



# SANTIAM FLYCASTERS

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## March Program — Thursday March 8

### Advanced Dry Fly Fishing with

### Nate Brumley

Nate writes, "Just want you to know I'm elated to present at your club meeting. The title is "Advanced Dry Fly Fishing" and is loaded with strategies and tactics to hook big fish on a dry fly. I will also provide instruction on how to fish out of the hatch, selecting the right bug, and understanding hatch phases. The secrets shared in this video presentation could change the way you dry fly fish forever.



Your club member, Jerrold, and I have had several conversations. He thinks I'm one of the happiest people he's ever met. It's like I told him, 'If you dry fly fished for 150 days a year...you'd be smiling too!!'

I look forward to meeting all of you. Before my arrival, you might want to check out our two new dry fly books, *Addicted to the Rise*, and *Winter on a Dry Fly*. They can be reviewed on our website, [www.dryflyinnovations.com/preview](http://www.dryflyinnovations.com/preview)."

**Nate** was born and raised on the Salmon River in Central Idaho. At a very young age, he started casting gray hackle flies at rainbows in White Bird Creek. Nate remembers to this day the 14-inch fish that jumped completely out of the water with his fly hook in his mouth. Nate has been chasing fish and making dry flies since that moment. Every time a feeding group of fish refused to take his offering, he studied the bug that he didn't have and tied him in detail. For over 40 years Nate has put a footprint along the shores of high-mountain lakes, spring creeks, and tail waters that have all led to the creation of Dry Fly Innovations. There is nothing that would thrill him more than you tying on one of DFI's flies and having the fishing day of your life.

### Board Meeting

Monday March 5  
7:00 pm

Garibaldi Family Restaurant

### General Meeting

Thursday March 8—7:00 pm

Pringle Community Center

### Fly Tying Group

Wednesday March 14

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Garibaldi Family Restaurant

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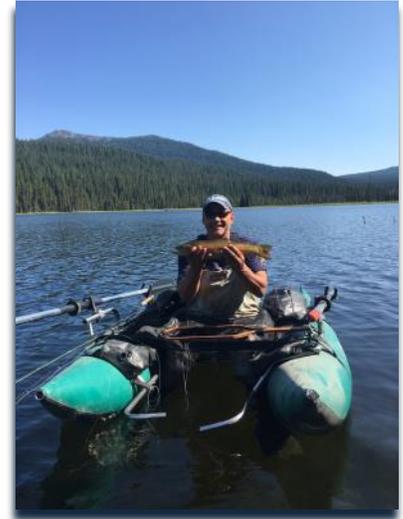
**Board Members Wanted**

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**

Winter finally made an appearance over the past few weeks and I enjoyed seeing the snow covered ground at my house on a few different days.

My mind quickly drifted to fond memories of fly fishing on a river with large snow flakes falling and a nice steelhead on the end of my fly line. Of course there were many days like that without any fish but just being out on the water with beautiful surroundings and good fishing buddies made those days a success. Spring is not too far away but I don't think we've heard the last of winter yet.



Thank you for the items many of you donated for our auction, the great attendance, and the generous bids during the event. Our goal this year was \$3500 and we exceeded that and made over \$3900. Next year we will set the bar at \$5000. Unfortunately I was out of state during the auction and will also be out of state for the meeting this month - both due to commitments made last year. I hope to see many of you at the Deschutes River outing on March 24th.

We are looking at our meeting in June to focus solely on teaching fly fishing skills to our members. Let us know if there is a specific skill you want us to include. We want to cater to our member needs so don't be shy in voicing your recommendations.

"Pass it On"



Plan to attend the NW Fly Tyer & Fishing Expo at the Linn County Fairgrounds in Albany on March 9 and 10. It will be open 9 to 5 daily. Check their website for other information.

There will be about 70 people tying flies at all times as well as many classes, vendors, silent auctions/raffles, etc. If you have a question about any aspect of fly fishing, there will be someone there with the answer!

The Santiam Flycasters will be handling the silent auction at the Expo, so stop by to say hello. Project Healing Waters will also have a booth, with some of our local members, so visit them as well. See you there!

