



# SANTIAM FLYCASTERS

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## Fly Fishing Lakes with Jeff Perin



Jeff Perin (r), owner of The Fly Fisher's Place and Guide Service in Sisters, Oregon

This month we would like to welcome Jeff Perin, the owner of the Fly Fishers Place in Sisters. Jeff will be taking us through the ins and outs of fly fishing still waters in our neighborhood and beyond. Jeff guides on many of the waters that we feature on our yearly outing list, so his insights should at least make us a bit more productive when we hit the water.

Jeff has spent his life in pursuit of fish, falling in love with trout as a kid on a central Oregon lake. That led to working in the business as a teenager and his purchasing a fly shop and guide service when he was just 22. Talk about hooked! Teaching and guiding have kept him busy for almost 30 years and helping clients improve their skills and catching fish is what it's all about for him.

Patagonia and Belize are regular destinations for Jeff, but he has fished all over the world including Kamchatka, Christmas Island and his favorite, the South Island of New Zealand.



As an added bonus this month, we will also have with us Rick Newton of Rainland Flycasters in Astoria. Rick is going to lead off the evening with a short presentation on putting together an inexpensive trip to Alaska, a concept that should appeal to many of us. Both Rick and Jeff will be at the Albany show on Friday and Saturday.

### Board Meeting

Monday March 9

6:30 pm

Los Arcos Mexican Grill

### General Meeting

Thursday March 12

7:00 pm

Pringle Community Center

### Fly Tying Group

Wednesday March 18

6:00 pm

Los Arcos Mexican Grill

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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.

**President's Corner  
By Scott Vaslev**

I thought the auction(s) went well at our last meeting. Didn't participate in the live auction as I was tallying up the silent auction tabs. This was my first year of doing the silent auction and it kind of showed. I held back a dozen or so boxes of flies thinking we had plenty. As it turned out, flies were the hot items. I can tell you what wasn't: size 13 wading boots, old fishing nets, fly tying books, etc. The good news, we'll have a bunch of flies for our meetings bucket auction.

I was talking to some members during set up about stuff we lost or misplaced during fishing trips. I started marking most of my fly boxes, nets, poles, etc. with my first name and cell phone number a handful of years back. It has really paid off. A few years ago, I lost my net at Hosmer one summers eve and lo and behold some guy called me up and offered to ship it to me. It was an expensive net and I was grateful to get it back. ( I sent him a Starbucks gift card).

Another time I lost a double-sided fly box on the McKenzie River, got that back! And one more time, my PFD flew out of the back of my pickup some where outside of Stayton and a nice lady returned it. So, the obvious lesson here is that I should take better care of my stuff AND marking your fly valuables pays off.

Thanks again for everyone who helped with set up and people who donated to our auction. A special shout out to George who was our food purveyor even though he wasn't feeling well. And of course, to our general membership, who opened up their wallets. I don't have the final figures but it looked like another successful fund-raiser.

FISH ON! Scott



## Welcome New Member in February

Dale Mitchell, Salem



## For Latest News and Updates

[santiamflycasters.com](http://santiamflycasters.com)

### SFC-Fish Electronic Message Board

One of the benefits of being a Santiam Flycasters member is having access to the SFC-FISH electronic message board. The message board gives members the opportunity to communicate with other about fly fishing and related topics. Once subscribed, you can post messages to SFC-FISH by sending an email to

[sfc-fish@googlegroups.com](mailto:sfc-fish@googlegroups.com)

You will receive messages posted by other members via your email account. It's as easy as that. To subscribe to SFC-FISH, simply send an email request to [santiamflycasters@yahoo.com](mailto:santiamflycasters@yahoo.com), and we will subscribe you and notify you when you can begin using the message board.

## March Fly Fishing SFC Outing Crooked River—March 7

On March 7, we will fish the Crooked River south of Prineville. You can camp at any of the several campgrounds (we will camp at Cobble Rock), stay at a motel in Prineville, or you can just make it a long day trip from home.

To get there, drive Highway 22 east to Sisters, turn left onto Highway 126 on the east edge of Sisters and follow it through Redmond to Prineville, turn right (south) at the Bowman Dam (Highway 27) sign in the middle of Prineville, and follow it about 17 miles to Cobble Rock campground.

Suggested gear is a 4-6 weight rod with floating line. There should be hatches of blue wing olives and midges in the afternoon, but most fishing will be nymphing right along the bottom with the cooler water temperatures. Nymphs include midge pupa, pheasant tails, and hare's ears, plus Euro-nymphing patterns. Dry flies and emergers include blue wing olives, midges, caddis, and PMDs. Soft hackles, like Syl's Midge, also may work. Most fly sizes should be small, often in the size 16-20 range.

Remember your wading staff, since the rocks are uneven and slippery. And, it will be cool at night!

