

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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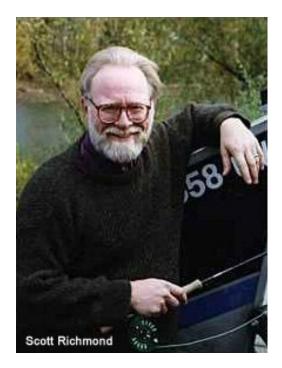
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PROGRAM

Scott Richmond



Scott Richmond is Westfly's Executive Director, which means he is the website's editor, publisher, all-purpose techno-wonk, floor scrubber, and garbage can emptier. When users refer to "you people at Westfly," they're talking about Scott. He's it. No one else is foolish enough to do this job.

Scott is the author of four books in the Fishing in Oregon series: *Best Fly Waters, Deschutes River* (two editions), *Cascade Lakes*, and *Endless Season*. In addition, he has written and published *The Pocket Gillie for fly anglers*, and is the author of *River Journal: Crane Prairie*, and *River Journal: Rogue River*; the latter two books were published by Frank Amato Publications. For four years he was editor of The Riverkeeper, the newsletter of Oregon Trout, Oregon's largest fish conservation group. Scott also does occasional magazine work.

Scott Richmond lives in an unincorporated part of Clackamas County with his wife Barbara. They have two grown daughters, two horses, two cats, two dogs, and more boats than seems reasonable to Barbara.

Scott's presentation will be on the Seasons of the Deschutes River and includes the famous Salmonfly Hatch and Summer Steelhead run

NW Fly Tyer Expo - March 9th and 10th – Albany



For those of you who have never been there, my advice is don't miss it! There is an unbelievable number of events to attend or participate in. I can all but guarantee it will not be the last one you attend! Hello Fly Tying and Fly Fishing Enthusiasts!

The Northwest Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo is right around the corner. The committee has been busy putting everything together. Here are some of the highlights.

Expo Classes

Each year we offer great classes. These include fly tying, casting, and fly fishing. There is a class on Introduction to Dutch Oven Cooking and Basic Fly Plate Construction. Sign up for classes today as class sizes are limited.

Fly Tyers

The Expo started with the tyers 30 years ago and this tradition continues to be the focal point of the show. We have close to 200 volunteer tyers who come and demonstrate their tying techniques. Check out the tyer schedule and make plans to get some great tying tips.

Friday Reception

There will be a reception dinner held on Friday evening (March 9th). There will be a live auction during the reception along with a meal. Everyone is invited. Tickets are only \$10, and are limited, so pick up your tickets today. Packages are also available if you want to save on raffle tickets and banquet tickets.

We are excited for this years and Expo and we hope to see you there!

Garren Wood Promotion and Website NWEXPO click here for details

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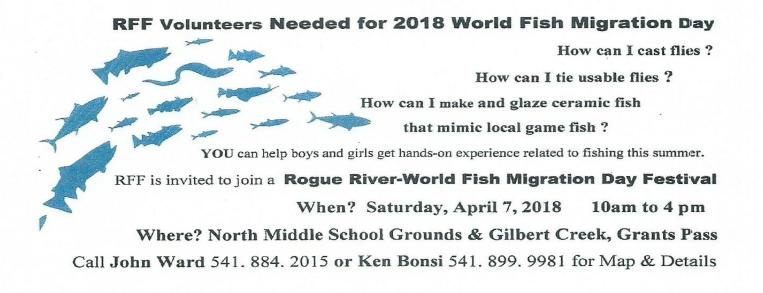
MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS – EARLY BIRD DRAWING

Yes, make your reservations prior to April 1st for our Annual Auction & Dinner and your name will be put in the tumbler. One lucky person will win a gift TBD. Winner will be announced

at the April 18th meeting.

Remember you can email me your request for seating at <u>mmasters2243@charter.net</u> and then make out a check to Rogue Fly Fisher's and mail it to

> RFF c/o Mike Masters 2591 Savannah Dr. Central Point, OR 97502



Rogue Flyfisher's Meeting

The next club meeting is Wednesday March 21, 2018 at

Centennial Golf Club 1900 N. Phoenix Rd. Medford, 97504

Wet fly 5:45 – 6:45 pm Dinner and meeting at 6:45 pm Raffle to follow Program 7:45 – 8:45

BUFFET DINNER is \$22 per person

Menu:

Wild Salmon Filets finished with a dill cream sauce (comes with Rice Pilaf, Vegetables, and Salad)

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

RSVP'S need to be in by Friday preceding the meeting. Please email your RSVP to <u>icrsrd303@gmail.com</u> (give your name and how many for dinner)

> For those who cannot do email call (661)742-5835 <u>afternoons only</u>. Pay when you arrive. We take cash or checks only.

