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President's Message

The banquet was a tremendous success. Tim and Renee did a super job getting donations and organizing the banquet. COF members should please thank them when you see them. I also want to thank the volunteers that helped setup the banquet and helped out that night. A special thanks to the runners Julia, Vinny, and Weston. The banquet photographer, Todd Cary did a great job of capturing the festivities. I believe that everyone had fun. I know that I did.

The number of donations for the bucket raffle and silent auction were outstanding. There were numerous fly boxes, rods, reels, nets, pictures and fly tying supplies. Confluence Fly Shop provided a 3 day float trip on the Deschutes. When in the Confluence, please thank Tye Krueger for this donation. One additional donation stood out. Yancy Lind donated up to three fishing trips of your choice (Rivers: middle and lower Deschutes, Metolius, Klamath Basin, East lake or Paulina Lake).

An excellent crew volunteered on a Saturday May 13th to clean out the storage locker and reduce the number of lockers from two to one. The crew: John Howard, Sue Coyle, Mark Hamilton, Tim Schindele and myself. This will save COF \$180.00 a month.

ORCFFI provided COF \$1,000 to support our activities. This is in addition to the \$1,500 that ORCFFI provided to support the winter fly tying. John Howard and I sent thank you notes the Sherry Steele. If you see Sherry or other members of ORCFFI, please convey our appreciation for the support.

Several messages ago I requested that members submit pictures of fish. Last week I fished Fall river at the Camp Ground and caught the fish below on a red midge.



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2023 COF

Outings Calendar

JUNE 21

CRANE PRAIRIE

Leader Steve Litchenberg.

JULY

THREE CREEKS LAKE

Leader Fred Cholick. Details to follow

May be postponed until August due to closures

AUGUST

EAST LAKE

Leader Wild Women of the Water

SEPTEMBER

JOHN DAY RIVER

Leader Tim Schindele

May be postponed until October

OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER

TBD



Fly fishing the McKenzie River

Presentations Chair for COF is a great board position as I get to arrange speakers on topics that appeal to me. (The position is open next year if you want to take over.) While I have fished all over the state, I am embarrassed to say that I have only fished the McKenzie River once. Given the proximity of the river, its history, and the amazing fish photos and reports that friends send me, I have been missing out and hope to rectify that.

Originally a guide in Colorado and New Mexico, Troy Leedy, has been based in Central Oregon since 2011. He works with Jeff Perin's shop, the Fly Fisher's Place, in Sisters, and has his own website, www.bigflyfishing.com. Troy has been guiding the McKenzie for over a decade and will provide a top to bottom overview of the river, seasons, flows, species, hatches, habitat, and fishing techniques. Troy is also involved with conservation efforts on the McKenzie. There are currently some important conservation efforts on the river that I am aware of and look forward to hearing Troy's perspective on them.

So much fishing to do, so little time...

- YANCY LIND
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NEXT CAST FLYFISHERS

Next Cast (COF's Youth Program)

The 3-Day Fly Fishing Camp at the Metolius Pond will be held in June. The pond is located just past Camp Sherman. The goal of the Camp is to provide the kids with all the skills needed to become fly fishers. Helpers are needed to insure that the kids have a positive experience. To maximize the experience for the kids, 12 to 14 volunteers are needed. The following are the camp activities: fly fishing equipment, water safety including having the kids put on waders and collect insects in Spring Creek, insect identification, practice overhead casting, Oregon Fishing Regulations, knot tying, fly tying and fishing in Metolius Pond. On the last day the kids are handed a fly rod in it's case and have to assemble the rod and tie on a fly before they can go fishing. If you know anyone between 10 and 16 that might be interested have them go to: <https://redmondor.myrec.com/info/activities/search.aspx> to register. The camp is held in cooperation with ODFW, Redmond Park and Recreation and COF volunteers. COF received 60% of the registration fee. The camp will be held on June 26th, 27th, and 28th with the tent raising on June 25th.

Please email: fcholick@gmail.com and plan on being a helper, our assistance will be greatly appreciated. Liz Jones has already agreed to lead the insect identification and John Howard has agreed to lead the Fly Tying.

