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-WHAT YOU MISSED-



Thanks to all of you who came out to enjoy February's Tie and Pie meeting! Special thanks go out to our guest tyers, Lee Ann Ross, Alan Stout and Phil Fischer. (by the way, you can check out how to tie some of Phil's flies on his YouTube Channel or in the Sunriver Angler's eNews) Phil does sell his flies and can custom tie a box for you!



Thank you Charlie S. for donating the box of flies for the raffle, and Dave K for the Mississippi mudbars!

-WHAT'S AHEAD-

What is Euro-Nymphing?

Tim Mertins

The Sunriver Anglers Club will be hosting the husband and wife team of Dave and Mary Ann Dozer who will answer that question at the Anglers monthly meeting held at the SHARC on Thursday, March 21 at 7 P.M. Dave and Mary Ann are fly fishing enthusiasts who have pursued Euro-Nymphing since 2010. The topic for their talk is "Euro-Nymphing – The Superior Way to Fish Nymphs".

Dave began fly fishing at the age of eight and within a dozen years he was building his own fiber glass and graphite rods. Many years ago, a friend handed Dave an 8' 0" Leonard Duracane bamboo fly rod and, as the saying goes, Dave was hooked. Using his background in the Aerospace and High-Tech industry and his family artistic history,

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he began crafting his own bamboo fly rods and now sells them commercially. Dave also teaches one-on-one the fine art of bamboo rod construction. Dave is now designing and building custom bamboo trout fishing nets. A quote from Dave's website says it all: "Finely crafted bamboo fly rods evoke a feeling of artistry, quality craftsmanship, and tradition. A well-built rod has a soul; a feeling to it that is often difficult to describe, but you know it's there. Casting one takes you to a whole new experience level."

their Web sites: www.bamboopursuits.com and www.flyfishingpursuits.org.

Sunriver Anglers Club invites everyone, members and non-members alike, to participate in the presentation. The program starts at 7:00 P.M. but if you have questions to ask you are welcome at 6:30 during the social time. Remember that the Sunriver Anglers Club is involved in conservation, education as well as angling. If you would like more information or would like to join and be involved check out our website at www.sunriveranglers.org.



Mary Ann's engineering experience did not initially lead her to fly fishing until a trip to Yellowstone National Park in 1995 where Dave convinced her to "try it". She became an avid student of the sport and was intrigued by the technical and analytical aspects. With much practice on her casting technique, Mary Ann has become one of three hundred certified Master Casting Instructors through the Fly Fishers International organization. Mary Ann is also on the FFI Casting Board of Governors and the Winston Rods Pro Staff. She volunteers to teach fly fishing and casting techniques at fly fishing retreats and educational events such as Fly Fishers International, Trout Unlimited, Casting for Recovery and International Women Fly Fishers. In addition to her volunteer work, Mary Ann has been a guide on the Salmon River out of Stanley, Idaho. Since 2014, Mary Ann now guides for the Fly Fisher's Place located in Sisters, Oregon where she and her husband now call home. Most of Mary Ann's time is now spent on the Crooked and Lower Deschutes Rivers but guides on other rivers and lakes in Central Oregon.

Whether you are a beginner or seasoned fly fisher person, you don't want to miss this presentation from a couple that has great experience in all aspects of fly fishing. You may pick up that specific technique that will land "the big one".

You can find more information about Dave and Mary Ann at



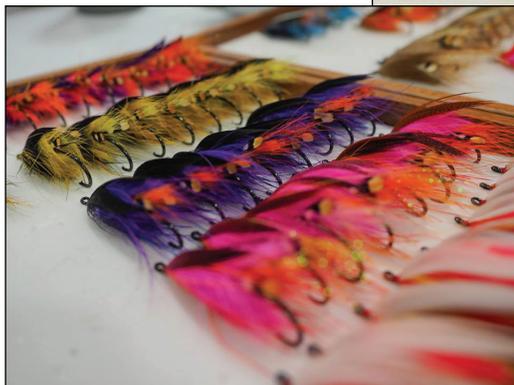
Northwest Fly Tying and Fly Fishing Expo

This year's Northwest Fly Tying and Fly Fishing Expo was an awesome experience for all those who came out. Local fly tyers John Olschewsky (from the Hook), John Kreft (RiverKeeper Flies), and SRA members Jerry Criss and Steve Lichtenberger were all seen plying their craft among the hundred or so other brilliant tyers. Casting classes, tying classes, fishing classes, and even (a really great) class on "photography with your smart





phone” were well received and attended. New this year were special guest speakers Maxine McCormick, and her coach, Chris Korich. Both are world class casters, with Maxine winning at the 2014 World Championships at age 12, and again in England in 2018. She had a Salmon distance cast of 189 feet!



