

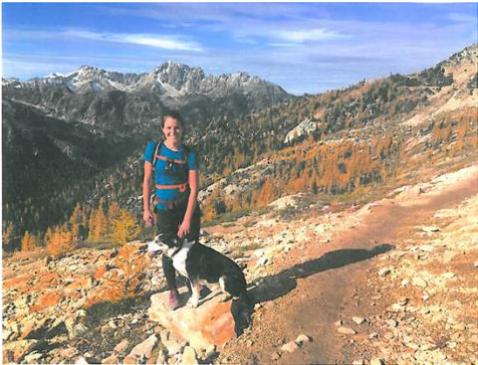


# KLAMATH COUNTRY FLY CASTERS

NOVEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

## Watershed Conservation and Restoration in the Klamath Basin

TU works throughout the Upper Klamath Basin to improve aquatic and riparian habitat quality and quantity through partnerships with private landowners, federal and state agencies, tribes, and other non-profit organizations' Projects. The membership chapter also works closely with anglers on citizen science projects, and organizes the annual Wild and Scenic Film Festival in the fall.



TU's restoration projects in the basin include riparian fencing, large wood addition, fish screen installation, historic channel reconnection, instream flow transactions, and passage barrier removals, to name a few. Nell Scott's presentation at the November meeting will highlight some of these projects and the partnerships that make them possible.



Nell Scott is the Klamath Restoration Director for Trout Unlimited (TU), and is based in the Klamath Falls office with two other project managers. Nell has been managing restoration projects in the Klamath Basin since 2013, and was also instrumental in organizing the Klamath membership chapter of TU. She grew up in Seattle and has lived throughout the Pacific Northwest for much of her life. She came to Klamath Falls after receiving a Master's Degree in Hydraulic Engineering and Stream Restoration from Colorado State University. In her free time, she is an avid mountain biker and backcountry skier, and enjoys taking advantage of all the outdoor recreation that Klamath County and Oregon has to offer.



**CALENDAR**

Nov 20<sup>th</sup> - Club Meeting at Elmer's Restaurant - Speaker: Nell Scott  
 Dec 18<sup>th</sup> - Club Christmas Party  
 Jan 15<sup>th</sup> - Fly Tying Demonstrations Led by Ralph Carestia  
 Feb 19<sup>th</sup> - Club Meeting at Elmer's Restaurant - Speaker TBD  
 Mar 19<sup>th</sup> - Club Meeting at Elmer's Restaurant - Speaker: Bill Tinniswood

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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	Monthly Raffle: Peg Edwards
Education Events: John Krueger	Newsletter, Budget &
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Fly Casting Events: John Hyde	Outings: Kris Henry
Fly Tying Events: Ralph Carestia	Programs: Bob Kingzett
Membership: Mark Kelley	Social Events & Auction: Lois Krueger
Mentoring: Dave Biddison	

Regular KCFC meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month, September through May, at Elmer's Restaurant, 3030 S. 6th 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](http://www.klamathcountryflycasters.com)



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE from Carol Ann Meadows

As my friend Joel LaFollette said, "Another page slipped away overnight, leaving only two still hanging on the wall." Amazing to think that it is November already!

Thank you to all of you who are answering the questions of my informal, non-scientific survey. Here are last month's results:



Out of everyone who answered the question, "Is it important to have Club outings," 100% answered yes. Yay! That's what I was hoping would be the answer!

The next question dealt with where we might go for outings. Such a great response! The best way to tabulate your results can be summarized by one particular member who said, "#1: Anywhere within an hour or two hours' drive; #2: Longer multi-day trips; #3: Camp outs with fishing." This really summed up the overall tone of your responses, and I truly thank all of you who gave more specific recommendations! And, although you were not opposed to the idea of a BIG Club outing, nearly all of you thought smaller would be better.

Before leaving the topic of Outings, I want to send a sincere THANK YOU to Jim Ricks for covering the Outings Chair post. And, now I also want to thank Kris Henry for stepping up to continue in that role! My appreciation, gentlemen!

I am thankful for all of you for participating in the informal survey we have started. I really would like to keep a "finger on the pulse of the Club" and know what YOU want this Club to be.

