



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 the natural resources, environment, and conditions for fishing in the Rogue Valley.

NEWSLETTER

June 2011

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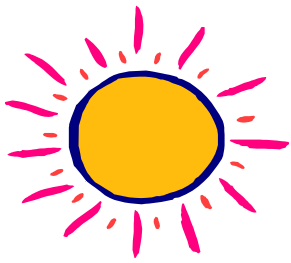
Come Join Your Fly Fishing Family for a night with Ken Morrish



Wednesday, June 15, 2011
Red Lion Hotel - 200 North Riverside in Medford
Wet Fly Social Hour 6 to 7 -
Buffet Dinner and raffle at 7 PM

Kenny Morrish lives in Ashland where he runs his company Fly Water Travel, a travel service for fly anglers. He literally fishes all over the world and he like many of us is concerned about the proposed giant open pit mine in Alaska's Bristol Bay. Kenny will tell us about the wonderful fishery and fishing opportunities in the Bristol Bay area and potential impacts of the Pebble Mine.

The Pebble deposit is a vast deposit of copper, gold and molybdenum located beneath the headwaters of Bristol Bay's Kvichak and Nushagak Rivers. If built, Pebble would be one of the largest mines in the world and cause irreparable harm to the fishery. The mine developers have not released final mine plans, but based on descriptions submitted with their 2006 water rights application and current mineral deposit estimates, the proposed Pebble mine complex would cover some 54.5 square miles. Pebble could produce as much as 10 billion tons of mine waste including sulfuric acid, heavy metals and possibly cyanide that will have to be treated and stored in perpetuity. The Pebble deposit lies in a seismically active area, and any release of this toxic mining waste into surface or groundwater has the potential to damage Bristol Bay's salmon and rainbow trout populations as well as the people who depend on them.



President's Message—June 2011

Like you, fellow fisher folk, I peer out the window daily searching for a sign that summer is truly on it's way. It seems as though winter found our little valley so appealing that it decided not to leave. Let's hope for better weather and lower flows in our local waters soon!

In the meantime, our annual auction, "A Midsummer Night's Stream" was a beautiful and successful event. I would like to thank ALL of you that donated items to our auction. Your generosity is appreciated! The final numbers are not in yet but they look good and I will keep you posted!

A lot of folks gave time and energy to make this happen and I would like to let them know how much we all appreciate their efforts. Here's a list of our auction heroes and some of the duties they performed for our benefit:

Auction Committee:

Mike Masters- Silent Auction Manager, record keeper, storage guru, youth recruitment facilitator, lent us his home for meetings and item collection, moving and setup. (Thanks to Pam Masters for putting up with all of it and still providing snacks!)
Marv Dobkins—Procured many great items from local companies, lent us his wonderful cargo van, (for the second time!) moving and setup.
Lee Wedberg—Procured items and served as a host at the event, setup.
Mick Cuffe— Procured items, setup.

Setup Helpers:

Peter Ware, Jack Rowe, Jan Rowe, Aric Ludwig, Bruce McGregor, Gary Lewellyn, Greg Altenhofen, Dick Chambers. If I missed anyone, mea culpa. You were no less appreciated!

Cashiers

Mike Darck, Jack Rowe, Jan Rowe, Peter Wu, Dale Heath, Sonja Nissen.

Auction Record Keeper:

Curt Schlosser

Youth Volunteers—FFA Members from Crater High School:

Mitch Garvin, Derek Shurr, Sutton North, Christian Inkley, Logan Krische, Devin Serr, Claire Gladman, Sarah Howell, Madison Gierloff, Stacia Neilson, Steen Rasmusson. Advisor: Jesse Warntjes Participating Parent: Lynn Gladman (SEE PHOTO BELOW!)

"On Screen" Projectionist

Phil Paden

Thanks to all of you who helped with cleanup and carry out!

I would also like to thank our treasurer, Bill Brock, who procured our credit card machine and spent long hours completing the necessary financial transactions and record keeping.

Thanks also Reba Johnson and the AWESOME staff of the Red Lion who did a great job with event planning, decorating, setup and serving. They worked very hard for all of us!

THE SUCCESS OF THIS CLUB IS MEASURED BY THE EFFORTS OF ITS MEMBERS!