Special dietary requests: email Theresa at tms1910@icloud.com or call (541)702-2153 by Tuesday preceding the meeting.

PROGRAM:

Scott Richmond, Executive Director for Westfly, will present a program on the Seasons of the Deschutes River and includes the famous Salmonfly Hatch and Summer Steelhead run.

Annual RFF Fund Raising Auction-----Donations Needed

Our May 16, 2018 RFF Annual Fund Raising Auction is in need of donations. Please review the attached gift certificate/donation from Dave McCants and please submit your gift certificate. If you have a hobby/talent and would like to share your knowledge and expertise a gift certificate would be much appreciated to help us raise funds for our scholarships, conservation and education projects. Please submit your donation by April 15th, 2018 to Mike Masters (mmasters2243@charter.net) or Don Dabney (drdabney49@gmail.com).

GIFT CERTIFICATE

8 HOUR TYING SESSION WITH DAVE MCCANTS. WITH LUNCH AND A BOX OF TWO DOZEN OF DAVE'S BEST FISHN' FLIES

You and a friend (if you want to bring one!) will enjoy a tying session at the home of Mr. McCants in the "Tying Den" tying any flies you would like to learn to tie (spey, salmon, trout, steelhead, bass, anything!). All materials, vice and tools will be provided for the tying session. A lunch will also be provided on the back patio, weather permitting. Date and flies to be tied are to be determined by winning bidder with arrangements to be made by calling 541-973-3508 (cell). All proceeds go to the club. One box of 2 dozen flies for fishing the Rogue River is included for the winning bidder.

My intent is to make this experience fun for you and a friend and to impart a little one-on-one knowledge about the flies and materials. The eight hours includes about an hour for lunch on my back porch.



Let's have some fun! Dave

NEW Club Members

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

Douglas Whitmore Robert Rafalovich

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 3rd Wednesday of each month (except May, July & Aug).

March Outings

In March, I will be leading two outings to target winter steelhead: On March 17, I will be leading an outing for the Rogue Flyfishers to the North Umpqua River, and on March 24, an outing for the Southern Oregon Fly Fishers to the Applegate River. Members of both clubs are welcome to attend either of the outings. These two outings highlight the diverse options we have in Southwest Oregon to fish for winter steelhead. The Applegate is a small river with water that is relatively easy to read and fish. It is well suited to nymphing tactics, and when conditions are right, fishing can be outstanding. The North Umpqua is a much larger river. It has a strong tradition for swinging the fly, and is a great place to use a Spey rod. It is among the most beautiful rivers in our area, but with its clear water, deep pools, and heavy runs; it can be a challenging place to catch a steelhead.

North Umpqua Outing

We will meet along the North Umpqua at Swiftwater Park (just a little below Rock Creek and the lower boundary of the fly water) at 9:00 AM on Saturday March 17. After a brief discussion about the river and how to fish it, we will tour access points and fishing holes in the lower half of the fly water. We will then spread out along the river to fish. At that time, I will be happy to help anyone looking for additional instruction about fishing the North Umpqua or about steelhead fishing in general.

During the winter season, Spey rods can be an asset on the North Umpqua, but single-handed rods of about 8-weight will also work. Sink-tip lines or shooting heads will help you get your flies down to the fish. A wide variety of flies will work--from traditional steelhead patterns to large intruder-style flies. The North Umpqua can be difficult to wade, so bring your waders, wading boots with good traction, wading belt, and wading staff. If you have one, an inflatable PFD will add an extra level of safety. Be sure to pack your rain jacket, polarized glasses, sun screen, food, water, and the rest of your normal fishing accessories.

For those wanting to stay overnight, there are several options. Most of the Forest Service and BLM campgrounds will still be closed for the season; however, Boulder Flat and Horseshoe Bend campgrounds usually stay open for the winter. The Dogwood Motel (dogwoodmotel.com, 541-496-3403), located near the lower end of the fly water, is a decent place to stay at a reasonable price. The Steamboat Inn (thesteamboatinn.com, 800-840-8825) is a great place to stay, if it fits your budget, and it overlooks some of the best water on the river. There are also numerous lodging and dining options in Roseburg.

Applegate Outing

As we have done in the past, we will start the Applegate Outing by meeting for breakfast at 8:00 AM on Saturday March 24 at the Shari's Restaurant on the corner of Agness Avenue and the Grants Pass Parkway. If you don't want to eat, be there by 9:00 AM. We will caravan to the river from there.