SMALL FRY

Due to the unusually large snowfall and the fact that the pond at Caldera was mostly frozen, this year’s field trip to release the fry was canceled. We knew from the teachers that by Friday, February 22nd most of the fry were at the “button up” stage. This meant that the developing fry had used up most of their yolk sacs for food. Then came four straight (no school) snow days. By Wednesday the 27th, the teachers were sending messages that with no one able to take care of the fish, they were worried about what they would see when they got back into the classrooms. By Thursday night, the teachers were asking us to please release the fish on Friday, when school would once again be in session so the hungry fry wouldn’t have to spend another weekend alone and because “this class is really attached to these little guys”.... how could we not go to the rescue?

a battery operated air pump, net and a Rubbermaid tote. The students were very happy to see us, and the fish were for the most part still healthy, although a few of them were a little skinny. We reviewed what the fry needed to survive, then we went searching for a place where we could 1) park, 2) walk to the water, and 3) get the fish into a habitat where they had the best chance to survive.

Jen from ODF&W had suggested the Harper bridge area, and armed us with a fish release permit for the little D or upper D above Benham Falls. But there was no where to park unless we stopped on the bridge and dumped the fish over the railing. We thought maybe the area by Spring River off of Besson, not even close. Then Mike remembered that a fellow SRA member with a vacation home on the Deschutes had been there the day before. Brick Street was surprised to see us at his front door, but as a seasoned Angler Education volunteer knew about the Eggs to Fry program. He let us bypass

several feet of three foot deep snow by walking through his house into his back yard and down to the water, well almost. Ice had covered a good deal of the river, but as luck would have it, near his dock my foot dropped through enough snow



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So Friday morning, March 1st, the teachers threw some snow into each of the tanks to start acclimating the little fry to the colder temperatures they would encounter upon release. We arrived with



and ice to cover most of my shin. Brick went to get a shovel and dug a hole big enough to get the fry through. We had matched the water temperature the fry were in almost with the temperature of the water- about 40 degrees or less. Most of the fry were last seen happily swimming off.

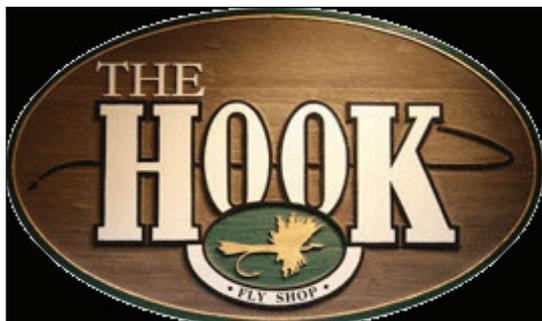
Just as a side story, in Ms Kinsella's class one single egg dropped to the gravel instead of staying in the "floating egg tray". The egg was named "Sub-all-Bodhi's-fault Marine. He or she did survive and hopefully will be a giant Cranebow in a few years.

We will be looking for a few volunteers for the next part of our Angler Education series at the Three Rivers School.

Contact me at rynieSRA@gmail.com if you can help.

A Way To Help!!!

The upper Deschutes basin Salmon and Steelhead reintroduction program is looking for volunteers to help with spring Chinook fry stocking. Volunteers are needed to help do backpack stocking in the Crooked River Canyon, Whychus Creek, and the Deschutes River canyon. This requires hikes ranging from 1 to 3 miles round trip. The hikes are strenuous and steep, with the weight of the backpacks typically average between 25-35 lbs. The fry put into bags and then loaded into backpacks for the hike down. If people are interested and do not have a backpack ODFW has a few that will hold a bag of fish. Backpack stocking will be conducted on March 26th, with everyone meeting at the Crooked



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River Ranch church. Maps will be provided by ODFW reintroduction biologist for those interested. The Crooked River Canyon stocking will be completed first and then ODFW will provide lunch for volunteers that help out for the backpack section, then the Deschutes section will be completed. This will be the last fry stocking event where fry will be backpacked into the canyon sections, due to a management change to a completely smolt driven program for reintroduction efforts in 2020, so those that have not done this before or really enjoyed it previously this will be your last opportunity.

