



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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PROGRAM

Jeff Putnam



Two-Handed Spey Fishing for Trout

I. Equipment Setup: Rods, Reels, Lines & Leaders

II. Spey Casting: Spey Casts that Catch Fish and Spey Casts for Practice

III. Spey Fishing Techniques: Swinging and Dead Drifting

Meeting menu:

BBQ Pork Ribs, AuGratin Potatoes, Vegetable.

ROGUE FLYFISHERS and SOUTHERN OREGON FLYFISHERS

FIRST ANNUAL FALL BBQ

SEPTEMBER 8TH, TOUVELLE PARK

The Event will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a riverside Steelhead Clinic presented by David Haight.

This will be followed by a Casting Clinic and Instruction for single hand and two handed casting presented by John MacDiarmid.

Fly Tying Demonstrations and Instruction will be provided throughout the Event by several Club Members.

The meal will be served around 2:30 and will include BBQ'd Tri-Tip, beans, salads, roasted jalapenos and tortillas.

Chilled bottled water will be included.

RFF is hosting this Event for RFF Members and family at no cost.

RSVP's must be made by September 4th to Steve Day by calling (661) 742-5835 (afternoons only) or by emailing to icrsrd303@gmail.com.

Come join the fun!

Steelhead Fly-Fishing Clinic

As part of the picnic on September 8, David Haight will teach a steelhead fly-fishing clinic from 9:00 AM to noon. The class will cover steelhead life history, swinging and nymphing techniques, equipment, fly selection, rigging, tying knots, reading the water, and presenting the fly. The class will primarily focus on anglers new to fly fishing for steelhead, but should have some useful information for more advanced anglers as well. The class will meet at the small picnic shelter (where the picnic will be held) in TouVelle State Park—just look for the club signs.

Picnic Casting Lessons

Wil Johnson who teaches spey casting on the Rogue every third Sunday will be teaching the spey cast at the picnic. Bring your waders (or wade wet.) and your spey rod for this class.

John MacDiarmid will take advantage of the river to teach the roll cast. Many casting instructors start beginners with the roll cast so this is a great lesson for your spouse or kid or parent, or neighbor that is curious about fly casting. Bring rods, reels, and waders or wade wet. The roll cast is not just a beginners cast. Fishing a swinging sinking line, the roll cast is used at the end of the swing to get the line on the surface for the pickup. It is also used when there is insufficient room for a back cast like fishing from the lake shore covered in brush. Lake fishing from a boat with Steve Day a few weeks ago, I learned to use the roll cast when nymphing under an indicator. Fishing an indicator, lead shot and two flies is a recipe for tangles. A properly executed roll cast does not tangle. Nymph/indicator steelhead anglers in the river also use the roll cast to stack slack next to the indicator to achieve a long drift. The roll cast is a very useful cast for all anglers! The 1/2 hour class will be taught 6 students at the time and will be repeated as necessary.

For Sale

10' Porta boat, fish finder, electric motor & battery \$400
Bill Childress
541- 531 7920

Umpqua Valley FlyFishers 10th Annual Fly Tying/Fishing Festival Glide Community Center, September 8th, 2018

Hello Tyers!

Just getting ahold of everyone involved in the past years of our Fly Tying/Fishing Festival so we can put together our list of participants. Please give me a heads up at email or phone listed below if you wish to attend and participate as a tyer this year and whether you wish to tie for one or both of the sessions...we will do our best to work with everyone on this.



Tying sessions will be as in the past, a morning 8-12 session and a 12-4 afternoon session. Please also give me an indication of what type of flies you will be working with, this will help me in advertising for the event. We have a limited amount of table space so get your place reserved early!

Food and refreshments will be available through our kitchen, casting area out back and of course lots of opportunity to converse with the public and fellow tyers in attendance.

We continue to make this event a friendly and tyer centered event. So yes, you and your compadres, are the highlight of our day. We thank you in advance for your valuable experience and skills shared so freely with others it is what makes for a special day for everyone involved.

****On a side note, and something you have probably already heard...**Tressa, who so ably and with such passion and love ramrodded this event, passed away this past year not long after our Fall Festival. We miss her greatly and wish to honor all her efforts over the years in making this a great event again this year.

Sincerely,
Mike McCoy, President UVFF
<http://www.mikemccoy@dcwisp.net>
541-677-0100

NEW Club Members

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

Diane Greer
Rick Mexico

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).

