



Organized in 1971, the Rogue Flyfishers seek to promote fellowship among individuals and groups to further interest in the sport, to improve angling techniques, and to educate members and the public in ways to preserve and improve natural resources, environment, and conditions for fishing in the Rogue Valley.

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PROGRAM

**Time for the Hank Rogers Memorial Picnic
Come out and Join your friends for a day of
fun at Emigrant Lake**



Wednesday July 18, 2012

We are at picnic area "A" and you can follow the signs to our location from the pay booth at the entrance. Unless you have a yearly "parks pass" you will need to have \$4 CASH to pay for entrance. We now have nifty sandwich boards with our name and arrows on them which will make it easier to find us.

From Curt the Librarian.. We will not have Library exchange at the picnic in July, bring all materials to August meeting for turn-in and checkout..



President's Message—July 2012 by Kellie Christensen

Ah, to catch a fish. From mammals to birds this is the goal when a nice supply of our finned friends presents itself. We, at The Rogue Flyfishers, are of the mindset that the only fish worth catching is with a fly rod and fly. We carefully select said fly based on the appetites and attractiveness to the fish we are pursuing, the conditions of the environment, and what our past experiences have taught us. Many folks seem to have a natural instinct for what to use and how to use it. Former “spinner” fishers like me enjoy the talent and finesse required to successfully land a fish with a fly. For me there is no better feeling than to catch the fish that I have decided is “mine” and then to return him/her unharmed back to the water from whence it came. While other “fishers” use different methods, the only similarities between some of us and “them” are their instinct and use of past experience.

My new residence features a very large pond in the backyard-stocked with lots of bass and a few other species that I have not yet had the opportunity to observe or catch.

The other morning I witnessed some “fishing” that I had never seen before, and I must confess that it was both exhilarating and somewhat sad.

An Osprey hit the water and came up with a good sized fish that it promptly dropped on the grass surrounding the pond. In the time it took the Osprey to fly back around, a Turkey vulture landed near the fish, eager to capitalize on this miraculous find. The Osprey returned to find the Turkey vulture hovered over the fish. The vulture spread his wings out as far as they would go, puffed out his chest and began jabbing at the Osprey with his beak. The Osprey was having no part in relinquishing his catch, so he too, spread his wings out as far as they would go, extended his chest and began jabbing at the vulture with his beak.

I don't know if you have ever been close enough to either of these birds to really appreciate their size, but they are both magnificent creatures. The Osprey with his beautiful markings on his head and wings and the Turkey buzzard with his bright red head and expansive brown wings. What a sight to behold! Both of these going chest to chest, pecking, jabbing, and thrusting themselves into the opponent. The Osprey dipped one side of his body, and “beat” the vulture with its wing-losing what looked like one small feather in the process. This put him in a seriously “bad mood” and seconds later it was all over. The vulture backed down—the Osprey recovered his fish and took off. What an amazing sequence to view! I was only saddened by the fact that the fish's life was over but that's the way I am. I understand the “circle of life” but I still don't like seeing something lose his life, food source or not.

The very next day, a bald eagled snagged a fish so violently that the water frothed and created a huge liquid volcano as it returned back to the pond.

In the midst of a mountain of boxes to unpack, I have yet to locate my rods, but rest assured-I will be out there landing a fish the way we two legged enlightened folks do. In the meantime, it's really a thrill to watch what happens when these others “fishers” pay us a visit.

So Many Fish, So Little Time - July

Fishing has been subpar in June. Best action with salmonflies seems to have been at the Holy Water, although I have had no reports from Lost Creek Lake. The Rogue has remained high (over 3,000 c.f.s.) but is finally beginning to come down as of this writing, and should remain fishable through the summer. Even with the high water some anglers report good action, but for most others the action on Salmonfly patterns has been slow. The good news is that increasing numbers of Cutthroat Trout are being caught including some of respectable size, and Steelhead are showing up a month earlier than previously when Savage Rapid and Gold Ray Dams were still in place. July promises to bring more steelhead, with increasing numbers through the summer. Elsewhere, I was at the mouth of the Wood River last week where we found little activity. A couple of local anglers seemed to have caught a few fish, but the bigger ones (over 20 inches) were taken on lures. So get out and enjoy the summer!

