President’s Message

Happy August Flyfishers!

Well, it’s been really hot this last week of July, hopefully we’ll see some respite in August. We have our annual BBQ at Shevlin park on the 16th of this month, looking forward to seeing everyone there – or at least 79 of you, since 80 is our max for this event. Herb Blank has been our BBQ Guru for these last bunch of years, and he has done a bang-up job – Bravo Zulu Herb! But all good things come to an end, so we need someone to step into Herb’s shoes for next year, preferably someone who has helped out in the past and has some “corporate knowledge”. Let Herb know if you’d like to do this – it’s one of those things where you get immediate feedback from our members, because everyone likes BBQ, right?

COF and Sunriver Anglers teamed up to submit a letter (included in this newsletter) to the US Forest Service (they take care of the docks at East Lake) asking them to reconsider their decision to not put a dock in at the Cinder Hill Campground. Normally we don’t get too much involved in these things, but this affect many of us and deserves our support, or at least some answers from USFS.

Fred Cholick has volunteered for the position of President for 2023, and I really appreciate it, as should you all. Fred is currently running the Next Cast program (which he will continue to do), and is eminently qualified for the role of President. The Education position is still unfilled, so we could really use someone to step up for that one too. If anyone is interested in volunteering for these positions, please contact me. Remember, we have a Democratic process for electing our leaders, so there will be a vote in November to see who will be our President, and hopefully our Education leader, in 2023.

Videos of the Month. This first one is another good look at our friend the Caddis; it’s by Tom Rosenbauer of The New Fly Fisher channel. In this short video he gives a good explanation of what’s happening when we see those little guys swarming around the water. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCaZZ_yD4Dw

As we’ve gotten into the real heat of summer, I’ve departed from my usual fishing video to give you this one about heat stroke. It’s from a Doctor I’ve been watching for over 2 years now for his Covid videos – he explains medical issues without using technical jargon that can glaze your eyes over, he really lays it out in layman’s terms. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e5LZUNMf-88

Thanx 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. Also, please start thinking about how you can add value to this club – by volunteering for leadership positions or helping with our varied programs.

Get out and fish!

– Tim Quinton

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**EDUCATION**

**Kokanee Karnival 2022 Fall Streamside Program**

Kokanee Karnival will hold our Fall Streamside program on September 26 through 30, 2022. We will hold the Fall Streamside on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. There will be no classes on Wednesday September 28. While the dates in September seem like a long way in the future, we need to start asking for volunteers to commit to help us. If you can volunteer, please let us know. It helps us develop our volunteer schedule. Kokanee Karnival provides lunch for the volunteers.

**Important Factors:**

1. **We need to have our volunteer schedule done by Labor Day. This will be a GO/NOGO date for the Fall Streamside.** If we do not have sufficient volunteers we will cancel the Fall Streamside. We do not want to have to cancel after school has started and cause great disappointment for the students.

2. **Sheep Bridge conditions.** We do not know if there will be spawning Kokanee at Sheep Bridge due to conditions in Wickiup, but the site is the best for the stations. We may need to move the site but we will determine that in September.

3. **School buses.** The Bend LaPine School District is still short of bus drivers. We will not know if this will be an issue until the teachers try to schedule bus transportation. This is a factor beyond our control but will impact the viability of holding Fall Streamside.

There are 11 classes in the Comprehensive program this year comprised of 5th grade classes from the Bend LaPine and Redmond School Districts. Four classes will attend at Spring Creek and 9 will attend at Sheep Bridge and these 9 classes will also attend a program at the Fall River Hatchery presented by Sun River Anglers. We had 10 Bend LaPine classes in the past but one school has not responded that they wish to participate this year.