In that light, I'm going to give you a sneak preview on the November questions. At first glance, the questions might seem easy, but I'd really like you to think about your responses in advance. Question #1 will be: "What do you like best about KCFC?" And, of course, question #2 will be: "What do you like least about KCFC?" I'm quite serious about asking these questions; I really want to know what you think. And, if you can't make it to the meeting, please feel free to email me your responses.

On to membership matters! Have YOU paid your dues? I know, compared to grocery bills or utility payments, \$35.00 might not seem like a lot, but it is HUGE to us! Your dues are what pays for our speakers and programs, and being a dues-paying member also gets you those Club benefits I keep talking about! Please! If you have not yet renewed your membership, do so... we need you!

One last thing. Please be on the lookout for visitors or "new faces" at every meeting. It is human nature to become comfortable in our little groups, but we need to reach out to new members and visitors to make sure they are truly welcomed into KCFC. Change where you "always" sit at meetings. Introduce yourself to someone you don't already know. You might make a new best friend!

I am thankful for you all and I am positive that this Club has a great future!

Carol



We received the following email via our web site this month. Addison's link has been added to the Links Page of our Web Site under her byline.

**Name:** John .....

**Subject:** Some positive feedback

**Message:** Hello, I hope you're having a great week. I just wanted to send you some positive feedback on your website. My 11 year old daughter, Addison, and I are planning a fishing trip to Colorado. Addison got her love for fishing from my father who's an avid fly fisherman. Her and my father have been working together to sharpen her fly fishing skills for this upcoming trip. Addison has been spending most of her free time watching videos and looking up resources about fly fishing which is how she found your page. She also found this article <https://www.wristband.com/content/its-all-in-the-wrist-fly-fishing> that does a good job of going over the basics of fly fishing. I told Addison that I would pass along the article she found because she thought it would be a great addition to your page <https://www.klamathcountryflycasters.com/links>. If it's not too much trouble, would you mind adding the link she found to your page? Addison will be going to visit her grandfather again soon and I know she would love to show him.

Thank you, John



A couple of club members braved the snow and sleet to fish Lofton Reservoir. Kris Henry (Left) and Ron Schlottman landed a dozen and a half stockers (no big ones) and had another adventure in our great outdoors on Monday Oct. 28. The fly that did the trick was a yellow damsel on an intermediate sinking line. It's not too late to get out and wet a line.

Kris Henry is the Club's new Outings Chairman - if you would like to host an outing for the Club contact him for assistance in organizing the event.

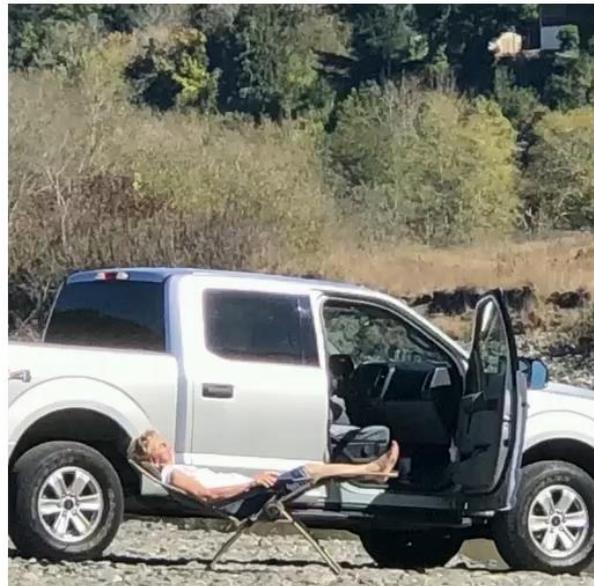


At a recent outing to Medicine Lake, CA, Mark Kelly was the hero by catching 2 fish. However, despite the non-cooperating fish, the outing was a good day on the water.

