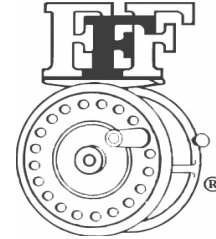


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GENERAL MEETING

(Brian Maiz)

“Trout & Steelhead”

February 21

6:30 - 8:30

Bend Senior Center
1600 SE Reed Market Rd

2007 Winter Seminar

“Mostly Stillwater”

Jack Dennis &
Phil Rowley

Feb 20, 21

Tying w/Jack & Phil

Feb 22nd

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27th Annual COF Banquet

Feb 24th

&

ODFW Counting Reds

Help Needed

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details

Random Cast

It is February already and some of you have not renewed your membership in COF. If you truly are going to pay your dues sometime this year and remain a member of our great group, please make life easier for our membership committee and pay NOW. Our book keeping is so much easier if all the active members are recorded as soon as possible.

It's that time of the year when people make New Year's Resolutions. People who know me know that I love chocolate and that my favorite is Dove Dark Promises. Those great little chunks of heaven have something else that I love too - the wrapper. Inside every foil wrapper is a short saying. Some are funny, some goofy, and some are a bit insightful. One that I really like is "**There is no excuse not to dream**". When you were a kid it was easy to dream. You hadn't done much yet, so to think of doing anything great or adventurous was 'a dream'. As adults I don't think we dream enough of things that we would like to do. Watching the Travel Channel, the Outdoor Channel, ESPN, or VS on the TV gives me plenty of ideas of where I would like to go or what I would like to do.

This leads me to another saying from Dove, "**Make a list of your dreams**". A dream really doesn't go anywhere if it is just a fleeting one. This isn't meant to be like one of those unkept New Year's Resolutions! You don't have to go to the Seychelles Islands for bonefish this year. It's just one of those dreams that, if you win the lottery or have to save up for 10 years, you want to go there (it's 15 degrees outside as I type this!). Every now and then when you look at your list you may need to put another dollar in the jar and one day it could really happen.

Finally though, you do have to look at this dream list and make some a reality. The last little wrapper that I want to quote is "**Live your dreams**". Where do you want to go fishing? Do you want to catch your first steelhead, salmon, or BIG brown trout? What is it going to take for this dream to come true? Do you need to save some money for a trip and set aside some vacation time? Do you need to just go fishing here in Oregon for that elusive fish instead of just talking about it? Whatever it takes - Dream - Plan - Make it happen!

Dave Semich

February 21st General Membership Meeting

Trout & Steelhead fishing with Brian Maiz



Winter steelheading isn't easy, but as Brian shows, the rewards are sometimes huge.

Trout fishing and Steelhead fishing should have been Brian Maiz's first words. It is hard to find Brian Maiz doing anything besides fly fishing, or something having to do with fly fishing in Oregon's local waters. Growing up in New Jersey through high school, Brian had no world class trout and steelhead streams nearby, but that did not stop him. Bass and some saltwater species are what he pursued while growing up, and that continued in North Carolina where he spent two years at UNCW.

In 1993 Brian moved to Eugene Oregon to finish his college studies in the northwest. One of the first things he did when he came out to Eugene was visiting the McKenzie River with a starter fly rod. He was hooked right then, and most of his free time (and some of his school time) was spent learning the area rivers, and how to better his skills of fly fishing. Brian's career path has also luckily fallen where his passion lies. In April of 2001, he was hired to help start and manage the Waterville Fly Shop. While working at the Waterville Fly Shop, Brian decided he wanted to get the McKenzie River's Steelhead fishery dialed in. Now, several years later, Brian has guided hundreds of Anglers into the McKenzie's Summer Run Steelhead. He really enjoys getting anglers into their first steelhead on a fly rod, or helping experienced anglers expand their skills and knowledge of fly fishing.

Brian started The McKenzie Angler Fly Shop in March of 2005, and the shop is located where the former Waterville Fly Shop was in the McKenzie River Valley. He wanted to start a shop that focuses on strong customer service and has a fun learning atmosphere about it. The Shop offers guided trips for trout and steelhead on the McKenzie/Willamette rivers, and winter steelheading and fall Chinook on the coastal rivers. The McKinzie Angler is located at 39297 McKenzie Highway in Waterville, and it is easily found at the Waterville Shopping Center.

