



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

WINE DINNER at *DAISY CREEK VINEYARD*

DATE: Saturday August 13, 2016

TIME: 5:30 PM Social Hour / 6:30 PM Dinner

WHERE: Daisy Creek Vineyard

675 Shafer Lane
 Jacksonville, OR 97530
 Phone: 541-899-329



Come and experience RFF's second annual summer social "Wine Dinner" at Daisy Creek Vineyard. We invite you to enjoy some of Southern Oregon's best wines and an Italian dinner while sitting outside on the patio overlooking the vineyard. The wine dinner will be on Saturday August 13th. The social hour will start at 5:30 and dinner at 6:30.

Message from the President

What a difference a couple of weeks make. In last month's message I was whining about my lack of results in the catching fish department, and was even starting to doubt my ability to attract a fish to my fly. Well, that all changed with 5 days at Klamath Lake a week ago. The fish turned on somewhat and in six outings on the water I was not "skunked" once. Granted, there were a couple of times when I only caught one or two fish, but even with that it is very satisfying because they are all usually large fish. The highlight, however, was the morning when I fished for 3 hrs. and I hooked 12. Of those I landed 8 with the smallest one being 19 inches. The largest was 23 inches and he was bright and beautiful.

I can't wait to get back over to the lake, but the sad thing is that I won't be able to fish anywhere for at least two weeks. I just don't understand how a calendar can fill up so quickly and none of it having anything to do with fishing. I just don't think I am doing this retirement thing correctly.

Anyhow, I hope you are getting out on the water and enjoying some success yourselves.

We had a very productive board of directors meeting last night and even spent some of the club's funds on some very worthwhile projects. You may have read in the newspaper about the Southern Oregon Land Conservancy's effort to raise 3.5 million dollars to purchase a large tract of land on the Rogue River upstream from Dodge Bridge. To that effort, the club has donated \$3000, with the possibility of donating more in the future when the time comes for biological assessments and other projects to be done. The Conservancy is accepting private donations as well, so if you are inclined to help preserve this very unique property, please donate.

The club also donated \$500 to Water Watch to help them offset the costs they incurred while working to help secure the moratorium on Suction Dredging.

Much of the meeting was spent on conservation issues. John Ward, our conservation chairperson, gave a comprehensive report on a variety of issues in which he is involved, both as the club's representative and as a private citizen. He will highlight some of these issues at the general meeting in September.

For those members who have wanted to actually get outside and work in the dirt, I believe the future is going to hold several opportunities for club involvement. Ryan Battleson, the new to area STEPs biologist for ODFW, attended the meeting and shared with us several of projects he is currently working on and those he hopes to create in the future. In doing so, he presented a variety of options for the club to engage in activities that involve the enhancement of the fishing resource we all hold dear. Because many of the projects are still in the planning stage, I will not attempt to go into any detail at this time, but should have more information by the meeting in September.

Please be reminded that there will be **no general meeting in August**. There will be, however, a very enjoyable Dinner and Wine Social at Daisy Creek Winery in Jacksonville on August 13. If you have not purchased your ticket, and are planning to attend, you need to do so by August 5.

If you have not yet done so, I urge you sign up for the club's blog. It provides up to the minute information, between the monthly club newsletters. And, don't forget to check the club's website which teems with information.

Now, go fishing.

Jack



P.S. the fish picture is just to prove to you that I occasionally do catch a fish



Umpqua Valley Festival

Hello Tyers, summer is here, that means I need to get serious about planning the Fall Festival. Please let me know if this will fit into our schedules. Same time/place, doors will open to the public at 9, but you can get in the Community Center at 7am. There will be coffee (free) and breakfast burritos (\$2 OR \$3) and I'm sure something for those of us who like sweets. Tyers are scheduled from 9am-12noon or 1-4pm Tables around the perimeter are 6 feet those in the middle of the room will be longer, and you may have to share. There will be access to power for you lights. Please let me know if you have a preference for time and or place. We also need to know if you will be arriving in time for the BBQ/Potluck on Friday.

I'm looking forward to seeing those who were able to come last year and hope that this schedule will give others the chance to spend time with us in Glide. Please call or mail if you have questions.

Last year I was able to meet some of you either at the festival in Reedsport or in Albany, I could not make the trip to the coast, and will miss the festival coming up next weekend. That said, we are planning the Umpqua Valley Festival scheduled for September 10, 2016. We would like to invite you to be a guest tyer at our 8th Annual Fall Festival at the Glide Community Center on the North Umpqua Highway. Many of you have participated in the past; we appreciate your support, and want to continue the tradition but there is always room for new faces and ideas. We hope those of you who have not been able come or who did not know about our festival will be able to join us for a couple of days. Our festival is for the tyers, a smaller more informal venue will give you the opportunity to relax and visit with friends.

