



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

**John Hazlett**

**The Challenge:**

**Winter Steelhead and Fall Chinook on the Southern Oregon Coast**

**Rogue Flyfishers**  
**PO Box 4637**  
**Medford, Oregon 97501**  
**[www.rogueflyfishers.org](http://www.rogueflyfishers.org)**

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There is nothing more exciting than catching a fresh winter steelhead near the coast. Without a doubt, it's the ultimate challenge for any steelhead fisherman. Timing, technique, and a little luck determine your success. I will try to help shorten the learning curve based on these factors. We'll talk about our coastal gems such as the Chetco, Elk, and Lower Rogue. These three rivers offer separate challenges and each require a different approach. We'll discuss flies, technique, river flows, and timing as it relates to these rivers. In addition, we'll cover the topic of swinging for fall Chinook on the Lower Rogue.

Also, I will play a Trout Unlimited (On The Rise) show featuring winter steelhead fishing the Elk and Rogue rivers.

## President's Message

What a wonderful time for reflection, there are many things to be thankful for. I will probably miss a few and for this I apologize up front now.

I want to thank all the board members for their help and concern for the projects and events we help with. Also to our behind the scenes people that do an outstanding job of helping continue our quest to be a very special club.

1. Debbie Paden – she sends out our welcome packets to new members
2. Steve Ostrander – who does an outstanding job with our website and newsletter.
3. Tom Collett – who creates our Vertical Response emails.
4. John MacDiarmid – Program chairman. He works hard in getting us great speakers
5. Dick Chambers – Librarian ( also needs an assistant )
6. Bob Claypool – for the raffle rods he creates each month.
7. Will Johnson and Kellie Christensen – for their work on raffle items.
8. John Bjorkholm – Membership chairman. He keeps up with our roster.
9. Dave Haight – Chairs our Outings Program.
10. All of the volunteer Fly Tiers at the Wet Fly portion of our meetings.

As you can see, it takes many of us to make this whole thing work. So a BIG THANK YOU to all of you.

If you missed it, the December meeting was very special and an honor to present Senator Alan Bates with our Golden Demon Award. Look for more throughout the newsletter.

I look forward to this coming year of 2014 and all the fishing opportunities that might come our way.

Mike

## MEMBER OF THE YEAR

**The club is actively seeking nominations for the Outstanding Club Member of the year for 2013. Please use the form below to nominate a deserving club member. You can also find a link to the form on the home page of the website.**

### YEAR 2013 OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION

The Outstanding Club Member of the Year Award is given each January to a member (s) as recognition for significant contributions to The Rogue Flyfishers. If you know of a club member worthy of this award, please submit the candidate's name and qualifications to the Board of Directors either by regular mail, email or telephone. This award is given to a paid member who has contributed to the achievement of the club as set forth in the RFF Bylaws, Article 1. You may use the form below and mail it to: Rogue Flyfishers, PO Box 4637, Medford OR 97501

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I recommend the following person or persons for the Year 2011 Outstanding Club Member of the Year Award:

My recommendation is based on the following:





## Your Help Needed

Your input could improve the accuracy of RFF's 42-year Habitat / Conservation history.

There doesn't seem to be a consistent record of RFF's fisheries habitat and conservation projects since 1971. Big gaps; photos without names, dates, or locations; few before- and after- studies; no reports of what worked and what didn't. With foundations, agencies and other organizations actively looking for project partners in a very competitive funding environment, RFF could buff up their long commitment to the Rogue Basin and help shape sustainable fisheries. Please take a few moments to help shape the Rogue's Future.

In the 17 years from 1972 to 1988, club focus was improving fish access to upstream spawning sites on the Rogue and Applegate tributary streams, by contract construction over \$150,000, volunteer labor, and donated materials and equipment. Sites appear to include:

1972 Star Gulch  
1972 East Evans Creek  
1973 Big Butte Creek  
1975 Antelope Creek  
1978 Ward Creek  
1978 Bill's Creek  
1979 Slate Creek  
1979 Foots Creek  
1979 Yale Creek  
1981 Fielder Dam fishladder on Evans Creek  
1981 Kane Creek  
1981 Hog Creek  
1981 Griffin Pond  
1982 South Fork Little Butte Creek  
1983 STEP & ODFW Habitat Project  
1984 Trail Creek  
1985 Ashland Pond  
1985 Little Butte Creek fish kill  
1986 Savage Rapids fishladder repair  
1987 Union Creek  
1987 Bear Creek fishladder at Oak Street  
1987 Little Applegate River  
1987 Jones Creek jump pool  
1988 Alfonso Dam removal on Evans Creek



### Tree planting

2009 Louse Creek  
2009 Wrights Creek  
2009 Quartz Creek  
2009 Applegate Sustainable Aggregate Project  
2009 Applegate River monitoring vegetation  
At Hyde Bar Reclamation site  
2010 Louse Creek  
2010 Sucker Creek  
2010 Quartz Creek  
2010 Limpy Creek  
2010 Vannoy Creek  
2011 Jones Creek  
2011 Quartz Creek  
2011 Shady Cove at Aunt Caroline's Park  
2011 Rogue River at Kelly Slough  
2012 Rogue River at Tolo Slough  
2012 Sucker Creek  
2012 Palmer Creek  
2012 Bear Creek

During the 20 years, from 1989 to 2008 RFF appears to have no restoration projects with watershed councils, and perhaps few other major restoration projects except where gravel mining impacted fisheries as at the Rogue Stakeholder project.

