



FEBRUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

Doug Ouellette on the Magnificent Lahonton Cutthroats of Pyramid Lake

Doug Ouellette owner of "Pyramid Lake Guide Service" will be presenting his blockbuster show "Pyramid Lake - Land of the Giants".



This show is a comprehensive in depth look at Pyramid Lake, Nevada which is the home of the World's Largest Cutthroat Trout!

He has over 40 years of fly fishing experience at Pyramid Lake and will share valuable information on angling situations, flies, equipment, and beaches to fish. He will also present a history of the people, the land, the fishery and the reintroduction of a native species of Lahontan Cutthroat Trout.

If you are interested in learning some of the secrets of this unique desert lake this is the show to see!

This is the only show on Pyramid Lake that is approved and endorsed by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and has the Paiute Tribal seal. Doug has presented this show all across the United States.

Doug is a contract fly tier with Umpqua Flies and has four patterns in their catalog.



CALENDAR

Feb 19th - Club Meeting at the Waffle Hut Restaurant - Speaker TBD

Mar 19th - Club Meeting at the Waffle Hut Restaurant - Speaker: Bill Tinniswood

Apr 21st - Club Meeting at the Waffle Hut Restaurant - Speaker: Steve Day

May 21st - Annual Club Fundraising Auction at Running Y Ranch

JUN 1st - Club Annual Casting Clinic at Moore Park

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THE KCFC MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Klamath Country Fly Casters, out of a vital interest in the sport of fly fishing, do hereby join to promote fly fishing as a method of angling, to encourage youth to learn this method of angling, and to promote and participate in meetings to educate all persons in the many aspects of fly fishing as a sport. We agree to make every effort to protect and improve fishing resources in our area by encouraging the practice of catch and release fishing of wild, native fish and by supporting fly fishing organizations in other areas in the overall quest for improvement and perpetuity of fishing resources.

The members of the board of Klamath Country Fly Casters put forth this statement:

"We invite people to become board members of the Klamath Country Fly Casters who wish to promote a healthy and harmonious sense of collegial spirit within the environmental milieu of our board. We on the board choose to care for the well-being of board members, Club members, and for our fly fishing community. We ask those who want to be board members to practice positive intervention, to work harmoniously with other board members, and be willing to promote well-being amongst fellow members of the Klamath Country Fly Casters and our community."

COMMITTEES

Conservation: Mark Hereford
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Regular KCFC meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month, September through May, at the Waffle Hut 106 Main Street, Klamath Falls. Dinner starts at 6:00 with the meeting beginning at 7:00. Board members, please be there at 5:00.

The KCFC website is: www.klamathcountryflycasters.com



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

from Carol Ann Meadows

My goodness, what a month it has been! I am counting from the day we got the word that Elmer's was closing, through our try-out at the Sizzler, and now announcing another move to the Waffle Hut.



I do pay attention to the notes that you write on those slips of paper I distribute each month. Overwhelmingly, you thought the room at the Sizzler was too small for our group, especially with Bill Tinniswood's presentation coming up in March. I learned a couple new (and colorful!) colloquialisms for how to express the idea of being overcrowded!

So, after listening to you, we are moving on to yet another meeting place, the Waffle Hut, 106 Main Street. For you long-time Club members, it will seem like "déjà vu all over again" as we return to the location of the old Dynasty Restaurant, where we met for many years.

But now, back to fishing! I have also received an abundance of suggestions from you that the Club do more outings. I am happy to report that Outings Chair, Kris Henry, led a group to the Ana River just last Tuesday. There were very good comments about Kris' leadership and the camaraderie. (Thank you, Kris!) Keep your eyes and ears open for news of the next adventure!

I know many of you enjoy fishing Pyramid Lake, a unique experience with the possibility of catching really big fish. You won't want to miss our February program. Doug Oullette will speak on Pyramid Lake, its giant fish, and what it takes to land them.

See you Tuesday, February 19, AT THE WAFFLE HUT!

Carol



Club Outings

Club members went fishing on the Ana River as a club outing. Mary Craggs reports it was 28 degrees when they started fishing. Had mud, weeds, barbwire fences, slippery tundra and No Fish. But they had a great time and enjoyed being on the River.



Play Outdoors 2019

Another successful year at the annual P. L. A. Y. Outdoors Event
at the Klamath County Expo Center.

Teaching children how to tie a fly.



