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## RANDOM CAST

Dear Members of the Oregon House of Representatives Land Use Committee:

The Central Oregon Flyfishers (COF) is an active club of more than 240 members located primarily in Central Oregon. Our mission is the preservation and conservation of Central Oregon's watersheds and fisheries for future generations. Annually, our members donate more than 4,000 hours of volunteer time of public service to various state and federal agency fishery projects in the Upper Deschutes River to further our mission.

We are writing today to express our support for House Bill 3100, the Metolius Protection Act of 2009, and the Area of Critical State Concern (ACSC) designation recommended by the Land Conservation and Development Commission for the Metolius. We also support the stipulation in the Bill which directs the LCDC to supplement its management plan in order to ensure that the Metolius and its fish and wildlife resources remain protected against the harmful impacts from any new development within the ACSC.

Our members consider the Metolius River their "home waters." Our members place a high value on the fish and their high-quality habitat in the basin. Collectively, the healthy populations of native Columbia Basin redband trout, bull trout, kokanee salmon, mountain whitefish and the new effort underway to re-establish Chinook salmon, steelhead and sockeye to their native range in the Upper Deschutes Basin make the Metolius Basin unique to Oregon and the Pacific Northwest.

Quite simply, the Metolius deserves protection. If ever an ecological area in Oregon needed protection, the Metolius River basin would be it. The COF believes that House Bill 3100, the Metolius Protection Act of 2009, the Area of Critical State Concern designation for the Metolius River; and increased protection from negative impacts from new development with the ACSC constitute the level of protection that a special, irreplaceable national treasure like the Metolius warrants. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Regards,

*Dennis Rockwell*

*President, Central Oregon Flyfishers*

As a fishing club, The Central Oregon Flyfishers is active in many aspects of the fishing community. However, COF usually does not involve itself in politics. Several months ago, the COF board of directors passed a motion to support the preservation of the Metolius River watershed. We have mailed letters and sent e-mail to the Governor, the LCDC and the House Land Use Committee in support of House Bill 3100, the Metolius Protection Act of 2009, and creating an Area of Critical State Concern. We have also testified before the LCDC and the House Land Use Committee. At each of the public hearings in which COF was involved, the overwhelming majority of attendees were in favor of protecting the Metolius River watershed. In fact, bus loads of concerned citizens arrived at the capitol for the public hearing on HB 3100. But the fight is not yet won. If you are familiar with the unique beauty of the Metolius River, then you already know how special this area is. If you are not familiar with the Metolius, you owe it to yourself to visit this wonderful river and find out for yourselves why it deserves protection.

*- Dennis Rockwell*



## GENERAL MEETING

### Stone fly hatches of the Deschutes basin

May 20 | 6:30 p.m. | Bend Senior Center, 1600 S.E. Reed Market Road, Bend

Damien Nurre of Deep Canyon Outfitters will talk about the stoneflies that hatch on the Deschutes River from January through August. He will cover access points, techniques and timing the hatch. (Nurre has give presentations about his travels to Cuba and Russia at earlier COF meetings.)

Damien Nurre, a transplant from Missoula, MT, has been fly fishing and guiding in Central Oregon for nearly 11 years, averaging over 100 days on the water each year. Nurre's new outfitting business—Deep Canyon Outfitters—offers guided trips on the Lower Deschutes and Crooked rivers and private lakes. He also offers educational seminars and classes, and he is opening a hunting / fishing lodge 10 miles west of Redmond. Bird hunting will begin this fall, and guests can stay at the lodge in the winter of 2010.

Other credentials: Commissioned fly tier for Montana Fly Company, R.L. Winston Pro staff, Hatch USA Pro staff and Deschutes River Conservancy Board Member

## OUTINGS

Check the schedule for more great outings in May. Want to lead a trip? Have questions or comments? Please contact me.