Volunteers are also needed to help stock fry via buckets on the Metolius River, and it's tributaries, and Whychus Creek if people are not able to physically backpack fry. These stocking events will occur on March 26th and March 27th with ODFW, USFS, and PGE.



Welcome to RiverWise Anglers – Exciting guided fly fishing adventures on the Clackamas and Sandy Rivers.

Owner/Guide Bryan Stinson Phone: 503-737-4890
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<https://riverwiseanglers.com>

Please contact Taylor McCroskey at taylor.mccroskey@state.or.us or 541-325-5296 if you are interested in volunteering.

Volunteers that sign up will be contacted with directions and meeting times for each specific event. Thanks to all of the volunteers, we could not complete this work without your help.

Thank you,
Taylor McCroskey

Dog Cookers Needed for Kokanee Karnival April 22-30

Sunriver Anglers along with ODFW and Central Oregon Fishers will be supporting the annual Kokanee Karnival field trips to Shevlin Park. Our part is to supply lunch for 40-60 fifth grade kids plus teachers and chaperones each day from Redmond, Bend, Sunriver and La Pine schools.

These field trips are part of the ODFW yearlong Kokanee Karnival education program. We need 4-6 volunteers for each day to cook and serve 120 hot dogs plus drinks and snacks. Times are roughly 10:30 to





1:30 each day. Sign-up sheets will be circulated at the March 21 and April 18 meetings.

If you can't make the meetings please contact Dan Arnold at arnolddb@aol.com or 206-612-0519.



habit trout waters. Each insect makes a significant meal for hungry trout and they begin to key on the naturals very quickly once the hatch begins. This hatch occurs from mid-May to early June each year and lasts for a short period of between ten days to two weeks. The Lower Deschutes can be a busy place during the Salmonfly hatch, so come prepared.

This is great opportunity to expand your culinary skills as well as helping on a great program.



The Nymphs live subsurface for 2-4 years growing to about 2-2 1/2 inches long before crawling onshore onto stream-side rocks or bushes to hatch into an adult salmonfly. Their habitat is in fast moving riffles in rivers. The name "Salmonfly" has its roots in the color of this fly; its orange abdomen and thorax is reminiscent of the color of salmon flesh. The adult female Salmonfly features a large black egg sack on the rear of its abdomen. This feature is key to your imitations, as the females fly over the stream on sunny afternoons and dap the water depositing eggs. These big bugs fly haphazardly, and often end up in the water. It is during this time that the fly is most vulnerable to hungry trout.

Sunriver Angler's Fly Tying Corner

By: Phil Fischer

Foam Skater Salmonfly Pattern

Salmonflies are one of the most anticipated hatches every year on the waters that contain these big bugs. We're fortunate to have a world class occurrence on our own lower Deschutes River. Pterinasus Calificornica, better known as a Salmonfly, are one of the largest aquatic stoneflies to in-



The Foam Skater Salmonfly pattern is designed to allow a fly fisher to imitate key triggers for Salmonflies. The orange colored abdomen is made of craft foam. And I color the last segment with a black sharpie to imitate the egg sack on the female. I also color the segments with a brown sharpie to add some variation in the otherwise plain foam color. The wing is built in three layers, with flash, CDC and elk mane. It is a very realistic simulation of the natural insect. On the thorax I have added rubber legs for life and movement. Lastly, I use a very bushy hackle. This last piece is important, as it enables this fly to be skated and flipped to imitate the movements of the female Salmonfly returning to the river to lay eggs. The combination of materials enables the fly to float extremely well, even in rough and fast riffles.



Foam Skater Salmonfly Pattern





To fish this pattern, cast tightly to the bank and immediately when the fly hits the water, perform a subtle air mend to flip and skip the fly before it settles into its drift. Adult salmonflies display lots of movement on the water during egg laying flights. So, don't hesitate to flip and skip and skate the fly. This fly is

designed with the big bushy hackle to facilitate moving the fly on the water. That movement often is the difference between a take and a refusal.