Eggs to Fry

Volunteers from our Club again stepped up to deliver trout eggs to 14 Classrooms, 2 Libraries, and the YMCA. This program has been an annual event for our Club in partnership with U.S. Fish and Wildlife and the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife for several years. A special thank you to Marshal Moser who stepped in to ably administer this effort in Dale Zemke's absence due to surgery and recovery.



Delivering trout eggs at Juncos and Junipers Preschool



Delivering trout eggs at Tulelake Elementary School



Volunteers receiving Trout Eggs for delivery.



Annual Fly Tying Event

The January Club Meeting was held at a new location due to the closing of Elmer's Restaurant. We thank the Sizzler Restaurant for coming to the rescue at the last moment for us. The January meeting is dedicated to Fly Tying and usually had two or three of our magnificent tyers demonstrating their techniques. This year, tying stations were set up around the room and members could spend time watching and learning from a wide variety of Fly Tyers.



Fishing with Club Members:

If you decide to go fishing and would like some company, take some club members fishing with you. Contact Kris Henry at 541-880-8105 or [http://kj9henry@gmail.com](mailto:kj9henry@gmail.com) and give about 4 days' notice of the fishing event to provide time to get the word out. Leave Kris your telephone number or email so that others can contact you about going fishing with you. Kris will then see that the word of the event gets out in a club-wide email to announce your invitation to go fishing, and he will tell those interested to contact you directly.

Reminder - the following offer PAID MEMBERS of the Klamath Country Fly Casters Club discounts when making a purchase

Parker's Rod & Gun Rack at 7364 S 6th St offers a 10% discount on purchases when a current club membership card is presented

The Ledge at 369 S 6th St offers a 10% discount on purchases when a current club membership card is presented.

Timeflies Outfitters at 541-539-1505 or jk@timefliesoutfitters.com offers up to a 15% discount on fly tying materials & tools as well as all fly fishing gear & flies, to current members of the Club



INDISPENSABLE FLIES, by Ralph Carestia

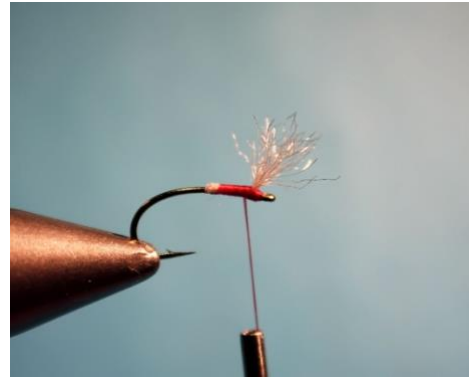
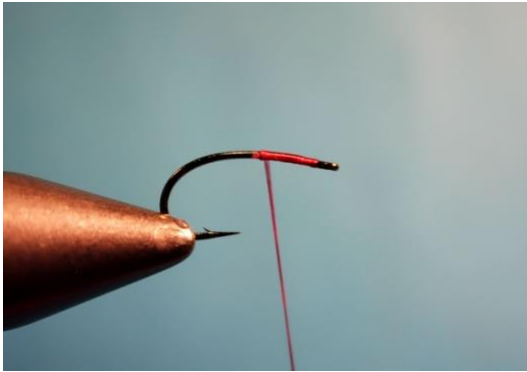
Red/Mahogany Chironomid



Hook:	Daiichi 1120, 1130 or 1150 #14 - #16
Thread:	UTC 70, Mahogany Brown
Rib:	Fine Red Wire
Body:	Tying Thread
Thorax:	Red Dyed Peacock Herl
Bead:	3/32" Nickel Black
Gills:	Bright White Hi-Viz



- 1) Attach the tying thread at the hook eye and bind in a single strand of Bright White Hi-Viz so the majority of the material protrudes out over the hook eye. Don't go crazy with thread wraps or the bead won't slide over the thread wraps. Don't worry about the length as this will be trimmed to proportion later. Whip finish and remove the tying thread.



- 2) Take the hook out of the vice and place a small tungsten gold bead on the hook the opposite of the normal (large side of bead hole facing the eye of the hook). Attach the tying thread behind the bead and build a small taper into the bead.



- 3) Take a length of fine red wire and position it along the underside of the hook. Bind the wire in place down the shank of the hook into the bend and return the tying thread to the rear of the bead.



- 4) Build up a neat taper with the thread starting at the rear of the bead to the bend of the hook. The reason why it's important to use a floss thread is so the thread wraps lay flat around the hook shank.



- 5) Counter wind one complete wrap of red wire around the rear of the body to suggest a small red butt and provide further protection to the body. Tie off the wire rib then cut off the excess.