**Program Elements:**

Two classes a day from Bend LaPine schools will attend
Sheep Bridge over the four days of the Fall Streamside. One class will attend Sheep Bridge in the morning and the other class will be at the Fall River hatchery. After lunch the classes switch. We have three stations at Sheep Bridge. The class is divided into three groups that rotate through the three stations. This means the volunteers make the same presentation 3 times to each class. New volunteers learn the station easily and quickly become adept at working with the students. The students learn about the river habitat at the Comforts of Home station, entomology at the Natures Restaurant station and the Kokanee life cycle at the Incredible Journey station. We need a minimum of eight (8) volunteers each day at Sheep Bridge to provide a leader and helper at each station, time keeper and rover to help out where needed.

Four classes from the Redmond District attend Spring Creek, a tributary of the Metolius River near Camp Sherman. Each day a class is divided into 4 groups with about 6 to 8 students in a group. An instructor spends the day with one group. The students put on waders that we supply and get into the creek where they learn about the stream habitat including testing water quality, collect and identify macroinvertebrates as a part of the entomology study, learn about the Kokanee life cycle and observe spawning Kokanee, and learn about watersheds. We need a minimum of four (4) volunteer instructors with site experience each day at Spring Creek and a helper for each group is desirable. Teachers and parents put on waders also help as assistants. Spring Creek is a lot of fun for volunteers because they get to work with the students and get to know them. There is a video on our website KokaneeKarnival.org if you would like to see the Streamside program. Go to the “About” dropdown menu and to the topic “Students look at Fish Habitat.

Volunteers:
New volunteers are welcome and will be teamed with a volunteer with experience at the streamside sites. New volunteers are never on their own. The programs we teach the students are not complicated and easy to learn. We also have outlines of the Fall Streamside and what we teach at each Sheep Bridge/Browns Creek station and at Spring Creek on our website KokaneeKarnival.org under the “Volunteers” drop down menu. We provide lunch and drinks for the volunteers.

If you can volunteer, please tell me the day or days you can help, which site you prefer and with Sheep Bridge what station you would like to participate.

To volunteer contact Frank Turek at waldo1ft@msn.com or 541-318-7507. You can also contact Jen Luke at Jennifer.a.luke@state.or.us or 541 388-6366

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OTHER NEWS

John Day Trip Report
3 members attended the John Day River outing. We camped at Muleshoe, which was almost full from a West side group of campers, but managed to find a great spot over looking the river. Friday, we floated from Mule
shoe to Service Creek campground. About a 2-mile float. We found a lot of willing small mouth bass on poppers and crayfish patterns. We floated it slow often rowing back up stream to re-fish productive areas. It took us 6 hours to float the 2 miles. Saturday morning, we floated from Spray to the wooden bridge. It’s an eight-mile trip that took us 9 hours with the flow of 750 CFS. Again, a lot of fish on drys and crayfish/minnow patterns. I feel the shorter floats are better for fishing, but the longer sections allow you to experience a great float while fishing.

Three Creeks Lake outing August 15

No motors, gas or electric, are allowed on the lake
There is good shore access for non boaters

Three Creeks Lake has been stocked with 8000 legal and 400 trophy trout since June 27th. Jeff Perin (owner fly Fishers Place in Sisters) mentioned in his blog about his recent trip to Three Creeks Lake:

PT nymph under an indicator or stripped on a Camo Sink line is a good one! We’ve found other Callibaetis nymphs are great too. Balanced Leeches continue to be excellent, especially the hot orange bead with the black body and tail this season.

Hatches are mainly going to include Callibaetis, and make sure you are prepared with ALL STAGES including the nymphs, the emergers, duns and spinners. Small #16-18 Black Caddis typically dominate the evening rise and a Black X Caddis is our go to there.

We will plan on a mid-morning start on the 15th. Let me know if you plan to attend and I’ll put together a mid-day meet-up.

