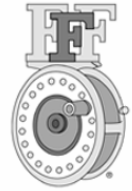




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**C.O.
SPORTSMEN'S
SHOW**
March 4-7
Deschutes County
Fair Grounds,
Trout Pond
Volunteers Needed

**DESCHUTES
RIVER**
Yesterday,
Today and
Tomorrow
March 4, 7:00 PM
Central Oregon
Board of Realtors

**GENERAL
MEETING**
Dave Holoman
Payne Rod Co.
March 17, 6:30-
8:30 PM
Central Oregon
Board of Realtors

**CO-FFF
NORTHWEST
FLY TYERS
EXPO**
March 20, Lane
County Fairgrounds,
Eugene

RANDOM CASTS

We have had some good times already this year, including events such as the Banquet, Fly Tying Tuesdays, the Fly Tying Expo, and a New Years Day outing (no fishing due to snow, but a great breakfast and good fish stories!). Also, the Kokanee Karnival egg to fry program at the schools is going well. And we have lots of events coming up. To list a few over the next three months: the fly casting pond at the CO Sportsmen's show; a presentation on conservation issues facing the upper and middle Deschutes (open to the public, March 4); the Kokanee Karnival angling clinic; the Rick Hafele entomology class, and two fishing outings. And there is more to come.

The committees planning these events are working hard, but also having fun. Committee assignments are a great way to meet new fly fishing buddies, and maybe even pick up a few fishing tips. Plus the satisfaction that comes from having your ideas become a part of the program.

Contact any committee member or COF board member and sign up this month to become a volunteer. I think you will find it rewarding, and the club will benefit from your ideas and viewpoint.

See you soon at the Crooked River.
Neal Buxton

MARCH PROGRAM, THE PAYNE ROD CO.

In 1893, the Payne rod won the Gold Medal award at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago. For more than a hundred and twenty five years, the E. F. Payne Rod Company has been crafting high quality split bamboo rods and reels. Initially

fished on the streams of New York and Pennsylvania, Payne rods accompanied the likes of Dr. Henry Van Dyke, Chancellor Levison, Albert Hendrickson and Theodore Gordon while they tackled the newly introduced Brown Trout with the equally new dry fly. As these fly fishing legends passed, the E.F Payne Rod Company continued to build its own legendary status into a new century.

Today, the E. F. Payne Rod Company and its owner, David Holloman, find themselves based in Sisters, Oregon, fishing the waters of the Northwest. David Holloman is also the principal rod maker and shop foreman for the company. Since his purchase of the company in 1993, David has retooled and restored the equipment and company to its best shape since the death of Jim Payne in 1968. The same great craftsmanship lives on and is extended into the company's line of graphite fly rods as well. Join David at our March meeting as he takes us on tour of rod building history and methodology.

WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER

Fishing the Crooked River

The Crooked River is a great place to fish year round. There are plenty of fish and a variety of challenges. During the winter months, the river is often free of snow and other anglers.

During our March meeting, Jim Bradford from The Fly Box Outfitters will explain what you should take along for a late winter or early spring outing on the Crooked River. Join us for hors d'oeuvres, lively discussion, and fun.

Meet at The Fly Box Outfitters, 1255 NE 3rd Street, Bend (388-3330), 6:00 PM, Thursday, March 11. For more information, contact Delores Marsh (382-7595 or ladyd@bendcable.com).

FLY FISHING SCHOOL FOR WOMEN!

Hosted by Wild Women of the Water

On Saturday, June 5, from 8:00AM to 5:00PM, spend a day in the beautiful Crooked River Canyon and learn to fly fish from Steve Light and other experts who have years of experience teaching basic and advanced techniques. This event is designed for women who are beginners and experienced anglers who want to learn more and improve their technique. Instruction covers fly fishing gear, basic knots, streamside entomology, casting, reading the water, playing and landing a fish, and catch and release.

- Meet at Central Oregon Outdoors in Redmond at 8:00 AM.
- Drive to Crooked River by 9:00 AM.
- Rotate through training stations until 12:00.
- Lunch Break
- Casting instruction on the river, 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

The \$65 registration fee includes these items:

- Hands-on instruction
- Full afternoon of casting instruction
- Snacks, beverages, and Bar-B-Q lunch
- Instructor to student ratio of 1 to 4
- Maximum 20 women

Bring your own rod and reel, or rent from Central Oregon Outdoors for \$15. (A limited supply of rods and reels will be available from COF on a first-come, first-serve basis with a \$25 refundable deposit.) Waders are optional.

