

Fish Tales & Fly Lines

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE STONEFLY MAIDENS WOMEN'S FLY FISHING CLUB

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FLY LINES

The club has been busy lately. We have elected new officers for 2007: President - Robin Healy; Vice President - Jennifer Dunn; Secretary/ Treasurer - Barbara Schmierer. I will continue with the newsletter, and for now, Lisa Wassgren will continue to run the raffles. Lisa would love to have a new person take this over or assist her.

The members also affirmed and accepted the bylaws. There should be a link on the website, if you would like to read them. Our membership is up to 62!

The Board met last weekend and has proposed a schedule for 2007. There are still several openings for speakers. We want to know what you want to hear about, and who you would like to listen to. We have a variety so far of conservation, "how to" fish, and interesting places to think about fishing. Fishalongs are being planned. As always, we need volunteers for fish mistress, and we hope to see lots of you out on the outings. I understand the Deschutes trip was well attended last month though I'm still waiting



MaryAnn Dozer fishes wearing her CFR Cap

for the pictures and fish tales!

The CFR subcommittee has been hard at work choosing the location for the retreat and thinking up fund raisers. You can help us. We are sewing a variety of items to sell including fleece socks and head bands/ear warmers, rod socks, reel sacs, and tippet

MIKE DULEY, THE GUIDE

I grew up fishing with my dad. He started teaching me the art and science of flyfishing at age 5. In the family boat on lakes or off shore, we fished up and down the west coast. The High Sierras, my summer playground, is where I honed my flyfishing skills on brown, rainbow and golden trout. In 1970 at age 24, I moved to Oregon. Fishing became my way of life. Hopping over rocks and floating rivers in pursuit chrome bright steelhead, salmon and wild trout is why I settled here. I managed the flyfishing department for a sporting goods store and their guide programs many years. In my spare time I taught flyfishing classes for schools and worked for guides on my days off. In 1993 I establish my guide and outfitter business Acton Anglers Inc...

[Editor's note: Mike's website is full of interesting information about classes, flies to use, rivers in Oregon. Check it out! <http://www.actionanglers.com/index.htm>]

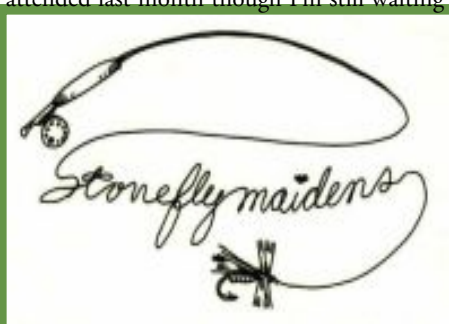
envelopes. If you are interested in breaking out your sewing machine or serger while the fishing is slow these next couple months, contact the CFR group at cfr@stoneflymaidens.org for patterns, advice and fabric. If you are interested in purchasing, we will bring finished products to the Holiday party on Dec. 13, 2006.

Fly fishing is a wonderful life long activity. CFR has a 10 year history of teaching women with breast cancer to fly fish to aid in their recovery. FFF is

supporting Project Healing Waters is aiding injured veterans and Family Tyes is building strong kids. If you know of other organizations who are using fishing as an aid to wellness, pass them on.

I hope you can make it to the next meeting to hear Mike Duley, a local guide

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**STONEFLY MAIDENS
NOVEMBER 8 MEETING:
MIKE DULEY,
OF ACTION ANGLERS
FISHING IN NEW
ZEALAND**

STONEFLY MAIDENS QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 29, 2006

Present: Barb (Schmierer), Jennifer (Dunn), Karen (Erde), Robin (Healy), Sabina (Smith), Tilda (Runner)

The main focus of the meeting was to plan the speakers, topics and fishalongs for the 2007 calendar. Please see the attached proposed calendar. (see pg. 6) It was determined that we would leave several dates open for input from the general membership at the next two meetings before finalizing the calendar. An attempt was made to match the speaker/topic with the fishalong. It was also suggested that the speakers be given specific topics to discuss rather than being too general and running the risk of more than one speaker covering the same material. A discussion was held about the possibility of changing the dates of some fishalongs so they do not coincide with Mother's day and Father's day.

Changes to meeting protocol:

In response to the member survey and members of the board, several changes will be made in how the meetings are run starting in January 2007. It was felt we could shorten our business meeting by communicating more info via the newsletter and spend more meeting time discussing pertinent info and fishalongs. We would also reduce the time socializing prior to the meeting and have meals and beverages ordered by 6:30 pm with the business meeting starting @ 6:45 pm. The speaker/program will begin at 7:15 pm which will allow us to be done with our meeting by 8:15 to 8:30 pm. We will still have the raffle and "fly of the month" after the program. An attempt will be made to have beverage and dinner ordered upon arrival rather than waiting for the beginning of the business meeting. The club president will preside over the business meeting. New members will be introduced, but we will no longer go around and have everyone introduce themselves.

