



Santiam Flycasters

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BOARD MEETING

Monday, Nov. 10, 7:00 pm

Garibaldi Family Restaurant

GENERAL MEETING

Pringle Community Center

Thursday, November 13

7:00 pm Regular Meeting

Chip O'Brien

"What I Did This Summer"

November SFC Outings

November 15 Detroit Lake

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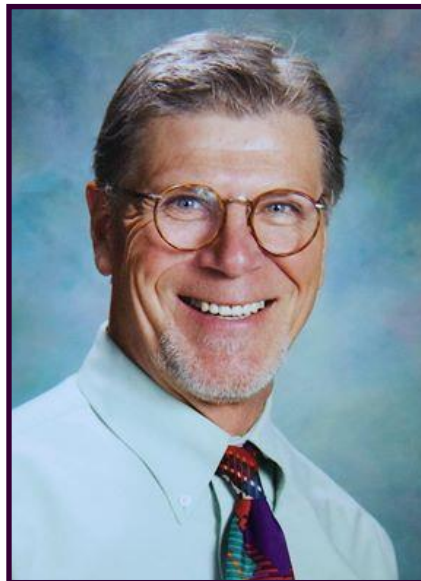
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Monthly Newsletter of the Santiam Flycasters

November 2014

November Program — Thursday, November 13 at 7:00 pm

Chip O'Brien — "What I Did This Summer"



Chip will share photos of his fly fishing travels this summer.

These travels include three California trips and two Oregon trips. His presentations are very informative and will inspire you to fish new areas.

Chip is a local club member who along with fly fishing also enjoys photography and writing.

He is a regular contributor to *California Fly Fisher* and *Northwest Fly Fishing* magazines and author of *River Journal*, *Sacramento River* and *California's Best Fly Fishing*. He lived in Redding, California for eighteen years, where he was a guide, teacher, and regional manager for CalTrout.

He now lives with his wife, Marlee, in Silverton, Oregon, and teaches English, journalism, earth science, and fly fishing to high school students.



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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.

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Crooked River Outing Report



About a dozen of us enjoyed wonderful weather and pretty cooperative fish at the Crooked River on October 4. We occupied nearly the whole campground!

Although fishing with dry flies wasn't really productive, nymphing with a zebra midge or similar produced fairly good results. The fish seemed to be a bit bigger than in the past, with a good number of 14-16" size. A guide had two guys, who seemed to be novices at the start, consistently catching fish on nymphs across the river from us.



Although there were a good number of fishermen on the river, it still was a fun and productive outing in a beautiful setting, with adequate fishing space for all. We're looking forward to being able to do it again.

Deschutes River Outing Report

We apparently had two separate outings at Beavertail Campground on October 18, with Will and John at one end and Tim, Paul, and Ken at the other. I know it's such a big campground, but we discovered each other on Sunday morning! The campground, as were most of the others on the river, was full with people still coming in and looking for a camp spot.

Fishing wasn't anything to brag about for us. The guys fishing for trout each hooked a steelhead, but the guys fishing for steelhead didn't catch any trout or steelhead! In fact, only one small trout was landed, along with several smolts and whitefish. Small black midge patterns worked the best, with Bird's Nest next best.

The weather on Saturday was great, with some overcast in the morning. There were a LOT of steelheaders on the river, but very few trout fishermen. The river level is 6-10" lower than when we fish it in March, which changes some of the traditional fishing spots, but makes easier wading in many spots.

The season also opened for the 3 tags for Bighorn Sheep in the area and a hunter apparently bagged his sheep just above camp on Sunday.

Welcome New Member:

Please welcome our most recent new member

Eric Foley—Salem

Santiam Flycasters Needs Your Help

We need your help!

The Santiam Flycasters is a member-run organization. Everything you enjoy about the club, happens because members like you have helped to make it happen. If you value the club's meetings, speakers, raffles, outings, newsletter, webpage, Facebook page, casting sessions, fly tying events, annual auction or other club activities, please consider helping us out by getting involved.

The best way to get involved is to become a board member. It is not a major commitment to be a board member. We only meet once a month at a nearby restaurant for a couple hours. In addition to needing more board members, we currently also need a new president. Board member and officer commitments are only for a year.

Members who have been a board member or an officer in the past are encouraged to get involved again. We need your knowledge and experience on the board. New members are also encouraged to get involved. Your fresh ideas and energy are also needed. If you have any questions, or are ready to help us out, please contact our current board president, Howard Palmer at hpalmer176@aol.com or [503-507-8003](tel:503-507-8003).

November Outing to Detroit Lake

On November 15, we will fish Detroit Lake. Floating devices will definitely be useful there and the lake has recently been stocked.

To get there, drive East on Highway 22 about 48 miles to the Mongold Boat Ramp exit. We will launch about 9:00 or so. Plan to pay the \$5 use fee.

Successful flies include woolly buggers, carey specials, or streamers, possibly with a dropper fly like a pheasant tail, prince nymph, soft hackle, etc. A 4-6 weight rod with intermediate or sinking line probably will work the best. A successful method is just to drag the fly around.

We will serve some bratwurst for lunch, so bring a small side dish to share if you wish. Tim has a brand new canopy for us to get under if it is raining. Hope to see you there at the last outing of 2014!