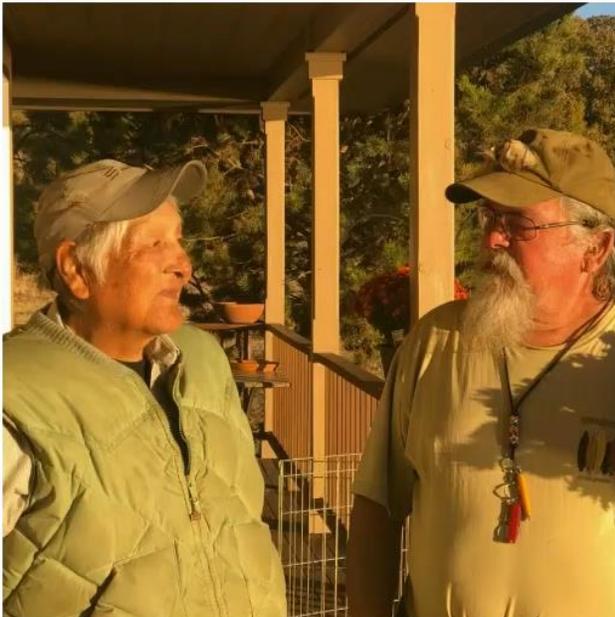


## Photos Submitted by Club Members

Susan & Larry Licking with Rich Henry and Lois and John Krueger on the Chetco River



A gathering of Club Members for some casting instruction from one of the founders of the Club, Rich Henry, and his side-kick Roy Johnson



**The FFI Education Committee** has been working very hard the past few years to bring a project to reality and they have accomplished a major goal. The Committee recently deployed online learning and teaching modules which can be used by the fly fishing community in their pursuit of learning more about our sport. Modules have been deployed in 4 major areas listed below. There is more to come so stay tuned, but enjoy what has currently been posted. [Click here for all the information you need and look for more to come!](#)

### [Casting](#)

Casting Instruction

Skills Challenge

Teacher's Package

### [Fly Fishing Skills](#)

Comprehensive Fly Fishing Skills

Fly Fishing Reference Materials

Fly Fishing Knots

### [Conservation](#)

Conservation & The Flyfisher

Personal Conservation

Catch & Release Brochures

### [Fly Tying](#)

Introduction to Fly Tying

Clubs are using the materials to teach and help people enhance their skills. The presentations are very comprehensive and will soon be accompanied by instructor/teaching manuals just like the Casting Skills Challenge





## Upcoming Youth Education Events

### Volunteers Are Needed

#### **P.L.A.Y. Outdoors, January 19, 2019 - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM:**

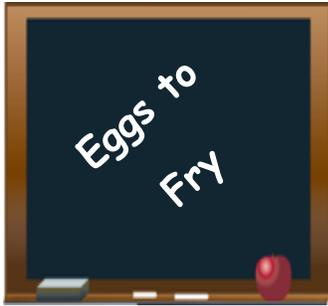
This program, held annually in the Event Center at the Klamath Fairgrounds, provides a variety of activities for children and young adults to expose them to outdoor activities that they can use all their lives.



Our Club participates by teaching kids to tie flies under the supervision of several experienced volunteers and a Fly-Casting venue that is supervised by our FFI Certified Fly Casting Instructor, John Hyde. This community outreach event has been well attended by our volunteers each year, and by participating children (as many as 1200 children attend the P.L.A.Y. Outdoors Event).

We will be there again, and we can use as many Club volunteers as we can get. A signup sheet will be available at the October thru January meetings. Sign up to participate with a great group of fellow Club members and a lot of terrific kids. You can also contact John Krueger, your Education Chairperson and Vice President, at [jk@timefliesoutfitters.com](mailto:jk@timefliesoutfitters.com)





Hatching trout in a classroom is one of those magical activities that:

- facilitates learning in science and math, and
- can be the nucleus of learning activities in language arts, social studies, and fine arts at any grade level.

Caring daily for the fish as they develop from egg to fry fosters a sense of stewardship for wild things — and where wild things live. And best of all, it's fun.