Other suggestions included offering a limited

menu option to expedite meal service.

CFR report:

Sabina reported that the CFR committee was attempting to finalize an appropriate location for the 2007 retreat. Several committee members went to check out several possible sites in central Oregon this morning. Suttle Lake Lodge has strong potential as it has a scenic location as well a



Tilda tied on a Prism and immediately booked a hot fish that took her into the backing.

cozy lodge atmosphere with nice lodging for guests and volunteers. There is a sandy beach for casting practice as well as fishing opportunities at Suttle Lake, Suttle Creek and the Metolius River.

An appeal letter for fund-raising is being finalized. The amount of deposit to secure a location and lodging is still undetermined. The CFR committee is proposing a deadline of raising \$7000 by the January meeting. The club needs to be aware of the monetary risk involved in securing a location and the responsibility of all club members in soliciting donations from personal contacts as well as corporate donations.

Fund raising projects are underway already. Sewing projects include fleece socks and rod sleeves. The club anticipates selling these items at booths at the Fly Tying Expo, Spey Conclave etc. In addition, Mike Schmierer has tied flies for holiday ornaments he has made for the club. (a fly suspended in a glass ball ornament). These will be available for purchase at the November and December meetings. (price undetermined) Two styles include a stonefly pattern and a pink

Lady Coachman pattern for CFR. Proceeds from both to benefit CFR.

Membership report:

It was suggested that we send notices to past members to encourage them to rejoin the club. A discussion was held and the consensus was that the size of the club was adequate and that emphasis should be on maintaining the current membership by providing interesting speakers and a variety of new locations for fishalongs.

Membership runs from January 1-

December 31 for the 2007 calendar year.

Since our membership dues are relatively inexpensive, there will not be any discounts given to members who pay/join later in the year. (voted on at a previous meeting) Payments need to be made no later than the end of February. At that time, an updated list of paid 2007 members will be compiled and those members who have not paid dues will be dropped from the SFM group email and will no longer receive informational emails regarding club activities. In March, a copy of the member list/phone numbers will be distributed to members

via email. Members may also contact Barb (membership@stoneflymaidens.org) or Robin (info@stoneflymaidens.org) for member contact info. *Member contact info will not be given to nonmembers for any reason.*

Miscellaneous topics:

Sabina brought up the topic of club liability for any person injured during a fishalong or club activity. Those present decided to have members sign a waiver form once a year rather than purchase liability insurance. We will also try to consult with a member who is an attorney for additional info. Jennifer Dunn will check into the wording for the waiver. The waiver could be added to the membership brochure when it is reprinted. All members will need to sign a waiver at the January meeting.

Lisa Wassgren (not present) had previously mentioned her desire to step down as raffle coordinator. Karen will put a note in the newsletter to ask for a volunteer. In the meantime, Jennifer has agreed to run the raffle at the meetings and Robin will take on the responsibility of obtaining raffle items until a replacement for Lisa can be found. Our thanks to all three.

Jennifer has volunteered to take on the “Fly of the Month” as part of her program director duties in 2007. Tilda and Mike Schmierer have volunteered to tie/donate flies as needed.

The board approved the purchase of several books for the club library including “Fishing in Oregon” (guide) and “Oregon Gazeteer”. Jennifer has agreed to purchase these and will be reimbursed by the club treasury. Jennifer brought up the topic of creating some sort of resource guide or manual which would be useful to describe the organization of the club beyond a job description of the duties of the board positions. This would be an effort to pass on knowledge in writing that would be helpful to newly elected officers and create a smooth transition when new officers take over. Suggestions included keeping a notebook of the resources for past and present speakers, a time line for organizing activities, contact information for speakers, keeping copies of trip sheets as a resource and ideas for raffle donations and contacts.

Tilda suggested we track individual FFF members within the club so that when we pay our annual FFF dues we can deduct the amount that the individuals pay from the amount the club owes for its dues. Barb will contact Mary Ann Dozer (FFF rep) prior to paying dues to determine which members have already paid.

The board voted and agreed to buy a table at the FFF banquet in March at the Fly Tying Expo. Details including the price of dinner will be given at a later meeting.

Sabina is trying to obtain Joann Wulff as a speaker for the July meeting.

