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President's Message

March comes in like a lion and out like a lamb, or so the saying goes.

After an incredibly mild winter through mid February, Old Man Winter finally arrived. Good news for our snowpack and water supplies.

March has several opportunities for club involvement. Owyhee River trip, Central Oregon Outdoor Show Kid's Trout Pond, Tuesday night fly tying, Several WWW events, NW Fly Expo in Albany as well as our monthly meeting.

On April we have our Annual Banquet at the Riverhouse. This is not only a celebration for our club, but our largest annual fundraising event. This event has great food and lots of fishing trips and gear to bid on. A big shout out for Tom Wideman for his great leadership is well deserved.

Coming up this spring is the clubs Kokanee Karnival. Frank Turek leads this one of a kind program partnering with local schools teaching about twenty-five 4th and 5th grade classes about stream ecology, conservation, local fishing, lifecycle of salmon and trout and many other aspects of the local streams and rivers. He needs volunteers for several days in various locations in the region.

The COF Board meets monthly to keep the great outings, classes, community service projects, programs and conservation efforts. Please find the time to thank these volunteers for their time.

Hopefully you are getting out and getting some fishing in. I hope we meet on the river.

- Allen Caudle





An Active Member Club

GENERAL MEETING: MARCH 21, 2018 | 7:00 PM | MEMBERSHIP MEETING | BEND SENIOR CENTER, 1600 SE REED MARKET ROAD, BEND

his Month's program will be will be presented by Scott Cook of Fly & Field Outfitters. His presentation will be on how and where to fish Craine Prairie Reservoir, one of Oregon's premier trout impoundments. Growing up in a fly fishing family Scott's first exposure to Central Oregon Waters was in the early 1980's. It did not take long before Scott became addicted to the callings becoming a renowned expert of Central Oregon Waters. He began his career in the fly fishing industry during the summer of 1998 and is currently the owner of Fly & Field Outfitters of Bend, which provides everything you need to fly fish Central Oregon along with a first class guiding service for all rivers and lakes of Central Oregon. Pre-Program at 6:15 Wes Wada will give a demonstration of the NZ-Cator Indicator System

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APRIL

CROOKED RIVER CLEANUP

PETE MARTIN

26 LAKE IN THE DUNES **FULL TRIP**

> MAY 18-21

THE LOWER SACRAMENTO TRIP

MIKE MCCLEAN

JUNE

CAPTAIN CADDIS CRAPPIE

BETSY

17-26

BRITISH COLUMBIA TRIP

LEE ANN ROSS

29-July 1 EAST LAKE, 2-NIGHTS, BBQ **ERIC STEELE**

TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: OUTINGS@COFLYFISHERS.ORG

OUTINGS



Owyhee River March 28-31

This years' outing is scheduled for March 28-31. This coincides with Idaho spring break and we have found that this week is a bit less busy than normal. Winter flows have been stable a 37 CFS all winter which should mean awesome fishing.

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: 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 Owhyee 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, or staying at a motel in Vale or Ontario. 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: 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.

The camping area runs on donations. The campground doesn't open until April but they make and exception for us. We make a donation to the Owyhee Irrigation Department to thank them for making the camp area available. We donate \$10 a head per night. Last time I ran this trip most folks did not pay. If you don't plan on helping to pay for the campground, please don't come.

- LEE ANN ROSS ROSSLEEANN@YAHOO.COM



Annual Crooked River Cleanup

Saturday, April 7th. Meet at 9:00 a.m., Big Bend Campground

It is February 22nd and as I write this article for the March COF newsletter it is snowing. But April follows March and that means spring is right around the corner. Every spring the Central Oregon Flyfishers pick up the litter along a 7 mile segment of the Crooked River. We cover everything from the river to along the highway, including the campground and picnic areas, so this takes a good turnout of volunteers.

We will meet at the Big Bend Campground just downstream from Bowman Dam at 9:00 a.m. Bring your gloves. After the litter pickup lunch will be provided by COF back at Big Bend.

