



# Cascade Family Fly Fishers

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Brighter Streams*

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### CFF 2015 Picnic

Our Next Meeting September 24, 2015  
Bob Wolfe

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Meeting Location  
Wesley United Methodist Church  
Corner of Oakway & Cal Young  
Meeting Time 4th Thursday of Each Month  
Doors open at 6:15pm meeting starts at 7:00

Board meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday  
of the month at 6:00 pm and general  
membership meetings are held on the 4th  
Thursday of each month. Both meetings are  
held at Wesley United Methodist Church.

## VP and Me By Randy Beard



Fall fishing is almost here. With things finally cooling down a little, thoughts of October Caddis come to mind. Fall is one of my favorite times of year to fish. The leaves are turning. The air is crisp. The trout are in spawning colors putting on their last stores before winter. It's just a great time to be on the water. The Diamond lake outing should be a perfect time to land some nice fish before winter sets in.

Our annual picnic was a great success. We had a super turnout, and everyone had a great time sharing stories. The amount of food was overwhelming, believe me I tried to sample it all. The casting contest was full to the brim and everyone had a chance to show off their skills. Thanks again to the Overall's for hosting this fantastic event.

Our club Auction is soon approaching. This year it will be held in the Event Center at the United Methodist Church (our normal meeting place) on Thursday October 22, Setup 3:30 - 5:30, Dinner and Silent auction at 6:00. This is our main fund raising event of the year which helps pay for our program speakers. It's always a good time and you may find that special item you just have to get. Have your bid number ready and don't forget to RSVP on the number of guest and your menu items.

Cascade Family Flyfishers now has a tax exempt status 501(c)7. Thanks to the hard work of Rod Roth. This will be a benefit to the people and businesses that support our club with the donations and services that allow us to serve the community. If you have any questions I'm sure Rod will be happy to help.

## Volunteering at the Blue River Chainsaw Festival L-R Randy Beard, Steve Overall, Michelle Overall and Trese Slocum



## **WHY FISH CHIRONOMIDS**

*Presented by Bob Wolfe  
September 24 Meeting*

Bob Wolfe, "The Wolfe of Chironomids", will share his many years of discovery, research & development in fishing the ubiquitous *chironomid*.

You may be one of the many CFF members present April, 2014, when Bob Wolfe unleashed his incredible stash of straight forward usable information, offering many of us our first digestible take on fishing these little critters. Additionally, you may have shared your desire to see Bob's presentation a second time.

Bob Wolfe returns, September 24th, not only sharing his renowned program again-----he will be presenting an updated, refined version. Featuring information from Central Oregon and Western Cascade waters, plus new fly patterns---get ready for what could be as useful a chironomid presentation as we're likely to witness!

Bob Wolfe has been a generous contributor to the CFF since his relatively recent joining. Many of us have been in Bob's company, often by his invitation, to receive seminal information, instruction & coaching---fishing side by side!

The Steelhead Brewery & Cafe is the site of our pre-meeting no-host dinner. Come on down. Join in the CFF revelry---then get smart with Bob Wolfe!

### **Michael T Williams CFF Program Chair**



Bob had a very productive day at the Horton Outing 2015

### **Bob Wolfe's Bio**

I have been an avid fly fisherman for over fifty years and grew up fishing the Sierra Nevada's in central and northern California. After spending two tours with the U.S. Army in Viet Nam I went to work for the U.S. Forest Service in Oregon. I have been blessed to always work in an area with great fly fishing opportunities including over 20 years in the Grants Pass area fly fishing the Rogue and Umpqua.

I recently retired after 36 years with the Forest Service, the last 14 years as a Law Enforcement Officer assigned to the Umatilla and Wallowa-Whitman National Forests in NE Oregon. One of the benefits of the job was an opportunity to become very familiar with the lakes and streams in the area, particularly the Blue Mountains and the Elk Horn Range. As an avid fly fisherman I was always looking for fishing opportunities where ever I worked. I found NE Oregon to be filled with fly fishing destinations and one of the best kept secrets in the country.

I am a founding member and past president of the Blue Mountain Flycasters Club in Pendleton. As a fly tying instructor, casting instructor and fly fishing instructor, I have had the opportunity to introduce hundreds of people to the great sport of fly fishing and the fly fishing opportunities in Oregon.

