



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

JIM COX

Saving Rivers and Fishing the John Day

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Jim Cox, Director of Donor Relations for Western Rivers Conservancy will make a presentation entitled "Saving Rivers and Fishing the John Day" to the Rogue Flyfishers the evening of Wednesday, Nov. 20. Since 1988, Western Rivers Conservancy has protected lands on 55 rivers in seven western states. The first half of the presentation will focus on how Western Rivers Conservancy purchases riverlands across the western United States to protect and conserve vital river ecosystems and to provide compatible public access. The presentation will include some stunning photography of past and current projects including work on some of the most iconic fly fishing rivers across the West including Washington's Hoh River, Oregon's John Day, Montana's Madison River, and California's Smith and Klamath Rivers. The second half of the program will focus on fly fishing the John Day River for its world-class smallmouth bass fishery and it's excellent run of wild summer steelhead. For more information contact Jim Cox at 503-241-0151/jcox@westernrivers.org.

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President's Message

Can you believe the Christmas Season is right around the corner? This year has gone by pretty quickly for me. I have fished a lot in many different areas of our vast Oregon areas. It has been a pretty good summertime and being able to share so much of my passion to fish with other family and club members has really been good for my heart. I thank all of you who have shared a moment or two with me on the waters.

This sentimental moment reminds me to remind you of our December meeting coming up called "REFLECTIONS". We are asking for members to share some moments and time fishing this past year. We will be looking for 4-6 members to share their stories and/or pictures. Please consider being one of them. Please contact either VP Kellie or myself and we will add you to our list of presenters. 3-6 minutes would make for a good presentation. Maybe you have a good story of another member you'd like to share.

Note: We are looking for someone to help out Dick Chambers with the club library. Dick will be out of town a couple of months this next season and really would need someone to help him out. It would only take a couple of hours over the next year. Please contact me if you can help him out.

Superior Marine has been advertising in our newsletter these past several months. Dave Richardson (owner) is the only certified Mercury mechanic in So. Oregon I believe. His shop is behind the old Fish Right building off of Hwy 62. Now is the time to start thinking of winterizing your lake boats. He is very capable of working on all different engines as well. Look at the bottom of the newsletter for his contact information and address.

Yesterday the winds came up and leaves blew down. This really shut down my fishing on the Rogue yesterday. The river is a wonderful color of reds, yellows, browns. It might mean letting the river clear a little bit for a couple of days, my wife says she has a different list for me already. So.....

Have a wonderful month of November.
Mike

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

George Holland

Upper Rogue Coho Outing

Coho salmon are very popular sport fish throughout most of their range; however, they receive little attention here in the Rogue River. That is unfortunate because they offer outstanding sport for fly anglers. When conditions are right, if you fish the right type of water with the right techniques, coho fishing here in the Rogue can be great.

If you are interested in giving coho fishing a try, come to the club outing on Saturday, November 16. We will meet at Casey State Park at 8:00 AM, where we will discuss the equipment, techniques, and locations to catch coho on the Rogue River. We will then spread out along the river to see if we can find a few coho. There are several productive pools with good bank access along the upper Rogue, so a boat is not necessary; however, those with boats may want to bring them since they will allow access to more water.

An eight-weight outfit is ideal; however, seven to ten weight rods will work. Shooting heads from intermediate to fast sinking, depending on water depth and flow, work very well for this type of fishing, but you can get by with sink-tip lines and weighted flies. Bring 10 to 12 pound leaders and some bright, flashy flies. Comets, marabou streamers, egg-sucking leeches, Clouser minnows, and flash flies are popular patterns; however, big, bright steelhead patterns in sizes 1 through 4 will work fine. Pink and purple are especially good colors for coho. Bring the food and drinks you want for the day, as well as waders and the usual fishing accessories.

In addition to the coho, the upper Rogue still offers decent fishing for summer steelhead in November, and a mid-day hatch of blue-winged olives usually brings the trout to the surface.

If you have questions or would like additional information, contact David Haight at tmdrhaight@infostructure.net.

David Haight, Outings Chair



Jerry Haynes with a nice upper river Coho.

General Mining Act of 1872

During my delving into the various aspects of suction dredge mining. I kept hearing reference to the General Mining Act of 1872. The miners treat it with great reverence as if it were the Holy Grail of their every day life. Curiosity is always a reason to go to the computer to search and find out what is the source of all the excitement behind a federal law from all the way back in 1872.

Right away I spied www.wikipedia.org and clicked on it. It explained that President Grant had signed it into law. Now remember the Civil War was barely behind us and westward expansion was happening at a fast pace. Plus the country needed money for recovery after the terrible waste of the war. At the time it seemed like a good idea.

I don't think President Grant had any idea that the law he signed in 1872 would still be around 141 years later. I don't think he knew about the gasoline engine and the portable suction dredge. I don't think he knew that the dredgers would go to the bottom with air hoses and masks and suck all the loose material and then use crowbars to dislodge the bedrock. I don't think he knew that many small streams would be so damaged and devitalized that recovery might never occur. I don't think President Grant knew that we would watch this slow moving train wreck and not take action.

Some day you will go to the river and find a dredger with a crow bar in the process of moving your favorite rock so the gold under it can be accessed. It has already happened to some of us. I think it is time to do something? Tom Collett

December Program

Each December we ask club members to bring in slides of some of their fishing trips for the year. Local waters, distant waters, they are all interesting. Dust off 5-10 slides of your trip and share it with the club members.

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.
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Material cost - \$35. Instructor - Dan Kellogg/Dave Roberts
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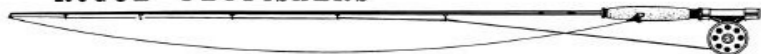
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Rogue Fly Fishers membership **Application** and membership Renewal Form

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,

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

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