

Vintage dress given to friend ends up for sale online



DEAR ABBY
ADVICE

Dear Abby: I used to collect vintage dresses, many of which I bought online from retailers for several hundred dollars each. I reluctantly sold some on consignment after a breakup — you know, “out with the old, in with the new.” But I kept ones that were beautiful works of vintage art.

A friend of mine (I’ll call her “Gabbi”) likes to sew, and I offered her one of the dresses I’d

been hanging onto, to wear or craft with. I wanted her to turn it into something meaningful for herself instead of keeping it buried in my closet.

Last weekend we had lunch. When I asked her how it fit or what she planned to do with it, she told me she had given it to someone I don’t know to sell on a clothing resale site. I can’t help but feel angry. I know I gave it to Gabbi, but I think what she did was rude. If she had asked me if it was OK to give it away, I would have asked for it back.

How do I stop harboring this feeling? Every time I think of her now, I get upset. The next

day, after our lunch, we went to an estate sale and Gabbi brought up this other person again — “I should have invited ‘Bethany’ so she could find merch to resell.” I think Gabbi is oblivious about how she makes other people feel. What do you think? — **Taken Aback In Alabama**

Dear Taken Aback: You generously tried to help Gabbi by giving her the dress, but unless you specified that it was a collectible item and if she couldn’t use it you wanted it returned, you shouldn’t blame her. From my vantage point, it seems Gabbi is generously trying to help a friend who needs to make some money.

I hope you will let go of your disappointment because if you can’t, you may destroy a valued relationship.

Dear Abby: Two years ago, a couple of months before my 41st birthday, I found out that the man who raised me (I’ll call him “Norm”) is not my biological father. Norm is a wonderful, loving father figure, who has made clear that this changes nothing between us.

Because this discovery was heartbreaking at first, my parents decided not to tell Norm’s parents or siblings about it. Initially, I supported their decision because, after my biological father

made it clear he wanted nothing to do with me, it made sense to leave it alone. But now, with my grandparents in failing health, I feel they should know. I just don’t know if it would do more harm than good at this point. Please advise. — **Thrown In Kansas**

Dear Thrown: What do you think you will accomplish by telling Norm’s parents at this point? You have been their grandchild for four decades. Because their health is precarious, they may not need to hear anything that would upset them. I vote for keeping this “news” private, as Norm and your mother have requested.

STEELHEAD

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As soon as that line touches the water, the next angler should cast. Both anglers will reel up any slack. If their tackle is matched, there should be no tangles.

Using the kicker, make slight adjustments in forward and reverse to keep the lines taut, the beads fishing in line. Make sure the anglers keep their rod tips up at a 45-degree angle.

It was our second drift when the first fish struck. Operating the kicker, Hocking made the first cast, then Carl. Third in line, I picked my spot in shallow water and then Kris Bales, in the bow, made his cast.

We drifted back, our weights touching down time to time. Then the tension in my rod tip changed, like a wet sock had fouled the leader. That’s what a fish feels like!

I set the hook hard and the line angled toward mid-river. The six-pound hatchery buck didn’t fight hard, but the next one put up quite a battle before the hook popped out of its beak.

I finished the morning with a wild nine-pound male that we turned back, watching it kick away from the sandbar to make more steelhead.

In a year with fewer fish, try beads for steelhead. And lie to your buddies about the fishing.

Gary Lewis is the author



Kris Bales/Contributed Photo

By January there are still good numbers of fish in the mainstem Snake above Clarkston, Washington, but the bulk of the run begins to move up the Grande Ronde and other tributaries like the Salmon (Idaho) and the Imnaha (Oregon). If a cold snap drops the temperature of the Grande Ronde, fish may move back down out of the Grande Ronde and into the mainstem Snake again.

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GREEN

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During winter, deer, elk and bighorn sheep burn their fat reserves to produce body heat. So long as those reserves last, the animals can withstand even sub-zero temperatures for extended periods, biologists say.

But once those fat layers have been shed, deer in particular struggle to find enough to eat to keep their body temperature up.

Even with the welcome flush of new green grass this fall, Ratliff said deer could be vulnerable this winter.

“If we have a whopper of a winter again we’re going to lose deer,” he said.

