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July 2018

Let's Go Fishing Instead! All in favor, say, "Aye."



There will be no board or general meetings in July.

Instead, we encourage all members to go fishing! As if we need an excuse to do so.

2018 to date has been a good year for the club. We've seen an influx of new members. The various outings produced fish and fun for those who participated.

Let's say, "Thank you" to Jerrold Martisak for the line up of speakers this year : Jonah Sandford of the Deschutes River

Alliance, Nate Brumley of Dry Fly Innovations, Scott Cook on fishing Central Oregon, and Mitch Smith on fishing the Middle Fork of the Willamette. We look forward to what Jerrold has planned for the rest of the year.

"Thank you," as well, to President Ricky Love and his emphasis on welcoming those who are new to fly fishing and new to the club.

Really, "Thanks," to all of you who enjoy being part of the Santiam Flycasters. As much as we hope club participation helps you meet your own goals in becoming a better fly fisher, we also see how members are working together to enhance the whole sport of fly fishing.

See you August 9 for the Annual Fly Casting Clinic.

Fly Tying Group

Wednesday June 20

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Garibaldi Family Restaurant

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2018 Fishing Opportunities with Santiam Flycasters

- Aug. 11 — Willamette River (Keizer Rapids to Wheatland Ferry)
- Aug. 25 — Little Nestucca River
- Sep. 8 — Hosmer Lake
- Sep. 15 — Umpqua River (Elkton)
- Sep. 29 — Owyhee River
- Oct. 13 — Crooked River
- Oct. 27 — McKenzie River (Hendricks to Hayden)
- Nov. 10 — Detroit Lake
- Nov. 17 — Devil's Lake

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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.

**President's Corner
By Ricky Love**

Santiam Flycaster's Club Outreach

One of the most important activities we do each year is participate in outreach events. This outreach helps to promote the great sport of fly fishing and assists in growing our club membership now and in the future.

One of the important outreach activities we participate in every year is the Oregon Youth Day at the E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area at old Camp Adair. Eleven members participated in this great event on June 9 and taught hundreds of youth how to tie woolly buggers. It is typical to have several youth return to our tying booth 2-3 times during the day so they can tie another woolly bugger – a great measure of success.



This year added a different dynamic. Although the target audience was our Oregon youth, during the day we had parents and even grandparents interested in tying woolly buggers. Our members gladly took this opportunity to inform and educate interested adults and taught several parents how to tie a woolly bugger. I had the pleasure of teaching a grandmother. The parents and grandparents were as enthusiastic about learning about fly tying and fly-fishing as the youth – another measure of success for our outreach.

Despite the occasional rain throughout the day, our eleven members did an outstanding job promoting this great sport and the Santiam Flycasters Club and they really enjoyed themselves and got a lot of gratification in making youth and adults smile after successfully tying a woolly bugger. We may not see immediate results in club membership growth, but I have no doubt this was a huge success in promoting our sport and club. I want to thank those members that volunteered for this event and for making it successful. A special thanks to Ken Karnosh for organizing our efforts. I encourage all of you to participate in these outreach activities. Sometimes it's hard to know who's having more fun.... the club members or the target audience.



WELCOME

New Member in June

Bill Sime, Salem

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@yahoo.com,

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.

Willamette River Outing—July 14

On July 14, we will float the Willamette River from Marshall Island to Harrisburg. Drift boats are nice and offer a bit more opportunity to fish, but pontoon boats work quite well. The float is about 7 miles with minor rapids.

Plan to meet at the Harrisburg City Park boat ramp at 8:00 a.m. We will combine boats as much as possible before driving to the launch site and shuttling vehicles back to the Park. To get to Harrisburg, drive I-5 south to the Brownsville-Halsey exit 216, drive west to Highway 99E, turn left and drive south on 99E about 7 miles to Harrisburg. The park and boat ramp is a couple of blocks west of downtown Harrisburg.

Suggested gear is 4-6 weight rods with floating line. Swinging flies such as prince nymphs and soft hackles should produce fish, but also be prepared to do some nymphing and possibly catch a hatch at some time.

