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Meeting times

- General Club meetings held at the **Reedsport Elementary School** at 7:00 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month. (except when they're not)
- Executive Board Meetings will be held on demand. They can be requested by any club member at a regular meeting to be held on a date printed in the next published newsletter (The Hook).

The lucky winners of the last meeting :

Linda Murray-Stange won the rod/reel and Monty Stewart won the members drawing of \$25.

Next Meeting

**Wednesday, October 19,
2011
7:00 p.m.**

A Message from the President

Hello again fellow anglers. It has been awhile, what with no meeting in September. It seems like the summer just flew by and I didn't get much fishing done at all. As I get along in years, that is not the way I want them to go. Gotta make time for fishing or lose it! A day missed will never come around again so, right now, I am vowing to make sure that every opportunity to fish which comes my way will be capitalized upon, if at all possible.

I did make it to the Williamson for a couple of days. I am sorry to say that it was poor planning on my part. The timing was in conflict with the club's trip to the Rogue River. It wasn't really planned until just a couple of days prior to departure so honestly, I wasn't trying to sneak off without the club. If you folks wouldn't have taken off down there four or five days early, you would have been available to go to the Williamson!

I do have to report that you didn't miss much. John Soper, Tommy Carlson and I fished together one day. It was a beautiful day of drifting the river. Fish? Oh yeah, that part didn't go so well. Tommy can tell you about the one he hooked that wanted to tie up all three fishermen, five spare rods and the drift boat all into one tight little knot. I'll let Tommy tell you how wild that fish was. The second day, Tommy headed off for Davis Lake and the more "tame" bass that he tangles with over there. John and I took on the rainbows of the Williamson again. We didn't do well but, we did boat a couple of fish. I am

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beginning to think that I need to re-learn that river. It seems the flies and the tactics that worked so well for me and my clients in the 90's just aren't the best way to go today. Sooo..., next year we will have to plan ahead and get as many people over there as possible to help our poor president learn how to fish that river again. Deal?

I know that for a lot of you the year's fishing is far from over or even slowing down. I saw some of you on Empire Lake last week going after the trophy trout. Good for you. I haven't ever caught any of the larger trout that they are planting these days but, after walking around the lake and seeing the size of the fish that some of the "bankies" were catching, I think I might have been missing out big time! I may get over there and see what I can do before I hang it up for the year.

For those of you who are like me and things are slowing down for the year, there are a few things that need to be done. Next time you go fishing you will want all of your gear to be in top condition. It won't get that way while being stored in a closet or drawer through the winter. You need to clean your rods and reels. Additionally, you need to clean all of your fly lines and it isn't a bad idea to store them off of the reels so that there won't be coils by the handful when you pull line off of the reel next season. Now that you have taken care of your equipment, what else? If you are like me, you can never have too many flies, so... you can spend the winter tying up another hundred or so.

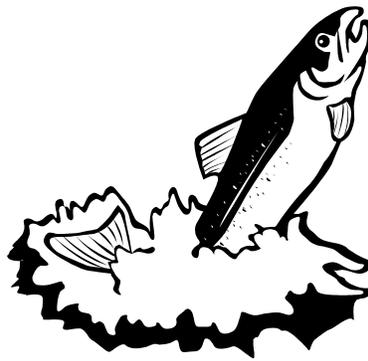
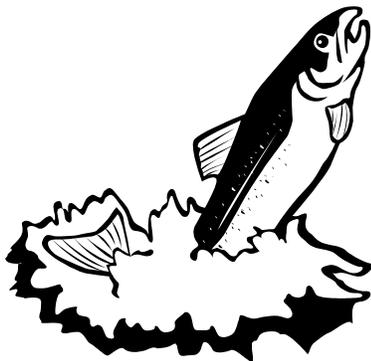
I am sorry that I won't see you in October as I am leaving for an elk hunt in Colorado and will miss our next meeting. You can be sure that I will be taking a rod and flies with me!

Russ



2011 OUTING SCHEDULE			
Some lovely evening	In Dec	Somewhere with good food!	Our Annual Christmas Party... Details to be announced soon!

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Any member of the club who writes an article for the newsletter of 500 words or more, will receive 6 free raffle tickets at the next meeting that they attend after the article is published. The article can be about anything that would interest Fly Fishers, but needs to be original (not copied from another source). Send your article to the editor at lufchook@gmail.com for publication.

MEMBERSHIP DUES 2011

Annual Dues are \$20.00 within 50 Miles of Reedsport; \$10.00 if more than 50 miles

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