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President's Message

Be sure to check out the Board Retreat notes in this issue's Board Bits column, lots of good info there on current and future club activities.

This year has been a different critter for a number of reasons, not the least of which is the closure of steelhead fishing in the Deschutes; our beloved steelhead run is a mere shadow of its former self. I've fished the Lower D (for trout, Euro-nymphing) three times over the last 2 weeks, and I'm somewhat amazed and definitely shocked/saddened to see a number of fishermen "not fishing for steelhead"! Half the fishers I have witnessed are in historical steelhead runs, throwing what appears to be steelhead style/size flies, and just fishing for steelhead in general. That includes some guides with clients. Shame on you!

Membership renewal notices will be coming out this month; contact Bob Shimane if you have any questions.

I'm putting out another call for volunteers for the leadership positions of COF: we need some people to step up for President, Education, and Banquet Chairman (several needed for this position). I've been asking for volunteers for these positions for a while now and all I've heard so far are crickets. Many thanx to Corol Ann Cary for stepping up to be the Raffle/Auction lead, and to Danny Cara for the Sportsman's Show Kids Pond coordinator. As we move into 2022, I'm anticipating that we'll be starting in-person meetings again, and these 2 positions will be very important for the continued health (and wealth!) of our club.

Videos of the month: As the fall progresses into winter, the dry fly activity drops off except for a few small mayflies and midges. During the winter I find myself fishing more nymphs than just about every other method, and my favorite method for nymph fishing is Euro-style. This video is one of the best I've seen to give you a quick crash course and get you up to speed on that effective nymph fishing method. This video, with Tom Rosenbauer and George Daniel, is a must-see for beginners and intermediate Euro nymphers! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7tjvg6LPpus

And here's one from our old friend the Huge Fly Fisherman. He talks about fly rod transportation options in this episode and it's somewhat informational and mostly hilarious, worth the watch! Be sure to watch all the way to the end. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ux2nrl_xftc

As always, thanx for being a part of this great Club, and feel free to let me (or any board member) know if you have ideas for improvement.

Get out and fish!

Tim Quinton, President COF



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GENERAL *virtual* MEETING | NOVEMBER 17TH

MEETINGS WILL BE VIRTUAL! LOOK FOR AN EMAIL TO COME THAT EXPLAINS THE DETAILS.



his month Dax Messett will be giving his "Year of the Nomad Angler" presentation. Dax has been a fly fishing professional for over two decades being one of the most well-traveled and experienced guides and hosted travel coordinators in the industry. Dax is a Certified FFI Casting Instructor, receiving this distinction from the legendary Mel Krieger in 2002. He has worked alongside spey casting gurus Simon Gawesworth, Scott O'Donnell, Mike McCune, John Hazelett, and George Cook.

An original member of the Sage Elite Pro Team, Dax is also a widely published writer and photographer featured in The Drake, Fly Fishing Journal, Sierra Fly Fisher, and several other publications.

Dax's home base is Medford, OR with his wife Leslie, also a guide and spey casting instructor. Dax's current guide venues focus swinging flies on he best steelhead rivers in the Pacific Northwest, Northern California, and The Olympic Peninsula.

The presentation takes one to a different featured location for each month of the calendar year. Venues include New Zealand, British Columbia, Bolivia, Alaska, Honduras, Belize, The Olympic Peninsula, California,

Christmas Island, Oregon, Florida Keys, and Louisiana. Species include trout, steelhead, tarpon, bonefish, redfish, rooster fish, and golden dorado. Dax will share photos, angling techniques, and stories about each venue.

WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER Zoom Cocktail Hour

Many of our Wild Women have been on the water this fall fishing local and out of the area. We are excited to have our Wild Women of the Water Zoom Cocktail Hour back for the winter months. Our first gathering will be Sunday, November 14 th @ 5pm. We will be sharing our 2021 adventures with pictures and stories. If any Wild Women have pictures of your 2021 adventures why not share the fun! Send your pictures and a few words about them to Sue Coyle, wildwomen@coflyfishers.org, and we will include them in our presentation. Be sure to watch for a Wild Women email invite for this fun event.