Don't forget to bring your gear and take the opportunity to fish after lunch, (river flows permitting). For those not familiar with fishing the Crooked see the presentations on the COF website, coflyfishers.org/ Presentations

Picking up litter doesn't sound fun but this is a fun event and a great way to meet COF members. It's not too early to reserve April 7th on your calendars.

- PETER MARTIN PCMARTIN@BENDBROADBAND.COM



The Lower "Sac" Outing May 18-21

Just a 5 hour drive from Bend to Redding, California. That's where you'll find 50 miles of river with wild rainbows and fishing from the boat.

Hire a guide or bring your drift boat and experience. Controlled water flows and a very temperate climate make the Lower Sac a blue ribbon fishery. We invite you to join leader Mike McClean on this COF outing.

Logistics will be solidified based on the interest from the club members. The Best Western Hilltop is a nice and reasonable place to stay if you're not campingIt provides good meeting place for end of the day fish tales! This is a great way to meet fellow COF members and perhaps a future fishing buddy? Let's see if we can make these 2 days of fishing happen!

- MIKE MCCLEAN MIKEBENDMCCLEAN@GMAIL.COM

British Columbia Trip June 17-26

The club is considering hosting our annual lake fishing trip to the lakes in the Kamloops area of British Columbia. We have tentatively scheduled the trip for June 17 to 26, 2018. June 17 and 26 would be travel days

with June 18-25 for eight days of fishing. British Columbia offers an eight day non resident license. We will miss the June monthly meeting as we need to time to trip so that we are out of the camping area before the July 1 weekend which is the big Canada Day (think July 4th) vacation weekend.

The club has a trailer with a full set of kitchen equipment, dining tents and tables. Breakfast and dinner cooking duties are shared by the participants with each person cooking a meal or two depending on how many folks come on the trip. Each person provides his or her own lunch. We will camp at Tunkwa Lake which is about a 12 hour drive straight up highway 97.

If you are interested in this trip, please go to the COF website and

read the two presentations on the trip which you can find under the "newsletters/presentation" button on the website. Please read all the information, as it should answer 95% of your questions. If you are interested in the trip and you can meet the conditions for participation laid out in the two documents, please send me an email and I will put you on a list. I will host a discussion session on the trip starting at 6:15 the multipurpose room at the Senior Center prior to the March monthly meeting to answer any questions you may have.

- LEE ANN ROSS ROSSLEEANN@YAHOO.COM





NEXT CAST FLYFISHERS



SEE YOU AT THE EXPO

Our Next Cast Flyfishers have been working hard and are ready to show their stuff. This year, seven Next Cast Flyfishers have been invited to be demonstration tyers! Forrest Franklin, Branson Broderick, Kincaid Smeltzer, and Joe Grover will return for their second year, and they will be joined by Isaac and Anders Korman and Joey Pattee.

These members have selected flies to tie and are meeting with John Kreft and Pete Martin to finalize their techniques and ensure their materials are ready. Through our Next Cast program, we are able to provide hooks and materials for the tyers. We also have vises and lamps if they need to borrow these for the Expo.

They'd love to have you stop by their tables and say hello (they may even give you a fly)! Forrest ties both Friday and Saturday, the rest will be there Saturday only.

REGISTRATION OPEN MID-MARCH FOR 3-DAY FLY FISHING CAMP.



Watch the Bend Parks & Rec website bendparksandrec.org for the release of the summer 2018 class catalog. This camp is targeted for beginner and first time fly fishers. We provide a broad curriculum including wearing waders and boots for bug collection, fly tying, casting, knot tying, rod set up and rigging, and fishing. Our camp goal is to have self-sufficient anglers.

NEW NEXT CAST MEMBERS

Welcome to our new Next Cast Flyfisher members! We continue to add a few new members each month and we can't wait to meet all of them. There are some volunteer opportunities coming up soon. These dates provide a chance to meet other fly fishers and volunteer to help others. We coordinate volunteer mentors to assist the Next Cast members. Watch your email for notices of these activities.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES: NW FLY TYING & FLY FISHING EXPO-MARCH 9 & 10, 2018

Albany, Oregon. Seven Next Cast Flyfishers have been invited to the Expo as demonstration tyers. Additional members are encouraged to attend the Expo to see tyers, vendors, classes and demonstrations. Check out NW Fly Tyers and Fly Fishers Expo at nwexpo.com.

