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President's Message

Happy February Flyfishers! Winter still has us in its grip, but there are good fishing opportunities out there for those brave enough to get out and hit the streams. The Metolius, Crooked, and Fall Rivers all have pretty good fishing during the winter, they are mostly open (legally – check the regs), and have good access during the snowy periods. It beats sitting in the house watching the snow plows go by!

Both of our winter fly tying series (intermediate/advanced and beginner) as well as our beginner rod building classes have kicked off, with outstanding tiers and rod builders leading our classes each week. Be sure to let Jeff and Liz know if you are still interested in a beginner class if you weren't able to get in on the current one, we may be able to get another one going.

We are still in need of some volunteers for the Banquet on April 4th. Some of our longtime volunteers will not be attending this year, and we are looking for some folks to step in and help out during the Banquet. They will be helping with raffle/auction item wrap-up (payment, etc.) before everyone departs. Please contact me or one of the other Banquet volunteers if you wish to participate.

Speaking of volunteers – if you want to know what activities qualify for COF “credit”, check out the activity list on our website (Member's Area, Authorized Volunteer Activity List). If there's an activity that you feel should be there but isn't, please let me know and we'll take a look at it. We update this list annually.

Donations are solicited for the Banquet from COF members (flies, fishing gear, etc.); any old gear laying around the house that you are no longer using can add to our auction! There will be a table at the back of the room to accept them at the Feb meeting.

Cool Video! The New Fly Fisher video series on YouTube: Underwater World of Trout, a 3-part series shows trout in their environment and really lets you see how they act and react to different things: food, other fish, predators, etc. Well worth the time for a rookie or a pro!

When this newsletter comes out, I will have just returned from my bucket list trip of a lifetime to Jurassic Lake in Argentina (check out the YouTube videos – they are a hoot!). Hopefully I'll have stories (ie: LIES), and photo evidence to show when I return. I'll be giving a pre-meeting talk on guide trips at the March meeting, and I'll be using some of the things I learned during this trip.

As always, thanks for being a part of this great Club, and feel free to let me (or any board member) know if you have ideas for improvement.

- *Tim Quinlan*

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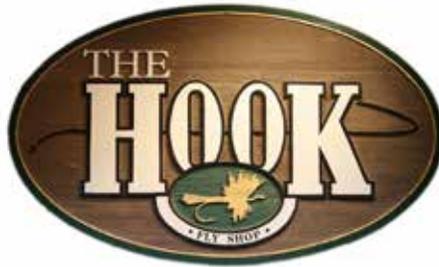
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Our guest presenter this month is Paul Snowbeck, Store Manager of Fin & Fire Fly Shop located in Redmond. Paul will be presenting a program on Streamer Strategies for Trout in Central Oregon.

“From the trout streams of Montana and Idaho to Paul’s home waters of the Deschutes and the Metolius, to chasing silver bullets across the West Coast, Paul gets excited every time he hits the water.”

Growing up in Alaska he and his family fished every weekend during the summer, now many years later fly fishing has become not just a hobby but way of life and his profession. Through his camera lens and guiding anglers on the spectacular rivers in Central Oregon, Paul loves sharing his enthusiasm and passion for fish and their environment. With thousands of days fishing on our local waterways Paul will provide a unique perspective on the fisheries and how to target fish with effective and fun techniques not often used on Central Oregon’s rivers.

OUTINGS

Owyhee River Outing

MARCH 31-APRIL 3 TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

This year’s outing is scheduled for March 31 to April 3. Winter flows have been stable at 36 CFS all winter. The Owyhee basin has more snow than Central Oregon so maybe the flows will increase before we get there.

The Owyhee River downstream from Lake Owyhee Dam is a gem. Think the Crooked River on steroids. Instead of rainbows and whitefish, think browns, big browns. A 15-incher is a small fish. The trip is timed to hopefully coincide with the skwala hatch. If we are lucky, there will be spectacular top water action as the fish smash your skwala pattern. Other than skwalas, use the same flies and rigs you use on the Crooked. Don’t forget the small stuff either. Size 18–22 midges work well too. To get a better idea, watch Brian Huskey’s video of the Owyhee at: <http://vimeo.com/5327229>.

It takes about five hours to get to the Owyhee. Travel on Hwy 20 from Bend, via Burns to Vale. Towards the end of town, turn right at the Cenex Gas Station onto Glenn Street. Glenn Street becomes Lytle Blvd. Go for about 14 miles. Turn right just behind the little store, then take the first left. Turn right on Klamath and then left on Norwood, right on Owyhee Ave and left on Owyhee Lake Road. Sound confusing? Not really; there are a lot of signs to

Owyhee State Park. If you make a mistake, any of the roads will get you there. You basically need to go southwest from the store. Check it out on Google maps.

