

January 2005



#### Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Santa 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.

*We fish, therefore, we lie*

### Presidents Letter– Craig Knoll

As 2004 closes a New Year begins, this New Year will take off in the same place it did last year with most of the same faces. The club still has some things that were started but not yet finished. One of them is the new format for the fly fishing fair. Last year it was great, at one time, we had over 35 people casting at once. This year, we plan on having the fair at Riverfront Park. We also stocked a lake last year and hope to continue this year.

Might I also say that the food was the best we've ever tasted before, from some of the little outings with pot stickers and fajitas to the tasty Metolious outing with prime rib. It's hard to say if we can keep this tasty food coming but we will try.

We also assisted with the FFF Women's Seminar and the Youth Outdoor Day and have plans underway to help in anyway we can for another year.

Let me also say the fishing this past year was excellent. If you have not been catching quite as many as you would like to then please come to an outing. The help and advice is always available. I hope to see you soon and don't forget to bring a friend along.

### Pontoon Boat Raffle



The club is raffling a 9 foot Fish Cat pontoon boat donated by Sportsman's Warehouse of Salem. Tickets are \$10 and only 75 tickets will be sold. More information will be provided at the January meeting.

### This Month's Activities:

#### Board Meeting:

Monday, January 10th 7:00 p.m. At The Valley Flyfisher

#### General Meeting:

Thursday, January 13, 2005  
7:00 p.m. At Pringle Hall. 606 Church ST. in Salem.

#### Outing:

Where: Red Hills Lake  
When: January 15th, 7:30 am  
Notes: For direction go to  
<http://www.redhillslake.com>

## January Presentation

Andrew Harris began his guiding career in 1997 when he attended the 'Guide School' at Clearwater House on Hat Creek. Since then, Andrew has guided for Clearwater House during the summer and independently during the winter months. Andrew's interest in fly fishing has taken him to the Bahamas, Belize, Costa Rica, Mexico, Venezuela, New Zealand, Tasmania, and to countless destinations in North America. Andrew lives in Redding, California.

He will be talking about the rivers surrounding Redding, California that offer some of the best trout and steelhead fishing in Northern California. The Upper Sac, McCloud, and Pit Rivers offer excellent wading opportunities for wild rainbows. The Lower Sac runs right through town and is a great drift-boat fishery for trout and steelhead. An hour to the east, the Trinity River offers some of the most productive steelhead fishing on the West Coast. You will leave knowing where and when to go and what techniques and tackle to use on these great rivers.

## Fly Tiers Bench

### Chironomid Pupa



#### Recipe

**HOOK:** Tiemco 2457 #12-18.

**THREAD:** 8/0 brown (match to body).

**BODY:** Brown vinyl rib (small).

**THORAX:** Peacock herl.

**WINGCASE:** Pheasant tail (natural).

**WING:** White Antron yarn

## Red Hills Lake-January Outing

The outing will be a Red Hills Lake near Dundee. This is a small 4 acre private pay lake. Cost is \$25 for club members. The club will be providing lunch. It will be something special, no hamburger or hotdogs for this outing. A floatation device is recommended as there is limited bank access. Dress warm as the water will be cold. For this lake don't forget your type 3 sinking line. There is some surface action, so a second rod with float line could add to your excitement. As far as what flies to use, a good choice would be a red Chironomid, or woolly buggers that are black or green. My favorite is Craig Knoll's famous Lady Bug fly. For more information about this fly, talk to Craig.

We will be meeting at 7:30 a.m. in the parking lot at Red Hills Lake. To get to Red Hills Lake from Salem, go through West Salem out Wallace Rd. toward Dayton. Turn right on Hwy 18, continue onto Hwy 99. Turn left on NE Archery Summit Rd, just before the highway divides. For more information please attend the January meeting. Maps will be available at the meeting or go to <http://www.redhillslake.com>

## Members Input Wanted

Dear Members,

Attendance has been down at the last few meeting and outings. We would like to hear from you. Without you, there is no club. What changes would you like to see to the format of the club to better meet your needs, ideas, and desires. Please share your thoughts. You can call, e-mail, or share your thoughts with the board members. To contact a board member there is a link on the Santa Fly Casters web site or by e-mail: [santiamflycasters@yahoo.com](mailto:santiamflycasters@yahoo.com)

A Special Welcome to your newest board member Lee Erickson.