Tilda is hoping to arrange a women’s casting instruction at the Spey Conclave in May which our club could participate in. She is also going to confirm the speaker for the November meeting. (fly fishing in New Zealand)
Respectfully submitted, Barb Schmierer



Prism Fly



IRONING ON SFM EMBLEM PATCHES

1. Preheat iron for 5 min. on high setting. Do Not use steam.
2. Iron area of the garment where the emblem will be placed for 25 sec.
3. Place the patch in the desired location on garment.
4. Place lightweight press-cloth over emblem. Using a back and forth motion, press firmly with iron for 25 secs. **Do not apply hot iron directly to embroidered area.**
5. Turn garment inside out. Using a back and forth motion, iron the back side of the emblem for 45-60 seconds while pressing firmly.
6. Turn garment right side out. Place press-cloth over the emblem. Iron edges of the emblem to ensure they are properly sealed. **Do not apply hot iron directly to embroidered area.**
7. Allow to cool thoroughly.

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talk about New Zealand. There are no fishalongs during November or December. I’m kinda itchy to get my rod out in the local rivers. Mike offers group lessons on the Sandy and Clackamas River for \$300 for a party of 4. If you are interested in a group lesson, contact me at newsletter@stoneflymaidens.org.

I got not responses to last months request for recommendations for your favorite books, clothing and other fishing paraphernalia. So I guess no one is giving or planning to receive gifts this holiday season. If you just forgot to send them, I will include any ideas in the December issue which will come out before Christmas and Hanukah.

Karen

FISH STORY

This was a pretty interesting story from The Sunday Wichita Eagle Newspaper a couple of weeks ago.

A resident in the area saw a ball bouncing around kind of strange in a

nearby pond and went to investigate. It turned out to be a flathead

catfish who had obviously tried to swallow a child’s basketball which became stuck in its mouth!!

The fish was totally exhausted from trying to dive, but unable to because the ball would always bring him back up to the surface. The resident tried numerous times to get the ball out, but was unsuccessful.

He finally had His wife cut the ball in order to deflate it and release the hungry catfish.

You probably wouldn’t have believed this, if you hadn’t seen the following pictures...



MORAL OF THE STORY

”Always be kind, because everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle”

[Editor’s note: Thanks You Rebecca Y. for sending this story.]

NEWS FROM FFF

Fall is here and what a wonderful time to be on the streams with the colors, the cool weather and especially the less-selective fish. But be careful that you don't resemble hunter's quarry by dressing appropriately.

The big message for this month is to advise you that the 2007 FFF Affiliate dues notices will be going out soon and are due back by Jan 1, 2007. I hope that all of our current clubs will be renewing and that we will add many more clubs to our list this coming year. We need more clubs to join the ranks to help in the conservation and education efforts of the FFF.

Mark your calendar for next years Conclave - Livingston, MT from July 31st through August 4th, 2007.

RIVER GIRLS:FLYFISHING FOR YOUNG WOMEN

BY CECILIA "PUDGE" KLEINKAUF
160 PAGES * \$20.00
In *River Girls*, Cecilia "Pudge" Kleinkauf uses the real-life experiences of four young women—Alyssa, Samantha, Alex, and Blair—to create an informative and engaging introduction to the sport of flyfishing for pre-teen and teenage girls. Using a "girls can do this, too" approach, the book conveys the idea that flyfishing is more fun and challenging than other kinds of fishing and that is definitely *not* just a sport for boys.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Cecilia "Pudge" Kleinkauf has owned and operated her instruction and guideservice, Women's Flyfishing, for 19 of the 36 years she has lived and fished in Alaska. Pudge's first book, *Fly Fishing Women Explore Alaska* was selected as a finalist for the Book of the Year award by Foreword Magazine. Order direct form Johnson Books to receive a 40% discount to all SFM members Call 1-800-258-5830
www.bigearthpublishing.com

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NORTHWEST FLY TYER AND FLY FISHING EXPO - 2007

Update: By Jim Fisher – Expo Chair

March 9th and 10th, Linn County Expo Center, Albany – Oregon.

PROMOTIONS:

1. **YOUTH GROUPS:** Any club that is working with a youth group (involved with our sport) would you please send me the name and address of the advisor or teacher and I will send them a personal invitation on Expo letterhead to attend and bring their group to the show. We want to try and increase the youth attendance if possible.

2. POSTER AND INFORMATION CARD:

– We are about ready to go to print

with these items. Could I get a name and address of a person at each club where I can send a sample of each to you? The follow up question will be, where in your membership area, should we consider distribution of these items to help promote the Expo?