Take Owyhee Lake Road up towards the dam. There is a bridge just below the dam with a sign to the irrigation department. Cross the bridge and you're at a campground with an outhouse and trash service. There is no cell service. There is WiFi at the museum on the irrigation department property. There is no password so you can just hangout on the bench outside the museum and use the wifi. Water is available.

You have the choice of camping at the campground, camping along the river, staying at a motel in Vale or Ontario or renting one of the two bungalows that the irrigation department manages that are next to the campground. To book one of these, go to www.owyheedamcabins.com and click on the three bars in the upper left. Take a look at the cabins and then click on the cabins calendar button. If the bungalow is not booked, send an email request to owyheedamcabins@gmail.com and request a booking.

Unlike the Crooked, there are no developed campgrounds along the river. If you choose not to stay in the campground, you can just pull over and set up camp anywhere you like. The 10 miles of fishing below the dam to Snively Hot Springs is the best fishing.

Dry Fly Innovations has an excellent blog at: www.dryflyinnovations.com/blog. There are tons of archived reports on the site. Unfortunately, it is now a paid site so you will have to decide if it is worth it to you to go back to last March to see how the hatch was a year ago. Their stoneflies are killer. I am making an order now so that I will have a dozen or so ready for this trip.

All are welcome on this outing. There is no limit to how many can come, but please let me know if you plan to attend so I can get a rough head count for the campground. If you are pulling a big rig, please park just OUTSIDE of the campground proper along the river and leave the camping area for tenters and small trailers.

We have the entire campground booked. The fee can be paid directly to Lee Ann, and it is \$5 a unit per night.

– LEE ANN ROSS
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EDUCATION

Getting Ready for a Guided Trip

Tim Quinton, our current President, will be sharing ideas on getting ready for a guided trip prior to our monthly meeting March 18th from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Based on his 9 years of guiding and having taken



Tim Quinton recently
in Argentina

many guided trips himself, he knows that trips can be expensive, and without an understanding of how it all works you may miss out on a great experience for the money spent. Come listen to Tim on the 18th for tips and tricks to maximize your value and enjoyment for both local and international guided trips.

Wild Women of the Water Book Club

Wild Women of the Water book club will meet starting February 3rd. This Winter we will be reading Dave Hughes' book *Handbook of Hatches*. Limited to 10 WWW members so please see additional email for more information, cost, and signup process. Please contact Liz Jones for more information.

- LIZ JONES
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Women's Flyfishing 101 Class

STARTING MARCH 1ST, 1:00- 3:30 PM

Learn all about equipment, clothing, knots, "fishy" bugs and casting! Classes held at Confluence Fly Shop, Fly & Field Outfitters, Flyfishers Place, Environmental Center. Sunday, March 1, 8, 15, 22 from 1-3pm except... 3/22-11am-1pm, Outing to the Crooked River on March 31. Cost - \$10/COF Wild Women of the Water member \$50/non-member, (COF membership - \$35), maximum of 10 ladies. Questions: Schoessler.karivan@gmail.com. To register: send a check made out to COF to 2512 NW Brickyard St, Bend, OR 97703

- KARI SCHOESSLER
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Beginning Fly Tying

**FEBRUARY 5TH & 6TH, 6 PM - 8:30 PM,
LARKSPUR CENTER**

Learn the basic skills and techniques needed to tie easy patterns that catch fish. \$5 for the class. Materials for all flies are provided; but basic fly tying equipment is required (aka starter kit). The First session is an overview of equipment, materials, and what to buy or bring for your starter kit (required for last two classes). We will start tying in the second class but will focus on specific techniques.

During the last class we will be tying some of my favorite flies. Class is limited to 20 COF members. Online sign-ups starting in early December. If you have any questions, please contact me.

- RON GIAIER
(908) 400-2680, RONGIAIER@GMAIL.COM

Advanced Fly Tying

LARKSPUR CENTER

COF advanced fly-tying demonstrations start on January 7, 2020 with different instructors and patterns each Tuesday night through March 31st. We have a great lineup of instructors this year. The classes are from 6:00 pm to about 8:30 pm at the Senior Center. Call me if you have any questions.

