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DON'T MISS THE DECEMBER DINNER MEETING!

Wednesday, December 15, 2010
Red Lion Hotel - 200 North Riverside in Medford
Wet Fly Social Hour 6 to 7 Buffet Dinner and raffle at 7 PM

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL HOLIDAY DINNER, COMPLETE WITH FESTIVE DECORATIONS AND TAKE HOME TREATS, AND ENJOY AN EVENING OF HUMOROUS AND INTERESTING TALES FROM MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB!

Our December raffle will include yearly parking passes and lots of other goodies! In addition, we have a special Spey Rod that will be offered.

See the "Of Note" column in this newsletter for details!

President's Message - December

It is too cold out there these days for a man of my maturity, and so this is a good time to peruse my fishing log for the decade 2001-2010 to see how angling on the Rogue has changed in that time. One of the most significant changes for me started in August, 2001, fishing off the Obstinate J Ranch. At that time my standard set-up for steelhead was a heavy Otis Bug or Ugly Bug combined with an egg pattern or small nymph on the point. Caught a lot of fish with it, too. But results had been slow for a while so I started thinking, "There is only one thing those fish can be taking the big heavy fly for, and that has to be a Salmonfly nymph. There is nothing else in the river that comes close except maybe a caddis case possibly resembling an Otis Bug." I caught a fish off the Obstinate J, dropped anchor, and examined its stomach contents. It is good practice to check the stomach contents of any fish you kill in order to learn and gain maximum benefit from the sacrifice. This fish, as most fish in the upper Rogue, held several Salmonfly nymphs. I laid the nymphs side by side with an Ugly Bug and Otis Bug, shook my head and said, "I can do better than that." As luck would have it, my wife, God bless her ever loving soul, was raising colored Romney sheep on our place, and I saw the raw fleece as it came off the animal. Bingo! When sheared properly the fleece will be in locks about five to six inches long. One can separate the right amount of fleece and wrap it on a hook for the abdomen and thorax, then counterwrap a copper wire rib over the fleece, with the result being a beautifully tapered and ribbed body. Is this body the key to success of this fly? I don't know. But I do know that one can catch fish after fish with live grasshoppers as bait, until the abdomen is gone. You can still have the thorax, legs, wings, and head, but when the abdomen is gone a fresh bait is required. But whatever the reason, I have enjoyed success and extraordinary personal satisfaction by catching more fish on my Salmonfly Nymph pattern than any other fly. The original model has been replaced with improvements from time to time, but when nymphing on the upper Rogue if fishing is slow the point fly might be changed but the heavy nymph remains. And so my advice is: Get your wife to take an interest in colored Romney sheep, and good things will come from it.

Now to reminisce for a moment. It was in February of 2002 that I caught my largest Rogue River steelhead. As improbable as it may seem, he took a size 14 bead head brassy on a scud hook tied to 4-pound test Maxima tippet. After fishing through Hoot Owl Hole with my steelhead rod getting no hits, I changed to the 5-weight trout rod with smaller trout nymphs. The instant he took it I knew I was in trouble and the first thought that went through my mind was, "Just let me see him before he gets off. PLEASE let me see him!" The fish took me downstream and as I passed the boat I grabbed the camera and continued the chase. After 25 minutes he gave up, and I photographed him lying on the bank beside the rod, and that's when I noticed that he had taken the small point nymph fair and square in his upper lip and the tippet had become wrapped around his body a couple times. Talk about luck! It should surprise no angler that for several weeks following that day a Stonefly Nymph with a size 12 to 14 Brassy became my standard combination.