## Fly Fishing Tips, Tricks, and Techniques

### From "50 Experts Share Their 3 Best Fly Fishing Tips"

<http://www.epicwilderness.com/fly-fishing-tips-expert-roundup/>

Alberto Rey — AlbertoRey.com

1. I see a lot written about fly fishing but I rarely see anything mentioned about one of the most important and fundamental elements of fishing .... **"finding the fish"**. You can be the best caster with the most effective flies using the best presentation but it is not going to help you if there are no fish in the water. . . . Nature provides us a complicated puzzle to figure out but the rewards can be very memorable. I suggest finding a nearby body of water that reportedly holds fish. Then study as much as you can about the body of water and fish it through the year under all conditions. . . . Soon you'll discover where the fish are most likely to be and will consequently catch more fish.

2. The second suggestion is **to walk a half hour or more from the nearest parking area when possible**. Again it is not only spiritually rewarding to get away from other anglers so you can experience nature by yourself but you will also find less pressured fish which are generally more aggressive.

3. Last suggestion is to **"slow down"**. Slow everything way down. Get into the right frame of mind when you leave your car. Start looking at the creek before you slowly walk to it. Minimize vibrations on the ground. Stand or crouch down along the stream and slowly look around before you cast. Watch quietly without moving, you will be amazed at how much of nature and of the stream will unfold in front of you the longer you wait.

## Wi-Ne-Ma Lake Outing Report By Leroy Shepherd



The originally scheduled date in January was cancelled due to weather. Postponing a week gave us a day that was mostly dry and not super windy. We had a good turnout. Twelve to fifteen club members of which most caught several of the native cutthroat trout.

Several observed that the fish seemed to be fatter this year. A couple were reported in the 12-13 inch range which also made them a bit bigger as well.

The Camp dining hall served a baked potato and chili lunch that took "the chill" off and gave us all a chance to share what was working as well as what wasn't.



For me, anyway this was a good opportunity to get boats and gear organized for the new year. Still a number of great trips to come!

## Set up your Fishing Schedule for the New Year

### 2018 Fishing Opportunities with Santiam Flycasters

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mar. 24 — Deschutes River (Pinetree to Beavertail)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug. 11 — Willamette River (Keizer Rapids to Wheatland Ferry) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Apr. 21 — McKenzie River (Hendricks to Hayden)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug. 25 — Little Nestucca River                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May 5 — Haystack Reservoir                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sep. 8 — Hosmer Lake  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May 19 — Davis Lake  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sep. 15 — Umpqua River (Elkton)                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jun. 9 — Metolius River                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sep. 29 — Owyhee River  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jun. 30 — East Lake  | <input type="checkbox"/> Oct. 13 — Crooked River                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jul. 14 — Willamette River (Marshall Island to Harrisburg) | <input type="checkbox"/> Oct. 27 — McKenzie River (Hendricks to Hayden)                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jul. 25 — Three Creek Lake                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 10 — Detroit Lake  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Nov. 17 — Devil's Lake  |

## Silverton Reservoir Outing By Ken Karnosh



Over a dozen of us enjoyed the nice weather, with a mild breeze, on February 10 and fished Silverton Reservoir.

The fish were pretty cooperative, with a number of 13"+ rainbows landed. Leeches and woolly bugger-type flies did their job!



This is a nice fishing destination very close to home. These fish should be available for a few more weeks and ODFW will plant more in late Spring. Try it out if you haven't already done so.



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## FEBRUARY AUCTION AND DINNER RECAP

The annual club auction and dinner was a very big success this year. We brought in nearly \$4,000 dollars, funds that will enable the club to continue fulfilling its mission of supporting the sport of fly fishing to our community.

Special thanks to the following businesses and organizations which supported the auction with many great items:

- Deschutes Angler, Maupin
- Fly Fishers International
- Temple Fork Outfitters (TFO)
- Two Rivers Fly Shop, Albany

Please patronize these organizations for your fly fishing needs.



