# ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY

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#### **Club Meeting:**

Wednesday September 12th , 2012 6:00 pm - Wet Fly 7:00 pm - Dinner Dinner and Program - \$25 Cash Program Only - \$10 Cash **\$1 Fee for Credit Cards** Phoenix Club 1340 S. Sanderson Anaheim, CA

#### **Board Meeting:**

September 17th, 2012 7:00 pm Cross Roads Church\*

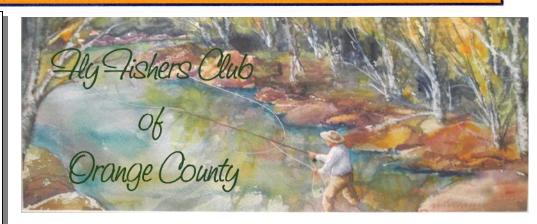
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#### For More Information:

See Calendar inside or http://www.ffcoc.org

\* See back cover for meeting location addresses.



# Some come join us for our Annual Auction Fundraiser.

# Wednesday, September 12, 2012

# Phoenix Club Ballroom

Well I finally finished putting together this years Auction Catalogue. Well at least the 1st draft. We may still be receiving more donations. Anyways, you will have two options, one to view online or one to print out. Click on one of the links below.

• <u>Click here</u> to view online..

• <u>Click here</u> to print out booklet (This will print out on 8 1/2 by 11 and will require 27 pages printing front and back.)

Make sure to check out the donation from Charles Hoon (L-0005). You will definitely want to consider bidding on this vacation spot. Or how about a special dinner cooked by Joannie Fanning for yourself and 5 other lucky friends. I hear last year's winner enjoyed a very tasty meal with all the fixings plus passed the evening spending time with special friends. We have a plethora of new and used rods you are bound to find one just for you. We again will have those fine looking bamboo rods from both Sweetgrass and Matt Schliske.

We have plenty of guide trips, lodging offers and discounts to classes for fly tying to nymphing fishing. This year i have added a Wine Basket that will be filled with 4 beautifully etched Fly Fishing Wine

# President's Message Douglas Jones

#### **Fly Fishing Champions**

Many of us are fortunate to have the good health, leisure time, money, and numerous beautiful and scenic venues to pursue our passion for fly fishing. There are many who have difficulty enjoying the sport of fly fishing due to health issues, difficulty making ends meet in these difficult economic times, lack of accessible fishing holes, and busy schedules. Also, many have lived sheltered lives without appreciation for the great outdoors; i.e., basic knowledge to enjoy nature and be good custodians for future generations. Two great challenges for the FFCOC are how to effectively use club resources (people power as well as money) to (1) help those less fortunate than us enjoy the sport of fly fishing, and (2) identify and support conservation projects.

When the Fly Fishers Club of Orange County was founded in 1966 its goals included educating the public, conserving the fisheries, and contributing it's resources to make fly fishing enjoyable and available to all who are interested. Over the years the club has worked hard to meet these goals through numerous programs and/or projects that benefit those who are not club members (some examples are listed below). The level of FFCOC participation and duration of these programs have varied greatly based on project needs, outside influences, and most importantly, the level of commitment of club members. It is important for the future of the club that we continue to identify and support various projects to meet the founding goals of the FFCOC.

#### Examples Of FFCOC Programs and/or Projects; Past and Present

I need everyone's help here – I have not been in the club as long as many of you and am not familiar with our past programs. I would like specific projects were possible (i.e. scholarship to Grad student at \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the study of \_\_\_\_\_.)

Trout-In-The-Classroom - how many years and how many classrooms? West Fork San Gabriel River Conservation in conjunction with ? Youth program associated with above Casting Clinics FFF Mammoth Fair Public fly-tying demonstrations Wounded Warrior Program Casting For Recovery Scholarships

Without a FFCOC champion for a cause, it is near impossible for the club to effectively support these types of programs. Many past and current FFCOC members have championed causes like the programs listed above and are commended for their efforts. These are the people that make sure that as a club we "walk the walk" rather than taking the easier path of simply "talking the talk".