Thanks

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Flyfishing Trip of a Lifetime

It all began in the Spring of 2021. I was on the computer looking for a place to wet my fly line and I researched several lodges in Southwest Alaska and emailed a few asking if they had any openings for a single fly fisherman. After the 2020 season cancelations due to COVID many of the lodges had to rebook those customers into the 2021 season, so it appeared that I was out of luck until I got an email from No See Um Lodge. They had one opening the first week in September, so I took it.

No See Um Lodge is located just downstream from the largest lake in Alaska Lake, Iliamna, along the banks of the Kvichak River, and about an hour float plane ride away from King Salmon. It’s a prime location for accessing the many streams and rivers within 30-45 minutes by float plane including Brooks Falls, Alagnak River, American Creek and scores of others. Large rainbows in the 24-28” range are common, with an occasional 30 inch. Arctic Char and Grayling are also available as are lake trout and Pike, although not as abundant.

One of my favorite days was where we landed on a lake and floated rafts down a stream, portaged around a waterfall and spent the day fishing along the stream catching as many rainbows in the 25-28” category as one wanted, then floated down to another lake where our pilot was waiting.

The Lodge is a family run operation by owner John Holman and his wife Kari. They have a fleet of De Havilland Beaver float planes to get their guests to some of the best flyfishing Alaska has to offer. Every day you have the option of flying to a different location. Only 10 guests are booked at the lodge for the entire week, and 90% of those guests are repeat customers, which means each season they book their next trip for the following year.

All of this does not come cheap, but as the saying goes, you get what you pay for. Getting to Anchorage is the hardest part of the journey and the responsibility of each guest. From there your flight to King Salmon and where you board one of their Beavers for the last leg of your journey to the lodge is all included in the price.

As soon as you arrive at the dock guests are greeted by the guides and staff and all luggage and belongings are taken to your cabin or room for the week. At dinner the owner and guides will explain the areas likely to have the best fishing, and the guests decide where they would like to go the following morning. Yes, as a guest you get to decide where you would like to go each day.

I have been to No See Um Lodge once in the first week of September and once in the middle of June. My preference is August or September simply because the Sockeye are in all the rivers getting on with the spawn and the trout are gorging themselves on eggs, and by September the trout have grown to massive size. September is also a good bet if you wanted to catch some Coho.
Salmon - they are a blast on a fly rod.

I am going to check with Melissa at No See Um Lodge (https://1a3.0d7.myftpupload.com) to get an August or September booking for 2023. Anyone that would like to join me can contact me for more information.

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MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to Our New Members
Benoit Gateau-Cumin - Bend
Steve Lichtenberger - La Pine
Susan Utterback - Sisters

As of July 28, 2022, Central Oregon Flyfishers has 310 members.

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LIBRARY

COF library services have resumed now that we are meeting at the Bend Elks Lodge. Please return any books or DVDs that you may have. Thanks for keeping them throughout our shutdown. We are currently reevaluating the library collection, please send us any ideas you may have on how you would like the library to be, in the future (library@coflyfishers.org).

Our DVD collection and a select number of books are available for checkout. If you are a club member and would like to peruse the library and/or check out one of our books, just look for the rolling bookcase at the club’s general meeting. The librarian arrives at the meeting early to give members extra time to look for books before the meeting starts. If you have any questions, comments, or new book suggestions, email Helen, the club librarian. library@coflyfishers.org

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COF CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: Brand new Hodgman Neoprene Wading Shoes size 11. Ideal on waders when using a float tube or pontoon boat. They are too small for me. Rather than return them and pay the shipping cost, I will sell them for $40. Original price was $59. Lonnie Dunham, 541-213-4389 or lonnie.kathy.d@gmail.com

FOR SALE: 12' Fycraft Inflatable Drift Boat with gear rack and 2.3 HP Honda outboard motor, $3000. Call John Butler, 541-588-2124 or 619-241-1589.

