



## Oregon's Trout Route – Highway 97

*with Marlon Rampy*

Fly fishing in Oregon – a glorious sport in a beautiful state, right? We harbor magnificent daydreams and enjoy lovely images of our fishing rivers such as the Deschutes, the Rogue and the Umpqua. But, as we're about to discover, thinking in only those terms would be seriously shortchanging ourselves and Oregon. Seeing and learning about the truly impressive trout opportunities that exist along central Oregon's north-south Highway 97 open up a whole new world.



*Marlon Rampy*

Highway 97 offers us such scenic, rich tail waters as the Crooked River, loaded with high fish counts. And the crystalline headwaters of the Upper Deschutes River will put you on some of the most picturesque brook trout water imaginable. An encounter with the legendary callibaetis hatches of East Lake, Hosmer Lake -- "The Pearl of the Cascades" and many other spectacular fisheries near Bend, Oregon will leave you with spectacular fly fishing dreams that can easily come true.

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### MAY 2016 MONTHLY MEETING

Date: Tuesday, May, 17th  
Wet Flies: 6:00 PM  
Dinner: 7:00 PM  
Program: 8:00 PM  
Place: [Olympic Collection, 11301 Olympic Boulevard, LA](#)  
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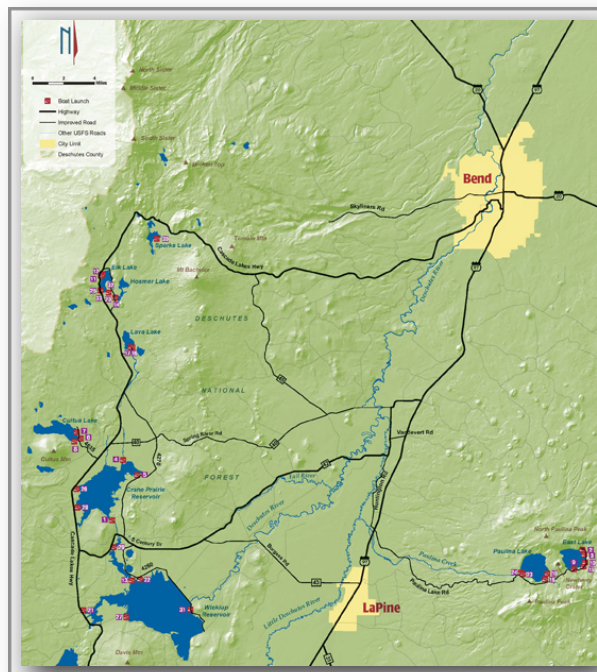
## Oregon's Trout Route

At the southern end of Highway 97, you can find the Wood River, see how to float the Williamson River and explore an expansive Klamath Lake system, home to Oregon's largest redband trout!

Some of the largest trout in the mainland 48 states (fish up to 20 pounds!) are quietly swimming, finning and eating in the spring-fed rivers and lakes along Oregon's lovely 97. From the Klamath Basin all the way to Bend, our May presenter (and one of our favorites), Marlon Rampy, will show us about this fantastic fly fishing playground.

Marlon is originally from southwest Washington. The summer he was 10, Marlon visited relatives in Montana and, under the guise of working, he pursued his love of fly fishing on pretty streams around Bozeman. (Marlon learned quickly that fishing is much more enjoyable than baling hay.)

After high school, Marlon attended Lee University in Tennessee where he discovered new trout water in the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee and North Carolina. Graduation from college brought opportunities for exciting fishing in eastern North Carolina, where Marlon had moved to begin a job. There he learned about the fun of fly fishing saltwater for stripers and blues, super aggressive fish that represented a big change from freshwater trout. But trout were still his first love.



*Cascade Lakes Scenic Byway, Bend area*



*Williamson River, native redband that stories are made of*



*Williamson River redband*



*Oregon fly fishing*



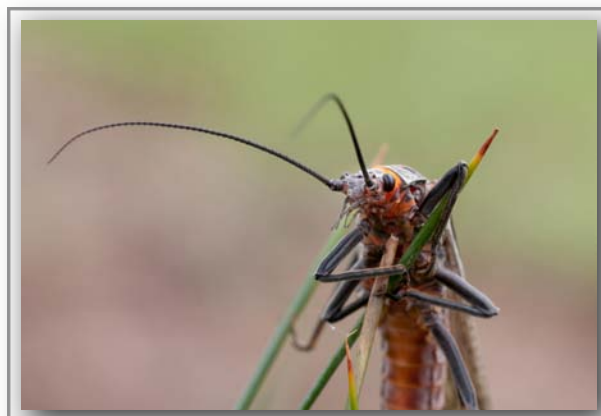
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So, in 1991, Marlon returned to the Northwest to reacquaint himself with the beautiful trout and steelhead streams of the Cascade Mountain Range in Oregon and Washington. Through his experiences in the Southeast, he had learned to appreciate the natural beauty of central and southern Oregon. With a desire to become an outstanding fly fishing guide, Marlon started working at McKenzie Outfitters Fly Shop in Medford, Oregon teaching students to cast, tie flies and fish the local streams.