During the last such winter, 2016-17, deep snow and prolonged periods of frigid temperatures devastated deer herds in Baker County and other parts of Northeastern Oregon.

In response to the loss of hundreds of animals, ODFW cut hunting tags by up to 50% for the 2017



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Mule deer in the snow along the Powder River east of Baker City during the devastating winter of 2016-17.

hunting season.

In many units, deer herds have yet to recover enough to prompt state officials to increase tag allocations.

Benefits for birds, too

Autumn grass also benefits upland game birds such as chukars and quail that eat grass, Ratliff said.

Birds don’t need as much forage, of course, as

the much larger deer and elk.

But Ratliff pointed out that birds are much less capable of digging through snow to reach grass compared with deer.

Snow doesn’t pose a major problem for deer unless it’s capped with an ice crust, he said.

But for birds, even several inches of snow can keep them from reaching the grass, Ratliff said.

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weather

	TONIGHT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
Cloudy with a shower	Mostly cloudy	Rather cloudy	Showers around; cooler	Mostly sunny and chilly	
Baker City	39	56 37	58 30	41 22	40 22
Comfort Index™	7	7	6	0	2
La Grande	48	59 50	62 36	40 25	40 29
Comfort Index™	7	9	8	0	1
Enterprise	41	56 48	60 31	36 20	36 28
Comfort Index™	7	8	10	0	3

Comfort Index takes into account how the weather will feel based on a combination of factors. A rating of 10 feels very comfortable while a rating of 0 feels very uncomfortable.

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TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Thursday	43°	47°	47°
Low Thursday	33°	40°	32°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Thursday	0.15	0.61	0.46
Month to date	0.61	1.10	1.45
Normal month to date	0.26	0.68	0.95
Year to date	4.96	9.50	19.96
Normal year to date	7.74	14.26	19.98

AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION SUNDAY

Lowest relative humidity	45%
Afternoon wind	S at 7 to 14 mph
Hours of sunshine	0.4
Evapotranspiration	0.08

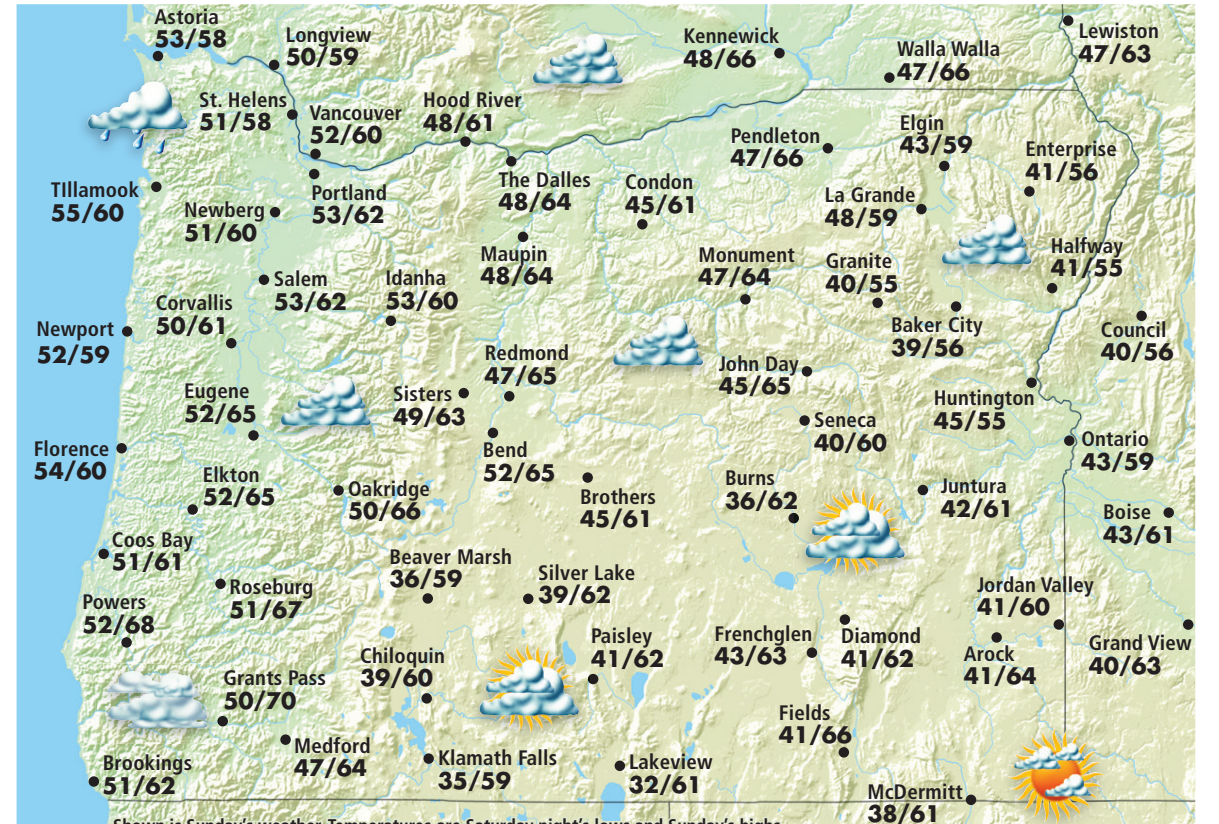
RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Friday)