Be sure and sign up on our BLOG so you can receive our **email notifications**.
To sign up for the Blog, go to our website www.rogueflyfishers.org , scroll down the page.

Click on **Rogue Flyfishers Blog** on the bottom right corner.
On the right-hand column you will see a box that says:
"Enter your email and the newest post will automatically appear in your email"
Type your email address in that box and click "Submit"

You will now be kept up to date with the latest announcements, changes, and reminders that take place through-out the month that you need to be aware of.

Thank you to those who have renewed your membership! Your loyalty is appreciated.

OREGON BAND OF BROTHERS EAST LAKE BOAT

East Lake, in the Newberry Crater of Central Oregon, is the home of the Band of Brothers Boat. This Boat is offered to all Military and First Responders, active duty and retired, FREE OF CHARGE, in honor of their past and continued service. The Boat is fully equipped with fishing gear, safety equipment and everything one needs to have a great day on the lake. To use the Boat simply make a reservation by calling the East Lake Resort at (541) 536-2230.



October Outing: Summer Steelhead on the Rogue River

The upper Rogue River is well known for the outstanding summer steelhead fishing it provides. The fishing is at its best in the fall when the number of steelhead is at its peak, the water temperature is ideal, and the rivers flow is low. On top of that, the Chinook salmon are spawning, which concentrates the steelhead below the spawning areas, where they feed on stray salmon eggs and the aquatic insects dislodged by the spawning activity. The Rogue Flyfishers plan to get in on the fun with an outing to the upper Rogue on October 6.

We will meet for breakfast at 7:00 AM at the Apple Peddler Restaurant in White City, have a brief strategy session at about 8:00, and leave for the river shortly thereafter. We will wait until that morning to decide where to fish based on conditions and recent reports. We hope to get enough boats so that all the participants that want to float the river will have the opportunity. If we don't have boat space for everyone, there is a lot of good bank access available.

Since the steelhead should be feeding on nymphs and eggs below the spawning salmon, dead-drifting nymph and egg patterns should be productive. Participants should bring a six to eight-weight rod, a floating line, 3X leader, and flies. Effective patterns include Globugs, Hare's Ears, Pheasant Tails, Prince Nymphs, Copper Johns, and Stonefly Nymphs. The flies should be lightly weighted or weight should be attached to the leader to get the flies down near the bottom. Those that prefer to swing flies, can bring the flies and equipment for that. Since we will be on the river most of the day, bring food and water, rain gear, waders, polarized glasses, and your typical fishing accessories. If you have a driftboat, whitewater raft, or pontoon boat, please bring it.

This outing should provide an opportunity for new members to learn the basics of fishing for steelhead and to become more familiar with the upper Rogue. It would be great if those members with a driftboat would attend the outing and take a fellow club member or two out for the day.

If you have questions, would like additional information, or are willing to take someone in your boat, please contact David Haight at tmdrhaight@infostructure.net.

David Haight, Outings Chair

Update to Holy Water Trout Fishery – August 2018

Greetings Rogue Fly Fishers! For those of you whom the Holy Water rings dear to your heart, this small update may be of great interest to you. For the past year, a small sub-committee of the RFF have been meeting with ODFW's Salmon Trout Enhancement Program regarding learning more about the fishery – both the biological and social interworkings of the Holy Water. Some of you probably have seen the angler creel cards and kiosks along many of the popular access points. Some of you may even have filled these out. To those of you who have...even if your day ended in a zero...I thank you. Real data is wonderful: 10 fish days are something to brag about, and even zeros are numbers too! I urge you if you visit, please take time to fill one out regardless of your days catch. This past year I heard many good things about the fishery during the Salmon Fly Hatch in May and June. I hope that you had a chance to visit. Remember, September and October can also be very good months to fish this section of the Rogue.

I am still working through much of the data, including trout caught per angler effort by hour for all months, and...a population estimate! I look forward to sharing these results with your group in the future. STEP and the RFFs have a number of projects planned in the coming months.

Feel free to get involved with these projects and other STEP happenings. Stay tuned.