Thanks also to all our members for helping to make the auction another successful event, especially to the kitchen crew (Howard Palmer, Steve Reynolds and Will and Reenie Satak) and our auctioneer (Bob Karau).

Tim Johnson—Santiam Flycasters Auction Coordinator  
tim.the.fisherman@gmail.com



## March 24-Deschutes River Outing (Pinetree to Beavertail)



On March 24, we will float and fish the Deschutes River below Maupin from Pinetree to Beavertail. It has been a couple of years since we have fished this area.

We will camp at Beavertail Campground, but you can also make this a long day trip.

To get there, the easiest route is to drive north on I-5, turn onto I-205 near Tualatin, turn east onto I-84, turn south onto US 197 at the east end of The Dalles, turn east (left) onto Highway 216 just north of Tygh Valley, turn north (left) onto the Deschutes River Access Road just past Sherar's Falls, and drive about 11 miles to Beavertail Campground.

A pontoon or drift boat is needed to float the river, but there is a good stretch of river to fish near the campground. We will shuttle ourselves, but you will need to buy a Boater's Pass, which you can do with one of the links on our website.

Suggested equipment is 5-6 weight rods with floating line. Flies include caddis, mayfly, stonefly, and midge pupa, mostly fished along the river bottom. Flies of size 16-20 can be effective. There may be some caddis or BWO dry fly action. Also, remember your personal flotation device!

Our club will provide hamburgers for Saturday evening meal, so bring a small side dish to share if you wish, as well as some firewood.

Ken Karnosh is the sponsor for this outing. If you have any questions, contact him by e-mail at [KenKarnosh@gmail.com](mailto:KenKarnosh@gmail.com) or contact him at the club meeting.



Former SFC member Mark Riggins took this photo when he fished the Deschutes River at Mecca Flats on New Year's Eve. He hooked a steelhead and landed several trout that day. Looks like fun, doesn't it?

*Photo by Mark Riggins*



## Welcome

### New Members in February

**Rick Lawson,  
Tigard**

**Denny Burnett,  
Lake Oswego**



## Fly Tying Group Wednesday March 14

We will meet on the Wednesday after our March club meeting at Garibaldi's Family Mexican Restaurant in West Salem March 14 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](mailto:kent.toomb@gmail.com) or by phone at (541) 990-3964. Hope to see you there.

# Fly of the Month Ice Dub March Brown Emerger

By Dell Swearingen



### Attractor Pattern:

#### Material List:

**Hook:** Dai-Riki 060 or TMC 3761 #12

**Thread:** 6/0 Black

**Tail:** Z-Lon dark brown

**Body:** Olive brown ice dub or Hairs Ear dubbing

**Rib:** Oval Gold Tinsel

**Hackle:** Natural brown partridge feather

The March Brown Emerger pattern is tied using a variety of materials dependent on the fly tier's preference. This is a popular Willamette Valley Spring pattern, but the hatch is found in streams throughout the United States. One can observe a demonstration by Jay Nicholas tying this fly at: the following web site <http://oregonflyfishingblog.com/2012/04/07/ice-dub-march-brown-emerger-fly-tying-video/>

Jay Nicholas demonstrated this pattern in the Oregon Fly Fishing Blog in 2012.

**Tying Instructions:** Insert hook in vice and smash the barb down. Lay down a thread base from the hook eye to parallel to the smashed barb.

Tie in a small clump of dark brown Z-lon about the length of the hook shank. Tie in the oval gold rib. Secure the olive brown ice dub and wrap the dubbing noodle forward to about 1/8th inch behind the hook eye and tie off the noodle and trim the excess. Use a brush to fluff up the ice dub.

Palmer the oval gold tinsel about four or five turns and tie off at the front of the ice dub. Choose a natural brown partridge feather and tie it in by the tip with the dull side facing rearward. Scrape scissors up both sides of the feather to loosen the barbs. Wrap the feather around the hook towards the eye two or three wraps. Forcing the feather rearward between wraps.

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](http://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 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. For new members, there is a 50% reduction after July 1<sup>st</sup>. 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