The sponsor is Tim Johnson, so contact him at tim.the.fisherman@gmail.com if you have questions.

The club will not provide lunch, so remember your food and drink as well as your life jacket and wading staff.

Three Creek Lake Outing July 25

We will do a Wednesday outing at Three Creek Lake on July 25. You can camp at the lake or just make this a long day trip.

To get there, drive Highway 22 east to Sisters, turn right (south) in the middle of town onto the road to the lake (USFS Road 16), and drive about 14 miles to the lake.

A boat, pontoon boat, or float tube is best to fish this lake that has rainbows and native brook trout. Suggested gear is 4-6 weight rods with floating, intermediate, or Type 3 line. There is some dry fly action for ants and callibaetis, but fishing subsurface with smaller buggers or possie buggers with trailers of soft hackles, callibaetis, pheasant tails, etc. should catch fish. Chironomids may also work.

The sponsor is Ken Karnosh, so contact him at kenkarnosh@gmail.com if you have questions.

The club will not provide lunch, so remember your food, drink, and sun screen as well as your life jacket. The lake is at 6,500' elevation, so be prepared for the weather as well.

Metolius River Outing Report

We had an outing to the Metolius on June 16. Apparently no one took part, however, or they were either very smug about all of those beautiful trout that they caught or didn't want to talk about the trout eluding them!

I understand that a former member fished it on that day, had almost no other competition, and caught a respectable number of trout.

Anyway, it is too bad that we cancelled the planned social event due to camp availability. In the past, the club has had some very popular events at the Metolius.

East Lake Outing Report

Since the East Lake Outing takes place after this edition of the newsletter went to press, we will have that report in the August newsletter.

Fly Tying Group Wednesday

July 18

We will meet on Wednesday, July 18 at Garibaldi's Family Mexican Restaurant in West Salem from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Come join us to tie, learn, or just visit about fishing. Enjoy some tasty food or a beverage, if you wish, as well.

We try to demonstrate a pattern to tie, if you wish, or each person can tie a pattern of their choice. It's very laid back and it is for all levels of tying ability.

If you have questions, contact Kent Toomb at kent.toomb@gmail.com or by phone at (541) 990-3964.

Hope to see you there.



Another Anniversary Fishing Trip— Deschutes River Warm Springs to Trout Creek

By Leroy Shepherd

This year for our anniversary (42 if you are counting), we decided to take another guided fishing trip. I had done the Warm Springs to Trout Creek trip with the club, but I'm not sure I'm ready to turn Jean loose on the river with her own pontoon boat. She could handle it, I just don't think I could handle it.



First thing on a bright June morning we met Dan our guide and set off down the river. First stop, he rigged us up with nymphing rigs; strike indicator and two flies for Jean and three flies for me.

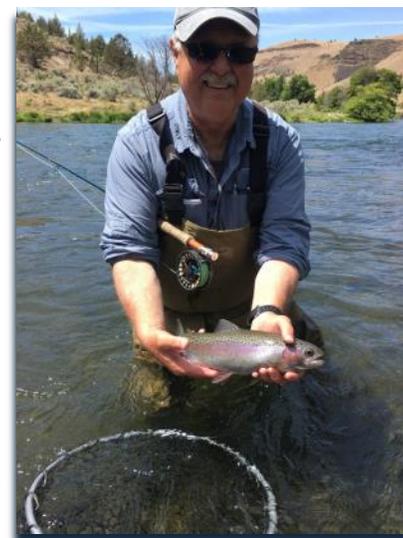
No sooner than he showed Jean how to cast the rig and

asked me to go downstream a bit, Jean was into her first fish.

She had the first and the biggest of the day.

She ended up landing five through the day. I ended up with seven including a bull trout.

Highlight of the day: the trip advertised "shore lunch included." I expected maybe a sandwich and chips. Dan set us up to fish while he "prepared lunch" out of sight around the corner. For a while I routinely lobbed my rig upstream and watched the strike indicator float by, wondering how soon lunch would be. I saw a flash of trout on the surface and next cast managed to drift my rig in the vicinity of the trout and it was, "Fish on." Dan came to help me bring the fish to hand and I had the biggest of my day.