The club is in the early stages of developing its fiscal budget for 2013 and it is the perfect time to identify programs and/or projects that should be included in the budget planning. The club is very fortunate that we have funds available to support various causes and the board is willing to consider a wide variety of proposals, especially if a club member is willing to take the lead and champion the cause. Below is a short list of leads that you may want to pursue to find a project that interests you. Take advantage of this opportunity to be a **Fly Fishing Champion**!

#### **Places To Look For Champion Opportunities**

#### I could use more ideas here

Work with SWC FFF Conservation Chair FFF "Adopt a Stream Program" Project Healing Waters (PA) Sacramento/San Joaquin River Delta Lower Owens River Recreation Plan Invasive species (what are local water districts doing here?) Monofilament recycling Youth organizations Steelhead populations Trout Unlimited projects

# **SPEAKER'S LIST – 2012**

By Andy Frumento						
DATE	PLACE	<b>SPEAKER</b>	TOPIC			
1-11-12	Ballroom	Kelly Galloup	"Streamer Tactics for Trophy Trout"			
2-8-12	Pavilion	Brian Slusser	"Reno-Tahoe Fly Fishing"			
3-14-12	Pavilion	Mike James & Scott Peterson	"Utah Magic"			
4-11-12	Pavilion	Ernie Gulley	"Crowley Lake"			
5-9-12	Ballroom	Spencer Higa	"The Best Fly Fishing in Eastern Utah"			
6-13-12	Ballroom	Chris Santella	"50 Places to Fly Fish Before You Die"			
7-11-12	Ballroom	Brian O'Keefe & Todd Moen	"Behind the Scenes at Catch Magazine"			
8-8-12	Ballroom	Chad Schiel	"Fly Fishing For Bass Top To Bottom"			
9-12-12	Ballroom	Auction				
10-10-12	Pavilion	Rob Anderson	"Pyramid Lake"			
*11-7-12	Pavilion	Tony Reinhardt	"Fly Fishing Western Montana"			
*12-5-12	Pavilion	Christmas Program	1			
* <u>NOTE</u> : November and December's program is the 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month.						

The remaining programs will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday.

<b>2012 Outings Plan</b> By Lyman Kennedy					
Please refe	er to the website <u>http://www.ffcoc.org</u>	÷	on the outings		
Date	Location	Streamkeeper	Phone #		
March 17	Double Haul Ball	Shane Chung	949 633 6973		
March 17-21	San Juan River	Lyman Kennedy	714 921-9412		
March 10-12	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright	714 679-6638		
April 21	One Surf fly	Shane Chung	949 633 6973		
May 5	Huntington Beach Surf	Jim Edwards	714 337 5899		
May 26-27 Cancelle	d Tejon Lake	Lyman Kennedy	714 921-9412		
June 22-24	Fish Creek	Jim Edwards	714 337-5899		
June 17 Cancelled	Tejon Lake	Lyman Kennedy	714 921-9412		
July 13-16	Hot Creek	John Williams	909 598-7905		
August 18	San Diego Bay	Lyman Kennedy	714 921-9412		
Sept. Cancelled	Women's only Casting Clinic	Melinda Burns	951 451-9920		
Sept. Cancelled	Yellowstone DIY with Joe L.	Joe Libeu	310 749-6771		
Sept. 29-30	Tejon Lake	Lyman Kennedy	714 921-9412		
Oct. 19-20	President's Outing	Doug Jones	714 998-7304		
November					
December					

# **Flies That Keep On Giving**

Atop the insect forms in streams is the stonefly. The stone fly eats everything in it's path, mayflies, midges, caddis larvae, it's a carnivore with an insatiable appetite. Trout love them as a main course; this is one good reason to add it to your fly box. I have friends who do quite well using only stoneflies.