For more information, contact Delores Marsh (382-7595 or ladyd@bendcable.com) or Terri Grimm (318-0567 or sonata@teleport.com).

DESCHUTES RIVER

Yesterday, Today, & Tomorrow



Patrick Griffiths, Water Program Specialist for the City of Bend, and Bruce Aylward, Interim Executive Director of the Deschutes Resources Conservancy, will present information on the Deschutes River, its natural hydrograph and the history of its development for human use. They will also describe how the river works today and what is being done to restore the Deschutes, while meeting the legal rights given to water users over 100 years ago. Come and learn what you can do to understand and support policy changes that may influence the Deschutes River for years to come. A question and answer session will follow the presentation. COF members should be sure to attend

this important meeting, particularly since COF is hosting this meeting for the public. There will be a short COF board meeting prior to the Deschutes meeting.

Hosted by the Central Oregon Flyfishers, the meeting is free, and the public is invited to attend. March 4 • 7:00 PM, Central Oregon Association of Realtors Office, 2112 NE 4th Street, Bend
Contact: 541-330-1454

RIVER CLEAN-UP -AGAIN!

Well, they say that the third time is the charm. Since our Deschutes River Clean-up leader, Delores "The Snow Queen" Marsh, has managed to schedule the two previous clean-up attempts on the only two really heavy snow days this year, join the Central Oregon Flyfishers for our rescheduled clean up of the Deschutes below the PG&E dam at the Newport Bridge.

The clean up will be Wednesday, March 17, at 10:00 AM. Don't park in the parking lots for the businesses next to the river as they will be open for business, but instead park across the street at Brooks Park and walk over. Bring your waders and boots, wading staff, gloves, trash bags and enough clothes to keep you warm when your hands and arms are wet. Our leader, Delores Marsh, wants a good head count, so if you plan to come contact her at ladyd@bendcable.com or 382-7595. (P.S.—You might want to leave your snow tires on until after the 17th!)

COF 2004 BANQUET A SUCCESS!

On the evening of Saturday, February 7, eighty six supporters of the Central Oregon Flyfishers gathered at Aspen Hall at Shevlin Park for night of friendship, recognition, good food, and the opportunity to bid on a multitude of great auction and raffle items. Following a fine dinner of barbecue tri tip and chicken with all of the fixings, Pat Windsor presented a suburb show of his photos depicting the beauty of fly fishing in the West.

Awards for special recognition were presented to our 2003 President, Dan Driskill for his leadership, and to Gene McMullen for his conservation efforts, the Outstanding Service Award. Gene was also honored with a plaque from the OFDW in recognition of his work and dedication to our fisheries. To Mark Reisinger the Special Recognition Award for his fund raising efforts for both the COF and the Kokanee Karnival. The Fly fisher of the Year Award was

presented to Harry Harbin in recognition of the many things he has done for the COF, our Newsletter, education, outings and much more. Our immediate past Presidents awards, the Rose Awards, were presented to Ron Anderson, Gordon Chandler, Bob Griffin, Terri Grimm and Delores Marsh.

The Banquet grossed \$6,973.00 for the COF, and it seems that expenses were about \$3,200.00 resulting in a net contribution to the COF of some \$3,700.00, or about \$700.00 more than our 2003 Banquet!

Special thanks go to the Banquet Committee consisting of Sandy Dunahay, Bob Griffin, Judy Harbin, Delores Marsh, Dennis McMahan, Tom Philiben, Mark Reisinger and Carl Sanders. They did a great job to make this another successful COF Annual Banquet. We are now requesting other COF members to raise their hands to help with the 2005 Banquet.

The COF also wants to thank the special members and supporters of the COF who donated the fine items to the Silent Auction and Raffles. Start now to think about any hand crafted donations for the 2005 Banquet which is scheduled for Saturday, February 26th.

Thanks again to all of you who made the 2004 COF Annual Banquet a great success!
Earl Rettig, Banquet Chair

KAMLOOPS, BRITISH COLUMBIA 2004

It's hard to believe, but we are already at that time of year where we begin to think about the annual outing to south central British Columbia. For the last several years, members of COF made an annual pilgrimage to an area of the world that is renowned for the excellent lake fishing opportunities. We camp at a small lake not too far from the town of Kamloops. We spend about eight days fishing the lake where we camp and also several of the many lakes within driving distance of that camp. The fishing can be very good, but the fish stories and shared meals in camp at the end of the day are, in themselves, worth the trip. If you are interested in going on the trip, please read on.