Give this pattern a try during the upcoming Salmonfly hatch on the Lower Deschutes. It is one of the most exciting times of the year.

Foam Skater Salmonfly Materials List:

- Hook:** Firehole 718, Size 4-8
- Thread:** 210 Denier Brown for the Abdomen and 210 Denier Fire Orange for the Thorax and Head
- Abdomen:** Orange 2mm Craft Foam
- Flash:** Olive Krystal Flash
- Under Wing:** Trout Hunter CDC in Dark Pardo
- Over Wing:** Elk Mane
- Legs:** Medium Brown Round Rubber Legs
- Thorax Dubbing:** Spirit River Brite Blend Polar Orange
- Hackle:** Whiting Cree Cape (or substitute Dark Ginger to Dun)
- Abdomen Color:** Black Sharpie for Egg Sack and Brown Sharpie for Abdomen

Tying instructions and steps are being published in video form, and can be found on the Sunriver Anglers Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SunriverAnglers/>, or at the following YouTube URL: <https://youtu.be/TNlRqWJHeks>

Learn to tie this fly pattern and fish it in during the Salmonfly hatch on the Deschutes. If you have questions or would like additional



Adult Salmonfly

information about the Foam Skater Salmonfly pattern, please don't hesitate to email me. Or if you have suggestions on future patterns to feature in this column, I welcome your input. I can be reached at Philfischer@sbcglobal.net.

JOIN US FOR SOME "LYING AND TYING"!

Lying and Tying nights will begin on Wednesday, January 16th at "The HOOK" in the Sunriver Village. Plan to be at the shop at 5:00pm. Bring a light if you need one. If you are new to



tying or you don't have a tying set up yet, we can lend you a vise and some materials to get you started. Liars and Tyers of all abilities and ages are welcome to come and join the fun. We usually tie for about an hour, and will continue to meet on Wednesday nights until it's

time to start fishing again! These nights are not "structured classes", but if you show up, you will learn to tie.

For more information contact the HOOK at 541-593-2358



Introduction to Fly Fishing on the Crooked River

Due to the overwhelming response for this trip, it is sold out with a waiting list.

The Hook Fly Shop and the Sunriver Anglers are pleased to offer a Introduction to Fly Fishing educational and fishing event on the Crooked River on May 22, 2019.

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StillwaterFlyShop.com

1.877.598.7322

Anglers will meet at a campground (TBD) on the Crooked River at 9am. The Hook will have a host to discuss fishing equipment, flies,



- May 16- Fly fishing 101 and how to fish the Crooked River
- May 22- Fly fishing for beginners and others at the Crooked River taught by the HOOK staff
- June 1- Kids Free Fish Day
- June 13- East Lake Outing
- June 20- General Meeting- The Utah Cutthroat Grand-slam- Gary Lewis
- June 28-30- Grindstone Lakes Outing
- July 23-27- FFI Meeting, Bozeman MT

and tactics and provide on the water tips. The class will end at 1 pm. The Anglers will provide lunch and hot drinks. A maximum of 12 anglers can attend.

Cost is \$45 per person including a tip for the guide and lunch. Send payment to the Sunriver Anglers PO Box 4273, Sunriver, OR 97707.

Payment due April 1, 2019. The Hook will present an overview on Fishing the Crooked River at our May 16 meeting.

To register contact jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunities

As a Sunriver Angler you have a chance to share your passion, whether it's kids, conservation, veteran's groups or fish or flies. Please consider donating a few hours (or more!) of your time this year.

Upcoming Events

- Feb/Mar- KK Angling education at Three Rivers School. Volunteers needed!
- March 18 - Board Meeting
- March 21- General meeting- How to Euro-Nymph, featuring Mary Ann Dozer
- Late March- weather cooperating- outing to Euro-Nymph either Fall or Crooked River
- April 6- Sunriver Owners Home Expo SHARC
- April 15-17- Pronghorn Outing
- April 18- General meeting featuring Brian O'Keefe on Bass Fishing in Central Oregon
- April 22,23, 25,26, 29,30 Kokanee Karnival at Shevlin Park. Volunteers needed!
- April 29-May 1- Lake in the Dunes outing
- May - Date TBD - Davis Lake outing

Upcoming Meetings

For the April meeting, there will be a beer tasting event put on by the Sunriver Brewery starting at 6:30. Cost is \$5.00

For the May meeting, a 15 minute presentation will be given by Ron Nelson, the new Executive Director of the Deschutes River Conservancy (DRC), to introduce himself and to talk about the role of the DRC in restoring the Upper Deschutes prior to John's talk. (The meeting will begin at 7 as usual) For more information on Ron, please get in touch with Jeff Wieland or find Ron at the DRC website.

