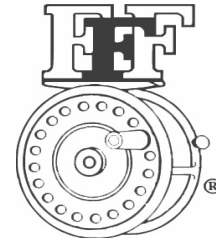


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GENERAL MEETING Fly Tying

December 20th

6:30 - 8:30

Bend Senior Center
1600 SE Reed Market Rd

OUTINGS Crooked River (Very successful)

December 9th

(County Library)

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Kokanee Carnival & Lifetime Membership Award

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Winter
Fly-Tying

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Random Cast

Well, the elections are final and the new officer and board member nominees were accepted by the club member vote at the November meeting. The officers for the next year are: President - Dave Semich, Vice President - Yancy Lind, Treasurer - Bob Cooper, and Secretary - Joel Bailie. The Board of Directors for next year will include: Herb Blank, Carl Cavallo, Larry Godfrey, Bob Griffin, Delores Marsh, Dick Olson, Mark Reisinger, Dennis Rockwell, Lee Ann Ross, Don Schnack, Emil Seidel, and Bill Seitz. These people are here to serve the club. Please contact any of them to voice any concerns you have about our club and its workings.

The year has been a good one for me personally and for the club. I reflect back on the year and remember that the early fishing success started out slow. Some of the area waters were a little high early on (for the Crooked River - that reads as a 'raging torrent'), the temperatures were a little low (for the cancelled middle Deschutes River outing it was 9 degrees that morning!), and sometimes it just blew pretty hard and cold rain got us (the April Chickahominy outing.). Then the weather seemed to soften a bit and the Deschutes River salmonfly hatch trips were very pleasant. And who could forget the Spring of 2006 at Davis Lake and the 6 1/2 pound bass on poppers! Well, the John Day River smallmouth bass float trip scheduled for June didn't escape that early high water that actually lasted there into July. The British Columbia trip was as great as ever - many club members enjoyed some great comradery and fishing. Thanks again to Bob Griffin who hooked us up with the Kamloops club for a great day of fishing on a private pond. Hosmer, Little Lava Lake, and Gold Lake were fun and productive outings. The Deschutes Steelhead trip was fun and a lucky few even stuck some fish. The East Lake outing produced some of those bull dog fighting Browns we all love and the Crooked River outing left everybody happy for all the fish they caught. All in all - it's been a pretty good year.

-Dave Semich
President-Elect

Outings

November recap

The weather was clear and cool for the Crooked River outing. John Anderson took his entomology class to the river for some insect collection and identification. They were able to find multiple kinds of 'food' that the fish might be looking for. Bill Seitz showed those assembled how he rigs up for nymph fishing and then how he fishes without a strike indicator.

John and Bill both said that all who attended seemed to be having a good time and catching on pretty fast - proof being, that after a lunch break all were catching fish!



December Outing - Dec. 9th

This last outing of the year doesn't need any fanfare, but what the heck; let's go someplace warm while it's cold outside. Let's meet at Starbucks on Wall Street/Franklin downtown at 9:30. We can get a nice warm cup of coffee and then walk down to the Library. If you don't know where to find the fishing section, I'll give you a guided tour. The County Library has a selection of 'vintage' fishing books. Some of them are classics that every fisherperson should read and file away in their head for further use down the stream of life. The library also subscribes to many magazines that might be of interest to you. If you have never read some of them, it gives you an opportunity to look them over for a month or two and then decide if you want to subscribe to them yourself or just read them occasionally at the library.

Dave Semich

Kokanee Karnival Partner Events

Two of our Kokanee Karnival partners have upcoming events on the December calendar that everyone should consider attending.

On Saturday, December 2 from 4-7 P.M. Wolfree is hosting an open house in their Central Oregon office in Sisters. Come see how they are changing the landscape of conservation with award-winning watershed science education, ecological research and ecosystem restoration. There will be raffle packages, kid's activities, refreshments, photo displays by renowned PNW photographers John Hutmacher and Dale Waddell and more! Wolfree is located in Barclay Square in the heart of beautiful downtown Sisters at 170 W. Cascade, Suite 7.

On Tuesday, December 12, the Sunriver Anglers will host their annual holiday dinner and fundraiser at the Great Hall in Sunriver. If you are looking for an outstanding holiday extravaganza this is the one. In addition to a wonderful dinner and entertainment it is also an opportunity to win some fabulous prizes including fishing equipment, trips, etc. COF likes to have a full table of attendees to show our support for our Kokanee Karnival partner so get your application in now. They are available from Ron Angel, Sunriver President, at 593-3242. See you there!

