

# Rogue Flyfishers

MAY 2024

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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## MEETING

No Club Meeting this month

The next dinner meeting will be

September 18th

**Copeland Pond outing**

**Cancelled**

## Upcoming Schedule

Club Meeting 9/18

Board Meeting 04/03, 05/01, 06/05

SOFT meeting 04/09, 05/14, 06/11

Outings:

**Copeland Pond 5/4**

Lemolo Lake 5/30-31

Diamond Lake 06/12

Umpqua River 07/13

Events:

Joint picnic (with SOFF) 06/08

Celebrate the Rogue 5/11

**Check the Club Calendar for more information**

## Things are Warming Up

Things are finally warming up. The ice on the lakes is disappearing, and there is barely any snow along the edge of the mountain pass roads. Boy, I hope I'm not speaking too soon again. There are some great fishing opportunities coming our way. Hopefully, with fingers and toes crossed, we finally get a good push of winter steelhead here on the Rogue. Some of Oregon's other rivers have had decent returns of winter fish. Even the Willamette which hasn't had a good run in a long time, and from what I've heard the Umpqua had a good run as well. However the Rogue's winter steelhead fishery is down a lot this year, so far. There was some good fishing in May last year, so I won't write the season off just yet. Oh, and the salmon flies will be swarming soon in the upper river.

The letter to the editor that I sent in, with an enormous amount of help from Steve Day, Chuck Huntington, and Harry Foster, was in the paper on Saturday April 20. I got some other organizations to sign onto the letter as well. It's obvious that it's not just a group of "elitist fly fishermen" or "wealthy riverfront property owners" concerned with the current commercial jetboat situation in the TouVelle park area. I know some of you, myself included, wrote comments to the marine board at their meeting last week. Some went above and beyond by calling into the meeting for a chance to speak to the marine board directly. I want to thank you all for doing this. If we don't say anything, the marine board will assume that everything is fine when it's not.

There will be no monthly dinner meeting this month due to Centennial having a function going on during our normal meeting night. In June we have our annual BBQ along with Southern Oregon Fly Fishers. This year it will be a catered event, which will take the burden off of those who have worked really hard in the past to make this event a success. There will also be a small silent auction and some fly tying materials for sale at bargain prices. So go through your materials and see what it is that you might need because more than likely we have what you're looking for.

I hope to see some of you at the Copeland pond outing, and at the BBQ in June, or maybe even on the river somewhere. Like I said May can be a great month on the Rogue. With things heating up I will definitely be getting out more, and I hope that you will too.

Keep those lines tight,  
John Pogue

## Summary – Rogue River Point Source Phase 1 Study

With a grant from the Rose Foundation, the Rogue Flyfishers funded a biocritical study on the Rogue River by Rick Hafele. This is a brief summary of findings from that study.

Seven-point sources and sixteen sites along the mainstem of the Rogue River were sampled to answer the three main objectives of the reconnaissance study.

**Objective 1:** Is there suitable habitat for assessing the aquatic macroinvertebrate community above and below each point source.

Field assessments showed that suitable sites for macroinvertebrate assessments were present above and below each point source.

**Objective 2:** Do the results of the field data show impaired water quality and/or biological condition below any of the point sources indicating a release of harmful nutrient loads to the Rogue River.

It was found that one or more parameters generally showed some level of impairment, though the level of impairment was relatively small. The largest impact was observed below the confluence of Little Butte Creek. Various water quality and biological parameters were measured.

**Objective 3:** Are there any point sources with impaired conditions downstream that warrant in-depth follow up studies in 2024? If so, are they causing significant water quality and/or biological impairment that violate state water quality standards?

The entire river exhibited some level of nutrient pollution, which makes measuring the impacts of individual point sources more difficult. However, it is possible that one or more of these sources is contributing to biocritical violations, even though they are not the only cause of them. Future studies are under consideration, including the assessment of nutrient pollution in the lower Rogue River below Agnes.

The full report will be posted on our website, [www.Rogueflyfishers.org](http://www.Rogueflyfishers.org), in the future.

## **Update on RFF fall auction to be held Saturday, October 12, 2024.**

Call out to those of you who signed up to volunteer for the October 12, 2024 auction. Since there will not be a general club meeting in May because Centennial is not available, please consider coming to a short meeting to take stock of where we are and what we need to do in the near future. I know some of you indicated you were available for set up and take down only. But others have stepped up for solicitations already and we could use more help on that front. We have the list of previous donors to contact and we can get an inventory on what has come in to this point. A light load can be taking on a half dozen or so businesses in the area.

We also need to plan ahead for who is available to head up pieces of the auction such as bucket raffle, silent auction, live auction, publicity and other details. And any one who did not sign up to volunteer is certainly welcome to join in. More is better. You can text Steve Haskell at 541 840 6608 or email at [haskell@mind.net](mailto:haskell@mind.net) if you need more information or plan on showing up.

The meeting will be held May 15 at the Lion's Club, 228 N. Holly Street, Medford. Start time 6:15 and we'll go until 7:30 or so. If you have items ready to drop off, please bring them.