Sometime around mid to late January of 2019, the Club will again be assisting the Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, the local office of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife, and local schools by delivering trout eggs to classrooms. The children learn how trout go from eggs to fry in a special aquarium in the classroom and when the fry are ready, they are released into local ponds. Last year we delivered eggs to 15 classrooms in 9 schools and to the YMCA and 2 Klamath Libraries. We normally plan to meet at about 8:00 AM, on the morning of the scheduled delivery date, for breakfast at Elmer's, at which time we will divvy up the delivery assignments and provide the eggs and any other materials that a classroom may need. The feedback from the volunteers after deliveries each year has been awesome - it was a great experience for all involved. However, we can always use more assistance in activities like this, especially if there are conflicts that keep some volunteers from participating due to the nature of the last-minute notice of the date. If you would like to help on this activity, please sign up on the volunteer sheet circulated at meetings, or advise our Eggs to Fry Coordinator, Dale B Zemke at [dale\\_zemke@yahoo.com](mailto:dale_zemke@yahoo.com)

REMINDER: It is time to renew memberships! \$35.00 per household, which includes 2 voting members. Dues are not due in January or February - They are due NOW!. See Mark Kelley at the Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting or use the renewal form in this Newsletter and mail it in.



## Fishing with Club Members:

If you decide to go fishing and would like some company, take some club members fishing with you. Contact Jim Ricks at 541-205-3274 or [mtnestinor@gmail.com](mailto:mtnestinor@gmail.com) and give about 4 days' notice of the fishing event to provide time to get the word out. Leave Jim your telephone number or email so that others can contact you about going fishing with you. Jim 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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



**DUES ARE NOW OVERDUE!**

In accordance with our KCFC bylaws, membership renewals and dues were due as of October 1<sup>st</sup>.

In an era of ever rising prices, our Club dues are still **\$35.00** per family! And, that includes two adult voting members!

Please print and fill out this form and either bring it to the November 20<sup>th</sup> meeting along with your dues, or mail them to:

Klamath Country Fly Casters  
PO Box 324  
Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601

First voting member:

Name:

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Address:

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Email:

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Telephone:

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Second voting member:

Name:

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## INDISPENSABLE FLIES, by Ralph Carestia

### The Red Tungsten Hot Wire Prince



The **Hot Wire Prince Nymph** is a great attractor pattern. The Hot Wire Prince Nymph is a combination of very popular Copper John and a Prince Nymph together. The best of both worlds! Both are incredibly effective flies and the combination of the two is even better. The Hot Wire Prince Nymph can be tied in whatever color you like, that is the beauty of the Hot Wire Prince. I like to use two contrasting colors. This makes the fly really pop in the water. Red incorporated into the fly always seems to work well, especially for brown trout. The Hot Wire Prince can be tied in a variety of size from #10-16 and the bead color can also be changed. The Tungsten bead will get down to the bottom of the trout stream to help you catch more trout. The two-tone wire body creates a great segmented effect while adding weight and durability to the pattern. The combinations are endless. The two listed below are my favorite Red Hot Wire Prince patterns.

Whip up a few of these and stash them in your box. They make a great fly imitation or even just plain attractor fly. I loved this fly on the Arkansas River in Colorado, since it gets down quickly in the pocked water of this river.



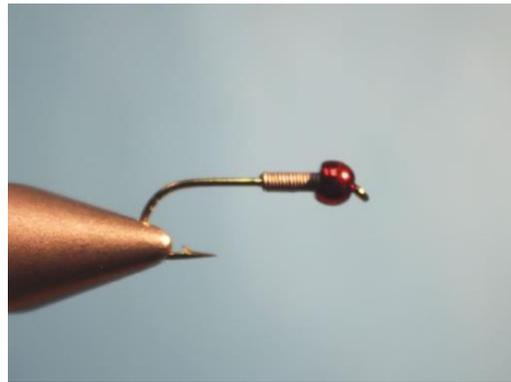
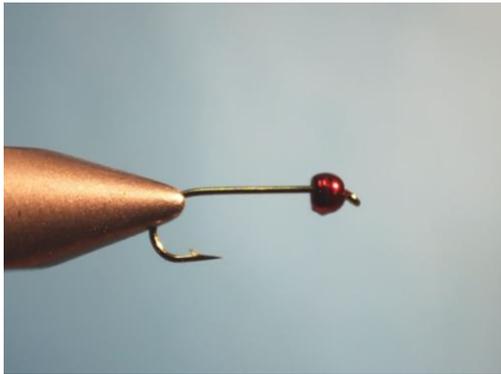
**Materials**