### Williams Golden Stone

Bead Placement



Finished Williams Golden Stone



Hook: Daiichi 1710 #10 Beads: Spirit River 3/32

Thread: Uni thread 6/0 Tan

Wire Rib: Ultra Wire Medium Fluorescent Orange

Dubbing: Krystal Dub Hares Ear Tail, Legs, Antennae: Round Medium Tan Back Plates: Turkey feather coated with Dave's head cement

Head Cement: Super Glue

Place three beads on the hook as seen in above picture. Wrap thread from behind the eye to over and behind the beads. Tie in the wire rib behind the beads and continue wrapping the thread to the bend. Tie in a piece of rubber leg material on either side of the shank letting the ends extend to the rear to form tails. Dub a tapered thorax and into a larger abdomen and over the beads. Wrap the wire rib forward to form the segments of the abdomen. Run the thread to the abdomen area and tie in a piece of 3/16" width turkey feather that you have already folded in half and cut in to a chevron shape. Now tie in another leg just ahead of the turkey feather and bring the other side over to form the leg on the other side. Fold another 3/16" piece of turkey feather in half and cut another chevron shape in the end and place it on top of the leg tie in point but tie it in just in front of the forward bead. Tie in another piece of leg material and form two antennas fold the turkey feather over to form a head and cut it just behind the tie in point. Whip finish and super glue the thread. A most effective fly when it's in the water. Tight Lines, John

#### Fall 2012 – Fly Fishers Club of Orange County Fly Tying Classes

# **By Cheryl Moore**

Now is your opportunity to learn how to tie that special fly that you can't find anywhere. The Fly Fishers Club of Orange County is offering fly tying classes. The ability to tie your own flies will give you another element in our great sport of fly fishing. This program will be given at no cost to FFCOC members. The dates for this round of fly tying classes are October 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2012 as well as November 1 and 8, 2012. Class time is from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm. We are very happy to accept the offer of the REI/Tustin store to host these classes in their Community Room. The REI/Tustin store is located in the Tustin Ranch Market off the 5 freeway at Jamboree, between Best Buy and Total Wine.

The FFCOC will furnish all of the tying materials and hooks. All you will need to do is bring your basic fly tying tools. You will receive a printed recipe for each of the flies that our instructors give you. These recipes will give you the sizes and materials used in constructing specific flies. By the time you have completed your fly tying classes, your fly box will be stuffed with new and exciting fly patterns. If you would like to join us at REI. I will have a sign up sheet at our next monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 12, 2012 or just drop me an e-mail at flytyer10@aol.com and let me know that you have an interest in attending. I will need to know your tying level of expertise: beginning - intermediate - or advanced. I'm looking forward to a good time and interesting conservation in October.



# Fly Fishers Club of Orange County Golden Trout Pack Trip 2013

# Fishing the beautiful Ansel Adams Wilderness of the Sierra's

# Stream keeper: John Williams cell 951-236-0862

If you have questions or concerns please call me.

Frontier Pack Station trips in the solitude of the beautiful Ansel Adams Wilderness near Yosemite National Park. We'll show you the best fishing spots, set up camp in the most picturesque places and treat you to mountain gourmet food. We have been outfitting fishing trips for the past ten years and have selected the very best camps and fishing spots possible.

# July 8-12, 2013

**Cost:** \$975.00 per person which includes all permits and trail fees

A \$200.00 non refundable deposit is required by February 28th, 2013 to hold your spot.

#### Day One July 8

Meet at the Pack Station in June Lake at 7:00 a.m., when breakfast will be served. We will partner you up with a horse to match you ability and then ride into the beautiful Ansel Adams Wilderness. Our lunch and fishing stop will be beside Crest Creek, where there will be plenty of Rainbow's and golden hybrids from Gem Lake. We will then continue to our first camp at Clark Lakes. There will be plenty of time to fish that evening for Brookies in the four nearby lakes.