- SUE COYLE WILDWOMEN@COFLYFISHERS.ORG



CONSERVATION

National Environmental Policy Act

My grandpa (above) was a fisherman who fished in the Cuyahoga River before WWII. The enclosed picture is a stringer of his fish dating back to about the 1940's. By the time I was in high school the Cuyahoga River had been polluted by two primary issues. Phosphates from detergents entering the river caused walls of detergent suds large enough to prevent the use of some bridges. Excess oil discarded in the river sometimes caught fire and also blocked passage over some bridges. As an engineer one solution could be to raise the bridges to allow for more separation from these hazards from the traveling public. Faced with these two problems some smart law makers passed a law to address the situation. The law is called the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) passed on January 1, 1970.

NEPA requires federal agencies to study any proposed action through a systematic interdisciplinary approach. This means a team of informed individuals need to work together to develop a recommended action or decision. Minor decisions can be made by an Environmental Assessments (EA). Complicated decisions are made by an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). EIS decisions are long detailed reports that identify the impacts of the decision on the many parts of the complex action. It is hoped that this team approach would yield a better solution to present problems compared to decisions made by well meaning individuals

- TOM SHUMAN MADRASFISH@GMAIL.COM

EDUCATION

Basic Skills Fly Tying Classes, Sign Up Now

We need to know **now** who's interested in taking the in person Basic Skills classes in January, 2022. All Tuesday evenings, at Larkspur Community Center, 5:30 – 8:30 PM, (with first 30 minutes as set up, with actual class 6:00 – 8:30) Jan 4, 11, 18, 25th.

COF can provide 12 tying tool sets, and vises, for in class use, as well as all necessary fly tying materials. Online tying technique videos and other supplemental info will also be provided to those that sign up. Attendees are encouraged, however, to purchase their own vises and tying tools so you can practice at home. That practice time is really important. Discounts available on equipment purchases through specific local fly shops, but only to those that sign up for this class. Be aware of supply chain shortages, you might have to get on a ordering list at the participating fly shops.

The Registration form is now posted on the Central Oregon Flyfishers website. Go to the home page, then under Calendar and Events, select Upcoming Events. The Basic Fly Tying Skills registration form should pop up.

We have a lot of new people in the club now, and there is limited seating. *First come, first served*. If the class size limit is reached, there will be a waiting list.

- JOHN HOWARD Zendoc@Aol.com

Kokanee Karnival

We are still in a holding pattern with Kokanee Karnival. Jen Luke delivered trout eggs to several classes for our Fall portion of the Fish Eggs to Fry program. However, in the public schools she was not permitted to enter the classes and had give the eggs to the teacher in the sign in area. Non public schools like St. Francis she could go into the classroom. This policy means that under current conditions we could not do the Angler Education or Fish Dissection portions of Kokanee Karnival. Our hope is that when vaccinations are approved for elementary age student a sufficient number get vaccinated to allow the school districts to modify their classroom visitor policy. But this is not a sure thing because it depends on the cooperation of parents to have their children vaccinated. We will probably have to modify our Angler Education program to minimize contact with the students. We can eliminate the knot

tying session because that is the portion with close student contact. Teachers and students can handout the materials. The remainder of Angler Education can be taught standing in front of the class. We can do our Spring Fish Eggs to Fry following the same procedures Jen did this month.

We still do not know if the Spring Angling Clinic can be held. Jen taught a field class with Ponderosa Elementary students because they can walk from class to Pine Nursery pond. Field trips involving bus transportation are not allowed. In addition, there is a severe shortage of bus drivers. We have Aspen Hall and Shevlin Pond reserved for April 25 to 29, 2022 and May 2 &3 and before the end of 2021 we will reserve for 2023.

We know the school districts are under a lot of pressure from parents on both sides of the rules and mandates and that school procedures are being modified and adjusted to meet current conditions. We will be tracking these conditions and keep you informed.

One last point. All volunteers must be fully vaccinated as per Oregon and ODFW policies to work with students and enter classrooms.

