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RANDOM CAST

This winter's been warmer than usual, so there's been less ice in our rod guides. Fishing has been pretty good for this time of year, but I haven't been getting out as much as I'd like. You'll find in this newsletter many great outings opportunities, so get out your pencil right now and add some dates to your calendar.

Here are a few items to consider. Those who attended the New Year's Day outing to the Crooked River caught lots of trout and whitefish. There are two outings in February and three in March. The next outing will be a good one: Yancy Lind's February 6 outing on the Metolius, which has a limit and may be already filled. Here's a tip: if an outing interests you, contact its leader NOW, so you don't forget. Don't wait until the last minute, when the outing may be full. (Or if no one responds, the leader might cancel an outing.) You don't have to commit now, just get on the contact list to express interest and learn details.

YOU too, can suggest activities. At the January meeting, Earl Rettig was polling members to determine interest in a bonefishing trip with professional guides, so if you want to fish in warmer climes soon, give him a call.

If it's too cold for you to fish, there's plenty of indoor action. COF fly-tying classes are held every Tuesday through March. Our two-day winter seminar on February 17 and 18 will feature noted fly fisher Mike Lawson. Dates will be determined for a rod-building class. And the FFF NW Fly Tying & Fly Fishing Expo in Albany, OR will be March 12 and 13. Above all, don't miss our annual COF Banquet on April 10, which will be held at Broken Top. This banquet may well be the biggest and best one yet. (See the flyer insert.)

We also have many VOLUNTEER activities, a keystone of our club. We need volunteers NOW for the kid's pond at the Central Oregon Sportsman's Show (March 11 to 14) and Angler Education Training (March 27). As the year moves on, there will be more conservation activities and Kokanee Karnival events. I would like to welcome Kristen Lambson, who recently volunteered to serve on the COF board as the Wild Women of the Water chairperson.

I've covered some fun things to do, so get your calendar out now, and as you read this issue, add some dates, make some contacts, join outings, and volunteer for something. That's the best way to get involved, a good way to not forget, and a great way not to be forgotten. You'll be glad you did.

— Dick Olson



Dredging Shevlin pond to remove silt and improve fish habitat. PHOTO: Frank Turek



GENERAL MEETING

February 17 | 6:30 p.m. | Bend Senior Center, 1600 S.E. Reed Market Road, Bend

Tactics for difficult trout

It's not too difficult to catch trophy trout in exotic places such as New Zealand, Patagonia, and Alaska, but how about the public waters where most of us fish most of the time? How do you entice big, old trout to take your fly after they've seen hundreds of presentations each season? Our February guest speaker, Mike Lawson of Henry's Fork Anglers, will help us answer just this question. He'll share some of the secrets he's learned in years of fishing challenging, popular waters such as the Henry's Fork and the Madison. Wild trophy trout live in lots of places we fish regularly. Mike's knowledge will help us improve our odds of catching them.

OUTINGS

Outings for 2010

Let me know if there is a trip that you would like to lead. Outings require a minimal amount of organizing, and I can give you some tips on how to make things go smoothly.

- Yancy Lind, Outings Coordinator
yancy_lind@ml.com or 788-5514

Crooked River

Feb 20 | John Anderson & Frank Turek

On Saturday, February 20, John Anderson and Frank Turek will serve as co-leaders for a club outing on the Crooked River. Participants should meet at the Big Bend Campground at 10:00 a.m. People interested in carpooling should meet at 9:00 a.m. at the NE corner of the Pilot Butte Theatre parking lot (adjacent to Highway 20).

At Big Bend C.G. we will discuss/demonstrate different methods/techniques of rigging for nymphing and demonstrate casting and retrieval methods used with the different techniques. Instruction will be provided to those new to fly fishing. Participants will receive a map showing campground locations and roadside parking sites associated with popular fishing areas within the Wild & Scenic section of the river. We recommend bringing a 4 to 6 weight rod with a floating line, 4 to 6 pound tippet material, strike indicators, split shot, and the following nymphs (sizes 20, 18, 16): Pheasant tail, Prince, Hares ear, black or red midges, Bob's fly, Peacock nymph, cased caddisfly, olive scud, and small greenish mayfly nymphs. As there could be a hatch of Blue Winged Olives and/or Midges you also could bring some appropriate dry flies and emergers. Also, don't forget to bring a lunch!