CROOKED RIVER CLEAN-UP— APRIL 7, 2018

Big Bend Campground, Crooked River. Join COF members for the annual river and campground cleanup and barbeque. If the water level is good, we will fish once the work is done! Mark your calendars, more details to come.

2018 COF ANNUAL BANQUET— APRIL 14, 2018

See details in this newsletter. Next Cast members are encouraged and welcome to attend the annual banquet. The members that have attended in the past have become lucky recipients of drawings, raffles, and even gifts from other COF members. It is a fun, social evening and a way to support our club activities.

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3-DAY FLY FISHING CAMP— JUNE 18, 19, & 20, 2018 AT SHEVLIN POND.

This camp is for all beginners and newer fly fishers (age 10-14), you don't have to be a Next Cast member to sign up! Registration is through Bend Parks & Recreation and will be available online in March with the summer program catalog. This camp is limited to 12 participants and fills up fast! COF membership is not required!

The Next Cast Flyfishers program provides opportunities and coordinates activities for young fly anglers in the area. We offer fly fishing instruction through classroom activities, fly fishing summer camps, ongoing COF events, and individually through mentorship and teaching.

Providing these opportunities, young anglers will be exposed to fly fishing and increase their interest and level of involvement.

Please contact me directly if you have questions.

- KAREN KREFT, 503-409-0148 NEXTCAST@COFLYFISHERS.ORG





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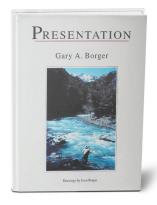
Please reach out to our new folks at our next meeting.

Ben Gateau – Bend
Greg Evans – Powell Butte
Kirk Madison – Bend
Sean Kirk – Bend
Shauna Kirk – Bend
Cindy Levine – Bend
Ken MacDonald – Bend
Greg Marugg – Sisters
Jenny O'Brien – Bend
Dee Jay Mott – Gresham
Ken Patterson – The Dalles
Rindy Patterson – The Dalles
Niya Sullivan – Youth – Bend

If you have any questions about membership, please contact Sue Coyle.
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- SUE COYLE MEMBERSHIP@COFLYFISHERS.ORG

LIBRARY



Presentation by Gary Borger Tomorrow River Press, 1995 (Out of print and a collector's item) Gary Borger's son, Jason Borger, will be our speaker in June.

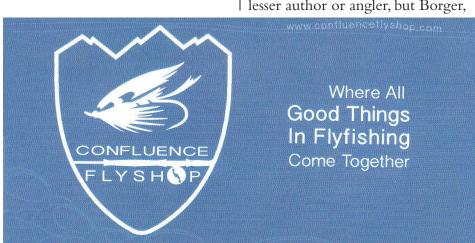
While Gary La Fontaine's The Dry Fly teaches the reader to think like a fish, Gary Borger's Presentation teaches the reader to think like a fish's predator. From the book's onset, the reader is instructed to rethink the predator/prey relationship, to eschew the notion of the trout as all-intelligent being sent to earth to baffle angler after angler. Thus, the reader is taught to enter the food chain, to regard the trout's defense mechanisms, and finally to become aware of the trout's field of vision, ability to hear, taste, touch, and smell. These instructions might seem rudimentary in the hands of a lesser author or angler, but Borger,

a biologist by trade, delves further into the fish/fisherperson relationship than seems possible. How can you, he asks, invade the fish's world without the fish noticing? And, in time, he answers this question as it pertains to nearly every imaginable angling situation, providing casting techniques, fly-selection suggestions, rod-and-reel selection, and countless other ways to become less detectable to trout. The book is loaded with semi-heroic fishing anecdotes and intricate fish and insect drawings by Borger's son, Jason, also an author and acclaimed fly caster. Comprehensive, knowledgeable, lucid, and straightforward, Presentation is perhaps the only how-to book the angler needs on his shelf.

the fly, entertaining and educational. Would highly recommend to those wishing to hone there fishing technique. Gary is a true professional worthy of praise.? - Nancy Potter

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. Sign in on our website coflyfishers. wildapricot.org, click on Members Area and select Library to see a list of our books. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to email Helen.