- FRED A. CHOLICK
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OTHER NEWS

Fly Casting Instruction Outing – *Dust the Rust Off*

The COF fly casting instruction team conducted casting classes on May 10 and 16 at Discovery Park in Bend, Oregon. The two-hour long classes focused on teaching fly casting fundamentals and basic skills building in the areas of over-head, roll and presentation casts to COF members. Instructors leveraged FFI's Fly Casting Skills Development Program and Casting Certification Program to assist members improve their casting for the upcoming fishing season.

A total of 17 members took advantage of these casting instruction events. Participants received

personalized training from each instructor. Participant to instructor ratio was approximate 2:1 which allowed instructors to focus on each participant's needs and casting objectives.

Participants were able to retool their current casting skills set and take their overall casting abilities to the next level. The instruction team is confident these teaching events enable participants to be more successful anglers and increase their enjoyment on the water.

Many thanks to our COF fly casting instructors which currently include, Mary Ann Dozer (flyfishingpursuits@gmail.com), Dean McNaught (Drfish11@icloud.com), Brad Cleaves (bcleaves@cox.net) and Stephen Williams (saintsteve1@me.com). For those individuals who could not attend and any COF member, please contact any of the casting instructors for private lessons.

- STEPHEN WILLIAMS
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2023 COF Banquet Wrap

The COF spring Banquet was a success by all accounts. After not having held a Banquet since 2019, your Banquet co-chairs had a lot of questions with few answers when we accepted the challenge from the Board to bring it back in 2023: who would want to come, who would be willing to donate something of value, would we have the right venue at a reasonable price, and the biggest question, would we make money to help fill the coffers after the COVID years? Ultimately, we had a good turnout of 67 (74 members had registered) with four more from Confluence coming as complimentary. We had about 140 items combined in the silent auction and raffle. We netted some \$11,100.00 to support our mission and goals. We had a good time and got to catch up with some members we haven't seen for a while.

We want to thank the local fly shops that supported our fundraising efforts. Clearly, Confluence Fly Shop/ Deep Canyon Outfitters donation of a 3-day 2-night float camping trip was the highlight of the silent auction and raised a quarter (\$2,800) of our net income on that one donation alone. Other shops with generous donations were The Flyfishers Place, The Patient Angler, Fin & Fire and Bend Fly Shop. Thank them all and support them with your business.

We made a lot of money from trips donated by members. Yancy Lind, current Programs Director and



Annual Barbecue

- 1.** Fred Cholick, Master of Ceremonies **2.** Fred Cholick and Tim Quinton **3.** Fred and Corol Ann Carey
4. Sue Coyle with a keeper **5.** Vinny Detweiler running **6.** Fred Cholick, Vinny and Weston Michel **7.** Bob Shimane and Tim Schindele **8.** Renee Schindele and Debbie Norton **9.** Fred and Pete Martin **10.** Kari and Van Schoessler **11.** Fred and Yancy Lind **12.** Fred and Eric Steele

a newly minted Honorary Lifetime Member, deserves a special thank you for his generous support of the fundraising effort. He saw the interest in his donated trip and offered to provide it to anyone who paid the agreed upon sum as a donation to COF. He raised \$1,300 for COF and will be taking three parties fishing. At Large Board member Jack Patterson's overnight fishing trip on Klamath Lake also brought in \$510 at the silent auction. Fred Cholick's walk and wade fishing outing on the upper Deschutes raised \$130. We really appreciated the fishing items and other things donated by members, but trips are sure winners.

We took time after dinner to honor some of our members with awards. Fred presented two members with the 2022 Flyfisher of the Year. Congratulations for those well-earned awards to Tim Quinton and Corol Ann Carey. Three other long-serving members, Yancy Lind, Eric Steele and Pete Martin, were awarded with Lifetime Honorary Member status. Special Awards for Outstanding Service were presented to Sue Coyle, Kari Schoessler and Jen Luke.