– Yancy Lind, Outings Coordinator  
[yancy\\_lind@ml.com](mailto:yancy_lind@ml.com) or 788-5514

Outings 2009			
Month	Day	Leader	Destination
May	6	Bob Cooper	Wickiup Reservoir at Sheep Bridge
May	16	Yancy Lind	Middle Deschutes (hard)
May	21-23	Bill Seitz	Krumbo Reservoir
Jun	5-7	Bob Mullong	Prineville Reservoir
Jun	12-14	Dave Semich	Diamond Lake
Jun	18-27	Daryl & Nancy Loveland	British Columbia
Jul	10-12	Yancy Lind	Williamson River
Jul	24-26	Bob Mullong	Upper Deschutes at Cow Camp
Aug	7-9	Don Schnack	Willamette River
Sep	8-13	Mark Reisinger	Cascades Lakes
Sep	25-27	Scott Robertson	Diamond Lake
Oct	8-11	Larry Godfrey	Lower Deschutes (steel-head)
Nov	21	Bill Seitz	Crooked R. cleanup & outing

## Wickiup Reservoir at Sheep Bridge

May 6 | 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday May 6, 2009 we will have the opportunity to catch five species of fish in one outing: browns, rainbows, brookies, whitefish and kokanee inhabit Wickiup. The Sheep Bridge area covers part of the Deschutes River channel between Crane Prairie and Wickiup and is open to various methods of fishing from April 25 to August 31. This area is closed to fishing in the fall because of spawning grounds.

Sheep Bridge is accessible to most floating devices. There is a gravel ramp at Sheep Bridge Campground and a concrete ramp located at a campground west of Twin Lakes Resort. I prefer fishing from a float tube using a 5-weight rod with a type III sinking line and 6 feet of 3X tapered leader.

Bring your fishing gear, floating device, two-way radio and lunch. We will meet at the Sheep Bridge boat launch area at 8:30 a.m., and we'll fish until we get done.

**Flies:** one-inch leeches tied on #8, 3X long hooks (green, black, brown, olive and maroon); #10 to #14 mayfly nymphs; prince nymphs; and copper johns **Also, bring your favorite Cascade Lakes flies.**

**Directions:** Sheep Bridge Campground and boat launch is about a one-hour drive from Bend. Go south on Highway 97. About 2½ miles past the Sunriver exit, turn right onto Vandervert Road and continue on Vandervert Road for one mile. Turn left onto South Century Drive and go about one mile. Turn right onto South Century Drive (Cascade Lakes Highway, Road 42) and go about 20 miles. Turn left toward Wickiup-Twin Lakes Resort (Watch for the sign.) and go about ½ mile. Turn right at the Sheep Bridge sign. Parking is available near the boat launch area. (There is ongoing construction on S. Century Drive; expect delays.)

If you have not signed up and plan on going, please contact me (389-9214 or [fishcoop2@bendbroadband.com](mailto:fishcoop2@bendbroadband.com)).

– Bob Cooper

## Middle Deschutes

May 16

May 16 will be the second outing to the Middle Deschutes, and this outing will be the “hard” one. If you are fit and like to hike to remote fishing spots, this is the outing for you. You must be able to hike very steep trails, climb over rocks, wade in waist to chest-deep moving water and plow through brush to get the most out of this outing. I do inadvertently go swimming sometimes on this outing in an attempt to get to the very best spots. (You don't have to follow my example.) In exchange for the effort, you'll fish some very special water during what should be the height of the stonefly hatch. This is my favorite day trip in all of Central Oregon, but it can take a lot out of waders if you are not careful. To sign up, contact me ([yancy\\_lind@ml.com](mailto:yancy_lind@ml.com) or 788-5514). Space is limited.

– Yancy Lind

## Krumbo Reservoir

May 21 to May 23 | On May 21, meet at the Pilot Butte Theater parking lot at 8:00 a.m.

The Krumbo Reservoir outing will be from May 21 (Thursday) through May 23 (Saturday). If fishing is good, some may elect to stay through Sunday. Krumbo Reservoir, 127 acres in size, is located in the foothills of the Steens Mountain on Malheur National Wildlife Refuge. It is stocked periodically with rainbow trout and largemouth bass. Expect good trout fishing with sizes ranging from 13 to 22 inches. Krumbo Reservoir is approximately 56 miles south of Burns on Hwy 205. The reservoir has a paved boat launch and parking lot, pit toilet and picnic facilities. The gravel road from Highway 205 into the reservoir (about 4 miles) is passable by passenger car. There are no campgrounds on the refuge. We will camp at the Narrows Campground (<http://www.thenarrowsrvpark.com/>), a full-service campground about 26 miles south of Burns on Hwy 205. (A BLM campground about 30 miles south of the Narrows near Frenchglen offers a camping alternative.) Keep in mind that it will be Memorial Day holiday weekend. Everyone is responsible for their own meals. Bring food and supplies that you will need with you; supplies are not available near the campground. There is a Safeway in Burns, and there are several gas stations. You may want to fill your tank before heading to the Narrows Campground. The campground sells gas (sometimes).