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TYER'S CORNER



Materials:

Hook: Daiichi 1167, size 12 **Thread:** Rusty Dun 8/0 **Tail:** Coq De Leon hen hackle **Body:** Natures Spirit Emergence Dubbing. Hares Ear and Pheasant

Wings: Coq De Leon hen hackle **Hackle:** Whiting Medium Brown

Tying Instructions:

- 1. Start the thread just beyond the eye of the hook and wrap a thread base to the point where the hook starts to bend, approximately even with the hook point
- 2. Select two feathers from the Coq De Leon hen cape and tie them in Wonder Wing style between the eye and where the bend starts. Cut the butts of the fibers tapered. Wrap the thread down to the tail's tie in point. Search

- YouTube for Al Beatty Wonder Wings for a great tutorial on this technique.
- 3. Cut the tip out of a Coq De Leon hen feather and stroke the fibers forward. Tie the tail fibers on the bend of the hook
- 4. Using dubbing wax, touch dub a mix of hares ear and pheasant tail emergence dubbing and wrap forward to the point where the thread was tied in. This will create the scraggly body. Search YouTube for tutorials on this technique. Al Beatty also has a great video on applying dubbing wax to thread
- 5. Tie in a medium brown hackle, wrap forward and whip finish.
- MIKE TELFORD

EDUCATION

The March COF meeting will include a Pre-Meeting session with Wes Wada on using his highly effective NZ-Cator strike indicator system! Be sure to catch this 6:15 – 6:45 session with Wes! He will have materials there you can purchase to make your own indicators.

Net Building Class



Great photo of the most recent COF net building class. Steve Sheldon, Tom Shuman and Cliff Price did all the wood working to create the net frames while Dave Dunahay, Cliff Price and Steve Sheldon helped the participants finish the frames and attach the nets. If you'd like to build a net, let Debbie Norton or Dalton Miller-Jones know and they will try to organize another class.

- DALTON MILLER-JONES MILLERJONESD@GMAIL.COM

Casting Classes

April 11, 12 & 17 with JEFF PERRIN, owner/guide of Fly Fisher's Place in Sister's. Jeff has graciously agreed to do 2 Beginner Level casting classes and one more advanced Skills Level Class:

1. BEGINNER CLASSES - April 11 & 12 Will cover Basic Plane, Arc, Timing & Tempo and teach the Pick up and Lay down, False cast and Roll cast. Lots of

individual attention! Classes are limited to 8 people each day. These tend to fill up quickly so get your place early!

2. A SKILLS CLASS - April 17 Will start by talking about different planes for different results, off shoulder casts, backhand casts, reach mending and parachute casts. It's a slightly different approach than previous skills class.

Start Time will be 6pm.

Location will be one of the parks in Bend. More information to follow for those who sign-up. Even more experienced fly fishers can benefit from Jeff's outstanding instructions! Please bring your own rod & reel with matching line.

Fee: \$10 in Advance for COF Members only! Registration is Required! To sign up, go to COF website: coflyfishers.org or email us at education@coflyfishers.org.

- DALTON MILLER-JONES MILLERJONESD@GMAIL.COM

Winter Fly Tying

March will be the last month for the 2018 COF Winter Fly Tying. We've had a lot of fun tying flies taught by Mike Telford, Phil Fischer, Jerry Criss, Sherry Steele, Bill Seitz, and Jeff Perin. I hope you have been filling your fly boxes for the upcoming season.