- 6) Tie in a strand of peacock herl. Advance the thread back up to the bead and make three-five wraps with the herl going in front of each wrap. Tie it off right behind the bead and cut the excess off.

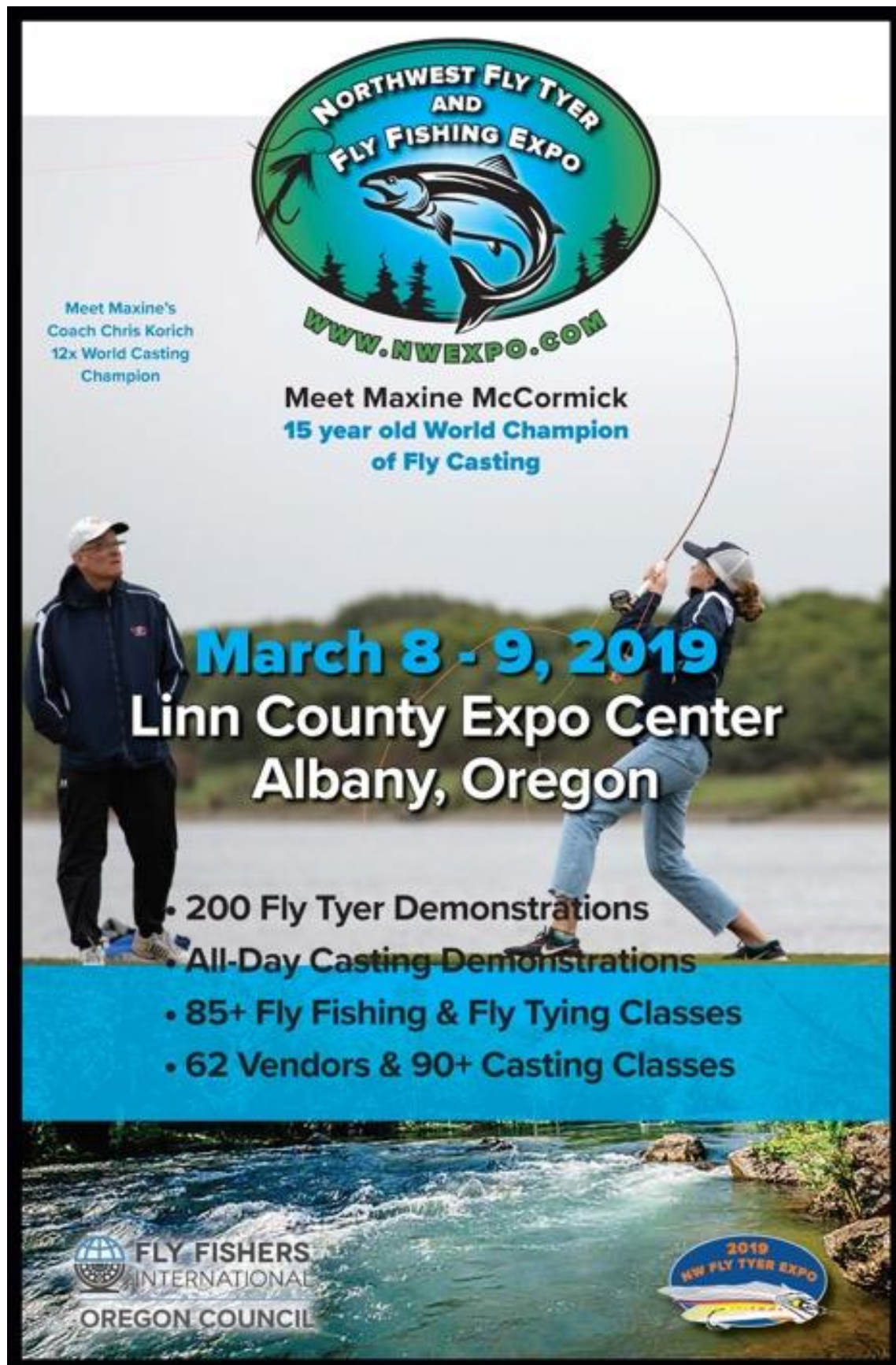


- 7) Whip finish the thread and add some head cement right behind the bead.



- 8) Coat entire abdomen with Loon UV Head Cement and set using a UV light. This will immediately harden, but may have a slightly matt finish, so coat the abdomen with thin layer of head cement.





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- 62 Vendors & 90+ Casting Classes

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