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## President's Message

Welcome Spring!

Hope everyone is getting out and fishing.

Even though we have many great year round fishing opportunities they seem to blossom in the spring. Watch the outings calendar for upcoming opportunities.

Don't forget the Annual COF Banquet, Saturday April 14th, at the River House Convention Center. Tom Wideman and his team have put together another great event that not only celebrates our club, but is also our largest fundraiser of the year. Hope to see everyone there!

We owe a huge shout out to Ron Giaier for his leadership in the annual Trout Pond at the Sportsman's Show. This is our second largest fundraiser each year. And thanks to all who volunteered to net fish, set up, or contributed flies. This takes a volunteer commitment of about 60 people to man all the shifts, so we really appreciate your volunteering.

Speaking of flies, our annual winter fly tying classes wrapped up at the end of March. Thanks are in order to John Kreft and his band of helpers that allow the club to sponsor this event! Local and regional experts teach from 15-25 members' new patterns, techniques, and tying materials each week. If you are interested in improving your tying skills, and have a lot of fun meeting other club members, plan on attending next winter.

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to our Newsletter Designer, Kelly Alexander. She stepped in to take over this function beginning with last month's newsletter. Welcome aboard and thank you Kelly!

April is also a big month for the Kokanee Karnival. This program is the only one in the country; and a major cornerstone of the club's mission to educate our local student community in ecology, stream management, and conservation. I volunteered last year and had a great time. Please contact Frank Turek to volunteer.

See you at the Banquet!

"Everyone should believe in something: I believe I'll go fishing" Henry David Thoreau

- Allen Caudle



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## APRIL

### 07

PRINEVILLE, OR

### **CROOKED RIVER CLEANUP**

Members pick up litter along a 7 mile segment of the Crooked River. A fun event and a great way to meet COF members.

PETE MARTIN

## MAY

### 12

SISTERS, OR

### **LONG HOLLOW RANCH**

Fish two of the ranch reservoirs stocked with Rainbow trout and another has an abundance of Large Mouth Bass.

RON KAYE

### 18-21

SACRAMENTO, CA

### **LOWER SACRAMENTO TRIP**

50 miles of river! Bring your drift boat or hire a guide for the ultimate experience with other COF members on this blue ribbon fishery.

MIKE MCCLEAN

## JUNE

### 8-10

PRINEVILLE

### **CAPTAIN CADDIS CRAPPIE**

Annual Capt' Caddis Crappie on-a-fly Challenge at the Prineville Reservoir Resort.

BETSY

### 17-26

BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

### **KAMLOOPS**

Annual lake fishing trip to the lakes in the Kamloops area. Enjoy 8 days of fishing!

LEE ANN ROSS

**TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE INFO EMAIL:  
OUTINGS@COFLYFISHERS.ORG**



John Smeraglio, owner of Deschutes Canyon Fly Shop will be speaking to the club on his Nymph Fishing Techniques for Trout. In his presentation you will learn to:

- Read and identify water types for nymph fishing
- Identify and match an appropriate fly pattern
- Rig up a single or multi-nymph system
- Cast & mend with techniques that reduce tangling.
- Present nymphs in a manner that imitates it's natural behavior.
- Adapt to fishing nymphs at different water depths

John Smeraglio, a native Oregonian, born and raised in Portland, remembers catching his first Red Side Trout on the Deschutes River when he was six years old. A friend of the family introduced John to fly fishing when he showed him a fly rod he was

building. John was so inspired by this, he decided to build his own. After completing the project, he spent most of the remaining spring learning to cast. By late summer, he caught his first Trout on the rod he built, a tapered leader he made, and a fly he tied.

From that day forward his passion grew rapidly as he devoted himself to building better rods, tying better flies, and designing better hand tied tapered leaders. All of these elements gave him positive results by allowing John to achieve the best presentation possible.

In 1985, John moved from Portland to Maupin Oregon to open a Fly Shop and Guide Service, which is of course is on the Deschutes River. He has owned and operated the business for 32 years. Through the years, he has been quoted in books, featured in magazine articles, and has teamed up with Rick Hafele to produce a series of fly fishing DVD's.



Dean McNaught (left) with Ron Kaye (right).

