



# Santiam Flycasters

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## Board Meeting

Monday, February 10

Garibaldi Family Restaurant

7:00 pm

## General Meeting

Thursday, February 13

Annual Auction and Dinner

7:00 pm Pringle Community Center

February SFC Outing

Saturday February 22

Middle Fork of the

Willamette

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Monthly Newsletter of the Santiam Flycasters

February 2014

## Annual Auction and Spaghetti Dinner Thursday February 13 — 7:00 pm

Come and enjoy the Santiam Flycasters Annual Auction on February 13. Bring your significant other or a friend who may be interested in fly fishing, and enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner prepared by Club President Howard Palmer. Suggested donation for the dinner is \$6.00 per plate. The doors will open and dinner will be served at around 7:00 pm.

Our silent auction will have over 100 items just waiting for your bid, including lots of tying materials, flies, equipment, and other items. Bidding on the silent auction items will last until about 7:30.

We will have several items in our bucket raffle, so you can buy raffle tickets at our regular prices and throw your tickets into the bucket or buckets for those items of your choice.

Our live auction will start after dinner. We have a number of premium items this year, including a several fly rods and reels, a 3-day fish - along to a location of your choosing including travel and food, a beautiful intaglio wood fish sculpture by Bob Karau, a dinner for 10 by Steve Morton, and other nice items. Team with your fishing buddy for one of the trips or be the successful bidder on one of the other items.

As you know, the Annual Auction is our major fundraiser of the year. Come and enjoy this event while you support the club and show your appreciation for all of the donated items.

## It's Time to Renew Your Membership

If you haven't done so already, this is an excellent time to renew your membership for 2014. Dues remain the same low price of \$25 for individuals or \$30 for families. Use the form at the back of the newsletter to renew your membership, or download the form from the Santiam Flycasters website ([www.santiamflycasters.com](http://www.santiamflycasters.com)).

You can drop off the signed membership renewal form and payment at the monthly meeting, or mail to: Santiam Flycasters, PO Box 691, Salem, OR 97308.

Thanks for your support of the club.

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**Board Members Wanted**  
The Santiam Flycasters want you!  
We are looking for a few good men and women. If you are interested in helping decide who our presenters are and where we go for our outings, please join us. Or, if you just want to find out what goes on during the board meetings or want to share your opinion; please join us.  
No experience needed, just your interest in fly fishing is all it takes to be a board member.

**We are on the web!**  
[www.santiamflycasters.com](http://www.santiamflycasters.com)



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## February Outing to the Middle Fork of the Willamette

On February 22, we will fish the Middle Fork of the Willamette River near Oakridge. Let's meet at the Sportsman's Warehouse parking lot to car-pool and plan to leave by 7:30 a.m. This is some of the water that Michael T. Williams portrayed in his November program.



We will drive South on I-5 past Eugene, turn onto Highway 58, turn left across the covered bridge to Lowell on the upper end of Dexter Reservoir, turn right (East) onto West Boundary Road, and follow it to the upper end of Lookout Point Reservoir.

Appropriate rods are 5 or 6 weight with either floating line for nymphing or sink tip line for swinging. Nymph patterns include stone flies with dropper flies of pheasant tail, prince, hare's ear, soft hackle, etc. Traditionally, we have mostly used nymphs, but may have luck swinging soft hackles, Carey Specials, Fly of the Month, etc.

The club will provide lunch around noon. Some folks may also wish to fish part of the North Fork or the Middle Fork nearer to Oakridge.

Ken Karnosh can answer your questions either by phone (503)588-2523, e-mail, [KenKarnosh@gmail.com](mailto:KenKarnosh@gmail.com), or at the meeting.



**Pontoon Boat and Float Tube Line Up  
After lunch at Wi-Ne-Ma Lake**

### 2014 SFC Outings Yet to Come

- Feb 22 — Middle Fork of the Willamette.
- Mar 15 — Crooked River
- Mar 22 — Nestucca River
- Apr 26 — Haystack Reservoir
- May 3 — Metolius River
- May 17 — Wickiup Reservoir/South Twin Lake
- Jun 7 — Trail Bridge Reservoir\*
- Jun 21 — Deschutes River (Warm Springs to Trout Creek)
- Jul 12 — East Lake
- Jul 26 — North Santiam River\*
- Aug 16 — Umpqua River
- Sep 6 — Nestucca River\*
- Sep 20 — Lava Lake
- Oct 4 — Crooked River\*
- Oct 18 — Deschutes River—Maupin Area
- Nov 15 — Detroit Lake