JOB OPENINGS AT RFF

OPENING FOR CLUB REPRESENTATIVE TO OREGON COUNCIL OF THE FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

John MacDiarmid, who has served for the past two years in this spot, is stepping down and will be happy to talk to anyone about what this position entails.

Please contact him at jmacd@jeffnet.org or call him at 541-664-8391.

YOUTH COORDINATOR NEEDED!

Would any of our new members consider this post? Your club is in desperate need. Please contact Kellie at kclmbr@msn.com or call her at 541-776-4094



Our FFA Members from Crater High School—Student Auction Volunteers

HANK ROGERS ANNUAL MEMORIAL PICNIC IS WEDNESDAY, JULY 20TH

This is a "potluck" event with the main course provided to all who attend. We look forward to this meeting every year! The food is delicious, the camaraderie is casual and fun and there is always casting on the water for those that are in the mood to teach or practice!

Where: Emmigrant Lake, Picnic Area "A" Follow signs to this site.

When: Arrive at 5 to 6 or anytime after that!

Cost:

\$4.00 per car "entrance to park fee" and \$6 per person for dinner.

YOU MUST PAY IN CASH FOR THE ENTRANCE FEE!

Dinner: Fresh Barbecued chicken is the featured entrée and lemonade or tea is provided.

Please note the following "what should I bring?" schedule:

If your last name ends with:

A to J—Bring some type of salad (green or fruit) or a vegetable dish

K to P—Bring a side dish of potatoes, bread, pasta etc.

Q to Z—Bring dessert of any kind

BRING YOUR OWN TABLE SETTING (Plate and eating utensils)

BRING ANY BEVERAGES THAT YOU WOULD PREFER TO DRINK

To volunteer for this event, contact Gary Graham at 541-512-1841 or email him at ggraham240@aol.com

Fishing Takelma from the Boat Launch

By Otis D. Swisher

The Boat Launch ramp is plenty wide, and has open space enough for long back casts.

Cast from C shown on the schematic above. Walk to downstream edge of the ramp with each drift. Return to C for each cast.

Allow for 50 to 60 foot drifts on each of 6 or 7 lanes.

Start Lane 1 with the first long drift. First cast, straight out is only 8 to 10 feet. A large amount of line off the reel should be available for release as the fly drifts. Walk slowly down to lower edge of ramp. Pause at end of drift. Then, walk back to C. Strip all that line back to your feet. Let it lie on the water, or make large loops to be held in the off-rod hand.