Directions: From the Pilot Butte Theatre parking lot, drive east on Highway 20 and turn left onto Powell Butte

Outings 2010

Month	Day	Leader	Destination
Feb	6	Yancy Lind	Lower Metolius R. (below Bridge 99)
Feb	20	John Anderson	Crooked River
Mar	5	Yancy Lind	Upper Middle Deschutes (between Bend & Benham Falls)
Mar	18-21	Lee Ann Ross	Owyhee River
Mar	27	Bill Seitz	Crooked River (mark spawning sites & outing)
Apr	17	Yancy Lind	Middle Deschutes (near Crooked River Ranch)
May	1	Dave Semich	Davis Lake (bass)
May	13	Mike Tripp	Lower Deschutes float trip (Warm Springs to Trout Creek)
May	22	Yancy Lind	Little Cultus Lake
Jun	5-6	Bob Mullong	Prineville Crappie Marathon
Jun	10-11	John Anderson	Diamond Lake
Jun	TBA	Dave Dunhay	British Columbia
Jun	29-30	Mike Tripp	Upper Williamson River
Jul	24-25	Bob Mullong	Cow Camp Dry Fly Challenge
Aug	TBA	Gordon Chandler	East Lake
Aug	27-29	Yancy Lind	Lower Williamson/Wood River
Sep	9	Jerry Criss	Fall River
Oct	7-10	Eric Steele	Deschutes steelhead
Nov	20	Bill Seitz	Crooked River Cleanup & Outing

Highway. Shortly thereafter, turn right onto Alfalfa Market Road. Continue for about 30 minutes to a "T" intersection at the Crooked River Highway. Turn left and continue to Big Bend C.G. (first campground and first left turn at the bottom of the hill after crossing the dam).

Alternate Route: Drive east on Highway 20 and turn left onto Dodd's Road. Continue to Alfalfa Market Road. Turn right onto Alfalfa Mkt. Rd. and continue on to the Crooked River Hwy.

Upper Middle Deschutes

Mar 5 | Yancy Lind (yancy_lind@ml.com or 541-788-5514)

The Middle Deschutes is the section from Benham Falls downstream to Lake Billy Chinook. This section can be divided into the lower middle - the section below Bend - and the upper middle - the section above Bend. The upper middle

and lower middle are two very distinct fisheries. Due to flow patterns out of Wickiup Reservoir and the various irrigation canals around Bend, the Lower Middle Deschutes is an excellent summer fishery (and an outing destination later in the year) while the Upper Middle Deschutes shines in the winter.

Flows from mid-October to mid-April in the upper middle section are significantly decreased from levels the rest of the year. This variability has negatively impacted the fishery from a historical perspective, but it remains quite productive. Lower flows in the winter concentrate the fish and make the river easier to wade; you can even cross it in some spots. Most importantly, there are fish to be had. In some spots it is not unusual get 10 to 20 whitefish an hour. In other places, redbands and browns are the target, ranging up to 18 inches. This destination can be very rewarding, and it is less than 10 minutes from Bend. In the winter when many of us are focused on skiing but still need our fishing fix, it is fun to ski in the morning and fish in the afternoon on the way home.

If you are interested in this trip, contact me. Like my other river trips, I am going to limit the number of anglers to make it manageable, and these trips do fill quickly. My Metolius trip was full weeks beforehand.

- Yancy Lind, yancy_lind@ml.com

British Columbia trip

Jun 17 through Jun 25 | Dave Dunahay (541-317-5843 or dunahay@bendbroadband.com)

The annual Club outing to Logan Lake, British Columbia is scheduled for Thursday, June 17 through Friday, June 25. The COF trailer will be there, so plan to sign up for preparing meals cleaning up, making coffee, and other chores.