<http://www.mckenzieangler.com/content.php?p=shop>

-Don Schnack

Wild Women of the Water



Wild Women of the Water had a crash course in macro invertebrates, courtesy of Jerry Criss during our January meeting. To top things off, Jerry displayed some of his excellent collection of flies and fishing books.

You may have heard about furled leaders. Our February meeting will provide an opportunity to learn how to build one. The meeting will be held on February 7. In March, we'll head to the Crooked River to use our leaders and learn a new nymphing technique. Watch your email for more details.

Several Wild Women of the Water hats are still available. To purchase your hat, contact Delores Marsh (ladyd@bendcable.com).

February WWW Meeting Furled Leaders

When: Wednesday, February 7, 2007

Where: Bend Senior Center, Kraft Room

Time: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

RSVP: Terri (318-0567 or sonata@teleport.com) or Delores (382-7595 or ladyd@bendcable.com)

Please RSVP so Delores and I can ensure that we borrow enough jigs for the February 7 meeting.

Lost Flies November 17th, day before COF monthly outing on the Crooked River.

A member is missing his fly boxes etc. Thinks he left his pack and was wondering if anybody found it. Contact Dennis via email dwallace@bendnet.com Phone 548-8209

Thank you for any help you can give me.

Dennis Wallace

Welcome New Members (Nov/Dec 06)

Tom Brohamer – Bend, OR

John & Connie Vaughn, Powell Butte, OR

"Volunteers needed to count Metolius redds "or "ODFW needs our help in counting Metolius redds".

Every year, biologists and volunteers monitor Metolius River redband trout by counting redds or gravel nests. The survey entails walking 2 miles, starting at the Metolius headwaters and identifying and marking redds. The surveys are conducted every other week, December through May (see schedule below or attached). This is an opportunity to see good numbers of redds and possibly pairs actively spawning.

Waders, polarized glasses and wading staff are necessary. Some of these items may be borrowed from ODFW's Salmon Trout Enhancement Program. 388-6363 You should also bring lunch and water.

Participants meet at the Bend ODFW office at 8:15 am or the Sisters Forest Service parking lot at 8:45 am. We usually return to Bend no later than 3:00 PM.

If you are interested in surveying one day or several days, please contact: **Nate Dachtler 549-7725 ndachtler@fs.fed.us or TED WISE 388-6363 TED.G.WISE@STATE.OR.US or if you can't reach them try me at Jennifer.a.bock@state.or.us 388-6350-x25**

We hope you can join us - The schedule dates and agency and agency leader are:

FEB. 14 USFS Nate Dachtler
FEB. 28 ODFW TED WISE
MAR. 14 USFS Nate Dachtler
MAR. 28 ODFW TED WISE
APR. 11 USFS Nate Dachtler
APR. 25 ODFW TED WISE
MAY. 9 USFS Nate Dachtler
MAY. 23 Rock Pick up ODFW/USFS TED WISE

2007 COF Banquet

The 27th annual COF banquet will be held Saturday, Feb 24 at the Bend Senior Center. It is a celebration of the past year, a chance to socialize with fellow flyfishers and their spouses and friends, and an opportunity to purchase flyfishing items.

The social hour will begin around 6:00 p.m. It will be followed by dinner, a slide show of fellow flyfishers, and awards.

Since this event is our chief source of funds, please think about donating any unused flyfishing items. If you have any talents such as tying flies or with woodworking, you may want to make some things for the raffle.

The cost of the event will be \$20 if we receive your registration before Mon, Feb 12.

It will cost \$25 per person after the 12th. We need to know early how many will attend because of space set up and the amount of food to order.

BANQUET RESERVATION

Please complete the form below, attach a check for \$20 per person, and mail to COF at PO Box 1126, Bend, OR 97709. We need a headcount for the caterer, and those who pay by Feb 12 will be entered in a special "early bird" prize drawing. Please PRINT CLEARLY

Name_____

Spouse/Guest(s)_____

Address_____ Mailing

City/State/Zip_____

Telephone_____

Amount enclosed @ \$20 per person _____

Kids Fishing Pond - Call for Volunteers

For several years Central Oregon Flyfishers has operated the Kid's Fishing Pond at the Sportsman's Show. The Kid's Pond is one of the most popular exhibits at the Show and for many, it is an introduction to fishing and appreciation of things wild.

