2024 Jimmy Green Spey-O-Rama Competitors

Tommy Aarkvisla	Horten, Norway	Age: 53	Rod: CND	Line: Gaelforce	Got his first two-hand rod in 1999. 12th year at the Spey O Rama. Has consistently been one SoR's top competitors. Men's division winner in 2015. In 2022, won 15'1" Spey world championship in Norway.
Tim Arsenault	Vancouver, BC, Canada	Age: 45	Rod: CND BVGT F1	Line: Gaelforce Weapon	Owner and line designer at Bridge. North American rep for CND rods. Tim's 8th Spey-O-Rama. Five time finalist in the Men's Division, including 3rd in 2017.
James Chalmers	Glasgow, Scotland	Age: 62	Rod: GaelForce Beast	Line: GaelForce Beast	Owner GaelForce Fly Fishing. Rod & line designer. Team manager for GaelForce. Like to develop talent within the casting community. Mr. Scotland. Spey-O-Rama almost 20 years all of them. Pleaced several times and never fucking won it. Area 51 approved.
Chris Christensen	San Francisco, California	Age: 57	Rod: GaelForce	Line: GaelForce	This is his 3nd Spey-O-Rama, although he's watched almost all the previous ones. The Long Beach Casting Tournament last January was his first competitive experience. He's grateful to Ken Sandstrom and many other GGACC members for their tutelage and encouragement, without which he would not be here!
"Wee" Matt Donaldson	Tarzana, California	Age: 55	Rod: Galeforce beast	Line: Gael Force	2nd Spey-O-Rama. Friend of Matt Abrams and Tom Olson.
Duncan Gasiewicz	Missoula, Montana	Age: 38	Rod: GaelForce Beast	Line: GaelForce Beast	Graphic designer and life-long teenager. Has been fly casting his whole life, Spey casting for 11 years, especially focused in the last 3 years on competition casting. This is his second time casting in competition. He likes to sleep in his car and swing flies and would love to see the Snake River free of its dams.
Charles Gehr	Talent, Oregon	Age: 49	Rod: ACR Comp	Line: Rio Scandi Comp	2nd SOR. Apprentice rod builder with Gary Anderson at Anderson Custom Rods.
Chuck Gentry	Bainbridge Isl, Washington	Age: 54	Rod: C&D	Line: NextCast	First Spey O rama, I love to fish for steelies and Atlantic Salmon, Perfect hingsigt

Geir Hansen	Bergen, Norway	Age: 60	Rod: CND Gravity c1	Line: GaelForce beast	10 times at the SoR. Men's finalist every year. Entered my first spey competition 17 years ago
Simon Hsieh	San Jose, California	Age: 57	Rod: Bazooka	Line: Nextcast Driver 15	Owner of Nextcast. Team leader of Nextcast Casting Team. Spey-O-Rama mens' overall champion 2008 and 2009.
Glenn Jacobsen	Nittedal, Norway	Age: 61	Rod: CND C1	Line: GaelForce	Have fished with flyrod since 1993. Started three years ago with competition. Glenn's first Spey competition was in 2021 in Norway. In 2022, won silver medal in 15'1" Spey world champtionship in Norway. This is Gl;enn's 2nd SOR.
Travis Johnson	Maupin, Oregon	Age: 46	Rod: GaelForce	Line: GaelForce	Travis is an 10-time SoR competitor, 4-time world champion in this event, and holder of the record for longest cast in SoR history 198 feet. We welcome travis and his great two kids.
Matt Katibah	Ashland, Oregon	Age: 29	Rod: Nam	Line: Gaelforce	First time competing, Spey casting since 14 years old. Rod builder for Charles Gehr's Anderson Custom Rods, Head guide at Reel Action Fly Fishing's lodge on the Kanektok River in Alaska. Trip leader for Speywater Lodge multi day float trips on the Grande Ronde River in South East Washington.
H. June Kim	Jinan county, Korea	Age: 54	Rod: GaelForce	Line: GaelForce	Is a Presbyterian preacher in Korea. Has been spey casting since 2016. 5th time competitor in Spey-O-Rama. Qualified for mens finals in 2018. FFI THMCI. Published several books on Spey casting techniques in Korean.
Bruce Kruk	Trail, BC	Age: 58	Rod: Gaelforce	Line: Gaelforce	Aka Kapitan Kundia. Guide on the Upper Columbia with Columbia River Flyfishing. Has been spey casting since 1996. Competed in Spey-O-Rama 9 times previously (2009-2018). This is his first year in the senior division.
Ahse Lee	Jinnan, Korea	Age: 35	Rod: GaelForce	Line: Gaelforce	Expects to become a father to a son an May 1. He is dedicating today's performance to June, his big brother. Second time at Spey-O-Rama
Blaine Lyon	Darvel, Scotland	Age: 21	Rod: Atom six	Line: GaelForce Beast	Fly Fishing Guide and Casting instructor for Twin Peakes Flyfishing and works for Loop Tackle UK. SGAIC Casting Instructor, UK FLYCASTING champion from 2020-2024, finished 3rd overall in the combined casting events in the 2022 world championship in Norway. 2nd SoR.