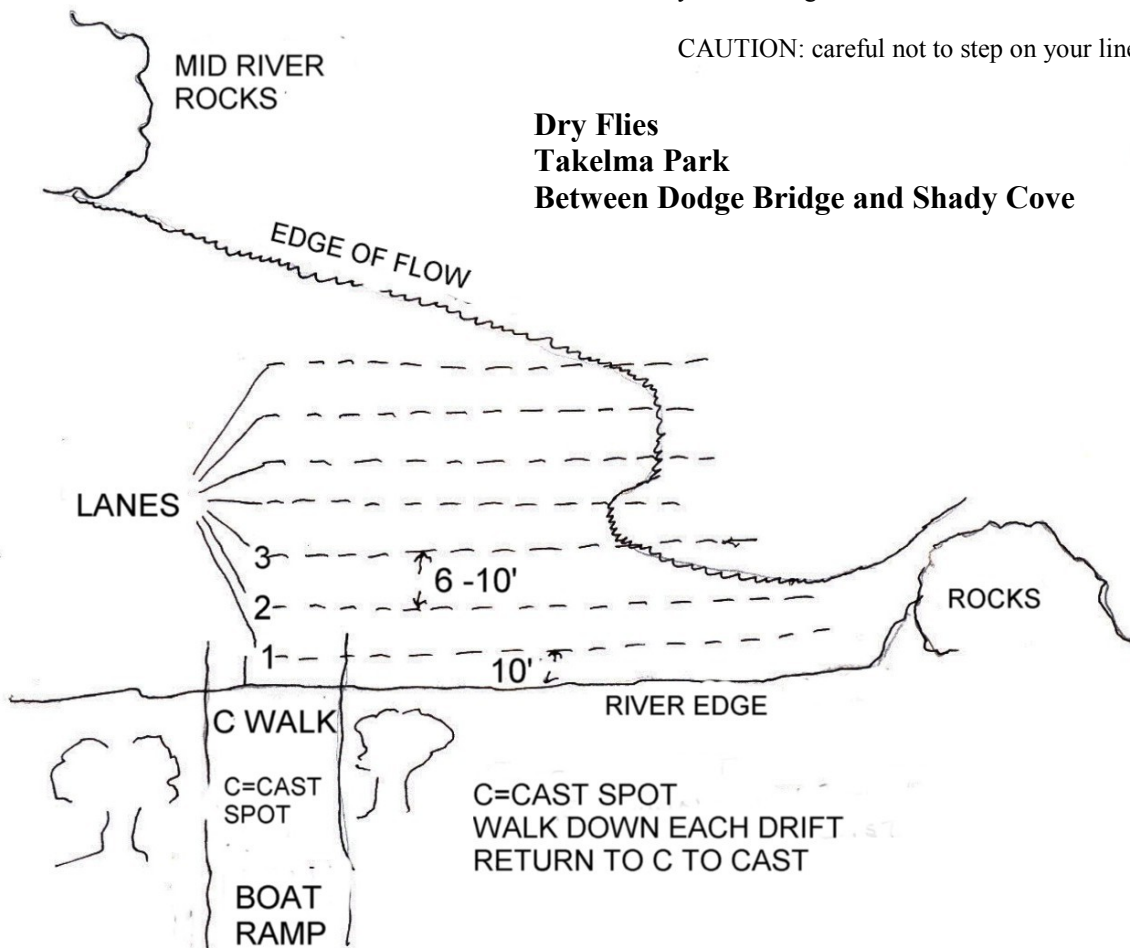
Cast 6 to 8 feet farther out for Lane 2. Big mend upstream, then as fly drifts mend all that excess line into the drift so that the fly drifts straight down the lane. Finish a 50 to 60 foot drift in Lane 2. Fly will pass through the "edge of the flow", or seam. Pause.

Repeat above procedure for each lane.

Off-rod hand controls the line being let out, so that at the moment of a rising fish you can "grasp the line" for the hook set.

Decision time: when fish is hooked, do you go to the reel with all that line at your feet, or do you play the fish by stripping in and allowing an even larger mass of line to gather at your feet? It's your call. I just tell you how to get into the fish. From there on it's up to you.

CAUTION: careful not to step on your line to damage it.



Lending Library Update

Curt Schlosser

We have some new acquisitions for the library since last month. See the new inventory on Website or check with me at June meeting. Great new books on Midges is super plus some new DVDs. If you checked out materials in April and did not bring to the auction in May, please bring them to the June meeting so others have access to them. They will not be late because we did not really do the library at the auction, I just accepted back items which members brought back. See you at the June meeting.

So Many Fish, So Little Time - June

Trout fishing is great, but you will have to be lucky to hook a steelhead in the upper Rogue in June. With salmonflies out and about this is the time to cast a dry pattern such as Stimulator, Sofa Pillow, or other of many possibilities, tied with orange body to imitate salmonflies or yellow body suggesting a golden stonefly. Dead drift is the recommended presentation most of the time, but also occasionally try giving a slight jerk to move the fly a few inches at a time. Also try dropping the fly adjacent to an overhanging shrub where naturals like to rest, and be prepared for an immediate strike from a trout waiting below. Nymphs are also very productive, presumably because the naturals crawl along the bottom to the shore and climb above the water line to molt, and in doing so many lose their footing and are taken by watchful trout.

As for steelhead, early fish from the summer run should arrive in July, more in August and September. We shall have more to say about that next month.

Meanwhile, ponds and lakes should be first rate this year. Diamond Lake is about to explode with outstanding rewards for fishers of all stripes. Your main problem might be where to park your boat trailer. So arrive early, or else take your time and arrive later just as the early wave of anglers leaves. In any case, this figures to be a memorable year on Diamond.