## 2005 Presentation, Outings, and Events

- January: Presenter Andrew Harris-North Cal. Rivers  
Outing- Red Hills Lake Jan. 15th
- February: Presenter: John Judy-Metolius River  
Outing- Red Hills Lake Feb. 12th
- March: Presenter: Annual auction  
Outing-Lower Deschutes River below  
Sherars Fall March 12th  
Events: Club Auction & Northwest Fly Tyer's Expo
- April: Presenter: Al Buhr- Steelhead Fly fishing Techniques  
Outing- McKenzie River, Drift from Hayden  
Bridge to Armitage State Park April 16th
- May: Presenter: Robert Main- Fishing the North and  
South Islands of New Zealand  
Outing- Metolius River May 14th  
Event: Road Side Clean up May 15th
- June: Presenter: Michael T. Williams - Wilderness Fly Fishing  
Outing- East Lake June 18th
- July: No Meeting  
Events: Club Picnic Fisher's Bend State Park  
& Road side clean up
- August: Casting Clinic August 11th  
Outing- Umpqua River August 13th
- September: Presenter: (tentative) Les Johnson - Sea-run  
Cutthroat Fishing  
Outing- Hosmer Lake Sept. 10th
- October: Presenter TBA  
Outing- Deschutes River Warm Springs to  
Trout Creek October 15th
- November: Presenter: TBA  
Outing-Miami River Nov. 12th
- December: Presenter:  
Event: Club Banquet

## December Banquet

Once again the club banquet provided more food choices than one plate could hold and that was before you made it to the dessert table. I would like to send a thank you to all those who attended and shared their tasty side dishes and desserts. With our bellies full, everyone was treated to a beautiful presentation on the Williamson and Wood River of the Klamath Basin in Southern Oregon. This was a one of a kind presentation by Marlon Rampy. This presentation was easy on the eyes and ears.

This year's Grand Prize winners were Stan Steele, who won the Teton 5wt. Reel and Keith Burkhart, who won the St. Croix 7 wt. Rod.

Special Thanks to Craig Knoll, Jim Fergus, Harry Gross, Kathy & Jeff Smith, and Ron Henderson for donating raffle prizes. We would also like to thank Creekside Fly Shop, and The Valley Flyfisher for the special discount to the club for purchasing raffle prizes.



## Membership renewals

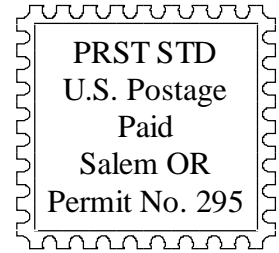
will be mailed to those of you who did not renew at the December Banquet.

## Annual Auction

The annual auction will be a little different this year. We are still having the spaghetti dinner. There is some changes in the consignment of items. If you have any fishing or camping related items you would like to donate, please contact Richard Newell.

*The Santiam Flycasters hold their meeting on the second Thursday of each month, at 7:00 pm at 606 Church St. in Salem. Non-members are invited to attend. For more information, contact the local fly shops in Salem.*

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**Next Month Meeting and Events:**

General Meeting: Thursday, February 10, 2005  
7:00 p.m. At Pringle Hall. 606 Church ST. in Salem  
Speaker is John Judy talking about the Metolius River

Outing: Red Hills Lake, February 12, 2005. More information  
at the meeting.

**Membership Application**

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Type of Membership (check box)

Regular.....\$20.00

Junior.....\$5.00

Family.....\$27.50