Manzanita Lake, Ca Outing

Date: July 14

I will be hosting the outing at Manzanita Lake; it is in the Lassen Volcanic National Park 48 miles east of Redding, California on Hwy 44. This is a Fly Fishing only lake, NO motors are allowed and it is catch and release only. Float tubes or pontoon crafts are the way to go.

Pam and I camped there last year. Scenery is very special. Park pass is \$10 and a separate fee for camping if you wish to camp. My plans are to arrive on Friday, July 13th and spend the whole weekend there. It is bear country, so be sure to use the steel lockers at the campground.

If you would like to join me, please either call me or email me. I return from my Alaska trip on July 9th, so it would be most convenient for me if you would get in touch by phone on the July 9-10-11-12 or email anytime.

Mike Masters

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Outing to Target Smallmouth Bass on the Umpqua River

With the warm weather putting the trout off the bite, July is an ideal time to head to the Umpqua River to fish for smallmouth bass. Smallmouth are abundant throughout the main Umpqua and in the South Umpqua up to Tiller. They are aggressive fish, and will readily take a fly. For those that would like to give this fishery a try, David Haight will lead an outing to the Umpqua River on July 21. We will meet at 6:30 AM for breakfast at Shari's Restaurant, on Agness Avenue just off the Grants Pass Parkway by the south I-5 interchange. If you don't want to eat, show up by 7:30. We can car pool to the Umpqua from there. We will float a section of the main Umpqua, so if you have a driftboat or pontoon boat, please bring it. If you don't have a boat, we will try to find you a ride, or will provide a map identifying places to fish from the bank. Smallmouth bass can be found in the pools and backwater areas, and even in the slower riffles. They especially like to hold along the bedrock ledges and around the boulders. They will readily take poppers, Clouser minnows, wooly buggers, streamers, and large nymphs. Floating or slow-sinking lines fished on 4 to 6-weight rods are ideal. If you are interested in going, call or email me, David Haight (541-855-9043, tmdrhaight@infostructure.net). Please let me know if you will be bringing a boat, and if you have room for a passenger.

HANK ROGERS MEMORIAL PICNIC IS THIS MONTH ON JULY 18TH!

It's time for our annual picnic at Emigrant Lake and we are looking forward to getting together and sharing some good food and camaraderie in the great outdoors.

Here's what you need to remember:

First of all, you need to bring your own set of eating utensils, plate and any beverage that you prefer. The club will furnish iced tea and lemonade. Secondly, since this is a potluck, please bring the following according to the first letter of your last name:

"A" to "H" - please bring a salad or vegetable dish

"I" to "M" - please bring a carbohydrate (bread, potatoes, corn etc.)

"N" to "Z" - please bring fruit or a dessert of some kind.

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We hope to see you there!

SOFT

The Southern Oregon Fly Tyers invite you to attend their meetings the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is September 11, 2012. The meetings start at 6:00 PM, at the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park community building near Gold Hill. Bring a friend, come early so you don't miss anything, and stay late. Tyers need not be experienced, and those with all levels of skill are welcome. Each meeting a member is encouraged to demonstrate a new or different skill, from simple to difficult. For more information, call Dan Kellogg at 773-4724.

There will be no meeting during July or August. Enjoy your summer and bring some great stories to the next meeting.