The flow in the river hasn't changed much in 10 years. Some years it remains low through winter into March or even April or May (2002). Low water, of course, can be challenging for an oarsman, but popular wisdom suggests it might be good for fishing. It is certainly easier wading in lower flows, and when the flow is under 1,000 c.f.s one can even wade across the river at McCleod and fish around the island there. Popular wisdom and logic play an interesting role among anglers. Rather than analyzing numbers and finding out, many anglers prefer to cogitate and reason what should be true. If this agrees with other anglers' views, then it must be right. Take the phases of the moon, for example. A guy I used to fish with was a staunch believer in the idea that fishing was poor during the full moon because the fish feed at night and are not so hungry in daytime. Well, could be, but if that is true why do the fish not feed during the full light of day so they aren't hungry at night? I have been keeping a fishing log for nearly 20 years, and started noting the full moon during this past decade. Not long ago I analyzed the numbers, comparing fishing success under the full moon plus two days before and two days after making a five day stretch, then comparing that with a similar five day stretch two weeks later under the new moon. Guess what. I caught twice as many fish under the full moon! Sometimes I feel like a myth buster when I think of that, but it's true.

Another bit of folk wisdom making the rounds has to do with which fly pattern is hot for steelhead this year. Well, I know for a fact that the guy who ran a local fly shop in Medford 20 years ago used to become bored on slow days, and so each spring he would more or less randomly select a fly to be recommended for that year. People would come into his shop and ask which fly is good for steelhead on the upper Rogue, and he showed them this fly-of-the-year. Sure enough, in about two weeks reports would begin come back about how that fly was catching fish. Well, of course! I mean, the fly that catches fish is the one in the water, not the one in your fly box.

An angler's reputation is often built around a few lucky accidents rather than results, and I speak from personal experience. The numbers entered in my log often show my fishing companion catching more fish than I do. When fishing alone, I had one stretch of seven consecutive drifts over a month during which I caught zero fish. Fancy that! The president of a fishing club going seven drifts and a whole month without a single strike! As they say, I'd rather be lucky than good.

Hope to see you at our December dinner meeting. Kellie is fixing something special for us and you won't want to miss this one. See you on the 15th and we'll spin a few yarns, make a few memories to help while away the time on a cold wintry evening.

Many Fish, So Little Time

Fishing continues about the same as it has been in recent weeks. I'm getting one steelhead plus a few trout per outing using my favorite combination of late which is a heavy stonefly nymph combined with a Green Rock Worm on the point. A couple years ago the preferred point fly was a Bird Nest, but after about six months it went out of favor and was replaced with a Copper John, Prince Nymph, or other small nymph; the heavy stonefly nymph is never changed. The Green Rock Worm has been working well since early last spring But with this wintry weather now upon us and expected to persist for a while, this might be a good time to service our gear. So let's clean and lubricate our reels, wax the ferrules, and repair those leaky waders, check the fly boxes and leaders, and clean the floating lines. When that spell of midwinter shirt sleeve weather arrives we want to be ready!



OF NOTE by Kellie Christensen

Hello friends As the holidays draw near, don't forget to reserve December 15th for RFF! Just look at what we will have to offer in addition to the raffle:

The PERFECT GIFT for the fly fisherman/gal (or maybe for yourself!)

This beautiful custom Spey Rod, crafted by the legendary Gary Anderson, will be available at our December dinner meeting on December 15th!

It is a gorgeous 5 piece, 12 foot 3 inch 7 weight rod, and a perfect gift for anyone interested in pursuing or perfecting the art of Spey fishing!

This item will be auctioned off with a starting bid of only \$200, well below its current market value of over \$700! (Credit cards are welcome!)



Bring your family members and friends and prepare to enjoy a truly special evening!

<u>OTHER NEWS:</u> Your outings committee has successfully scheduled classes and outings for 2010. You will find a copy in this month's newsletter. Thank you to David Haight, Mike Masters, Marv Dobkins and Kurt Cubbison for helping with this endeavor.

This year's shindigs include an RFF Open House to introduce the public to the sport of fly fishing and our club, more classes for beginners through intermediates, and many outings designed specifically for families and children.

We will also offer, for the first time, online membership renewals and an official "chat club" where you can go to find out the latest and greatest fishing tips from members of our club. IT WILL BE A GREAT YEAR FOR OUR CLUB AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN 2011!

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

By the Numbers

By Otis Swisher

What does the Number 4,229 along with the dates of December 17, and January 1, 24, 26, 27, 28, and February 2, 6, 11, 12, 19, and March 4, 13, 25, 26 as well as the times 1230 h to 1400h bring to your mind? If your answer is "Not much," then read on. If your answer is something different, please write to me and tell me of your experience.