- RON GIAIER
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CONSERVATION

Trip Report 1/17/2020

Spent the day with a public meeting at the Madras City Hall. Met with many of the local neighbors of the Trout Creek and some of the County officials.

The county was concerned about loss of income to the tax base and questioning if farm deferral is the proper tax status for the proposed project.

The local neighbors were concerned about access for fire suppression and possible loss of a valuable member of the community if the resident caretaker moves away. One of the neighboring ranchers gave a short history of the area during the field trip to the ranch.

The 5,000 acre ranch only has about 100-200 acres of irrigated agricultural land. Most of the ranch is in steep slopes with juniper and native bunchgrass. The riparian areas are fenced and in good condition. Cattle have been excluded from the riparian zone. The riparian vegetation consists of lots of willows and cottonwoods. Lots of big basin wildrye....tall bunchgrass inside the fence.

The Deschutes Land Trust initial proposal for the OWEB application would place 45 acres of senior water rights into in stream flow for Trout Creek. I feel this water may be needed to irrigate some of the dry ag land and establish native grasses and expand the riparian zone for a few years. Restoring larger riparian



zones would slow the release of spring high water and provide additional stream flow later in the season. I feel eventually this property will be managed to increase stream flow in Trout Creek thru the summer season. I was told for now the R2 ranch removes all flow from Trout Creek below the Deschutes Land Trust property during summer irrigation for adjacent hay fields.

Above is a picture of aoudad sheep. There was a herd of about 50 animals located in a field in the center of the ranch. This ranch provides lots of sunny south facing slopes for winter big game range and denser bunchgrass stands on north facing slopes. The steep slopes have many game trails left by foraging big game animals and past cattle use.

Adding this ranch to the Deschutes Land Trust will probably require some changes to their organization. A permanent caretaker will probably be needed at the least. The Land Trust should probably come up with a plan to raise some cash flow from the property to cover some of these expenses. This may entail leasing some of the ag land, leasing some hunting permits (upland bird or big game), perhaps raising some cash crop on the ag land, (native grass seed or hay), thinning or maybe selling some of the invasive juniper for slabs or firewood or some other way of financing their operation.

The land trust is concentrating on riparian areas and has a handle on how many steelhead redds use the streams on the property.

I feel COF could support this organization getting a grant from OWEB for the purchase of the property and would like to have the club keep in contact with future projects for this property. I told them the large quantity of baby steelhead make any fishing on these streams not

a good option. I recommend these streams be dedicated to spawning and rearing of young steelhead only. Fishing should be allowed only on lower Trout Creek and the Deschutes River.

- THOMAS SHUMAN

PARTNERSHIP CORNER

Volunteer Opportunity at Camp Polk Acclimation Facility

In 2020 a major change is occurring in the upper Deschutes reintroduction program, in which the program will no longer be releasing fry and now be completely reliant on smolts releases. Another major aspect of this change is to acclimate smolts prior to their release. A variety of studies have been done on acclimation so that it helps adults return to the area in which they are released. The first acclimation facility, located at Camp Polk near Sisters, OR, will be coming online in spring of 2020 and ODFW is asking for volunteers that might be interested in helping to feed the smolts that will be in the acclimation facility, as well as to maintain and operate it. ODFW has a variety of hatcheries that are run by volunteers through the STEP program and this facility would be very similar.

Both spring Chinook and summer steelhead will be acclimate at the facility for approximately 3 weeks prior to their release. Spring Chinook are planned to be transferred into the acclimation facility on March 2nd, 2020. There will be two different groups of summer steelhead that will be transferred into the acclimation facility, with the first group on March 25th, 2020, and the second group on April

10th, 2020. The smolts will be volitionally released from the acclimation facility into Whychus Creek. The smolts will be feed three days a week schedule, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. ODFW's Round Butte Hatchery will provide a training on proper feeding technique and the Pelton Round Butte Mitigation Coordinator will provide training on how to operate and maintain the facility for those people that are interested in volunteering to help out with the facility.

For those that are interested in being an integral part in helping to create a more successful run of salmon and steelhead back into the upper Deschutes basin or have questions about the oppurtunity, please contact Taylor McCroskey to volunteer.

- TAYLOR MCCROSKEY
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WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER

FEBRUARY 9 TH 4:00 – 6:00 PM
10 BARREL BREWING EAST SIDE

Let's gather together and for a fun early evening happy hour this February 9 th . We can celebrate the fact that this February marks a Leap Year or simply enjoy good food, good drink, and good conversation!

We will begin to lay out our Wild Women calendar of events for 2020 and your involvement is wanted. I hope to see you there! Be sure to RSVP.

