

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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### **MEETING**

SOUTHERN OREGON FLY FISHERS &

ROGUE FLYFISHERS
WELCOME YOU TO FLY TYERS NIGHT



TUESDAY, APRIL 16TH @ 5:30 P.M.
WILD RIVER PUB

533 NE F STREET, GRANTS PASS

COME JOIN THE FUN WITH SOME OF
SOUTHERN OREGON'S FINEST TYERS AND
CHECK OUT THE FLY TYERS YARD SALE
WHERE A WIDE VARIETY OF TYING
MATERIALS WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE
AT GREAT PRICES!

. PIZZA IS ON THE MENU THIS EVENING. RSVP IS A MUST IF YOU WISH TO EAT AND THE COST IS \$25. RSVP'S CAN BE MADE BY CALLING (661) 742-5835 OR EMAILING ICRSRD303@GMAIL.COM. RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY FRIDAY, APRIL 12TH.

### **Presidents Message**

### Spring and Scams

Well once again Mother Nature faked us out. It felt really nice again and then back to the rain. I won't complain because it's good for the rivers, the fish, and all of us. And now the scams. For the last 5 years or longer we have been dealing with all sorts of email scams. Usually it's from the club president and says something about needing your help with a project. Sometimes it involves a Veterans group or another organization. They usually ask you to buy gift cards and just take a picture of the back and send it. Now we have a new scam attempt, but this time through text message. No one from the board or myself will ask you to do something like this. If you have any doubts about communications like this please call me or someone else on the board. Our numbers are all in the club directory.

Hopefully some of you have been out fishing. I managed to get out for a couple of hours on the Applegate a few weeks ago. Didn't catch anything, but it was nice to get out just the same. I'm in Arizona as I write this for my daughters spring break. They got tricked by Mother Nature just like we did. I won't complain it's better than being hot.

So the message is get out there and catch some fish. Regardless of the weather I think the worst is behind us (I hope). Oh and please don't fall for the scams we have been plagued with. Like I always tell my daughter if these people put the same amount of effort into being a productive member of society, as they do into being a scammer, the world would be a better place.

Oh and one more thing. We got over 50 dinner reservations this last month for the Rick Hafele presentation. Thank you to everyone at the dinner or not for supporting the club. Also April is the fly tyers night with the Grants Pass club.

Thank you

John Pogue

### **Board of Directors Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 4/3 starting at 6:00 PM at:

The meetings will be back at the Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center 228 N. Holly Street (back entrance)

Medford, OR

Everybody is welcome to attend!

### 2024 Membership

Thank You to all members that have renewed their 2024 RFF Membership. We are 155 Members strong!

The 2024 RFF Membership Directory will be published in April and will be available to all members and distributed at the monthly RFF meetings.

Don Dabney RFF Membership Chair

### Owyhee River Outing canceled

Unfortunately, the outing was cancelled out of concern that the outflow would be too high during the scheduled outing dates. Though not ideal, it is still fishable at the present 262cfs. The irrigation staff is meeting next week to see what the irrigation needs are and given the above average snow pack, there is a good chance outflow will be raised.

There is no way to see into the future flows, but anyone less concerned about water level and wanting to make the trip in late April anyway might consider the Boathouse cabin. It is managed by irrigation staff and is currently available on 4/28 for 4 nights. Feel free to call if you have any questions.

Jon Iverson ph 541-292-1871

# Happening at the Cedar Wood barn in Talent on 4/26/24. Contact Ashland fly shop for details.

http://www.syzygyflyfishing.com/current-tour

### Writers on the Fly is back with the West Coast Tour!

Join us at the Cedarwood Barn in nearby Talent on April 26, 2024 for readings from Nathaniel Riverhorse Nakadate, Anne Landfield, Jesse Robbins and Brett Tallman, as well as art from James Sampsel.

Proceeds from the event raffle will benefit fish conservation in Oregon.

Raffle prizes include gear from Sage Fly Fish, RIO Products, The Flyfish Journal and more.

Thanks to our sponsors Sage Fly Fish, RIO Products and The Flyfish Journal for making the West Coast Tour possible.

### Readers

Nathaniel Riverhorse Nakadate is an adventure journalist based in Houston, TX. His work has been published widely, including in The Flyfish Journal and Fretboard Journal, among others. Nakadate is a Patagonia Fly Fishing Ambassador, and he is always ready to put a smile on your face with a well-timed practical joke.

Anne Landfield is a poet, writer and fly fishing guide in the Seattle area. Prior to taking up fly fishing, she tried her hand at alpine ski racing, showing horses and earning a 3rd-degree black belt in kung fu. Her work has been published in The Flyfish Journal, Zyzzyva, and The Santa Barbara Review, among others.

Jesse Robbins is an Oregon writer whose work has been published in The Flyfish Journal, The Drake Magazine, and elsewhere. He is also a producer with Writers on the Fly. Learn more about Jesse and his work at https://www.jesselancerobbins.com.