Cristian Mammi	Buenos Aires, Argentina	Age: 46	Rod: LTS	Line: GaelForce	Spey caster since 2000. Third SoR. Guide in Patagonia for steelhead and king salmon. Great professional flytier for Atlantic Salmon.
Vidar Ness	Sandefjord, Norway	Age: 56	Rod: LTS Complete Competition	Line: GaelForce Beast	3st time competitor at Spey-O-Rama. My best in SOR so far is 5th place ເ ⊕ but I have lots of other podium finishes over the years.
Joel Phillips	Walnut Creek, California	Age: 54	Rod: LTS	Line: GaelForce	8th Time competitor at Spey-O-Rama. Proud member of Oakland Casting Club & GGACC. Engineering R&D Manager.
Jarle Strandberg	Hemsedal, Norway	Age: 56	Rod: CND C-1	Line: GaelForce Beast	3nd Time competitor at Spey-O-Rama and made the finals in 2019 Par of the CND team.
Garrett Strickland	Nevada City, California	Age: 42	Rod: Bruce And Walker SOR comp rod	Line: Boss Competition Line	Has been Spey casting for twelve years. This is his 6th Spey-O-Rama. Last year in 2022, he won the SOR mens open division overall title. It is Jen and Garrett's two year anniversary!
Hyunse Yoon	Hwasoung, Korea	Age: 17	Rod: GaelForce	Line: NextCast	This is his first SOR.Has been spey casting for four years and wants to be a competitive. "You call call me Jim" :)
Matt Abrams	Claremont, California	Age: 67	Rod: GaelForce	Line: GaelForce	Graphic designer/photographer. Cast two-handed rods since 1980. Competition castung since 2020. 4nd SOR. Yesterday was his 67th birthday!
Agustin Avellaneda	Buenos Aires, Argentina	Age: 61	Rod: LTS Gaelforce	Line: Gaelforce	This is his fourth SoR. He is a agricultural engineer. Farmer addicted fly fisher. His specialty is fishing for Browns. H is a happy father of four lovley children.
Agustin ("Agus") Avellaneda	Buenos Aires, Argentina	Age: 61	Rod: LTS Vidar Ness	Line: Gaelforce weapon	Augustine is back! Cast dice as a kid. His 4th SoR. He is a agricultural engineer. Farmer addicted fly fisher. His specialty is fishing for Browns in the Limay River. Loves photography. Good father of four kids with a happy spirit! Wants to make Argantina proud. Friend of everyone here. Made the finals laqst year. Wants to get better every year. The one and only Agustine!