When:

Our official departure date is Thursday, June 17th. This is the day after the June COF meeting. It's about a 13-hour drive to our campsite so it takes a day to get there. We begin fishing on June 18th, and continue on through the 25th (a Friday). If you can tear yourself away from the area, the return date is the 26th.

Where:

Our campsite will be at Leighton Lake. This lake is right next to Tunkwa Lake and is about 10 miles from the Town of Logan Lake. The small town of Logan Lake is a little over half an hour Southwest of Kamloops.

What you need to bring:

Fishing equipment appropriate for lakes

Camping equipment

Insect repellent

Rain gear

Expenses:

We will ask that everyone that attends this year's trip contribute \$80 to cover the cost of food and necessary equipment for the 9 days of camping (cooks are fully reimbursed for food purchases out of this fund). In addition you will need to pay about \$8 per vehicle per day for a campsite. It is about 600 miles each way from Bend to the camp so figure fuel expenses accordingly. You also need a BC fishing license.

Obligations

All participants are expected to contribute to either the preparing of the meals and/or cleanup afterwards. We also need volunteers to fill water containers, set-up the camp, tear-down the camp, etc.

How to attend:

If you are interested in going on the trip, even if you are just thinking of going, please send an email to Gordon Chandler gordon@coinet.com and ask to be put on the Kamloops-2004 mailing list. You will receive an email with more details and we will figure out who will be cooking which meals. A BC page will appear shortly on the COF website.

This is a very fun trip to some terrific lakes with some wonderful people. I hope you will consider joining us.
Gordon

BRIAN O'KEEFE, WATERWATCH BENEFIT

On Friday, April 1, famed fisherman and photographer Brian O'Keefe will show photos of Alaska at the Bend Athletic Club. This event, which is a benefit for river conservation group WaterWatch, starts at 6pm and includes a buffet dinner, wine and beer, and a silent auction. Presentations start at 7pm. In addition to Brian's presentation, a WaterWatch staff member will give a brief talk on WaterWatch's work on the Deschutes.

Tickets are \$35; space is limited. To reserve a space please contact Bob Smith at the Bend Athletic Club at 385-3062. For more information contact Molly

Kramer at WaterWatch of Oregon at 503-295-4039, www.waterwatch.org.

STEP CONFERENCE IN TILLAMOOK

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's Salmon-Trout Enhancement Program's conference, "STEP Into the Future," will be held March 26-28 at the Tillamook County Fairgrounds for volunteers and the public interested in projects and issues affecting the state's salmon and steelhead populations.

The statewide conference begins with a Friday evening social and poster session. Weekend activities include 20 presentations on Saturday and field tours on Sunday. A sample of Saturday's presentation topics include the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds, the Tillamook State Forest, habitat restoration projects, ODFW's Hatchery Research Center, Endangered Species Act impacts on fisheries, fish propagation issues, grant writing and fish diseases. Roundtable discussions will follow presentations so attendees can interact with presenters, resource managers, scientists and community leaders.

The Saturday night buffet dinner will feature guest speaker Bill Monroe of the Oregonian newspaper. Sunday morning offerings include tours of STEP facilities, a demonstration of a manure digester that helps keep streams clean, and opportunities to participate in ODFW's Wild Winter Steelhead Brood Stock Collection Program on the Wilson and Nestucca rivers with local guides.

Tillamook Anglers, Nestucca Anglers and The Tillamook Bay Boating Club are hosts for the conference. Registration costs \$10 per individual or \$15 per family before March 1 and \$15 and \$20 respectively after March 1. For a complete agenda or to register, contact Tillamook Anglers President Jerry Dove at 503-842-6860 or ODFW STEP biologist Tracy Holton at 503-842-2741, ext. 244. E-mail inquiries can be sent to Dove at jdovetillanglers@tillanet.com or Holton at Tracy.D.Holton@state.or.us. Information is also posted on the ODFW Web site at www.dfw.state.or.us/ODFWhtml/InfoCntrFish/InfoCntrFish.html.

The STEP Program was created by the Oregon Legislature in 1981 to involve citizens in the restoration of native stocks of salmon, steelhead and trout.

STUFF WANTED!!!!

The tackle table at the Spring Angling Clinic is seeking donations - anything and everything!!!! Size 28 flies to whale harpoons! Frog gigs to spey rods!!!!

No offer refused!

All that stuff you don't use anymore! It will all become a permanent part of the Kokanee Karnival Angler Education Program! Things for the kids to see, touch, and hear stories about!