As a reminder for those members who haven't attended this year's classes, each session is held at the Bend Senior Center on Tuesday nights through March 27, beginning at 6:00 pm. There will be enough materials available to tie several of each pattern. COF Winter Fly Tying is a benefit for our members and not open to the general public. The Board decided this year to forgo the

\$5/night fee. Guests are welcome their first night (\$5 fee will apply) and must join COF to participate further.

Bring your vise, tools, and thread and I'll supply everything else. This is not a beginning fly tying class so you will need to know the basics of fly tying.

A special "thank you" to Peter Bowers of The Patient Angler and Jeff Perin of The Flyfisher's Place, and Paul from Fin & Fire for providing discounts for our fly tying materials. When you stop by their shops, be sure to say thanks!

- JOHN KREFT, 503-559-3811 JCKREFT@GMAIL.COM

WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER

Women's Flyfishing 101 Class – We are so excited to offer this class again this year. Classes take place on the afternoons of March 11, 18 and 25. We culminate with a flyfishing trip to the Crooked River on April 8 for all Wild Women. Cost is \$10 for COF ladies and \$40 for non-members. Please send a note to Kari at Schoessler.karivan@ gmail.com for questions or to sign up. We could also really use help with fly donations for our newbies and mentorship on March 18. Let Kari know if you can help.

We have new hats!! Please check out the hats at the membership desk at the monthly meeting. You will be the classiest lady on the river!! Only \$15. We also have stickers with our new logo. Every Wild Woman of the Water gets one of these great stickers free! Pick them up at the membership table at the monthly meeting.

Have you visited the new fly shop in town – Bend Fly Shop on Scott Street? Owner, Chris O'Donnell

will be hosting the Wild Women of the Water on March 8 at 6:30pm for a Fly Shop Hop. Find out what is unique about the Bend Fly Shop. Let Kari know if you can attend. Then we can better plan our treats.

- KARI SCHOESSLER SCHOESSLER.KARIVAN@GMAIL.COM

OTHER NEWS

Kokanee Karnival -First Call for **V** olunteers

Kokanee Karnival needs volunteers to help with our 2018 Angling Clinic, held at Shevlin Pond and Aspen Hall in Shevlin Park in Bend. If you would like to volunteer, you can contact me at (541) 381-7507 or waldo1ft@msn.com.I will soon be contacting folks who volunteered for the Spring and Fall events over the past few years. We need to organize our volunteers to determine if we have sufficient help for each day. We need a minimum of 8 volunteers a day but 10 would be best. Please don't wait until the last minute to volunteer because that makes scheduling difficult. For you new members or members who have not done this in the past, you will not be on your own. You will be teamed with a volunteer who has experience.

The Spring Angling clinic will be held on 6 days, April 16 through April 20 and April 23 and 24. We have no activities on Wed April 18 due to early release in the schools. We have 12 classes in the program and two classes attend each day. We usually arrive at around 8:30 am to set up for the day and the students arrive between 9 and 9:30. They usually leave between 1:30 and 2,

and then we clean up and are done by 3.

Our education activities in the morning include:

- Fish Biology/Care of Catch
- Knot Tying
- Fishing Tackle/Angling Methods
- Casting/Water Safety

We have curriculum sheets for all activities that I can email to volunteers who request them or you can go to our website at KokaneeKarnival.org.

Lunch is provided for all students and volunteers. After lunch the students are divided into small groups and get to fish in Shevlin Pond. The volunteers lead small groups of students to help them fish for trout. If they catch a trout they get a First Fish Certificate and if they want they can have their cleaned fish to take home. I am the fish monger and get to gut all the fish. I usually have help filling out the certificates.

- FRANK TUREK KK@COFLYFISHERS.ORG

Fall River Forum

A Discussion About The Fall River and It's Fishery- sponsored by the Deschutes Redbands TU Chapter. Thursday March 8th 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the High Desert Museum

This is an opportunity to learn about and share perspectives on this gem of a river. There will be representatives from Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife; Oregon State Parks & Recreation; United States Forest Service; Deschutes Redbands Chapter of TU; Sunriver Anglers and property owners from Fall River Estates.

