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NOTICE—OUTING CHANGE –NOTICE

JUNE 14 OUTING CHANGE TO JUNE 21-CALL ROBERT O'BRYAN @ 541-759-2526 FOR DETAILS

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well, it looks like summer days are finally here - (some of us ex-Californians miss sunshine & 80 degree weather) so we look forward to some great fishing opportunities . Please keep in touch via our Web Site (WWW.LUFC.US) for outing info & schedules as well as photos , etc. Several members get together “impromptu” and go fishing during this time so you need to keep touch via website, club meetings, etc.

Also on the web site are links to other clubs & fishing info as we look forward to fishing adventures. Don't forget to give us your input- suggestions, tips, etc. See you at the meeting-

Herb Roche, President

FISHING REPORT—CHARLESTON

Six members of the Lower Umpqua FlyCasters decided to have a impromptu sea bass fishing trip in Charleston bay. We got up early so we could catch the low tide. We like fishing the low tide so we can see the rocks from the North Jetty to the #7 green dolphin. As many fishermen know there are sea bass along these rocks but first you have to find them and then decide how to fish them. Fishing for sea bass is a lot different from fly fishing the other fish in the area. In place of a normal fly line you use 20 to 30 foot of lead core line tied to a running line with a 12 to 15 lb leader. The lead core is used to get your fly down in the swift current. Alone with the lead core you also use weighted flies called Clouser Minnows or Terminators. So trying to cast lead core line with fly is more a chuck and duck contest.

Now that we had the right tide and the equipment, it was time for some fishing with hopes of some catching. Al and Ken decided to anchor their boat in what we call Al's spot. If you want Al's spot you better get there early and don't leave it because Al will be in there as soon as you leave. Al and Ken both did very good in the “spot” but decided to move down on the jetty to finish out the days fishing. Jim and Tom worked the down stream side of the rocks but did not do very well so they moved to other locations on the jetty looking for fish. They had a hard time finding fish but finally found a school and started catching enough to finish out the day with nine. Myself and Don Brown worked the inside of the “Y” between two sets of rocks and caught about five fish until they stopped biting then we started hunting alone the north jetty to find a school. We finally found a school and started catching a few fish but most were too small. We finished the day with twelve fish to our credit.

So you can see fishing for sea bass can be a lot of work but the rewards are worth all the effort. You have to know weather conditions, tides, rock formations and to fish up stream or down stream of the jetty to find the sea bass. Even after knowing all the above some time they just don't bite and you just have to go home and wait for the next good tide.

Meeting times

- General Club meetings held at Reedsport High School at 7:00 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month
- 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
MAY 21, 2008, 7: 00 p.m.
Reedsport High School.**

**PROGRAM:LEE'S FERRY
RAINBOW TROUT FISHING
PETE PETRECELLI**

OUTING SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Location	2008 Outing schedule
			DETAILS-Call Robert O'Bryan 541-759-2526
Sat	17-May	Surf Fishing	Will be fishing for Pink Tail Surf Perch . Meet at 9:00 am at Horsfall parking area at the beach. Bring your ATV if you want to go up and down the beach looking for a good spot to fish. PARKING – 5.00/VEHICLE
Sat/ Sun	21-Jun- NOTE CHANGE! !	High Lake ????	Need suggestions on where to go. Diamond Lake and Toketee Lake have been suggestions. Let us know if you have other suggestions.
Sat	28-Jun	Crab Feed	Crab Feed will be at Charleston harbor. Meet at dock at 8:00 am. Start cooking crabs at about 1:00 pm and eat at 2:00 pm. Make your own arrangements for a boat and fishing partner. Will rock fish while waiting for the crabs to enter our traps.
Sat/ Sun	July 19 & 20	Tube-A-Rama	The biggest event of the year. Camping will be at the Umpqua River RV Park. Will meet at the RV park at 9:00 am for each day's float trip. There will be a pot luck dinner Saturday night at 6:00 pm.
Sat	9-Aug	Rock Fish	We'll be fishing for Rock Fish at Charleston. Plan to meet at 7:00 am Charleston Harbor. Make your own arrangements for a boat and fishing partner
Sat/ Sun	Sept 13 & 14	Rogue River	We'll be fishing for Half Pounders . The LOFC club will provide lunch Saturday at 1:00 pm at Singing Springs Inn.
Sun	26-Oct	Lower Empire Lake	This is the 2000 2 lb.+ "Trophy Trout" Let's go get them. Plan to bring your lunch and have a great day.
	4-Nov	Rock Fish	The tides are so great on this day we just had to plan a trip going after the Rock Fish again. Meet at 8:00 am at Charleston Harbor. Make your own arrangements for a boat and fishing partner.
Sat	8-Nov	Power Pond	This is the last outing of the year. They are scheduled to plant 1500 2 lb.+ "Trophy Trout" . Meeting at 9:00 am and have a Pot Luck Lunch at 12:00 noon.

WEBMASTER CORNER

Three commendations this month:

Tom Timothy and Cliff Newton have now made sufficient posts in the Forum to become Junior Members! I'm not revealing what the next level is – you'll have to post and see... To find out what all the buzz is about go to www.lufc.us and click on the Forum Tab. You'll get some valuable insights into local fishing conditions.

Robert O'Bryan has been doing a great job taking photos at LUFCC events and emailing them to me. Cliff Newton has also taken good photos at outings. It's important that we document our outings; if people can see we have fun at the club they might be encouraged to join in. It's also interesting to look back at photos of previous events and eventually previous years. If you take digital photos you can email them to me at webmaster@lufc.us or if they are prints you can give them to me at a meeting. I can scan them and give them back to you. Remember, photos you take of the "trophy" fish you caught or flies that you made can be presented on the website as well.

On the website you'll also find a copy of the Hook every month, along with back copies. There's a list of Club Officers and their contact info, some useful links and a growing photo page, along with lots of other stuff. Don't forget to post in the forum!

As always, if there's anything that can be improved or I've forgotten to include on the website, please let me know. It's a "work in progress" and there's lots of room for improvement!

Vicky Newton—Webmaster

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2008 DUES NOTICE !!

Annual DUES ARE \$20.00 WITHIN 50 MILES of Reedsport; \$10.00 if more than 50 miles

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFO & RETURN ASAP—We need to update our roster so please send info with your dues

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