Wow!! Get in touch!!!

CAPT CADDIS, capt@bendnet.com, 389-4372

NORTHWEST FLY TIER'S EXPO 2004

The Northwest Fly Tier's Expo is approaching fast. This great event is scheduled for March 20, 2004. Over 100 tiers have already accepted invitations.



Where: Wheeler Pavilion, Eugene Oregon

When: March 20, 2004

- Tying 9:00am-5:00pm
- Banquet 5:00pm-9:00pm

Expo Admission:

- Children under 12 with an adult: Free
- Students: \$3.00
- Regular: \$5.00

Banquet Admission:

- Reservations must be made by March 15th.
- \$25.00 per person

The Northwest Fly Tier's Expo has always been a premier event, attracting not only tiers from the West Coast, but also tiers from many other states in the Union and Canada

In addition to the tying demonstrations, there will be a silent auction and bucket raffle continuing throughout the event. Items include books, tying materials, rods, reels, fly lines, fly selections, T-shirts and many other fly fishing related items. An extensive fly material sale at separate tables will also be going on throughout the day. The day will conclude with a banquet dinner, Council awards presentation, and oral auction. Reservations and payment (\$25.00) are required by

March 16th. For reservations call 541-738-0339 or send a check or Visa/MasterCard authorization to:

Oregon Council - FFF, Garren Wood
3415 NE Canterbury Cir.
Corvallis, OR 97330

Proceeds for the entire event help fund the Oregon Council's wide array of educational and conservation projects such as the graduate scholarship in wild fish research at Oregon State University. This also assists our 22 member fly clubs with financial support on conservation and education projects. For more information contact Garren Wood at 541-738-0339 or Phil Hager or see the OC-FFF website at http://www.oregonfff.org/expo_2004.html

CO SPORTSMEN'S SHOW VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

We still have a few slots left to assist at the Kid's Trout Pond for the Sportsmen's show. Help a small child catch his or her first fish, not to mention the \$750 that To-Ro Enterprises pays COF for our operating the pond and the free passes we get for doing the pond.

Help is still needed for Saturday 12:30-4:30 (2 needed), Saturday 4-8PM (2 needed) and 1 for Sunday 1-5 at both the pond and COF Booth. Contact Phil Hager to get on the free pass list for the show at 317-1075 or email at flyfishingphil@bendbroadband.com.

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.

Darrell & Lael Cooksley (Former Members),
Don & Carol Mitchell, Stephen Pool, Doug Vakoc, Jack Hogan, Brian & Judith O'Keefe, Tim Harris
Al Delco (Former Member), and Bob & Jackie Cooper

FLOAT TUBE FOR SALE!

Tom Philiben has an Elite float tube for sale. The tube has never been used and he still has the box. This was going to be the ultimate pack-in float tube, until something "more ultimate" floated by! He is asking \$40.00. Contact Tom Philiben, 389-5829.

COF BOARD SCHEDULE CHANGE

Due to interference with the Deschutes River meeting sponsored by COF on March 4, the COF Board Meeting has been shortened and rescheduled for 6:00PM instead of the usual 7:00PM.

OOPS! WRONG DATES!

Due to incorrect information supplied to the Editor (this is beginning to sound like the Bulletin isn't it!), the Kokanee Karnival Spring Angling dates were listed incorrectly on the calendar. The correct dates are April 27-30 --- Tuesday through Thursday. Please mark your calendars.

FLY TYING EXPO SUCCEEDS!

Thanks to the many local fly tiers from local shops and COF, plus the sponsorship of GI Joes and Mountain View Mall, the 2004 COF Fly Tying Expo was a great success with a huge turnout. Thanks again to all who helped out!



FLY TYING WINNER, BEN BLAUVELT, 10

-Tom Shuman Photo

FISH TRAP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Steve Marx with ODFW will be overseeing a fish trap set to catch spawning redbands from Ochoco Reservoir. Eggs will be hatched and fry grown to legal size at Oak Springs Hatchery for planting in the South Fork of the Crooked River, hopefully to establish a self sustaining population. Trapping will begin when flows subside, early March through late May, and the trap needs to be checked three days a week. If you can help out, contact Gene McMullen or Steve Marx.

ENGLISH LAKE FLY

COF member Mike Bailey supplied the lake fly in the photo as tied by his acquaintance, Ashley, from

Wiltshire, England. The Editor has always found English flies effective and quite interesting, particularly the "Datsun", a chironomids larva created by painting a bare hook with Datsun red auto touch up paint. That's it!



