

The Hook



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Fly Fishing and Podcasts?

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Meeting times

- General Club meetings held at Reedsport High School at 7:00 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month
- Bandon Fly Fishers meet at the Bandon Ocean Crest School at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month except November and December
- Executive Board meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Osprey Resort in Lakeside

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Next Meeting
October 17, 2007, 7: 00 p.m.
Reedsport High School.

By Chris Morris – Taken from the Arkansas Fly Fishers Newsletter

So, if you have been hiding under a rock somewhere since the iPod craze, you are probably wondering what is a Podcast?

According to Wikipedia, a podcast is “is a digital media file, or a series of such files, that is distributed over the Internet using syndication feeds for playback on portable media players and personal computers.” WHAT? For all of you non techies, think of a podcast as internet radio.

Why do you care about podcasts? What if you could listen to your favorite legend or expert over and over as he discusses his experience developing as a professional fly fisherman! Guess what, you can!

Fly Fish Radio (<http://www.flyfishradio.com/>) is the original podcast for fly fishing anglers. My favorite episodes from this site feature Norm Albiston. Mr. Albiston is a well respected Fly Fishing Instructor and guide.

In Episode 1, Norm talks about midges, matching insects underwater, and the biggest mistake fly fish anglers make.

In Episode 5, Norm returns from Episode 1 to finish his thought on the 5 things you can change when fly fishing. “Norm has a talent for taking the complication and technical point of fly fishing and breaking it down so it’s easy to digest.”

In Episode 13, learn how to think like a trout. Norm really goes into how a trout sees, smells, hears, and handles its environment.

In Episodes 28 & 29, if you want to learn how to “Bow Hunt” a trout, listen to these episodes. You will definitely become a predator.

Ask about Fly Fishing Radio Internet Radio (<http://www.askaboutflyfishing.com/>) “has brought together The Experts on fly fishing to tell you in their own words the secrets to their success in both Freshwater and Saltwater!”

My favorites:

Jason Borger, an expert Fly Fishing Instructor and author who discusses “Angling Approaches for Streams,” and “Casting and Presentation Strategies for Trout.”

Kelly Galloup, who is a world renowned author and guide, discusses the uses of articulated streamers to catch trophy trout.

Check out the above web sites, I hope you will find them as yet another fantastic resource. Beginners, Intermediates, and Experts will learn from these various interviews. I find myself becoming more and more.

The Lower Umpqua Flycasters is a non-profit fly fishing club. As a member of the Federation of Fly Fishers, the club has 3 main goals:

1. To educate people on the importance of the environment through fly fishing;
2. To help preserve and restore natural habitats; and
3. To get people started on the joy and satisfaction that is fly fishing.

Club Officers

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Note from the Vice President

Sept 25, 2007

As we enter the last quarter of 2007, there are three items to complete this year – in addition to the final outings scheduled in the Hook for October and November.

1. Nominations for Officers are due at the October meeting and the election of Officers will be held at the December meeting, which is a Dinner Meeting. In order for the club to continue, we need members to get involved and run for office. We will be electing people to fill the following positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Officers' duties will be discussed at the October meeting.
2. We need to set up committees for the 2008 Expo, which will be held Saturday, February 23, 2008 at the Reedsport High School. This is our "Biggest event" of the year as well as a major fund raiser for the club. The various committees and their tasks for the Expo will be discussed at the October meeting.
3. We discussed the feasibility of setting up a website for the club at the September meeting. We are fortunate that one of our members Vickie Newton has experience creating and maintaining websites. Vicki was the webmaster for her previous club. You can check out their Website (www.hoaff.org) which she set up. She's willing to set up one for our club. It can provide a lot of information, such as the schedules of our meetings and outings; newsletters; links to other sites which have fishing information; and fishing events around the state. We'll be providing all the pertinent data at the October meeting.

The location of the December Dinner Meeting is still up in the air since the owners of Dubray's have left the area and the new owners won't be in town until October. So that'll be planned next month. Any other suggestions will be welcomed and considered.

I want to thank Sally Brewer for getting "The Hook" out in spite of the fact we haven't been sending her much information. We need you guys (and gals) to write up some of those "fish stories" and send or email them to Sally at mtsallymb@gmail.com. Thanks to Tom Timothy for the reports about the outings. I thought "Observations of a fisherman's wife" by Diane O'Bryan last month was outstanding – I'm sure it touched a few nerves!

Next Meeting

**Wednesday,
Oct. 17
7:00 p.m.**

**Reedsport
High School**

**Speaker:
Cam Perry**

Herbert Roche, VP



October Outing

This month we will be fishing at the Lower Empire Lake on Southwestern Oregon Community College's campus. We will meet there on Sunday, October 14th 8:00 a.m.. The potluck will begin at 1:00 p.m. As you all may remember, last spring, the lake was stocked with 3,000 trout, so we should have some good fishing.

Rogue Report

I'm back for a couple of days from my first two weeks on the Rogue, so thought I would give a quick summary of the fly fishing on the Rogue for half pounders. I've managed to land at least one fish every day except the first night I arrived.

The number of fish caught per day has run from one to somewhere approaching twenty half pounders. On the average, I landed less than a half dozen fish a day and that includes both a morning and a night bite. In this two week period, I landed only one adult steelhead. From what I've heard, this is a little above the average.

However, the Rogue has been kind on the nights and mornings when I did not land a fish. One fishless night, I had a Black Bear run down the gravel bar towards me. He was looking back and did not see me in the water fishing. So I had to yell in order to get him to change course and swim across the Rogue below me instead of running over me. I didn't mean to scare the bear, so I think he'll get over his close encounter with man. During one of my fishless morning, I saw a Bald Eagle come down and snatch a pike minnow that I had thrown back in the water about thirty feet from where I was fishing. During a third fishless time, I got the pleasure of watching a half dozen river otters chase the half pounders around in the run I had walked down river to fish. I would have gone somewhere else to fish that morning, but the Rogue had more fisherman than I have seen in years past.

The outing was great with 15 club members attending and everyone spending at least one night and doing some fishing. I, in my humble opinion, would rate the fish catch this year the next to slowest year I have seen in my fishing career on the Rogue. As last year was my worst I hope that this is not going to be a continuing trend. But even if it is you still have to love the Rogue.

--Thanks to Tom Timothy for this report.



Websites of the Month

Trout Unlimited (<http://www.tu.org>)

Trout Unlimited is dedicated to conserving, preserving, and restoring North America's cold water fisheries and watersheds.

Nova Scotia Fly Fishing, Tying and Tall Tales (<http://users.eastlink.ca/~dryfly/index.html>)

This site, developed and maintained by Pat Donoghue, received the Best of the Net award for the Personal site and Canadian Local Information categories from [Flyfishing about.com](http://www.flyfishingabout.com) and is included in [Craig Buddo's](#) book *Fishing online: 1,000 Best web sites*. Provides an interesting section on old time fly patterns.

Favorite Trout recipes (<http://www.wistrout.com/recipes.htm>)

Contains information about handling trout and favorite recipes from the United States Trout Farmers Association. If you like the recipes on their website, you can order their cookbook.

August	Steve Chester Oregon Trout
Sept.	TBA
Oct.	Cam Perry
Nov.	TBA
Dec.	Christmas Dinner

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August 26	Rock Fishing Charleston Harbor
Sept.	Rogue River
Oct. 14	Lower Empire Lake
Nov. 10	New River outing
Nov. 17	Rock Fishing Charleston Harbor
Dec.	Christmas Dinner

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