- SUE COYLE
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OTHER NEWS

Leaky Waders

Have you ever had a leak in your waders? Let me rephrase, have you ever had a leak in your waders that you can't find? This happened to me twice this year

SIMMS - If you are a Simms wader owner you know to turn the waders inside out and use a spray bottle with isopropyl alcohol to locate the leak. If you have never done this there is an instructional video on the Simms website. The isopropyl causes any holes to turn black so you can apply a dab of Aquaseal or UV wader repair.

Six times this summer I came home from the Metolius with a wet lower right leg and six times I tried to locate the leak. Peter Bowers at The Patient Angler advised me of a

couple other tricks but to no avail so I sent the waders to Simms for repair.

To repair a pair of Simms waders you must first visit their website for a return authorization and print their mailing label. The repair link is easy to find at the bottom of the website. My waders were out of warranty. Wader evaluation, repair (if possible), and return shipping would cost me \$60.00.

About one month after shipping to Simms I received an email that the waders could be fixed. Another month passed and my waders returned with two brand new feet. No wonder I couldn't find the hole. The alcohol trick doesn't work on neoprene. Several days of fishing have passed and these waders are keeping me nice and dry.

ORVIS - While my Simms waders were off for repair I wore a backup pair of Orvis I had purchased way back when at the Orvis Old Mill store. Twenty seven days of abuse in a float tube on Silver Creek and I found my Orvis waders also had developed several leaks. The alcohol trick does not work on Orvis waders so I tried a few of Peter's tricks but no luck.

I couldn't find wader repair on the Orvis website so I visited Confluence and talked to Tye Krueger. Tye said for \$40 Orvis would repair my waders (if they were repairable) and offered to ship them to Orvis. Several weeks later my Orvis waders returned repaired. While initially I couldn't locate the Orvis wader repair on their website I did find if I searched correctly I would get the right web address.

NEW SUSPENDERS AT GEAR FIX - Looking at my now repaired Orvis waders I wished for new suspenders. (Good luck finding new suspenders for waders.) I've used Gear Fix in the Old Box Factory for tent and zipper repair as well as sewing my float tube back together. I sheepishly walked into Gear Fix with waders in hand and asked if they could repair my suspenders. Gear Fix said no problem; they fix ski bibs all the time and pointed out the suitable elastic material. One week later I had new wader suspenders. If you haven't found Gear Fix yet check them out. Besides repair they also sell and consign outdoor clothing and gear of all kinds.

GEAR TUNE-UP TIME - Now is a good time to look over your gear. It took a little over two months for the return of my Simms. Wader manufacturers including those not mentioned such as Patagonia, Redington, and Aquaz, all have wader repair links on their websites. s/Pete Martin

- PETE MARTIN
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2020 Kokanee Karnival Spring Clinic

We are getting ready for the Kokanee Karnival Spring Angling Clinic in April 2020. We will have more information for volunteers in the March newsletter. However, here is some information that Jen Luke assembled for the school year 2018 - 2019 for Kokanee Karnival and the Salmon Trout Enhancement Program. This demonstrates how we educate and enhance the outdoor experiences of the youth of Central Oregon with your help.

- FRANK TUREK
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Thank you from ODFW

ODFW and the Salmon-Trout Enhancement Program appreciate your volunteer contribution to Kokanee Karnival.

Here are some remarkable numbers from the 2018-2019 Kokanee Karnival Program!

12 (360 students) classes participated in Angling clinic and Fall Field Trips (Spring Creek-Sheeps Bridge)

30 (900 students) classes participated in Trout Biology (dissection)

46 (1,400 students) classes participated in Fish Eggs To Fry—Trout in the Classroom

23 (700 students) classes participated in Angler Education Program

Volunteers contributed at least 1,400 hours to Kokanee Karnival

*Everyone makes a difference!
Thank you!!!*



Sportsmens Show Trout Pond

**DESCHUTES COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
MARCH 12TH THRU MARCH 15TH 2020**

Mark your calendars for March 12th (Thursday) thru March 15th (Sunday). COF provides the volunteers for the Central Oregon Sport's show annual Kid's Trout Pond. This is a great family event. Kids, parents, grandparents and guardians all have a good time. It is a privilege for us to have the opportunity to help a youngster catch what is often their first fish.

Beyond helping a kid catch a fish, you help COF- we get a large donation for running the Kid's Pond- and you get free admission to the Sportsmen's Show. This donation helps COF fund many projects throughout the year.