We can set up Friday afternoon September 9th, or if you prefer on Saturday morning. Doors will be open at 7am for Coffee and, Breakfast Burritos plus give you time to visit with friends. Advertised time is 9am-4pm but we did have some early birds last year. Morning sessions will run from 9- noon, with afternoon sessions from 1-4:00 pm. Details are still in the works, but we will have a casting pond, some individual presentations, and vendors.

Elsie Marchando has space for 10 self-contained RV's, her place is just down the road from the Community Center and we can accommodate a couple (we live on Cavitt Creek Road). Please contact Chuck Scott at chucks@canby.com if you want space at Elsie's. There are a couple of motels in the area, and it is about 20 miles east of Roseburg. I'll send you more information about them if you are interested. We have a BBQ-Potluck for tyers, vendors and volunteers on Friday evening after getting set up, UVFF will provide the meat, and possibly entertainment, guests are asked to bring a side dish and some great stories.

This event is open to the public, turn-out varies, but this is an opportunity to introduce folks to the art of tying, to encourage the beginner tyer in a relaxed atmosphere and help the more experienced tyers learn new techniques. In addition to hosting a day for the tyers we are using this as an opportunity to raise funds for member and public education, service projects like tying and casting clinics for Vets and youth groups. Throughout the day there will be raffle and silent auction items. Last year we had about 10 vendors- Fishing rods, flies, tying supplies, vintage equipment, art, jewelry, wood carvings, and other handmade items.

This is a great way to end the summer and begin fall- please share the weekend with us. Call or e-mail if you have questions, to confirm attendance (or not) or even just for the heck of it.

Thanks so much for your interest,
Tresa Ronco 541-496-0770 tresa01@intergate.com

Cascade Christian Fly Fishing Class

Dale Heath

Cascade Christian High School is going to begin teaching their Fly Fishing Class again in September, 2016, after taking a year off to complete a major building project. The school will have only one staff teacher running this class. The rest of the "teachers" will have to be volunteers from our community. If you have a heart for teaching 10th, 11th, and 12th grade boys and girls how to fish, cast, build rods, build leaders, tie flies, appreciate our wonderful resources, conserve our legacy, and enjoy the art, science, and joy of fly fishing, I'd like to talk with you. The major part of this class is fly fishing, which includes 50% casting & fishing, and 10% in each of these categories: rod building, fly tying, lines, leaders & knots, conservation, and life and it's risks and rewards. The one hour class will be held daily, M-F, about in the middle of the afternoon. If you can contribute an hour a week or a couple of hours a month, it would sure be appreciated. Many hands make light work.

I can no longer spend the amount of time I used to because of my health, age, hearing problems, and other time commitments. If you'd like to participate in one or more of these activities please email me at deheath504@gmail.com or call me at 541-973-3490. Gary Miller started this class and ran it for many years. You can call him at 541-840-3426 to get his input.

Cascade Christian High School is a 501(c)(3) multi-denominational non-public school for grades 9 through 12. They also have a middle school for grades 6-8 housed in the same building, but is partitioned off and completely separate. The school is located near the Medford International Airport and their website is:

<http://www.gracechristian.org/our-schools/cascade-christian-school/>

The Sound Of a Fly Rod

John Mac Diarmid, IFFF, Certified Casting Instructor

If you are heading over to Livingston, Montana in early August for the annual IFFF Fishing Fair, I encourage you to participate in and/or watch the 5wt. games. This is a casting competition with 5 wt rods that the very best casters enter. There is a series of cast to targets followed by a distance cast. The way these casters load and unload their rods is simply amazing, a few will deliver the yarn fly over 100 feet. AND it all appears so effortless!!! You will notice there is no noise emitted by the rods of these casters, the rods are SILENT. The rods are progressively bent right up to the end of the cast when they are suddenly stopped and the line is launched like an arrow from a fully drawn bow. Many novice casters, on the other hand, achieve line speed in the cast by rapidly moving the rod back and forth with an accompanying swish/swish sound. Hey, it gets the line out there far enough to fish, but the caster is not getting the full benefit of the technology in the rod. Why buy a \$800 rod if you do not use that technology? With some instruction and a lot of practice, this can be corrected. Instruction is available at the Medford Hedrick Middle School every Monday (except holidays) at 6:00 P.M.

Eagle Cap Fishing Guides Trip

At the SOFF auctions held this spring, a member purchased a two day guided trip for two people with Eagle Cap Fishing Guides. Due to some circumstance, she will be unable to use the trip and would like to sell it for the cost she paid which is \$500.

As I understand it, the trip is for somewhere in northeastern Oregon and the exacted location will be decided on jointly and it could involve river fishing or still water fishing or a combination of both.