## Flying and Fishing - A Winter trip to the San Juan River

The San Juan River in New Mexico is rated one of the top 10 winter trout rivers, and it did not disappoint. I had the pleasure of fishing it with three fellow COF members (Tim Quinton, Gary Stock, Dean McNaught) in early February. We all had guides the first 2 days. Tim and Gary were with local legend Andy Kim doing a walk and wade in the upper Texas Hole area. Dean and I had a guide out of Durango; Will Blanchard from Animas Valley Anglers. Will took us to the lower section with his drift boat. He told us we would find fewer but bigger fish and we had no issues with that. The river in general was off color so sight fishing was not an option. Looking for risers was and we saw plenty over the 5 days. For days 3-5 we all fished together walking and wading applying the knowledge from our guided days. Unfortunately they recently dropped 17,000 rainbows in the upper river, that may be an asset in a year or two? But for now we found ourselves weeding through

the pups trying to find the toads! We found many large fish, some over 20 inches but most between 10-15 as an average. We nymphed, threw streamers and dries. They all worked. Small size bugs pretty much ruled the day, so be ready if you go for some Owyhee type midge fishing. We flew to Albuquerque and drove to Navajo Dam where we were based. Another suggestion is to fly to Durango, do some fishing there, and go down to the San Juan for the day, only a 60 mile drive. Either way, add this to your "Gotta get out of Oregon" in the Winter options.

- RON KAYE, OUTINGS DIRECTOR

## OUTINGS



## Annual Crooked River Cleanup

**Saturday, April 7th. Meet at 10:00 a.m., Big Bend Campground**

By request the meeting time is now 10:00 a.m. at the Big Bend Campground to allow your quick visit to Fly and Field's Trout Bum sale.

This is our big annual cleanup from Bowman Dam downstream along 7 miles of the Crooked River. We will cover the area from the river to along the highway, including all campground and picnic areas, so this takes a large turnout to cleanup this large area.

After the litter pickup lunch will be provided back at Big Bend by COF. Please RSVP, [pcmartin@bendbroadband.com](mailto:pcmartin@bendbroadband.com), so we bring the right amount of hot dogs, hamburgers, and water. Let me know if you need a vegetarian meal. Not to be missed afterwards are Terri Grimm's Dutch oven deserts.

Bring your gloves and remember your fishing gear for the afternoon.

- PETER MARTIN

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## Long Hollow Ranch

**May 12**

Long Hollow Ranch Rainbow Trout fly fishing is a great way to spend some relaxing time. Two of the ranch reservoirs are stocked with Rainbow trout and another has an abundance of primarily Large Mouth Bass. Here's an opportunity to fish a couple of private and local well stocked lakes. Fishing from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Limited to the first 10 email responses. Access provided thru The Fly Fishers Place. Cost is \$150 each person, please bring your lunch. Respond via email to Ron to secure your spot.

- RON KAYE

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## Lower “Sac” Outing

May 18-21

Just a 5 hour drive from Bend to Redding, California. That’s where you’ll find 50 miles of river with wild rainbows and fishing from the boat.

Hire a guide or bring your drift boat and experience. Controlled water flows and a very temperate climate make the Lower Sac a blue ribbon fishery. We invite you to join leader Mike McClean on this COF outing.

Logistics will be solidified based

on the interest from the club members. The Best Western Hilltop is a nice and reasonable place to stay if you’re not camping. It provides good meeting place for end of the day fish tales! This is a great way to meet fellow COF members and perhaps a future fishing buddy? Let’s see if we can make these 2 days of fishing happen!

- MIKE MCCLEAN  
MIKEBENDMCCLEAN@GMAIL.COM

## Capt’ Caddis Crappie

June 8-10

Challenge will be held on June 9 at the Prineville Reservoir Resort. If you want to camp we will be there June 8-10. We will have a fish fry and pot luck on the 9th. Why fish for crappie? Because it’s FUN! After fishing all day, we’ll gather for

a potluck. You’ll need a float tube, boat, pontoon boat, kayak or other watercraft plus fishing gear.