- FRANK TUREK KK@COFLYFISHERS.ORG

OTHER NEWS



FFI 2021 Board of Directors award of achievement

Let's all give a GREAT BIG shout out to our own Mary Ann Dozer who received the FFI 2021 Board of Directors award of achievement, the FFI Fly Fishing Skills Education Award. Mary Ann and Corie Berrigan had a vision for a virtual fly fishing centered event for women by women. That vision became the successful Celebrating Women in Fly Fishing.

This prestigious award is based upon a single extraordinary contribution or on a continuous prominent effort promoting comprehensive fly fishing education. Extraordinary contributions are those that are superior and conspicuous in relation to others and consistent with the philosophies of the FFI.

Congratulations! So Well Deserved!!!!! You can reach Mary Ann through her web site: flyfishingpursuits.org

FFI Corner

As a member club of the Oregon Council of Fly Fishers International, we get their monthly newsletter as well as other information on a periodic basis. The link below takes you to their newsletter for Sept, which has good info about the council and FFI events nationally. As your FFI rep, please let me know if you have any questions about this fine organization.—Tim Q

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The note below is from the last newsletter and asks for volunteers for the Oregon Council Board of Directors. Please consider serving on this FFI Board if you want to help run the club.

ORCFFI 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS

For this edition of the ORCFFI Quarterly
Newsletter, I wanted to introduce myself and discuss
the upcoming ORCFFI annual elections. The Oregon
Council has a variety of nominations that are available
for you to consider serving from January 1, 2022, to
December 31, 2022 (1 year). We are a very strong
Council regarding the National FFI and among the
other national councils. We are under the umbrella
of the National FFI and we have oversight of the
registered flyfishing clubs in Oregon. Each club varies
in size of its members and their mission, but we all
strive for preserving the habitat of streams, lakes, and
all species of fish in Oregon. Each flyfishing club also
strives to serve its members and their community to
preserve the history of flyfishing and to teach others

the mechanics of learning to flyfish.

The Oregon Council has a variety of positions that are available for you to serve in to include the President's and Vice President's positions. The Treasurer and Secretary positions are also available for service including 2 Directors at large positions. Please don't think that the vacant positions are an awkward sign, it's just that many of the positions were held by the same people and after many long years of service, retirements are occurring leaving these positions available. The remaining Board of Directors is currently still in place, and everyone on the Oregon Council is available to assist in the placement and training of interested candidates.

As the Nominations Chair of the Oregon Council, part of my duties is to recruit and answer any questions you may have about available positions. Please email me or call at any time so that I may speak to you about becoming involved in a very rewarding community activity. Also, if you are not available at this time to serve as a committee chair or director but would like to work in an assistant position, we would be thrilled to speak with you. Lastly, if you know of a qualified candidate and would like to refer that person, please take the time to send me information or call me to discuss your ideas.

- TERRY WILLIS ORCFFI NOMINATIONS CHAIR (541) 968-3390, TDWILLIS2@COMCAST.NET

BOARD BITS

COF BOD YEARLY VIRTUAL RETREAT

President, Tim Quinton, reviewed last year's retreat goals and accomplishments....

The Board Book has been updated. The Addendum needs to be updated.

We applied for and received a \$750 FFI grant for programs

We did not hold a Banquet/Auction, but were able to auction off some items at the Aug BBQ.

Eric ran a great summer of outings...more to come.

A successful 3-day Next Cast Youth camp was held at the Metolius Pond in June.

COF BOD meetings went virtual. They will no longer be held at The Environmental Center.

We will continue our FFI yearly membership.

Volunteer recognition was put on hold for the foreseeable future.

The Winter Seminar was cancelled and the Sunriver Anglers were informed.

COF cancelled Winter Fly Tying last year, but Sherry Steele held successful ZOOM classes.

A successful in-person BBQ was held in August. Thank you to Frank for covering catering costs.

General COF monthly meetings were held virtually and were successful. Bend P&R required us to increase our insurance, which we were able to do with FFI help. The Elks Club was researched.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS...

Member Services – Bob – We have over 300 members including 63 new members this year. We learned, at the BBQ, that social interaction is important to our members. In talking with the local fishing shops, Bob learned that there are lots of new fishermen. If we had in-person meetings, he feels that membership would be picking up. Budget ask – \$500 to cover new hats and maintenance.