If you are interested in learning more,
please call Suzanne Rotz at 541-776-7519 or she can be reached at suzannerotz@msn.com

Fly Fishers' Luncheon

For all fly fishers. Meet at Mac's restaurant in Shady Cove at noon on the 9th of August.
All fly fishers are welcome. Bring appetite, fish stories and fishing tips.

August Outing to Howard Prairie

The Rogue Flyfishers and Southern Oregon Fly Fishers will have a joint outing to Howard Prairie Reservoir on August 20. Howard Prairie was previously one of the best rainbow trout fisheries in the region, and was popular among the members of both clubs. Unfortunately, largemouth bass and smallmouth bass were illegally introduced into the lake and ruined the rainbow trout fishery. In response, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife revised the stocking strategy, switching from a spring release of tiny rainbow trout fingerlings to a fall release of five to six-inch trout, supplemented by occasional releases of catchable-sized trout. Consequently, the rainbow trout fishery at the lake has improved dramatically. It is not as good as it used to be, but it can be pretty good--producing trout over 20-inches in length. Howard Prairie also offers good fishing for both largemouth and smallmouth bass.

For those interested in giving the lake a try, we will meet at the Willow Point Boat Ramp at 3:00 PM and fish into the evening. In the heat of summer, the best fishing will be early and late in the day. Those that are interested can spend the night and fish the next morning as well. The Jackson County Parks Department has a number of nice campgrounds around the lake. In addition, the Howard Prairie Resort offers cabins, a marina with boat rentals, and a restaurant. Information about the campgrounds, resort, and day-use facilities can be found at www.jacksoncountyor.org/parks.

There is plenty of access for fishing from the bank, but fishing from a watercraft is often more productive. At Howard Prairie, you can use anything from a float tube to a large motorboat. A six-weight rod would work well for both the bass and trout, but you can go lighter if you want to primarily target the trout. Bring your floating, intermediate, and sinking lines. Stripping woolly buggers should work well for both the trout and bass. The lake has the usual assortment of stillwater insects and invertebrates (midges, damselflies, dragonflies, mayflies, backswimmers, leeches, and snails), so bring an assortment of standard stillwater patterns. Add Clouser Minnows and streamers to your box if you plan to target the bass. Also bring dollar bills to pay the \$4.00 day-use fee if you don't have a Jackson County Park's pass.

If you haven't fished Howard Prairie in a while, come give it a try. The fishing may pleasantly surprise you.

David Haight, Outings Chair

WINE DINNER

Not much time left to make your reservations for the Wine Dinner at Daisy Creek Vineyard on Saturday August 13th.
The deadline to get your reservation in is Friday August 5th.

This event is \$25 person which includes the buffet dinner catered by Rosario's Italian Restaurant plus a complimentary bottle of red and white wine at each table during dinner. Social hour begins at 5:30 and the dinner buffet starts at 6:30.

You can also purchase wines by the glass or bottle throughout the evening from Daisy Creek Vineyard.

Payment must be made in advance to reserve your seat. Please mail your check to Rogue Flyfishers
P.O. Box 4637 Medford, OR 97501 and indicate "wine dinner" on the memo of your check.

Seating is limited to 64. So far we only have 25 seats reserved so there are still plenty of seats left.

Thank you and hope to see you at Daisy Creek Vineyard !

Middle Rogue Steelheaders 2016 Salmon Derby

If you are interested in participating in a very worthwhile Salmon Derby, the Middle Rogue Steelheaders are sponsoring their annual on in August. It begins with a Derby Dinner on August 25th and is followed with the actual fishing on August 27. Details can be found on their website: roquesteelheaders.org or by calling Cole Tidwell at 541-582-0350

RFF 2016 STEELHEAD TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION NOTICE

DATE: OCTOBER 8TH

PLACE: TOU VELLE STATE PARK

MAKE PLANS NOW! SIGN UPS ARE STARTING TODAY!!!!

ENTRY FEE: \$150 / ANGLER (includes Dinner)

**All you need to do to register this year is to email your interest to:
Mike Masters at mmasters2243@charter.net**

**Then mail a \$150.00 check to
Mike Masters
2591 Savannah Dr
Central Point, OR 97502**

- 1. OARSMEN: We are also reaching out to those of you who would really enjoy rowing your boat while providing a great day of tournament action for our anglers.**
- 2. If you have more than 1 Oarsman in a boat and the boat owner would like to fish also, you could rotate the oars to one of the anglers and all 3 could fish. The boat owner would pay a fee of \$75 to fish.**
- 3. Honor system is still in order while measuring each fish.**

Reach out to Mike right away, either as an Oarsman or Angler.

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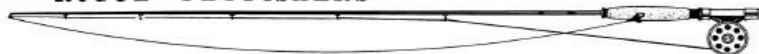
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Rogue Fly Fishers membership **Application** and membership Renewal Form

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,

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

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