For me, they refer to 4,229 feeding fish rises that I counted, on the mentioned dates, during the hours listed. Shall I continue?

During the past 4 or 5 years I have filled in the blanks between "fishing times" in the winter months with just sitting and enjoying counting "feeding fish rises". I can do this latter from the warmth of my car when it is sunny, dark and overcast, windy, cold, mild, rainy, sleeting or snowing, or foggy...pick any kind of winter day.

I don't have to put on waders, or get my feet wet, or freeze my fingers, or suffer from a bad case of rhinitis of my nose. This is easy living at its best during perhaps the worst weather period of the year.

Not only can I watch the rising fish but I can enjoy watching Bald Eagles fly by at eye level, and Great Blue Herons building and occupying their nests. And it is a pleasure to look down through the clear water and see Buffleheads or Common Mergansers "flying" (swimming?) through the water column.

The water outflow from Lost Creek Dam hovers around 900 cfs. It's low and best of all it's clear so I can see the flash of trout and the broad sides of steelhead because the water is so shallow that I can make out every rock of the gravel bar over which much of the action is taking place.

I can coordinate the fly-catching activity of the Black Phoebe as it sallies out to mid-river where the fish are rising; so, I get the activity of feeding on flies going on both in the air above the water and on its surface. Now, tell me these insect hatches aren't important for a host of wildlife creatures.

Here I sit, high above the river so I can take in the panorama of over 100 feet of river surface and can see trout rising from bank-to-bank on a very good day.

When first I did my counts I merely tallied numbers of fish rises. Then, I broke the time into five minute periods. Then, I diagramed the pattern of brown riffle and green deeper water. This made it so I could get a picture of the pattern of the rises. A dot per rise.

I have noted these facts, also: 1) when flyfishers cast their dryflies over the fish, the fish stop their frenzy of feeding and go to a less active mode. I think I should have known that intuitively. But, 2) the same happens when the diving ducks are swimming there as well.

The rise forms vary from the small dimple, to the head-out-of-the-water rise, to the body completely hurled out of the water, to the two foot circle of a steelhead rising right in the same spot the trout are coming up. (Parenthetically, I have seen a 17" steelhead taken on a #14 March Brown from within the rising trout.)

The numbers themselves interest me. The number of rises in any five minute period varies from zero to 106. That's right, 106 rises with fish breaking the surface in just 5 minutes. 30 to 40 rises are common on a good day. 70 to 80 happens often enough to keep me busy with my tallying. And, fish of 12 or 13 inches can be positively Id'd at times.

I enjoyed seeing the rises while big snow flakes were settling gently down out of a windless sky. Also, when hail the size of a bead head #8 fly musically drummed my car roof I felt so lucky to be under cover at times like those.

For you to get a feel for how many rises there are on a given day, note just three days: 238 and 196 and 612. That kept me busy with my recording. Then, the "best" five minute periods were: 106, and 92 and 90.

But it is not just the numbers that interests me. It is the over-all experience which I enjoyed. I catch my breath when I look back at my notes, and I delight in the pleasure I have received in tallying the individual rise patterns which make up the total number.

If you would like to observe the feeding rises sometime at this spot, it is called Chief Hole at McGregor Park. Take Hwy 62 to Casey State Park (MP-29). Continue North over the Rogue River Bridge. At the end of the guard rail (road Left) is the access road and signed as Fishing Access. 1/4 mile by paved road and you are there. You don't even have to get up early. Sometime between 1230 h and 1400 h will do.

FLY TYING CLASSES

Rogue Fly Fishers 2011 fly tying classes sign up is starting. The classes are on Monday nights starting January 10th, for 6 weeks. They are held at the Medford Library, main branch from 6pm to 9pm.

5 seats available for the beginner's class taught by Mark Teeters 10 seats open for the intermediate class taught by Morris Fruitman 1 seat open for the advanced class taught by Dan Kellogg

6 seats open for a new "back to basics" class taught by Dave Roberts. This is a class designed for the tyer needing to brush up on basic skills, techniques, and materials for tying fishing flies

All materials will be supplied. Bring your own vise, tools, and light. Sign-up sheets will be available at the next meeting.