DIRECTIONS: Take Gold Hill Exit #40, off of I-5 and go west, toward Jacksonville, 1.3 miles, until you reach the brick entrance way to the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park on the right. You'll pass a golf course parking lot on your left shortly after leaving the freeway. After you turn right into the mobile home park, proceed to the community building which is located about 100 yards ahead on the left. The address is 8401 Old Stage Rd. Please park your vehicle on the bare dirt in the parking lot to avoid the wooden septic covers in the grass

The Fly Fishing Community has lost a Giant

Robert (Bob) L. Quigley

2/26/50 - 6/12/12

Bob Quigley passed away on Tuesday, June 12th at 12:23 pm at his new home in Central Point. He was in the arms of his girl friend, and lifetime family friend, Shirley Wentworth, my wife Theresa and my daughter Michelle telling him how much we loved him and he just went to sleep. He fought a courageous battle with cancer for the last three years and the last year was exceptionally hard and painful for him.

Shirley and Bob bought a home right around the corner from me in Central Point and moved in last month and Bob had the fishing channel and sports channels on at all times. That was Bob's life, fishing, sports and friends and he did them all better than anyone I ever met. Bob was on the football and basketball team in school and was captain of the football team and Stanford and the Ducks were his favorite teams and he knew the stats on every player.

Bob's fly tying was second to none and he had the ability to know what the fish wanted no matter where he was at. Fresh water, salt water, oceans, lakes, rivers and especially spring creeks, Bob drilled them! His flies won the famous "One Fly Contest for several years. His Quigley Cripple changed spring creek fishing for everyone and his tying articles graced the pages of our most popular fishing magazines thru the years.

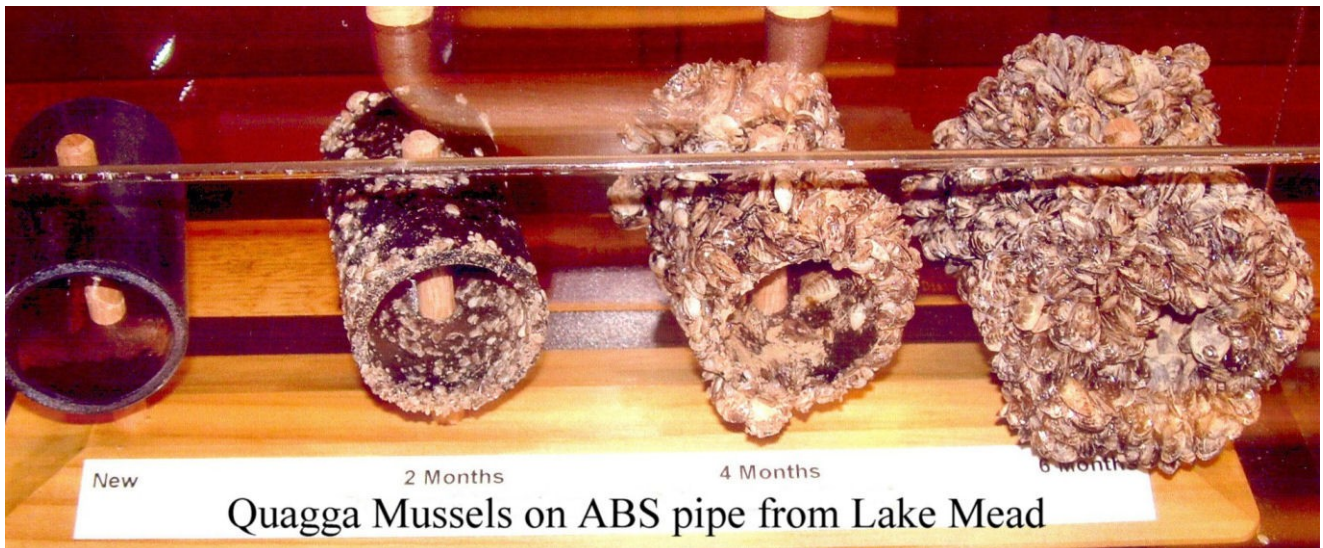
But there was one thing Bob was better at than his fly fishing and tying...and that was his friendship. I've had a lot of buddies in my life but Bob was my best buddy, hands down. Bob always thought of others first, even in the end. Every time I saw him he wanted to know how I was feeling and if I needed anything and that was just like Bob....and that's why we all love him.