If you do not already have a passport, you will need one. The cost has been between \$70 and \$80. We need to replace some kitchen items, so the cost may be about \$80. If you might be interested, please contact me.

- Dave Dunahay

EDUCATION

Winter fly-tying series

We will tie every Tuesday night starting January 5, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Bend Senior Center. **If you would like to sign up, send me an e-mail (steelefly@msn.com) with COF tying in the subject.**

Please remember to bring \$5.00 (cash or check), your tying tools, and thread. All other materials will be supplied. You may attend any or all of the 13 classes. If you plan to attend a class, it is helpful, but not necessary to let me know in advance.

Prior to each class, you will receive an email with the program information and thread type and color you will need.

- Sherry Steele (541-549-207)

2010 COF Winter Fly-tying Classes

Date	Host	Theme
Feb 2	Jeff Perin	Metolius Dry Flies
Feb 9	Jim Fisher	(TBD) & confirm date available
Feb 16	Peter Bowers	(TBD) & confirm date available
Feb 23	Steve Light	(TBD) & confirm date available
Mar 2	Scott Robertson	(TBD) & confirm date available
Mar 9	Bill Seitz	(TBD) & confirm date available
Mar 16	Jerry Criss	TBA
Mar 23	Dave Roberts	(TBD) & confirm date available
Mar 30	Sherry Steele	Donation flies for COF Banquet Fundraiser (April 10)

Mike Lawson to present at the winter seminar 2010 – sign up now

Feb 17 and 18 | 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. | Aspen Hall

COF and Sunriver Anglers will jointly host the Winter Seminar February 17 and 18 at Aspen Hall in Bend. This year's presenter is Mike Lawson from the famed Henry's Fork area of Idaho. All are welcome, members and non-members.

We are very pleased to have Mike travel to Central Oregon for this two-day seminar and for our general meeting. At the seminar, he will cover Spring Creek Magic, Fly Tying for Spring Creeks, Casting Instructions, Nymph Fishing from Top to Bottom, Techniques and Tactics for Difficult Trout, and Fly Fishing in the Upper Snake River Country.

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Mike's knowledge, a lifetime of experience to share, and easy-going style make him a most desirable presenter. He was born and raised in southeastern Idaho where he has fished the local streams and Yellowstone area, including the Henry's Fork, all his life. Mike graduated BYU in 1970, and while teaching school for several years, began tying flies commercially. Later he began working as a fishing guide in the Snake River area. In 1977, he and his wife, Sheralee,

opened Henry's Fork Anglers Fly Shop, currently located in Island Park, ID. He lives in the area with his wife and two sons.

Mike's experience is not limited to the Yellowstone area as he has fly fished all over the world. In 2003, Mike published *Spring Creeks*, a text book about how to fish spring creeks and tailwaters. In addition, he has written numerous articles for various fly-fishing publications and has been a member of the Sage Advisory Team. Mike will have his book and some DVDs for sale at the Seminar and the General Meeting.

Cost for the two days is \$55 for Central Oregon Flyfishers and Sunriver Angler members, \$75 for non-members (lunch, coffee/drinks, and snacks included). **To register, mail your check (payable to Sunriver Anglers) to Doug Vakoc, 18160 Cottonwood Road PMB 259, Sunriver, OR 97707.** For more information, contact Doug (541 598-2048 or Doug@Vakoc.com).

– Doug Vakoc

Angler and aquatic education instructor training

Certified Angler and Aquatic Education Instructor training will be held Saturday, March 27, 2010, 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Deschutes Watershed District Office (61374 Parrell Road, Bend).

Contact Bob "Capt Caddis" Mullong (541-389-4372 or capt@bendnet.com) for pre-registration.

– Bob Mullong

Ladies fly-fishing class

COF will host a ladies-only fly-fishing class Saturday, May 8. Steve Light from Fly and Field Outfitters will be the instructor. Non COF members may enroll. If you or someone you know is interested in taking the class, please contact Bob Hammond (bobhammond@bendbroadband.com or 541-678-8535).

WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER

Welcome Kristin Lambson

I am pleased to announce that Kristin Lambson will be the new contact person for Wild Women of the Water while Delores and I continue our leave of absence. Kristin and her husband Rob moved to Bend from Arizona last year. They hope to enjoy the many outdoor recreational activities that



are available in Central Oregon. Kristin worked as a history teacher while in Phoenix. She now helps Rob with his business.

Kristin will organize meetings and outings, maintain the Wild Women database, and

send email announcements. She is eager to learn more about fly fishing in Central Oregon, and she has some terrific ideas that will appeal to Wild Women. Kristin is excited about taking on these new tasks. I am confident that she will do a wonderful job. Please join me in welcoming Kristin. You can reach Kristin at wildwomen@coflyfishers.org.

Thank you to Steve Light for a wonderful January program. I suspect that a few of us will travel to some of Steve's remote, "secret" areas.

Kristin will soon send details about our February meeting, so stay tuned to your email.

– Terri Grimm

CONSERVATION

Fish Passage: A primer for Oregon Waters

Fish passage on rivers and streams in the Northwest is critical to the health of migratory fish populations. This year there have been some notable success stories of dam removals to permit fish passage: the Sandy and Rogue rivers, and, hopefully in the future, the Klamath River. In December 2009, the Central Oregon Flyfishers (COF) responded to a request by the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) to review their planning document for safety modifications to Bowman Dam. COF requested the BOR to install fish passage over Bowman Dam to allow steelhead to get to the upper Crooked River Basin. Historically, over 90% of the steelhead that spawned on the Crooked River did so in the river basin

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Annual Banquet Fundraiser

Saturday, April 10, 2010 • 5:30 p.m.
Broken Top Club

BEFORE March 1 - \$30 per person & Automatic entry in the early bird fly rod drawing

March 1 to 24 - \$35 per person

March 25 to April 3 - \$40 per person (no dinner sales after April 3)

Questions? Contact Eric Steele (541-549-2072 or banquet@coflyfishers.org)

You're invited to attend COF's primary fundraising event to support the Kokanee Karnival Youth Education Program, club activities, membership services, our conservation program, and habitat restoration efforts. Join the fun, share stories, and dine on fine, delicious food. Have an exciting time with the raffle, pick up some high-quality flies or unique family items in the silent auction, and bid on great opportunities at the live auction. If you take advantage of the early bird registration, you will save \$5 and be automatically entered in the fly rod drawing.

Conservation



COF members, with assistance from Prineville High School students, assembled and placed educational signs along the Crooked River.



Mail completed form, your dinner choice, and your check (\$30/person BEFORE Mar 1 • \$35/person Mar 1 to 24 • \$40/person Mar 25 to Apr 3) to COF BANQUET, P.O. Box 1126, Bend, OR 97709. (See menu and map on next page.)

PRINT CLEARLY

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Spouse/Guest(s) _____ Steak ____ Chicken ____