- BETSY  
(541) 389-4372

## British Columbia Trip

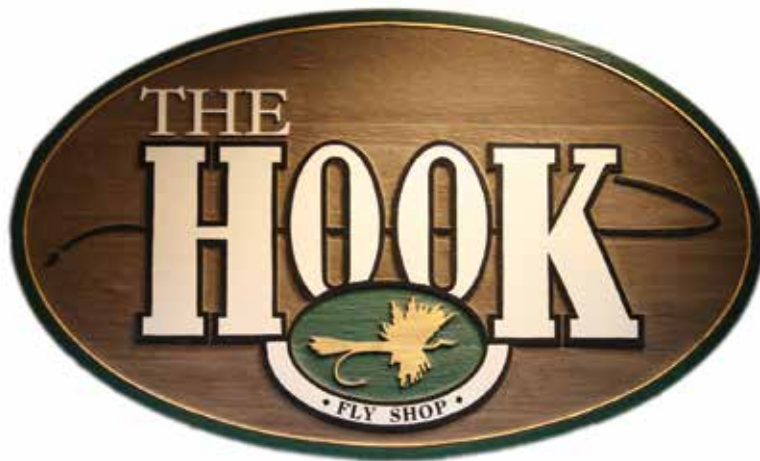
June 17-26

The club is considering hosting our annual lake fishing trip to the lakes in the Kamloops area of British Columbia. We have tentatively scheduled the trip for June 17 to 26, 2018. June 17 and 26 would be travel days with June 18-25 for eight days of fishing. British Columbia offers an eight day non resident license. We will miss the June monthly meeting as we need to time the trip so that we are out of the camping area before the July 1 weekend which is the big Canada Day (think July 4th) vacation weekend.

The club has a trailer with a full set of kitchen equipment, dining tents and tables. Breakfast and dinner cooking duties are shared by the participants with each person cooking a meal or two depending on how many folks come on the trip. Each person provides his or her own lunch. We will camp at Tunkwa Lake which is about a 12 hour drive straight up highway 97.

If you are interested in this trip, please go to the COF website and read the two presentations on the trip which you can find under the “news-letters/presentation” button on the website. Please read all the information, as it should answer 95% of your questions. If you are interested in the trip and you can meet the conditions for participation laid out in the two documents, please send me an email and I will put you on a list.

- LEE ANN ROSS  
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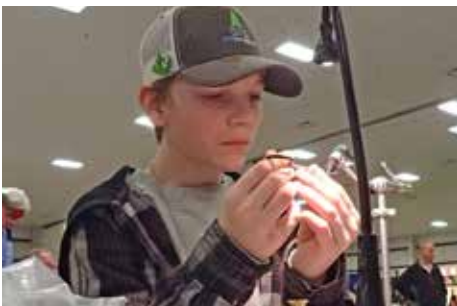
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Isaac Korman & John Kreft



Kincaid Smeltzer

## NEXT CAST FLYFISHERS EXPO SUCCESS

Our Next Cast Flyfishers represented at the NW Expo and did a terrific job. Each of them demonstrated tying a fly of their choice. They tied beautiful flies that any of us would be happy to have in our fly box! They also bee-lined to several of the vendor booths to purchase tying materials. A great time for our avid fly fishers!

Thank you to Pete Martin and John Kreft who helped them out transporting the lamps and a couple of vises to use tying. These two have volunteered numerous hours to help prepare our young tyers improve their techniques!

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

### CROOKED RIVER CLEAN-UP— APRIL 7, 2018

#### BIG BEND CAMPGROUND, CROOKED RIVER

Join COF members for the annual river and campground clean-up and barbeque. If the water level is good, we will fish once the work is done! Mark your calendars, see details in separate newsletter article.

### 3-DAY FLY FISHING CAMP— JUNE 18, 19, & 20, 2018

#### SHEVLIN POND

This camp is for all beginners and newer fly fishers (age 10-14), you don't have to be a Next Cast member to sign up! Registration is through Bend Parks & Recreation

online catalog. This camp is limited to 12 participants and fills up fast! *COF membership is not required!*

The Next Cast Flyfishers program provides opportunities and coordinates activities for young fly anglers in the area. We offer fly fishing instruction through classroom activities, fly fishing summer camps, ongoing COF events, and individually through mentorship and teaching.