Bob didn't like fly fishing clubs because he'd been in the San Francisco club many years ago and thought there was a clickish bunch of backbiters running the club that didn't know how to fish. So when I moved Bob over here from Brookings he told me not to ask him to join our club because he wasn't interested and I told him he was wrong, we had a wonderful club. After meeting several of you and attending a couple meetings he asked me if he could join too and right off the bat, he made a significant difference in our club. And he truly loved the club and the friends he met there.

Many of you got to be friends with Bob, or got a fly tying tip from him, took one of his classes or went on one of our trips together so you know how special Bob was. Bob was a first class entertainer.

This year when you go fishing make it a point to catch a fish with one of Bob's " Quigley Cripples" and give that fish a big kiss for Bob that's the way he'd want it.

Mike Ireland



Be very aware of invasive species

On The Fly

July 2012

“Fly tying is a school from which we never graduate”

PATTERN OF THE MONTH – Crystal Wooly Bugger

Hook: Daiichi 1720, 3x long nymph, size 4 to 10.

Thread: 6-0 black.

Weight: Gold cone-head bead.

Tail: Black marabou.

Flash: Pearl crystal flash.

Body: Black crystal chenille.

Hackle: Black saddle or hen hackle.



Tying Instruction

Step 1: Mash the barb and mount the hook in the vise.

Step 2: Slip a cone-head bead onto the hook, pointed end first.

Step 3: Start the thread behind the cone and lay down a smooth thread layer to a point just above the hook barb.

Step 4: Select a sparse bunch of marabou, measure one shank length, and tie on as the tail at the barb position. Do not trim the butts until you have bound them down to the top of the shank forward to just behind the cone. Trim the excess now and return the thread to the base of the tail.

Step 5: Select a hackle feather with barbs as long as the hook gap, tie it on by the tip with the butt end of the stem pointing towards the rear.

Step 6: Select 4 strands of crystal flash and tie two strands to each side of the tail. The butts should be pointing forward on each side of the shank. Pull them to the rear and secure with a thread wrap out of the way for now.

Step 7: Prepare the end of a length of chenille by stripping the fluff to the thread core. Tie in the chenille at the base of the tail, advance the thread to just behind the cone, and wind the chenille forward in touching turns evenly covering the hook shank up to the cone. Tie off and trim.

Step 8: Now pull the crystal flash forward along each side of the chenille body, secure behind the cone and trim excess. These imitate the lateral line.

Step 9: Wind the hackle feather forward in 5 evenly spaced turns to behind the cone. Take one additional turn of hackle at the cone, tie off and trim the excess.

Step 10: Whip finish and cement just behind the cone.

I guess it was inevitable that I would eventually write this column on the Wooly Bugger. Subconsciously I had been putting it off a lot longer than I should have. You just figure that since it's the first fly most beginners start with that everybody already knows all about it and how to tie it. I will admit to passing over one nestled in my fly box in favor of a more complicated and challenging pattern. I'm now more convinced than ever that the straight forward uncomplicated aspect of the Bugger is exactly why it works so well for any number of fish species, imitating a multitude of aquatic insects, in stream or stillwater, anywhere in the world. Now that's a versatile pattern.

The Wooly Bugger was invented by Russell Blessing of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1967. The original was tied to imitate a hellgrammite for smallmouth bass. The fly was named by his daughter Julie. The pattern has been tied on every imaginable hook style and size. Material and color choices are endless for the creative tier as well as the names given to its variations. Entire books have been written about the subject and there is no end in site, tiers just can't leave it alone.