Today, Marlon has been fishing and guiding these waters for more than two decades and, from all testimonials (many from our own members), has achieved his goal of becoming an outstanding guide. He has fished for Rogue steelhead and the trophy trout throughout the Klamath Basin. For nineteen years Marlon has been working with the Lonesome Duck Lodge on the banks of the Williamson. (This river is Marlon's choice for challenging fishing and rewards of truly sizable fish.) Situated within 45 minutes of Crater Lake National Park, the Lodge is also near a major flyway and the Klamath National Wildlife Preserve, where multitudes of birdlife are in abundant evidence.



*Crooked Creek, Susan Bohn.*



*Salmonfly adult.*



*A calm corner of the Upper Deschutes*



*Hatching trico (next up, learning to fly)*

## Oregon's Trout Route

An highly-accomplished and admired photographer, Marlon's work can be found in *Northwest Fly Fishing* magazine, *CATCH* webzine, *Flyfishing and Tying Journal* and many Amato Publications. He practices catch and release fishing techniques, recognizing that the native Klamath Basin redband trout is a limited resource and more than worthy of this practice.

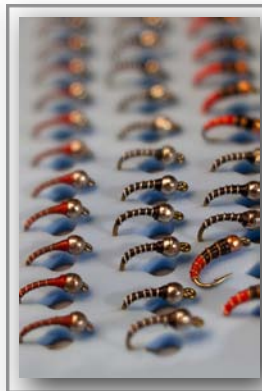
Since its inception in 1995, Marlon's guide business, Wildwest Fly Fishing, has steadily gained a dedicated and popular following as a quality fly fishing experience. For more information about one our favorite presenters, go to:

[www.flyfishoregon.com](http://www.flyfishoregon.com)

Marlon's presentation will be a multi-media composition with plenty of photos, sound, scenery, music and yes, even some lovely fish. He will take us on a detailed journey up Highway 97 to see and learn about some of Oregon's best trout waters. This is an evening brimming with stunning images that could help us pinpoint an exciting new fishing trip to central and southern Oregon.



*Copper John*



*Z-Midges on parade*



*Early season lupine on the Williamson River*



*Hexagenia limbata on Williamson River*



*A cooperative natural BWO helps match the size*



*Callibaetis escape deep in the Cascade Lakes*

Marlon is also one of our Spring Super Raffle sponsors. Check out his great two-for-one donation on page 7.



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## Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

The monthly Board Meeting, held the Tuesday, one week before the monthly dinner meeting, will be held at 2311 30th Street, Santa Monica, Ca 90405. 2 hour street parking, no permit needed. Meetings start promptly at 7:30 P.M. All members are welcome. New members are especially encouraged to attend. Come and see how your club runs and you might pick up some fishing tips, too.

Minutes of Board Meetings are available to members on the website's [Document Library](#)

## COMING EVENTS

For more information go to the WFF website [CALENDAR](#)

Kelsey Lake Outing	Fri.-Mon.	Apr. 29-May 2
2016 Cast & Chat	Sat.	Apr. 30
WFF Spring Conservation Super Raffle	Wed.	May 17

## Monthly Raffle Items

## Value

No Monthly Raffle this month.  
See Super Raffle info below.



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## 2016 Spring Conservation Super Raffle Prizes

Our Spring Conservation Super Raffle is just around the corner; Tuesday May 17, to be exact. Like our Holiday Raffle, it will feature top-of-the-line gear and fantastic trips as well as other outstanding prizes. (Can't make the May meeting? No problem. You don't have to be present to win!) Raffle details are available on our website: <http://www.WildernessFlyFishers.org>. Go to the website's Event Calendar, then click on May 17. Please buy as many tickets as you can. This is our most important fund-raiser of the year.

### **Scott Radian 6 wt, 9', 4 pc Fly Rod** Retail Value: \$795

Until now, you had to choose between a rod with power and line speed, or a rod with touch and feel. But thanks to Scott, those days are over. Fast and Feel have finally come together. Scott dramatically increased recovery speed with their new ReAct technology. Now roll casts to a tricky seam, and short, delicate casts with fine 6X leaders are just as easy as long distance streamer deliveries to the opposite bank. And after the cast, when you need extended fishability, Radian rods give you incredible mending abilities and tippet protection without sacrificing the hook setting and fish fighting power you expect from a fast action rod.

