BIG PICNIC---NO MEETING!
The annual BIG PICNIC is Thursday, August 26th, 6:30PM, at Aspen Hall in Shevlin Park. This is a social event, so you can visit uninterrupted by club business or a program. You can interrupt the business and program at the next meeting.

Provided are hamburgers, hot dogs and buns, soft drinks, condiments, plates, plastic and napkins. PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH FOR 5-6 PEOPLE! It can be a salad, vegetable, desert or chips/dip. You may bring adult beverages.

You may bring lawn games and kids can fish the pond. Free and non-members are welcome. Contact Dick Stentz, 923-4701.

There will be no regular General Membership meeting on Wednesday, August 18.

WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER
OUTING - AUGUST 4, 2004

Where: Three Creeks Lake
When: Wednesday, August 4
Time: Meet at 1:00 PM
Three Creeks Lake is a 30-acre lake located about 20 miles south of downtown Sisters. This lake is an excellent place to use your float tube, pontoon boat, or other small boat. (Boat rentals are available at the seasonal store at the lake. NO motors allowed.) You can also fish by wading in several areas around the lake. If there’s an insect hatch, use all sorts of dry flies, otherwise use nymphs. (Not sure you have the right type of flies? Stop by The Fly Fisher’s Place in Sisters.) Little Three Creeks Lake, a 1-mile hike from Three Creeks Lake, has excellent fishing for brook trout. There are two campgrounds at Three Creeks Lake. For directions, carpooling, and other questions, contact Terri Grimm (318-0567).

COF OUTING – EAST LAKE

It’s time to head for the high lakes and out of the heat. East Lake provides fly fishing opportunities that are almost limitless. Meet at Cinder Hill Camp Day Use Area at 9AM on Friday, August 27, 2004. East Lake is over 170 feet deep in the middle, and the water will stay cool even in the summer. There are shallow shoreline areas. Boating and float-tubing is the most effective way to fish. Flies of choice are Golden Hares Ear, #10 and #12; Prince NYmphs #10 and #12; scuds, leeches, wooly buggers; callibaetis. From Bend, drive south on Highway 97 to the Newberry Crater turn-off. Turn East on FS-21 and continue past Paullina Lake to Cinder Hill Camp Ground. Free and open to non-members. For more Information call Dave Dunahay, 317-5843.

EAST LAKE FISHING REPORT

Lots of small Atlantic Salmon that seemed crazy for prolific Callibaetis mayfly hatches and spinner falls. Small black caddis. Tiny midges that were sometimes the insect of choice. And plenty of rainbows, browns and even Kokanee that were fond of small streamers and wooly buggers.

When the hatch is on, you are own your own, although callibaetis seem to be the most common and emergers work better that straight dun patterns. However, you need to watch out for mixed hatches, because although the callibaetis are always prolific, they are not always the insect of choice in a mixed hatch. When insects are not on the water, a calibates nymph (most are olive brown) trailed behind a streamer or seal bugger will always take a few fish and help you sort out what is happening. Plan to come early or stay late to find the bigger browns in shallower water near the rock cliffs at half light. This report is from the third week in July over a three day trip. Harry Harbin

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

A special welcome to new members! Look for board members with their green and white nameplates at the next meeting if you have any questions or special interests, and look up Delores Marsh, our Member Services committee chairperson at the back of the room if you have any membership issues, and to pick up your membership packet. John Judy
Lindsey Ray
Bill Seitz
Keith and Karen Davis
Kathryn Wood and Michael Funke
Patti Koschmann and Vito Vaccaro

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Larry Godfrey
Stew Sibley
Don and Pat Collins

KOKANEE KARNIVAL STREAMSIDE EXPERIENCE
SEPTEMBER 21 – 24

The Kokanee Karnival is a dynamic, hands-on program that teaches fourth and fifth grade students about the importance of clean water, healthy streams, fish natural history, conservation of fish habitat, resource stewardship, and community involvement. The Kokanee Karnival’s Streamside and Hatchery Experiences will be held at Brown’s Creek and the Fall River Fish Hatchery on September 21-24.

If you have questions about insects, what fish eat, a fish’s life cycle, how to read the water and know where the fish are, the Streamside Experience is for you! Volunteers cover these topics and more at three different stations: Comforts of Home, Incredible Journey, and Nature’s Restaurant. I strongly encourage you to attend this great program, discover what it’s all about, and see how much fun it is for students and volunteers. (If you can spare only half a day or a few hours, I know you will be impressed.) The first classroom arrives around 9:00 AM; the second classroom arrives around 12:30. By 2:00, the program is finished for the day.

If you would like to volunteer, that’s even better! Don’t worry; you don’t need to know anything about fish and their habitat. Training is available. If you would like more information about volunteering for the Kokanee Karnival, contact Terri Grimm (318-0567 or sonata@teleport.com).

WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER
LE TOUR DESCHUTES

Wild Women gathered on July 27 for a whirlwind tour of the upper Deschutes. Gordon Chandler provided most excellent guide service by pointing out places to fish and helping with technique. Those energetic little rainbows couldn’t get enough of the Royal Wulff. By afternoon’s end, weary (clambering over fallen logs can do that), thirsty, smiling Wild Women headed back to Bend to fish another day. Thank you Gordon for a really great, productive outing!

FLY FISHING THE NORTHWEST 2005 NEEDS LEADERSHIP VOLUNTEERS!

COF will host the 2005 Fly Fishing the Northwest Conclave of the Oregon Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers in Central Oregon. The OCFFF sponsors this show, but most of the show will be planned and executed by COF.

The plan is to hold the show at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds in the fall of 2005. The three day show will provide fly fishing clinics, booths, fly tying, silent auctions, guest speakers, an evening BBQ and other events. This is bigger than any one-time event COF has done in the past. It is an educational opportunity like no other to bring our love of the sport of fly fishing to the public and introduce people to the quality fly fishing Central Oregon has to offer.

A show committee is now being formed now. There are several chairs still available. If you would like to be a part of this great event as a chair or volunteer in the planning stages, please contact Carl Sanders, Event Chair, at 4cesanders@earthlink.net or 548-0870.

Chairperson Positions

Positions with asterisks are still open. Contact Carl Sanders at 548-0870 if you would like to chair a position

Event Chair... Carl Sanders
Oversees other chairs. Coordinates efforts and maintains all records.

*Registration Chair
Oversees registration of Vendors, Tiers and Volunteers. Also oversees daily admissions and keeps attendance records.

Fly Tiers Chair... Dick and Janeane Stentz
Coordinates the communication, registration and scheduling of tiers. Assists the needs of the tiers.

Vendors Chair... Phil Hager

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Oversees the communication and registration of the vendors. Assists the needs of the vendors.

*Auctions Chair
Collects and coordinates donations for the silent auctions, layouts of auctions. Maintains record of sales and funds.

*Preparations Chair
Coordinates with Deschutes County Fairgrounds regarding building and directing set up.

BBQ Chair… Dan Driskill
Coordinates event with food supplier, location, and collects “dinner passes”

Finances Chair… Earl Rettig
Works with Event Chair in maintaining all records of expenses and income.

Casting Chair… Bob and Jackie Cooper
Oversees and coordinates all casting events at the show.

**FFF NATIONAL FLY FISHING WEEK**
Helping the Federation of Fly Fishers celebrate National Fly Fishing Week, the Central Oregon Flyfishers are combining the annual roadside clean-up of the Cascade Lakes Highway near Hosmer Lake with a outing to nearby Elk Lake.

We will meet at the turn off to Hosmer Lake on the Cascade Lakes Highway at 9 A.M. on August 14, 2004. After cleaning our bit of roadside, those who wish will adjourn to Elk Lake, where past COF President Phil Hager will show hot spots and hot flies. The lake is home to both Kokanee and Brook Trout. Bring your own lunch, beverages, and fishing gear. Those with boats or tubes can bring them; however there is fishing available from shore for those who prefer.

For more information contact either Phil Hager (317 1075) or Phil Havens (330 1454).

**METOLIUS RIVER BAMBOO ROD AND FLY FISHING EVENT REVIEWED**
On Saturday, July 24th, the annual Bamboo Rod and Fly Fishing Event was held at the Black Butte School in Camp Sherman. Our thanks to Carl Sanders, Terri Grimm and Delores Marsh who manned the COF booth and signed up quite a few new members including John Judy, the Deschutes River guide, fly fishing author and Camp Sherman resident.

For those of you who are interested in the craft of bamboo fly rods, this was an event not to be missed; but even for those who are not interested in bamboo rods as part of their fly fishing hobby, there was plenty to see. Several graphite rod manufacturers, rod component manufacturers and collectors of antique and “interesting” fly fishing reels and materials were also evident. There was a casting pond for folks to try out rods, and several demonstrations, including one on single handed Spey casting presented by John Judy. John says that over half of the casts he makes on a river are Spey casts, and after the demo, I believe it.

This is an annual event, and I recommend that all fly fishers attend at least once. You will find it interesting and different from the other fly fishing events and seminars such as that given at the Sportsmen’s Show.

Harry Harbin

**Bamboo Rod with Ivory and Silver Reel Seat**

**THE 52 BUICK**
As usually happens, the COF trip this year to British Columbia brought with it a new “most popular” fly. Perhaps it is the fact that the good old standby, the K-Mart Special, is not usually available pre tied in fly shops, and perhaps it is because it has such a cool name. So this year we have another fly, “about an inch long and green”, that accounted for many fish, probably because it was in the water the most. At any rate, for those of you who would like to give it a try, here are tying directions. The seal fur of Canada can easily be replaced with Angora goat or a wool yarn.
John Judy Demonstrates the Single Handed Spey Casts

52 Buick

Hook: 12-8 Nymph
Thread: 6/0 black thread
Tail: Olive guinea fowl or mallard flank
Body: Various shades of green seal fur
Rib: Medium oval silver or gold tinsel
Beard: Olive guinea fowl or mallard flank
Head: Peacock herl

52 Buick Tying Instructions:
Tie in tips of guinea for tail, and trim off the butt ends. Tail should be at least half the lank of shank. Tie in oval tinsel.

