



SANTIAM FLYCASTERS

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August 2016

August 11th Casting Clinic

6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Meeting on the lawn at Pringle Community Center
606 Church St SE, Salem, OR

Santiam Flycasters Presents

Take Your Casting to the Next Level

Add "Whoomp"! To Your Cast

Featuring James "Goose" Gruetzman

Goose is a Master candidate with great casting skills and casting knowledge. His insights to casting will provide great information that all levels of casters can use to improve presenting flies to fish. This hour plus clinic will improving your basic cast, add presentation skills and efficiency to your casting. Bring your own rod and for beginners the club has rods to use.

Two Hand Sessions Also Available

15 minute Individual two-hand lesson with Dwight Klemin.

Call Dwight Klemin— (503) 302-9484 to schedule your time. First come first served

6:30 _____
6:45 _____
7:00 _____
7:15 _____
7:45 _____



Board Meeting

Monday August 8

7:00 pm

Garibaldi Family Restaurant

General Meeting

Thursday August 11

6:30-7:45

Casting Clinic

Pringle Community Center

August Outings

Saturday August 13

Umpqua River

Saturday August 27

Little Nestucca River

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Welcome These New Members in July

Fred Bennett, Salem

James Chastain, Silverton

Charles Doolittle, Keizer

Scheduled SFC Club Outings

Aug. 13 Umpqua River

Aug. 27 Little Nestucca River

Sep. 10 Hosmer Lake

Sep. 24 Willamette River (Harrisburg)

Oct. 8 Crooked River

Oct. 22 Deschutes River (Trout Creek)

August 13 Umpqua River Outing



Let's go catch those plentiful small-mouth bass in the Umpqua River near Elkton on August 13! To get to Elkton, drive south on I-5 past Cottage Grove and take the Highway 38/Drain cutoff through Drain to Elkton.

We will camp and take out at Elkton RV Park or you can make it a long day trip. Join us for breakfast at Tomaselli's or Arlene's at 7:30 or so, if you want, and we'll assemble by about 8:30 to shuttle upriver.

A pontoon boat is the best floating device for this 3+ mile float. Suggested equipment is a 4-6 weight rod, intermediate or Type 3 sinking line, and woolly bugger, clouser, or similar flies, preferably beadhead or weighted. Bring your fins so you can position yourself in the slow moving water.

At about 5:30, we'll have a meal at the RV Park. The club will provide hamburgers, so bring a side dish to share if you wish.

August 27 Little Nestucca River Outing

We'll need to get an early start on this outing to catch the tides right to hopefully catch some searun cutthroat trout. Sorry about that! Plan to be ready to get on the water by 7:00 a.m. to fish the incoming tide until about 10:00 and then float and fish the outgoing tide back to the boat ramp. A pontoon boat or drift boat is needed for this float.

To get to the Little Nestucca River boat ramp, drive west on Highway 22 and Highway 18, turn right at Valley Junction onto Highway 22, in about 15 miles, turn left at Dolph Junction onto the Little Nestucca River Highway, turn left onto Highway 101, and turn right onto the road to the boat ramp just south of the Little Nestucca River bridge.

The best fishing time seems to be high tide into the outgoing tide. Suggested equipment is a 4-6 weight rod with floating or intermediate line. Flies should provide movement, maybe with some flash, such as spruce, purple joe, mini-clousers, or woolly buggers.

Bring your lunch, fins, rain coat, and pfd and remember to wash your gear when you get home since this is a tidal zone!

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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.

Pontoon Boat 2016

By Don Meyer

I love my pontoon boat; and I love the perfect low trailer I bought to haul it on. After we fished the Trail Bridge reservoir I decided to drive down the McKenzie pulling my pontoon boat on my boat trailer looking for areas to fish from the bank but all of the boat launch areas were crowded with fishermen taking their boats out.



I finally took my waders off and started for home in Salem. I found a nice freeway through Springfield that put me right onto I-5 and I even got past Cabella's without stopping. As I was heading down the I-5 a couple of miles north of the Beltline freeway someone passed me pointing frantically at where my trailer should be. Panicked, I pulled onto the shoulder wondering what could have gone wrong: flat tire is all I could think of. But it was way worse: the trailer was in perfect shape but the pontoon boat was not there: just a couple of dragging ropes. I looked back down the highway, but nothing nothing nothing (at least not a pile up of cars behind tall rubber tubes!). What should I do now? I found an exit to get me going back south to look for it just praying for a miracle, but then as I was nearing the Beltline exit I saw my pontoon sitting on the shoulder of the freeway all by itself. Of course 6 lanes away and not the way I was going, but so what, I could get there. So I continued on to the Beltline exit waiting for the light and traffic and making an illegal turn to go back north and I arrived at the pontoon boat as a man was finishing tying it to the top of his car. He said that he saw me with an empty trailer and that he was going to catch me and give it back. Well at least I saved him the trouble.

