

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

It's time to make your reservation for our annual

Wine Dinner on Saturday August 18<sup>th</sup> at Daisy Creek Vineyard in Jacksonville 675 Shafer Lane

Come join us outside on the patio for a catered buffet dinner.

A complimentary bottle of red and white wine will be served at each table with dinner.
Wine is also available for purchase by the glass or bottle from Daisy Creek Vineyard throughout the evening.

~ Social Hour begins at **5:30** pm ~ Dinner is at **6:30** pm

Seating is limited and reservations are required. Payment is due in advance to reserve your seat.

Cost is \$25 per person.

Deadline to get your reservation in is August 10th.

The main entrée will be Roast Pork Loin. The caterer will accommodate those who prefer a vegetarian entrée. Please specify that you prefer the vegetarian entrée when you mail in your reservation.

Please mail your payment to:

Rogue Flyfishers P.O. Box 4637 Medford, OR 97501

Indicate "Wine Dinner" on your check memo.

#### From the President

My cat Bella decided I need a break from tying so I thought I would write about a 'thing' I've been wanting to do, especially since all this smoke has limited our local fishing. I can start mid-August after my wife and I get back from the FFI Fair in Boise with, maybe, a short side-trip to fish.

I would like to invite any club member(s) wanting to learn a pattern or two, or needing help with a particular tying problem to come visit me in my 'tying den', and maybe I can help you. In doing this, I by no means, think I'm an expert in all things tying nor do I think I'm a Master Tier (I hate that term). I just love to tie and love to share what I know about tying. If I don't have the answer, I have an extensive book library that probably will. For example, right now I am working on an order of Copper Johns. I have tweaked the pattern to suit me – no bead, semi-soft hackle and a couple of other changes, but it's still a Copper John. I've worked out some tricks that are not short cuts, but are time saving and make a nicer looking pattern (in my opinion). Now, you ask, what will be the cost of this help? Great news! If you are a paid member = \$00.00. If you are not a member, join the club and it will be \$00.00 for you, too!

Hope everyone is having a great summer.

David

#### Your Help Is Needed!

The club is looking for someone to take over the duties of mailing out the "welcome packages" to new members and the ordering of name badges. John Bjorkholm who has been doing this for the club for the past number of years is ready to relinquish his duties. He has agreed to continue through the month of August. So beginning in Sept we are in need of a replacement. If you are interested please contact John <a href="mailto:jeborkholm@gmail.com">jeborkholm@gmail.com</a> (541)857-6147 or Theresa <a href="mailto:theresaschumacher@charter.net">theresaschumacher@charter.net</a> (541)702-2153 with any questions. Thank you, your help will be greatly appreciated!

#### ROGUE FLYFISHERS and SOUTHERN OREGON FLYFISHERS

## FIRST ANNUAL FALL BBQ

## SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, TOUVELLE PARK

The Event will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a riverside Steelhead Clinic presented by David Haight.

This will be followed by a Casting Clinic and Instruction for single hand and two handed casting presented by John MacDairmid.

Fly Tying Demonstrations and Instruction will be provided throughout the Event by several Club Members.

The meal will be served around 2:30 and will include BBQ'd Tri-Tip, beans, salads, roasted jalapenos and tortillas.

Chilled bottled water will be included.

RFF is hosting this Event for RFF Members and family at no cost.

RSVP's must be made by September 4<sup>th</sup> to Steve Day by calling (661) 742-5835 (afternoons only) or by emailing to <a href="mailto:icrsrd303@gmail.com">icrsrd303@gmail.com</a>.

Come join the fun!

# Umpqua Valley FlyFishers 10th Annual Fly Tying/Fishing Festival Glide Community Center, September 8th, 2018

Hello Tyers!

Just getting ahold of everyone involved in the past years of our Fly Tying/Fishing Festival so we can put together our list of participants. Please give me a heads up at email or phone listed below if you wish to attend and participate as a tyer this year and whether you wish to tie for one or both of the sessions...we will do our best to work with everyone on this.



Tying sessions will be as in the past, a morning 8-12 session and a 12-4 afternoon session. Please also give me an indication of what type of flies you will be working with, this will help me in advertising for the event. We have a limited amount of table space so get your place reserved early!

Food and refreshments will be available through our kitchen, casting area out back and of course lots of opportunity to converse with the public and fellow tyers in attendance.

We continue to make this event a friendly and tyer centered event. So yes, you and your compadres, are the highlight of our day. We thank you in advance for your valuable experience and skills shared so freely with others it is what makes for a special day for everyone involved.

\*\*On a side note, and something you have probably already heard...Tressa, who so ably and with such passion and love ramrodded this event, passed away this past year not long after our Fall Festival. We miss her greatly and wish to honor all her efforts over the years in making this a great event again this year.

Sincerely, Mike McCoy, President UVFF http//www.mikemccoy@dcwisp.net 541-677-0100

#### **NEW Club Members**

We would like to recognize and welcome the following **new** members who joined in July:

Gary Hussey

Welcome! Thanks for being a part of the Rogue Flyfishers!! Your support and participation is appreciated. We hope to meet you and see you at our monthly dinner meetings held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month (except May, July & Aug).