\* Denotes Informal Outing

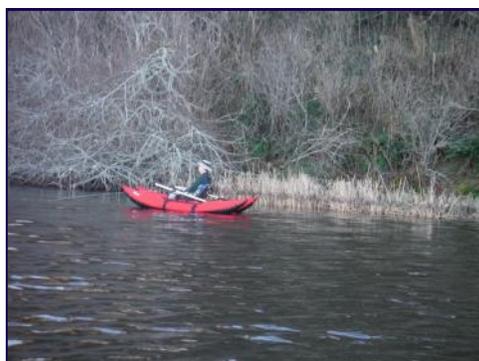
Watch the web site, read the newsletter, or come to the meetings for more information as these outings approach.

## Outing Report—January 25 at Wi-Ne-Ma Lake

Saturday offered a great start to the new year for the 15-20 Santiam Flycasters who made their way to the Coast last weekend. We couldn't get everyone to hold still long enough to get a good count, but following a breezy start to the day, the weather gave us a "bluebird" day on the water.

Most everyone caught fish as we shared the lake with otters and eagles. Some tried out new floating devices while others were just happy they could find everything after tossing stuff in the corner of the garage after the last trip last fall.

Just an enjoyable start to all the great outings scheduled this year.



## New Members In 2014

**Todd Davidson**  
Salem

**Dave Kavanaugh**  
Salem

**Ricky Love**  
Salem

**Kent Meier**  
Salem

**Bruce Sahagian**  
Dayton

**Rose Windish**  
Albany

Please take the opportunity to meet and welcome these new members.

## From the President By Howard Palmer

The new year is well under way. We have had our first outing of the year and our annual auction is right around the corner. The auction is our main means of funding our activities. Tim has put in a lot of time getting some really nice items for your bidding pleasure. There will be lots of flies to fish with, and some not meant for fishing, but they are going to look really good on someone's office wall. There will be something for everyone, so bring your family and friends, your checkbook (and theirs), and join us for this fun event. Heck, the spaghetti dinner will be worth your attendance.

Our scheduled outing for February will be to the Middle Fork of the Willamette River near Oakridge, on Saturday the 22nd. The club

will be providing hamburgers and brats as usual for lunch. Bring a side dish to compliment this outdoorsman's gourmet respite by the river.

We will have a sign up sheet at the meeting with additional details regarding carpooling and other important items.

Tight Lines

Howard



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### Need up-to-date information on what's happening with the Santiam Flycasters?

Bookmark [www.santiamflycasters.com](http://www.santiamflycasters.com) in your web browser.

The Calendar lists all the meetings, events, and outings.

Back Issues of the newsletter are archived.

Contact Information, Helpful links, and other Resources are just a click away.

## February 15 Tie-In

On February 15, several of our members will be at Sportsman's Warehouse to demonstrate tying a variety of flies or teach interested persons to tie a simple pattern like a Woolly Bugger. The session will run from noon to 4:00.

If you know of someone who may be interested in this, please invite them to come by. Or, just drop by yourself to support our volunteer tyers.

## NW Fly Tyer and Fly Fishing Expo

### Silent Auction

As usual, we will be running the silent auction at the NW Fly Tyers Expo in Albany on March 7 and 8 and need some volunteers to do that.

If you are willing to help for a couple of hours, we will have a sign-up sheet at the February meeting. Volunteers will receive free admission as well as our gratitude. Duties include set-up in the morning, observing the tables, and helping to close tables periodically.

Also, put this on your calendar to attend. The Expo will also be open on March 7,8,9.

## Fishing with the Frog By Howard Palmer

### ***"THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE"***

My wife was recently able to get us a couple of days at our time share in Depoe Bay. The weather a couple of weeks ago (when she was searching the world wide web) was sure to provide us with crashing waves and a wonderful winter get away. We even invited friends to join us and stocked up on the essentials we would need to sustain us during our stay. You know, things like wine, chips and dips, wine, fixings for biscuits and gravy, wine, and maybe some scotch for happy hour. Yes, and the girls did sneak in a bunch of stuff that was good for us. (What do they know?)