2014 SFC Outings Yet to Come

Nov 15 — Detroit Lake

Watch the web site, read the newsletter, or come to the meetings for more information as these outings approach.

If you have suggestions for outings in 2015, please communicate your ideas to any member of the Board.

Or, attend the December Board Meeting as we prepare the schedule for our outings in 2015.

From the President By Howard Palmer

Here in the Pacific Northwest, we are truly blessed with a myriad of fishing opportunities that exist almost at our door step. We have several options to wet a line that are far less than an hour away, and many of them are open to us the entire year. Detroit Lake is a prime example, and one that we can all take advantage of, almost at a moment's notice.

Santiam Flycasters plan to do just that during the next couple of months. Both of our final outings for the year are scheduled to Detroit, and I hope that you can join us. The fishing can be quite phenomenal, as can the weather. Yes, we have our share of rainy days, but we might just as easily have a warm sunny day, even in the dead of winter, or late fall.

The cool (OK, sometimes cold) clear days of November can be an ideal time to venture out on the water in pursuit of the fishes that ODFW has provided for our fishing pleasure. These finned fellows are normally more than willing to take your favorite fly. With each passing day of the fall and winter seasons, their food sources dwindle, and even our most poorly tied imitations can be tempting to these hungry trout.

Fall also brings the opportunity for us to chase some really big fishes on our coastal streams. We are experiencing some of the largest salmon runs on record, and I hope that you have been able to get out in pursuit of them more than I have. You would think being retired, would allow a person unlimited time on the water; but alas, hunting and "Honey-Dos" have prevailed, and I have yet to wet a line in search of my next salmon dinner. I



am hoping that is about to change.

Dwight has arranged for another interesting program for our November meeting, and I hope you will join us for this informative session. Those of you who could not attend last month's presentation on Salt Water presentations, really missed a great program.

November also gives us a time to reflect on the blessings we have received, and to give thanks for each of them. To this end, I wish to thank each of the members of the board for all their assistance during this past year. Being President is not a "one man" job and I deeply appreciate the help and participation of every one.
THANK YOU.

Which of course, brings me to my final item this month; the board needs you, and your participation. We also need a President for the coming year. We need your ideas and input to ensure that the Santiam Flycasters continues to be a viable entity to us all. It has been, and will continue to be a very important part of my life. Please come join us at our monthly meetings at Garibaldi Mexican Restaurant on Edgewater Street in West Salem.

Tight Lines

Howard Palmer, President

SFC-Fish Electronic Message Board

One of the benefits of being a Santiam Flycasters member is having access to the SFC-FISH electronic message board. The message board gives members the opportunity to communicate with other about fly fishing and related topics. Once subscribed, you can post messages to SFC-FISH by sending an email to **sfc-fish@googlegroups.com**

You will receive messages posted by other members via your email account. It's as easy as that. To subscribe to SFC-FISH, simply send an email request to

santiamflycasters@yahoocom,

and we'll subscribe you and notify you when you can begin using the message board. Note: your SFC membership must be current to be a subscriber of SFC-FISH.

Fishing with the Frog By Howard Palmer

A NEED TO EXERCISE

It is often brought to my attention, that perhaps I spend way too much time in the "Man Cave," playing with my fur and feathers. Apparently, setting at a desk all day is not healthy, and evidently I need to do something more physically challenging. Actually, my entire adult life has been spent as a "desk jockey," so it really comes quite naturally; and is in fact, a really difficult habit to break.

At first, it was just "the little woman" who was so free with this advice. Of late however, she has been joined by my doctor, who also has had the audacity to suggest that perhaps I have been refilling my scotch glass a bit too often. I really think that there is a conspiracy going on here. Either that, or these two are far more friendly than I could ever imagine. Actually, they have never met, but their words of warning have indeed made an impression on me to the point that I am beginning to at least listen to them.

So much so, that I am in the process of designing a fly tying table that can be used on the go. Remember the "Cigar" ladies from the old movies? The ones that walked around with a tray of their wares. The tray was strapped to their waist, and was supported by another strap around their neck. Well, I'm thinking that a contraption like that could easily be converted to a portable tying table that would allow you to tie flies and exercise all at the same time. It could be used outside, or, it could be used on a treadmill on rainy days.

By pulling a wagon with a generator in it, you would have the needed lighting to do a really good job on your flies. If you were to include a cup holder like they have on boats, there would be little chance of spilling your scotch (or wine) and the wagon would have enough room for an ice chest. The wagon would also provide a suitable place to put the Chihuahua when she got tired of walking. (Hey, it beats having to pack her!)

I am sure that there must be a lot of need and uses for such a tray, but I will have to give that more thought. In the mean time I probably need to work on my eye-hand-foot coordination, as I tend to be somewhat of a klutz when I am just walking, and the thought of trying to tie a fly in the process is kind of stressful. So much so, that I get tired just thinking about it.

Perhaps another Scotch will help— - - - -?

See you on the water

Howard



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Membership Application

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.

2014 Membership Application

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

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

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

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone: _____ Email _____

Family Members: _____

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

Please tell us why you want to be a member (please check all that apply):

Hear presentations on various fly-fishing 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 _____

You must sign this release each year when you renew to 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 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