3. **MAGAZINES:** The dates have been posted on the FFF national website and should be in the next FFF magazine publication.

We have also made

contact and sent information to *Salmon Trout Steelheader* and *Flyfishing & Tying Journal* as well as *Northwest Fly Fishing* requesting placement in the news and letter section of the respective magazines.

4. **NEWSPAPERS:** Henry Miller of the *Statesman Journal* in Salem did a very nice article about the expo discussing relocation and expansion to Albany. He plans other follow up articles after the first of the year. Hopefully we can get other outdoor editors to follow suite.

5. **INTERNET:** We have our own website at: www.nwflytyerexpo.com where Garren Wood is putting all the information about the expo – as fast as the team can pull it together. As noted above we are on the FFF national website www.fedflyfishing.com events calendar. We are also listed on the global events calendar on www.AskAboutFlyFishing.com; this is a new internet radio site which was being demonstrated

at the National Conclave in Bozeman, MT last summer.

EDUCATION:

1. **CLASSES:** The following is a general list of the class categories which Dwight Klemin and Mary Ann Dozer are currently recruiting instructors to teach. Anyone that wishes to be considered as instructor please email either: Dwight Klemin dgklemin@msn.com or Mary Ann Dozer dozer213@comcast.net

1. Fly Casting Instruction: all levels by certified instructors
2. Flying tying Classes: Full Dressed Atlantic Salmon, Fishing Steelhead, Fishing Trout and Presentation flies
3. How-to Classes: Still water, Stream, Steelhead, Coastal Cutthroat, Salmon and Shad fishing classes, Entomology, knots, Intro to fly fishing, Intro to Steelhead & Nymphing Tech, Dutch Oven Cooking and meal planning for outdoor adventure
4. Destination Fishing adventure: Do-It-Yourself: Alaska, Fishing Deschutes, John Day, McKenzie

2. **TYERS:** At the current time we have over 150 different tyers registered.

3. **BANQUET:** The Linn County Expo Center has a lovely carpeted dining

room, where the Saturday night banquet and live auction will be held. The space will be limited to 250 attendees and we have sold 70 tickets to date. We are attaching a Banquet ticket order form and will also include one on the website for those who want to purchase early.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Comfort Suites has agreed to block rooms for the expo March 8th, 9th and 10th, 2007

Rates are: Single: \$60.00 per night/Double \$65.00 per night. Room cost includes hot buffet type breakfast each morning.

The Comfort Suites building adjoins the Linn County Expo ground next to the exhibit hall—easy walking distance. Contract number: (541) 928-2053
Linn County Fair and Expo Center has RV spots available at \$17.00 per night which include water and electrical. Phone: 541 926-4314 Fax: 541 926-8630

NORTHWEST FLY TYER AND FLY FISHING EXPO BANQUET TICKET ORDER FORM MARCH 10TH, ALBANY - OREGON.

Banquet Tickets \$25.00 each # _____ Total _____
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State / Zip _____
Email _____
Phone: _____
Payment: Please include payment for banquet tickets via check or credit card.
Check should be made payable to Oregon Council, FFF.
If you prefer to use credit card, please complete and sign the following:
Visa/MasterCard Card # _____
Expiration Date: _____
Signature: _____
Dinner tickets maybe picked up at the registration desk March 9th or 10th, 2007
Please return this form and payment to:
Janice Fisher Email: beavergrad@hughes.net
Banquet Chair Person Phone: 541 327-2834
3165 Edgwood Dr. SE
Jefferson, OR 97352



Elvin Forseth and Sean @ Project healing

Project Healing Waters strives to effectively serve the deserving participants, who have made great sacrifices in the service of our Nation.

PROJECT HEALING WATERS

Inspired by the nationally acclaimed "Casting for Recovery" Program for cancer survivors, Project Healing Waters is a joint activity initiated by Trout Unlimited (TU) and the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF) chapters and individual members in the national capital region. Led by the National Capital chapter of TU and the Mid-Atlantic Council of FFF: the project offers wounded military personnel from Walter Reed

Army Medical Center and Bethesda Naval Medical Center opportunities to learn, or enhance, fly fishing and fly tying skills, and to use and enjoy those skills on fishing outings. The Project provides basic fly fishing, fly casting and fly tying clinics and classes for the wounded personnel. All services, equipment and activities of the Project are provided to participants at no cost, including gear that accommodates their special needs. Project Healing Waters training and education activities are designed to ignite or rekindle the participant's appreciation and enthusiasm for a wide variety of fishing outings. The Project is dependent on tax-deductible financial donations and the help of numerous volunteers.