Few minutes later he called out "lunch is ready." Waded around the corner to find grilled steak, asparagus, baked potato all laid out with a flower in a vase for our anniversary dinner! A wonderful way to enjoy lunch along the Deschutes, and 42 years of marriage.

July Fly of the Month

X-Caddis Fly

By Dell Swearingen



X-Caddis:

Hook: #10-20 Dry Fly

Thread: Tan UTC 70

Tail: Tan or Amber Z Lon

Body: Brown, Olive, Black or Tan Hareline Dubbin

Wing: Natural Elk Hair or Medium Coastal Deer Hair

Glue: Loon UV Clear Finish or Super Glue

The *X-Caddis* is a great slow water Caddis imitation. It is similar to the Elk Hair Caddis, with a trailing shuck and without hackle. It imitates an emerging Caddis stuck in the surface film. It sits flush on the water. The X-Caddis is effective in many colors with Olive, Tan and Black being the most common. A video demonstration showing how to tie the X-Caddis was published on March 7, 2014 and may be viewed online at the In The Riffle web site.

Tying Instructions: Insert hook in vice and smash the barb down. The hook in the vise is a barbless size 10 dry fly hook. Lay down a thread base from the hook eye to a point parallel to where the barb would normally be. As in picture one.



Picture one

Tie in a small clump of tan or amber Z-Lon about the length of the hook shank. Insert a half hitch just in front of the Z-Lon. See Picture Two.



Picture two

Form a dubbing loop. In the loop, insert a sparse amount of dubbing spread evenly along the loop. Twist the dubbing loop forming a noodle. Starting where the Z-Lon ended, wrap the dubbing noodle forward around hook up to about 1/8th inch behind the hook eye. Tie off the dubbing noodle and trim the excess. See Picture three.



Picture three

Use a brush to fluff up the dubbing and pull off any extra-long guard hairs. See Picture four.



Picture four

Choose a small clump of elk hair and use a hair stacker to even all the tips. Brush out under fur and pull out hair which is too long or too short. Measure the hair so that it extends just behind the bend of the hook. Cut off the excess. Holding the hair at a 45 degree angle to the shank of the hook, take a couple of loose wraps to secure the hair to the hook. Then pull the thread wraps tight while holding the elk hair above the hook shank. Take several wraps through the elk hair with the last wraps in front of the hair. Make a small head, whip finish, and trim thread. Add a small amount of head cement and the fly is ready to fish.



Santiam Flycasters

2018 Membership Form

The Santiam Flycasters, Inc. is a group of men, women, and youths in the Salem area who have a common interest in flyfishing and have joined together to share their experiences and knowledge of the sport since 1975. The club was incorporated as an Oregon non-profit organization in March of 1977. The Santiam Flycasters, Inc. is affiliated with the Fly Fishers International.

The mission of the Santiam Flycasters is to promote the sport of fly fishing for all interested individuals of every generation now and into the future. Through fellowship, education, conservation practices, promoting research, guardianship of proper regulations and support, the Santiam Flycasters can succeed in this mission.

We meet in Salem the second Thursday of each month (no meeting in July)
at the Pringle Park Community Building
606 Church Street at 7:00 pm.
www.santiamflycasters.com

Mail the completed signed form to: *The Santiam Flycasters, P.O. Box 691, Salem, OR 97308*, or drop it off in person at our next meeting. *Memberships are from January 1st through December 31st. For new members, there is a 50% reduction after July 1st. There is no midyear discount for Life Membership.

Life membership -- \$250 Regular -- \$25 Family -- \$30 Youth--\$10

NAME: _____

ADDRESS/CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE : _____

EMAIL: _____

FAMILY MEMBERS: _____

Are you an FFF Member? Yes No

Are you interested in obtaining an SFC Name Tag? Yes No

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 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