With removal of major mainstream Rogue River dams and other barriers on tributaries several watershed councils approached RFF for assistance to replant and stabilize some 16 sites in 2009 to 2013 ( see above ). In 2012 RFF volunteers helped remove the metal collars installed 35 years earlier to protect knee-high seedlings from rodent damage. The crew salvaged several thousand feet of piping, tubes and fittings from the drip irrigation system that nurtured the young seedlings, now 30+ feet tall. In addition to the Rogue Stakeholder Project, The RFF planted the sites shown above.

John Ward is soliciting your help to complete the record. If you have information or photos from any of these projects, he would like to hear from you. We are in need of help identifying photos and updating information on these past projects. Any help that you can give John would be greatly appreciated. John can be contacted at 541-482-2859 or [e\\_john\\_ward@msn.com](mailto:e_john_ward@msn.com).

Due to space limitations in this newsletter, it was necessary to summarize John's information. The complete text can be found on the website at:

**<http://www.rogueflyfishers.org/conservationprojects.pdf>**



**ATLANTIC SALMON FLY  
INTERNATIONAL EXPO 2014**  
*The Celebration of the Art & Passion of  
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MAY 17 & 18, 2014  
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WWW.ASFI-EXPO.COM  
\$25 ADMISSION INCLUDES BOTH DAYS  
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**Wasatch Custom Angling**



On May 17 and 18, 2014, Atlantic Salmon Fly enthusiasts will experience an event like no other. Hosted by Seattle's Northwest Atlantic Salmon Fly Guild, Atlantic Salmon Fly International (ASFI) is a first-of-its-kind event strictly celebrating the Art and Passion of the Atlantic Salmon Fly. None of us would be tying these flies were it not for zealous salmon fly tiers sharing their knowledge face-to-face over the eras. The robust tradition can only continue so long as we continue to make new friends and share our passion with fellow enthusiasts.

While the Internet has made sharing knowledge easy, and making new friends in other countries possible, there is no substitute for tangible camaraderie and learning in person. ASFI aims to take virtual reality into the flesh for an old-time learning experience. Long-distance friends will have a chance to meet, new relationships will

be forged, and tiers of all generations can share their knowledge.

Currently, no less than ten countries will be representing, from Japan to Germany, and we have only just begun! The best Atlantic Salmon fly tiers from hairwings to the most complex, gaudiest Victorian featherwings will demonstrate their skills and share their knowledge on tying and fishing these storied patterns. ASFI will not only feature fly tiers, but also have hook maker demonstrations, dyemasters teaching the craft of colors, and seminars on history, design, and methods are to be had.

We look forward to your participation in maintaining the momentum of the tradition, and making the first ASFI a success!

**[www.asfi-expo.com](http://www.asfi-expo.com)**

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## GOLDEN DEMON AWARD

The Rogue Flyfishers Club of Medford honored Senator Alan Bates as the recipient of the prestigious "Golden Demon Award". This award, named after a unique fishing fly, is given to a non-club member for his or her achievements in conservation, preservation and habitat improvement of rivers, streams, and fisheries, and for education and support of water issues in the Rogue Valley area. We would like to thank Senator Bates for his dedication to preserving our local waterways and the creation and successful passage of Senate Bill 838. Senator Alan Bates now joins Rose Marie Davis (2000), Governor John Kitzhaber (2002), E. Frank Schnitzer (2004), and Janelle Dunlevy (2006) as a recipient of this distinctive award.

## 2014 FLY TYING CLASSES

When? 6-WEEK CLASS - Monday nights 6 - 9 pm

Starts Monday January 20, 2014

Where? First Baptist Church/Grace Christian Sch.

649 Crater Lake Ave Medford, OR 97504

The Fireside Room

### THREE CLASSES OFFERED

Introduction to Fly Tying Basic Tools, Materials, and Patterns

Material cost - \$25. Instructor - Tom Collett 541-244-8030.

Tools are not required, loaner sets will be available.

Tying Flies with a Purpose Fishing Flies that work.

Material cost - \$25. Instructor - Jay Daily 541-396-6656.

Basic skills and tools are required.

The Art of Fly Tying Carrie Stevens Classic Streamers.