This year's show runs from Thursday March 1st through Sunday March 4th. The facilities and the fish are provided by the Show Management, of course. The job of COF volunteers is basically to help the kids catch what may be their first fish, and to do as much as possible to make sure they have fun doing it. In return, Show Management makes a significant donation to the Club treasury.

Volunteer shifts are as follows:

- Thursday afternoon
- Thursday evening
- Friday afternoon
- Friday evening
- Saturday morning
- Saturday afternoon
- Saturday evening
- Sunday morning
- Sunday afternoon

There are already enough volunteers for the Thursday and Friday afternoon sessions. Show action is usually heaviest Friday evening and Saturday and of course, that's when the most help will be needed. On the day they help at the Pond, volunteers are given FREE admission to the Show.

To volunteer, ask questions or make suggestions, contact: Bill Raleigh
braleigh@bendbroadband.com
389-5904

2007 Membership Renewal

It's time to pay your 2007 dues!

Every year in March, we remove the names of those who have not renewed their membership and update our distribution lists for the COF Newsletter, email notices, etc. Once a year, in March, a hard-copy COF Membership List is distributed to all members. Many of us rely on this handy list to call fishing partners, etc.

Only those who have paid their dues by March 1st will receive a Membership List and continue uninterrupted COF Newsletter delivery and up- to-the- minute club notifications about events such as monthly outings, etc.

Please renew now to ensure all the benefits of uninterrupted membership. We need you! Don't become the big fish that got away!

Dick Olson – Membership Chairman

Updated Web Site

You may have noticed that the club web site, www.coflyfishers.org, has had some changes recently. Gordon Chandler, with input from a number of COF board members, updated the site with current information (some pages had not been updated in two years), fixed a number of broken links, and changed some of the navigation.

If you have any comments or suggestions, please let me or another board member know. Please note that the theme of the re-design is low maintenance. The web site has useful, but relatively static information on it. Current information is contained in the monthly newsletter.

Of particular note on the web site is a list of titles in the club library as well as the...

“Email / Notification List”

One of the links on the home page of the web site is to the club’s email list hosted on Yahoo! Groups. This list was actually launched a while back but never became very active. We are going to attempt to revive and expand this list.

In a nutshell, the COF Yahoo! Group will allow club members to send email messages to each other on club business and activities. For example, one of the common requests of new and old members’ alike is for an easy way to identify fishing partners on short notice.

If you want to fish the Metolius tomorrow, for example, and are looking for someone to go with, you could send a message to the group. Or maybe you’re new to the club and want to find someone who will show you the secrets to fishing Hosmer Lake. Perhaps you’re interested in finding someone who has fished Belize to get some tips for your trip. Maybe you’re feeling generous and want to let fellow club members know that you just had a good day on the Lower Deschutes at South Junction swinging buggers for Steelies and to head on down there soon to get in on it.

You get the idea. Any and all club related information could be posted to this list by any club member. It will be moderated by Gordon Chandler and I, so inappropriate messages should be kept to an absolute minimum. Members can elect to get all email immediately or just once a week if they so desire.

This sort of group email service works great – many clubs use it – but only if members sign up. **So sign up right away buy going to the club website and clicking on the email discussion list link.**

-- Yancy Lind

Brown Bullhead In Antelope Flat Reservoir

During years with high moisture, Antelope Flat Reservoir can produce some good-sized trout that make it worth the drive to this remote area in the Ochocos. According to Brett Hodgson, fish biologist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in Prineville, the fishing situation may soon change with the illegal introduction of brown bullhead.

A few brown bullhead were introduced illegally into Antelope Flat Reservoir around 2003 as a fishing opportunity. As a result of gill net studies completed a few years ago, Hodgson estimates that the population in the reservoir is now in the tens of thousands.

Brown bullheads are very tough and resilient; they require less oxygen than trout, and they can over winter. They are opportunistic feeders that compete with trout for large macro invertebrates. When trout lose their main food source, their growth rate slows dramatically. Brown bullhead degrade water quality by stirring up the bottom and burrowing into the substrate. This behavior also reduces zooplankton production, which drives the food chain for the rainbow trout.