**The Plan:** After setting up camp on Thursday, we'll proceed to the reservoir (about 29 miles) to fish. On Friday and Saturday, we should plan to leave the campground by 8:00 a.m. with our lunches.

Expect the weather to change often. Last year, in one day, we had warm sunny weather, cold windy weather and rain with hail – dress accordingly.

**Gear:** Expect to use intermediate and floating lines. Because of the size of the reservoir, it might be a good idea to bring portable, handheld radios tuned to Channel 5, Code 5. To fish the reservoir, you should a floating device—float tube, pontoon boat, kayak or boat. Electric motors are permitted (no gas).

**Flies:** Last year, we had good success with Callibaetis nymphs (Skip's Nymph – gray and olive, flashback pheasant

tail with no beads and Denny Rickards' Callibaetis nymph (size 14), Phil Rowley's baby damsel (brown and olive, size 12 and 14), GHRT (green hornet, red tail, size 12) and chironomids (all with a white bead or white gills and a black body, silver rib; black body, red rib; holographic green body, silver rib; brown body; gold rib; or a holographic red body, silver rib; also a chromie, size 14, but have a few size 16 zebra midges handy). Of course, bring a few black and red leeches (size 12, no longer than 1½ inches and no thicker than a pencil).

**Directions:** Meet at the Pilot Butte Theater parking lot (southeast of 27th and Greenwood) at 8:00 a.m., May 21. Drive east on U.S. Highway 20 toward Hines/Burns. Just before you enter Hines from Highway 20, turn right on Greenhouse Lane (Rd 128) and follow the paved road to State Highway 205 (approximately 4 miles). Turn right and go south on Highway 205 for about 16 miles until you see the Narrows Campground on the left side of the highway. Allow four hours driving time.

I hope you can come; Krumbo is a cool location to have a great fishing trip. Contact me ([wseitz@bendbroadband.com](mailto:wseitz@bendbroadband.com) or 330-8186) to confirm if you plan to go.

– Bill Seitz

## Prineville Reservoir

Jun 6

There will be an outing at Prineville Reservoir on June 6. The primary target will be crappie, with a side of bass tossed in. We will camp at Prineville Reservoir Resort (hook-ups available). The reservoir is a powered-boat fishery, and a launch is available. The marina rents boats. I'd like to get an idea of how many are interested in this outing. Please let me know if you are interested ([capt@bendnet.com](mailto:capt@bendnet.com) or 447-7468).

– Capt Caddis

## British Columbia

June 18 to 25

For more information about the 2009 BC outing, see the link on the COF Web site Home page. Hermann Fischer, a world-class fly tyer, has graciously agreed to demonstrate a few of his designs on Sunday, June 21. He has some “killer” patterns that you will find highly worthwhile. If you are even a “maybe,” please contact Nan or Daryl Loveland ([darylloveland@hotmail.com](mailto:darylloveland@hotmail.com) or [luckypat242@yahoo.com](mailto:luckypat242@yahoo.com) or 322-2882) to get on the mailing list.


– Daryl and Nan Loveland

## Cascades lakes

Sep 8 to 13

COF may have a “BC type” of outing to Central Oregon's Cascade lakes in September for members who can't travel to BC. Camping will be at the Wickiup campground across

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from South Twin Resort. The Rogue River and Southern Oregon fly clubs will join COF (coordination by Phil Hager).

COF will haul the club trailer to the campground and prepare group breakfast and dinner meals. The fee for all meals will be about \$75 (excess returned accordingly).

I need to get an idea who may be interested before I proceed with planning. If you have any interest at all please contact me (mreisinger@bendcable.com or 389-4124).

There is a chance that I won't be able to participate on this trip, but I will hang in there as trip coordinator. However, I am looking for a co-coordinator. Please give this some consideration if you plan to go.

– Mark Reisinger

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## WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER

About 29 COF members attended the Metolius outing in spite of the snow flurries and 30-degree temperatures. Thank you Jeff Perin for an excellent presentation on the Metolius. Stay tuned to your email for information about our upcoming outings.

