

Flyline

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Please join Flyfishers Club of Oregon for an evening with Dax Messett, Tuesday, July 12th!

Dax Messett has spent the 14 years as a fly fishing industry professional. His relentless pursuit to fish new, challenging fresh & saltwater venues has taken him all over the world. The long time FFF Certified Casting Instructor and steelhead junkie has guided in California, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Alaska, and both islands of New Zealand. One of the most experienced guides in the business, the widely published writer and photographer has appeared on ESPN and OLN, and was featured in the classic Gin Clear Media film, The Source, New Zealand.

His presentation is called "Year of the Nomad Angler", which chronicles a calendar year that Dax spends trouncing around the world to try and find the most compelling angling the planet has to offer for Dax and his hosted clients. With stops in New Zealand, Mexico, Honduras, Bahamas, Alaska, Canada, and the States, see where you should be fishing each month of the year! Enjoy beautiful photos and fun stories about these venues, and learn a bit about these special fisheries from a well traveled angler.





August 9th

Westmoreland Ponds

Casting Clinic

[Westmoreland Ponds in SE Portland](#)

Bring your favorite rod and join fellow FCO members
and special guests for a Casting Clinic!

More information to come!

President's Message

The club trip to Rocky Ridge Ranch came off without a hitch. My husband Ross and I greeted 12 Fly Fishers who started arriving around 7:30 am. We had coffee, rolls and fruit while people geared up and decided which lake they were going to fish first. Jim Teeny joined us and graciously brought nippers and flies for everyone. The weather was great, but the fishing a little slower than normal.

At lunch time everyone gathered back at the Rose Cabin where we had a fun afternoon BBQ of Hamburgers & Apple Pie. It was nice to visit, compare fishing strategies and change up the afternoon fishing in a different lake. It was such a relaxed day and everyone fished at their own pace. The last fisherman came off the water around 7:30 pm. I would love to see us do another trip in the fall, the hopper hatch could be epic.

My best to you,
Teri



Member Matters

We are half-way through the year and our membership is strong! We have a total of 184 members from all over the world! We will be updating the membership roster on the website as of June 30, so if you have not yet renewed please do, so we can keep your information on the list. As always, we are looking for new members and we need your help. Please bring your fishing friends to the meetings to introduce them to the club. This year we have had and will have a number of events that could interest them ranging from great speakers, to the special event at the holidays, to the casting clinic in August, to the club outings like we had in June and will probably have in the fall. For those of you who do enjoy our monthly meetings at the University Club, we have a couple of requests. Please make every attempt to make dinner reservations for yourself and your guests before 12 noon the Monday before the meeting. The University Club cannot guarantee that they will have a dinner for those who do not make a reservation. Second, we would like to encourage you to pay online. These two requests make the evenings a bit easier on the University Club staff who work hard to provide us great service.

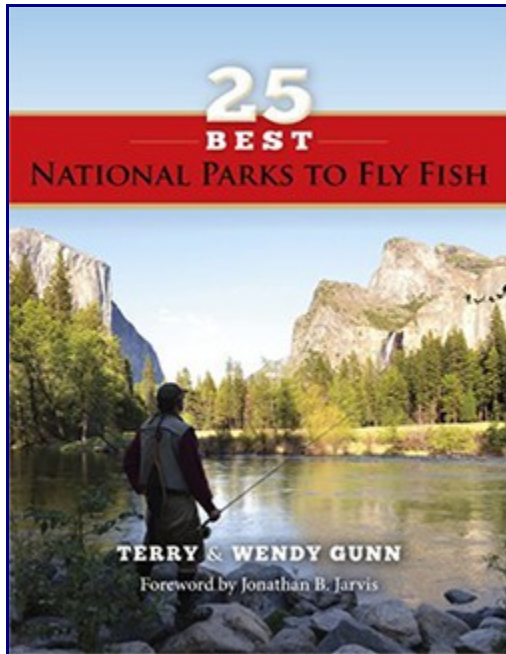
Tight Lines,

Rick



Literary Angler

Editor's Note: Seems everyone is posting their best summer reads for 2016. Books on politics to parties; science to sci-fi. There are some great new fishing books that have recently been released. You are sure to find something that appeals. Here are a few that came up high on the search list . . . LKH