COF Recognized for Volunteer Effort

The Central Oregon Flyfishers have been officially recognized for their volunteer efforts on the Sisters Ranger District. District Ranger William Anthony presented the club with a certificate of appreciation for work in helping the Sisters Ranger District meet their goal of protecting the National Forest System land and resources. Mr. Anthony also thanked the club for demonstrating good public land stewardship ethics. Many thanks go out to all the club members who contributed to this effort.

Pictures... More Pictures...Needed!

This is the last chance to send in your pictures of this year's fishing and other outdoor adventures. These pics will be put into a program for this year's Banquet in February.

Digital pictures may be sent to Dave Semich at flyshndave@webformixair.com and prints can be brought to the December monthly meeting. I will scan your picture and return the print to you.

- Dave Semich

Life Member

At the November club meeting Kurt Boettger was presented a Lifetime Membership Award. This is a very prestigious award that very few have received in the past. Kurt has done so much for the club (September volunteer of the month - newsletter article) that it was determined he had earned this distinction. As acting President of the club, Dave Dunahay presented Kurt with the plaque. We thank Kurt for all his time and effort that he has put into our club.



Metolius River Wood Restoration Project Newsletter

We published a newsletter update of the Metolius River Wood Restoration Project. We continue to work on the Environmental Analysis and the team is working on addressing the comments we have received from the public and agencies. The team is working to issue a draft EA some time in January. More updates will be mailed out as things progress. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thanks, Mike Riehle

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Contact mike if you would like the full Newsletter pdf

Wild Women of the Water

Marybeth's cozy, warm home was the perfect setting for this year's potluck and get-together. We may need to rename this annual event the Wild Women International Foodfest. All of the major food groups (at least the ones that are truly important) were represented: Thai, Mexican, brie, smoked salmon, tender baked chicken, and chocolate! It was great to see longtime members who have been away for awhile and new faces. Marla, who is recovering from an unfortunate hiking accident that occurred earlier this summer, managed to hobble in on crutches. While stirring our bowls of steaming pozole, we recalled fishing adventures from the summer. After hearing some great stories, Jessica, our Wolfree-Kokanee Karnival liaison, decided that flyfishing isn't so scary after all. Delores and I are excited about the direction that Wild Women will take next year. We heard some great suggestions for meetings and outings, and we'll try to incorporate as many of those ideas as possible.

Our meeting on December 6 will be all about flies and food. Sherry S. will talk about her favorite flies for winter months. Bring a potluck dish to share, your fly box for show and tell, and a fly for our holiday fly exchange. Stay tuned to your email for more details. I hope you can make time in your busy holiday schedule to join us!

- Terri Grimm
- 318-0567



Donations Needed!

Our Annual Banquet is quickly approaching! Preparations are underway. The banquet will be held on February 24th at the Senior Center as it was last year. The Annual Banquet is a wonderful time to get together, "swap lies" and get to know one another a little better (Oh, and the food ain't half bad). Also, our banquet is THE MAJOR FUND RAISER of the year for our club. For those of you who are new to the club, in addition to the wonderful food and great company, each year we have door prizes, silent auctions and bucket raffles with lots of great stuff to be had by those that attend. The banquet is also where we select the winning ticket for our annual name tag drawing. Last year we had lots of wonderful donations from our local fly shops, other businesses and individuals in our club. The donated items included a guided fishing trip, beautifully hand carved fish, a hand made quilt, fly rods, fly reels, fly tying equipment and supplies, gift baskets, overnights at private fishing lakes...the list goes on... There was a wide variety of great donations by very generous people like you, which brings me to the point. WE NEED DONATIONS! If any of you have items you would like to donate to the club please contact Dennis Rockwell by email (rockwell@bendcable.com) or by phone (541 788-1099). All donations are, of course, tax deductible.

2007 Who's Who & Who Does What

Officers:

President	Dave Semich
Vice President	Yancy Lind - Education
Treasurer	Bob Cooper
Secretary	Joel Bailie

Board Members:

Don Schnack - Programs	Bob Griffin-Historian
Dennis Rockwell - Raffle	Emil Seidel
Larry Godfrey -Banquet	Carl Cavallo
Dick Olson - Membership	Herb Blank
Bill Seitz-Conservation	
Lee Ann Ross - Outings	
Mark Reisinger - Koknee Karnival	
Deloris Marsh - Wild Women of the Water	

Other Volunteers :

Newsletter Editor - Sherry Steele
Newsletter Distribution - Scott & Sarah Robertson

December Fly-Tying Event Meeting

Fly-tying is an annual event at the December club meeting. This year we will have club members show us some of their favorite flies and how they tie them: and if we're lucky, maybe some place to try them. Here is a list of tiers and their special flies.