We need flies for the poles. Normally about 300 are needed. If you can tie up some bright flashy beadhead type flies in size 10-12 they will be much appreciated. Please make sure to mash down the barbs. Bring any flies to the February monthly meeting or to a Winter Fly Tying Class.

Sign up sheets for volunteering at the show will be at the Monthly COF meeting and at the weekly Fly Tying Classes.

Volunteering is a great way to support your COF Club. Please feel free to contact me. Thanks again.

- TIM DERRY
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COF Volunteers

In 2019 we volunteered 4,063 hours and traveled 21,567 miles to support COF events. That's a lot of hours and miles for any fly fishing club and demonstrates a high degree of dedication. THANKYOU for all your help. If you missed out last year, please volunteer this year. You'll very likely enjoy the experience.

Volunteer records can be very important when we apply for grants to maintain or improve programs like Kokanee Karnival. Such records provide a real measure of performance that donors do consider when awarding grants, so these numbers can have real impact. We cite these numbers in the annual club request to donors for items to be raffled at our annual COF Banquet - the very items you win with a successful bid. The COF Banquet is our largest fundraiser. Your bids on donated items raise most of that money.

These records are also used to award a prize to every member who volunteers 30 hours or more in a year. I need your help to capture all our volunteer data. We have many

dedicated volunteers and the more the merrier, so keep up the good work. Here are some results for recent years:

YEAR	HOURS	MILES	# OF VOLUNTEERS
2013	3,006	21,745	122
2014	4,091	19,037	113
2015	6,164	32,071	140
2016	4,484	28,502	134
2017	4,891	29,998	137
2018	4,065	29,942	157
2019	4,063	21,567	119

The hours reported for 2019 were nearly identical to 2018, but the number of volunteers declined 24% from the record set in 2018, which means volunteers carried heavier loads. Let's try to regain lost ground by encouraging all your fishing buddies to volunteer.

When there's a volunteer sign-in sheet at an event, please sign in and enter your hours (including travel time) and round-trip mileage. The event coordinator sends the sign-in sheet to me for recording. If you're a coordinator, don't forget to submit your preparation time and mileage for the event.

If there's no sign-in sheet, or if you forget to sign-in at a volunteer event, just email the following information to me at Fishingfool.Olson@gmail.com : Your Name, Event Name, Event Date, Hours and Miles traveled (round trip). Or just write a note and give it me at a meeting, or call me at 541-420-1325.

To make it easier for you to report hours we will add the list of supported Event Names to our website. Reporting the correct Event names will also make it easier to record hours.

Thank you again. Your efforts really do make a difference.

- DICK OLSON

BOARD BITS

JANUARY 2, 2020

The Senior Center has lost storage after their remodel. They can't store our library. A discussion was held about our options....get rid of our library, put it on line, possibly move our monthly meetings to the Elks Club where they have storage? We tabled the discussion...

Banquet – There is no banquet chair, so Tim has put his byline on the literature and the board will try to

divide up the jobs. Mary needs details for the website and reservations. Renee will check on catering at the Riverhouse. A small group will meet to continue progress...Tim, Mary, Renee, Tom W, Kari, Pete. There is a good possibility that there will not be a banquet next year!

Liz (education) will put together a quarterly report for the newsletter that will include events & classes.

Newsletter – does our newsletter need to be more readable...one column or two? Can it be more compatible with reading on a phone? Kelly (newsletter) has said it would not cost more to change it from 3 columns to 1 or 2. We will table this discussion and everyone can think about it.

ODFW – We donated money for interns and for nets last year. We need to see how the banquet does and we will make this year's donation.

Budget – If we don't make money on our auction or even cancel the auction in the future...should we be looking at our budget differently? Should we be covering our basic costs with membership dues? How much would we have to raise the dues to do that? A small group was formed to look at ideas – Renee, Liz, Karen & Tim. We still haven't voted on the 2020 budget. Renee will send it out and we will approve by email. Renee does a ½ yearly report for the newsletter.

Board book – Bill Raleigh discussed our officers and directors and who reports to who. It has been reviewed and revised in the board book with a new chart. The Board Book is not a binding document and can be changed when the BOD approves. There was also a discussion of the list of events that qualify for volunteer hours. The Board Book list was updated.

Awards committee – Tim will send out an email blast to the membership to ask for nominations for awards to be presented at the April dinner and auction.... also an article in the newsletter. The committee will either be past recipients or the BOD. Tim will pull it together and report at the Feb meeting. The awards are Flyfisher of the Year, Honorary Life Member, Conservation Award, and special Recognition for Outstanding Service.