Material cost - \$35. Instructor - Dan Kellogg/Dave Roberts

541-210-0949. Tools & experienced skills are required.

\*Call today to register or sign up at the meetings.

Registration deadline is January 13th.

*Sponsored by the Southern Oregon Fly Tyers & the Rogue Fly Fishers*

**THE ROGUE FLYFISHERS IS MOVING OUR DINNER MEETINGS IN JANUARY!**

**We will be meeting at the ROGUE REGENCY, just off 1-5 at the Hwy. 62 exit, for ALL dinner meetings starting on January 15th. Further details are in this newsletter!**

**Questions? Contact Kellie at [kclmbr@msn.com](mailto:kclmbr@msn.com) or 541-776-4094!**



***The Rogue Flyfishers monthly dinner location HAS CHANGED!***

**Effective January 1, 2014, the club will be meeting  
at the ROGUE REGENCY just off HWY 62 in Medford.**

**Meeting rooms are through the main lobby door, make a right, and take the elevator down to the first (press 1 button) floor. Make a right and proceed down hallway. The meeting room is on the right.**

**From I-5, get off at exit 30 (Hwy 62) and head to Biddle Road.**

**Rogue Regency is on Biddle Road just north of the I-5 overpass.**

Dinners will be served individually at the tables and Vegetarian meals are available.

Children may dine off the kid's menu or order half portion of the adult meal.

Prices will remain the same and may be lowered (in a month or two) after club reviews the financial feasibility of doing so.

Dinner include entrée, side dishes, beverages (non alcoholic) and dessert.

A full bar will be available for those wishing to purchase alcohol.

QUESTIONS?? Call Kellie at 541-776-4094 or kclmbr@msn.com

(Monthly dinner menus have been preselected by your Rogue Flyfisher's Events Coordinator and approved by your Board of Directors.)

**MONTHLY MEETINGS REMAIN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH.**

**First meeting is January 15th.** Wet Fly 6—7. Dinners and speaker follows.

**Rogue Regency 2300 Biddle Road Medford OR 97504**

## **January Outing**

On January 18 and 19, the Rogue Flyfishers will head to a place we have never been to on an outing--the South Fork Coquille River. The South Fork Coquille is known for its outstanding winter steelhead fishery. Besides having good numbers of steelhead, the river produces some really large fish.

The South Fork Coquille is a smaller river with well vegetated banks. Much of the land along the river is privately owned, but there are several access points where anglers can get out on gravel bars that offer some casting room. For those that want to bring a driftboat or pontoon boat, the lower river has a couple of sections that you can float.

Standard fly fishing techniques and equipment typically used for winter steelhead will work on the South Fork Coquille. Nymphing with egg patterns, Glo Bugs, or rubber leg patterns can be effective, as can swinging flies like Polar Shrimp or Intruders. Since the water is frequently cloudy; bigger, brighter flies often work better. Eight-weight single-handed rods, switch rods, or smaller Spey rods are well suited for the river. Bring floating lines for nymphing and sink-tip lines for swinging, as well as 10 to 15-pound leaders. Don't forget rain gear, waders, food, and drinks.

We will meet at Hoffman Memorial State Park on Hwy 42 just past the turn-off to Powers at 9:00 AM on Saturday. This is about a two and a half hour drive from Medford. For those that want to stay overnight in the area, the Myrtle Trees Motel ( [www.myrtletreesmotel.com](http://www.myrtletreesmotel.com), 541-572-5811 ) in Myrtle Point and the Myrtle Lane Motel (541-396-2102) in Coquille are both described as being older motels but clean and quiet. Bandon, about 20 miles from the river, has a good assortment of motels, restaurants, and other amenities.

This trip will be a new adventure for the club. It should be fun to explore some new water together. Because of the uncertainties of weather and water conditions on coastal streams during the winter, be sure to check the club's website for any updates prior to leaving for the river,

David Haight, Outings Chair

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**Call today and mention your affiliation with The Rogue Flyfishers for a member discount.**



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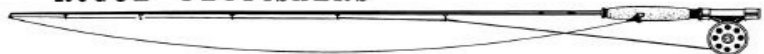
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## SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FLY SHOP

The Ashland Fly Shop	399 E. Main Street at Third, Ashland	541-488-6454
Gary Anderson Custom Rods	1976 Footh Creek Road, Gold Hill	541-582-4318
The Fishin' Hole	21873 Hwy 62, Shady Cove	541-878-4000
Rogue Fly Shop	310 NW Morgan Lane, Grants Pass	541-476-0552
The Flyway Shop	9349 Hwy. 97 South, Klamath Falls	541-884-3825

Shasta Trout Guide Service	www.shastatrout.com	(530) 926-5763
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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. There is also a \$10 new member processing fee.) **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** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**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 \_\_\_  
Are you **retired?** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ **Do you have a drift boat?** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ **lake boat?** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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