– Terri Grimm

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## EDUCATION

### Intermediate casting

Tuesday, May 5 | 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. | \$10 | Farewell Bend Park | Instructor: Jeff Perin (The Flyfishers Place)

For those who want to improve their casting, this is the class for you. This class will **build on basic casting skills** – no advanced casting techniques. Class size is limited to 12 students. Meet Tuesday, May 5, at Farewell Bend Park on the Deschutes River from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. The park is located just south of the Healy bridge. Parking can be difficult, so car pool if possible. Cost: \$10.00, Payable to: COF, Mailed to: Lee Ann Ross, 3062 NW Underhill Place, Bend, OR 97701 (rossleeann@yahoo.com or 312-2568).

### Advanced casting: single and double haul

Wednesday May 13 | 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. | \$10 | McKay Park, Bend | Instructor: Steve Light (Fly and Field)

Further your casting skills with this class. Steve Light will focus on single and double haul casting only. Students who have a good grasp of basic casting techniques will benefit the most from this class. Class size is limited to 10 students. Meet Wednesday, May 13, at McKay Park in Bend from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Cost: \$10.00, Payable to: COF, Mailed to: Terri Grimm, 23445 Butterfield Trail, Bend, OR 97702 (cof@sonatainc.com or 318-0567).

## Fly Fishing for beginners

May 18, 27 & Jun 1, 3, 7 | Mon, Wed, 6:30 to 8:30 pm & Sun 9:00 am to 3:00 pm | age 13 - Adult | Aspen Hall & Pine Nursery | Fee: \$66 In District & \$89 Out of District | #2210.210

Gordon Chandler and members of COF will conduct this series of introductory classes. Classes will cover tying knots, learning about entomology, selecting flies, learning to read the water, casting practice and more. Experienced casters are also welcome and will receive help polishing their technique. The first class, held indoors at Aspen Hall, will cover basic equipment and knots. Remaining evenings, held at the Pine Nursery Park pond, will include casting practice and additional instruction. Sunday trip to the upper Deschutes allows students to practice skills on moving water. For more information and to enroll, contact Bend Parks and Recreation.

## Youth Fly Fishing Camp

Jun 15 to 17 | 9:00 am to noon | ages 9 to 14 | Shevlin Park | \$60 In District, \$81 Out of District | #3625.301 | Instructors: COF

For more information and to enroll, contact Bend Parks and Recreation.

## Aquatic macroinvertebrates for fly fishers (Bugs that fish eat)

June 6 | 9 a.m. to noon | \$10 | Limited to 10 students. | Meet at John Anderson's residence.

COF member (and retired Berkeley entomologist) John Anderson will teach this class. The class will focus on the biology, life cycles and identification/recognition of the immature stages of preserved specimens. Illustrations, hand lenses and microscopes will assist participants in distinguishing macroinvertebrates such as scuds, aquatic sow bugs, mayflies, stoneflies, caddisflies, midges and a few other insects. Bring a sack lunch and plan to car pool to a river in the afternoon for on-site collection and examination of aquatic macroinvertebrates.

**Directions:** Meet at John's residence (61040 Minaret Circle in Sunrise Village) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on June 6. Take SW Century Drive (the road to Mt. Bachelor). Turn left on Mammoth Drive. Proceed on Mammoth until you reach the gate to Sunrise Village; it will open automatically. Continue on Mammoth until you turn left on Minaret Circle.

To sign up, contact John Anderson (jranderson@bend-broadband.com or 385-8693).

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## CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE – Three Orvis “water bug” float tubes • \$60 each • Call John Ford (948-9579)

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## OTHER NEWS

### What a banquet!

WOW! What a great time at the COF banquet for the 118 people who sat down for dinner. There was the usual fanfare of the bucket raffle and some last-second positioning for the silent auction items. The presentation by kids who actually benefited from the Kokanee Karnival was met with great applause. Our president, Dennis Rockwell, did an excellent job as our auctioneer and many people participated in the auction. It was great to see the enthusiasm by so many people in support of our primary fund raiser for the COF. We benefited from the generosity of donations from members, five fly shops and a multitude of local retailers that we all frequent in our daily lives. We raised over \$7000 to support Kokanee Karnival, education programs, conservation programs and member services. Thank you all for your generosity.

It is important to recognize the team that made the banquet happen. Be sure to thank everyone the next time you see them: Craig Dennis – registration & program packet; Dave Magaret – program presentation; Delores Marsh – decorations and food; Dennis Rockwell – counselor; Frank Turek – donations & raffle; Rick Gillaspie – drinks; and Larry Godfrey – clean up. I also want to thank the 34 people who came Saturday morning to help set up everything. See you all next year. (Banquet photos available soon from: [coflyfishers.org](http://coflyfishers.org).)