Meeting adjourned and everyone stayed to stuff banquet donation request envelopes. Thank you to all BOD!!

- KARI SCHOESSLER
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MEMBERSHIP

New Members

Phillip Armstrong – Bend
Mike & Jill Curtis – Terrebonne
Richard Fitterer – Redmond
Mark Maboll – Prineville
Jose Menjivar – Bend
Jerry Moison – Los Altos, CA
Susan Perdue – Yamhill
Sandy Shaffer – Eugene
Kincaid Smeltzer – Sisters
Wendy von Kalinowski – Sisters
Sara Evans – Bend
Kathleen Killeley – Bend

- SUE COYLE
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COF CLASSIFIEDS, FEBRUARY 2020

FOR SALE: Ford F150 XLT 4X4 Supercrew, 2015, under 20,000 miles, gently used, one owner, like-new condition, lots of power to tow. For more information, contact Terri Grimm (541-318-0567) or terrimgrimm@gmail.com).

FOR SALE: contact Tim Quinton, (509-392-3516), cgtimq@gmail.com. **PATAGONIA MEN'S MICRO PUFF JACKET, SIZE LARGE** (fits snug), color Carbon (this is kind of a dark green). New, never worn outside. \$125 (Retail is \$249). Check out the Patagonia website for more info: [CLICK HERE](#)

ECHO SR SWITCH ROD, 8 WT, WITH LINE.

This is a like-new rod and line, only cast for one session to see how it fit my stroke. It didn't, so you'll get a \$429 retail rod and line outfit for \$300. The line is a RIO InTouch Switch Chucker 8 wt.

REDINGTON ORIGINAL MODEL DUALY

4 WT SWITCH ROD. This is a great 4 wt trout switch rod, casts large dries or heavy nymph rigs with ease. This rod is new, never been cast; it is 10'9" long, 4 piece. Asking \$150, retail is \$250. This is NOT the new model Dually.

PATAGONIA RIO GALLEGOS ZIP-FRONT WADERS, MEN'S LARGE, These are Patagonia's top of the line waders, less than 1 year old, and in excellent condition. Men's large, foot is 9 - 11. See Patagonia website for sizing info. Minimal signs of wear.

I washed them so you have a nice clean pair of waders. Zipper is particularly nice for ease of entry and when nature calls! Asking \$350, retail is \$600.

RIO IN TOUCH CHUCKER 5 WT (FOR A 5WT SWITCH ROD); line has been used once and is in pristine condition. Asking \$50, line retails for \$100.

FOR SALE: CADDIS NAVIGATOR 2 FLOAT TUBE. Excellent condition, never been used, asking \$75, call or leave message for Mary at 541-815-5029.



MEMBERS: Got a fishing related item to sell? Ads are free and run for one newsletter. If the item is not sold please resubmit the advertisement for the next month's newsletter. Submit ads to classifieds@coflyfishers.org by the 15th of each month.

- CLASSIFIEDS@COFLYFISHERS.ORG

Central Oregon Flyfishers TREASURER'S REPORT

Central Oregon Flyfishers fiscal year is a calendar year. This presentation is for the first half of the year, for period ended 12/31/19. Kokanee Karnival is not a separate entity; however, the boards of COF and KK wish to show KK results as a separate function.

	COF	KOKANEE KARNIVAL	TOTAL
CASH 1/1/2019	\$46,478	\$24,008	\$70,486
REVENUES	\$41,903	\$1,751	\$43,654
EXPENDITURES	\$(52,845)	\$(4,496)	\$(57,341)
TOTAL NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$(10,942)	\$(2,745)	(13,3687)
CASH 12/31/2019	\$35,536	\$21,263	\$56,799



BLOWTORCH AND REDBIRD (TAG FLIES)

Competition anglers from Europe have contributed a number of innovative contributions to nymph fly design. One of the contributions is the addition of a colored tag for a tail on the fly. Usually, the tag is red, orange, pink, or chartreuse floss that serves as a hot spot. In the U.S. fishing scene the most common flies are contributions from two USA Fly Fishing Team members: Devin Olson's Blowtorch and Lance Eagan's Redbird. Both are very effective attractor patterns for trout and mountain whitefish. I have had great success on the Crooked River with a variant of the Blowtorch. The original pattern calls for a collar of CDC hackle. I omit the hackle collar with no loss of effectiveness. The omission also makes the Blowtorch and Redbird easy and quick ties. I use both weighted (tungsten Euro nymphs on jig hooks) and unweighted (tight line, drop shot rigs) versions in sizes 16 and 18. I also add tags to some of my other patterns such as the thread body pheasant tail and perdigons to increase their effectiveness. For directions on how to tie the patterns, Goggle them by name (just omit the CDC collar and

the counter wrap of monofilament). The recipe below includes the materials for both flies.