FOR SALE: Dave Scadden Detonator Low Pro- New- Never in the water, $800. Took out of box to inflate for pictures. Comes with soft seat, pump, oars, motor mount, and side storage bags. Scott Denneson 541-647-2088

COF MEMBERS: Got a “fishy item,” (broadly defined), to sell, find, or giveaway? Ads are free and run for one newsletter. If the item is not sold please resubmit your ad for the next month’s newsletter. Submit ads to classifieds@coflyfishers.org by the end of the third week of each month. JPEG photos are useful.

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Congratulations to Mary Ann Dozer

Floyd Franke Award For Contributions to the CICP

Floyd Franke advanced the mission of the CICP on several levels through his contributions as a Governor and later as the Chairperson of the CBGO. Floyd had a vision of what the CICP should encompass and brought it to fruition. He proposed practical solutions to real problems and implemented those solutions. He foresaw that high standards must be maintained and laid the foundation for the Code of Conduct to ensure this was the case. He also established the Ethics Committee, the Two-Hand Casting Instructor program, Governor Membership terms, and opened CBGO Committees and CICP activities to participation by MCI’s. Floyd looked to people who got things done. Neither name recognition nor celebrity status played a role. He had a major role in making the CICP a respected and valued component of FFI worldwide that reflects on those individuals whose certifications it sanctions. This award recognizes significant contributions to processes and organizational components of the CICP. This award is to be given by the CBGO of the FFI CICP to honor an individual(s) who demonstrates these same traits and qualities while making significant contributions to advance the CICP.
NEW FLY TYING GROUP, MEETING MONTHLY

There’s a fly tying group you might like to look into. North County Fly Tyers is now meeting on the Second Thursday of the Month (next, Aug 11th) at Fin and Fire fly shop in Redmond from 6:00 - 8:30 PM. The format is “tie whatever you like” and share some flies, stories, and, if you like - suds (ie not a formal class). Camaraderie is encouraged! Open to all. Contact askabouttying@gmail.com to sign up for attendance, questions, and for updates. Seating is limited, please RSVP, contact askaboutflytying.

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COMPARA SPINNER

On my “home water” I often fish mayfly spinner patterns. Most of my spinners are flat winged variants of the Callibaetis learned from Mark Bachman, at The Fly Fishing Shop in Welches. In the early 90’s, Mark and Patty’s shop hosted Winter Roundtable sessions each weekend.

Flat-winged spinners are difficult to see. Last winter while watching Kelly Galloup tie a Trico Compara Spinner I immediately thought that I might be able to see this pattern better and consequently hook more fish. Galloup’s Compara Spinner has two wings; a spinner wing and an upright comparadun style wing.

You can apply this double wing style to most spinners. This month I’m going to present a Baetis Compara Spinner variant. Unlike mayfly spinners that you see bouncing around along the banks before they fall, Baetis spinners crawl under the water onto plants and debris to lay their eggs, (Hafele and Hughes, Western Hatches). I have heard other fly fishers describe this as a hatch and then they wonder why their dun pattern doesn’t work. If you don’t have any Baetis spinners in this situation you’ll often do better with a Baetis soft hackle, fished dry, or a floating nymph.

I pay attention to my wader legs or float tube for clues on Baetis spinners. Check out these two photographs beginning with Baetis spinners crawling up a wader leg from the creek. The second photo is the bottom of my float tube from my last trip. If you see dots like these on your waders or float tube you’ve been in a Baetis spinner “crawl”.

#22 Baetis Compara Spinner
Several weeks ago, I had occasion to fish my Baetis Compara Spinner variant. By the end of the trip, I only had one left. Over the years I’ve tried many color and material combinations for Baetis spinners. This is my resulting combination that has worked best. It still fishes in the flat winged style but now I can see it in the size 22 that I tie it.