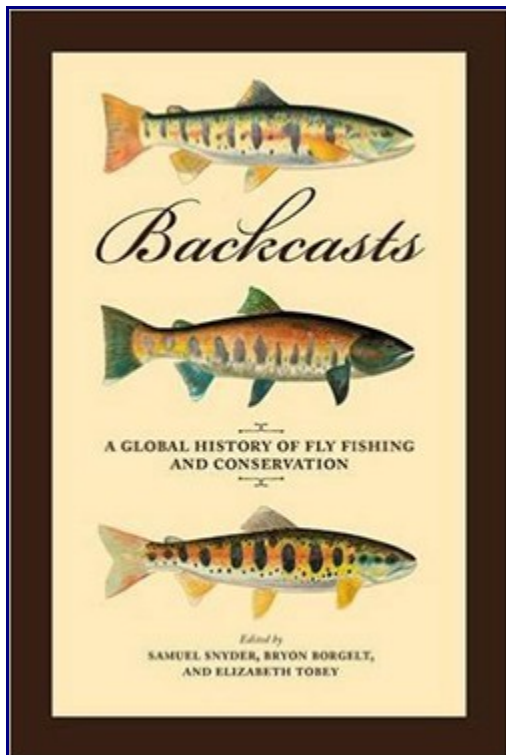


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25 Best National Parks to Fly Fish

by Terry and Wendy Gunn

Terry and Wendy Gunn's book celebrates the phenomenal fly-fishing opportunities in the National Park System, and the centennial of the National Park Service stewardship. From jumping tarpon in the Everglades, high-sticking for brook trout in the small creeks of the Great Smoky Mountains, and throwing line in the high-alpine lakes of the Rocky Mountains, these authors and contributors share their deep knowledge of each park and the many species that inhabit their waters.

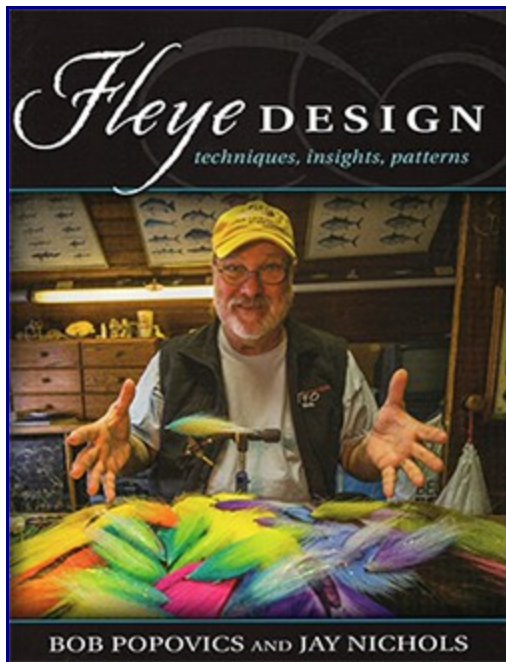


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Backcasts: A Global History of Fly Fishing and Conservation

by Samuel Snyder, Bryon Borgelt, and Elizabeth Tobey (Editors)

Backcasts explores the centuries-old confluence of fly fishing and conservation. The reader will traverse the history of fly fishing; the sport's global evolution, from the rivers of South Africa to Japan; the journeys of both native and nonnative trout. Along with the history, the contributors feature accomplishments of conservation organizations such as the Federation of Fly Fishers and Trout Unlimited. Highlighting the historical significance of outdoor recreation and sports to conservation, *Backcasts* explores both the problems anglers and their organizations face and how they might serve as models of conservation—in the individual trout streams, watersheds, and landscapes through which these waters flow.

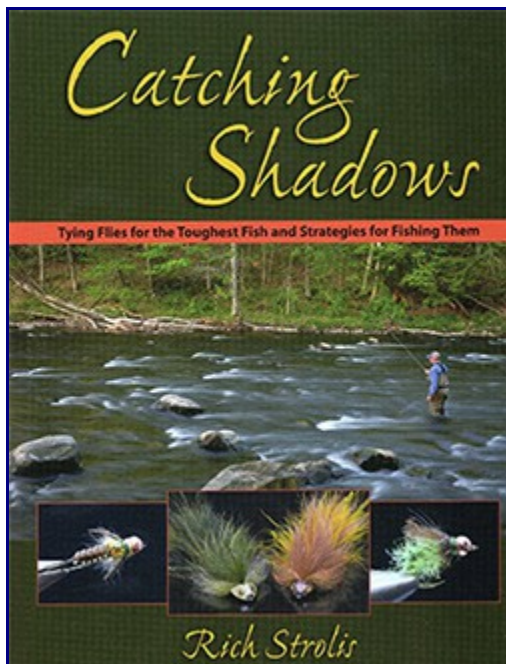


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Fleye Design: Techniques, Insights, Patterns

by Bob Popovics and Jay Nichols

Bob Popovics, author of the popular saltwater fly design book, *Pop Fleyes*, has continued to develop new fly patterns and improve old favorites. His new book includes 36 step-by-step tying and technique tutorials, over 12 new patterns, and numerous variations for every situation. *Fleye Design* includes contributions from well-known tiers such as Steve Farrar, Dave Skok, Johnny King, David Nelson, Paul Dixon, and Nick Curcione.