Hodgson thinks it will be impossible to eliminate brown bullhead by fishing, electro shocking, or trapping with gill nets. Chemical treatment may be the best solution to reduce the population. Until rotenone was used recently in Diamond Lake, ODFW had a moratorium on the use of chemicals. With the apparent success at Diamond Lake, ODFW is working with other agencies to develop a strategy to streamline and facilitate additional chemical treatments. Antelope Flat Reservoir has been targeted as a priority water body for treatment by ODFW.

Brown bullhead is an invasive species that is NOT native to Antelope Flat Reservoir. Unfortunately, the reservoir will continue to decline as a trout fishery until the population of brown bullhead is reduced or eliminated. Here's what you can do to help prevent and slow the spread of invasive species:

- Never dump live fish from one body of water into another body of water.
- If you see a fish that does not belong in an area, report it. Record the exact location, freeze the specimen in a sealed plastic bag, and call your local fish and wildlife department.
- If you see someone release fish that do not belong in a water body, report the incident to your local fish and wildlife department.
- If you find a plant or animal, and you think it is invasive, call 1-866-INVADER.

— Terri Grimm

Knot-Tying Help

Whether you're a beginner or an expert who wants to polish your knot-tying skills, you'll love the www.animatedknots.com internet site. Click on Fishing knots to choose from 13 commonly used knots, then click on a knot and watch the knot being tied in animated fashion. You can select slow or fast viewing speed, or progress through the knot formation a step at a time. When two separate lines are being joined, they are shown in different colors, which makes it easy to learn. Take two pieces of heavy string, leader or rope to practice and you'll become an expert in no time. This site also shows many other kinds of knots, e.g., climbing, boating, etc.

Dick Olson

Education Calendar

Feb 20, 21, all day Winter Seminar w/ Jack Dennis & Phil Rowley

Feb 22nd Fly-tying w/ Jack and Phil

Mar 13, 6 pm Fly Fishing Equipment for Beginners

Apr Beginning Fly Casting

Apr 24, 5:30-7:30 pm Solving Casting Problems / Advanced Casting

Apr 28 Trout season opens on some lakes and some streams/rivers

May Single Handed Spey Casting for Trout

May Fishing the Salmon Fly Hatch

May 26 Trout season opens for most streams/rivers

Jun Fishing the Lower Deschutes for Trout

Jun 5, 6:30 – 8:30 pm BC Lake Fishing

Jul European Nymphing

Jul Fishing Local Lakes

Aug Spey Casting for Steelhead

Aug Steelhead Fishing the Deschutes

-Yancy Lind

Winter Fly-Tying (ON-Going)

Contacts:

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

Night Tying - Bend

Every Thursday Evening started January 4th

Meeting starts at 6:30PM (13 meetings)

Location: Bend Senior Center, 1600 SE Reed Market Rd

Daytime Fly-tying in Sisters

Meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month This is a day time meeting, From 2:00PM to 4:30PM Location: Fly Fishers Place 151 W. Main Ave. Sisters, Or 97759

Feel free to stop by to watch and learn, even if you are not signed up!

For more information contact:

Sherry Steele Email: steelefly@msn.com

541-549-2072

2007 Winter Seminar: “Mostly Stillwater” with Jack Dennis and Phil Rowley

Stillwater fly fishing will be the emphasis of this year's Winter Seminar to be held on **February 20 and 21**. We are very fortunate to have Phil Rowley join Jack Dennis this year. Phil is an authority on lake fishing. The 2-day program will be held in the much more accommodating environs of Aspen Hall in Shevlin Park. The seminar will run from 8:30 am to 5 pm both days.

Cost is \$60 for COF members, \$65 for non-members. This includes coffee, pastry/snack, and lunch both days. A number of interesting and valuable items will be raffled off as well.

Jack has also offered to have a dinner program the night of February 20. This will be held at a restaurant yet to be determined. At this dinner Jack, who is part of the US Fly Fishing Team, will give a team update, discuss the European Nymphing techniques used by national fly fishing teams around the world, and give a preview of his new TV show, “Jack’s Secret Wyoming”.

The cost of this dinner and presentation is yet to be determined, but will be under \$30. Send me an email or give me a call if you are interested in this separate program. I need to gauge interest before finalizing location and cost. Note that you do not need to go to the seminar to attend the dinner. So, this might be an option if you are busy during the day.