– Eric Steele, Banquet Chair

### Fly and Field Outfitters lakes and rivers event

May 14 | Fly and Field Outfitters | 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

All anglers are invited to meet the guides at Fly and Field Outfitters and watch presentations about fishing Central Oregon lakes and rivers (given by Scott Cook and Steve Light) at the Fly and Field Outfitters lakes and rivers event, May 14, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Steve Light (541-318-1616).

### Tight lines auction and BBQ

May 15 | 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. | Aspen Hall | \$25

Join the Deschutes River Conservancy for a festive evening of great food, spirits and fly-fishing lore. Bid on spectacular fishing packages, unique art and other wonderful items. Cost includes dinner, drinks, short program and auction. For more information: [www.deschutesriver.org](http://www.deschutesriver.org) or [debbie@deschutesriver.org](mailto:debbie@deschutesriver.org) or 541-382-4077 x10

### FFF training workshop– casting

June 6 & 7 | 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Jun 6) and 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Jun 7) | location to be announced

This is an FFF forum for any dedicated fly fisher wanting to develop and advance their casting and teaching skills.

The Central Oregon Flyfisher

The fee for this class is \$175. The fee includes: two-days of instruction; a copy of the workbook *Guide to Fly Casting Instruction*; up to four, one-on-one follow-up instructional sessions; and one FFF certification pre-test in Corvallis or Salem. All fees are non-refundable and must be received by May 30.

Please make checks payable to Dwight Klemin. Mail your check to: Dwight Klemin, 1077 Nona Ave NW, Salem, Oregon 97304. For more information, contact Dwight [[dgklemin@msn.com](mailto:dgklemin@msn.com) or 503-302-9484 (cell) or 503-390-8997 (home/office)].

### David Hughes seminar

June 18 | 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunriver Anglers and COF members are invited to join Dave Hughes, Thursday June 18, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., for the all-day workshop *Elements of Fly Fishing for Trout*. The workshop will include: Reading Trout Water, Selecting Trout Flies, Tactics for Trout, and Casting Demonstration. Information about location and cost to be announced.

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Team USA qualifying competitions

May 9 and 10 | East & Paulina lakes | Crooked River

Up to 24 volunteers will be needed to help with the competitions. Volunteers will measure fish and man the boats on the lakes. If you are interested in participating in this fun event, or if you can loan us a boat, wind sock or anchor, contact Lee Ann Ross ([rossleeann@yahoo.com](mailto:rossleeann@yahoo.com) or 312-2568).

### Stream stewardship day

June 6 | Contact: Kolleen Yake (541-390-3665)

This event is an outstanding opportunity for community members to participate in hands-on stewardship activities on the Deschutes River, Tumalo Creek and Whychus Creek.

Please contact Kolleen Yake (541-390-3665 or [kyake@restorethedeschutes.org](mailto:kyake@restorethedeschutes.org)) for information about how you can participate!

– Kolleen Yake, Education Coordinator

### Project Healing Waters

Working with Project Healing Waters (PHW) benefits veterans who participate and the volunteers who make the program possible. As a veteran, my goal is to give back to other veterans some measure of what they gave for the rest of us. Veterans with needs benefit from self-esteem building skills, outdoor experiences, social interactions, the joy of fly fishing and access to greater levels of service from other organizations that cooperate with PHW.

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You need not be the best fisherman, best fly tyer or even the best teller of fishing stories. With some guidance and organizational skills, you can make a tremendous contribution to veterans in need. You will also meet great people who make up the community of fly fishers and have some real fun. To learn more about getting involved, please contact me (971-404-5154 or [jerrylorang@aol.com](mailto:jerrylorang@aol.com)).

—Jerry Lorang  
*Oregon Coordinator, Project Healing Waters*

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Project Healing Waters will bring a group of veterans from Portland to fish the Crooked River on June 1 and 2. If you can assist in any way, please contact Jerry Lorang.

