

JULY 2023

Rogue Flyfishers

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.

MEETING

The next Club dinner meeting
will be September 20th

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Upcoming Schedule

No Club Meeting May Through August

No board Meeting in July or August

Next Club Board Meeting 9/6

No fly tyers meeting July or August

Outings:

Upper Klamath Lake 7/12

North Umpqua Steelhead 8/12-8/13

Check the Club Calendar for more information



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President's Message from David Haight

For some time now, the Rogue Flyfishers have skipped holding our monthly dinner meetings in July and August. Quite a few members are traveling or otherwise unavailable, and attendance at the summer meetings was typically low. Unfortunately, our meeting venue was not available to us in April, May, and June, which drastically extended the time we are unable to hold our monthly dinner meetings.

Fortunately, there are other ways for our club members to get together, and we added a few things to the schedule to help make up for the lack regular meetings. April was pretty easy. We typically hold our fly-tying meeting in April, as does the Southern Oregon Fly Fishers. Since the best tyers from our club tie at their meeting and the best tyers from their club tie at our meeting (not to mention that many of them are members of both clubs) it made sense to hold a single joint fly-tying meeting at SOFF's usual venue. It was a fun evening with a lot of great tyers to watch and learn from.

On June 10 we held a joint picnic with the Southern Oregon Fly Fishers at Tom Pearce Park. Over 90 people signed up to attend. Steve Day and his helpers served up a great meal featuring barbequed tri-tip and chicken, John MacDiarmid offered casting instruction and hosted a casting contest (won by Bill Burns), Kirk Kowalke held a raffle, and Tammy and Dave Dedrick put on a silent auction with a lot of nice prizes, including some fishing trips and several high-end rods. To top it all off, the weather was perfect.

We also have offered a good number of outings during this lull. In early May, the Southern Oregon Fly Fishers invited us to join them at Copeland's Pond, a private pond outside of Grants Pass that offers outstanding fishing for largemouth bass, crappie, and bluegill. Later in the month, Mike Masters hosted a trip to the Owyhee River, noted for its brown trout fishery. According to Mike, the fishing was great.

On June 3rd, Dave McCants led a group of anglers to the Upper Rogue to fish the Salmonfly hatch. There were a lot of Salmonflies along the river, but not many landing on the water, so the trout weren't looking up. Even though the fishing was slow, the participants got the chance to learn something about this fishery from someone who knows it well.

On June 17, we had an outing to Diamond Lake. It was supposed to be our big annual camping trip, but since the Forest Service couldn't commit to having the campground open in time, it was shortened to a one-day outing. A lot of members attended, and after a brief orientation to the fishery, headed out onto the lake. Fishing was not as good as it can be at Diamond Lake (possibly due to the trout being stuffed with the extreme number of midges on the lake) but most everyone caught some fish, and a few people landed some nice tiger trout. A few of us spent the night and fished Lemolo Lake the next morning. We had a great time catching 9 to 12-inch rainbows at a good pace. A few days later, Doug Bolgiano led an outing to Emigrant Lake where participants had fun catching bass and panfish.

On July 12, Steve Day will be leading an outing to Klamath Lake to fish for trophy redband trout. Klamath Lake provides one of the best opportunities to catch truly large trout, with five-pound trout being common and a 10 pounder not out of the question.

Then on August 12 and 13, I will host an outing to the North Umpqua River to fish for steelhead. As part of the outing, I will conduct a class, for those that are interested, on swinging flies for steelhead, and will include instruction on basic Spey casts.

I hope many of you will take advantage of the things the club offers in addition to the monthly meetings. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing you when the monthly meetings resume in September.



ROGUE FLYFISHERS & SOUTHERN OREGON FLY FISHERS **BBQ PICNIC**

We had 95 folks who paid for dinner and I think everybody had a good time. Tammy did a great job on the auction / raffle and I want to especially thank everybody for showing up and making the event a big success.



Emigrant Lake outing

We had at least 10 club anglers turnout for the Emigrant Lake outing on June 21. It was a cool morning. The 10 o'clock start was not too late. I think everyone found my boat with the red RFF ball cap flying from the gunwale. The member fleet included skiffs, john boats and pontoon boats. Maps of the lake were distributed, with suggestions of places to try.



The fish weren't terribly cooperative. Most club members I talked to later in the day caught a few fish, crappie and smallmouth bass. All said they enjoyed themselves. Here's a smallmouth that put a good bend in Michael Daley's rod.

Doug Bolgiano

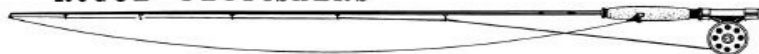


UPPER KLAMATH LAKE

JULY 12

Upper Klamath Lake is home to some of the largest, public water, Rainbow Trout in the Country. We will meet at the Rocky Point boat ramp at 8:00. Being on the water is a must but almost any floating device will work. These aggressive Redbands often respond well to the stripped fly on an intermediate or hover line and indicator tactics can be deadly. Minnow, Wolly Bugger and Leech patterns stripped and Balanced Leeches, Chironomid and small nymph under an indicator often produce well. Five weight to eight weight rods will work well. Come learn about this incredible fishery. Bring your lunch, sun screen and lots of water. For questions contact Steve Day (661) 742-5835 or icrsrd303@gmail.com.

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