Materials:

Hook: Standard nymph hook, size 16 and 18 (also jig hooks)

Bead: gold or copper brass/tungsten beads (size 2.4 mm for 16 and 2.0 mm for 18)

Thread: 7/0 Fluorescent orange Ultra thread (BT), 7/0 red Ultra thread (RB)

Tag/Tail: 4 strands of Glo-Brite floss (#5) (BT), 4 strands of Glo-Brite floss (red) (RB)

Rib: Sulky silver metallic thread (JoAnn Fabrics)

Body: Ice Dub Black Peacock

Collar: Fl. Orange thread (BT), Ice Dub Pink Dubbing and red thread (RB)

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Central Oregon Flyfishers Annual Banquet & Fundraiser



Attend COF's primary fundraising event to support the Kokanee Karnival Youth Education Program, Next Cast Flyfishers program for older youth, conservation programs, habitat restoration efforts, club activities, and membership services. Join the fun and dine on fine, delicious food. Have an exciting time with the raffle, pick up some high-quality flies or unique family items in the silent auction, and bid on great opportunities at the live auction. Take advantage of the early bird registration; save \$5 and be automatically entered in the early-bird drawing. You may purchase raffle tickets in advance using the registration form (six tickets for \$5).

Saturday
April 4, 2020

5:30 P.M.

Riverhouse Convention
Center, Bend
RIVERHOUSE
ON THE DESCHUTES

MENU

Entrée:

Your choice of chicken OR grilled top sirloin OR vegetarian entree.

All entrees include salad, rolls with butter, chef's selection fresh vegetable medley, chef's pairing of potato or rice, coffee and tea.

**No host bar will be available.
Please note that you may not bring
your own wine.**

BEFORE March 1

\$45 per person & automatic entry in the early bird drawing

March 1 to March 27

\$50 per person (no dinner sales after March 27)

**Questions? Contact Tim
Quinton at 509-392-3516 or
banquet@coflyfishers.org**

Please register online at
coflyfishers.org

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE at coflyfishers.org. Payment via PayPal, credit card or check.

For those with no Internet access, mail completed form (indicate dinner choice and raffle ticket amounts) and your check (\$45/person **BEFORE March 1** • \$50/person **March 1 to March 27**) to COF BANQUET, P.O. Box 1126, Bend, OR 97709.

PRINT CLEARLY

Name _____ Steak ____ Chicken ____ Veg. ____

Spouse/Guest(s) _____ Steak ____ Chicken ____ Veg. ____

Guest(s) _____ Steak ____ Chicken ____ Veg. ____

Raffle Ticket Total Enclosed (\$5 increments • \$5 = six tickets) = \$ _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

Amount enclosed (circle one): \$45 or \$50/person **BEFORE March 1** - \$45 per person & Automatic entry in the early bird drawing **March 1 to March 27** - \$50 per person (no dinner sales after March 27)

COF Banquet



Mark your calendars for April 4th for the 2020 COF Banquet Raffle and Auction at the Riverhouse Convention Center. Registration will soon be available on the COF website.

The club is still in dire need of volunteers to manage and organize this fundraising event. Please contact any board member or President Tim Quinton, president@coflyfishers.org.

Donation Collection Events

Your donation of an item or service is vital to our fundraising event. 98 of the 152 items listed in last year's banquet catalog were donated by COF members!

Please bring your donations to either the Wednesday COF meetings on January 15th or February 19th from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. COF board members will have a table set up in the back of the room to receive your donations. The donation form for your items is in this newsletter and on the COF website.

Hosted fishing trips by members are very popular. Do you have good fishing equipment in the closet gathering dust? Are you a crafter making creations you are proud to share such as a quilt, woodturning, or a birdhouse? Tie a dozen or two fishing flies. Fishing flies are popular in the bucket raffle. We don't grade or frame them – bidders just want to fish them. COF will even supply the fly box!



2020 Central Oregon Flyfishers Fundraising Banquet
April 4, 2020
Donation Form

(Please include a copy with your donation)

Name: _____

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Donation Description: _____

Retail Value of Donation: \$ _____

Note: If your donation is a guided trip or other service, please include your contact information, when the service is available, how much notice is required and any other limitations. If you have a gift certificate please include it along with this form. If you do not have a certificate we will prepare a certificate for presentation to the successful bidder at the banquet checkout.