Bring your fishing gear, waders, rain jacket, polarized glasses, lunch, and water. Single-handed, switch, and smaller Spey rods in the 7 to 8-weight range are suitable for the Applegate. Pack your floating and sink-tip lines, and bring a variety of nymphs and standard steelhead patterns. As I said above, the Applegate River is very well suited to nymphing techniques. An effective setup is to use a large, heavy nymph, such as a salmonfly nymph, with a size 10 A. P. nymph, hare's ear, pheasant tail, or similar fly on a dropper. For those that want to swing flies, traditional steelhead patterns, egg sucking leeches, and smaller intruder-style flies work well. Many people feel having a little chartreuse on the fly helps when fishing the Applegate no matter which technique you choose.

Because it is so productive, I will spend some time during the outing discussing proper nymphing techniques, as well as going over when, where, and how to fish the Applegate River.

As I said above, no matter which club you belong to; feel free to attend either or both of the outings. Between the two, you will have the opportunity to experience two outstanding, but different steelhead fisheries, and get an introduction to the two common techniques for fly fishing for steelhead. If you are already familiar with the rivers and techniques, come out for a pleasant day on the river with friends, and maybe share some of your knowledge with some of the newer members.

| 2018 Outings Calendar | (Preliminary) |
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| Date | Outing | Host/Contact |
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| January 1 | Holy Water Chili Feed | David Haight |
| January 13 - 14 | Coastal Steelhead | David Haight |
| March 17 | North Umpqua Steelhead | David Haight |
| March 24 | Applegate Steelhead | Dave Haight |
| April 14 | Squaw Lake | David Haight |
| May 12 | Beginning Fly Fishing Class | John MacDiarmid |
| June? | Upper Williamson River | John Ward |
| June 9 | Diamond Lake | Stephen Day |
| July? | Sprague/Chewaucan River | John Ward |
| July? | Howard Prairie | Kevin Reiten |
| August 25 | Umpqua Samllmouth Bass | David Haight |
| September 8 | Steelhead Clinic | David Haight |
| October? | Steelhead Tournament | Keith Hardcastle |
| November 3 - 4 | Coastal Chinook | David Haight |
| January 1, 2019 | Holy Water Chili Feed | David Haight |





2017 Members of the Year



At the club dinner held on January 17, 2018, Club President, Dave Roberts recognized Stephen Day and Keith Hardcastle as Co-Members of the Year for the Rogue Flyfishers club. They both epitomize and demonstrate all of the values and characteristics that we strive to fulfill through membership in the club. They provide a significant amount of leadership, commitment, and time to the organization. The following represents a few of the ways in which both of these men have reinvigorated the club over the last year and served not only their fellow club members, but also the larger fly fishing community in the Rogue Valley:

1. Both Keith and Steve serve on the Board of Directors of the club, helping to provide the leadership necessary to fulfill the club's goals and objectives. Keith serves as Vice President of the Board, and as a member of the Board of Directors, Steve has provided critical leadership in locating and securing a new venue for club meetings, among all of the other things that he's accomplished.

2. Keith and Steve have assumed the responsibility for our monthly raffles and they not only lead the club in this activity, but have also donated the fantastic fishing nets and rods that each respectively build to the raffle. They also have actively participated in the set-up and take down of tables, etc., necessary to facilitating each of our monthly club meetings.

3. Keith and Steve have been very active members of the Annual Auction Committee for a number of years, working diligently to assure that the club has the financial wherewithal to fulfill our commitment to conservation and scholarship. They have also donated nets, rods and drift trips for the event.

4. Keith and Steve assumed responsibility for actually presenting one of our monthly programs to club members and to other fly fishing clubs in the Rogue Valley.

5. Both Keith and Steve have acted as liaisons to the Southern Oregon Fly Fishers at their monthly meeting.

6. Keith and Steve were active and committed members of the work group that undertook the Jet Boat issue on the Upper Rogue.

7. Keith and Steve provided the leadership for our very successful Diamond Lake outing this year, which was celebrated by all participants as a very successful event.

8. Keith has assumed responsibility for the annual Steelhead Tournament, and, of course, Steve is serving shoulder to shoulder with him, making sure that this fundraising activity is enjoyable to club members and others, and is also very successful in regards to our fund raising objectives.

9. Keith and Steve have spent many hours assisting others in learning more about fly fishing and fly tying, using their limited free hours to work with individual club members and individuals in the community.

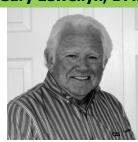
Both of these individuals have done much more for the Rogue Flyfishers Club over the last year and it is very apparent that they represent the very best of what we strive for in as club members. They truly deserve to be named, in tandem, Co-members of the Year."

Congratulations to both of these very deserving club members!

Frank Moore

There was a great article in the Medford Mail Tribune about the Grandfather of the North Umpqua, Frank Moore. It can be found at <u>http://www.mailtribune.com/news/20180223/guest-opinion-proper-birthday-celebration-for-frank-moore</u>

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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; <u>new</u> 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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