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## Metolius River habitat enhancement project

Friday, May 8, 9:00 a.m.: Meet at Allen Springs campground |  
Wednesday, May 20, 9:00 a.m.: Meet at Pioneer Ford campground

To restore fish habitat that has been lost over time due to wood removal and loss of access, the Forest Service has been placing large wood in 9.8 miles of the Metolius River upstream of Bridge 99. Funding for the project was secured by The Upper Deschutes Watershed Council (UDWC) through the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board and the Pelton Round Butte Fund. Wolfree, Inc., a Kokanee Karnival partner, is organizing volunteers (students and community members) to help reestablish habitat at sites where large wood was placed into the river using an excavator.

**Description:** Plant shrubs and spread native grass seed. No special skills required. Wolfree will provide shovels, gloves, morning grub, coffee and lunch at 12:30. Fish in the afternoon.

**Contact:** Blake Lowrey ([blake@beoutside.org](mailto:blake@beoutside.org) or 541-549-1459) for more information or to confirm your attendance.

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## CONSERVATION

### COF conservation activities for 2009

You may have read the recent article in the *Bend Bulletin* about the trees blown down in Shevlin Park this winter, and you may have seen a photo of trees placed on the edge of Tumalo Creek for fish habitat. Indirectly, COF helped the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and Bend Parks and Recreation Department create this fish habitat in Tumalo Creek. COF contributed \$250 for a required archeology assessment. The Sunriver Anglers, Deschutes Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Oregon Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers (OCFFF) and the Central Oregon Irrigation District also contributed funding.

Twenty COF volunteers helped install educational signs on the major redband spawning sites on the 12-mile Wild

and Scenic River section of the Crooked River below Bowman Dam. Through your efforts, this cooperative angler education project between the Bureau of Land Management, ODFW and the Crook County High School will enable more redband trout to successfully spawn this year.

The club has sent letters to the Governor and key legislators to support efforts by the State of Oregon to create an Area of Critical State Concern (ACSC) in the Metolius River basin. We also sent letters to key legislators supporting a house bill to create ACC.

Later this month, several COF members will attend a stakeholders meeting about progress being made to develop a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for the introduction of steelhead, Chinook salmon and sockeye salmon into the Upper Deschutes River Basin. The HCP is a cooperative effort of Central Oregon irrigation companies, the City of Prineville and federal and state conservation agencies to address how the actions of the irrigators and Prineville will impact the reintroduction of these fish. The effort is required by the Endangered Species Act. COF members will attend another meeting in Prineville to discuss the process to allocate uncontracted water stored in Prineville Reservoir. Also, a proposal to install a hydroelectric plant below Bowman Dam will be a topic of the meeting. We will be there to represent the fly fishers of Central Oregon.

Earlier this year, Terri Grimm and I, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service, submitted a proposal to develop a brochure to address aquatic invasive plant issues in East and Paulina Lakes. If we get the grant, we will need your help in developing and distributing the brochure to boaters and fishermen using these two popular high country lakes.

Many members provide volunteer hours for educational projects, such as Kokanee Karnival. All of these projects include a strong conservation message for kids. Of course, COF members will continue to volunteer hundreds of hours of their time to assist ongoing ODFW and university conservation projects. For example, the club and OCFFF have contributed funding to the Crooked River redband trout and mountain whitefish telemetry study. Club members have contributed hundreds of hours catching trout and whitefish to mark with tags and radios (not all work) and track the marked fish. These efforts will continue throughout the year. There will be additional volunteer activities to help conservation agencies implement important conservation projects this year. These opportunities will be published in the newsletter and email alerts. The COF Board extends a big thanks to all who have volunteered to make the club the best!

—Bill Seitz, *Conservation Chair*





Kokanee Carnival is wrapping up another year of activities with the Angling Clinic. Details to come in the June newsletter.

### Please release FLOY- tagged trout and whitefish unharmed

OSU student, Shivonne Nesbit, and ODFW have FLOY-tagged hundreds of redband trout and mountain whitefish with the goal of learning more about movement patterns and growth rates. If you catch a FLOY-tagged fish, please record:

- FLOY TAG NUMBER (5 digit number printed on tag)
- NUMBER OF EACH SPECIES CAUGHT
- LOCATION OF CAPTURE
- APPROXIMATE SIZE OF FISH

Please call or email Shivonne Nesbit (541-805-5320 or Shivonne.nesbit@oregonstate.edu).



Owyhee River outing, March 2009.