This fly looks like it should be a very effective lake fly for Oregon and BC as well as England. According to Ashley, it is basically a combination of a wooly buggler and a Gartside soft hackle streamer, with a muddler head. She has tied them in various colours but the colour shown in the photo (white tail with olive thorax and head) is the best so far.

MATERIALS:

Hook Streamer, # 2-8
Thread Black or Olive.
Tail Marabou Blood Feathers with the Tip Cut Out.
Body Chenille Palmered with Marabou Feather.
Eyes Dumbbell or Bead Chain
Head Deer Hair, 1 Bunch Spun Behind the Eyes, 1 Bunch in Front

WANT A TRIP?

The editor is seeking expressions of interest from persons who might be interested in one of two trips. First is a float down the Blackwater River in British Columbia guided by Ron Thompson, a Bend resident, the last week in July or the first week of August. Day after day with lots of dry fly trout fishing.

Second is a September trip to Yellowstone in a trailer, camper or motor home, fishing with guides for a few days, and then fishing on our own. Contact Harry Harbin, harryharbin@bendcable.com. 388-8841.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT SIZE BEAD HEADS, CHAIN BEADS AND EYES

-Earl Rettig

Size	XXS	XSm	Sm	Med	Large	XLarge
Dia.	2mm	3/32	1/8	5/32	3/16	1/4
Hook #	18-20	16-18	12-16	10-14	6-10	2-6

	DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
MAR	4	COF Brd of Dir. Meeting, Deschutes Water Issues Mtg.	Neal Buxton
	4-7	CO Sportsmen's Show	Phil Hager
	17	COF Gen. Mem. Meeting, Dave Holloman, Payne Rod Co.	Neal Buxton
	20	FFF Northwest Fly Tiers, Eugene	
APR	1	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	17	Crooked River Outing	Carl Sanders
	27-30	KK Spring Angling Clinic	Phil Hager
	21	COF Gen. Meet, Brad Cackler, Riparian Birding and the Hatch.	Neal Buxton
MAY	1	Rick Hafele Entomology Class	Ron Anderson
	6	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	19	COF Gen. Mem. Meeting, Denny Rickards, Stillwaters	Neal Buxton
	21	Hosmer Lake Outing	Dave Dunahay
JUNE	3	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	5	Fly Fishing School For Women	Delores Marsh
	16	COF General Membership Meeting TBA	Neal Buxton
	17-26	British Columbia Canada Outing	Gordon Chandler
JULY	1	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	21	COF Gen. Mem. Meeting, Jeff Perrin, Metolius	Neal Buxton
	23-25	Steen's Mountain Outing	Gene McMullen
AUG	5	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	13-22	National Fly Fishing Week	FFF
	16-21	FFF Conclave, West Yellowstone	Phil Hager
	26	COF Picnic	John Burns
	27	East Lake Outing	Dave Dunahay
SEP	2	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	8	Middle Deschutes Outing	Dave Dunahay
	15	COF Gen. Mem. Meeting, Scott Richmond, Steelhead	Neal Buxton
	21-24	KK Streamside, Brown's Creek	Kurt Boettger
OCT	7	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	20	COF Gen. Mem. Meet. Central Or. Out. Winter Fishing	Neal Buxton
	23	Metolius River Outing	Dave Dunahay
NOV	4	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	17	COF Gen. Mem. Meet. Steve Shunk, Riparian Hatches	Neal Buxton
DEC	2	COF Board of Directors Meeting	Neal Buxton
	15	COF Gen. Mem. Meeting, Fly Tying	Neal Buxton

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THE CENTRAL OREGON FLYFISHERS • P.O. BOX 1126, BEND, OREGON 97709
and receive Club Logo Patch and Monthly Newsletter

FULL NAME (S): _____
member and partner

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: H: _____ W: _____ OCCUPATION: _____

FORMER OCCUPATION IF RETIRED: _____

E-MAIL: _____

New 2004 Family or Single- \$36 Renewal by 12/31-\$30 Renewal After 12/31- \$36 Associate Member \$12.50
(Associate Membership Available Outside of Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson Counties.)

Former Member Address Change Only Check if You Do NOT Wish to Receive the Newsletter on the Web
But Want the Print Version Instead

Please check Interests: Acquire More Knowledge Find Fishing Partner Volunteer For Projects

Improve Fishing Techniques Social Functions List Other Interests on Back

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____ DATE: _____

The Central Oregon Flyfishers
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