2011 Northwest Fly Fishing Expo

Mark your calendar for the 2011 FFF, Oregon Council Albany Expo show which will be on March 11-12. After having been a fly tier event for more than 20 years, the expo was expanded five years ago to focus on the total fly fisher. Over 2,000 plus attendees will have an opportunity to attend 90 classes, visit over 50 fly-fishing industry booths, observe 40+ tiers continuously tying. Casting is a featured event: A 70-foot casting pond is set up on the main floor, where certified casting instructors give demonstrations each hour; Spey casters have an outdoor casting pond for practice and instruction; and numerous casting classes are available. The expo concludes with a banquet Saturday evening featuring a live auction. All proceeds benefit education and conservation efforts in Oregon. Learn more, signup for classes or purchase banquet tickets at www. NWExpo.com

BOARD ELECTIONS

At the November meeting, all current board members were reelected with the exception of Pat Hurley. Pat is replaced by Bill Brock. The following members are elected:

Bill Ackerman, Kellie Christensen, John Grimbergen, David Haight, Bill Brock, John Ward.

Terms are for two years.

PROGRAMS

January.-Brian O'Keffe will be our speaker in January. He and an associate have the on line magazine Catch. If you are not a subscriber, you want to be, it is free; just Google Catch and you will get there. Brian fishes all over the world and is a phenomenal photographer. He is one of the most entertaining speakers we have had at our club.

On The Fly

December 2010

Fly tying is a school from which we never graduate"

PATTERN OF THE MONTH - Little Black Stonefly

Hook: Daiichi 1170, Standard dry, size 16 - 20

Thread: 8-0 black.
Tail: Moose body.

Abdomen: Fine & Dry, black or black/brown. Wing: Grizzly or black hackle feather.

Hackle: Black CDC. Head: Dubbing. Antennae: Moose body.



Tying Instructions-

Step 1 Mash the barb and mount the hook in the vise.

Step 2: Start the thread two eye widths behind the eye and lay down an even thread base to just above the hook barb.

Step 3: Select two moose body hairs, measure them 2/3 the body length, and tie them in just above the hook point. Split the hairs with a couple wraps of thread. Trim the butts 2/3 the body length and tie down on top of the hook with spiral wraps and return thread to the base of the tails.

Step 4: Wax the tying thread and twist a sparse amount of dubbing onto it. Wrap the dubbed thread into a thin body up to the 2/3 point on the shank. Remove excess and tie off.

Step 5: Select a hackle feather with barbs 1 1/2 times the hook length. Hold the feather flat in your left hand with the shinny side up. With your right fingers pinch the feather top and bottom along the stem. With your left hand slowly draw the hackles through the right fingers, preening the barbs back toward the base of the feather. Stop pulling when about 1/4" of preened barbs extend beyond the right fingertips. Position the feather with your right hand on top of the hook shank just in front of the body. Using your left hand take two loose wraps over the feather at the mounting point. Continuing to hold the feather in your right fingers, grasp the tip of the feather in your left hand, and draw it carefully beneath the thread wraps until the wing is the desired length and on the very top of the hook shank. Secure in place with additional thread wraps. Clip off the excess material and bind down the butts. Clip away the feather tip at the rear of the wing.



Step 6: Select a CDC feather, tie in by the tip just in front of the wing. Wrap the feather forward 2-3 turns stroking the fibers rearward at each half turn. Tie of and trim excess. Take two turns rearward over the CDC fibers forcing them back over the wing slightly.

Step 7: Apply a small amount of dubbing to the thread and wind in front of the CDC to form a broad head.

Step 8: Select two more moose body hairs, tie one on each side of the head about the same length as the tails. Secure with thread wraps and trim excess.

Step 9: Whip finish and cement. If desired, trim the CDC legs to length.