Lee Davison	Lenore, Idaho	Age: 72	Rod: Bruce & Walker	Line: Ballistic Flyline SOR Victory 3	Lee is the designer of Ballistic Flylines and CEO of Snake River Outfitters, LLC. He is a two-time Senior Men's Spey O'Rama Champion and he has won a second and third over the year. Lee is a Fly Fishers International (FFI) Certified Master Casting Instructor and an FFI Certified Two-Hand Casting Instructor. Nancy says he is six foot two with eyes of blue and still looks great in his jeans.
Ed Filice	Sonoma, California	Age: 75	Rod: GaelForce	Line: Gaelforce	An avid SoR participant since 2010. Took 3rd place in the seniors division in 2012 and again 2022. Ed also enjoys participating in the Long Beach Casting Club's "Spey Casting Tournament", Seniors Bracket, where he finished 1st place in 2020 and 3rd place earlier this year. Ed is a winemaking consultant and lives in Sonoma.
Mark Gagliano	Eagan, Minnisotta	Age: 63	Rod: Bruce & Walker	Line: Gael Force	Mark has been spey casting for only about 5 years and this is his second SoR
Martin ("the fox") Kiely	Limerick, Ireland	Age: 63	Rod: GaelForce	Line: Gael Force	10 SoRs . Former world record holder for seniors in both longest cast and 4-cast total. Three-time SOR senior champion. Fishes for Atlantic salmon in free time. Welcome "the Fox"!
Jeon Lee	Vancouver, Washington	Age: 62	Rod: CND	Line: NextCast	Retired physician, born in Seoul, South Kroea. 8th Spey-O-Rama. Previously placed 2nd and 3rd in the senior division. NextCast team.
Glen Nagumo	San Jose, California	Age: 66	Rod: Gary Anderson Competition Rod	Line: Ballistic	Spey-O-Rama volunteer last 13 years, including head judge 2011- 2024. GGACC member since 2005. 14 years single-handed casting experience, 12 years as a spey caster Thank you Glen for all you do to make the SoR happen
Tom Olson	Manhattan Beach, California	Age: 66	Rod: GaelForce Beast G+	Line: GaelForce Beast	Graphics Business and Steelheader. President of the Long Beach Casting Club, Pond Captain for Spey. My goal is to encourage more fly fishers to learn how fun Spey casting is and to progress into competition casting to become a better caster and fly fisher. 4rd SoR. Placed 2nd in the Seniors division in 2022.
Stewart ("Rossi") Ross	Newcastle-under- Lyme, Staffordshire, UK	Age: 64	Rod: Atomsix Dark Matter competition rod	Line: Gaelforce	I am a member of the UK Fly Casting Sport Team and won a silver medal at the 2022 ICSF World Campionships Seniors 15' Spey Event held in Norway.
Ken Sandstrom	San Rafael, California	Age: 85	Rod: GaelForce Alititude Plus	Line: GaelForce Comp	This is his 8th SoR. Born and raised in San Francisco. He's been coming out to the ponds since he was 10. Honary member of the Sweedish Casting Team

Milos Vasiljevic	Blairgowrie, Scotland and Serbia	Age: 66	Rod: Gaelforce Beast	Line: Gaelforce	4rd time competing. Finished 2nd in 2019. Keen salmon fisher. Gaelforce team and representing Serbia.
Victor Yee	Marin County, California	Age: 75	Rod: GaelForce Alititude Plus	Line: Gaelforce	I started fly fishing in 1989, which instantly became an obsession. Fishing the two handed became obsession #2. And finally, -casting the 15' rod has become obession #3. This is my 30th year of fling the fly!
Samantha Brophy	Sacramento, California		Rod: TBD	Line: TBD	4th time SOR. Long-time GGACC member. Home grown mentored in spey casting here at GGACC from members including Donna, Bert Rances, and many others. Rock climber. Medical student future Dr. Brophy.
Kara Knight	Smithers, BC, Canada		Rod: CND Competition F1	Line: Gaelforce	Lodge manager at Suskeena Lodge Commercial fly tyer in the winter. 7th SOR, multiple SOR placements, but not first yer!
Mika McKenry	Austin, Texas		Rod: Hardy	Line: Gaelforce	Community Association Management. First SOR. Started Spey casting one year ago. Lovesfishing for cold water fish, salmon, steelhead and halibut. I'm a proud member of the women's program and am doing this to encourage other women in the club to be more participative in events. (Lord knows if I'll even qualify but at the very least hopefully all the trophies have a recipient!)
Donna O'Sullivan	Daly City, California		Rod: LTS Complete Graphene Comp Vidar Ness, 15'	Line: Gaelforce Equalizer Beast	Owner of Fish On! Sports. 18th SOR. Spey-O-Rama 1st place 2004, 2005 and 2015; 2nd 2008 and 2011 and 2023; Spey-O-Rama Chairperson 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011. 1st in Spey 16ft in World Championship of Fly Casting 2010 and holder of many other internations decorattions and honors, including 1st in Spey 16ft in World Championship of Fly Casting 2010, and 2nd in 2012, 2nd in 2014 and 2016.