### **St. Croix High Stick Drifter 4 wt, 10', 4 pc Fly Rod** Retail Value: \$450

Designed by Kelly Galloup for today's advanced nymph fishing methods, the High Stick Drifter features a unique lightweight tip that reduces angler fatigue when the rod is held high for long periods of time, while emphasizing sensitivity for better strike detection. High Stick Drifter rods also feature SC<sup>VI</sup> graphite in lower sections for added power with reduced weight and St. Croix's proprietary ART<sup>™</sup> and IPC<sup>®</sup> technology. And the balance? Incredible.

### **Winston Passport 4 wt, 9', 4 pc Fly Rod** Retail Value: \$239

In more than 80 years designing fly rods, R.L. Winston has learned what it takes to transform something great into something exceptional. Such is the case with the Passport series. You will not find a better rod anywhere close to this price. Light in the hand, they have a powerful yet forgiving action ideal for beginners who want to cast farther and experienced casters who want to perform at their peak. Cosmetics, quality of components and casting performance all add up to a rod that will please the most critical angler.

### **Bauer RX1-Titanium 3-4-5 wt Fly Reel** Retail Value: \$395

Featuring an open, contemporary aesthetic while bringing back the classic MXP teardrop design, the RX carbon fiber sealed drag delivers silky smooth performance in all conditions. Featherweight RX1 reels feature improved seals, reduced weight and quicker line retrieval than their Rogue predecessors. The sealed carbon fiber drag, V-Arbor spool, and lightweight design make them the fly reel of choice for any angler.

*We can accept only cash or checks at the meeting.  
To pay by credit card, please order tickets online.*

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### Temple Fork BVK III 4-5-6 wt Fly Reel Retail Value: \$259

BVK reels are precision machined from bar stock aluminum. The moss green anodized frames and spools are ported to eliminate excess weight. Equally at home in fresh or salt water, the super large arbor design provides faster line pick up and helps the maintenance free drag system work at a more constant pressure than standard arbor reels. Delrin/Stainless stacked discs make the drag silky smooth and the one way clutch bearing makes engagement instant and left to right hand conversion simple.

### Chota South Fork Wader Large (Not Exchangeable) Retail Value: \$280

The Patented DUCS® Suspender System secures shoulder straps firmly even on rough terrain, and allows the South Forks to be easily adjustable from chest high to waist high or lower (when nature calls); without removing over gear (vest, chest pack, rain jacket, etc.). The main body consists of an extra light 3-layer fabric with great drape for a comfortable fit. The South Forks also incorporate integrated gravel guards and compression resistant neoprene socks allowing this wader to be extraordinarily comfortable and durable. Finally, additional storage has been added with both splash resistant front and inside zippered pockets completing this one-of-a-kind wader.

### Trout Netstaff Retail Value: \$200

Three-in-one fishing tool: net, wading staff, and retrieval hook. Net hoop is 9 inches wide by 16 inches long with a deep bag and the wading staff is 54 inches and comes with a retrieval hook to retrieve flies and lures from trees and brush. Net deploys easily and has two netting positions, regular and an extended reach position. Includes one Geardock Kit, used to attach staff to vest.

### Fishpond Westwater Large Rolling Duffel-Pacific/Steelhead Retail Value: \$299

When you absolutely, positively have to haul every piece of gear you own into the wettest place possible, you have the Westwater Large Rolling Duffel to assist. It has nearly 6,400 cubic inches of carrying capacity, rugged wheels and a retractable handle so you don't break your back, and is built of heavy duty recycled fabric with water resistant zippers. Rounding it out - an exterior-accessible storage pouch, and just the right amount of organization within.

### Marlon Rampy, Wildwest Fly Fishing, Southern Oregon

Two days guided fishing for two anglers with the dates of these two days to be mutually agreed upon. Includes lunch. Two days for the price of one day. Fish the spring-fed rivers and lakes of southern Oregon's Klamath Basin for some of the largest trout. Marlon Rampy is our May 2016 speaker. Valid during the 2016 or 2017 season. Winner pays \$395.00; Value \$790.00

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### Alagnak Lodge, Alaska

Seven days and seven nights lodging and guided fishing on the Alagnak River for two anglers with the dates to be mutually agreed upon. Includes meals and round trip air from King Salmon. Two for the price of one. Alagnak Lodge is a world famous lodge located at tidewater on Bristol Bay. Five species of salmon are available just steps from the lodge. You can catch trophy rainbow trout, char and grayling. Can be used for any week during the 2016 summer season (subject to availability, please call ASAP to reserve dates). Winner pays \$5,600.00 Value \$11,200.00 (Bring up to 3 additional guests at 20% discount per guest.) Not included: Air transportation from your home to King Salmon, Alaska fishing license (currently \$55 per person for 7 days), Lake and Peninsula Borough taxes (currently \$7 per person per night) and fly-outs, which can be purchased separately (currently \$500), gratuities.