Ryan Battleson, STEP Biologist Upper Rogue District
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife



Volunteers tagging Rainbow Trout at Cole Rivers Hatchery – May 2018

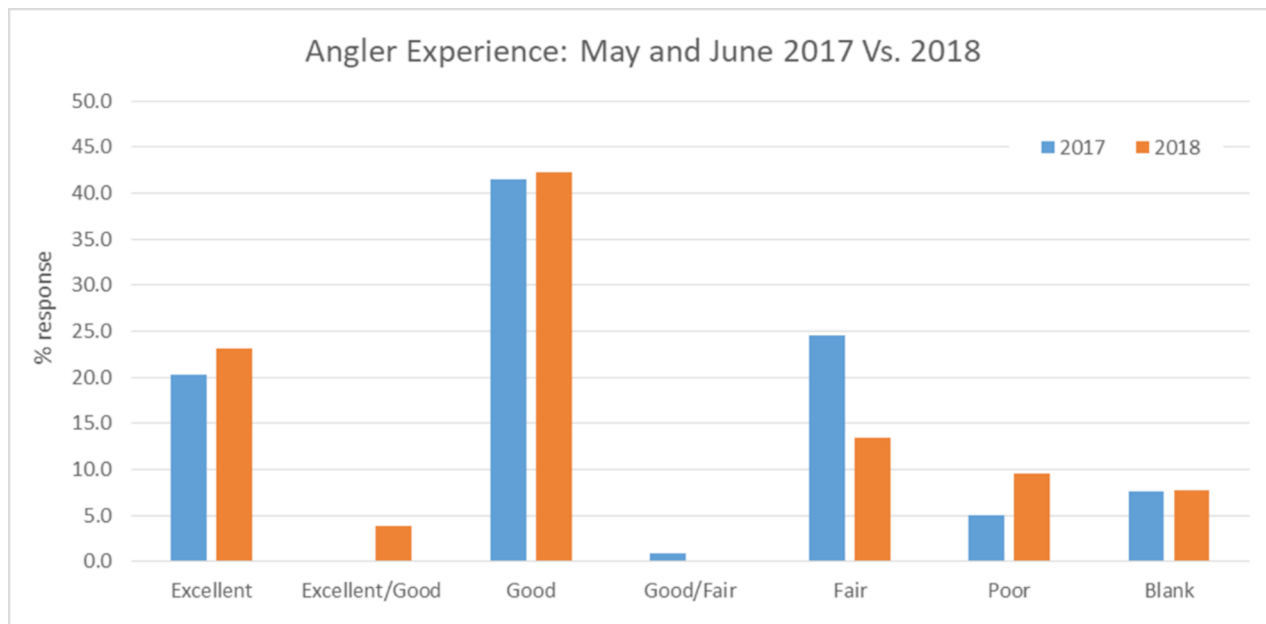


Figure 1: Angler Experience as reported via self-reporting creel cards during May-June 2017 and 2018 (encompasses Salmonfly hatch). Responses depicted by proportion of total cards turned in. 2017= 118 cards reported - 2018=111 cards reported

Jack Patterson Puts Auction Winners onto Big Klamath Lake Trout

Jack Patterson owns a cabin in Rocky Point and is very experienced in fishing for the large rainbow trout in Klamath Lake. Each year, he generously donates a fishing trip to the Rogue Flyfishers auction. Jan Rowe was the winning bidder this year, and invited Tanya Haight to join her on the trip in early July. The evening they arrived, Jack took them out on Pelican Bay, but the weather was sunny and calm, making fishing very challenging. After getting off the water, they headed back to Jack's cabin, where Jack fixed them an excellent dinner and provided comfortable accommodations for the night. The next morning, they headed back out and Jack took them to several of his favorite places around Pelican Bay. A thunder storm chased them off the water for a while, but created favorable conditions for fishing the clear, shallow water of Klamath Lake. Following Jack's advice, both Jan and Tanya landed some very nice trout. Jan and Tanya both had a great time, and said they learned a lot from fishing with Jack. Thank you, Jack, for the great fishing trip and for your support of the Rogue Flyfishers.

David Haight



We Still Need Your Help!

The club is still looking for someone to take over the duties of mailing out the "welcome packages" to new members and the ordering of name badges. John Bjorkholm who has been doing this for the club for the past number of years is ready to relinquish his duties. He has agreed to continue through the month of August. So beginning in Sept we are in need of a replacement. Please consider helping the club. If you are interested please contact John jeborkholm@gmail.com (541)857-6147 or Theresa theresaschumacher@charter.net (541)702-2153 with any questions.