This month's article is the third installment in a 3-part series on winter flies for the Rogue River, a mayfly, a caddis, and a stonefly. All three offer opportunity for the fly fisherman during the months that most of us hibernate and tie flies to fill our boxes for the next season. Unfortunately for the trout hibernation is not an option. Fortunately there is plenty of aquatic life to feed on, mostly below the surface. The Little Black Stonefly, or Little Brown as it is called in some areas, can offer some exciting winter dry fly fishing. These rarely intense hatches are overlooked by many fly anglers but not by the trout. In the late winter and early spring when water temperatures reach below 40 degrees, the nymphs crawl toward the shoreline onto rocks or other objects protruding from the water, hatch into adults then mate in small swarming groups. The females immediately head back to the water to release their eggs quickly, usually sporadically throughout the day depending on overcast and low light levels. This egg depositing is when the adults are available for enthusiastic trout to eat.

Look carefully for the presents of The Little Black Stoneflies on streamside bushes, trees, and snow banks. Unlike mayflies, the stones live longer, having mouthparts for eating and drinking, staying available longer for the fish. They are clumsy, slow, and erratic in flight. At rest the wings are folded flat over their back with two pronounced short tails. This month's pattern incorporates a unique reverse hackle down wing, or "wonder wing". The legs, made of CDC feather, add floatation, movement and life.

Tying Tips:

Vary the small size to match the naturals. Color can vary from black to dark brown. Keep the body slender. You can see by the picture of the naturals, they are small and thin. The wing can be fashioned from rooster neck or hen hackle in grizzly or black. Notice the broad shaped head compared to the rest of the body. Don't let step 5, in the tying instruction, discourage you. The wing is tricky at first, and hard to describe, but once practiced, becomes a piece of cake. This great technique can be used for many great patterns in the future. So tie some up, give them a cold weather test flight, and let me know how you do.

Tie One On

Curt Sclosser's movie debut

This is a 20+ lb trout club member Curt Sclosser caught in a lake at Pronghorn Lake Ranch, Oregon. They were filming a promo video that day on the lake, they told Curt he could fish but stay out of the way of the "Professional fishers" catching fish for the video. Those guys only caught little fish and the filming boat came across the lake when they saw "Fat Albert" jump so Curt made it into the promo video after all.

Curt's float tube flipped over as they wrestled as the fish squirmed to get loose. A \$600 fly rod / reel went to the bottom of lake.. He plans to return to dive for the rod in **48 degree water**.

Here is "Fat Albert"



This was right before the float tube flipped.. watch for more on Americas Funniest Home Videos. Congrats on such a Great fish!

EPILOG (In Curt's own words)

Here's the rest on the scuba diving and lost rod.. I rented scuba gear and went over diving the weekend of the 10-11 Nov.. Becky went along as my support person, she rubbed him down with talcum powder to stretch the scuba wet suit on me.. They had me too buoyant with too light of a lead belt.. and I could hardly get to the bottom very well, those scuba wet suits are very buoyant, water was also very dirty due to rains.. wind and weeds had moved the buoy marking the rod.. So after two hours in the water and Mike the lake owner was talking about strapping two more cement blocks to my ass, I felt like Jimmy Hoffa and we called the game and it became "Crown Royal time".. I hired a "Real" diver the next weekend, (14 Nov.) Mike also had some work for him to do..

When I go there on Sunday with the diver Mike said that Denny Rickards (Professional Lake fishing guide) was there on Sat and caught a rod on the other side of lake.. I felt that could not be mine, it was over 200 yards from where I lost it... I showed the diver an extra front section of the rod I lost and Mike said, that was exactly what the one Denny found looked like, so we called him and described the rod and it was the same specs and model.. So after diving and doing Mikes work we headed for Fort Klamath and got the rod back.. The only thing we can figure is that a fish picked one of the flies on the bottom attached to the rod and drug it across the lake.. When he found it the leader was broke off.. what a story.. It cleaned up nice and the reel works great... I hope there is no more to follow...