Students and volunteers installed signs near redband spawning areas on the Crooked River. Photo: Delores Marsh



2009 banquet – Top: Students who participated in KK give a presentation; Middle: Attendees enjoy dinner; Bottom: Eric Steele displays a hand-carved item for the live auction. Photos: Frank Turek



## TYERS CORNER

Peer into any of my trout fly boxes and you'll find the patterns of Blue Ribbon Flies (BRF), a fly-fishing shop in West Yellowstone. I've been fishing Yellowstone country for about 20 years, and my annual trip always includes visits to the BRF shop.

I like flies that are reasonable ties so I won't be afraid to toss the flies into fishy places where I might lose them. I have found BRF patterns to be functional and effective from Central Oregon to Yellowstone country. The pattern presented here is a Mahogany Cripple Dun (*Paraleptophlebia* sp.). However, it is important to think of this tie as a style, just like the BRF Sparkle Dun and X-Caddis are styles. Alter the size and colors, and you will find this style to be effective whether tying Tricos or Green Drake dun cripples. This style is easy to tie, floats like a cork, is visible to the angler, dries out with one back cast and catches fish.

I will leave it to your imagination for sizes and colors of other mayfly species, or you can find them described along with tying directions in the new book, *Fly Patterns of Yellowstone*, volume two, by Craig Mathews and John Juracek. Along with tying directions, this valuable book provides the background on the development of a number of proven fly patterns and how to fish them.

—Pete Martin

### BRF Mayfly Cripple Dun\*



Hook: TMC 100, sizes 16, 18

Thread: 8/0 Uni, dark brown

Shuck: Mayfly brown crinkled zelon

Body: Mahogany super-fine dubbing

Wing: dark gray EP Trigger Point fibers (EP=Enrico Puglisi)

Hackle: medium or dark dun

Attach the tying thread and tie in the zelon shuck about one-third back from the hook eye. (The wing will be tied in this location.) Don't use the entire diameter of the strand of zelon; split it apart. The amount will vary with the size of the fly. I think it is better to be too sparse than too heavy.

Apply dubbing to the thread and wrap a thin body forward over the zelon. Attach a length of EP trigger fibers facing forward at the wing position. Stand the EP fibers upright with several wraps of thread and another wrap in the notch behind the wing. Trim the butts of the wing—not too short.

Tie the hackle into the notch between the wing and wing butts and bring the thread to the front of the wing. Take two to three wraps of hackle in the notch and another wrap of hackle in front of the wing. (This wrapping helps the wing to stand up, although the wing should tilt slightly forward.) Tie off the hackle and whip finish.

Pull the wing back and trim it to length (where the shuck leaves the body). Trim the bottom of the hackle even with the hook point. I carry a pair of scissors in my vest. If I think the wing or shuck are too long, I can trim them shorter on the stream as I see how they fish and compare them to other duns on the water.

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\* Pattern adapted from *Fly Patterns of Yellowstone, Volume 2* by Craig Mathews and John Juracek, published by BLUE RIBBON FLIES, West Yellowstone, MT, 2008, [www.blueribbonflies.com](http://www.blueribbonflies.com).



## Central Oregon Flyfishers Up-Stream Events 2009

Date	Time	Activity	Location	Contact
<b>MAY</b>				
May 5	6:30 pm	<b>Intermediate casting</b>	Farewell Bend Park	Lee Ann Ross ( <a href="mailto:rossleeann@yahoo.com">rossleeann@yahoo.com</a> )
May 6	8:30 am	<b>OUTING – Sheep Bridge</b>		Bob Cooper (389-9214 or <a href="mailto:fishcoop2@bend-broadband.com">fishcoop2@bend-broadband.com</a> )
May 7		<b>monthly board mtg.</b>	Environmental Center	Dennis Rockwell ( <a href="mailto:rockwell@bendcable.com">rockwell@bendcable.com</a> )
May 9, 10		<b>Team USA qualifiers</b>		Lee Ann Ross ( <a href="mailto:rossleeann@yahoo.com">rossleeann@yahoo.com</a> )
May 13	6:00 pm	<b>Advanced casting</b>	McKay Park	Terri Grimm ( <a href="mailto:cof@sonatainc.com">cof@sonatainc.com</a> or 318-0567)
May 16		<b>OUTING - Middle Deschutes</b>		Yancy Lind ( <a href="mailto:yancy_lind@ml.com">yancy_lind@ml.com</a> or 788-5514)
May 18		<b>Fly fishing for beginners</b>		Bend Parks & Rec
May 20	6:30 pm	<b>general meeting</b>	Bend Senior Center	
May 21		<b>OUTING - Krumbo Res.</b>		Bill Seitz ( <a href="mailto:wseitz@bendbroadband.com">wseitz@bendbroadband.com</a> or 330-8186)