Registration

We will reserve seats exclusively for club members during the first two weeks of January, and then open it up to non-club members. Demand last year was high and we had to cap enrollment at 80 people. This year we can comfortably handle up to 100, but we expect to sell out so don't hesitate to get your payment in the mail.

Make your check out to COF. \$60 for COF members, \$65 for non-members. Send it to Yancy Lind at 3031 NW Shevlin Meadow Dr, Bend, OR 97701. Contact me at yancy_lind@ml.com or 312-6821 (work) or 788-5514 (cell) with any questions.

The Program

Jack and Phil will spend two days unlocking the secrets of fly fishing stillwaters. Lake fishing is often quite different than traditional river and stream fly fishing. As we all know, Central Oregon is filled with excellent stillwater fly fishing opportunities and the techniques these gentlemen have perfected in Western Canada and elsewhere are directly applicable to our local waters.

The program will include discussions of food sources, reading stillwater, equipment, tactics, fly patterns, and more. A video of stillwater expert Brian Chan discussing his techniques will be shown. There will also be discussions of fishing destinations in Canada and around the world (including some non-stillwater destinations), and more.

The Presenters

For the past 20 years **Phil Rowley** has been fly-fishing stillwaters almost exclusively. A former commercial fly tyer Phil has written for almost every major fly fishing publication in North America. His contributions also include books and numerous feature articles on fly-fishing stillwaters and stillwater fly patterns. Phil's book *Fly Patterns For Stillwaters* has become a best seller. Phil has had the good fortune to appear on such TV shows as *Sport Fishing B.C.*, *The New Fly Fisher*, and *Fishing with Shelly and Courtney*. Recently Phil became one of the co-hosts of the *New Fly Fisher*, a television show focused on educating fly fishers. Phil's website, www.flycraftangling.com is dedicated to fly-fishing and fly tying education.

Jack Dennis' fly fishing resume is over two pages long and filled with truly impressive accomplishments. The short version is that Jack' professional fishing career began at the age of 12 when he sold his first flies. At 19, Jack founded Jack Dennis Outdoor Shop in Jackson, Wyoming, which has become a well known international fly fishing and sports emporium for the last 40 years. Jack's books, "*Western Trout Fly Tying Manual, Volumes I & II*", have sold over 300,000 copies, making it one of the best selling fly fishing books of all time.

Jack Dennis is the founder of Wyoming Galleries, Jack Dennis and Pepi Steigler Ski Shops and the Jack Dennis Fly fishing guide service and school. His clients include everyone from U.S. presidents to movie stars. Television has been a part of his life and he has hosted or appeared on numerous network and cable fishing shows, as well as programs in Europe, Australia, Japan, Canada and New Zealand. Jack is the founder of the Jackson Hole One Fly foundation. The One Fly contest is fly fishing's premiere fund raising event, where teams compete by selecting one fly and fishing it all day. Money is raised to improve native trout habitat. In its twenty year history, over \$1,000,000 has been raised.

Fly Tying with Jack Dennis & Phil Rowley-Feb22nd

Great news to club members and fly tiers! Jack and Phil will still be in town after the 2007 Winter Seminar: “Mostly Stillwater” with Jack Dennis and Phil Rowley, February 20,21st. They have accepted our invitation to join us at our normal fly tying meeting and put on a tying seminar Thursday night February 22nd, 6:30 PM at the Bend Senior Center. (Still checking on the larger room reservation)

This is a great opportunity to have these 2 outstanding professionals host our Fly-tying meeting. All club members are invited to join in the fun and presentation. The planning for the tying seminar is still in process; I will finalize the details and send an email to all club members. Please send me an email or call me if you plan to be there.

Sherry Steele 541-549-2072 steelefly@msn.com
“Thinking out of the box and on the fly”

2007 Trip to British Columbia

Many of you already know about the annual trip that Central Oregon Flyfishers makes to British Columbia, but perhaps some of you aren't aware of this event. Every year a group of COF members travels to south central BC for 8 days of fishing on some of the best trout lakes in North America.

This year the trip takes place on the following dates:

June 21 – Travel day from Bend to campsite.

June 22 through June 29 – Fishing on various lakes.

June 30 – Travel day from camp back to Bend.

It is about a 13 hour drive from Bend to our campsite so the trip can be made in one day. Some folks prefer not to spend so many hours at a time driving so they break the travel days up. Adjust your calendar accordingly. Four wheel drive vehicles are an advantage when trying to access some of the more remote lakes that we fish, but a regular two wheel drive vehicle will still get you into a great many lakes. The road into the lake we camp at is very good and any car or RV can get there easily.