Be sure and sign up on our BLOG so you can receive our **email notifications**.

To sign up for the Blog, go to our website www.rogueflyfishers.org, scroll down the page.

Click on Rogue Flyfishers Blog on the bottom right corner.

On the right-hand column you will see a box that says:

"Enter your email and the newest post will automatically appear in your email"

Type your email address in that box and click "Submit"

You will now be kept up to date with the latest announcements, changes, and reminders that take place through-out the month that you need to be aware of.

Thank you to those who have renewed your membership! Your loyalty is appreciated

As reported in the May newsletter, the Rogue Flyfishers awarded our scholarships for the 2018-2019 academic year to Andrew Chione and Tyler Johnson. Andrew and Tyler sent the following letters to the club:

#### Dear members of Rogue Fly Fishers,

Thank you for the generous scholarship that I have been awarded for the 2018-19 school year. Your support will help me continue my undergraduate studies in Fisheries and Wildlife Science at Oregon State University. My focus is on freshwater conservation and I hope to make a positive difference for the rivers, fish, and people of the Pacific Northwest. Although I am still working towards my degree, I started my career early and spend much of my free time volunteering. I volunteer every spring and fall surveying for spawning coho salmon and steelhead for the Yamhill Watershed Council in Oregon. I am also a volunteer river steward for the Native Fish Society and am active in my local Trout Unlimited chapter, the Bluebacks.

Over the past 3 years, I have completed 5 seasonal positions as a fisheries technician in Oregon and Washington. One of my most memorable field jobs was with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in Gold Beach, Oregon. I surveyed stream habitat and fish populations on lower Rogue River tributaries, Illinois River tributaries, Chetco river, Winchuck River, Elk River, Pistol River, and Hunter Creek. During the school year, I work for E&S Environmental Chemistry where I collect water quality samples on the Klamath River in Southern Oregon and Northern California. This job enables me to collect meaningful data that is important to people, fish, and wildlife. This summer, I am working for Mid-Columbia Fisheries Enhancement Group in Yakima, Washington. My position is a crew lead for a fisheries crew on the Yakima River. We perform snorkel surveys and spawning surveys for threatened bull trout and rescue fish in creeks that dry up during the summer. We also perform community outreach to hundreds of campers and anglers on public land about fishing regulations, fish identification, and how building rock dams for swimming negatively impacts fish passage. My favorite public education topic is aquatic insects.

Before presenting at campgrounds, we collect aquatic insects with a kick net and place them in tubs for kids to view and identify up close. Their reactions are priceless and remind me why I love what I do.

In addition to work and volunteering, I am an admin for the social media group "River Snorkeling". River snorkeling is a community of water, fish, and conservation enthusiasts who share their passion through pictures, videos, and stories. I frequently introduce people to the sport of river snorkeling in person to share why our rivers and fish matter so much. Check out riversnorkeling on Facebook and @river\_snorkeling on Instagram if you are interested in snorkeling or just seeing awesome fish pictures. In my free time I also enjoy standing in rivers flailing a fly rod about. Sometimes I catch fish!

Thanks again for supporting my journey to leave a lasting positive impact for people and the environment. When my undergraduate degree is finished, I plan to earn a master's degree in fisheries to develop my career and perform research. I hope to attend a chapter meeting when I am back in Oregon after the summer. Until next time, tight lines and keep 'em wet!

Sincerely, Andrew Chione



#### To the Rogue Fly Fishers,

Hello! I would like to take this opportunity to offer my genuine appreciation the Rouge Flyfishers for granting me your annual scholarship. In an effort to make attending college feasible for myself I am currently working full-time and in addition to my full-time school work load. Financial assistance from outside organizations like the Rogue Fly Fishers help to make college affordable and allow me to focus on my classes. This is particularly true as next year I am foregoing student loans in an effort to graduate with a smaller debt burden. Currently, I am working through my senior year and will be graduating in 2019. College has been a long journey for me. I have attended off and on since graduating high school, often leaving school was a result of financial constraints at the time. In between attending school, I have worked a number of jobs in the fisheries field. Fisheries has been a passion of mine for a long time. Now I am working hard to finish up my degree, so I can make an even greater impact on the field. My goal is to one day be able to research, monitor, and conserve freshwater and/or saltwater ecosystems.

Most of my work has involved ageing freshwater and saltwater species in an effort to monitor their populations. My career started in my home state of Idaho, where I performed redd surveys and aged Chinook Salmon and Steelhead scales and fin rays. These various forms of monitoring allow biologists to assess the health of the endangered populations of anadromous fish native to the Snake River. In 2012 an opening in the Age Reading Lab in Newport allowed me to move to the beautiful state of Oregon. In Newport, I work as a contractor for NOAA ageing flatfish, rockfish, and lingcod for population assessments. Currently, I am processing and ageing Big Skate vertebrae. My work helps assure that populations of various species of fish remain healthy and productive, allowing fishermen to access them for years to come. I take pride in the fact that my small contribution to the fisheries field may result in populations of fish that are sustainable and will be there for future generations to enjoy. Residing in Oregon has allowed me to obtain my degree from the excellent fisheries and wildlife program at Oregon State. Classes like Ichthyology and Ecology have helped me obtain a better grasp on how aquatic ecosystems work and the types of functions fish provide to their environment.