**Hook:** TMC 3761 #10-16  
**Bead:** Red Tungsten, sized to hook  
**Weight:** Non-lead Wire, sized to hook  
**Tail:** Brown Goose Biots  
**Abdomen:** BR size wire in Black & Small size wire in Red  
**Thorax:** Peacock herl  
**Hackle:** Furnace Hen Neck  
**Horns:** Chartreuse Goose Biots

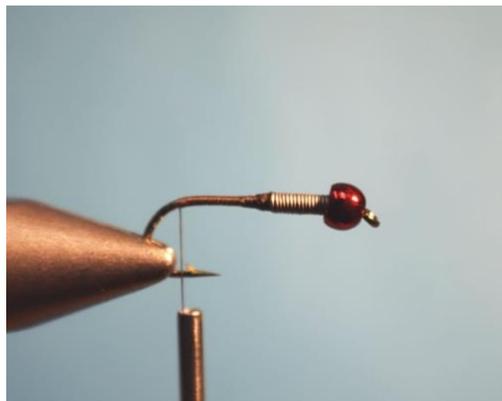
**Hook:** TMC 3761 #10-16  
**Bead:** Red Tungsten, sized to hook  
**Weight:** Non-lead Wire, sized to hook  
**Tail:** Brown Goose Biots  
**Abdomen:** BR size wire in Red & Small size wire in Copper  
**Thorax:** Peacock herl  
**Hackle:** Furnace Hen Neck  
**Horns:** White Goose Biots

**Instructions**

1. Slide a bead on the hook and place it in the vise. Wrap about a dozen turns or more of lead wire on the shank.



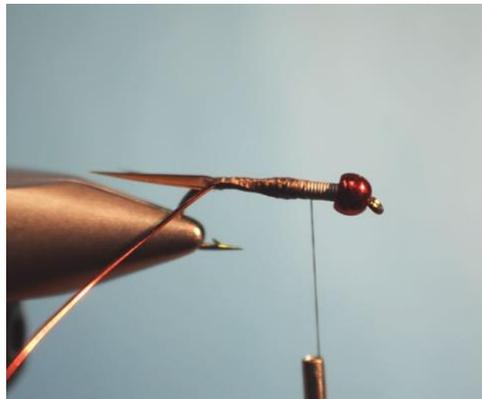
2. Start the thread behind the lead wraps and build a small thread dam from the bare shank up to the diameter of the non-lead lead at the rear edge of the non-lead wire.



3. Select two brown goose biots and oppose their curves. Measure the two biots against the shank so they are equal to about one half a shank length. Tie the biots in at the bend of the hook.



4. Even the tips of one strand of Brassie sized Red wire and one strand of small sized Black wire. Tie both strands of wire in along the near side of the shank.



5. Begin wrapping both strands of wire forward at the same time. Try to keep the wire wraps as close together as you can. Tie off the wire at the 75% point.



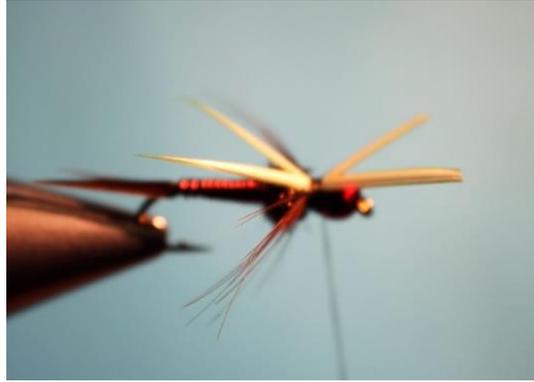
6. Select four bushy peacock herls and trim their tips evenly. Tie the peacock in by its tips just behind the bead and wrap back over them to the base of the wire. Twist them with the thread and wrap forward to just behind the bead.



7. Pull a small clump of fibers from the side of a hen-back feather on each side of the hook.



8. Peel two chartreuse goose biots from the stem and cross them like scissor blades. I tie these in with the curves facing up. Place the biots flat on top of the shank and press your thumb down on them to hold them in place. Make a couple tight wraps of thread over the bases of the biots just behind the bead to anchor them in place. Clip the butt ends of the biots as close to the back edge of the bead as you can.