**Materials:**

**Hook:** #20-24 Straight eye dry fly, TMC 101 or Daiichi 1110

**Thread:** 6/0 Light Olive Danville or 8/0 Light Olive Uni

**Trail:** PMD EP Trigger Point Fibers

**Wing:** PMD EP Trigger Point Fibers

**Body:** Working thread

**Thorax:** Olive brown superfine dubbing

Following Galloup’s video directions:

1. Start thread at eye, wind back to half way, trim the tag, then wind back forward to one quarter. This will be the position of the dun wing

2. Pull out a hank of EP, then separate into the dun and spinner wings, spinner wing is about half the diameter of the dun wing. Judging the amount of EP trigger point may be the most difficult part of this fly.

3. Tie in the dun wing at the ¼ position with the fibers facing forward, take a couple thread wraps forward, then flatten out the EP fibers to form the fan shaped dun wing, then take a couple thread wraps back

4. Using a fine pointed scissors, cut about 1/3 of the EP fibers alternating between winding thread and trimming more fibers forming a tapered body while working back to the tail position. Try to end up with about a half dozen longish fibers for the tail. Kelly makes this look easy and I sometimes cut off the fibers I intended to save for my tail. I found I can simply tie a half dozen fibers back-on for the tail or I just start over.

5. Wind the thread back forward forming a thin smooth body ending up with the thread behind the dun wing

6. If you leave your bobbin hanging, you can now take the spinner wing and slide it under your thread. Take one thread wrap the other direction and the wing is secured with a figure 8. The wing can be moved to the desired position leaving a slight space between the two wings for dubbing. Once the wing is positioned take a few more figure 8 wraps to secure it and advance the thread to the eye.

7. Apply a sparse amount of dubbing tightly to thread, wind dubbing first in front of dun wing, then between wings, and behind spinner wing. Make sure to have a couple tight dubbing wraps behind the spinner wing to prevent it from collapsing backwards. Work back forward, between the wings, then in front of the dun wing to stand it up.

8. Whip finish. In the 2022 video, Kelly brushes out the EP wing fibers, then grabs the wings together pulling upwards, and trims them about the length of the body. On his earlier 2019 video he ties a larger Compara Spinner and cuts the wings differently. I advise watching both videos and chose the technique that works for you.

Kelly Galloup has two Compara Spinner videos:
- Galloup Trico Compara Spinner, 1/14/2022, [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fhwFl8w8SxQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fhwFl8w8SxQ)
- Galloup Compara Spinner, 2/8/2019, [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6bTd9Papkio](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6bTd9Papkio)

As seen in the 2019 Galloup video this winging technique can be applied to any spinner for better visibility. On John Kreft’s Riverkeeper Flies website, under fly patterns/mayflies, John has a great photograph of a Rusty Compara Spinner tied with a biot body. In John’s photograph you can clearly see the two distinct wings on this pattern. I plan to tie a variety of Compara Spinners this winter in appropriate colors and sizes for my spinner box.

Galloup’s original Compara Spinner recipe can be found in Bruce Staples Flies for the Greater Yellowstone Area, page 110. There are over 500 patterns in this book so don’t be fooled by the title to think these patterns only work in Yellowstone Country.

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July 15, 2022

Dear Sirs,

The Sunriver Anglers and Central Oregon Flyfishers are writing to you to express our concern with the USFS decision not to install at least one dock at the Cinder Hill Campground on East Lake. We respectfully request you reconsider this decision moving forward.

Collectively our two organizations represent over 400 avid fishing enthusiasts who frequent East Lake and enjoy the amenities normally available there. We believe the absence of a dock at the campground will adversely impact the fishing public in a number of ways at a time when outdoor recreation is at an all-time high in Central Oregon. In our view the ability to safely and efficiently launch and stage watercraft at the lake will encourage broader use for a wider range of people.

Our organizations are interested in exploring solutions for this problem in a collaborative manner. If resource limitations have led to this decision, we would be willing to contribute our efforts in support of USFS action to re-install the dock. If other factors are at play, we would be willing to meet with you to discuss resolution options.

We hope you will consider our input in the spirit it is offered; our aim is to improve the fishing experience at East Lake.

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