Tiller for sale

Troy-Bilt Junior model, 4 h.p., excellent condition. About 30 hours, with lifetime guarantee. \$500. Call Lee at 541-826-3718.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

JULY-- Club Picnic

AUGUST--Club Birthday

September--Charles Gehr, Spey Fishing Local Waters for Steelhead

October--Rick Hafele- Sometimes known as "Bug Man", Rick is a retired state entomologist, author and nymph angler. He will present one of several educational and often entertaining programs

SOFT

The Southern Oregon Fly Tyers invite you to attend their meetings the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is June 14, 2011. 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 or e-mail at flyguy@eznorthwest.com

SPECIAL GRASSHOPPER JUMP

Tie up two or more of your favorite grasshopper pattern(s) and bring them to the meeting. We'll have a special fly exchange. The more you bring, the bigger the exchange. Also, bring your tools and grasshopper tying materials and share your patterns. We're going to try to break the Guinness World Record for the most fly tyers tying grasshoppers at one time.

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



THE ROGUE RIVER CLEANUP
IS JUNE 11TH
AND THE RIVER NEEDS YOUR
HELP!

The Rogue Basin Coordinating Council, The Seven Basins Watershed and The Rogue Valley Council of Governments are sponsoring a clean-up of the Rogue River on Saturday, June 11th at 9 AM from Tou Velle State Park past the former Gold Ray Dam.

The cleanup is expected to last about 2 hours and lunch will be provided at the former Dam site.

If you are willing to help, please register with Chad Woodward of the Rogue Basins Watershed by calling him at 541-690-8799 or emailing him at coordinator@roguebasinwatersheds.org.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE ROGUE FLYFISHERS ARE ASKED TO HELP WITH THIS IMPORTANT TASK! IF YOU OWN A DRIFT BOAT YOUR HELP WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

As a conservation club our priority is ALWAYS the preservation of waterways and habitat so this is exactly the type of endeavor we should participate in!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

On The Fly

June 2011

Fly tying is a school from which we never graduate”

PATTERN OF THE MONTH - Dark Cahill Wet Fly

Hook: Wet fly, size 10 to 14
Thread: Black, 6-0.
Tail: Dark ginger hackle-barbs or Wood duck flank feathers.
Body: Dark gray muskrat fur or similar.
Hackle: Dark ginger
Wing: Wood duck flank.



Tying Instructions-

- Step 1: Start the thread at a position on the hook shank that allows the proper room for the head. Use this as a marker and don't tie anything past this mark. Wrap a thread base back to a position just above the hook barb.
- Step 2: Tie in a small bunch of ginger or flank barbs, one shank length.
- Step 3: Form a dubbing loop, apply the dubbing, twist, and wind forward leaving enough space for the shaped head.
- Step 4: Tie in some dark ginger hackle barbs, throat style or wind the ginger hackle a couple turns, tie off, divide on top, then hold them down on each side while winding back to form the beard.
- Step 5: Select a well-marked flank feather and pull off the fuzz and fibers at the butt end, leaving a feather equal to 1½ times the finished wing length. Bunch the fibers between your fingers and hold them flat over the body with the tip ends reaching the bend of the hook or a little past. Make sure the fibers drape down on each side of the shank.
- Step 6: Fasten the wing into position on the shank using a soft loop technique. Reposition if necessary, take 3 tight wraps while holding firmly in place. Trim the butts.
- Step 7: Form a small head, whip finish and cement.

Until the 1900's fly fishing in the US was done with wet flies originating in England. Some early wet flies were specifically tied to imitate insects, although it's not clear if it was an emerging nymph or a drowned adult that the tiers had in mind. Other flies are American originals tied strictly as attractors. But as fishing pressure increased the trout became more selective and the anglers more educated. The popularity of the wet fly diminished and has largely been replaced by a huge variety of accurate imitations representing actual stages of subsurface life. Yet, because wet flies are attractive, fun to tie, easy to fish, and since trout will still hammer a Silver Doctor fished down and across stream, wet fly angling still has its fans.

Those who have studied the behavior of stream insects have found that several mayfly species leave their nymphal stage sooner in the life cycle than other species. The dun emerges while the nymph is still on the bottom or on its way to the surface. When this occurs, wet flies are extremely effective. However, many wet flies represent other insects as well. For instance, caddis pupae and diving caddis adults depositing eggs are imitated by wet patterns.

