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2014 President's Message



Thank you to all who made a donation to toys for tots, I had fun dropping the toys off at my local fire department!

--- John Williams

2015 President's Message



Here's wishing all of you a joyous and successful new year.

I'm looking forward to serving my second term as president of the Fly Fishers Club Of Orange County. For the past six years I have served on the Board of with a great deal of satisfaction and enjoyment while working with others dedicated to the success of our club. My enjoyment of and appreciation for the club has increased tremendously as I've become more involved with outings and other club activities. I encourage all of you to participate in as many club activities as possible. The 2015 FFCOC calendar is quickly filling up with outings and other activities including fly tying and rod building classes, the fundraising auction, and the casting clinic. This gives us all plenty of opportunities to participate, contribute, get to know

each other and have fun. Get out your calendars and start marking the dates!

The FFCOC is approaching its 50 year anniversary which will be in 2016. The club has a long history of successes and is a major supporter of fly fishing in, and beyond, Southern California. In 2015 we hope to continue to build on our past successes by building membership, improving our casting clinic and mentoring programs, providing informative speakers at monthly meetings, identifying conservation projects where we can make a difference, soliciting more involvement with Trout in the Classroom, and having even more fun. In addition, we will be planning a 2016 program to celebrate our 50 year anniversary.

I would like to thank all of you that have participated in club activities, especially Board members, for building a great foundation for 2015 and coming years.

--- Doug Jones

This Month's Meetings

Club Meeting:

January 7, 2015
Phoenix Club
1340 S. Sanderson
Anaheim, CA
6:00 pm - Wet Fly
7:00 pm - Dinner
Dinner & Program - \$30 Cash
Program Only - \$10 Cash
\$1 Fee for Credit Cards

Board Meeting:

January 12, 2015
Montesilla Mobile Home Park
15601 South B St, Tustin
Club Members Are Welcome
7:00 pm

Secrets of the Kern River with Guy Jeans



The southern Sierra are close to where we live, with many locals considering this area our “home waters.” And the Kern River is one of the main destinations for all southern California fly fishers. In fact, all of the southern Sierra provide us with wonderful fishing as well as legendary California beauty.

In our first presentation for 2015, we will learn the secrets of successfully fishing the Kern, as well as the waters of the entire area. We will be shown and told about the best fly fishing locations, techniques, strategies and flies to use. We will be shown both the cold and warm water fish species we can catch there on flies and we’ll be given valuable information about the local entomology and the best flies to use.

And who will be our guide in this entertaining and informative journey? None other than a professional fly fisher who has been actively fishing and teaching our sport in the southern Sierra for more than 30 years. Guy Jeans teaches and instructs fly fishing to hundreds of happy anglers each year and spends more than 200 days a year guiding on these waters that include the Sequoia National Forest and the Golden Trout Wilderness. Guy spends the majority of his time on the Kern and its tributaries and anglers come from around the world to catch three of California's native trout, which are found only in their native habitat throughout the southern Sierra streams. These trout are the California Golden Trout,

the Kern River Rainbow, and the Little Kern Golden.

In addition to guiding along the Kern River, Guy's superb teaching skills have led him to being asked to host for many fly fishing group trips. He also provides casting clinics and lectures at numerous sportsmen shows and events and even teaches fly fishing in the California surf.

In 2004, Guy created and was a charter member of the Southern Sierra Fly Fishers Club, which is located in Kernville. In 2014, the Southern Sierra Fly Fishers received the McKenzie Cup from the International Federation of Fly Fishers (IFFF) for their conservation work on the Kern River Rainbow, as well as their very popular "Kids Fly Fishing Academy" held every spring.

Guy is recognized as an IFFF Certified Casting Instructor and in 2012, received the "Lee Wulff Award" from the IFFF. He is the host of the DVDs: Volume I "Sierra Fly Fishing - The Lower Kern River" and Volume II "The Kern River in the Golden Trout Wilderness." Guy also writes fly fishing articles for magazines and newspapers such as *Southwest Fly Fishing* magazine. Throughout the year, Guy lectures and teaches at various clubs and events on the fly fishing opportunities of the southern Sierra. He is a contractual fly designer for Solitude Fly Company and his most popular design, the "Kern Emerger" series, is sold and fished internationally.

Guy was born and raised in the beautiful coastal town of Ventura, California, where he enjoyed surfing and fishing. He put his hands on a fly rod when he was eight-years-old and, for the next few years, he dabbled in fly fishing while exploring his home waters of Matilija and Sespe Creeks. But once he met and came under the tutelage of Ray Johnson and Bill Blackstone, members of Guy's local club, the Sespe Fly Fishers, Guy's learning curve skyrocketed. Ray taught him how to cast, build rods and tie flies. Bill taught him about entomology and tying flies from non-conventional tying materials. Guy says that he owes a lot of his fly fishing addiction to these two masters. Guy proudly proclaims that, because of these two gentlemen, he has taught thousands of fly anglers around the world how to fly fish and, specifically, how to fish the technical waters of the Kern River. Guy says, "I have committed myself to passing on this wonderful sport that these two gentlemen passed on to me."