Providing these opportunities, young anglers will be exposed to fly fishing and increase their interest and level of involvement.

Please contact me directly if you have questions.

- KAREN KREFT, 503-409-0148  
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Joey Pattee (second from right) with teammates at BC competition

## World Youth Fly Fishing Championships, Myczkowce, Poland

Joey Pattee of Bend, has been invited to participate at the World Youth Fly Fishing Championships in Poland. As a member of the US Youth Fly Fishing Team, Joey has been chosen as one of the five team members representing the US Team at the World Championships.

The Championships will be held August 6-12 and will include river and lake sectors. Most of the expected fish will be Brown Trout, along with Grayling, Whitefish, Pike, Chub and some local species of Huchen, Dace and Ide.

You may see Joey on a local river

as he continues to practice his fishing skills locally and throughout the US. He has attended clinics specifically for the US Teams, and participated in the NALSFFC Cup. A prestigious loch-style completion held in British Columbia.

On May 31-June 1 & 2, Joey, along with Isaac and Anders Korman, also Next Cast members, will be participating in the US National Fly Fishing Team Championships being held near Bend. The competition will include the Upper Deschutes along with Lava, South Twin, and Crane Prairie Lakes.

All of these young anglers have spectacular Instagram accounts and share many fish pictures! Check them out!

## MEMBERSHIP



Please reach out to our new folks at our next meeting.

**Brain Bubak – Sisters**

**Jane Bubak – Sisters**

**Robert Carrick – Bend**

**Jeff Conrad – Bend**

**Kathy Geary – Bend**

**Pat Geary – Bend**

**Norman Harrell – Bend**

**Diane Harrell – Bend**

**Benjamin Moser – Bend**

**Clifford Nelson – Bend**

**Randy Oswald – Redmond**

**Melissa Swearingen - Bend**

If you have any questions about membership, please contact Sue Coyle.

- SUE COYLE  
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### STALCUP'S CDC LOOP WING EMERGER – MARCH BROWN

By the time you read the April newsletter, the March Brown mayflies should have been out and hopefully the fish are keying on them. I plan to hit the Middle Deschutes this month, but other local waters should have March Brown's as well. This is the first of the larger mayflies trout will see in the coming months and an emerger or dry fly is a lot of fun to fish.

Other effective fly patterns to have in your fly box include the *RiverKeeper* Soft Hackle Cripple, Sparkle Dun, Comparadun, Pheasant Tail Nymph, and a classic Partridge & Orange Soft Hackle. You can find the fly pattern sheets for these flies on my website.

This fly gives you another option for the emerger phase of the March Brown mayfly.

If you've never heard of Shane Stalcup, he was a talented and creative fly tyer who passed away too early. You can still see him tie flies thanks to COF's John Sherry YouTube channel – Netknots Fly Tying. Here is a link to Shane tying this fly (<https://youtu.be/Skct0ZghXjl>).

I plan to have a few of these flies in my fly box. How about you?

Enjoy...go fish!

- JOHN KREFT

RIVERKEEPER FLIES ([www.johnkreft.com](http://www.johnkreft.com))

#### **Materials:**

**Hook:** Daiichi 1160, size 14 - 12

**Thread:** 8/0 brown

**Tail:** Partridge

**Body:** March brown goose biot

**Wings:** 2 Brown or tan CDC feathers

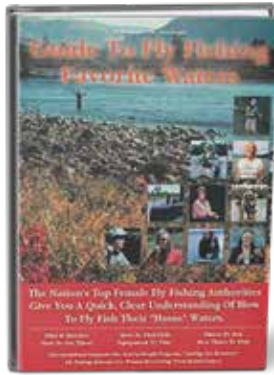
**Thorax:** Superfine March Brown dubbing

#### **Tying Instructions:**

1. Begin thread on hook and continue part way around bend.
2. Tie in tail with 3 to 4 thread wraps and trim butts where thorax begins.
3. Tie in goose biot with notch towards the front and tie in tip first, creating a furled body.
4. Wrap thread forward over biot tip and partridge butts to create a smooth underbody. Use thread to create a tapered body. Position thread at thorax.
5. Wrap biot forward. Option: Apply Zap-a- Gap before wrapping biot for extra strength.
6. Secure biot with thread wraps.
7. Select 2 CDC feathers and even tips.