SOFT

The Southern Oregon Fly Tyers invite you to attend their meetings the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is December 14, 2010. The meetings start at 6:00 PM, at the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park community building near Gold Hill. Bring a friend, come early so you don't miss anything, and stay late. Tyers need not be experienced, and those with all levels of skill are welcome. Each meeting a member is encouraged to demonstrate a new or different skill, from simple to difficult. For more information, call Dan Kellogg at 773-4724

We'll have two tyers at the December meeting, Mark Teeters and Mike Barnum. Mark is going to demo the reverse tied wing for steelhead flies, and feature some Ed Haas patterns. Mike will be demonstrating a technique that will allow you to use a feather that would ordinarily be too large for a particular application.

DIRECTIONS: Take Gold Hill Exit #40, off of I-5 and go west, toward Jacksonville, 1.3 miles, until you reach the brick entrance way to the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park on the right. You'll pass a golf course parking lot on your left shortly after leaving the freeway. After you turn right into the mobile home park, proceed to the community building which is located about 100 yards ahead on the left. The address is 8401 Old Stage Rd. Please park your vehicle on the bare dirt in the parking lot to avoid the wooden septic covers in the grass

New Years Day Chili Feed

The holidays are a fun time of year, and one of the things we always look forward to is the chili feed at the Holy Water each New Year's Day. It has become a tradition for members of the Rogue Flyfishers and the Southern Oregon Fly Fishers to meet at the Holy Water to celebrate the new year by enjoying a hot bowl of chili, a warm fire, and great company; and by trying to catch that first fish of the new year.

As usual, we will gather at the picnic shelter near the parking lot on the south side of the Holy Water. The fire should be going by 10 AM, and we will eat about noon. There will be opportunities to fish both before and after we eat.

We need a few volunteers to make pots of chili, and a person or two to bring some fire wood. If you can help with either of these items, please contact David Haight. Others can help out by bringing cornbread, salads, desserts, or other items to share.

The Rogue Flyfishers and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife have been working to enhance the rainbow trout population in the Holy Water, and it has improved quite a bit this year. The rainbow are more abundant and in good condition. Consequently, fishing has been better then it has been in several years. Drifting midge patterns has been one of the most productive techniques lately. If you are not familiar with fishing midges, bring a few Griffith's gnats and some beadhead midges, and there should be plenty of knowledgeable people there to offer advice. Stripping or drifting small marabou leeches, woolly buggers, or nymphs along the bottom can also be productive during the colder months. If you are going to fish, remember to get your 2011 fishing license

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Jack Rowe has changed his e-mail address to Jackrowe333@gmail.com

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OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The outstanding club member of the year award is given each January to a member(s) as recognition for significant contribution to the Rogue Flyfishers. If you know of a club member worthy of this award, please submit the candidates name to the Board of Directors using the form printed below. This award is given to a person who has been a paid member for the entire year, and who has contributed to the achievement of the club as set forth in the Club Bylaws, Article 1, which reads that the club is established ".... to promote the conservation, protection, and enhancement of our fish and wildlife resources and habitats; to promote conservation of recreational resources; and to facilitate and improve the knowledge of flyfishing." Mail the completed nomination form to Rogue Flyfishers / PO Box 4637 / Medford, OR 97501.

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Rogue Fly Fishers membership Application and membership Renewal Form

Applying, or renewing, as (check one): **Individual** __ (\$30.00), **Family** __ (\$35.00), 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.

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Name:	If a family membership,
List Family Member's Names	-
Address	
Best Contact Telephone Numbers: Area Code	Number
(2nd best) Number	
E-mail Address:	
Are you retired? Yes No Are you interested in	ership directory, check here Member Federation of Fly Fishers? Yes No n, or want help in (check all as appropriate): Casting Fly tying Fishing n Activities Fishing Partner Organizing Social Activity and Grouplake boat? Yes No other interests?
Prefer receiving paperless Newsletter electronically US Mail ? Amount enclosed . Ma	y (quickest receipt and saves the club money for other activities and uses, or by ail completed form and payment to:

ROGUE FLYFISHERS OUTINGS NOTES:

We are proud to offer "The Rogue Flyfishers Mentoring Program" for 2011. Experienced fisher folks, who have volunteered to help, will offer guidance to people new to the sport of fly fishing at our various outings. More information on how to sign up as a mentor, or as someone who benefit from the expertise of an experienced fish catcher, will be available in our monthly newsletter and at our dinner meetings on the third Wednesday of the month.