Banquet/Raffle - Corol Ann - She needs to procure raffle items from LeeAnn and banquet items from Bob. She would like to auction a few items at every in-person meeting, including fly tying. She wondered about taking credit cards at various meetings. She and Liz will talk.

Programs – Art – Yancy Lind will be the new program director in 2022. Programs was below budget last year, but this year we will be scheduling in-person presentations. There is not the attendance at a ZOOM presentation like there is at a live presentation. We have averaged between 40 and 50 attendees. Not the same as in-person, but still reasonable considering the pandemic. Yancy has talked to 4 possible presenters and 3 said they would only do a live presentation. We are scheduling in-person meetings starting in Jan, depending on COVID. Budget ask – \$3000.

Outings – Eric – he is putting together the 2022 schedule. Budget ask – 0.

Conservation – Tom – In next year's newsletters, he would like to talk about fish spawning below the dams and fishing in tailwaters. Tom will talk to ODFW to see if they need money for next year's chub removal.

Kokanee Karnival – Frank – there were no programs in 2021. There is much uncertainty with the schools' schedules this year-2022. Budget ask -0.

Wild Women of the Water – Sue – she will be scheduling monthly ZOOM meetings. The FFI Casting Challenge, sponsored by WWW, went very well last year. The club is looking to expand to the entire club. Tim will be the lead. Budget ask – \$600.

Next Cast – Fred – The June 3-day youth camp was a success with 7 youths. It will be held again next year at the Metolius pond with the Redmond and Sisters Parks & Rec Departments. There is interest in a 2-day camp in the Fall. Fred has found it challenging to recruit youth members to Next Cast. Our target audience is middle school to high school ages. Perhaps advertise at the Sportsmen's Show and Fish Pond....

PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET - Liz

4 basic categories of our budget: 1. Club Revenue 2. Essential Club Expenses 3. Additional Club Expenses 4. Donations. Club expenses are divided into 3 categories: 1. Essential (we need to spend this money to run the club: rent, storage, etc) 2. Members (we spend this money on the members: programs, education, volunteer recognition, etc) 3. Youth programs (we support youth education: KK, Next Cast)

The proposed budget shows a deficit of \$2623, if there is no fundraising.

2021 overview – we were bequeathed over \$9000 from Don Driscoll's estate. Our August BBQ/ Auction also brought in money. We donated \$1500 to ODFW for chub removal. 2022 thoughts – our biggest challenge is room rental for monthly meetings and fly tying classes. Larkspur's rent has dramatically increased.

Increasing revenue – we increased dues last year. We will not increase this year. We have many auction & raffle items still available. Corol Ann will

offer those as soon as in-person meetings begin. Liz is awaiting a decision on whether we will be involved in the Casting Pond before adding \$1500 to revenue.

OTHER CLUB BUSINESS

Thank you to our new volunteers...programs - Yancy Lind, Raffle/Auction - Corol Ann Cary, Fish Pond - Danny Kara. We still need an education director and a president for 2022.

Banquet – perhaps we should scale back to a smaller banquet/auction held at Larkspur, as was done in the past. The hardest part is getting donations...

Fish Pond – March 10–13. There was no fish Pond in 2021. It looks possible in 2022. Danny Kara has volunteered to chair. We have all the supplies. Frank will volunteer to open it each morning. Corol Ann has the volunteer lists. She will reach out to see who is still willing to volunteer.

BBQ – Frank will volunteer to pay for catering again. We should cap the attendees at 80. We must contact Bend Parks & Rec to reserve the hall.

Winter Fly Tying – John is hopeful that we can hold in-person classes at Larkspur. This may be affected by the COVID situation at the time. He plans to hold Jan beginner classes and Feb/March int/adv classes. Sherry Steele will hold the Central Oregon Fly Tying Guild ZOOM classes starting in Dec. Details of both will be email blasted to members.

Trailer – shall we sell it and its contents or not? Because of COVID, we aren't sure if we will have a large group fishing trip in the future. The subject was tabled until next year.

Newsletter – the cost is \$2400/year. Shall we publish completely on Facebook? NO! Too many members do not engage with Facebook.