## LIBRARY



A Woman's No Nonsense Guide to Fly Fishing Favorite Waters by Yvonne Graham R.N. M.P.H.

Women Want To Know: Where are the special places women like to fly fish? In this guide, top female fly fishing guides, outfitters, tiers, and enthusiasts reveal their favorite waters. With this guide you will quickly absorb essential information and be able to find a new and favorite place to fly fish. Forty-five of the top women fly fishing experts reveal their favorite waters. From scenic spring creeks in the East, big trout waters in the Rockies to exciting Baja; all described from the female perspective. Includes 42 site locations throughout North America.

If you are a club member and would like to peruse the library and/or check out one of our books, just look for the rolling bookcase at the club's general meeting. The librarian arrives at the meeting early to give members extra time to look for books before the meeting starts. Sign in on our website <https://coflyfishers.wildapricot.org>, click on Members Area and select Library to see a list of our books. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to email Helen.

- HELEN GUERRERO-RANDALL  
LIBRARY@COFLYFISHERS.ORG

## EDUCATION

### Casting Classes

April 11 & 17 with JEFF PERRIN, owner/guide of Fly Fisher's Place in Sister's. Feedback from members attending these classes, say that Jeff is not only a master caster, he is an outstanding teacher!! Jeff has graciously agreed to do 2 casting classes:

1. BEGINNER CLASS – April 11<sup>th</sup> Jeff will cover Basic Plane, Arc, Timing & Tempo and teach the Pick up and Lay down, False Cast and Roll Cast. Lots of individual attention!
2. ADVANCED SKILLS CLASS – April 17<sup>th</sup> This class will start by demonstrating how different planes are used for different results, off shoulder casts, backhand casts, reach mending and parachute casts, and more. It's a slightly different approach than previous skills class.

Some of us have been casting for decades, but I guarantee you will learn something critically important from Jeff!!

FEE: \$10 In Advance  
To Sign Up send an email to Dalton Miller-Jones

- DALTON MILLER-JONES  
MILLERJONESD@GMAIL.COM

### Tour of PGE Lake Billy Chinook Anadromous Fish Migration Facilities

We are trying to arrange another guided tour to the PGE & Warm Spring facilities at Round Butte and Regulating Dams on Lake Billy Chinook and the Deschutes River. This field trip shows the Selective Water Withdrawal facility (SWW).

The SWW re-establishes the connection for anadromous Steelhead, Chinook and Sockeye Salmon between the ocean and 250 stream miles of habitat in the Upper Deschutes Basin. Annually, they collect between 37,000 and 262,000 smolts at the SWW transporting them to the lower Deschutes River to continue their downstream migration.

Stay tuned for date and time.

### Winter Fly Tying

This year's Winter Fly Tying has been a huge success. As I write this article, we've averaged 26 tyers for every class this year.

A special thanks to Pete Martin who helped me again this year manage when I wasn't in town. I really appreciate his help.

Our classes wouldn't be successful without our instructors. A thank you goes out to Jeff Perin, Mike Telford, Phil Fischer, Jerry Criss, Sherry Steele, Bill Seitz, Wes Wada, Chris Williams (Boise, ID), Pete Martin, and Peter Bowers.

Lastly, I'd like to thank Peter Bowers of The Patient Angler, Jeff Perin of The Flyfisher's Place, and Paul from Fin & Fire for providing discounts for our fly tying materials. Their generosity helps tremendously with the financial aspect of conducting our classes. When you stop by their shops, be sure to say thanks!

Now, go out and fish all the flies you tied in class!

- JOHN KREFT  
RIVERKEEPER FLIES



## WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER

Our Wild Women of the Water Flyfishing 101 class is going fantastically well. Be ready to see 10 more enthusiastic lady flyfishers out on our local waters. Big thanks to Dave and Fly & Field, MaryAnn and Flyfishers Place and Tye and Tom and Confluence for their expertise at passing along their passion and flyfishing skills. They are all amazing!! On April 8, our newbies and our



Wild Women will converge on the Crooked River to pull it all together. We hope the fish will cooperate! And the weather. Please let Kari know if you can join us.