### IN THE FUTURE

Jun 6		Aquatic Macroinvertebrates	John Anderson ( <a href="mailto:jranderson@bendbroadband.com">jranderson@bendbroadband.com</a> or 385-8693)
Jun 6		<b>OUTING</b> - Prineville Res.	Bob Mullong ( <a href="mailto:capt@bendnet.com">capt@bendnet.com</a> or 447-7468)
Jun 18-25		<b>BC trip</b> - Nan or Daryl Loveland	( <a href="mailto:darylloveland@hotmail.com">darylloveland@hotmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:luckyapat242@yahoo.com">luckyapat242@yahoo.com</a> or 322-2882)

### Non-Club Activities & FYI

ongoing	Metolius redd counts. For more information, contact Nate Dachtler (549-7725 or <a href="mailto:ndachtler@fs.fed.us">ndachtler@fs.fed.us</a> ).		
May 9-11	Central Oregon Symphony performs final concerts for the season		
May 14	Fly & Field Outfitters CO lakes and rivers presentations. Steve Light, 541-480-9642		
May 15	Deschutes River Conservancy Tight Lines Auction. <a href="http://www.deschutesriver.org">www.deschutesriver.org</a> or <a href="mailto:debbie@deschutesriver.org">debbie@deschutesriver.org</a> or 541-382-4077 x10		
May 15-17	Sandy River Spey Clave, ladies day (May 15), Oxbow State Park, <a href="http://www.flyfishusa.com/spey-clave.htm">http://www.flyfishusa.com/spey-clave.htm</a>		
May 8 & 20	Metolius River habitat restoration. Blake Lowrey ( <a href="mailto:blake@beoutside.org">blake@beoutside.org</a> or 541-549-1459)		
Jun 6	Free-fishing day		
Jun 6, 7	FFF Training Workshop-casting. Dwight ( <a href="mailto:dgklemin@msn.com">dgklemin@msn.com</a> or 503-302-9484 (cell) or 503-390-8997 (home/office))		
Jun 6	Stream Stewardship Day. Kolleen Yake (541-390-3665 or <a href="mailto:kyake@restorethedeschutes.org">kyake@restorethedeschutes.org</a> )		
Jun 15-17	Youth fly-fishing camp. Contact Bend Parks & Recreation.		
Jun 13, 14; May 2, 3	<b>Workshops:</b> Deschutes River & Western Lakes - Rick Hafele & John Smeraglio, Contact Deschutes Canyon Fly Shop (1-866-647-4721 or <a href="mailto:john@flyfishingdeschutes.com">john@flyfishingdeschutes.com</a> or <a href="http://www.flyfishingdeschutes.com/events.php">http://www.flyfishingdeschutes.com/events.php</a> )		
Jun 18	Dave Hughes seminar. Details to be announced.		
Jul 28 - Aug 1	FFF International Show and Conclave, Loveland, CO		

### Report your volunteer hours!

Your volunteer hours help COF to acquire funding and grants for additional projects. Please report your volunteer hours to Delores Marsh. Be sure to include your name, name of the event, month, number of hours and number of miles.

To report your volunteer hours, click **here** or send email to [ladyd@bendcable.com](mailto:ladyd@bendcable.com).

## Welcome New Members

John Allen • Jeremy Sackett • Scott Ruppel  
Paul Abbott • Barry Cole • Dick Linford • Jim Swift

Membership rosters are available at the check-in table on meeting nights for members who want them.

– *Craig Dennis, COF Membership Services*

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## Len Swanzy receives award

At the general meeting in April, Dennis Rockwell presented Len Swanzy with a Special Recognition award for his many years of support of and help with COF.

Len is a “behind the scenes” volunteer for Kokanee Karnival and COF events. Len takes care of the fishing poles during the Kokanee Karnival Angling Clinic. Len also served coffee, snacks and lunch during KK Streamside. For many years, Len arrived early for COF general meetings and made the pot of coffee for everyone.

According to Dennis Rockwell, Len has a long history of volunteering. Dennis met Len when Dennis started working for the Bend Fire Department in 1980. Len was a volunteer firefighter and continued volunteering for many years.

Thank you Len for all you have done for Kokanee Karnival, COF and the Central Oregon community.

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