Website – Mary reported that Wild Apricot had a 22% price increase. Directinc, our domain provider, had a small increase. Please let Mary know when you work in the website. She may be able to help you. If member's emails and phone numbers change, they need to be changed in our website. Mary will add a "please update any contact information in your profile" in the

renewal letters to remind members to update their profile if they have any changes. Wild Apricot removes someone's email delivery status if they have 3 failed attempts of a notice or email delivery. If this happens, the delivery parameters within WA need to be reset.

- KARI SCHOESSLER SCHOESSLER.KARIVAN@GMAIL.COM

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to Our New Members

Leslie Carter - Bend Scott Denneson - Bend Rick Murai - Monterey, California

Membership renewals will be sent out in November, so be on the lookout for them and renew early. Payment can be made by credit card or check. We anticipate resuming in person meetings and classes in early 2021 so long as Covid-19 is under control. New members who join through the end of the year will be considered paid in full through 2022. We look forward to your continued support.

- ROBERT SHIMANE MEMBERSHIP@COFLYFISHERS.ORG

LIBRARY

COF library services will resume once monthly meetings restart at the Larkspur Community Center. The Center is now open to the public, but with the resurgence of COVID, COF will not be holding our monthly meetings there until further notice. Our DVD collection and a select number of books, will be available for checkout once monthly meetings resume.

Sign in on our website https://coflyfishers.wildapricot.org, click on Members Area and select Library to see a list of our books and DVDs. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to email Helen Guerrero-Randall, the club librarian.

- HELEN GUERRERO-RANDALL Library@coflyfishers.org

COF CLASSIFIEDS

FREE: CABALAS WOMEN'S WADING

BOOTS, Size 8, Felt Bottoms. In very good condition. They run a bit small. Probably would fit someone with a size 6.5 or 7 shoe size, Linda Greiner, 925 389-0779



FOR SALE: DAVE SCADDEN OUTLAW RENEGADE---FRAMELESS PONTOON

BOAT - ASKING: \$650. Great fishing craft for the Deschutes River or Cascade Lakes. Outlaw Renegade frameless pontoon in excellent condition. Rows very well. Plenty of room for storage. No patches or leaks. Includes side storage bags and oars. Dave Scadden is known around the world for producing the finest quality pontoon boats in the industry. Call Ted Fowler at 541-408-1174.



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Tim Quinton, cgtimq@gmail.com, 509-392-3516



RIO GOLD IN TOUCH 4 WT FLY LINE BRAND NEW \$40 Contact Delores Marsh text or phone 541-282-4861

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

N O V E M B E R 2 0 2 1







Jese this fly when PMDs or other light colored flies are present. Soft hackles work well fished in the film, swung, or as a trailer behind a dry fly. They can also be fished as a wet fly. The ease of tying, effectiveness, cost, and versatility are difficult to duplicate. It's possible they were in use in beginning of fishing. https://www.jpost.com/archaeology/13000-years-ago-prehistoric-people-went-flyfishing-on-the-jordan-river-681251

Materials:

Hook: Firehole 316, 14-18

Thread: Uni-thread 8/0 Lt. Cahill

Tail: Sparkle Emerger Yarn, cream **Body:** Uni-thread 8/0 Lt. Cahill

Thorax: LT Cahill Superfine dry fly dubbing

Hackle: Hen, Rusty Dun

Tying Instructions:

- 1. Approximately 1/3 of the hook shank back from the eye of the hook lay down a thread base stopping even with the barb of the hook.
- 2. Bring the tread forward to the point where you started and tie in a sparse tail with the emerger yarn and wrap back to the barb.
- 3. Use the thread to build a tapered body.
- 4. Use the dry fly dubbing to create a thorax
- 5. Tie in the hen feather with the curved side forward and wrap 4 or five turns of hackle forward stroking the fibers back as you wrap
- 6. Whip finish

- MICHAEL TELFORD MIKETELFORD76@GMAIL.COM







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NOVEMBER 2021 UPSTREAM EVENTS

DATE	ACTIVITY	CONTACT
November 17	COF General Members' ZOOM Meeting @ 6:30	
November 14	Wild Women of the Water Zoom Cocktail @ 5:00	