Brett Tallman is a freelance writer whose stories have appeared in The Flyfish Journal, The Drake Magazine and Northwest Fly Fishing. Originally from Olympia, Washington, he now lives in Oregon.

### **Upcoming Schedule**

Club Meeting 04/16 (joint with SOFF) Board Meeting 04/03, 05,01, 06/05 SOFT meeting 04/09, 05/14, 06/11 Outings:

> LeMolo Lake 05/24-25 CANCELED Owyhee River 04/28-05/12 Diamond Lake 06/12 Umpqua River 07/14

**Events:** 

Writers on th fly 04/26

Joint picnic (with SOFF) 06/08

Check the Club Calendar for more information

### To: RFF club members,

Mark your calendar for October 12, 2024, a Saturday, for the club auction, held at the tent at Centennial Golf course.

The money raised goes for scholarships for students in the Fisheries Science Program at Oregon State, community programs such as Casting for recovery and Project Healing Waters, and financial support for local environmental groups such as Rogue Watershed council as well as club projects as they occur. These contributions fund activities that are in line with the goals of our tax free status as a private nonprofit organization.

Please consider making or soliciting a donation. Donation forms are available at club meetings or you can contact me and I'll send you one. Fill out and send to the Medford mailing address or bring to a meeting. Mail or personally return both sections and you will be contacted on the next steps. Personal items you may be ready to pass on may be part of the Bucket Raffle or silent auction. And a guide trip, hosted trip (non-licensed guide) or big ticket items like get away deals can make the live auction.

You can also support the cause by making a financial contribution or sponsoring an item such as a guide trip.

We are still looking for volunteers to help pull this event off. You can contact me, Steve Haskell, Auction Chair, at 541-840-6608 or <a href="mailto:haskell@mind.net">haskell@mind.net</a> to get connected with our effort.

This organization is as it does.

Thanks you

### Financial Report – Tim Bolling

The donation we made to the Rogue River Watershed Council back in January entitled us to a table at their Celebrate the Rogue dinner and fundraiser to be held on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Ashland Hills Hotel. We are selling seats at our table for \$ 75.00 each and will donate all proceeds back to RRWC as an additional donation. As of the writing of this, we have 4 seats still available on a first-come first served basis. If interested, please contact me at timbolling328@gmail.com.

Steve Haskell and his team are making progress towards putting on another major fundraising auction to be held on October 12<sup>th</sup> this year. It's events like this that enable us to contribute to groups like the RRWC, WaterWatch, Oregon Stewardship and others so please help Steve in their efforts. First and foremost, he needs people willing to solicit businesses for donations. Even if it's just one company that you do business with or have a relationship to, that can be an immense help. And remember, donations do not have to be directly related to fly fishing items! If you can help Steve, contact him at 541-840-6608 or haskell@mind.net.



# CELEBRATE THE ROGUE!

Join old and new friends for an evening of celebration. We will have exciting items in our silent auction and a feature presentation from the event's title sponsor. After Chef David Georgeson's dinner, Rogue River Watershed Council staff will share recent project accomplishments and restoration stories. Participate in our annual "paddle raise" to help support ecological restoration projects in our watersheds.

Individual tickets to Celebrate the Rogue! are \$75, and a full table of eight is \$600.

We ask that you RSVP by April 23rd by visiting our website, calling us at 541-423-6158, or emailing us at info@rogueriverwc.org.

<u>EVENT DETAILS & RSVP</u>

**May 11** 

Ashland Hills Hotel 2525 Ashland St. 5-9 pm

## SAVE THE DATE

# JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 SOFF & RFF JOINT CLUB BBQ



### TOM PEARCE PARK, GRANTS PASS

CATERED BY JEFFRO'S GRILL. MEAL WILL INCLUDE YOUR CHOICE OF TRI-TIP OR CHICKEN, BAKED BEANS, COLESLAW, MAC AND CHEESE, ROLLS AND WATERMELON. DESSERT AND WATER WILL BE PROVIDED, ALL FOR 20 BUCKS!

RSVP'S WILL BE REQUIRED.

WE WILL ALSO HAVE A SILENT AUCTION FOR SOME COOL STUFF AND A FLY TYERS YARD SALE OF SORTS. DO NOT MISS THIS REALLY FUN EVENT. MORE DETAILS TO COME AS WE GET CLOSER, SO STAY TUNED !!!

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Jim Ulm, Rogue River Steelhead and Trout Guide, (541) 973-6250 jimulm9@msn.com

# 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 City \_\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_\_ Best Contact Telephone Numbers: Area Code \_\_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_\_ (2nd best) Number \_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ If you do not want your e-mail address in the membership directory, check here \_\_\_\_\_\_ Member Federation of Fly Fishers? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Prefer using the Online Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ or by US Mail \_? Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_\_ . Mail completed form and payment to:

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