My own experiences with the pattern have lead me to my own set of conclusions about the success of the Wooly Bugger and why. The tail is always marabou for movement and life. This is the only material I refuse to substitute. I add some flash occasionally and vary the length. My first buggers were weighted with lead wire wraps. They had a nice even swimming action. Lately I have been more prone to using beads, cones, or dumbbell eyes, which puts all the weight up front for a lively jigging action and a trimmer body. I still use mostly chenille for the bodies, although I have expanded my selection to include some of the new sparkle and crystal versions. I'm partial to black and shades of brown and olive colors, maybe because that's what has worked so that's what I tie. I tie the hackle in by the tip for a more swept-back look like a wet fly and an increase taper toward the front. It just looks right to me.

Up at my home pond, Fish Lake, the locals came up with a variation that seemed to rip some lips on a regular basis. We added a 1/8" tuft of red poly yarn to the top of the base of the tail. We fish it with confidence and often, no wonder it works. You just need to have something new to believe in. Anyway the fish are impressed.

So tie some up, give them a test flight, and let me know how you do.

Tie One On,

Dan Kellogg, (you can contact me at: flyguy@eznorthwest.com)

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This is a First, Literally

By Otis D. Swisher
berners fysshynge

If you want to get back to your beginnings as a fly fisher, here's where it all began, and it's so easy to get started. On your computer go to GOOGLE. Type in in lower case: berners fysshynge. From the choices provided, click on "treatise of fishing" without the " ". At once you are onto an original Olde English text, the first ever published, on angling with a fly.

If you aren't intrigued by the wording, the wood cuts, and the flow of language, you have a soul that is duller than a hook which has been pulled loose from a rock on a river bottom. The Olde English spelling will exasperate at first, then become a delightful challenge. The philosophy while of that era will become timeless to one's parched soule. So, stay with it for an hour and you'll marvel at the style, the timeless info coming from a book published in 1496, but which substance pre-dates the discovery of America.

" If ye wyl be crafty in angling, ye must first learn to make your harneys, that is to wete your rod, your lines of divers colours, after that ye must know how to angle, in what place of the water, how depe and what time of the day, for what manner of fysshe, in what wether, how many impediments thou overcome of fysshying and specially with what bates to every dyvers fysshe, in every month of the year."

Good advice abounds: You don't "Set the hook", "ye smite".

Her list of fishes and how to fish for them is impressive: Grayling, Barbell, Carpe, Cheuin, Bruine, Tenche, Perch, Roche, Dace, Ruf , Menow, Eele, Pyke. Salmon, Trout.

The list of flies and their "dressing" reads as good as any Mystery.

And, last of all there is a surprisingly modern Code of Ethics.

I tell you, it is all there! Ready for the reading, the digesting, and above all else the enjoying.

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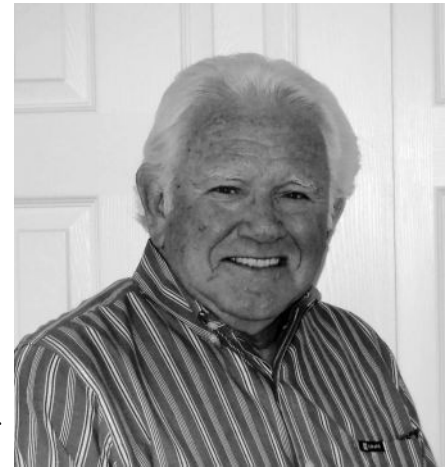
DATE	KEY CONTACT	VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION	RFF PARTICIPANTS
Various dates in May, 2012	John Ward, Board Member and Conservation Chairman 541-482-2859	<i>Activities Performed by Conservation Chairman:</i> 1)Participated with 31 agencies on Gov. Kitzhaber's Oregon Solutions WISE Project (Water for Irrigation, Streams & Economy) in Bear Creek and Little Butte Creek Watersheds. Member of In-Stream Committee tasked to prioritize streams where increased flows would benefit fish species, and defensible method to quantify benefits (3 meetings). Member of Agriculture-Irrigation Committee to find alternative ways to replace 250 miles of irrigation canals with piped pressure systems, cost for phased construction, evaluate alternatives and recommend a cost effective approach (3 meetings). Also participated in 3 Project-wide meetings, reporting progress and next tasks. RFF to develop and adopt Declaration of Cooperation agreement by July, 2012 for this 15 to 20-year project. 2) Met with Rogue Advocates to review proposed changes to Jackson County Flood Plain Ordinance, and concerns about unpermitted gravel mining firm operating on Bear Creek. Follow-up plans were developed. 3) Attended Jefferson Fish Society presentation on Juvenile Coho in Shasta River, California; Bear Creek Watershed Council meeting on Fish Use and Restoration along Lone Pine Creek, and Upper Rogue watershed Association meeting on Restoration Plans upstream of former Elk Creek Dam site. 4) Attended four Shady Cove City Council Meetings or Study Sessions, one Shady Cove Water Taskforce meeting, and one Shady Cove Planning Commission Public Hearing where I testified on draft Riparian Ordinance.	John Ward

