

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.

PROGRAM

FLY TYERS NIGHT

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This month's program will feature members of the Southern Oregon Fly Tyers (SOFT) SOFT club is made up of member tyers from Medford, Grants Pass, Northern California and Roseburg. There are tyers of all levels of skill. It includes hobbyist as well as commercial tyers. Both men and women are involved. displaying the art and practical fishing side of fly tying. Sharing the art with any who choose to learn.

Message from the President

The March meeting found the club at our new venue, The Point Bar and Grill, in downtown Central Point. Judging from the attendance, enthusiasm and comments received from attendees, the move was a good one. There were some issues with the timing of the food getting served and the room setup, but I can assure you that those are being worked on. This was a first time event for The Point to deal with such a large group and proved to be a “learning situation” for them. From what I heard, everyone found the food very good and it was very nice to have three different choices for entrees. If you were able to make the last meeting, hopefully you can make it to this month’s.

The Rogue Flyfishers are fortunate to have a fly tying chairman with the ability, skill and expertise of Dave Roberts. For this month’s meeting, Dave has assembled a group of outstanding fly tiers who will demonstrate how to tie several different fly patterns using a variety of techniques and materials. This is an annual event for the club and you don’t have to be a tier yourself to enjoy watching and learning from these talented guys. I learn something new every year which helps me improve my ability tie and, hopefully, catch fish.

The club is planning to have the new roster printed in early May, but we are still dealing with a large number of members who paid in 2015, but have not paid for 2016. In an effort to retain as many members as we can, board members will be calling those individuals during the next week and encouraging them to continue membership. If you are someone who has not yet paid, but plan to do so, please get your dues current by May 1 so your name will be included in the roster. A membership form can be found on the website along with the club’s address.

There is one other item of importance that I feel needs to be addressed and that is one of communication. As our club grows and becomes active in a variety of arenas, it is vital that information get quickly to our members. In the “old days”, when the club was smaller and the pace of change was not so fast, the telephone worked well. We could just do phone trees or call individuals involved in an event or issue, but in today’s world, that is impractical. In today’s world, information is passed quickly through the internet and our club has the ability to do that through our blog.

At the last meeting, I asked the members present to indicate if they had the internet. Over 90 percent raised their hands. When asked how many were using the club’s blog, I estimated that about 20 percent raised their hands. With that in mind, I want to encourage all our members to sign up for our blog. It is very easy to do. Just go to the website and click on the blog. It will take you from there.

Once you have signed up, whenever anything is posted on the blog, you will be notified in your email and you can simply click on the link which takes you to the blog notice. It is quick and safe and it is the best way to keep informed.

The monthly bulletin will always continue to be important, but the blog is the place to receive timely information between monthly bulletins. Please sign up.

The auction is May 14. Chairman Mike Masters informed us that there are many outstanding items to be auctioned and everything is lining up for an excellent evening. It is vitally important that we have a capacity crowd which is limited to 85 people. At present, less than half of that number has reserved spots for the event. If you are planning on attending, and we hope you are, please get your reservation into Mike within the next two weeks. After that, the event will be opened to other clubs and the general public. Remember that this event is the major fund raiser for the year and it needs to be supported by club members.

Your board continues to work hard to make the Rogue Flyfishers an efficient, enjoyable and important club and I continue to be impressed with the knowledge, expertise and commitment of the individual board members. That said, I want you to know that we value input from all members and want to remind you that board meeting are open to all members. Your suggestions, complaints and compliments are always welcome.

Go fishing.

Jack Patterson



Dr. James Whitney Hall III

Fellow Club member, physician, writer and avid fly fisher Dr. James Whitney Hall III, passed away unexpectedly March 25, 2016. He was known as Jim or Doc Hall to his friends and family. Jim was born June 6, 1933 to James Whitney Hall II and Dorothy Chapline Hall in Chicago, Ill.

After retiring from medical practice, Jim became a full-time professional writer, chronicling his outdoor adventures in his well-known book, "Doc Hall's Journal," "The Corey Ford Sporting Treasury," and numerous articles in outdoor magazines. Jim was the fictionalized character 'Doc Hall' in the series by Corey Ford titled "Minutes of the Lower Forty," in Field and Stream magazine. Jim's respect and love for the outdoors were celebrated in his

television program called, "Doc Hall's Outdoor Journal" on KTVL, featuring all different types of outdoor activities and products, along with handy medical advice for unexpected medical problems while in the wilderness.

He will be greatly missed by all.

