

Santiam Flycasters

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Monthly Newsletter of the Santiam Flycasters



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JANUARY PROGRAM

January 10 - 7:00 pm

"Coastal Steelheading"

Wes Campbell

Cascadia Fly Shop

Corvallis

We will also hear from Alex Farrand from ODFW about Steelhead scatter planting on the North Santiam



Wes Campbell, new owner of Cascadia Fly Shop in Corvallis, will present "Coastal Steelheading" at our January meeting. His special techniques produce Steelhead. Wes has fished the Coast and knows the "in's" and "out's" to successfully hook these elusive fish. He will share via slides where, when and how to approach this fishery including the tactics and timing for steelheading

Corvallis's coastal streams with a fly rod. We will also learn about changes to the shop, class offerings and new guide service - Cascadia Fly Fishing.

January Outing

Our first outing of 2013, on January 26, will be at the lake at Camp Winema on the Coast. Camp Winema is located west of Highway 101 between Mileposts 93 and 94 on Highway 101. To get there, either take Highway 22/18 to the Otis area and go North on Highway 101 or take the Three Rivers Highway at Valley Junction, turn left onto the Little Nestucca Highway to Highway 101, and go South on Highway 101.

If you want to carpool, we will meet at the West Salem Safeway at 7:30.

Camp Winema will provide a delicious lunch for a \$5 donation. Leroy has managed to provide good weather each of past three years but, if it looks like rain this year, bring your fly tying gear and we can do that or some casting inside.

The native Cutthroats in the lake were very cooperative last year. A floating device is the best but some shoreline is also available. An assortment of flies seems to work on these feisty fish.

This is a great way to start your fishing in 2013. There also may be some steelhead nearby in the Nestucca or trout in Town Lake.

Calendar of Events
for more details go to
www.santiamflycasters.com

January 2013

Board Meeting

Monday, January 7, 7:00 p.m.
at Garibaldi Family Mexican
Restaurant, 1111 Edgewater St.
NW, West Salem.

General Meeting:

Thursday, January 10
General Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Wes Campbell: "Coastal Steel-
heading"
Special Guest: Alex Farrand of
ODFW reporting on the "Scatter
Steelhead Planting Program" on
the North Santiam.

Outing

Saturday, January 26
Wi-Ne-Ma Lake

February 2013

Board Meeting

Monday, February 4, 7:00 p.m.
at Garibaldi Family Mexican
Restaurant, 1111 Edgewater St.
NW, West Salem.

General Meeting:

Thursday, February 7, 7:00 p.m.
(Note Change in Date!)
Santiam Flycasters Annual
Auction

Outing

Saturday, February 23
Crooked River



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Save the Date

SFC Fly Fishing Outings Scheduled for 2013

**Denotes Informal Outings*

January 26	Wi-Ne-Ma Lake
February 23	Crooked River
March 23	Deschutes River (Pine Tree to Beavertail)
April 20	Haystack Reservoir
May 4*	*Davis Lake
June 1	Metolius River
June 22	East Lake
July 13*	*John Day River
July 27	Three Creek Lake
August 17	Umpqua River
September 7*	*Diamond Lake
September 21	Lava Lake
October 19	Deschutes River (Warm Springs to Trout Creek)
October 26*	*Detroit Lake
November 9	Miami River

Matt has shown our 2013 outings on the calendar on our website, which you can load onto your own electronic devices. We had several other locations that we could not fit into the schedule. We can use our "sfc-fish" system for club members to invite others to fish some other sites as well, including some closer locations such as Silverton Reservoir or the Santiam or Willamette Rivers. To subscribe to "sfc-fish" contact Tim Johnson (tim.the.fisherman@gmail.com). Watch upcoming newsletters, the SFC website, or come to the club meetings for details as these events approach. Looks like an exciting year of fishing!

2013 Santiam Flycasters Annual Auction

February 7

Make sure to mark your calendar for this important date. The Santiam Flycasters Annual Auction is a win-win for our club. It raises funds necessary to cover costs, such as speaker fees, Pringle Hall rental fees, outing entrees, and other club expenses. Membership fees are not sufficient to cover all of these costs. The auction also benefits club members by providing fishing, camping and related items at a great value.

We receive some of the auction items from fly fishing equipment manufacturers, retailers, outfitters, and fly shops. However, many of these items come from members like you, in the form of hand-tied flies, fly fishing equipment and camping supplies. So, please consider tying a dozen or so flies for the auction (we will provide the fly boxes). If you have the skills, mounted display flies are very popular items at the auction. Also, consider donating one of your surplus fly rods, reels, fly lines, fly tying tools and materials, or camping equipment. Donated items should be clean and in good condition.

For more information, please contact Tim Johnson, this year's auction coordinator, at tim.the.fisherman@gmail.com or 503-363-8435.

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Board Members Wanted

The Santiam Flycasters want you!

We are looking for a few good men and women. If you are interested in helping decide who our presenters are and where we go for our outings, please join us. Or, if you just want to find out what goes on during the board meetings or want to share your opinion; please join us.

No experience needed, just your interest in fly fishing is all it takes to be a board member.

From the President


by Ken Karnosh

As I said at the December meeting, I feel kind of like President Obama because we both are starting our second and last term, except that my term is only a year. Thank you for your support and help. I look forward to another successful year for the Santiam Flycasters.

We have compiled a list of exciting outings for 2013 and hope you can participate in many of those. We have been trying for some time to get a conservation project and a program with Project Healing Waters going and also hope to do that this year. We also will strive to provide meeting programs that are of interest to both the experienced fisherpersons as well as those of us who aren't quite as experienced and we welcome your suggestions for program topics.