Thank you to Chris and Cairn at the Bend Fly Shop for hosting the Wild Women at their Fly Shop Hop. Chris shared his pix of flyfishing the coast for steelhead. The Bend Fly Shop is a wonderful shop for all things fishy! Check them out behind The Sparrow Bakery on Scott Street.

## RIGGING OPTIONS FOR MOVING WATER AND LAKES

THURSDAY, APRIL 19TH - 6:00-8:00

- BEND SENIOR CENTER

Come join MaryAnn and your Wild Women friends for an educational night of learning the many ways of rigging your line and flies for different situations. If you plan to attend to learn and/or help, please email Mary Ann at [flyfishingpursuits@gmail.com](mailto:flyfishingpursuits@gmail.com). Of course, we will have treats to share.

- KARI SCHOESSLER

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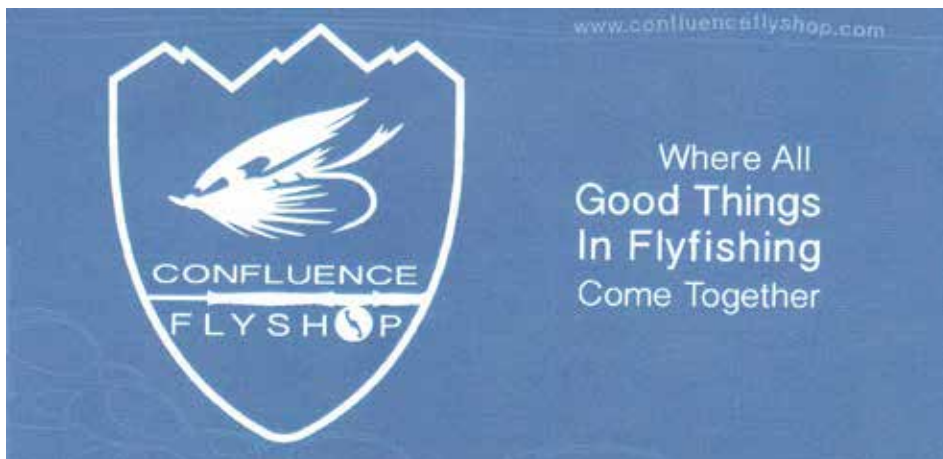
## OTHER NEWS

### Kokanee Karnival - Spring Clinic

I want to thank all of you who have volunteered for the Kokanee Karnival Spring Angling Clinic. Right now we are still short of volunteers. If you want to volunteer please contact me at (541) 381-7507 or [waldo1ft@msn.com](mailto:waldo1ft@msn.com). The dates of the Spring Clinic are April 16, 17, 19, 20 and April 23 and 24. We have no activities on Wed April 18. We have 12 classes in the program and two classes attend each day. We usually arrive at around 8:30 am to set up for the day and the students arrive between 9 and 9:30. They usually leave between 1:30 and 2. We clean up and are done by 3.

If you just want to see what we do with the students feel free to visit us at Aspen Hall in Shevlin Park. We can always use extra hands after lunch when the students get to go trout fishing in Shevlin Pond.

Lunch is provided for all students and volunteers. After lunch the students are divided into small



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groups and get to fish in Shevlin Pond. The volunteers lead small groups of students to help them fish for trout. If they catch a trout they get a First Fish Certificate and if they want, their cleaned fish to take home.

Thanks for your help with the Spring Angling Clinic

- FRANK TUREK

KK@COFLYFISHERS.ORG



## Redmond Sportsman Show - Kid's Trout Pond

A very **BIG THANK YOU** to all the members that volunteered for this year's show. The club raised \$1,500 from the event and we saw many happy faces!

## USA National Fly Fishing Team Event

The 2018 Nationals will be held in Bend. Scott and Sarah Robertson will be managing the event and they will be looking for volunteers to help out. COF has helped out at previous events and

I think everyone really enjoyed it and learned a lot. There will be 60 competitors.

We will supply lunch each day as a volunteer and will be entered to win some of the amazing items; we are giving away at the Closing Ceremony at the Riverhouse Convention Center. Food will be provided at the Closing Ceremony.

