grace, patience and smiles:

Boe Reed, Rick Scriba, Dick Traister, Edmund Danieli, Robert Parker, John Corson, John MacDiarmid, Otis Swisher, Jack Knox, Bob Shuck, Erick Watson, Mark Teeters, Dale Heath, Dave Hamilton, Cathy Hamilton, Ed Morphis, Jon Iverson, Rich Fiebelkorn, Carl Schneiderman, Diane Perreard, Ron Naumann and last but not least Kellie Christensen who is no longer a fly tying "wannabe" but is now an experienced tyer and teacher! A special thanks to the SOFF folks that logged the extra miles to join us. Our departed club member, Paul Cook, was also there in spirit through his wooly bugger pins that were given to the teachers and parents. Extra kudos as well to those that came early and stayed late for prep and cleanup. You all made positive impressions and lasting memories for our community youth. We done good !!! — Ken Bonsi



#### **NO JET BOATS AT TOUVELLE!**

Fellow "friends of the fish" we are encouraging you to share your comments of opposition to the proposal to make PERMANENT the Rogue River Jet Boats out of TouVelle. Your comments can be addressed to **OPRD.Publiccomment@oregon.gov**. We are concerned about the impact this has on the spawning salmon, the steelhead migration, the destruction of the shoreline, which is easily eroded in this area and the potential destruction of such a beautiful and natural river environment. Thank you for your support in opposing this proposal.



### **River Keepers**

Easter Saturday was a very special day for me while finding a couple of hours to fish below the TouVelle boat ramp. I really enjoy spending time on the river and praying. It is such a wonderful time just to ask and listen. After about 45 minutes of my blissful day, I heard a sharp clang of a drift boat pull ashore behind me about 100yds. As my quiet time ended, I turned to see not just a drift boat, but an armada that included a raft, a couple of kayaks, and even some paddle boards, and a dog racing down to see who might have been in his spot. Two of the kayaks had gone around me and beached about 50yds below me and the two teenagers were walking up the bank near me. I said hello and asked what I was in middle of. The first very nice young man mentioned that his friend on one of the paddleboards was doing a river cleanup as part of his senior project while attending Phoenix High School. This really made my day. I couldn't believe what I was hearing. Now I always carry a trash bag with me for my walk back out of the river. This was tremendous and I was very glad to have been there at that moment. I explained my involvement with our club and would love to take a picture and include it in our newsletter. I then asked Alec Kauffman to provide some information and his statement follows:



My mentor for my project is Robyn Janssen, a clean water campaigner for Rogue River Keepers. It is being done for my senior project, so it was only a two day cleanup, but there may be a third. At this moment the project has taken approximately 20 hours. The project is to clean the stretch of river from TouVelle to Fishermen's Ferry. I often go SUP boarding (Stand Up Paddle) on

this section of River and this year I noticed it had quite a lot of trash, which gave me the idea to do a river cleanup.

On the first day (Saturday) we cleaned about half the stretch, and cleaned the remaining portion the second day (Sunday). The Fishermen's Ferry river access has a seemingly endless amount of garbage and will probably be the place that the third cleanup will take place, if we do a third cleanup.

As for those in the picture starting from left and then going right we have: Gail Kauffman (mom), Jean Morgan (grandma), me, Dayne Guthrie (friend), Bryan Ortiz (friend), Zac Kauffman (dad), Brogan Guthrie (friend), Bryce Kauffman (brother), and the dog Zoey between Bryce and Brogan.

Thanks for your interest in my project. Hope you keep finding fish out there. Let me know if you need any additional information or clarification, and I apologize for any errors.

PS: on the second day we removed a computer monitor from the river.

#### Alec Kauffman

Sometimes while on the river I ask God for the continued beauty of our local area, and I got an answer back when these angels appeared on Easter Saturday.

Mike Masters Rogue Fly Fishers Club

#### Gary Lewellyn, DMD



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# **FlyFishers Luncheon**

We will meet at the Rogue River Lodge on June 9th at Noon. The Rogue River Lodge is 4 miles up river from Shady Cove. Expecting good weather, we will eat on the lawn. Bring your fishing reports/stories. All flyfishers welcome.

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Adam Wright is an avid fly fisherman, husband, and father of two. He is an MBA graduate from Southern Oregon University. Adam can be found on local waters during most weekends as he enjoys introducing others in the area to this sport. He teaches fly fishing for the city of Medford Parks and Recreation. He also teaches Dave Ramsey's Core Financial Wellness for Medford which teaches investments and other financial concepts.



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Applying, or renewing, as (check one): Individual \_\_\_\_(\$35.00), Family \_\_\_\_\_(\$45.00), or Junior \_\_\_\_\_(under 18, \$5.00) Member. (Note: New members joining Rogue Fly Fishers before June 30th pay a full year dues; <u>new</u> members joining after June 30th pay half dues. Dues accompany your application. With membership, you will receive a member's patch, membership directory, name badge, and letter of further information and welcome. Monthly dinner meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month with a social Wet Fly from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. followed by dinner with raffle, announcements and club business, and program until approximately 9:00 p.m. Renew in December for the following year.

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