Guest(s) _____ Steak ____ Chicken ____

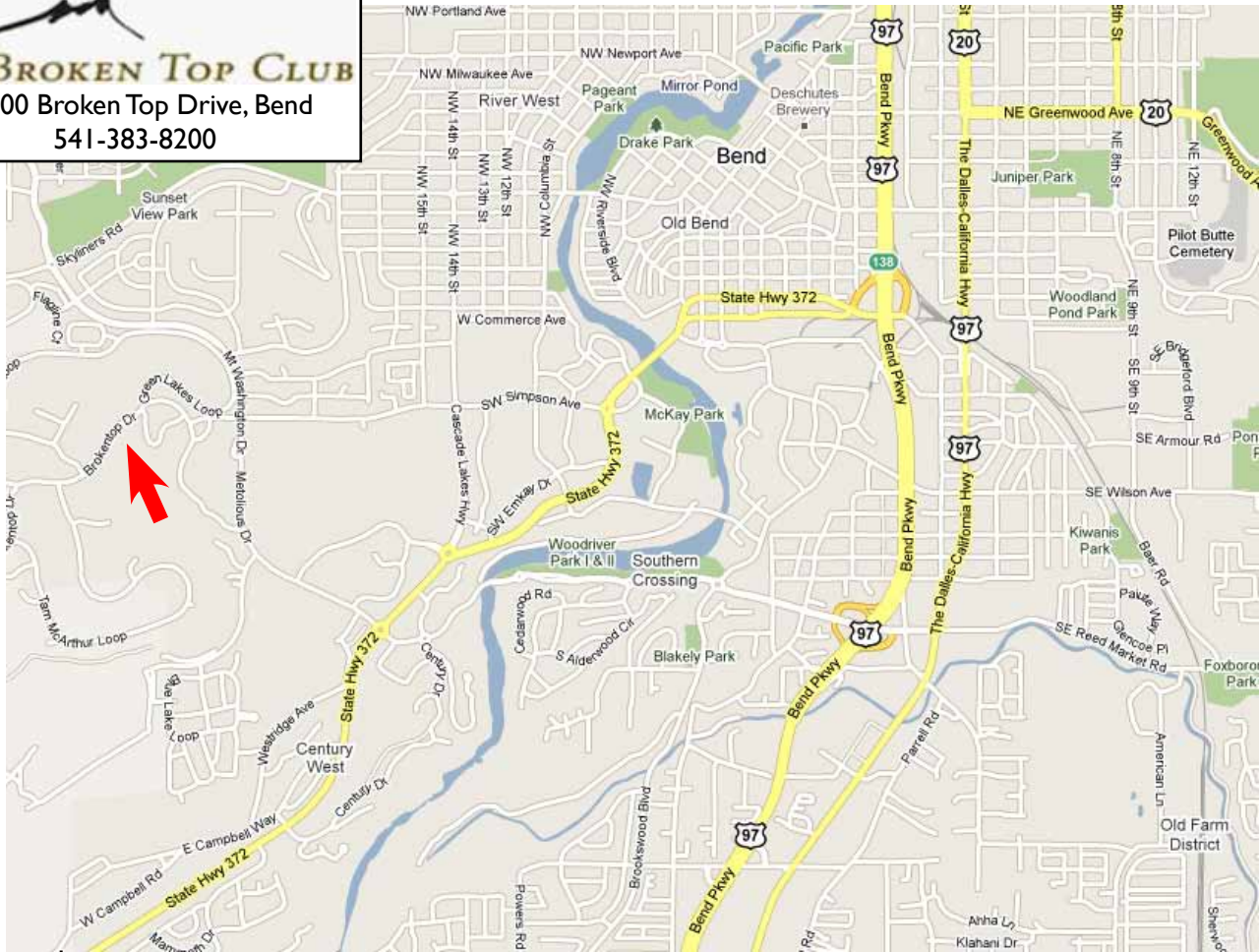
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Amount enclosed (circle one): \$30 or \$35 or \$40/person ____ **BEFORE March 1** - \$30 per person & Automatic entry in the early bird fly rod drawing • **March 1 to 24** - \$35 per person • **March 25 to April 3** - \$40 per person

BROKEN TOP CLUB
 62000 Broken Top Drive, Bend
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Banquet Menu

APPETIZERS

Caramelized onion turnovers • Risotto Croquettes with Chipotle Aioli
 BROKEN TOP SALAD • ROLLS AND BUTTER

ENTRÉE

Choice of:

Roasted Bone in Chicken Breast with Tarragon Cream Sauce, Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables

OR

Grilled Cowboy Steak with Garlic Shallot Compound Butter with Wild Mushroom Demi, Topped with Lemon Garlic Prawns and Seasonal Vegetables

DESSERT
 Tiramisu

BAR
 Two bottles of wine per table
 No host cocktails



upstream of what is now Prineville Reservoir. Recently, there have been articles and editorials in the *The Bulletin* regarding fish passage at the North Unit Dam (NUD) on the Deschutes River in Bend. In this article, I would like to provide some background on the Oregon fish passage statute and how the statute relates to the NUD.