June 4th- The Coalition for the Deschutes is giving a presentation at SHARC. (Jeff Wieland or Gary for more info or a write up) Mike Taylor is an SRA member as well as president of the Coalition. He's a pretty good writer as well, you might ask him for more in depth info if you need it. Mike Taylor, President, Coalition for the Deschutes, cell: (503) 708-1400.

Upcoming Outings

Crooked River - the trip is full at 12 anglers with one on the waiting list.



Grindstone Lake one angler signed up and two are thinking about the trip. Need four anglers to make the trip a go. June 28 to June 30.

Pronghorn Lake April 15 to April 17. We need 6 anglers to make the trip a go. No sign-ups yet.

Reservoir Levels and Upper Deschutes Flows

For current reservoir fill levels and stream flows, go to the "US Bureau of Reclamation, Pacific Northwest Region Major Storage Reservoirs in the Deschutes River Basin, <https://www.usbr.gov/pn/hydromet/destea.html>

Help Wanted!

Writers, Photographers and Editors wanted to join the e-news team! We want stories, photographs and a few copy editors to check our work before we release the e-news to the public and our members. No experience necessary! Contact Jeffrey or Jerry if you are interested! Send stories and/or pictures (high-res preferred) to: Jeffrey at HsSrvnt@hotmail.com

We can also use your help with website upkeep!

Facebook

The Sunriver Anglers has a Facebook page! <https://www.facebook.com/SunriverAnglers>

Swap Meet

Wooden Drift boat with trailer for sale, needs work. If you have fishing items for sale or need fishing gear, please contact Jerry Hubbard at jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com

Be-A-Member-Get-A-Member

Every time you recruit a new member, you help strengthen the Sunriver Anglers. Recruiting a member is easy—when you connect with fellow anglers at meetings, online, or while fishing, simply tell them how you benefit from your membership in the Sunriver Anglers and suggest that they visit www.sunriveranglers.org to learn more about the value of membership.

If they decide to join, ask them to put your name on the membership application (available on our website) so you get the credit. It's that simple.

A Sunriver Brew Pub \$10 gift card! Thank You Sunriver Brewing Company for your support of the Anglers!



5 FRED MEYER SHOPPERS EARNED ALMOST \$25 FOR THE CLUB LAST QUARTER!

Please consider taking a few minutes to sign up for a simple way to contribute to the Anglers by Shopping at Fred Meyer!

Have you signed up for the community rewards program at Fred Meyer's? It's easy to do and The Sunriver Anglers can be credited with a reward from each of your purchases. Money from the Community Rewards Program will be added to support our club projects.

How to participate:



- Link your Fred Meyer rewards card to the Anglers at: www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards
- Scroll down and click on "Link your rewards card now"
- Click on "Sign In" if you are already registered with the Fred Meyer rewards program. If not, then click on "Register" and fill in the registration information.
- "Find Your Organization" should appear on the next screen.
- Enter following number in the box to link your card to the Anglers: 87237
- Click on "Search."
- Sunriver Anglers should appear below "Organization Name."
- Click on the circle to the left of Sunriver Anglers
- Click on "Enroll" You are now done.

Sign up today!

Trip/Outing Info

Pronghorn Lake - 2019



Pronghorn Lake Ranch is a secluded 150 acre treasure, located 40 miles east of Klamath Falls, Oregon in the beautiful Langell Valley. Come and experience one of the finest fisheries in the northwest. Choose between two pristine lakes. Whether you like to fly fish for trophy size trout or hook a 8-pound largemouth bass on a top water bait, you won't be disappointed.

To sign up contact Jerry Hubbard at jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com or cell 541 398 9798

Details:

Minimum of 6 anglers required!

Price - \$300 for two nights. Deposit due March 1, 2019.

Arrive April 15 prior to noon; Fish – April 15 Monday starting at noon; all day Tuesday April 16; morning of April 17, check out at noon.