### Pat Jaeger, Eastern Sierra Guide Service

Pat Jaeger, our January 2014 speaker, instructor at several of our clinics, and a much praised guide for a number of our members, has donated a one-day drift trip on the Lower Owens at half price for one or two anglers with the date to be mutually agreed upon. Eight-hour drift trip includes: Flies, complete wading gear, rod/reel, terminal tackle, lunch and beverages. A unique way to get away from Lower Owens weekend crowds and explore new, trout-infested water is to go by boat. Since most of the river below the Wild Trout Area is not accessible by foot, drifting is the best way to explore this wonderful fishery. Winner Pays \$212.50; Value \$425.00 (Plus Pat will give a 25% discount for an additional consecutive day). Expires March 31, 2017.

### Old Moe Guide Service, Dutch John, Utah

Two for one for two days guided fishing including lunch for two anglers. This guide service has been fishing the Green River for many years and has the experience to make sure you will get many opportunities to hook fish. You will be fishing this world famous tailwater below Flaming Gorge Dam. Float through the beautiful red rock canyon on water that is a gorgeous emerald green and full of hungry trout. This is one of the most consistent fisheries on the planet and the trout love dry flies as much as nymphs. Winner Pays \$513.00 (including tax.) Value \$1026. Expires December 31, 2016.

### Two Bottles of Excellent Wine Value \$800+

Donated by Mary Davis: One bottle [Chambolle-Musigny Les Amoureuses, Premier Cru](#) and one bottle of [Burgundy Domaine Groffier a Morey-Saint Denis](#). Value by Internet Wine Searcher \$400+ for each bottle!

*More prizes on the way!  
Watch the website for updates to this list!*

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## 2016 Spring Super Raffle

### Important Stuff

Before you can win one of these great prizes, you gotta [BUY A TICKET](#) (\$25 each, five for \$100 or TWELVE for \$200.) **Remember, a limited number of tickets will be sold.**

Tickets can be purchased online or in person at the May meeting. (FYI: In the past, big winners have nearly always bought five or more tickets to support the club.) And even though **YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN**, it is certainly a lot more fun to be there in person -- and take your prize home that night! (**Only one prize per winner.**)

Even if you don't win a prize, you will still have the satisfaction of making a valuable contribution to WFF's ongoing conservation and education programs like Trout In The Classroom, workshops, fly tying seminars and our monthly speakers. Not to mention you can get a swell tax write off.\*

### [Spring Super Raffle Rules](#)

*\*Wilderness Fly Fishers is recognized as a Section 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization by the IRS.  
Contributions to it are tax deductible. (Check with your accountant to make sure.)*

**Please Note: We can accept only cash or check at the May meeting.  
If you wish to purchase your tickets with a credit card, please do so online.  
Thanks!**

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*2016 TIC Teacher Crystal Peters and Student Amanda Gonzales.  
This is what our Spring Super Raffle is all about.*



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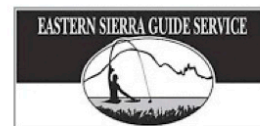
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### Many Thanks to Our Raffle Sponsors



Buy tickets at the the May 17 meeting...

... or visit [www.WildernessFlyFishers.org](http://www.WildernessFlyFishers.org) to buy tickets online!



## 2016 Rush Creek Clean-Up

The Tenth Annual Rush Creek clean-up will take place on Saturday June 11, 2016 and will focus efforts on an eight mile stretch of Rush Creek from the Southern California Edison power plant upstream of Silver Lake down the canyon to US 395.

Volunteers should meet at the Silver Lake boat ramp at 8:00 am and bring gloves, a hat, sunscreen, repellent, boots and waders if you have them. Trash bags will be provided by Silver Lake Resort.

This section of Rush Creek is especially popular with anglers and each year up to 50 bags of material are collected. Of particular importance is collecting stray fishing line caught in the bushes and trees as this is a huge threat to birds and other wildlife. After the clean-up, Silver Lake Resort will treat the volunteers to a free barbeque lunch.

If you are interested in keeping this pristine stretch of water clean come up and meet members of the Streamborn Fly Fishing Club who are the primary organizers of the event. Any questions on the clean-up you can contact Joe Lemire to confirm your attendance [jflx8@dslexreme.com](mailto:jflx8@dslexreme.com) or at (909) 609-1101

Thank you Streamborn!



*This lovely bass was caught by Rich Peters. Just a reminder of what you missed if you did not attend the Kelsey trip this year.*





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- ☐ \$40 Single - Regular  
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Please make your dinner [reservations online](#) or send in this coupon.

Your check must be in the club mailbox by the Wednesday, the week before the meeting.

Names \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dinner(s) x \$37 per person

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# May 2016

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