I originated and developed the Buzz Hackle fly series including the BH Buzz Hackle and Buzz Buzzer patterns for both trout and steelhead. I have demonstrated these patterns for several years at Fly Tiers Expo's in the North West with great interest and positive feedback from Flyfishers all over the west. I also recently originated and developed the very productive Magic Midge series of Chironomid patterns and have been doing presentations on Chironomid fishing techniques to fly fishing clubs in Oregon and Washington. As a Forest Service Officer working on several National Forests in the Northwest, I have had the opportunity to test my Buzz Hackle fly patterns all over Oregon and parts of Washington and have rarely found a trout that would refuse them.

### **Why Fish Chironomids**

Why is it important to fish Chironomids? Chironomids, particularly the pupae stage, make up over 50 % of a Trout's annual diet and up to 100% in early spring in productive still waters. This presentation will help fly fishermen better understand the life cycle of chironomids and important characteristics of the pupa that need to be imitated to make proper presentations and tie productive imitations. The presentation will cover tackle, fishing techniques, presentations, and lots of helpful hints to make your time on the water more productive. Whether you tie your own flies or buy them at the fly shop, it's good to recognize a good Chironomid pattern when you see one.

## Fall River Outing

October 9-12, Host Fred Acosta

Fall River is a beautiful spring-fed stream flowing through rolling pine forest. It is **open to fly fishing only**. Clear and cold, it springs full-blown from the ground about 2 miles northwest of Pringle Falls and winds it's way northeast to join the Deschutes River. Fall River is an outstanding contributor of brown trout to the Deschutes River and provides excellent winter habitat for numerous species. Its pristine water supports a productive hatchery and contributes invaluable water quality to the Deschutes system. Legal size brook and rainbow trout, stocked several times a year, merge with the naturally reproducing brook, brown, and rainbow trout. Native whitefish inhabit the river below the falls.

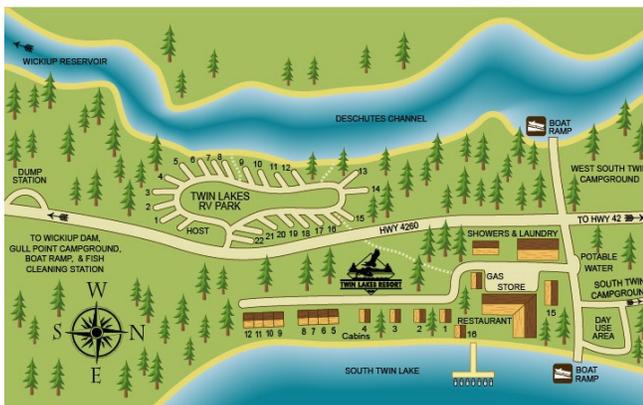
### Camping:

We will be staying at Twin Lakes Resort, located on the shores of South Twin Lake. The RV park is close by on the banks of the Deschutes Channel of Wickiup Reservoir. The resort has 22 sites and as of September 13th only 2 sites had been reserved. The RV park is 15 miles away from Fall River and will give us plenty of options for fishing other locations if the Fall River has fallen off (ha, ha).

Twin Lakes RV Park

541/382-6432

<http://www.twinlakesresort.net>



## At The CFF Picnic 2015



COASTAL LAKE OUTING  
By Marv Clemons, Outing Host

The sun was out, the sky was blue, not another person fishing and the water surface of Cleawox Lake at Honeyman Park was like glass. "Wow what a perfect day" was the consensus of the three intrepid CFF members who showed up for the outing. Trese Slocom, Don Quinton, and yours truly Marv Clemons were more than excited to get on the water and get the day's fishing underway. We were all surprised that we were the only ones to show up but with a bit of reflection it made sense: Duck Game at Autzen, the last long weekend before children returned to school and no club meeting in July to remind members of the outing, although it was announced in the club newsletter and at the Club Picnic in August. Probably just too many competing options available. Our rationalization was "Oh well, they don't know what they're missing."