It takes a fair amount of effort to stage the Banquet. We especially want to thank our volunteers who stepped up to help. Bob Shimane and Debbie Norton were invaluable help collecting, sorting and organizing the donations. Bob, Debbie, Fred Cholick, Eric Steele, Corol Ann Cary, Lee Ann Ross and Herb Blank were tremendous help in getting the room set up on Banquet day for the silent auction and raffle. The evening of the Banquet, we had terrific support from Vinny Detweiler, Weston Michel and Julia Luke as raffle runners, Nancy and Mark Hamilton selling raffle tickets and helping pull the winning raffle tickets, Eric and Debbie pulling winning raffle tickets, Bill Raleigh with Vinny and Weston pulled winning raffle tickets, Rynie and Mike Quan served as auction runners. Laura Maier, who is Renee's daughter, and Nancy Hamilton helped Renee run credit card payments for the silent auction. We also owe our thanks to recent past Banquet Chairs Pete Martin, Tom Wideman, Debbie Norton and Eric Steele for their prior Banquet planning and summary information which was available to us. Todd Carey was there capturing the moments with his camera, as always. Renee Schindele put in many hours going back to October in planning and fine-tuning the Banquet. Her attention to the small details is what helps make such events a success.

Fred said he has lots of experience hosting and serving as Master of Ceremonies at events such as the Banquet. It showed, as he did a masterful job

of keeping things on track and getting the crowd's attention when needed. Bob Shimane wrote that having Fred looking like Ben Cartwright was frosting on the cake.

We thank the Elks Lodge and manager Sara Carner for putting it all together for us. There were some hiccups but the venue served our purposes well and the price was a bargain.

Thank you to all who came and helped make for a successful evening. We hope more members will join us next year.

- TIM AND RENEE SCHINDELE

BOARD BITS

COF BOARD MEETING

25 MAY, 6:00 PM

DESCHUTES PIZZA GRILL AND TAPHOUSE

Approval of Minutes – moved, 2nd & passed

Treasurer's Report

- Collected \$900 from casting classes
 - » Stephen Williams spent \$48.31 on refreshments for the two casting classes and COF agreed to reimburse him.
 - » COF will reimburse

Outings – Tom and Fred were the only 2 attendees today

- Why aren't people attending our outings?
- Will discuss this at the October retreat

Old Business

- Debrief Annual Banquet & Fundraiser
 - » Silent auction took in \$9,007.00
 - » Raffle tickets \$1,260.00
 - » Cash donation from vendor \$100.00
 - » Total proceeds from auction and raffle \$10,367.00
 - » Meals, venue and admin costs cleared \$822.00
 - » Net proceeds \$11,189.00
- Ambiance of the Elks Lodge?
 - » 71 attendees, all thought it was a great success

» The only complaint was the slow speed of serving the meal

- Advertising policy for Board Book
 - » Proposal.....The following submissions for the newsletter, from supportive organizations and/or organizations aligned with the Central Oregon Flyfishers mission, must be approved by the COF Board:
 - All advertisements
 - All calendar of events

New Business

- Combining the storage lockers
- We will remove all newsletter ads and website sponsors from fly shops that did not support the banquet
- Report on the Salmon & Trout Advisory Committee (STEP advisory committee)
 - » Fred will write a letter of support from the Board for removal of invasive species from lakes
 - » STEP stack program – to educate kids and provide a budget for small projects

Other Business

- KK – Fall Streamside event, 25, 26, 28 & 29 September
- Programs – next month is Troy Leedy, Mackenzie River
- Membership – 267 members, 3 new members
- Tom – waiting for a response from Bend Parks & Rec on Discovery Park casting course
- We still need an Education coordinator
- Next meeting 22 Jun

- KARI SCHOESSLER
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MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to Our New Members

Lisa Amato Craig - Jennifer Butts - West Linn

Sami Godlove - Bend

Central Oregon Flyfishers counts 267 currently active members. Ten new members joined in the month of April.