In Oregon, providing fish passage over man-made dams and diversions has been required since before statehood in 1859. However, Oregon fish passage statutes, which have evolved over the past 150 years, required fish passage at all artificial obstructions but did not provide cost-share opportunities for owners or operators. In 1996, the Attorney General determined that the existing statute did not give the Oregon Department of Fish and Game (ODFW) authority to waive fish passage at artificial obstructions. The Legislature subsequently gave short-term authorization for the Wildlife Commission to grant waivers for fish passage requirements.

A Fish Passage Task Force was created to devise new fish passage statutes. The resulting legislation was numbered House Bill 3002 (HB 3002) during the 2001 Legislature and was signed into law by Governor Kitzhaber in August, 2001. (Task Force members are listed at: <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/passages/background.asp>.)

Objectives of HB 3002 were to craft legislation that combined the existing statutes into one meaningful piece of legislation, provide legislation that was reasonable for owners/operators, benefit fish that migrate for life cycle needs, and provide flexibility for the Wildlife Commission to waive passage requirements under appropriate circumstances.

Some key notes about HB 3002 and the current fish passage statute are:

1. As state policy, upstream and downstream passage is required at all artificial obstructions in those Oregon waters in which migrating native fish are currently or have historically been present except under certain clearly defined circumstances.
2. The primary method for implementing this policy should be through active collaboration and cooperation between ODFW and owners/operators of artificial obstructions, not an increase in enforcement orders from ODFW.
3. The Task Force chose the “triggers” as the time to address fish passage because it assumed an owner/operator could most easily build the costs of fish passage into the costs of a major structural upgrade, original or replacement construction, or a request for significant change to the obstruction’s permit (e.g., seeking a license, re-license, reauthorization, or new water rights). Basically, the statute allowed a case-by-case consideration between the two parties.
4. HB 3002 requires ODFW to complete and maintain a statewide inventory of artificial obstructions which will be used to prioritize artificial barriers. (See <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/passages/inventories.asp> for the list.)

5. The Task Force also acknowledged that historical waivers or non-enforcement of fish passage requirements resulted in numerous dams and diversions without fish passage (e.g., there are four dams on the Deschutes River in Bend and none have functional fish passage).
6. The requirement for fish passage should be waived if alternatives to passage provide a net benefit to fish.
7. Artificial obstructions without fish passage are exempt from any further fish passage requirements if lack of passage has been effectively mitigated, if the Wildlife Commission has granted a legal waiver, or if the Wildlife Commission finds there is no benefit to providing fish passage.
8. The ODFW and owners/operators are encouraged to negotiate the fish passage requirements, including appropriate cost sharing and other equitable factors.
9. As a practical approach for achieving the policy of fish passage, the statute allows the Wildlife Commission to require fish passage at existing priority structures if it can find (from any source other than the owner/operator) 60% or more of the cost of providing fish passage facilities or alternatives to fish passage.
10. The cost-share portion of the proposed statute is intended to provide an incentive to owners/operators for building fish passage facilities at their obstructions. It is also intended to foster cooperation and collaboration. ODFW expects to access such funding through federal and other programs, with proper budget limitation granted by the Legislature,
11. HB 3002 incorporates recommendations of the Task Force on Hydroelectric Issues that allows integration of fish passage review with current state and federal relicensing processes.
12. A citizen Fish Passage Task Force was created to advise the ODFW in matters related to fish passage. (See http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/passages/task_force.asp for current members on the task force.)

For information, native migratory fish include native salmon, trout, lamprey, sturgeon, and suckers, as well as a few other species. It is the ODFW’s responsibility to determine the current or historical presence of native migratory fish.

One of the key issues in the NUD fish passage story relates to waivers. If passage will not be provided at the artificial obstruction, then a waiver or exemption must be obtained prior to the “trigger” event (e.g., construction of a hydroelectric facility). Fish passage waivers allow an artificial obstruction to not provide fish passage if an “alternative to fish passage” is provided. This “alternative” is referred to as “mitigation”. Mitigation must provide a net benefit to native migratory fish over providing passage at the artificial obstruction in question. Fish passage exemptions are different than a waiver and can be granted for three reasons: 1) a lack of fish passage has already been mitigated, 2) a legal waiver has already been

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TYERS CORNER

Welcome to the New Year! 2009 was a great year, and this year should yield some great fishing and wonderful times on the waters that we are blessed to be surrounded by. The show schedule for this year is going to be great, with some travels to Idaho, Yellowstone, and of course the great NW Fly-tying and Fly-fishing Expo in Albany, OR on March 12 and 13. The Expo is one show you should not miss. Almost 200 tyers, 60 vendors, and many great classes are scheduled for the show this year. I am going to teach two classes and do my normal tying on the main floor.