Phillips Reservoir	N.A.
Unity Reservoir	12% of capacity
Owyhee Reservoir	13% of capacity
McKay Reservoir	12% of capacity
Wallowa Lake	7% of capacity
Thief Valley Reservoir	1% of capacity

STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Thursday)

Grande Ronde at Troy	851 cfs
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	0 cfs
Burnt River near Unity	15 cfs
Umatilla River near Gibbon	73 cfs
Minam River at Minam	133 cfs
Powder River near Richland	9 cfs

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION



REGIONAL CITIES

City	SUN. HI/Lo/W	MON. HI/Lo/W	City	SUN. HI/Lo/W	MON. HI/Lo/W
Astoria	58/53/r	54/42/r	Lewiston	63/48/c	63/41/c
Bend	65/50/pc	66/32/sh	Longview	59/54/r	57/41/r
Boise	61/47/pc	63/38/sh	Meacham	58/51/c	60/34/c
Brookings	62/52/c	57/45/sh	Medford	64/46/pc	60/39/sh
Burns	62/35/c	60/25/c	Newport	59/50/c	55/44/r
Coos Bay	61/50/sh	60/41/sh	Olympia	58/51/r	54/38/r
Corvallis	61/51/c	56/39/sh	Ontario	59/41/c	57/38/pc
Council	56/44/c	58/31/c	Pasco	67/55/c	65/41/c
Elgin	59/49/c	59/34/c	Pendleton	66/54/c	66/38/c
Eugene	65/52/pc	58/39/sh	Portland	62/55/sh	58/41/r
Hermiston	67/53/c	68/41/c	Powers	68/51/c	63/43/sh
Hood River	61/50/sh	59/41/sh	Redmond	65/48/pc	62/31/sh
Imnaha	61/51/c	62/35/c	Roseburg	67/50/c	60/41/sh
John Day	65/48/c	66/32/c	Salem	62/55/c	58/40/sh
Joseph	55/47/c	58/29/c	Spokane	57/49/c	57/33/c
Kennewick	66/57/c	68/41/c	The Dalles	64/49/pc	60/42/sh
Klamath Falls	59/35/c	58/27/r	Ukiah	59/46/c	59/30/c
Lakeview	61/37/pc	59/26/sh	Walla Walla	66/53/c	62/38/c

Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

RECREATION FORECAST SUNDAY

ANTHONY LAKES	PHILLIPS LAKE
Rather cloudy	Mostly cloudy
43 38	55 40
MT. EMILY REC.	BROWNLEE RES.
Rather cloudy	Mostly cloudy
49 49	60 43
EAGLE CAP WILD.	EMIGRANT ST. PARK
Rather cloudy	Mostly cloudy
43 36	55 43
WALLOWA LAKE	MCKAY RESERVOIR
Mostly cloudy	Sun, then clouds
55 47	65 57
THIEF VALLEY RES.	RED BRIDGE ST. PARK
Mostly cloudy	Mostly cloudy
56 37	59 50