#### Day Two July 9

After breakfast, we will take a day ride to Thousand Island Lake and the head waters of the San Joaquin River. There, you will fish for Rainbow/Golden hybrids. Our emphasis is on catch-and-release. After dinner, we will be fishing the Clark Lakes.

#### Day Three July 10

We will break camp in the morning and travel to Alger's Lakes, stopping along the way to fish beautiful Rush Creek, known for both Brookies and Rainbows. At our base camp, you will have the best opportunity for catching large Golden Trout. We will spend the balance of the day fishing near camp and rounding off the evening with stories, jokes and a good time.

#### Day Four July 11

The group will have the whole day to fish Alger's Lakes and creek to find your favorite spot. Alger's has a wonderful golden population and they are ready for a well placed fly.

#### Day Five July 12

Fish in the morning. After having lunch at the camp, we will return to the Pack Station, arriving around 4:00 p.m.

#### Camp & Food

The camp setup includes folding chairs, enclosed privy, solar showers, horseshoe pitching set, etc. The meals are made with all fresh vegetables, fruit and entrees that will satisfy any fisherman. Our cookery has been described as five-star. Bring your own fishing gear.

# **Check List**

#### What to Expect:

• Check in time is 7:00 a.m. at Frontier Pack Train in June Lake.

• Breakfast is served the first day while gear is packed on the mules. The last meal furnished is lunch on the last day.

• Dunnage limit is 40 lbs. per person. This includes sleeping bags, fishing gear, liquor.

• We provide a saddle bag for trail essentials. We do not suggest bringing saddle bags or backpacksunless pocket size.

- No alcoholic beverages served or included in trip fee.
- Transportation provided for return to June Lake for trips terminating at other road heads.
- Trips will terminate at 4:00 p.m. the last day.

• The Park Station does not treat the water. Bring your own filter pump or purification tablets.

• We furnish stock, packer, cook, food, camping equipment. Private tents for couples or singles will be reserved by request. All trips are outfitted with chairs, solar showers and privy. Page 5

# CONSERVATION FRONT AND FFF NEWS

(This is not an endorsement, but just getting the notice out to the club members on behalf of the conservation

and FFF events happening within our state affecting our fisheries.)

# Mark your Calendar Fly Fishing Shows & Events !

#### Fishing Shows Volunteers:

The SWCFFF will be asking our club to donate man power to help in key organizer positions for the Mammoth Fair. This year. If you would like to help and volunteer your time, please contact myself Melinda Burns or Rich Fanning. More info on these events Will be posted in the newsletter as the events get closer.

# Mammoth Fly Fishing Faire Sept. 13 - 16

This takes you to the list of classes. http://southwestcouncilfff.org/36-faire/44-faireclass-schedule

If they want to register

http://www.regonline.com/flyfishingfaire



# West Fork San Gabriel River Conservancy Conservation News

Club Members, FFCOC is a supporter of the West Fork San Gabriel River Conservancy and as such we encourage you to volunteer any time you may have to help out this organization. If you are interested in seeing what they do, please join them on one of their patrols listed below.

West Fork San Gabriel River Conservancy Patrol Dates:

Patrols meet at the Environmental Education Center (1/4 mile North and across the street from the OHV Staging Area on Hwy 39) at 8:30AM, departing at 9AM (unless otherwise noted). Please contact the Patrol Leader listed for each patrol for more information and to confirm your attendance. PLEASE NOTE: If we don't receive your email conformation prior to Patrol, we might not open the Ed Center to meet you!

To find out more about West Fork San Gabriel River Conservancy CLICK HERE



#### Two bills which will have impacts on the California Fish and Game Commission and Department of Fish and Game may be approaching votes in the legislature (per SWCFFF).