9. Build a smooth thread head behind the bead and whip finish

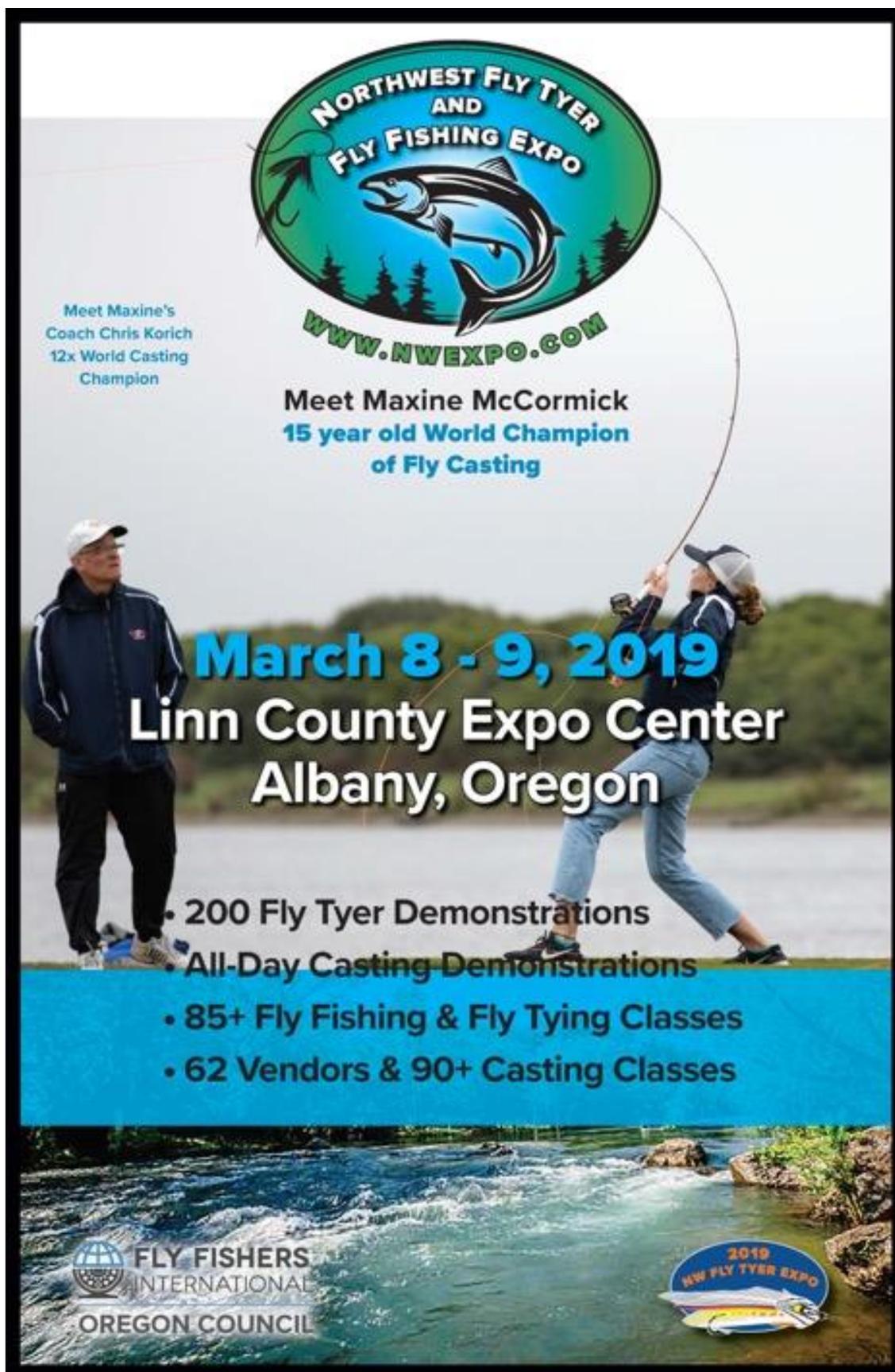


*Top View*



*Bottom View*





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