Fall River is among the most popular natural attractions in Deschutes County. Long a mecca for fly anglers, it is also becoming increasingly popular for hikers and mountain bikers. This roundtable discussion will provide a brief history of the river and, more importantly, an opportunity to hear from resource, land managers and conservation groups about what they see as the future of the river and its fishery. Audience questions of the panel will be an important part of the program.

Many things are in the works at Fall River ranging from riparian area improvements to addressing manmade fish barriers to passive integrated transponder (PIT) tagging of stocked fish. These and other topics will be part of this roundtable discussion. If you already love the river or are new to the area and want to learn more about it, this is a your chance.

Open Houses for Upper Deschutes River Basin Study

The public is invited to learn more about a three-year study focused on meeting water needs for rivers, irrigated agriculture and communities in the Deschutes Basin.

The Basin Study, anticipated to be completed in 2018, aims to develop a comprehensive analysis of water supply and demand in the Upper Deschutes Basin while evaluating options for addressing water imbalances.

The Study examines strategies to restore flows for fish, wildlife and river health while supporting agriculture and growing communities. Strategies include water conservation through modernizing irrigation district infrastructure, market-based incentives to reduce water use and an assessment of water storage options. While the study does not propose specific projects, programs or plans, it provides a basis for future water management in the basin.

Preliminary findings identified opportunities, tools and costs to address Deschutes Basin water needs. Meeting water supply needs in dry years will necessitate implementing a combination of these tools.

The Bureau of Reclamation and the Basin Study Work Group (BSWG) are facilitating the Study. The BSWG is a collaborative, consensus-based entity with

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representatives from irrigation, instream and municipal interests, and from the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

During the open houses, community members will have the opportunity to learn about preliminary findings, speak with Study leaders, ask questions, review data and offer feedback Open house information is as follows:

Sunriver: March 5, 1-3 p.m. Sunriver Homeowners Aquatic Recreation Center (SHARC) 57250 Overlook Road, Sunriver, OR 97701

Bend: March 5, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bend Parks & Rec District Office 799 SW Columbia Street, Bend, OR 97702

USA National Fly Fishing Team Championships

The 2018 Nationals will be held in Bend. Scott and Sarah Robertson will be managing the event and they will be looking for volunteers to help out. COF has helped out at previous events and I think everyone really enjoyed it and learned a lot. There will be 60 competitors. Event dates: May 31, June 1 & 2.

Venues:

- Crane Prairie:
 - Loch Style Venue Motor Boat
- South Twin:

Loch Style Venue - Row Boat

• Lava Lake:

Loch Style Venue - Motor Boat

• Upper Deschutes:

Above Crane Prairie

• Upper Deschutes: Below Benham Falls Loch Style venues will be from a boat. One controller per boat, Controllers on South Twin need to be able to row.

Approximately 80 volunteers will be needed for varies positions including controllers, sector judges, group organizers, gear shutelers, and other misc. duties. Volunteer signups will open early February at flycomps.com. If you need any further information, contact Scott.

- SCOTT ROBERTSON, 541-410-3500 SAGEBRUSHOCEAN@GMAIL.COM.

COF BANQUET NEWS 2018 COF Fundraising Banquet & Raffle

Riverhouse Convention Center April 14, 2018

Banquet Registration is Open! Check out the banquet flyer in this month's newsletter then go to coflyfishers.org to register. Your payment can be made via PayPal, credit card, or mail your check to COF Banquet, P.O. Box 1126, Bend, OR 97709.

Registering online correctly enters all your information: name, guest, meal choices, bucket raffle tickets advance order, and date registered (for the early bird drawing) into a handy spreadsheet for the registration crew.

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FOR SALE: NEW Beulah Guide Series 8' 6" 4 wt., 4-piece rod, with/two tips, rod sock, and tube, IM8 graphite, Medium-fast action, fast recovery. \$150, Peter Martin, pcmartin@bendbroadband.com, 541-388-8956

ATTENTION MEMBERS:

These advertisements do work. Debbie Norton sold her 8 foot Fish Cat last month to a COF member.