### Schedule:

*Wednesday, May 30, 2018:*

Orientation. Evening (Time TBD) at Riverhouse.

*Thursday, May 31, 2018:*

Session 1: 8-12pm

Session 2: 2-6pm

*Friday, June 1, 2018:*

Session 3: 8-12pm

Session 4: 2-6pm

*Saturday, June 2, 2018:*

Session 5: 8-12pm

Closing Dinner & Ceremony at the Riverhouse Hotel (Free to volunteers): 6 - 10pm

- Acknowledgement of volunteers
- Guest speakers
- Volunteer give always!
- Announcement of new National Team
- Announcement of World Team going to Worlds

### Venues:

Crane Prairie - Loch Style Venue  
- Motor Boat

South Twin - Loch Style Venue  
- Row Boat

Lava Lake - Loch Style Venue  
- Motor Boat

Upper Deschutes  
- Above Crane Prairie

Upper Deschutes  
- Below Benham Falls

Loch Style venues will be from a boat. One controller per boat, Controllers on South Twin need to

be able to row.

Approximately 50 volunteers a day will be needed for various positions including controllers, sector judges, group organizers, gear shuttlers, and other misc. duties. Volunteer signups will open early February at flycomps.com. If you need any further information, please contact Scott Robertson.

- SCOTT ROBERTSON, 541-410-3500  
SAGEBRUSHOCEAN@GMAIL.COM.



## Yellowstone National Park Bans Felt Soles

Aquatic invasive species (AIS) could have devastating ecological, economic, and recreational impacts on Yellowstone National Park. They are costly to manage and extremely difficult to eradicate. Due to the urgent need to prevent these destructive species from entering the park, felt sole waders and boots worn by anglers will be banned starting in 2018.

## Recording Volunteer Hours

Dick Olson tracks the hours that COF volunteers put in each year. This data is used to bolster our request for grants for KK, Next Cast and environmental activities. For example, last year we received a grant from the Oregon Council and the IFFF to support the new kids pond at Camp Sherman.

Volunteer hours for KK, Next Cast and the kids trout pond at the Redmond show are handled by the organizer. You don't need to report those hours. It's the hours that you might be putting in say organizing a class (think rod and net building), helping ODFW with pit tagging, volunteering at the Albany fly fishing fair, helping with the banquet, working on the raffle and such that is not captured. If you have any unrecorded volunteer hours for 2018, would you please send that information to Dick Olson at [fishfool.olson@gmail.com](mailto:fishfool.olson@gmail.com). Many thanks for all for work.

## Trout Bum Fly Swap

Don't miss this year's Trout Bum Fly Swap at Fly and Field Outfitters on April 7th and 8th. This is the local angler's opportunity to either find a new home for unwanted items or score amazing deals. From 8am till 5pm on both days they will have everything from rods and reels to waders, boots, packs, flies, fly tying and much more. Please do not arrive before 8am either day. Often items are priced differently for Saturday and Sunday, the second day being cheaper. They will begin accepting your used and unwanted gear Monday the 2nd and will cut off taking in equipment by 5:00pm on Friday.

## COF BANQUET NEWS

### 2018 COF Fundraising Banquet & Raffle

Riverhouse Convention Center  
April 14, 2018

Banquet Registration is Open! Check out the banquet flyer in this month's newsletter then go to [coflyfishers.org](http://coflyfishers.org) to register. Your payment can be made via PayPal, credit card, or mail your check to COF Banquet, P.O. Box 1126, Bend, OR 97709.

Registering online correctly enters all your information: name, guest, meal choices, bucket raffle tickets advance order, and date registered (for the early bird drawing) into a handy spreadsheet for the registration crew.

## CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: NEW Beulah Guide Series, 8' 6", 4 wt., 4-piece Rod, with/two tips, rod sock, and tube, medium-fast action, fast recovery. \$150, Peter Martin, [pcmartin@bendbroadband.com](mailto:pcmartin@bendbroadband.com), 541-388-8956, This is a NEW rod, never fished, cast once in my front yard

**MEMBERS:** Got a fishing related item to sell? Ads are free and run for one newsletter. If the item is not sold the ad can be resubmitted.