Folks wishing to go on this trip would be well advised to get a passport, or get your passport renewed. Although a passport will not be required to cross the border by land until next year, it would still be a good idea and might make the crossing easier. The time required to get a passport is significant so if you are thinking of going, and don't have a current passport, it would be a good idea to start the process now.

This is a camping trip so you will need either an RV of some sort or a tent. Some people who prefer not to camp have chosen to stay at Tunkwa Lake Resort which is about 10 minutes by car from our campsite. The Resort has cabins that can be reserved. If you are planning on staying in one of the cabins rather than camping with the group it would be a good idea to make your reservation in advance so that you can get the dates you want. The website for the resort is

<http://www.tunkwalakeresort.com/>

and the mailing address and phone are:

Tunkwa Lake Resort

P.O. Box 196

Logan Lake, BC

Canada V0K 1W0

Telephone: **(250) 523-9697**

For more information you can go to

<http://www.coflyfishers.org/bc/> and read the webpage for the trip (which should be mostly up to date but it may change as we get farther along in the planning process).

To get on the email list for the trip please contact Gordon Chandler using the following email address: gchandler52-bc@yahoo.com. If you don't use email you can call 788-3508, but I would GREATLY prefer an email if at all possible. All folks that have gone on this outing within the last year of three will be receiving an email from me soon.

2007 Who's Who & Who Does What

Officers:

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Mark Reisinger – Koknee Karnival	
Deloris Marsh – Wild Women of the Water	

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

Presenting a new Travel section for our Newsletter.....

Let me know if you like it?
SherrySteele-Editor

A WINTER FLING by Brian Okeefe



Your frequent flyer account will take a big hit, but a trip to Chile in “our” winter might just change your life. From the first of December to late April, Southern Chile has a lifetime of fly rodding available to anglers on any budget. Ok, maybe not super-super cheap, but once you are there the costs are the same as Montana, B.C., etc.

Around the quaint city of Coyhaique (coy-hay-key) there are enough lakes, streams and rivers to keep you busy for a month. Obviously, a guided lodge package at Estancia del Zorro or Cinco Rios is to die for. World class lodging, food, guides and private water rival anything in the world. Another style of access is to rent an SUV and fish out of a local, inexpensive hotel. Or, get the car and throw in tents and sleeping bags and hit the road with a good map. The roads from town to town are paved and in good shape. From towns to rivers and lakes there is a network of well maintained dirt/gravel roads. It is that easy. A spattering of Spanish does come in handy.

The same gear you use on the Deschutes and Lava Lake will be perfect for Chile. A five weight dry line rod for creeks and streams and a six weight rod for streamers and lakes will cover your needs. A float tube is a luxury, but there is great lake fishing that goes untouched. Waders are not required between mid-January and mid-March.

There is a wealth of information on fishing in Chile in the form of books, magazine articles and on the internet.

- Brian O'keefe

Fly of the Month

Hello, from La Pine, the weather has been in the mid 20's to mid 30's most of the month so I have been inside tying. I am tying in a contest, in the Fly Fishing and Fly Tying magazine out of the UK and after placing 2nd last year in the Open Division, they have moved me into the Master Division after this years first round, where I now sit in 22nd. That's not as bad as it might seem, I have gone to 5th form that same position in past contest in just 1 round and I have 3 rounds to go. This is a great contest because I compete with tyers form all over the world, very challenging to say the least.

The fly for this month is one I tyed for the 2nd round of the contest. It is a very interesting fly and I plan to use it this summer. It is fished as a dry for Grayling in the UK, but I believe on broken water it might work very well as well as a pattern that may work along the weeded shorelines of some of our lakes.

With the show schedule heating up, look for some new patterns from this column, as I search for that magic pattern.

Reminder: The show schedule for next year looks good; see below for dates. For those who haven't attended the "Fly Fishing Show", you can't miss this one it is a very good show fly fishing only.

"The Fly Fishing Show"

Bellevue, Wa. Feb. 9,10,11 ---- Potland, Or. Feb. 17,18 ---
- Pleasanton, Ca. Feb. 23,24,25

"Northwest Fly Tyers Expo" Albany, Oregon, March 9,10



Pattern: "CdC Snatcher"

Hook: Tiemco 206BL #16 - #14, or any light wire scud or shrimp hook.