Bill Seitz: Canadian flies

Scott Roberson: European flies

Harry Harbine : Yellowstone area flies

Peter Bowers: Steelhead flies

Jerry Criss: Jerry will share with us the fly tying Kit he takes on the road with him to match the hatch streamside.

Sherry Steele: Lake flies for local waters.

Fly tying has been an important part of the whole experience of fly fishing for me. Along with the excellent literature available to us about fly fishing and tying, it affords us the opportunity to keep in touch during the long winter months. My experience in tying goes back a few years. I am retired from the U.S. Navy. During that time and most especially during the 10 years of the Viet Nam War, I was gone from my family most of the time.

While stationed in San Diego, Ca. I contacted the local fly club to get some information on fly-tying. They were kind enough to get me started with a basic kit and a book by Ray Patrick. I spent many hours learning to tie at 300 feet while on those lonely submarine patrols. Later as a navy advisor on the gun boats in the country near Da Nang, fly-tying and reading about fly fishing kept me in touch with reality. But.... sometimes it can be bitter sweet. On the corner of my fly-tying bench sits a green box with many drawers. In those drawers are flies that my son, Jim and I tied together. Jim was killed in a car accident at the age of 23. That box often reminds me that we must spend more time with our loved ones sharing the small things.

- Don Schnack

Fly Donations Needed... Last Chance

This is your last chance to donate a fly to the 'special box' that will be raffled off at the Banquet. Please bring the special creation that you tied yourself to the December meeting. We will put it in the box to be raffled off in February. Thanks. Dave Semich

Winter Fly-Tying

Central Oregon Flyfishers, Bend Oregon (Bill Seitz)
The Fly Fishers Place, Sisters, Or. (Sherry Steele)

Evening Fly-Tying in Bend for 3 months.

Every Thursday Evening starting January 4th
Meeting starts at 6:30PM (13 meetings)
Location: Bend Senior Center, 1600 SE Reed
Market Rd can accommodate 15 tiers

Daytime Fly-tying in Sisters

Meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Starting December 19th
This is a day time meeting, Starts at 2:00PM to 4:30PM
Location: Fly Fishers Place 151 W. Main Ave.
Sisters, Or 97759 (can accommodate 8 tiers)

How the fly-tying is organized....so far

The pattern and materials needed for the tie will be announced via Email and will eventually be listed on a web page which is under construction at this time. Club members, hosts or sponsors will be deciding which patterns they want to tie. Club members will also have the opportunity to host the meeting and to be the instructor for the pattern they want to share with the club. Professional Tiers will be invited to be the instructor/presenter at some of the meetings. At this point, there are no dues or fees of any kind. Donations for COF meetings will be accepted to help with the cost of the meeting room at the Senior Center. All levels (Beginners to Professionals) of tiers are invited to join in the fun and learning. Club members will be expected to supply their own tools and thread. I will email club members if they need to bring materials needed for the tie.

For more information and to sign up contact:
Sherry Steele Email: steelefly@msn.com
541-549-2072

Fly of the Month & New Class!

Well the fishing on the Fall River has improved with the arrival of the colder weather.

There is a BWO hatch on about 1300 hrs and stops around 1500 hrs. I have been into some of the larger fish at the Hatchery, they are holding in the shallower water on the far side of the river in the flat water just above the drop-offs. Fish small BWO patterns, parachutes with anything but a white post, and fish with “**no drag**”. Tip of the month offset your hooks a little for improved hook-ups in down-stream presentations.

I have been asked to put together a beginners fly tying class for club members. The class will start some time after the first of the year so holidays won't interfere. and run for 8 weeks on Saturday mornings at the Senior Center in Bend. I teach different than most tying instructors because, I teach technique not particular flies, that is not to say that you won't learn to tie an Adams, because you will, it has as one of it's parts a technique that you will learn. My own tying techniques were cleaned up by one of the best tyers I have known, the late Andre' Puyans. He taught technique because he knew with proper technique you can tie any fly if you have the written pattern, and with time you will even be able to tie any pattern you get your hands on. So look for more detail in future News Letters as we start putting the class together. I can take 8 students, so if you are interested contact Yancy or myself.