I pulled my drift boat to the launch at the east end of the lake, launched and returned to the parking lot, parked my rig and walked back to the launch. By then Trese and Don had their boats in the water and parked their rigs near the launch and were ready to shove-off. I launched first and rowed a few yards out, anchored and began setting up my rods. To save time I always rig two or three rods: wet for nymphs, dry for chironomids and surface feeders and an intermediate sink tip for mid-water fishing. Trese was using a full-sink line with a black wooly bugger, Don was set up for chironomids with a dry line and indicator with a possie bugger as the point fly. My choice to start the day was an olive green damsel on the point with an orange soft hackle on the dropper trolled slowly with some action.

As we trolled from the boat launch toward the big sand dune we pretty much covered the water with Trese along the left shoreline by the parking lot, Don in the middle, and me along the right shore in front of the resort boat dock. I was fishing a little too close to the resort docks and a friendly park ranger walked onto the pier and asked me to please not fish in the swimming area. I apologized for my transgression and moved on. With the whole large part of the lake to ourselves I don't believe any of the three of us had even one take. We then moved into the narrow arm just past the resort where I've had good luck in the past. I changed to a black girdle bug with white butt and white rubber legs in anticipation of getting into bass along the shore in the sunken logs. Sure enough, about the third cast to about three feet from the bank under the trees the fly disappeared, I set the hook and had a nice 12" large mouth bass which weighed a little over a pound and was scrappy. I did hook a yellow perch on the same fly about 7" long as we left the cove and headed toward the parking lot for lunch. Trese too had had some hits and landed a small bass or two. Don had been trolling and I did not see whether he had had any hits or caught any. We all arrived at the fishing pier close to the Honeyman parking lot at about the same time, grabbed our lunch and sat at a picnic table near our boats to enjoy the beautiful day and critique our mornings fishing and select the lake we would fish in the afternoon.

After a robust lunch with sandwiches, potato chips, coffee and milk topped off with the scrumptious banana bread a signature dessert made by Trese we all felt we could take a nap. Don enjoyed his Atkins meal and shared how much weight he had lost as a result. Both Trese and I were impressed. We then began assessing our fishing options for the afternoon. Don hadn't received a copy of the handout I give to those who attend the coastal outings last year, which included topographical charts for Sutton, Mercer, Munsel, Cleawox, Woahink, Siltcoos, Tahkenitch, and Eel Lakes, so gave him his own copy. After some discussion we chose Sutton as neither Trese nor Don had ever fished it and I hadn't for about five years. Once decided it was 1:30 and by 2:30 we were on the water at Sutton. As most who fish the Oregon coast know, the wind comes up from about 11:00 and starts to reside by about 3:30 so we hit Sutton at about the windiest time of the day. Sutton has a nice boat launch and a channel leading to the lake. We all rowed out and headed north into the wind in hopes of letting the light chop on the surface give action to our chironomids as we headed for the more quiet area on the north end of the lake. I left my motor on my drift boat even though I could not use it in the morning at Cleawox. I wasn't sure if motors were legal at Sutton, a third of the way to the north end another boat running a motor passed me, that was all the incentive I needed. I started the motor and leisurely made my way to the quiet north end. I really felt guilty as I passed Don and Trese who were rowing their pontoons.

The north end has nice lily pad groupings interspersed with downed tree limbs and overhead limbs shading small openings in the pads and brush which looked very fishy. After working the outer edge of the lily pads, I started working the small openings close to shore. On my second cast my girdle bug again disappeared and I was fast on to another nice bass about the same size as the one I caught in Cleawox that morning. Both Don and Trese had hits and landed a few small bass. By then it was 3:30 and we were all the way on the north end so we started toward the boat launch hoping the wind out of the north would make the trip back a bit easier and we could drift our flies all the way to the launch. We did just that but nary a nibble was had, as far as I could tell.

We took turns helping each other get our boats into our rigs and on trailers and we were ready for the road home by 4:30. The fishing was really great although the catching could have been better, but all had caught a few. The comradery as always was outstanding and we are all excited about giving the coastal lakes another try next year with new lakes to fish and more opportunity for developing close friendships with fishing buddies.

## Diamond Lake Outing

October 23—25

Marv Clemons Trip Host



October 23rd-25 is the last weekend for fishing most of the high Cascade lakes. Diamond Lake Resort drops the room rates at this time to draw in the late-season elk hunters, and died-in-the-wool cold weather trout fisherman. If you have not already made your reservation, call the Diamond Lake Resort at 541-793-3333 and select the type of room or campground you are interested in.