Your donation will be acknowledged in the banquet catalog and on the bidder slips using the information you provide on this donation form. Please contact me by March 20, 2020 so we have time to include your donation on the banquet catalog which is emailed to registered attendees prior to the banquet.

Please retain a copy of this form for your records. Your donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by current IRS guidelines. Central Oregon Flyfishers is an IRS approved 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization (Federal ID # 93-0881830) so your contribution of merchandise, equipment, service, cash, gift certificate, etc. is fully tax deductible. As always check with your accountant.

Please mail your donation and this form to:
Central Oregon Flyfishers, P.O. Box 1126, Bend, OR 97709

Or contact me to pick up your donation:
Tim Quinton, banquet@coflyfishers.org, 509-392-3516

Thank you for your donation.

Northwest's Largest Fly Tying & Fly Fishing Expo



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Parking is FREE (See About-Lodging for RV parking and fees)

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To Register for Classes, Pre-Purchase Banquet Tickets, and Discount Ticket Packages, Shirts, and Hats visit our website <https://nwexpo.com/wp/>

Casting Classes – Casting classes are ready and on line for sign up being taught by some of the best casting instructors in the world. <https://nwexpo.com/wp/classes/>

FFI Casting Challenge – COF's New President Tim Quinton will organize and facilitate this program. Free for all attendees. Will be conducted in the Exhibit Hall (Casting Lanes 1-2 & 3)

The 2020 Casting Games will take place on Friday & Saturday "The McGinty Cup"

This is a new event for the NW Expo being led by Brian O'Keefe. A casting competition to help fund our Grant programs and the Expo. Be ready to have fun with friendly target casting competition.

To enter this Casting Games Fundraiser, buy your \$5.00 score card at the merchandise booth and put your name on the list to cast at casting lane 6. The Oregon Casting Champion will be crowned on Saturday afternoon and will win the 2020 "McGinty Cup"

Expo Casting Demonstrations –ACA World Champions (Steve Rajeff, Maxine McCormick and Glenn McCormick) will be competing to see who is the best at 11:00AM on Saturday. These casting demonstrations will be Free to all attendees and very much a learning experience. See casting schedule <https://nwexpo.com/wp/classes/>

Volunteer to help out for a short shift and get in the expo free plus receive a packet of "stuff" Name Badge, 2 Beverage Tickets for the food court, Expo Pin, and 4 Raffle Tickets. Visit our web site to sign up <https://nwexpo.com/wp/volunteer-sign-up/> This is a 30.00 value. A thank you to COF members that have already signed up to volunteer.

To learn more about this event visit our web site <https://nwexpo.com/wp/> or contact 2020 Expo Chair: Sherry Steele Email: steelefly@msn.com ; 541-549-2072

FEBRUARY 2020 UPSTREAM EVENTS

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	CONTACT
February 1	Spey casting workshop	Farewell Bend Park	Confluence Fly Shop
February 3, 10, 17, 24	WWW Book Club		eajones159@gmail.com
February 4, 11, 18, 25	COF Winter Fly tying, 6pm	Larkspur Center	rongiaier@gmail.com
February 4, 11, 18	Beginning Rod Building	Larkspur Center	education@coflyfishers.org
February 5 & 6	Beginning Fly Tying	Larkspur Center	rongiaier@gmail.com
February 9	WWW Gathering	10 Barrel Brewing, East Side	wildwomen@coflyfishers.org
February 14	Advanced Fly Tying	Larkspur Center	rongiaier@gmail.com

In the Future

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	CONTACT
March 1,8,15,22,29	Wild Women Flyfishing 101		schoessler.karivan@gmail.com
March 2 & 9	WWW Book Club		eajones159@gmail.com
March 3, 10 ,17, 24, 31	COF Winter Fly Tying, 6pm	Larkspur Center	rongiaier@gmail.com
March 12-15	Sportsmen's Show Fish Pond	Expo Center	Tim Derry tderry1911@gmail.com
March 13-14	NW Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo	Linn County Expo Center	steelefly@msn.com
March 18	Getting Ready for a Guided Trip	Larkspur Center	education@coflyfishers.or
March 31 - April 3	Owyhee River Outing		rossleeann@yahoo.com
April 4	COF Banquet & Auction	Riverhouse Convention Ctr	Tim Quinton



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