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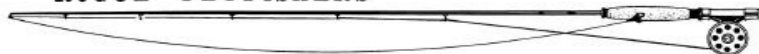
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Various dates in June, 2012	John Ward, Board Member and Conservation Chairman 541-482-2859	<i>Activities Performed by Conservation Chairman:</i> 1) Continued to participate in Oregon Solutions WISE Project (Water for Irrigation, Streams & Economy) in Bear Creek and Little Butte Creek Watersheds. In-Stream Committee reviewed draft rankings for 24 streams; need better metrics for water quality and fish habitat where increased flows would benefit six fish species, and way to protect released water (2 meetings). Agriculture-Irrigation Committee decided BOR should handle EIS and discussed 3 options (full, phased, or programmatic EIS) and funding sources (1 meeting). Project-wide partners reviewed each of 21 tasks in draft plan through end of 2016 for funding EIS, tasks leading to Record of Decision (ROD), and Organizational Problems to be resolved over next 4 years. It was agreed one demo irrigation district piping project should be completed in next 2 years to confirm shared benefits to in-stream flow, pressure piped irrigation for ag, and municipal storm water capability (1 meeting). Declaration of Cooperation draft to be reviewed at July, 2012 Board meeting for this 15 to 20-year project. 2) Participated on tour of completed Elk Creek watershed projects: notching of Elk Creek Dam; constructed meanders and wood structure in Elk Creek; and large wood placement to retain spawning gravel in Elk Creek, Hawk Creek, and Elkhorn Creek. Also participated in Pacific Connector Open House about liquefied natural gas pipeline crossing the Rogue River above Shady Cove, protection for fish habitat and sediment control at stream crossings, pipeline construction details and timeline, opportunity to intervene and comment. RFF has opposed the pipeline since 2006. 3) Attended Bear Creek Watershed Council meeting and Upper Rogue Watershed Association meeting on Army Corps of Engineers Restoration Plans upstream of former Elk Creek Dam site. 4) Attended four Shady Cove City Council Meetings or Study Sessions, and one Shady Cove Planning Commission Public Hearing where I testified on draft Riparian Ordinance.	John Ward
June 9, 2012		Field conservation activities during June included assisting with Rogue River Clean-up between TouVelle Park and Fisher's Ferry.	Dan French, Robert Parker. and John Ward

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(Note: New members joining Rogue Fly Fishers before June 30th pay a full year dues; new members joining after June 30th pay half dues. There is also a \$10 new member processing fee.) **Dues accompany your application.** With membership, you will receive a member's patch, membership directory, name badge, and letter of further information and welcome. Monthly dinner meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month with a social Wet Fly from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. followed by dinner with raffle, announcements and club business, and program until approximately 9:00 p.m.

Renew in December for the following year.

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