Winter fly-tying classes have started, and we have great presenters lined up. (See the schedule on page 3.) Come join us. We have had over 18 tyers in each class so far, and that makes the tying sessions great fun. There is plenty of help to get everyone through the flies presented.

This month's fly is a newer pattern. Rim Chung designed the "RS2". It is a great all around fly that can be fished anywhere in the water column, top to bottom. It can be used as a dropper off a good, working dry fly. It is light, so it can be used off any good dry fly down to a size 18 or 22. I have used it mostly as an emerger by using a light amount of dry fly floatant to help suspend it in the surface film or just below. It is tied in other colors, such as black, brown, or yellow. You can also tie it with a bead head if you wish. Happy Hunting

— Jerry Criss (541-536-3581 or tlfly44@msn.com)

RS2



Hook: Tiemco 101, #16 to #24

Thread: Dun 8/0 or 14/0

Tail: Cock of Leon barbs or microfibers -- 2 tail fibers

Body: light to dark olive dry-fly dubbing (match the hatch)

Thorax: light to dark dun CDC

Wing: bright antron or poly yarn (I also added a little CDC light dun to help it float in the pattern shown.)

NOTE: Charlie Cravens new book *Basic Fly Tying* shows all the steps for this fly in great detail. I recommend this book; it has great detailed pictures of techniques and explains why they work.

Tie in the tails and split them. Dub the thread and wind it forward toward the hook eye. Stop, leaving about 1/4 of the hook shank for the wing and thorax. Tie in a small amount of wing material and have the wing point toward the hook bend. Dub the thread again and wind in the thorax to just behind the eye; leave only enough room to tie in three to four half hitches.

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granted, or 3) there is no appreciable benefit to native migratory fish by providing passage.

So, based upon the above discussion, how does the statute relate to the NUD? As I understand the article in the *The Bulletin* (See <http://www.bendbulletin.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20091228/NEWS0107/912280372>), the Central Oregon Irrigation District and the Swalley Irrigation District are installing seasonal hydroelectric facilities on their canals. These are "triggers" as defined in HB 3002; and, as a result, ODFW has entered in a collaborative negotiation for fish passage over the NUD. The cost of installing fish passage over the dam is estimated to be \$1 million. The irrigation districts have agreed to cover \$400,000 (their 40% of the cost share) of the costs but not until 2015. Discussions between the ODFW and the irrigation districts continue. However, a local legislator has signaled her intention to introduce legislation in February 2010 to amend HB 3002 to waive requirements for fish passage for in-canal hydroelectric projects. Stay tuned!

If you want more information about this topic, check out the web sites I have cited in the article. The general ODFW web site is http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/passagew/task_force.asp.

— Bill Seitz, *Conservation Chair*

CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE: Northstar TS1000 2009 pop-up, like new, perfect cond., fiberglass w/graphics, pre-wired, dbl. sink, many other options. Paid \$18,785. Will sell for \$14,995. 541-593-1546.