The Mail Tribune carried a full obituary for Jim. It can be found at the following link:

<http://www.mailtribune.com/obituaries/20160407/dr-james-whitney-hall-iii>

An Introduction To The Art, Science and Joy of Fly Fishing

In this one day class for beginners and novices, you will learn everything you need to get started fishing the Rogue for steelhead and trout.

The class will cover wadding equipment, rods, reels, lines, leaders and flies. Basic knots will be taught and there will be a section on entomology, aquatic insects, and the flies that imitate them. The final lesson will be on presenting the fly and casting. If you have a rod, reel and line, bring it but do not go out and buy one for the class. We will cover what rod to buy. The club has rods for the class, let me know if you need one.

Each year in late May and early June a large stone fly hatch occurs in the upper Rogue River above Shady Cove. The class will cover how to fish this hatch. This class is for current members of the Rogue Fly Fishers. There will be an optional \$10 charge to cover the cost of a small book, The Curtis Creek Manifesto.

The class will be held on April 23rd from 9 to 3:30 at the club house for the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park. The park is located at 8401 Old Stage Road not far from Gold Hill. Traveling North on I-5 take Exit 40 at Gold Hill and proceed South on the Old Stage Road towards Jacksonville, the park is well identified on the right, a long mile from I-5.

John MacDiarmid an IFFF Certified Casting Instructor is the class instructor. Email him at jmacd@jeffnet.org or call 541-840-0183 to register for the class. There will be a limit of 12 students, you must be preregistered to attend. Last year we had a follow up fish on the fly only Holy Water section of the Rogue in late May and we will try to do this again this year.

Annual BCWS event Friday May 27th at Santo Center Gym 9:30AM to 1:30 PM

We need to recruit about 10 more members to help with tying and casting instruction at this event. About 200 students attend this each year and our club's activities have been most popular. Even if you have never tied a fly in your life we can give you a crash course to build a simple wooly bugger with your students. Kelly Christensen did exactly that last year and had a great time. All materials, rods and tools will be provided. We can also use your "herding" skills to get kids to vacant stations if you truly feel uncomfortable instructing casting or tying. Female volunteers are especially popular with the young ladies, it's a great role model to demonstrate that this hobby is not just for boys. There's even a free lunch !! Come out, bring your fishing buddy and give it a try. Seeing that first kid smile when you part company will get you hooked. Contact me by email or phone if you're interested and identify what type of skill you'd like to share. Thanks...Ken Bonsi (kenbonsi@gmail.com) (541-899-9981)



AUCTION 2016 SPECIAL NOTICE

Auction is May 14th at The Point

Only 50 seats left and then we reach our limit of 85. That's right our Grand Total Maximum is **85**. You must email me (Mike Masters) and list your choice of Dinner!!!!!! Mmasters2243@charter.net

Mail check to:

2591 Savannah Dr, Central Point, OR 97502

Make check out to Rogue Fly Fishers

Live Auction Items will include:

- a. Drift Trip for one with club member John Schwendener on the Klamath River, includes lunch.
- b. One night stay at the Magnolia Inn plus a Sunday Brunch for 2 at the Jacksonville Inn
- c. Fishing Trip with Club President Jack Patterson on Klamath Lake
- d. Steelhead Drift Trip for 2 on the Upper Rogue with Board Member Keith Hardcastle
- e. Steelhead Drift Trip with our own ODFW Fish Biologist Dave Haight
- f. Centennial Golf Club Package for 2
- g. Steelhead Drift Trip with Legendary Member Steve Haskell
- h. Steelhead Drift Trip with one of The Fishing Hole Fly Shop guides
- i. Steelhead Drift Trip with club member Wayne Douma
- j. Eagle Point Golf Package for 4 plus Talon Restaurant gift card
- k. Dick Bonamarte's handmade Fly tying Desk and Hutch

Lots more!!!

Don't Wait any longer to make your reservations to help out our Club.

Blowout Sale

Tuesday, April 12th

The RFF club has had several donations of fly tying materials and have too much inventory for the upcoming RFF auction in May. So, we've decided to have some blow out sales to reduce inventory and give you a chance at some great bargains.

It will be mostly fly tying materials, tools and hooks, with a few fishing items here and there.
This month will be Dick Bonamarte's and Joel Tobias' items.

DETAILS:

Big fly tying materials blow out sale at SOFT.

Tuesday, April 12, from 4 PM until 6 PM, just before the regular SOFT meeting.

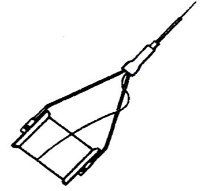
Prices will be adjusted so that everything will sell, but please remember that it all goes to a good cause.