My interest in fish extends beyond the professional. I maintain two planted fish aquariums. My largest is a 75 gallon that houses Pumpkinseed Sunfish. I am also an avid fisherman (when I have the time!). Growing up in Idaho, trout fishing in high mountain streams made up a significant portion of any camping trip. Since moving to the coast, I have taken up ocean fishing since I am lucky enough to have it so close. I have primarily been fishing from the jetty, but have also been attempting to work out surf fishing as well. I have not yet had the opportunity to try fly fishing, but it is on a long list of my fishing to dos! I enjoy trying new types of fishing and targeting new species as each seems to pose a new and interesting challenge.

In closing, I would like to again thank you for the scholarship. These sorts of financial assistance help students afford college, and hopefully we are able to pay it forward by helping the natural resources we cherish flourish. If I'm ever in southern Oregon I will be sure to attend a club meeting if possible.

Thank you and tight lines, Tyler Glenn Johnson Oregon State Student NOAA Fisheries Technician Fisherman



A couple Red Tailed Surfperch I caught this summer.



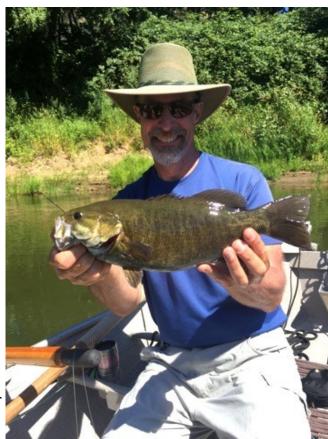
Rainbow Trout caught at a local reservoir this summer.

### **August Outing to the Umpqua River**

On August 25, the Rogue Flyfishers will head north to the Umpqua River to fish for smallmouth bass. Bass are extremely abundant in the mainstem Umpqua and South Umpqua and can provide fast action for anglers. Many of the fish tend to be small, but big ones are not uncommon.

We will meet in the parking lot of the Diamond Home Improvement store on 7<sup>th</sup> Street near the north I-5 interchange in Grants Pass at 7:00 AM and carpool from there. We will float a section of the river just west of Sutherland between the Umpqua and James Wood Boat Ramps. If you have a driftboat, pontoon boat, or other craft suitable for use on a river, bring it. This is generally a pretty easy float, but there are a few shallow, rocky riffles that require some maneuvering. We will try to find a place in a boat for those who don't have one, but we will also have maps available of locations to fish from the bank. For those that don't feel comfortable or don't have a boat suitable for running through rapids, it is possible to fish the big pool at Umpqua with a float tube or small lake boat, entering and exiting the river at that one ramp.

A five or six-weight rod is ideal for the smallmouth bass in the Umpqua. An intermediate or slow-sinking line is most useful, but also bring a floating line if you want to fish surface flies. Straight 8 to 10-pound monofilament is adequate for a leader. A wide variety of flies will work, but Woolly Buggers, Clouser Minnows, and small streamers are generally top producers. If conditions



are right, small poppers can produce some exciting action. Olive, brown, and yellow are typically good colors. A small, brown over yellow Clouser Minnow is often a very effective fly. Be sure to bring food, plenty of water, sunscreen, a hat, and all your usual fishing and boating gear.

While many of our local fisheries slow down during the heat of summer, the smallmouth bass fishery in the Umpqua is going strong, making it a great destination for fly fishers during July and August. If you have not fished the Umpqua for bass, come give it a try. If you have, come spend a fun day fishing with your fellow club members.

#### **David Haight, Outings Chair**

#### **Lonesome Duck Fishing**

On June 9th while some of you were playing in the snow at Diamond Lake my brother in law and I went to the Lonesome Duck on the Williamson River and fished with Marlon R. It was quite cold for the first couple of hours but no snow. We got in the water at about 7:30 and fished until 4:30. The fish never quit biting. Our catches went from about 5 inches to one that was between 3 and 4 lbs. We landed between 30 and 40 trout. For a final goodbye the largest fish jumped beside the boat as we turned to leave. What a fantastic trip is was. One for the bucket list if one has never been there. Marlon was an excellent guide.

Dick Chambers

#### Gary Lewellyn, DMD



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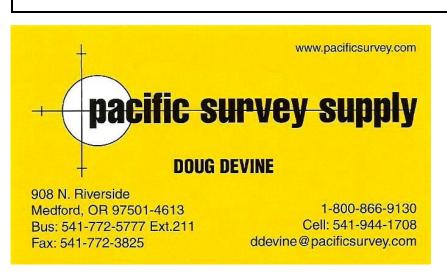
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#### Rogue Fly Fishers membership Application and membership Renewal Form

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

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