In the summer and fall months when the water is clear and low, a sparsely dressed Dark Cahill wet fly can prove deadly, especially cast tight against the overhanging bank. A wet Light Cahill version has always been a good imitation of the emerging stage of a variety of light colored insects.

Tying Tips: Flank-feather Wing

Some tiers have trouble setting the wing in a low profile. The trouble is that they place the wing on top of the shank where the front of the body will prevent the wing from laying flat. Consequently, it sits halfway up in the air and interferes with the fly's performance. If you remember to taper the body a little in front and let the wing fibers drape down a little on each side when tying them in, the problem is solved..

Tie One On,

Dan Kellogg, (you can contact me at: flyguy@eznorthwest.com)



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Signup via email to kclmbr@msn.com or call Kellie at 541-776-4094. Space is Limited so get your reservation in today! It will be a great trip!

Upper Williamson Outing



New member John Inging with a fish on at the Upper Williamson Outing this year.

OUTINGS UPDATE:

Here are the outings scheduled for June and July:

Saturday, June 18th—Hyde Lake with Dennis Dedrick—This event is filled!

Monday June 27th—Thursday June 30th—Diamond Lake Fish and Camp with Phil Hager. Contact him at 541-778-0963 or by email at flyfishingphil@ffpc-rods.com for more details.

Saturday, July 9th—BEGINNERS FLY FISHING CLASS with Rich Fiebelkorn. Contact Kellie at 541-776-4094 or email her at kclmbr@msn.com for more information.

Wednesday, July 20th—Hank Rogers Annual Memorial Picnic
THIS EVENT REPLACES THE DINNER MEETING AT THE RED LION FOR THIS MONTH.

See details in the “Picnic” article in this month’s newsletter!

Friday July 22nd—Sunday, July 24th—LONESOME DUCK RESORT GUIDED FISHING ON THE WILLIAMSON ALL INCLUSIVE GETAWAY—Signups may be made by phone to Kellie at 541-776-4094 or email her at kclmbr@msn.com Joint venture with SOFF and space is limited so sign up now!

Hyde Lake Outing

Dennis Dedrick

For those members that have signed up for the Hyde Lake outing on June 18, remember the date. At the June 15th meeting I will have extra copies of the handout with directions to Hyde Lake. See you then.

There is a last minute opening for the Hyde Lake outing. Call Dennis at 541-773-2223 or email him at ddedrick8@charter.net

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Greg Althenhofen of White City (541-840-7501)

Honorary Scholastic Member: **Allison Estergard** of Eugene (541-549-7775)

Steve Green of Medford (541-621-2635)

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DATE	CONTACTS	VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY	PARTICIPANTS
May 7, 2011	John Ward, 541-482-2859, e_john_ward@msn.com	Kids & Bugs program at Bear Creek Park in Medford. Volunteers instructed kids in fly casting and fly tying.	Ken Bonsi, Dick Chambers, Paul Cook, John Hamilton, Mike Masters, Bob Pierce, Dennis Remick, David Wang, John Ward
May 19, 2011	John Ward, 541-482-2859	In support of the 16th Annual Bear Creek Watershed Education Symposium, RFF volunteers instructed school kids in fly tying.	Ken Bonsi, Dick Chambers, Paul Cook, John Corson, Steve Haskell, Dave Hopfer, John Ward
Various dates in April and May	John Ward, Conservation Chairman & Board Member, 541-482-2859, e_john_ward@msn.com	Attended nine Shady Cove City Council meetings or Study Sessions; two Shady Cove Planning Commission events, a Flood Plain Development Hearing and a Riparian Ordinance Study Session; two Shady Cove Water Plan Task Force meetings; meetings with Jackson County Planning Department, Jackson County Watermaster, Jackson County Geographic Information System staff, and Jackson County Tax Assessor staff researching whether appropriate permits and construction inspections had been obtained for structures, facilities and water mains constructed or installed when Shady Cove Waterworks was developed; one City of Medford Riparian Ordinance Riparian Corridor Expansion Hearing, and one BLM Tour of projects affecting Klamath River tributary streams where anadromous fish may be released to begin recovery of fish stocks.	John Ward



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(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 _____ - _____

Address _____ - _____

Best Contact Telephone Numbers: Area Code _____ Number _____ - _____

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