The club will grill hamburgers for a mid-day meal on Saturday. Bring a small side dish to share, if you wish, as well as your beverage.

Ricky is the sponsor for this trip. Send him an e-mail at [rickylove20@aol.com](mailto:rickylove20@aol.com) if you have a question.

## Fly Tying Group

*We will meet on Wednesday,  
March 18 at Los Arcos Mexican  
Grill at 4120 Commercial St. SE  
from 6:00-8:00 pm.*

*Come join us to tie, learn, or just  
visit about fishing. We try to  
demonstrate a pattern to tie.*

*Each person could also tie a pattern of their choice.*

*It is very laid back and is for all levels of tying ability.*





March 13 & 14, 2020  
9 am – 5 pm  
Linn County Expo Center  
Albany, Oregon

New Fly Tying Classes and Youth Fly Fishing Workshop, Plus New Casting Event Programs slated for 2020. Don't miss it!

[nwexpo.com](http://nwexpo.com)

Remember the NW Fly Fishing/Tying Expo in Albany on March 13 and 14 at the Linn County Fairgrounds near the airport. Hours are 9-5 each day.

About 200 people will display their fly tying, with about 70 in each of three daily sessions. There are also several interesting and informative classes on the schedule, as well as vendors, raffles, etc.

Check out the class schedule and enroll for the classes, as well as checking the tyer schedule, on the NW Fly Fishing Expo website.

Our club will be running the silent auction, plus several of our Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing folks will be running the PHWFF booth. Please drop by to say hello when you're there!

## ***Detroit Lake Outing Report***

As you know, Mother Nature decided to not be a good host on that day, so we cancelled our February 8 outing to Detroit.

As normal, Detroit's water level is rising about a foot per day since February 1 and will top out in early May.

Fish are there, but it may be best to wait to fish it until ODFW starts its stocking in April.

## ***It's Time to Renew Your Santiam Flycasters Membership***

If you haven't renewed your membership for 2020 yet, time is running. Use the form at the back of the newsletter or download the form from the Santiam Flycasters website. You can drop off the signed membership renewal form with payment at the March 12th monthly meeting, or by mailing it to: Santiam Flycasters, PO Box 691, Salem, OR 97308.

Thanks for your support of the club.



## 2020 SANTIAM FLYCASTERS SCHEDULE OF FLY FISHING OUTINGS

Jan 25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wi-Ne-Ma Lake
Mar 6-7		Crooked River
Apr 18		McKenzie River Hayden-Armitage
May 16		Olalla Reservoir
May 27 (Wed)		Fall River
Jun 13		North Santiam River Stayton-Shelburn
Jun 27		East Lake
Jul 16/17 (Th/F)		Gold Lake
Jul 22 (Wed)		Three Creek Lake
Aug 8		Willamette River Keizer-Wheatland
Aug 22		South Santiam Pleasant Valley-Waterloo
Sep 12		Hosmer Lake
Sep 19		Diamond Lake
Oct 3		Crooked River
Oct 17		Deschutes River Warm Springs-Trout Creek
Nov 7		Detroit Reservoir
Nov 14		Willamette Marshall Island-Harrisburg



## ***March 2020 Fly of the Month***

### ***Bug Eyed Hornberg***

***By Robert LeClerc***



#### **Recipe**

Hook: TMC 5262, (2x long)

Thread: Black 6/0

Abdomen: Flat or oval silver tinsel

Underwing: Yellow Hackle

Overwing: Mallard Duck, natural or dyed wood duck.

Superglue

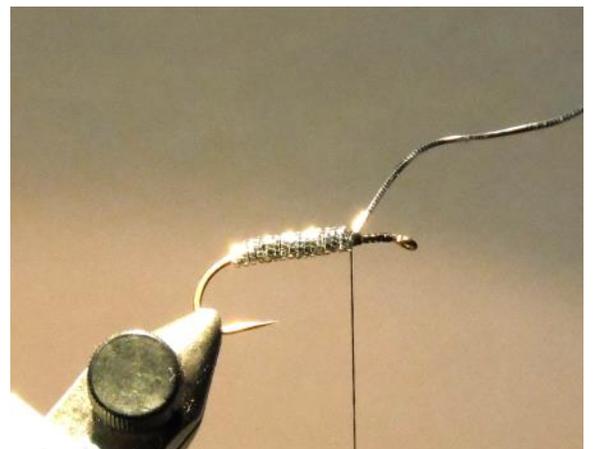
Eyes: 3/16 dia.

Glue: Loon UV thin resin.

#### **Directions:**

Debarb hook, mount in vise and tie in thread, run thread to the back of the hook.

Tie in tinsel, run thread to about  $\frac{1}{4}$  shank length behind the eye, wrap tinsel forward and tie down.