In December I will have with me what I call my streamside tying kit for those who interested. It is what I take on fishing trips longer than 2 days just to be prepared. I will also have a copy of the beginners class hand out I use in my classes.

The fly this month comes from Mike Stewart via, Earl Rittig. I tried this fly on the Fall River and on East Lake, it did ok on both, and it will surprise you. I like the tie and my only change is, put the peacock herl in a dubbing loop before you put it forward, this will strengthen herl and is a good tip when using herl exposed like in this fly.

Jerry Criss

My new email is tlfly44@msn.com

Tellico Nymph

Hook: Standard nymph, sizes 6-10

Thread: Black, 3/0 Monocord

Weight: .020 Lead Wire for size 6

Tail: Brown hackle barbules

Shell: Strands of Peacock herl

Rib: Peacock herl

Body: Yellow Floss

Legs: Brown Hackle



Tie on thread and wrap back to bend. Wrap lead wire over middle portion of hook shank. Wrap thread through lead anchoring it in place. Cement.



Tie in tail of soft brown hackle. 6-8 barbules is enough. They should extend the length of the gap of the hook. Tie in 4 or 5 strands of peacock herl at the base of the tail. Tie in yellow floss at the base of the tail.



Wrap thread forward and stop at the original tie-in behind the eye. Wrap floss forward to thread and tie off.



Wrap the hackle around 2 times and tie off



Take 1 strand of peacock herl and wrap it forward to thread leaving even spaces between wraps. Tie this off at thread. Tie in a brown hen hackle by it's butt.



Pull the remaining strands of peacock herl forward over the top of the body forming the shell back of the nymph. Tie this off at the thread. Finish of the head and cement.

The Central Oregon Flyfishers

NEW MEMBERSHIP

The following information is used in the roster. Include all contact data and other interests that you wish to have appear in the roster. Print legibly using block letters, all caps.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	OCCUPATION (PAST OR CURRENT)	
SPOUSE'S FIRST NAME	SPOUSE'S LAST NAME IF DIFFERENT	HOME PHONE	
HOUSE NUMBER	STREET	WORK PHONE	EXT
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	
EMAIL ADDRESS			
How do you want to receive the COF monthly newsletter? (Check one.) <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> US Postal Service			
Why did you join COF? (Check all that apply. List other interests on reverse.) <input type="checkbox"/> Wild Women of the Water			
<input type="checkbox"/> Acquire more knowledge <input type="checkbox"/> Find fishing partner <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer for projects <input type="checkbox"/> Improve technique <input type="checkbox"/> Social functions			

You must sign this release EACH year when you renew to attend or participate in club activities.

LIABILITY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

As a condition of membership or of participation in any activity encouraged or publicized by The Central Oregon Flyfishers, I voluntarily assume all risks of my participation. In acknowledgement that I am doing so entirely upon my own initiative, risk and responsibility, I do hereby for myself, heirs, executors, and administrators agree to remise, fully release, hold harmless, and forever discharge The Central Oregon Flyfishers, all its officers, board members and volunteers, acting officially or otherwise, from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes of actions, on account of my death or on account of any injury to me or my property that may occur from any cause whatsoever while participating in any such COF activity.

I acknowledge that I have carefully read this hold harmless and release agreement, and fully understand that it is a release of liability. I further acknowledge that I am waiving any right I may have to bring legal action to assert a claim against The Central Oregon Flyfishers for its negligence.

I have read the above statement and agree to its terms as a condition of my membership in The Central Oregon Flyfishers.

X	_____	_____	_____
SIGNED BY	PRINT NAME	MONTH	DAY YEAR
X	_____	_____	_____
SIGNED BY	PRINT NAME	MONTH	DAY YEAR

DUES SCHEDULE

Memberships are renewable on January 1 of each year. New members joining prior to June 1 shall pay a full year's dues of \$36. New members joining after June 1 shall pay a prorated amount according to the chart below. New members who reside outside Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson County shall pay \$12.50.

THE MONTH YOU ARE JOINING	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV
THE DUES YOU PAY (\$)	18	15	12	9	6	3

RETURN THIS FORM Mail or deliver this form and your check payable to The Central Oregon Flyfishers to the membership chairman. Forms unaccompanied by dues payment or that lack signature, name, or date on the liability release statement are considered invalid and will be returned to sender.

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