- ROBERT SHIMANE
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COF CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: TWO ORVIS LARGE ARBOR THREE SPOKE EXTRA SPOOLS FOR A 5/6 LINE. Make offer. (Reel is attached to a fly rod in about 30' of water at East Lake). Jack Patterson, 541-941-4156, Jfp44@gmail.com



FREE: CORTLAND MAGNUM 200 D SPOOL for a salmon reel. Line size unknown. Free. Jack Patterson, 541-941-4156, Jfp44@gmail.com

FOR SALE: SCIENTIFIC ANGLERS SYSTEM 2 89 REEL - \$50, Excellent condition, reel for 8 -9 weight lines. Comes with ~200 yds of 30 lb braided Dacron backing in good condition. Call or email if you have questions or want to look at them in person. Tim Quinton, cgtimq@gmail.com, 509-392-3516



FOR SALE: KORKERS DEVIL'S CANYON WADING BOOTS, SIZE 12 - \$75, These boots have been worn quite a bit but have plenty of life left in them. The cable one of the boots was replaced last year, and both cables are in good shape. Comes with 1 pr of Studded Kling-On Soles and 1 pr of Kling-On Sticky Soles. Check out the Korkers website for the details: <https://korkers.com/collections/fishing-footwear/products/devils-canyon?variant=24521933848676>. Call or email if you have questions or want to look at them in person, Tim Quinton, cgtimq@gmail.com, 509-392-3516



FOR SALE: SAGE MODEL ONE 7116-4 TWO HANDED SWITCH ROD, 11' 6", 7 WT., 4-PIECE, SOCK AND TUBE, \$500, comes with Rio Scandi Shooting Head, 420 gr. and Rio Powerflex Shooting Line, Like new, rod and line fished perhaps twice, retail; rod-\$860, shooting line-\$40, scandi line-\$55, total cost \$955, Peter Martin, landline, 541-388-8956, pcmartin@bendbroadband.com



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

- CLASSIFIEDS@COFLYFISHERS.ORG



TUNGSTEN SURVEYOR

BY BILL SEITZ

The tungsten surveyor is a popular nymph developed by Lance Eagan, a member of the U.S. Fly Fishing Team, a number of years ago. This fly is an excellent generic imitation of aquatic invertebrates (bugs) that inhabit central Oregon streams, but I have used it in many other streams in the western U.S. When the U.S. team held its competition in central Oregon a number of years ago, I was a controller for Lance and Devin Olsen on several Crooked River beats. Both anglers had great days on their beats using this pattern. This pattern is a good choice for the Crooked River because it is an effective match for sow bugs. Its lighter colors are good for the off-

color flows on the Crooked. I had lots of success with this pattern this spring for whitefish and rainbows. Size 16 works the best. For directions of how to tie the fly, Google “tungsten surveyor” for good videos.

MATERIALS

Hook: size 16 nymph or jig hook

Bead: size 2.0 or 2.3mm silver tungsten or brass bead (euronymphs may need to be heavier depending of river flows and depth)

Tail: Natural pheasant tail fibers

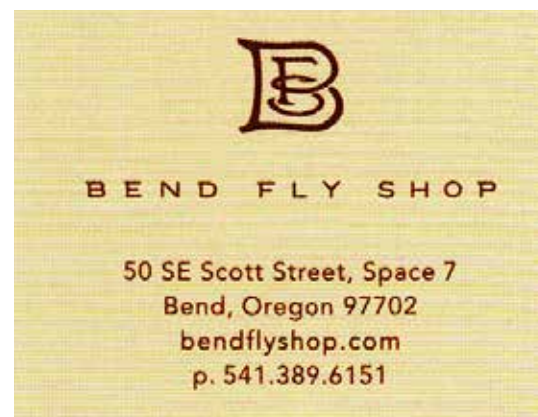
Rib: Small silver wire

Abdomen/thorax: Rainbow sow scud dubbing

Wing Case: Large pearl/mirage opal tinsel

- BILL SEITZ

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JUNE 2023 UPSTREAM EVENTS

DATE	ACTIVITY	CONTACT
June 21	Crane Prairie Outing	slich0909@gmail.com
June 21	General Meeting	
June 22	BOD Meeting	president@coflyfishers.org
June 25, 26, 27, 28	Next Cast Youth Flyfishing Camp	

In the Future

DATE	ACTIVITY	CONTACT
July	Three Creeks Lake Outing	fcholick@gmail.com
August	East Lake Outing	
August 16	COF BBQ, Aspen Hall, Shevlin Park	
September	John Day River Outing	tjsfishes@bendbroadband.com



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