Cabin one - sleeps two
One pull out sofa; on over size cot; basic kitchen; water from 5 gal jugs; electricity

Cabin two - sleeps four
Bunk bed for two; back cabin two bunk beds.

Cabin two - will be our cooking, eating and hanging out cabin.

Cabins have electric heaters; no running water; there is 5 gallon jugs of drinking water in each cabin; refill from the well; maybe bring your own bottled water;

Cooking - microwave, coffee pot; small refer; George Foreman electric grill; Gas bbq outside.

Pots, pans, paper plates, plastic knives, forks, etc. We will use paper plates and plastic utensils.

RV/trailer spot with 50 amp service
RV/trailer spot with 50 amp service (hard to plug in as outlets are close together)
RV/camper spot below the wall next to the lake – bring a generator

Cell service - Verizon works fine; not AT&T.
Water hookup - no
Electric hookup 50 amps
Sewer hookup no
Other details - two spots, level sites in front of the cabins, one level for a camper

Boats:
Pontoon; float tube fine
Boats - you can bring your own boat with gas motor and electric.
Speed limit 5 mph.
Rental boats: one at \$35-day boat with 30 hp motor and electric motor
One with no motor but has electric motor.

Firepit for lying about fish! Firepit has wood

Food: \$?? per person per day, depending on what we want.
Drinks: byob.

1st day:
Lunch on your own
Dinner – Steak (need a cook), need cooks for baked beans, salad, French bread. \$12 pp. Kitchen cleanup is angler 1 and 2.

2nd day:
Bkfst – about 10:30 am we will have pancakes; need cook for bacon, cook for hash browns. Coffee maker is ?
Kitchen cleanup is angler (Need 2)
Lunch on your own.
Dinner: tbd

3rd day:
Bkfst – about 10:30 am we will have eggs; need cook for bacon, cook for hash browns. Coffee maker is ?
Kitchen cleanup is angler (Need 2)
Lunch on your own



Check out at noon.
Clean kitchen, dishes, pans, sweep floors, wipe down counters remove trash.
Cabin 1 - anglers clean their cabin.
Cabin 2 - anglers clean their cabin.
- anglers help with kitchen, trash, general items.

Restrooms - one portable toilet
Showers - none.
Bedding - bring your own sheets, pillows, blankets or sleeping bags and towels
Outside fire pit has wood.

Fishing gear: 6 wt. or larger rods; minimum of 8 lb. leader
Flies: Deldar rubber leg o/u #6; Beldar Autumn Splendor #6; BH pops Bugger Rd #8; Foisset's TSW Black #10; BH Pops Bugger ui #8; BH Flash Bugger ulv #8
Big net - rubber only, three available.

Fish: owner is stocking the lake the first of April with two loads of fish.

Grindstone lake 2019

The sunriver anglers and direct adventures are pleased to offer a 3 day - 2 night fly fishing adventure to Grindstone Lake for Sunriver Angler members only

June 28-30, 2019
Cost per person \$950.
Minimum of 4 anglers required!



Pricing includes guides, comfortable accommodations, non-alcoholic beverages, and gourmet meals.

If you are interested in this trip please contact Jerry Hubbard at jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com or cell 541 398 9798

Details:

Duration: 3 days - 2 nights

Date – June 28-30, 2019

Species: Trophy sized rainbow trout

Camping: Carpeted wall tents on platforms, Cots and Pads provided

sleep better at Grindstone than they do at home! Full bathroom facilities, including hot showers, are available as well. We pride ourselves in offering hearty, home-cooked meals that are sure to please. Most dietary requests can be accommodated. Oregon fishing license, alcohol, and guide gratuities are not included in packages. Although we have a limited selection of flies available for purchase, it is advised to come stocked up on your favorite stillwater fly patterns.



Meals:

Day 1- Lunch and Dinner

Day 2- Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 3- Breakfast and Lunch

Not Included: Fishing license, alcohol, gear and gratuity

As of 2017, our accommodations will no longer be in the "Lodge," which so many returning guests have grown accustomed to staying in. To better serve our customers and offer a higher quality product, we have switched to a semi-permanent camp setup that consists of heavy-duty wall tents set up on platforms.

Each tent is equipped with propane heaters and a wood burning stove. Sleeping tents are spacious and are complete with cots and air mattresses. Many guests have stated that they