There is a lesson to be learned. Check to be sure the rope is tied down rather than just lying over the boat which is what I think happened. I remember throwing the rope over the boat but not tying it down. If I had checked the rope properly this might not have happened. The amazing thing is that it flew off the trailer onto the shoulder with no damage instead of into the way of another car. I am so lucky. I should have bought a lottery ticket on the way home.



East Lake Outing Report

By Larry Steele

The East Lake outing this year was so typical of East Lake, alternately pleasant and beautiful and cold, windy and nasty. We had a modest turnout that grew to over a dozen swelled by friends and family of Ricky Love. Other members who wet a line

included Don Meyer, Jerrold Martisak, Ken Karnosh, Dennis Dahlen, Bill Meier, Bruce Wulf, new member George Ostertag and Bob Karau who wore another hat as chef Bob for the outing's Saturday noon meal of BBQ chicken, numerous tasty side dishes and desserts highlighted by Ricky's Dutch oven cobbler.

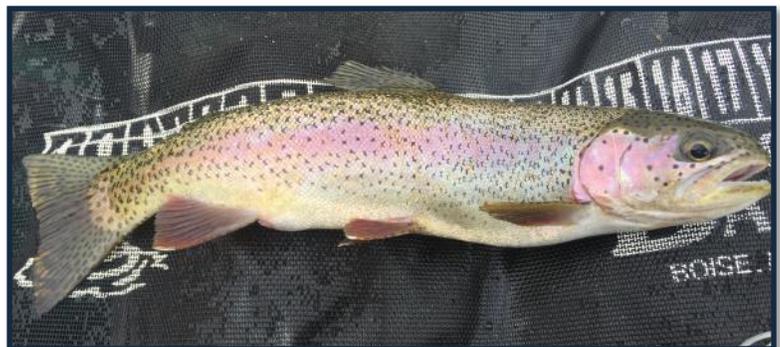
The Fly of the week seemed to be the callibaetis nymph fished on an intermediate or sinking line which seemed to pick up hits by feisty Kokanee but occasionally drew interest from rainbows and browns as well. Other items that worked a bit were Adams and BWO dry flies. These worked for me anyway, others probably had fur and feather combos that worked even better so you might corner Bob K or Ricky L to find out they scored their big fish on.

Dennis and I made a bit longer trip out of it but probably didn't catch any more fish since we blew off fishing to go into Bend for the Summer festival and some nice blues music by Curtis Delgado on Sunday.

I did stay another couple of days after Dennis left and made the short run down to Paulina Lake where I had more solid hook-ups than on any other session on either lake on Tuesday (yeah, I know it sounds like I was there all Summer) and caught my biggest fish of the trip, a 17 1/2" rainbow on an olive Woolly Buzzer. (see picture)

One thing I was determined to do was to try Bob Wolfe's proven chironomid method, which remains mostly unproven in my humble experience. I did have a couple of good hook-ups which resulted in some line screaming off my reel always when I least expected it but no fish in the net so I am going to keep trying it. These were not break offs but a couple were slightly straightened hooks so maybe I need to tie on better hooks?

This report by Larry Steele, it's my story and I'm sticking to it!



Willamette River Outing Report

By Ken Karnosh



About a dozen of us floated the Willamette on July 23 to try to catch some Smallmouth Bass.

It was a beautiful day to be on the water. Well, it was beautiful except for the strong afternoon breeze that kept trying to push us back upriver to our put-in! We had several other tubers and kayakers/canoists on the river, but they stayed away from our fishing areas.

Fishing success ranged from not so good to quite good. We landed a few nice Smallies, had at least one nice one almost to the boat, and had several possible big ones that got loose, as usual. My experience this year was that the Smallies outnumbered the pikeminnow. Successful flies seemed to be whatever provided movement to attract the fish. Michael Zavala's big fish is one of the pictures and Alan(Fitz)'s son is also holding a good one.

I found that these Smallies can be almost as hard to locate and catch as those trout on the Deschutes! I fished several good looking spots and didn't hook anything. The Smallies seem to like slower moving water, but not really the still water. I found them mostly in water where I could see the bottom, especially if there was some change to the bottom like a gravel dropoff. I caught several in a slower stretch when I decided to just row through to get to what I thought would be better habitat. I also got skunked at several of what I thought would be good holding spots!

Anyway, it's a fun float if you want to spend a beautiful summer day to do it and hopefully catch some feisty fish! Plus, it's close to home.





2016 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 _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Family Members _____

Please tell us why you want to be 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 about fishing in the area, other (please specify):

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

Are you interested in obtaining a Santiam Flycasters name tag? (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 after July 1st. for new members.

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 waving 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



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