Thread: Olive 8/0 or 6/0.

Rib: Fine gold wire.

Body: Olive seal or sub. (Dubbed sparsely).

Body Hackle: Olive cock (dry fly hackle) or sub, ostrich herl.

Cheeks or wing buds: Olive goose biots.

Front Hackle: Olive or natural CdC, or CdC to match the natural you are trying to imitate.

Eyes: Optional (25# mono).

Head: Fine olive dubbing with a lightly whipped head of tying thread.

Tying the fly: Not a hard tye just keep things sparse. You can get away with a larger than required hackle feather that is trimmed to size, if you do not have hackle small enough. Remember to counter rap the wire rib as it reinforces the body hackle. The CdC front hackle is wound just like any other hackle or you can use the CdC barbs in a dubbing loop as I did, I like this method of hackling CdC because the thread is usually smaller than the CdC stem. You can also tye in bunches of CdC if that is easier for you.

If you have any questions or suggestions please, Email at

--- tlfly44@msn.com

Good hunting, Jerry Criss

Notes....From the Editor

Thank you all for the great input to the newsletter this month. I really like the challenge to fit it all in. Keep the cards and letters coming!

Sherry Steele steelefly@msn.com 541-549-2072

The Central Oregon Flyfishers

February 2, 2007

Dear Prospective Donor:

On behalf of the Central Oregon Flyfishers and the students who participate in our Kokanee Karnival Youth Education Program, I want invite you to join us by making a contribution to COF. We are hoping you will find the time and resources to support us this year so that we can continue to provide this outstanding program for our Central Oregon children.

Throughout each school year COF heads up a joint project with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODF&W) called the *Kokanee Karnival Youth Education Program*, which consists of a series of outings and projects culminating in April with a week of instruction and fishing for the children at Shevlin Pond. This coming year, 2007, will be COF's twelfth year with this project. The response from students, teachers and administrators has been outstanding. In addition, 2006 marked the beginning of a partnership between Kokanee Karnival and Wolfree, Inc. Wolfree is a non-profit organization with a passion to "enhance young people's awareness and appreciation of Pacific Northwest forest and aquatic ecosystems, while cultivating fundamental skills in science and geography". We feel this is a powerful partnership that will enhance and expand the Kokanee Karnival's reach into our community.

The Central Oregon Flyfishers, with 250 member families, is the oldest fly-fishing club east of the Cascades. With more than a quarter century of community service we have received several awards including the Federation of Flyfishers 1997 McKenzie Cup, in recognition for having the best conservation education program in the nation. Our members have donated many thousands of hours on a variety of teaching programs and conservation projects.

Our Primary goals are to:

- ❖ Broaden public knowledge, understanding and enjoyment of the sport of fly-fishing
- ❖ Encourage, advocate and support conservation and protection of our watersheds
- ❖ Promote good sportsmanship and a code of ethics among all anglers
- ❖ *Provide educational opportunities specifically for school children*

On February 24, 2007, we will hold our annual club recognition and fundraising banquet which is critical to COF and our support of Kokanee Karnival. The success of this event depends on donations from generous individuals and businesses in our local community. Your contribution of gift certificates for merchandise or services, outdoor equipment, meals, golf outings, or any other items suitable to the general public will be greatly appreciated. COF is an IRS approved 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization (Fed ID # 93-0881830) so your contribution of merchandise, equipment, cash, gift certificates, etc. are fully tax deductible (as always: check with your accountant). We will provide publicity for all contributors in our promotions and at club activities including the banquet.

Thank you so much for your kind consideration. If you have questions please call me at (541) 788-1099. I am available to pick up your donations or you can mail them to The Central Oregon Flyfishers, P. O. Box 1126, Bend, Oregon 97709
Sincerely,

Dennis L. Rockwell
Fundraising Coordinator

COF Mission Statement: To promote the preservation and conservation, for future generations, of Central Oregon's watershed and its fisheries through education, the practice of stewardship and the art of fly fishing. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for its membership to participate in a community of fly fishing, fellowship and public service.

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.

**The Central Oregon Flyfishers
 Membership Chairman
 PO Box 1126, Bend, OR. 97709**