## **Salt Water Flies**

A number of years ago we received a large collection of salt water flies as a donation. While we've sold a few since then, we still have a large quantity of flies suitable if you're fishing for permit, bonefish, tarpon, and many other flats and blue water fish. Prices are negotiable so if you're going or even thinking of doing any salt water fishing, contact Tim Bolling at [timbolling328@gmail.com](mailto:timbolling328@gmail.com) to see what's available

## **LET'S CAST**

Want to improve your basic cast or perhaps you'd like to add a double haul or more distance? Or perhaps you are heading to the salt and need to practice casting in the wind or delivering on the back cast. Your casting chair, John MacDiarmid, a FFI Certified Casting Instructor is available at 6PM on May 6, 8, 13 & 15. Classes will be limited to 5 participants. Make your reservation at [johnmmacdiarmid@gmail.com](mailto:johnmmacdiarmid@gmail.com), I will get back to you. Look forward to sharing the thrill of casting.  
JMM

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**  
**SOFF & RFF JOINT CLUB BBQ**



**TOM PEARCE PARK, GRANTS PASS**

CATERED BY JEFFRO'S GRILL. MEAL WILL INCLUDE, TRI-TIP AND CHICKEN, BAKED BEANS, COLESLAW, MAC AND CHEESE, ROLLS, WATERMELON AND DESSERT. BOTTLED WATER WILL BE PROVIDED, ALL FOR 20 BUCKS!

THE FUN WILL BEGIN AROUND 11:00 A.M. WITH THE MEAL SERVED AROUND 2:30 – 3:00 P.M. RSVP'S ARE REQUIRED AND NEED TO BE IN BY NOON, FRIDAY, JUNE 1ST.

TO RSVP, EMAIL [ICRSRD303@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ICRSRD303@GMAIL.COM) OR CALL (661) 742-5835, LEAVE YOUR NAME AND THE NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS. PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE AT THE EVENT AND RSVP "NO SHOWS", WILL BE CHARGED.

BRING YOUR FAVORITE BEVERAGE OF CHOICE AND COME JOIN THE FUN! WE'LL HAVE A SILENT AUCTION FOR SOME COOL STUFF AND A FLY TYERS YARD SALE OF SORTS.

**DON'T MISS THIS ALWAYS POPULAR EVENT!**





# CELEBRATE THE ROGUE!

Join old and new friends for an evening of celebration. We will have exciting items in our silent auction and a feature presentation from the event's title sponsor. After Chef David Georgeson's dinner, Rogue River Watershed Council staff will share recent project accomplishments and restoration stories. Participate in our annual "paddle raise" to help support ecological restoration projects in our watersheds.

Individual tickets to Celebrate the Rogue! are \$75, and a full table of eight is \$600. We ask that you **RSVP** by **April 23rd** by visiting our website, calling us at 541-423-6158, or emailing us at [info@rogueriverwc.org](mailto:info@rogueriverwc.org).

EVENT DETAILS &  
RSVP

A large, dark brown tree stump cross-section with concentric growth rings. A green leafy branch with small white flowers is draped across the middle of the stump.

## May 11

Ashland Hills Hotel  
2525 Ashland St.  
5-9 pm

# FOR SALE

## **LANCE 825 TRUCK CAMPER 2015 for sale**

**Fits on short-bed pickup truck**

**Great for being able to tow a boat and have a warm place to sleep.**

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

- **Queen bed**
- **Floor Length 8'6"**
- **Overall Length 16'3"**
- **Exterior Width 86"**
- **Exterior Height 8'0"**
- **Interior Height 77"**
- **Cabover Height 2'9"**
- **Dry Weight w/Std. Equipment 1832 Lbs.**
- **Wet Weight w/Std. Equipment 2150 Lbs.**
- **Center of Gravity Front 32"**
- **Center of Gravity Rear 46"**
- **Convertible Dinette Bed 36" X 70"**
- **Sleeping Capacity 4/5**
- **Fresh Tank 30 Gallons**
- **Grey Tank 13 Gallons**
- **Black Tank 14 Gallons**
- **Refrigerator 3 Cubic Feet**
- **Propane 1-5 Gallon Tank**
- **Furnace 18,000 BTU's**
- **incl Frame Tie-downs (were \$642)**

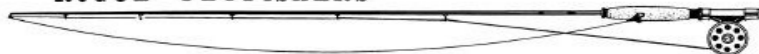


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## Support Your Local Fly Fishing Resources

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The Fishin' Hole	21873 Hwy 62, Shady Cove	541-878-4000
Rogue Fly Shop	941 SE 6th St, Grants Pass	541-476-0552
Rogue Valley Anglers	218 E. Main St., Medford	541-973-2988
Sportsman's Warehouse	1710 Delta Waters Road Medford	541-732-3700

Jim Ulm, Rogue River Steelhead and Trout Guide, (541) 973-6250 [jimulm9@msn.com](mailto:jimulm9@msn.com)

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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.  
**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** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip code** \_\_\_\_\_

**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 \_\_\_

Prefer using the **Online Newsletter** \_\_\_ or by **US Mail** \_\_\_?

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_. Mail completed form and payment to:

**Rogue Fly Fishers, PO Box 4637, Medford, Oregon 97501**