Dub seal fur on to your thread and wrap the dubbing towards eye of hook, leaving enough room for the head of the fly.
Wrap your oval ribbing over the seal fur and trim.
Tie in another set of guinea fowl tips for the beard. Guinea tips should extend to the hook point.
Tie in a strand of peacock herl, make 2 or 3 wraps, tie off, trim, and whip finish.

MEMBERSHIP CONTINUES TO GROW!
COF membership has just hit 200 member families! Considering the success of the Wild Women of the Water and the addition of entire fly fishing families, the number of actual fly fishermen in the club may well be the largest ever.

Tunkwa Lake British Columbia, COF 2004 Trip, Sunset, Joel Bailie
SEPTEMBER YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK FLY FISHING TRIP
An unofficial COF trip to Yellowstone National Park for a fly fishing adventure is still in the planning stages for a September 7 departure. The plan involves camping in tents or RV's at a fixed base within the park, hiring guides for a few days, and then fishing on our own for up to two weeks. This will be informal and come and go as you can, with the main goal being the sharing of information and finding fishing partners within the group. I know some of you who already plan to go, but if you are interested or want to talk it over, contact Harry Harbin, 388-8841 or harryharbin@bendcable.com to get on the list of contacts.

2004 STEP CONSERVATION PROJECTS!
Jennifer Bock with ODFW has released the preliminary list of STEP projects for 2004. There is a Lahantan Cutthroat genetics sampling project in the streams on the East face of Stein's Mountain using electro-fishing, which is a camping project on September 20-26 for 4-6 volunteers. The camping projects to conduct bull trout spawning surveys in the North Fork of the Malheur River near Prairie City will be September 13-19 and again on October 11-17 for 4-8 volunteers each trip.

If you are a fly fisherman and you have never been on one of these volunteer trips, you need to plan to go. A week's camping with assorted biologists from ODFW and the Forest Service is guaranteed to improve your knowledge and change your attitude about fishing more than reading 100 books and magazines ever would. Plus the food is good, the companionship stimulating and the whole project fun. The inner workings of these surveys are probably not what you think.

To volunteer, or if you have questions, contact Jennifer Bock, ODFW - STEP, (541) 388-6350 x25, jennifer.a.bock@state.or.us.

TIME TO THINK ABOUT FLY TYING!
Our annual fly tying Tuesday nights begin the first week in November. Would you like to help organize and manage the fly tying nights? Would you consider being an instructor for beginners or advanced tiers? Do you have a comment or suggestion that would help us add to or change the fly tying evenings? Help us plan now. Contact Phil Havens at 330-1454.

VOLUNTEER STEELHEAD FISHERMEN NEEDED!
The ODFW’s Grande Ronde Watershed is planning to collect summer steelhead hatchery broodstock from the Grande Ronde River again this October. Adult collection is the initial phase of a project designed to determine if progeny of early returning hatchery steelhead return earlier to the Grande Ronde and stray at a lower rate into lower Columbia tributaries. If project fish respond as expected, we should reduce program impacts to lower Columbia River steelhead populations and increase the proportion of adult steelhead available to anglers in the Lower Snake River Compensation Plan compensation area in the fall. Broodstock will be collected from the Troy area via hook and line (almost the same as fishing). We are looking for volunteers to catch fish, as well as, a few people to prepare meals and to coordinate collection and transportation activities. ODFW employees, other agency folks, and members of the public are invited to participate. Meals will be provided, but volunteers will be expected to provide their own steelhead gear, camping equipment and transportation.

Collection is planned for the weeks of October 11 and 18. Base camp set-up will begin Monday morning each week. Check-in, orientation and collection will start Monday and run through Friday morning. Anglers will be required to participate in an orientation and to keep associated field notes. Steelhead collected will be held in tubes, tagged, and then transported each day to Wallowa Hatchery. They will be held at the hatchery until spawning in the spring.

The operation will be based out of ODFW’s Mill Bar property (just across the Wenaha from
downtown Troy) but collection will occur from Bogan’s Oasis in Washington upstream to Wildcat Creek in Oregon. Camping sites and sanitary facilities will be available at Mill Bar. A breakfast (coffee and a doughnut), lunch and dinner will be provided from Monday noon through Friday noon. We will have some basic gear available if someone runs low.

Last year’s effort resulted in collection of 105 adult steelhead. All but one survived to spawning. Spawning resulted in approximately 200,000 fertilized eggs. Progeny are being reared at Irrigon Hatchery and will be released next spring from acclimation facilities in the Wallowa watershed.

If you are interested and can be there for a day or all week, contact either Bill Knox or me at (541) 426-3279 or at fishsmith@oregontrail.net (me) or gofish@oregontrail.net (Bill) so we can get you on the list (depending upon the level of interest we may need to limit participation due to equipment constraints).

Brad Smith, District Fish Biologist, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

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