The regular SOFT meeting will begin at 6 PM, or earlier if we sell out.

On The Fly

(Reprinted from April 2004)

"Fly tying is a school from which we never graduate"



PATTERN OF THE MONTH -Hare's-Ear Stonefly Nymph

Hook: Tiemco 200R, sizes 4, 6 and 8.
Weight: Lead wraps under thorax.
Tail: Split brown-dyed goose biots.
Body: Dark hare's-ear dubbing, tapered.
Shellback: Brown wild-turkey tail.
Rib: Copper wire.
Thorax: Dark hare's-ear dubbing.
Legs: Drawn legs of brown Hungarian partridge flank feather.
Wingcase: Brown wild-turkey tail.



Last month's column featured the Hare's Ear Soft Hackle. This month's pattern is yet another variation of my favorite nymph, the Hare's Ear, tied as a stonefly. Simply substitute brown-dyed goose biots for the standard tail, dub a little heavier tapered abdomen, add a brown turkey shellback, a copper wire rib, hare's ear thorax, drawn partridge legs, and a turkey wing case. Like other Hare's Ear variations, the effectiveness of this fly may have something to do with the dubbing material itself. Good Hare's Ear is blended from the darker hair on a European hare's mask with the guard hairs mixed in. There are several natural shades and textures representing exactly the coloration a nymph, afraid of being eaten by a trout, would want to look like.

TYING TIPS - Two More Variations

- 1) You can tie a Golden Stone version of this month's fly by simply changing the color of the tail biots and the color of the body dubbing to a golden yellow. Be sure to weight your stonefly nymphs under the thorax area.
- 2) Try a Hare's Ear Damsel for lakes, tied on a size 10, 12, or 14 hook. Use dark bead-chain eyes for shallow water or small dumbbell eyes for deeper water. It's tied with a brown partridge tail, thin hare's ear abdomen with a fine copper wire rib, hare's ear thorax with drawn partridge legs, a brown turkey wing case, a pair of eyeballs with dubbing wrapped figure eight through them. This fly is not only a good damsel fly nymph but also a great still water search pattern.

Tie One On,

Dan Kellogg (you can contact me at FLYGUY@EZNORTHWEST.COM)

Wednesday April 20th, 2016

The Point Pub & Grill

311 E. Pine St., Central Point

(located in downtown Central Point on the corner of 3rd and Pine St.)

Wet Fly 5:45 - 6:45 p.m.

Dinner and meeting at 6:45 PM

Raffle to follow

(We expect to offer some incentive pricing. Details of the raffle will be worked out at the next board meeting and will be in place at the next general meeting.)

Guest Speaker 7:45 – 8:45

DINNER TICKET: \$20

SPECIAL MEAL REQUESTS: Those who prefer vegetarian, vegan or gluten free, will need to notify Theresa by Tuesday afternoon (the day before) with your request by either phone (541)702-2153 or email tms1910@icloud.com.

RAFFLE TICKETS: \$1 PER TICKET

PARKING: There is parking across the street on Pine Street in the bank parking lot, there is a public parking lot across from The Point on 3rd, parking behind The Point (they own both buildings), and parking along the curb.

ROOM: The room is located upstairs. There are two front entrances on Pine St. The one on the left enters into the bar. Enter the front door on the right. To your left are the stairs. There is no elevator. Those who need assistance negotiating the stairs will most assuredly get it. There are restrooms upstairs located right off our meeting room in the back.

The Program is.

Fly Tying demonstrations by club members and members of SOFT (Southern Oregon Fly Tyers)



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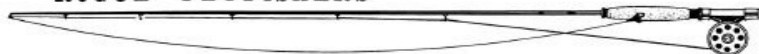
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Rogue Fly Fishers membership **Application** and membership Renewal Form

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; **new** 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.

Name: _____. If a family membership,

List Family Member's Names _____ - _____

Address _____ - _____

Best Contact Telephone Numbers: Area Code _____ Number _____ - _____

(2nd best) Number _____ - _____

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If you do not want your e-mail address in the membership directory, check here ____

Member Federation of Fly Fishers? Yes __ No __ **Are you retired?** Yes __ No __

Do you have a drift boat? Yes __ No __ **lake boat?** Yes __ No __ **Interested in conservation?** Yes __ No __

Prefer using the **Online Newsletter** __ (quickest receipt and saves the club money for other activities and uses, or by **US Mail** __?

Amount enclosed _____. Mail completed form and payment to:

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