Tie in a bundle of yellow hackle fibers, length should be about 1 ½ shaft lengths long.



Select two mallard duck feathers, match them together concave sides together, should be about 2 shank lengths long, strip butts and tie in, one each side of the hook. Build a thread head, whip-finish and trim off thread.

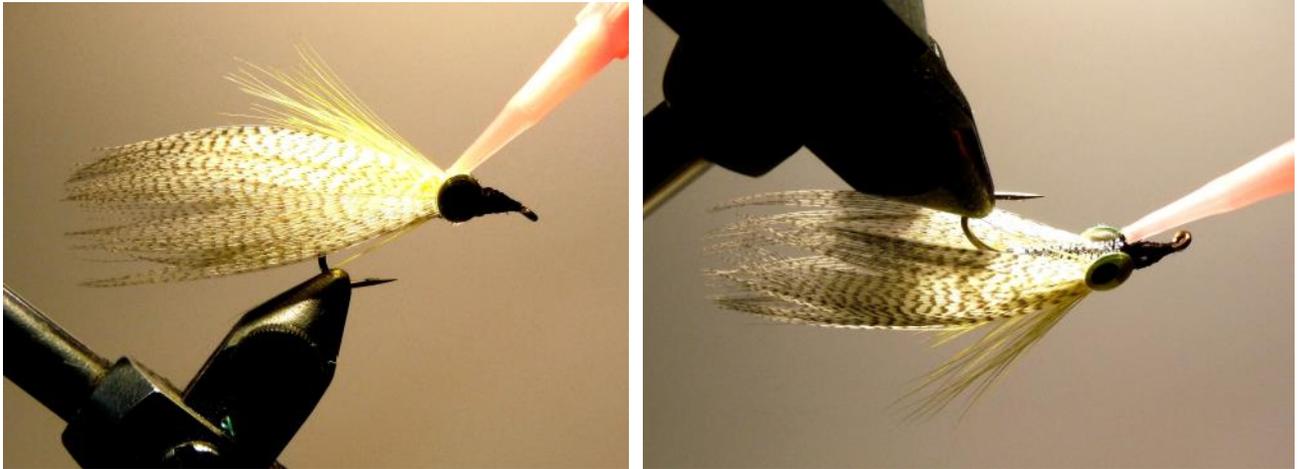


Apply a small drop of superglue at the butt of the hackles.

Apply eyes to super glue area.



Apply UV resin into the gap between the eyes and run resin forward onto thread head, set with UV light, (apply resin to both top and bottom gaps between the eyes).



Fishing Notes: This pattern is a version of the Hornberg, I don't remember what the actual name was, so I call it a Bug Eye. At one fly shop I stopped at, a fisherman came in and asked one of the guides about a small tan baitfish about 1 ½ to 2 inches long that was spit out of the mouth of a large trout he caught. He matched a Hornberg to the size, color and shape of the baitfish and proceeded to land several large trout on it. The guide stated the bait fish was a carp fry.

Fishing this fly is interesting. I use a direct line Euro rig, run the fly through the riffles and main run on a tight line, at the end of run, throw a big mend to add line, then let it swing through the tail out of the pool. Once it is hanging downstream, slowly strip it upstream working it as a streamer. Fish hit it on the drift, on the swing and being worked upstream. Landed a good number of brown trout using this fly on the East Walker River using the above methods.



Scott Vaslev, Club President , with North Umpqua Steelhead!



# Santiam Flycasters

## 2020 Membership Form

The Santiam Flycasters, Inc. is a group of men, women, and youths in the Salem area who have a common interest in fly fishing and have joined together to share their experiences and knowledge of the sport since 1975. The club was incorporated as an Oregon non-profit organization in March of 1977. The Santiam Flycasters, Inc. is affiliated with the Fly Fishers International.

The mission of the Santiam Flycasters is to promote the sport of fly fishing for all interested individuals of every generation now and into the future. Through fellowship, education, conservation practices, promoting research, guardianship of proper regulations and support, the Santiam Flycasters can succeed in this mission.

We meet in Salem the second Thursday of each month (no meeting in July)  
at the Pringle Park Community Building  
606 Church Street at 7:00 pm.  
[www.santiamflycasters.com](http://www.santiamflycasters.com)

Mail the completed signed form to: *The Santiam Flycasters, P.O. Box 691, Salem, OR 97308*, or drop it off in person at our next meeting. \*Memberships are from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. For new members, there is a 50% reduction after July 1<sup>st</sup>. There is no midyear discount for Life Membership.

Life membership -- \$300 Regular -- \$30 Family -- \$35

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS/CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE : \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an FFF Member? Yes No

Are you interested in obtaining an SFC Name Tag? Yes No

*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 waving 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