Now folks, I am a native Oregonian with just a few years of experience under my belt in dealing with winter weather on the Oregon coast, and I was fully expecting to spend my time dodging rain drops, and bracing myself against high winds. I am here to tell you that I can probably count on one hand the number of weekends that I have spent on the coast in the middle of January when I did not need a "Nor'Wester" type parka just to get from the car into our room.

Well, there was definitely something wrong with that picture. It was a balmy 65 degrees both days, no wind, and we had to wear hats with visors during our afternoon happy hours, sitting outside on the patio in shirt sleeves. The waves were minimal, and the sun was more June-like than what you expect during the month of January.

In short, it was wonderful. The whales entertained us on their southern journey, and the ocean was busy with boats of all sizes in pursuit of some form of finned fellows and crabs. Each morning a full moon glistened on the calm ocean swells as we marveled over coffee at our luck in finding a weekend at the beach that most of us only dream about in the summer. As an afterthought, I probably missed out on the best fishing day of the year. Oh well, the wine was good.

Tight Lines

Howard

Northwest Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo  
March 7,8,9, 2014  
Lane County Expo Center, Albany Oregon  
[www.nwexpo.com](http://www.nwexpo.com)

## February Fly of the Month— by Jim Ferguson “March Brown Emerger”



### **March Brown Emerger**

Hook:	TMC 3769, Mustad 3906B, sizes 10 - 14
Thread:	Brown 6/0, prewaxed
Tail:	Three ringneck pheasant tail fibers
Rib:	Gold thread, rib body only
Body:	Hare's ear dubbing
Collar:	Hare's ear dubbing, picked out
Wingcase:	Brown partridge hackle fibers, short
Head:	Hare's ear dubbing

If the March Browns are not emerging, a gold ribbed hare's ear nymph is a good imitation for the nymph stage. Tie it with a fat thorax and a wedge shaped abdomen. These are crawlers and can hold onto the rocks in the stream very well. You might want to weight the nymph form to keep it down where they live. When they begin to emerge, they will travel upwards in the water column to reach the surface. They tend to hatch out in the early afternoon if weather patterns are normal. Try to get the three fibered tail to be split. The three tails is indicative of the March Brown in the nymph and emerger stage.

Very little head on this tie. Pick out the thorax and then put the wing case (brown partridge) on. Dub on some more dubbing up front and make the thorax and head spikey. I used a dubbing loop when I constructed the thorax so I could use a dubbing brush to make it spikey.



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**Membership Application**

**It is the mission of the Santiam Flycasters to promote the sport of fly fishing for all interested individuals of all generations now and into the future by fellowship, education, conservation practices, promoting research, guardianship of proper regulations and support, affiliation and cooperation with other like-minded organizations.**

2014 Membership Application

The Santiam Flycasters, P.O. Box 691, Salem, OR 97308

www.santiamflycasters.com

Type of Membership (circle one) Regular \$25 Family \$30

\*Note: Dues are from January 1st to December 31st. There is a 50% reduction after July 1st.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an FFF Member? (circle one) Yes No

Please tell us why you want to be a member (please check all that apply):

Hear presentations on various fly-fishing topics

Improve my Fly Tying skills

Improve my Fly Casting skills

Participate in fishing stream and lake improvement projects

Go on fishing trips with other club members

Learn more about fishing in the area

Other, Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

You must sign this release each year when you renew to participate in club activities.

**Liability Release and Hold Harmless Agreement**

As a condition of membership or of participation in any activity encouraged or publicized by the Santiam Flycasters, I voluntarily assume all risks of my participation. In acknowledgment that I am doing so entirely upon my own initiative, risk and responsibility I do hereby for myself, heirs, executors, and administrators agree to remise, fully release, hold harmless, and forever discharge the Santiam Flycasters, all its officers, board members and volunteers, acting officially or otherwise, from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes of actions, on account of my death or on account of any injury to me or my property that may occur from any cause whatsoever while participating in any such Santiam Flycasters activity. I acknowledge that I have carefully read this hold harmless and release agreement, and fully understand that it is a release of liability. I further acknowledge that I am waiving any rights that I may have to bring legal action to assert a claim against the Santiam Flycasters for its negligence. I have read the above statement and agree to its terms as a condition of my membership in the Santiam Flycasters.

X

Signature

Print Name

Date