#### <u>AB 2402</u>

California AB 2402 was drafted to implement the results of the recent Strategic Vision Process. AB 2402 is notable in that it would change the name of DFG to the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Many of the provisions of this bill are directed at creating a stronger science base in DFG (DFW??). The bill would increase the responsibilities of DFG for implementation of the Endangered Species Act, and emphasizes ecosystem-based management decisions. The bill also contains language that defines and emphasizes policies of "adaptive management" and "credible science." AB 2402 would authorize DFG to create a "Science Institute." The Science Institute would "assist in obtaining independent scientific review, advice, and recommendations to help inform the scientific work of the department and commission." AB 2402 would require the Commission to adjust license fees to cover costs of programs. AB 2402 would also "authorize the department to enter into agreements to accept funds, services, or to assist the department in its efforts to secure long-term private funding sources for purposes relating to conservation programs, projects, and activities by the department." This provision has generated opposition, based on the assertion that large conservation or special interest groups might gain undue influence over DFG policy.

# <u>SB 1148</u>

California SB 1148 could also go to a vote this week. The bill contains many provisions that would strengthen wild and native trout policy, and is supported by CalTrout. The bill addresses the state hatchery program, establishing preferences for stocking of native fish or triploid (sterile) fish when possible. You can read CalTrout's supporting position on this legislation at <u>http://caltrout.org/2012/08/caltrout-supported-sb-1148-legislation-finalized-heres-whatit-really-does/</u> SB 1148 also addresses licenses and fees, including the lifetime sportsman's license program. Some fishing groups, particularly commercial and recreational marine fishing organizations, are strongly opposed to other portions of SB 1148, as currently written. <u>Provisions of SB 1148 transfer authority of Marine Protected Areas from the Fish and Game Commission and DFG to a cabinet-level organization, the Ocean Protection Council.</u> You can learn about the OCP here: <u>http://www.opc.ca.gov/about/</u> Opposing arguments to SB 1148 and AB 2402 can be found here: <u>http://keepamericafishing.salsalabs.com/o/6394/p/dia/action/public/?action\_KEY=4081</u>

If you would like to read current versions of the bills, you can find them here:

SB 1148 <u>http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\_id=201120120SB1148&search\_keywords=</u> AB 2402 <u>http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\_id=201120120AB2402&search\_keywords=</u> Both of these bills have been amended many times, including two times last week. Please keep in mind that the assessment we have provided here is a snapshot of the legislative progress of these two bills.

#### Tim Bartley Conservation Southwest Council, FFF

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#### (Continued from page 1 "Auction")

Glasses from Rolf, a bottle of wine, cheese slicing board, wine caddy and a gift certificate for your own private wine tasting party valued at \$350.(Bearer is entitled to a 8 bottle wine sampling for up to 16 people with a private wine consultant for 2 hours). What a great way to spend with a few of your best friends.

6:00pm Opening of Silent Auction and Bucket Raffle6:45pm Buffet Begins7:30 - 8:00pm Close Silent Auction Tables8:00pm Live Auction Begins9:00pm Auction Ends

Please invite your family and friends as this auction helps to fund our 2013 budget. I look forward to seeing you there! I have my list of items I know I am bidding on, start making your list now!

Tight Lines! Melinda

# Fly Fishers Club of Orange County

The **PURPOSE** of the Fly Fishers Club of Orange County is to:

- Encourage angling with artificial flies (fly fishing)
- Encourage education and fisheries conservation, including habitat and watershed conservation
- Disseminate to the public the results of the Club's efforts
- Encourage youth to follow sound conservation practices

To **ACHIEVE** this the Club conducts various meetings, events and outings as documented in this newsletter.

**MEMBERSHIP** is open to all. If interested, contact one of the board members or come to one of the meetings.

Meeting Locations: Phoenix Club: 1340 S. Sanderson Anaheim, CA Cross Roads Church of Irvine/ Tustin: 2472 Walnut Avenue Tustin, CA

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