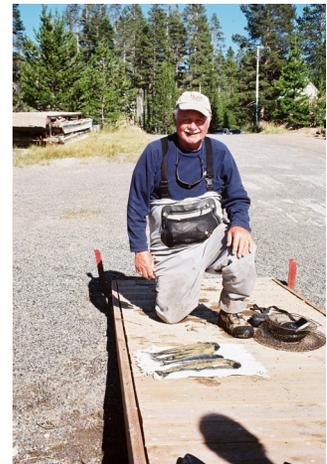
For those who haven't fished Diamond this late in the season, be prepared for rough weather. Snow is a possibility as well as wind. If we are lucky we will hit beautiful blue skies and relatively warm temperatures in the 50s and low 60s. The weather does not seem to bother the fishing that much, as the callibaetis hatch will be on, so size 14 and 16 blue winged olives dries and nymphs will work as well as other standard nymph patterns like gold ribbed hare's ear, pheasant tail, and prince and chironomids in 16/14. Also size 8 and 10 wooly buggers and damsels in midnight fire, brown, black and olive will work. We had good luck last year trolling size 14/16 olive damsels on an intermediate sinking line behind the wooly buggers. Most of your fishing in the open lake will in in 8 to 10 feet of water so the sinking line will be helpful with a 10-count giving your fly time to get down along the weed beds. Last year we noticed that most of the fly fishers were fishing from 10 to 50 feet from shore sometimes in 3' to 6' of water and doing really well. Even though these trout do not spawn in the lake, they try to at this time of year and are working the redds close to shore, which allows the stealthy to sight fish for these lunkers.

Diamond is a big lake so plan to bring some kind of water craft. If you don't have a float tube, pontoon boat, drift boat, or a power boat you can rent one from the lodge for a reasonable price. Be sure to bring warm clothing, rain gear, wool and fleece garments for layering, gloves, warm hat, polaroid glasses, life jacket, and a full change of clothes just in case. I find waders my best bet. They keep me dry, feet warm and easy to move around in. Plenty of water and munchies are also a good idea. For fishing gear a rod anywhere from 5 to 8 wt. 8' - 9' works well. Having two rods ready one with a sinking line and one dry will allow you to adapt to what ever the fish are taking. You will see many fish rising for the callibaetis as they come off but remember they are also taking the nymphs sub-surface.

I plan to arrive at the lodge a little after noon on Friday the 23rd, check in, stow my gear, and be fishing by 1:30 after a bit of lunch. If you are there at that time we can fish together. There will probably be a delay at the tunnel on Hwy 58 above Oakridge so be sure to check with the Highway Patrol so you can plan your arrival at Diamond accordingly. To assist others who may be coming get squared away, we will all get together for dinner at the lodge at 7:30 PM to discuss the days fishing and plan the next two days. It's really nice to have a hot meal after a day on the water.

If you have any questions about the trip, please give me a call at 541-688-8774. If you need a ride give me a call and we will do our best to find one for you. Take care,

Marv Clemons



*Cascade Family Fly Fishers  
Fund-raising Auction &  
Dinner Invitation  
Thursday, October 22, 2015*

**Location**

Wesley United Methodist Church  
1385 Oakway Rd, Eugene 97401  
Corner of Cal Young & Oakway

Come early to look over the silent auction items and place your bids. The venue is alcohol free. Unopened wine and other spirits can be auction items.

Dinner and silent auction starts at 6:00 PM, first silent auction table closes at 6:30 pm. Remaining tables close every 10 minutes until all tables have been closed.

**Schedule**

3:30—6:00	Auction committee arrives to setup hall
6:00	Dinner and silent auction starts. First silent auction table closes at 6:30, remaining tables close every 10 minutes
7:00—8:30	Oral Auction
8:30—9:00	Cash Out

*Menu \$15.00 ea*

Choose One	Number Of Meals
Marinated chicken breast with baked potato, butter, cheese, green onions and sour cream	
Marinated chicken breast with mashed potatoes	
Tri-tip steak with baked potato, butter, cheese, green onions and sour cream	
Tri-tip steak with mashed potato	

**We (I) plan to attend the auction:**

Yes \_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_

Name (s)

Phone # (s)



**Please return your form by**

**October 17, 2015**

**To**



**Marv Clemons  
mclemons1@mindspring.com**

**Or mail to:**

**2814 Dahlia Lane, Eugene OR, 97404**

## 2015 Outings

2015 is winding down but we still have a couple of outings left on the calendar. So jump on the last two planned trips of the year, we will be having lots of fun and sharing what we learn. We are still looking for more hosts for outings. If you have a favorite fishing hole that you would like to share with club members contact Trese Slocum for more information.