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Catching Shadows: Tying Flies for the Toughest Fish and Strategies for Fishing Them

by Rich Strolis

Mr. Strolis hails from Connecticut where he developed a reputation as a superb fishing guide. His career has evolved to professional tyer, author, blogger and passionate trout fisherman. His latest book is a compilation of his most effective patterns, including the stories behind development and tying instructionals. He shares custom patterns for dry flies, emergers, nymphs, and streamers for all seasons.

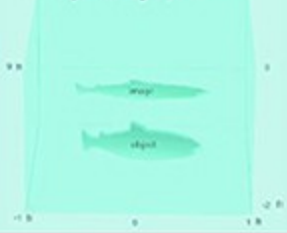
Physics of Fly Fishing

Fly Casting Mechanics



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Fly Fishing Optics



Bill
McGlenn

Physics of Fly Fishing: Fly Casting Mechanics and Fly Fishing Optics by Bill McGlenn

For you casting geeks out there, this book breaks down the mechanics of your favorite sport. According to reviewers, "Understanding in detail the physics can increase the appreciation and joy of flyfishing." Bill McGlenn, Professor Emeritus of Physics at Notre Dame University, gives his answers to some physics questions about fly fishing. The Physical theories of mechanics and optics are introduced and then applied to flycasting mechanics and fly fishing optics.

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Conservation Corner

Trails, Rails, and Native Fish

Oregonians love their natural surroundings. They love to get out and hike, bike, fish, and explore our forests, mountains, deserts, and beaches. An ambitious project to expand the opportunity for exploration would take adventurous folks from Banks, down the rugged Salmonberry corridor to the Nehalem River, then on down to Tillamook. The project is the [Salmonberry Trail](#). Salmonberry Coalition is leading the project plan. The Coalition is a steering committee of public and private partners including the Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation, the Oregon Department of Forestry, and Tillamook County representatives. The [Coalition makes recommendations](#) on management of the 86 mile "corridor" from Banks to Tillamook that traverses the Salmonberry watershed. The Salmonberry Coalition's vision is to connect the Portland metro area to the coast "while tapping into a wide network of existing recreation trail and facilities, educational opportunities, and heritage sites." The group successfully obtained a grant to study the area and propose and alternate use for the storm-ravaged rail line. You may recall that a rail line connected Banks to the Tillamook airport for decades. The line was fraught with landslides due to the steep terrain and heavy logging. Finally, in 2007, a torrential rain took out so much track that the cost of repairs was insurmountable. The Port of Tillamook owns the land along the old rail line. County and civic leaders, searching for alternatives that would bring economic benefits to coastal communities, began plans for building a recreational trail along the defunct rails. The concept was supported by a 2012 survey called the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan or SCORP. This survey identified walking paths, access to waterways and nature, bike trails, and paved paths as high priorities for the state. There have been a series of meetings to get public input on the project.

The Salmonberry is valued for its wild winter steelhead run and has ardent supporters for the fish and their habitat. The river is also home to Chinook, Coho, cutthroat, and rainbow trout. Not surprisingly, some conservation groups have raised objections to a multi-use trail through the Salmonberry watershed. In July 2014, a coalition of fish conservation groups commented on the Salmonberry Trail and cited special considerations and challenges of developing a trail system [through the river corridor](#). They argued that a primitive trail was the only suitable option and that decisions on trail location should take utmost care to avoid close proximity to steelhead and salmon spawning areas. The North Coast State Forest Coalition supports the trail proposal so long as the 16 mile segment along the Salmonberry is primitive. Their action alert to Rocky Houston of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department [urges to keep the](#)

[Salmonberry wild and remote!](#) The Salmonberry Coalition admits that, should the project receive full funding and construction proceed, it will be many years before the trail is complete. Salmonberry River enthusiasts will continue to support a primitive trail that limits the human impact on this wild steelhead stronghold while providing recreational access. Sharing the Salmonberry through a trail system will provide opportunities for many more nature lovers to appreciate and protect this coastal gem.

Lisa Hansen