[Editors Note: Listen to interviews John Colburn and Elvin Forseth from Healing Waters http://www.askaboutflyfishing.com/conclave_2006.cfm.]

FAMILY TYES

Family Tyes is a 501-3c Non Profit Organization that uses a student's interest in Fly Fishing to create strong family relationships and children that become positive, productive adults. Family Tyes acts as the conduit to bring the family, school, community, industry, government and volunteer mentors together to instill the qualities necessary for proper student



501-(3)-(C) Non-Profit Organization



growth and development. Family Tyes follows the principles outlined in the Search Institute's 40 Developmental Assets.

The club began in 1979. Family Tyes fishing curriculum now is an integral part of school's physical education programs in five eastern states, and the club

program organizes activities in three states teaching rod building, fly tying, and an extensive trip schedule that culminates in a trip to Montana at the end of each summer.

Family Tyes is committed to youth development and environmental conservation through fly-fishing. Fly-fishing provides a life long positive alternative to drugs, alcohol and other challenges facing today's youth. FT strives to teach young people the important role they play in fisheries management, environmental stewardship and conservation. We believe that utilizing a shared interest in fly-fishing promotes family values, volunteerism, educational processes, business skills development, and community involvement

[Editor's note: Listen to an interview with Paul Hind, of Family Tyes at http://www.askaboutflyfishing.com/conclave_2006.cfm, and go to their website, www.familytyes.org]

ASKABOUTFLYFISHING.COM

Check out these latest podcasts, and others including reports on the FFF conclave in Bozeman.

01-Nov-2006
Denny Rickards
Fly Fishing for Trophy Trout on Stillwaters

18-Oct-2006
Brad Befus
Carp on the Fly

04-Oct-2006
Rene Limeres
Siberian Taimen the Legend of Russia's Rivers

20-Sep-2006
Jason Borger
Casting and Presentation Strategies for Trout

TIPPET TIPS

Taken from the McKenzie Flyfishers Club newsletter

If trout see your fly but refuse it, go to a longer leader, lighter tippet and smaller fly.

Big trout are rarely leader shy when aggressively feeding. Be sure to use fluorocarbon tippets strong enough to hold a large trout.

The use of fluorocarbon tippets allows you to use a tippet 1X heavier such as 4X to 3X.

Compound leaders, those we build, are poor choices for fishing in nutrient-type waters containing algae that catches on the knots.

The forgiveness of a flexible soft tip rod is critical when using small tippets against big fish.

Redheaded Stepchild, FFF
September Fly of the Month



MEETING INFORMATION

We meet the second Wednesday of Each Month
Iron Horse Restaurant, 6034 SE Milwaukie Ave,
Portland, Oregon (503) 232-1826
6:00 pm Social Hour
7:00 pm Business meeting and Speaker



STONEFLY MAIDENS WOMEN'S FLY FISHING CLUB

An Oregon Council-Federation of Fly Fishers
Member Club

Our Mission is to create opportunities, encourage, educate and mentor women's participation in the sport of fly fishing.

Our goal is to bring women together who share a love of fly fishing and the beauty of nature to create friendships and lasting memories.

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2006 CLUB CALENDAR

Meeting Date	Speaker	Topic	Fishalong Date
November 8	Mike Duley	New Zealand	No trip planned
December 13	No Speaker	Holiday party & fly swap	No trip planned

PROPOSED 2007 CLUB CALENDAR

WE NEED YOUR INPUT TO FINISH THIS CALENDAR. PLEASE EMAIL YOUR ADDITIONS, IDEAS, CONTACTS FOR SPEAKERS TO BOARD@STONEFLYMAIDENS.ORG

Month	Meeting	Fishing	Other
January	Jessica Sall Tube Flies	East Fork Lewis River (WA)	
February	Rob Crandall Fishing Stragegies	Crooked River	Fly Fishing Show (Oregon Conv Ctr)
March	Skills Seminar Knots/Tippetts/ Lines/Rods	OFC Waters ?St Louis Ponds	Fly Tyers Expo 9/10 (Albany) Life after BC
April	Conservation	N. Fork of Middle Fork of Willamette	
May	Wey Yin Spey Casting	Spey Clave 5/6	Casting Practice
June		16TH Casting ClinicShad?	
July		Suttle Lake/Metolius	Bamboo Rod Fair Joan Wulff?
August	Michael T Williams Hosmer Lake	Hosmer Lake	
September		Skagit - 4 day trip	
October	Save - no speaker	Deschutes	12-14 CFR Retreat
November	Jakob Lund Alaska	No fishing	
Decemeber	Holiday Party	No fishing	