LOCATION	DATE	HOST	PHONE
Fall River	Fri, Oct 9 - Mon, Oct 12	Fred Acosta	541 /741-8276
Diamond Lake	Fri, Oct 23—Sunday Oct 25	Marv Clemons	541 /688-8774

### From the Editor:

Newsletter submissions are due the 2nd Sunday of the month. We welcome your photos and fishing trip stories. When submitting photographs please include names and locations so that we can include that information along with your pictures. Email photographs or any information you want to appear in the newsletter or club web site to me at:

rozinkadena@yahoo.com.

Thanks, Roz



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## The Trading Post

Free classified ads for CFF Members  
To place an ad email [rozinkadena@yahoo.com](mailto:rozinkadena@yahoo.com)

### Sea Eagle Frameless Pontoon Boat

View at Sea Eagle website Model 285fpb motor package.

Used one time, paid \$989.00 will take \$775.00

Contact: Don Quinton

541 554 2735



**Membership Application**  
**CASCADE FAMILY FLY FISHERS APPLICATION**  
**FOR MEMBERSHIP/MEMBERSHIP**  
**RENEWAL**

**Mail To: Cascade Family Fly Fishers, P.O. Box 5384 , Eugene, Or 97405**

Please print legibly:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname \_\_\_\_\_ DOB (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/partner \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname \_\_\_\_\_ DOB (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation and or employer \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of FFF? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ FFF expiration date? \_\_\_\_\_

The following information is requested in order to maintain a data base of our member's knowledge and experience which may be of help in club activities. Please be as complete as possible

Years of fly fishing experience 0-3 \_\_\_ 3-5 \_\_\_ 5-10 \_\_\_ 10-20 \_\_\_ 20-40 \_\_\_ Over 40 \_\_\_

As a fly caster are you: Novice? \_\_\_ Average? \_\_\_ Proficient? \_\_\_ Expert? \_\_\_ FFF Certified Instructor? \_\_\_

Do you tie your own flies? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes rate you tying from Novice 1 to Instructor being 5 \_\_\_ Check any of the following watercraft that you own: Float tube \_\_\_ Pontoon boat \_\_\_ Canoe \_\_\_ Drift boat \_\_\_ Pram \_\_\_ Motor boat \_\_\_ Jet boat \_\_\_ Others (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Club members are asked to consider serving on at least one committee of their choice to assist the committee chairperson when required. Number your choices from 1 -3 of the following committees:

Newsletter \_\_\_ Program \_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_ Raffle \_\_\_ Conservation \_\_\_ Education \_\_\_ Auction \_\_\_ Outings \_\_\_ Library \_\_\_

Webmaster \_\_\_ Fly Tying \_\_\_ Legislative/Environment \_\_\_\_\_

Complete dues as follows:

Individual or Family \$25.00 (includes one name tag and club pin) (dues are \$15.00 when joining after July 1st

Student \$15.00 "

Associate (resident outside Lane County) \$10.00 "

Additional name tags \$6.00 each Additional pin \$3.00

Total amount due: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I do \_\_\_\_\_ do not \_\_\_\_\_ authorize the printing of my contact information in the club directory. (please check your option)



P.O. Box 5384

Eugene, Or 97405

#### ABOUT THE CASCADE FAMILY FLY FISHERS

The Cascade Family Fly Fishers (CFF) is an independent, not for profit, fly fishing organization open to the public and is an affiliate of the National Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF). Annual dues are \$25.00 for an individual or family membership, \$15.00 for a student, and \$10.00 for those who live outside Lane County. Membership includes a subscription to the newsletter and the privilege of participating in any and all club activities. CFF Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month and the general membership meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month.

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