Thank you, your help will be greatly appreciated! Interested please contact John jeborkholm@gmail.com (541)857-6147 or Theresa theresaschumacher@charter.net (541)702-2153 with any questions. Thank you, your help will be greatly appreciated!

Looking for A New Treasurer

Beginning in 2019 the club will need someone to take over as Treasurer.

Theresa Schumacher, who has been your Treasurer for the past 4 years, is ready to pass the baton and relinquish her duties to pursue other activities and volunteer work. Her second term will be up at the end of this year. So the club is looking for a replacement to start in January of 2019. Are you interested in being our new Treasurer? Please consider helping the club out by volunteering for this position. Not to worry, you don't need accounting skills. But we do need someone who is detail oriented and trustworthy. The club uses Quickbooks which is a very user-friendly bookkeeping program. You will be instructed on the "whats" and "hows" with backup guidance to make the transition easy for you. If you are interested, please contact Theresa who will be happy to answer any questions. (541)702-2153

theresaschumacher@charter.net

Donation In Honor of Otis Swisher

The club recently received a donation from Otis Swisher's son, M.E. "Jack" Swisher, in the amount \$2,000 to be used for conservation issues of the Rogue River and its tributaries which Otis took such an interest in. The following is a copy of his letter that should be shared with the entire club, requesting how to use the funds along with special memories of Otis. We thank Jack Swisher for his generous donation in honor of his dad, our dear friend, RFF honorary life member, and fellow fly fisherman, Otis.

Hello Rogue Fly Fishers:

On behalf of the family of Otis Swisher, a longtime RFF member, it is my wish that this donation be made available for work on conservations issues of importance to native fish and their habitats of the Rogue River watershed, including tributaries.

Of especial interest to dad was conserving wild populations of summer-run steelhead and cutthroat trout, and so we ask that these funds be made available by the board of Rogue Flyfishers club for fish-beneficial habitat projects, education of adults and children about the needs of these two species, population monitoring and spawning & rearing survey activities by ODFW and/or RFF club members, and support of other education and habitat projects, without limit, that the RFF board deems in congress with dad's interests.

Dad was proud of the work by RFF members on cooperative projects between ODFW, landowners, and irrigators to remove impediments to fish spawning areas in seasonal tributaries. He particularly enjoyed teaching people to cast, taking people fishing in his driftboat, and producing flies. He was an avid fan of the Trailblazers and listened to every game on a radio by his tying table. As the team fortunes waxed and waned in four quarters, he produced flies by the dozens. Some of these were for his own use, but the majority were gifted to anglers he met at boat launches on the river or at RFF monthly meetings; or when he was a licensed guide, to his fishing guests. When Ashland Fly Shop Guide Services grew beyond what could be accommodated in a single driftboat, dad came out of retirement at age 70 and was my head guide until age 78. He liked to teach newcomers how to fish for steelhead, how to cast nymphs and mend the line, how to tie knots, and how to safely wade the Rogue.

On his days off, with friends in his driftboat or fishing alone, he would often float any of the good runs from Lost Creek Dam to Dodge Bridge. Perhaps his most favored was from Takelma to Dodge Bridge. Dad and I fished this run several times as his health declined. His last fish, an 18" cutthroat buck, came from a patch of shade below an overhanging bush at Catfish Hole, on a bomber, on his 3 wt. A week later, dad left us. Last fall his family and a few friends floated this stretch and scattered his ashes at a place where the river still has a bit of life in it and manages to cut new channels, and where a large cottonwood tree once held a bald eagle nest. On our John Day River campouts, after dinner was done and the kitchen was packed away for the night and the guests were relaxing in camp, dad would often take his rod to the river. Some of our most poignant memories are of him wet wading midstream, casting poppers at the shore in front of camp, hooking and releasing smallmouth bass at sunset.

Best Personal Regards,
M.E."Jack" Swisher
Gold Hill, OR

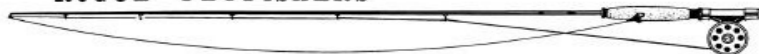
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The Flyway Shop	9349 Hwy. 97 South, Klamath Falls	541-884-3825
Shasta Trout Guide Service	www.shastatrout.com	(530) 926-5763

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 _____

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** ____?

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