Central Oregon Flyfishers Up-Stream Events 2010

Date	Time	Activity	Location	Contact
FEBRUARY				
Feb 2	6:30 pm	winter fly-tying	Bend Senior Center	Sherry Steele (541-549-2072)
Feb 4	6:30 pm	monthly board mtg.	Environmental Center	Dick Olson (president@cof.org)
Feb 6		OUTING - Lower Metolius R.		Yancy Lind (yancy_lind@ml.com)
Feb 17	6:30 pm	general meeting	Bend Senior Center	
Feb 17 & 18		WINTER SEMINAR	Aspen Hall	Doug Vakoc (541 598-2048 or Doug@Vakoc.com)
Feb 20	10:00 am	OUTING - Crooked R.	Big Bend Campground	John Anderson
Feb 22	TBA	Wild Women of the Water	TBA	Kristin Lambson (wildwomen @coflyfishers.org)
IN THE FUTURE				
TBA		Rod-building class	Bob Hammond (bobhammond@bendbroadband.com or 541-678-8535)	
Mar 11-14		Sportsman's Show	Don Morgan (donmorgan@ bendbroadband.com or 541-633-7468)	
Mar 27		Angler Education Training	Bob "Capt Caddis" Mullong (541-389-4372 or capt@bendnet.com)	
Apr 10		ANNUAL BANQUET	Eric Steele (steelefly2@msn.com or 549-2072)	
May 8		Ladies fly-fishing class	Bob Hammond (bobhammond@bendbroadband.com or 541-678-8535)	
NON-CLUB ACTIVITIES & FYI				
Feb 20, 10:00 a.m., Nymph Fishing workshop with Rick Hafele & David Hughes, Welches Fly Shop, Welches, OR, \$50, http://www.flyfishusa.com/adventure-trips/02-schools.html#Nymph_Fishing				
Feb 20-22, Central Oregon Symphony performs, Bend High School				
Mar 12 & 13, 10:00 a.m., NW Fly Tying & Fly Fishing Expo, Linn County Expo Center, Albany, OR, Sherry Steele (steelefly@msn.com)				
May 14 (Ladies Day), 15, 16, Sandy River Spey Clave, Oxbow Park, Sandy, OR, http://www.flyfishusa.com/spey-clave.htm				

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Membership

Welcome

NEW MEMBERS: Linda Bonotto, Jerry Colonna, John Cox, Fred Lindsey, John Burns, Rick Sironen

PREVIOUS MEMBERS: Stephen Pool and Marty Wade

We have 173 members. Eighty of our old friends have not renewed, including some honorary lifetime members who only have to sign the liability release form.

If you wish to rejoin, go to coflyfishers.org to fill in a form. Or contact membership@coflyfishers.org, and I will mail a pre-filled form to edit and sign.

Previous members who have not renewed by the end of February will be removed from the newsletter and email notices lists, so don't let this be your last issue. Don't be another big one that got away.

Current rosters are available by request, so please contact me at the next meeting, send email to **membership@coflyfishers.org** with ROSTER as the subject, or mail me a card at Membership Services, PO BOX 1126, Bend, OR 97709. Hard copies will be available at the next meeting for those who request them by February 15.

– Craig Dennis



Kokanee Carnival

We had our first Board meeting of the year and are happy to welcome Dan Pebbles as a new Board member. Thanks Dan for volunteering.

Planning for the spring Angling Clinic is underway; we need volunteers. A sign-up sheet will be at the February and March general meetings. Angling Clinic will be April 26 to 30 and May 3 and 4. Volunteer for one day or more (8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.). Don't feel shy or worry about not knowing what to do. We will pair you with folks who have done this before. Shevlin Pond will be ready for the clinic, and we need volunteers to help kids fish in the afternoon. Morning events include knot tying, fishing tackle, water safety, casting, and biology.

Classroom fish dissections are underway. Steelhead and trout egg deliveries for Eggs to Fry will occur at the end of March. Students will monitor the development of eggs as a science/biology project in the incubators provided by KK. Twenty-seven classes will receive rainbow trout eggs and eight will receive steelhead eggs. All fry are released in waters specified by ODFW.

Thirty schools have signed up for the classroom Angler Education program. This means about 900 students will participate. Bob Mullong, a.k.a. Capt. Caddis, is seeking volunteers

to take the Certified Angler and Aquatic Education Instructor training course on March 27 (See Upstream Events Calendar.) so they can help. The course is easy and fun, and it prepares volunteers for the classroom.

Fall Streamside Clinic: September 20 to 24

– Frank Turek



Dredging the outlet at Shevlin pond. PHOTO: Frank Turek

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