If you are interested in helping with an outing, please contact Kellie at kclmbr@msn.com. Formerly known as "hosts" this position requires only that YOU decide where and when to meet and then greet the folks as they arrive. If you have tips to offer, as to how to fish the area, they are always welcome. You need not be an expert to help with this! Offer to be a "Fish master" and lend a hand to any outing that appeals to you and your experience! Thank you!

ROGUE FLYFISHERS SCHEDULE OF OUTINGS AND CLASSES FOR 2011

Saturday, January 1, 2011

ANNUAL HOLY WATER CHILI FEED - Joint Outing with Southern Oregon Fly Fishers (SOFF)

Saturday, January 15, 2011

COASTAL WINTER STEELHEAD - Joint Outing with SOFF

Saturday, February 5th

INTRODUCTION TO FLYFISHING CLASS -"Everything You Need To Know" with Rich Fiebelkorn

Saturday, February 26th

HOLY WATER MIDGE FISHING - CLASS AND OUTING - "Fishmaster" Rich Fiebelkorn/

Saturday, March 12th

ROGUE FLYFISHERS 1ST ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE - Open to the public and will feature fly tying, information tables and booths,, equipment displays, casting demonstrations and "meet and greet" with potential new members.

Saturday, March 26th

OUTDOOR BREAKFAST AND STEELHEAD FISHING ON THE APPLEGATE

Saturday, April 9th

CASTING CLASS ON THE WATER - CLASS FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITY - TRADITIONAL AND SPEY

Saturday, April 30th

LAKE SELMAC BASS HUNT - OUTING FOR ALL AGES AND FAMILIES WELCOME

Saturday, May 7th

AGATE LAKE ADVENTURE - "Fishmaster" Bruce McGregor

Thursday, May 12th through Sunday, May 15th

UPPER WILLIAMSON OUTING - COME FOR ANY DAYS YOU LIKE! "Fishmasters" John Ward and Gary Graham

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18TH

ROGUE FLYFISHERS ANNUAL AUCTION AND DINNER

Saturday, June 4th

HYDE LAKE FISHARAMA

ROGUE FLYFISHERS SCHEDULE OF OUTINGS AND CLASSES FOR 2011 continued

Saturday June 25th

HYATT LAKE FAMILY CLASS AND OUTING

Monday, June 27th - Thursday, June 30th

DIAMOND LAKE with "Fish master" Phil Hager

<u>Friday, July 29th - Sunday July 31st</u> ADVENTURES ON THE CHEWAUCAN

Wednesday, July 20th

HANK ROGERS MEMORIAL PICNIC at Emmigrant Lake

Friday July 22nd - Sunday July 24th

LONESOME DUCK - Joint venture with SOFF - Kellie Christensen, Facilitator

Thursday, August 4th - Sunday August 7th

HOSMER LAKE FLOAT AND BOAT with "Fish master" Brian Pindall

Saturday, August 13th

STEELHEAD CLASS ON THE WATER with Lee Wedberg

Saturday, August 20th

UPPER UMPOUA STEELHEAD CLASS AND OUTING - Joint Venture with SOFF - "Fish master" David Haight

Monday, September 5th - Sunday September 11th

CENTRAL OREGON LAKES with Phil Hager

Saturday, September 10th

AGNES 1/2 POUNDERS HAUL - Joint Venture with SOFF - "Fish master" David Haight

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

ANNUAL STEELHEAD TOURNAMENT - With "Fish masters" Lee Wedberg and Dick Chambers

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

MONTHLY DINNER will include PRESENTATION OF STEELHEAD TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Saturday, October 22nd

MIDDLE ROGUE STEELHEAD - Joint venture with SOFF- "Fish master" David Haight

Saturday, November 19th

KLAMATH RIVER ADVENTURE

MORE INFORMATION AS TO THE "DETAILS" OF THESE OUTINGS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN UPCOMING NEWSLETTERS AND MAILINGS AND ON OUR WEBSITE, Rogueflyfishers.org