On March 8 and 9, we will again be running the silent auction at the Northwest Flytyers Expo in Albany and we need volunteers to help with that. I will have a signup sheet at the meeting. If you volunteer, you get free admission to the Expo.

Happy New Year!



2013 NW Fly Tyer Expo

March 8 & 9 - Albany OR

200 Tyers ~ 50 Exhibitors
Casting Demos ~ Classes ~ Raffles

www.nwexpo.com

2013 Dues

If you haven't already paid your 2013 dues, we hope that you will do so. Remember that your dues help to pay for the club costs including building rent, program fees, and others. You can find the renewal sheet at the end of the newsletter. Thanks much.

Win Fly Tying Equipment

A generous donor has contributed a fly tying cabinet complete with vise and materials that he wants to be given to a person who wants to start tying flies. To accomplish that purpose, we will have a drawing at our January meeting for that equipment and materials. If you or someone you know want to win this equipment and materials, just e-mail your name and phone number to KenKarnosh@gmail.com or come to the January meeting and enter the drawing there. There is no charge. We just want it to go to a person who will put it to good use.

December Dinner December 13, 2012

We Santiam Flycasters were true to form at our Christmas Dinner in December. About 70 people devoured nearly all of the food, enjoyed an interesting and informative program by Rick Hafele, wone some raffle prizes, and enjoyed each others company. See the pictures below.

If you missed the event, make a mental note to join us next year!



Fly of the Month Caballero Egg

Trying to come up with a “Fly of the Month” for January Ken suggested a Caballero Egg Fly pattern as thoughts turn to Winter Steelhead fishing. But, which Caballero Egg pattern to post? Finally decided on this pattern from the Salmonfly.net website.



Name: Caballero

Hook: Tiemco 7999 or Equiv, Size 4-8

Butt: Fluorescent Chartreuse Chenille

Ribbing: Pearlescent Mylar Tinsel

Body: Fluorescent Pink Chenille

Wing: Pearlescent Mylar Tinsel, Unraveled

Collar: Hot Pink Saddle Hackle

Head: Orange

There is another pattern demonstrated by the folks at the Caddis Fly shop. Go to YouTube and search Gorman's Caballero Egg. A similar pattern may be found at their Blog (www.oregonflyfishing-blog.com) called the “Bead Head Lifter.”

Fishing With The Frog "Striper Fishing on the Colorado"

Having been born and raised in the Pacific Northwest, I am all too familiar with old man winter and the torrents of rain that are guaranteed to come with the passing of our beautiful fall weather. Hence, I can usually be found in Arizona come Thanksgiving. This year is no exception, and my wife and I are spending a couple of months at an RV Resort on the Colorado River, about 20 miles south of Lake Havasu.

Although this portion of the river is not known as a world destination fly fishery, it nevertheless provides an opportunity to pursue a fine fighting (and good eating) finned fellow called the Striped Bass. There are also Large Mouth, Small Mouth, Carp, both Channel and Flathead Catfish, and you might even find a trout here and there.

Although Colorado River Stripers do not grow to the proportions of the East Coast cousins, they are not something to target with that RL Winston 4 weight that Santa Claus just brought you for Christmas. A 6 or 7 wt. rod is plenty big enough, but a full sinking line tipped with 8-10 feet of lead core “sink tip” line is essential to get your fly down to the fish; especially when fishing the deep water just above one of the dams. On the free flowing portions of the river, a Steelhead set up for swing flies works just fine. My personal choice is an 8/9 weight that allows for throwing very large weighted flies long distances. I would think a Spey Rod would work quite well. I just don't own one.

The food of choice for the Colorado River Striped Bass is the Thread Fin Shad, and large bait fish patterns are essential. In the lake portions of the river, the Shad move in schools numbering in the thousands. A favorite method of the locals here is to snag a Shad using a weighted treble hook (very legal here) and throw the little fellow into deeper water. Not a very sporting way to fish, but it will put meat on the table. It is also my main backup method when my arm gets tired from all that casting practice. Fishing the “Dark Side” may name be as “Sportsman” like as fly fishing, but it almost always guarantees a fish fry.

Tight Lines -- Howard Palmer

Mission Statement



It is the mission of the Santiam Flycasters to promote the sport of fly fishing for all interested individuals of all generations now and into the future by fellowship, education, conservation practices, promoting research, guardianship of proper regulations and support, affiliation, and cooperation with other like-minded organizations.



Don't Let Me Get Away!
Join the Club Now!



2013 Membership Application

The Santiam Flycasters, P.O. Box 691, Salem, OR 97308

www.santiamflycasters.com

Type of Membership (circle one) Regular \$25 Family \$30

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email _____

Family Members: _____

Please tell us why you want to be a member (please check all that apply): hear presentations on various flyfishing topics, improve my fly tying skills, improve my fly casting skills, participate in fishing stream and lake improvement projects, go on fishing trips with other club members, learn more about fishing in the area, other, please specify: _____

Are you an FFF Member? (circle one) Yes No

You must sign this release each year when you renew to participate in club activities.

*Note: Dues are from January 1st to December 31st. There is a 50% reduction for new members only after July 1st.

Liability Release and Hold Harmless Agreement

As a condition of membership or of participation in any activity encouraged on publicized by the Santiam Flycasters, I voluntarily assume all risks of my participation. In acknowledgment 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 Santiam Flycasters, 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 Santiam Flycasters 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 rights that I may have to bring legal action to assert a claim against the Santiam Flycasters for its negligence.

I have read the above statement and agree to its terms as a condition of my membership in the Santiam Flycasters.

X _____
Signature Print Name Date