You might have to repeat the ad a couple times in hopes of finding a buyer, but hey...the ad is free so have patience.

MEMBERS: Got a fishing related item to sell? Ads run one month then can be resubmitted if not sold!

- CLASSIFIEDS@COFLYFISHERS.ORG





2018 Central Oregon Flyfishers Fundraising Banquet April 14, 2018 Donation Form

(Please include this form with your donation)

Name:			
Company:			
City:		Zip:	
Donation Description	on:		
Retail Value of Do	onation: \$		

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 one for presentation to the successful bidder at the banquet.

Your donation will be acknowledged on the bid slips and auction list the day of the event. Please contact me by March 31, 2018 so we have time to include your donation on the advance raffle list sent to 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:

Tom Wideman, Banquet Chair, banquet@coflyfishers.org, or phone 503-330-5505

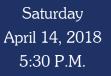


Central Oregon **Flyfishers**

Annual Banquet & Fundraiser







Riverhouse Convention Center Bend

Attend COF's primary fundraising

event to support the Kokanee Karnival

Youth Education Program, Next Cast

Flyfishers program for older youth,

conservation programs, habitat resto-

ration efforts, club activities, and mem-

bership 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 regis-

tration; 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).



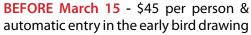


Menu

Entrée: Your choice of chicken OR grilled top sirloin OR seasonal vegetarian ravioli.

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

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



March 15 to April 9 - \$50 per person (no dinner sales after April 9)

Questions? Contact Tom Wideman (503-330-5505 or banquet@coflyfishers.org).

> Please register online at coflyfishers.org.

Pay via PayPal, credit card or check.

No Internet access? See registration form on the other side.











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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 Mar 15 ·** \$50/person **Mar 15 to Apr 9**) to COF BANQUET, P.O. Box 1126, Bend, OR 97709.

PRINT CLEARLY			
Name	Steak	_ Chicken	Veg. Ravioli
Spouse/Guest(s)	Steak	Chicken _	Veg. Ravioli
Guest(s)	Steak	Chicken _	Veg. Ravioli
Raffle Ticket Total Enclosed (\$5 increments • \$5 = six tickets) = \$			
Email			
Telephone			
Amount enclosed (circle one): \$45 or \$50/person BEFORE March 15			tic entry in the early

MARCH 2018 UPSTREAM EVENTS

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	CONTACT
1-4	Central Oregon Sportsman Show	Deschutes County Fair & Expo Center, Redmond	
5	Basin Study Open House, 1-3 p.m.	Sunriver Homeowners Aquatic Recreation Center	Dave Dunahay
5	Basin Study Open House, 5:30-7:30 p.m.	Bend Parks and Recreation District Office	Dave Dunahay
8	TU Fall River Discussion	High Desert Museum	Herb Blank
8	Wild Women Fly Shop Hop	Bend Fly Shop	Kari Schoessler
9 & 10	NW Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo	Linn County Expo Center, Albany	
11, 18 & 25	Women's Flyfishing 101 Class		Kari Schoessler
28-31	Owyhee River Outting		Lee Ann Ross

In the Future

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	CONTACT
April 7	Crooked River Cleanup		Pete Martin
April 8	Wild Women Outings	Crooked River	Kari Schoessler
April 14	2018 COF Annual Banquet & Fundraiser	Riverhouse Convention Center	503-330-5505
April 19	Wild Women Rigging Class		Kari Schoessler
April 26	Lake In the Dunes		
May 18–20	Sandy River Spey Clave	OxBow Park, Sandy OR	
May 18–21	The Lower Sacramento Trip		Mike McClean
June 9	Captain Caddis Crappie		Betsy
June 17-26	British Columbia Trip		Lee Ann Ross
June 18-20	3-Day Kids Fly Fishing Camp	Shevlin Pond	nextcast@coflyfishers.org
June 29-July 1	East Lake, 2-NIghts, BBQ		Eric Steele