- [CLASSIFIEDS@COFLYFISHERS.ORG](mailto:CLASSIFIEDS@COFLYFISHERS.ORG)



## APRIL ROD RAFFLE

Charles Schillinsky is building a rod for the Annual Banquet that will also serve as the monthly rod raffle.

This month's raffle will be a Dan Craft FT blank that is a nine foot, 4 piece, 4 weight. This a high quality blank with top quality components used in its' construction.

Retails for \$580.

Purchase your raffle ticket(s) at the next COF meeting. Tickets cost \$10 each, no limit of number that can be purchased.

All proceeds go to benefit the club and members.

"I think anyone would be more than pleased to win this rod."

- CHARLES SCHILLINSKY



# Central Oregon Flyfishers

## VOLUNTEERISM

**Congratulations!** Last year, 137 COF volunteers worked **4,891 hours** and traveled **29,502 miles** to support our many events. Our 2017 performance equaled 2012, when we hosted the USA Fly Fishing Team National Competition and not far behind the record set in 2015 hosting the 50 th anniversary IFFF celebration in 2015. Our membership is growing rapidly so we have lots of new members who may wish to join in. Please volunteer; you'll enjoy the experience.

Volunteer records can be very important when we apply for grants to maintain or improve programs like Kokanee Karnival. Such records provide a solid measure of performance for donors to consider when awarding grants, and these numbers can have real impact. These numbers are included in the letter that requests donations for items raffled at the annual COF Banquet – the ones you win with a successful bid.

We've also used these records in the past to award a prize to each member who *for the first time* volunteers at least 30 hours in a year – a one-time award per volunteer. This year our Board has decided to give awards to those who gives 30 hours **every year**, not just once!

I need your help to capture all our volunteer data this year. More and more members are volunteering, so let's keep up the good work.

Here are some recent year's results:

YEAR	HOURS	MILES	# OF VOLUNTEERS
2012	4,903	27,040	144
2013	3,006	21,745	122
2014	4,091	19,037	113
2015	6,164	32,071	140
2016	4,484	28,502	134
2017	4,891	29,998	137

If there's a **volunteer sign-in sheet** at an event, please sign in and enter your hours (including travel time) and round-trip miles. The event coordinator sends the sign-in sheet to me for recording. If you're a coordinator, please include your preparation time and mileage on behalf of the event.

If there's no sign-in sheet, or if you forget to sign-in at a volunteer event, just email the following information to me at [Fishingfool.Olson@gmail.com](mailto:Fishingfool.Olson@gmail.com): **Your Name, Event Name, Event Date, Hours and Miles traveled (round trip)**. Or just write a note and give it me at a meeting or call me at 541-383- 4412.

Thank you again. Your efforts really do make a difference.

- DICK OLSON



## APRIL 2018 UPSTREAM EVENTS

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	CONTACT
April 5	6:30 PM	COF Board Meeting	Environmental Center	
April 7	10:00 AM	Crooked River Cleanup	Big Bend Campground	Pete Martin
April 7 & 8	8:00 AM	Trout Bum Fly Sap	Fly and Filed Outfitters	
April 8		Wild Women Outings	Crooked River	Kari Schoessler
April 14	5:30 PM	2018 COF Annual Banquet & Fundraiser	Riverhouse Convention Center	503-330-5505
April 18	7:00 PM	COF Meeting	Bend Senior Center	
April 19	6:00 PM	Wild Women Rigging Class	Bend Senior Center	Kari Schoessler
April 26		Lake In the Dunes (Full)		

## In the Future

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	CONTACT
May 12	9:00 AM	Long Hollow Ranch	Sisters, Oregon	Ron Kaye
May 18-20		Sandy River Spey Clave	OxBow Park, Sandy Oregon	
May 18-21		The Lower Sacramento Trip		Mike McClean
May 30 - June 1		USA National Fly Fishing Team Event		
June 8-10		Captain Caddis Crappie	Prineville Reservoir Resort	Betsy: (541) 389-4372
June 17-26		British Columbia Trip		Lee Ann Ross
June 18-20		3-Day Kids Fly Fishing Camp	Shevlin Pond	nextcast@coflyfishers.org
June 29-July 1		East Lake, 2-Nights, BBQ		Eric Steele



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