



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**

**Rogue Flyfisher's Meeting**

The next club meeting is **Thursday** September 18th at

Fiesta Restaurant & Market  
 1016 N Riverside Ave, Medford, OR 97501

**Wet fly 5:30 – 6:30pm**

Dinner and meeting at 7:15pm  
 Raffle to follow Program

We order and pay for dinners individually with the restaurant staff, not the club.

They have a bar for those who enjoy alcoholic beverages

**PROGRAM:**  
**Steve Day**

**The Upper Klamath Basin**  
**The Lakes, the History, and the Fish**

The Upper Klamath Basin is home to the Klamath Lake Redband Trout. A subspecies of Rainbow Trout that have evolved and endured the better part of twelve thousand years. These iconic fish are close to home and live in one of the most Beautiful and hostile environments known in the Trout World. Come join us and learn more about experiencing this special place and it's fishery.

## Presidents Message

September 2025

As the final days of summer are upon us, the kids are back in school, the nights are starting to get cooler, kind of, and it's about time to get back to our monthly meetings. Just a heads up, we might have to switch the dinner night to the third Thursday instead of the third Wednesday of the month. The battle in finding a place for us to meet is still going on. We will keep everyone posted about any changes so please be on the lookout for emails and or the newsletter for these changes. This and other club related matters will be discussed at the upcoming board meeting on September 3rd. As a reminder the board meetings are open to members, and your participation is welcome. Also if you're interested in becoming a board member, please reach out to myself or another board member.

So far this year the summer steelhead run is better than the last two years, and the last count I saw at the hatchery was just shy of a thousand fish. The springer count was just shy of ten thousand fish. While these are great numbers the Huntley seine counts are a mixed bag and is showing the half pounder numbers to be way below the ten year average. Hopefully these numbers will improve in the coming weeks. Also the lakes have been fishing great this year, even though I haven't been out there much I have been getting some fantastic reports. And as the weather cools down the lakes will get even better.

I know it's only September, but one thing that we need to prepare for early is our upcoming auction in May of 2026. Rob DeBois will need help soliciting donations for the auction and will also need help getting the venue ready and cleaned up afterwards. If interested in helping with any auction related tasks, please reach out to Rob.

So please keep an eye out for announcements about the dinner location and date. Hopefully, we can get this all sorted out at the board meeting on September 3rd. Until then get out there and go fishing and enjoy the last days of summer.

John Pogue

## Lee Wedberg 1933-2025

**Rogue Fly Fishers past president and longtime member Lee Wedberg passed away this last month.**

Lee was born on February 10, 1933 in Redlands, Ca. His legal name is Hale Levering Wedberg. His parents were Fred (avid fisherman) and Vivienne Wedberg. He was happily married to Carolyn Wedberg for 47 years. Survived by his loving wife Renne Dal Santo, 2 sons Joel and Ed Wedberg, and 2 step-sons, David Cox (Carolyn's son) and Mitchell Low (Renne's son). Lee was introduced to his lifelong passion - fishing at a very young age by his father. As a young boy, Lee rode the bus to the Santa Monica Pier to spend the day fishing. At the young age of 23, Lee earned his Ph.D in botany from UCLA. He was a professor of botany and biology at San Diego State University. At the time of his death Lee was still in touch with several of his former students.

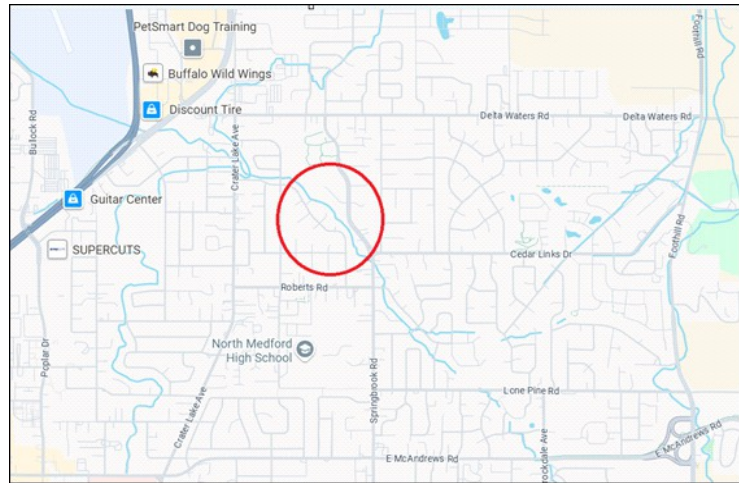


## Conservation News

By Rick Graw

Recently, I was helping water some plants with ODFW, when I heard from Dan Van Dyke (former District Fish Biologist with ODFW Medford) that someone reported seeing Steelhead in an unexpected section of Lone Pine Creek. The section of the creek is shown within the red circle in figure 1, which is just south of Kennedy Elementary in Medford.

Figure 1 . Lone Pine Creek Vegetation Improvement Area (red circle shows subject area)



In that section, the creek flows through a concrete channel. During the hot days of the summer, the water temperature in the concrete channel can be eight degrees warmer than other sections of the creek which flows through a natural environment. Additionally, there's a lack of vegetation on the east side of the creek, offering little shade from the hot sun.

ODFW has tried to increase shading in this area by planting approximately 40 plants consisting of Big Leaf Maple, Elderberry, and Mock Orange. Unfortunately, the plants are experiencing a high mortality rate, due to the heat and poor soil conditions. ODFW is doing a similar project at Blue Heron Park. Fortunately, the plants are more established at that location than they are at Lone Pine Creek.

ODFW is asking for volunteers to help water the plants at both sites during the hot summer days. Volunteers help fill 5-gallon water buckets and carry them to the plants. The work is rewarding and does not take long. If five volunteers show up, it only takes an hour to water all the plants.



Figure 2. Volunteer water plants.

There's still time to volunteer. Watering dates at Lone Pine Creek are September 3, 10, 17, 24, and October 4. Volunteers will meet at 8 am at 2584 Montelimar Dr., Medford.

The watering schedule for Blue Heron Park is September 4, 18, 25, and October 2. Volunteers will meet in the parking lot at 8 am. If late, walk down to the Greenway and turn right and walk approximately 150.

Please contact Monica at ODFW if you're able to help with any of these events (Tel: 541 961-9957). I hope to see you out there.



## Support Your Local Fly Fishing Resources

The Ashland Fly Shop	399 E. Main Street at Third, Ashland	541-488-6454
The Fishin' Hole	21873 Hwy 62, Sahady Cove	541-878-4000
Rogue Fly Shop	941 SE 6th St, Grants Pass	541-476-0552
Rogue Valley Anglers	305 N. Bartlett, 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)

### 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 Fly Fishers international? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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

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

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