The love Guy developed for the waters he encountered 30 years ago eventually led to his pioneering a fly fishing guide service, a fly-fishing school and opening the Kern River Fly Shop in 2002.

In addition to these activities, Guy made a living composing, writing and performing music for various bands as a pianist/singer. As a musician traveling to different areas of the west to perform, he discovered the Kern River and many other waters of the southern Sierra. In Guy's spare time, he still performs today with his newly created band, "Stoneflies."

Guy is recognized as a pro staff member for Redington Fly Rods and Hatch Reels. In addition, he is a Simms Guide Ambassador for Simms fishing products. You can learn more about Guy, the Kern River Fly Shop and the Kern River Fly Fishing Guide Service at: www.kernriverflyfishing.com

Club Meeting Dates and Speakers

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
1-7-15	1st Wed	Guy Jeans	“Secrets of the Kern”
2-11-15	2nd Wed	Jon Baiocchi	“Fly Fishing Lake Davis”
3-11-15	2nd Wed	Joe Libeu	“The Big Horn River”
4-8-15	2nd Wed	Wanda & Gary Taylor	“Death By Fly Fishing And How To Avoid It”
5-13-15	2nd Wed	Larry Johnson	“The San Juan River”
6-10-15	2nd Wed	Davy Wotton	‘Fly Fishing Arkansas’s White River”
7-8-15	2nd Wed	Zane Mirfin	“Affordable Fly Fishing In New Zealand”
8-12-15	2nd Wed	Mark Berlin	“So Calif Back Country Fly Fishing In Depth”
9-9-15	2nd Wed	AUCTION	-----
10-7-15	1st Wed	Ernie Gulley	“Trophy Stillwater of the Eastern Sierra”
11-11-15	2nd Wed	Dave Trimble	“Fly Fishing for Sharks”
12-16-15	3rd Wed	Holiday Program	TBA

Outings and Events for 2015

The Outings and Events planned for 2015 are listed below. If you are interested in participating in any of these or want additional information, you should contact the Streamkeeper listed in the table below.

DATE	LOCATION	STREAMKEEPER	PHONE
JANUARY 17	Laguna Niguel	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865
FEBRUARY 28	Surf Outing	Jim Edwards	714 337-5899
MARCH 16-18	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright	714 679-6638
APRIL 10-14	San Juan River	Brian Mayer	562 619-9169
MAY 23-24	Kelsey Bass Ranch	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865
MAY 29-31	5-Dot Ranch	Andy Frumento	323 816-7067
JUNE 12-14	Mentor Outing Mammoth Pine Glen Campground	Dave Long	775 586-1680
JUNE 19-21	Fish Creek	Erik Kraemer	805 984-7202
JUNE TBD	Davis Lake Stillwater	Jim Wright	714 679-6638
JUNE 15-19	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862
JULY 10-13	Hot Creek Ranch	John Williams	951 236-0862
AUGUST TBD	Womens' Outing Mammoth	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920
SEPTEMBER TBD	Fly Fishing Faire	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920
SEPTEMBER 21-25	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862
OCTOBER 16-18	President's Outing	Doug Jones	714 998-7304
NOVEMBER TBD	Lees Ferry	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920
DECEMBER TBD			

LAGUNA NIGUEL LAKE OUTING

January 17, 2015



Our first club outing for 2015 is scheduled for Saturday, January 17, at local Laguna Niguel Lake, a 44 acre lake that is stocked weekly with ~2000 pounds of trout. The lake has a large “flats area with depth from 5-12 feet ideal for fly fishing, and it has a mud bottom which is conducive for midge hatches. There are also other food items such as bass fry and blue gill fry.

When fly fishing, the lake is best fished from float tubes or from a boat. that can be rented at the lake for \$15 an hour or \$30 for five hours. The cost to fish the lake is \$28 with an additional \$5 fee for launching a float tube. There is also a \$5 entry fee into the lake. (You can also enter by showing your OCParks Annual Pass, if you have purchased one.)

There are several methods for fishing the lake. The most common/popular method is “midging” which consists of suspending two midges below an indicator. Another method is to “strip a streamer” either by casting and stripping in your line or kicking and trolling your line behind your float tube. Stillwater fishing, especially the midging technique requires attention to detail and being very attentive to your line and indicator. The grabs can be easily missed because they are so soft. Other factors that affect our success as fly fishers at Laguna Niguel are water quality, water temperature, the amount of midges hatching and of course the planting schedule.

The fishing, at times, can be very good or very slow, but it is winter and the lake is not far from home and it is better being on the water than sitting around the house. If you have any questions please contact me: Streamkeeper: Lyman Kennedy, lkennedyjr@earthlink.net or 714 742-5865

SURF FISHING AT HUNTINGTON STATE BEACH

February 28, 3:00 in the Afternoon

Meet up at the Talbert channel at the south end of Huntington Beach. Enter at Magnolia St. and head south until you run out of parking lot. Flies should be Crazy Charlies, Selby's Sly Fly, Clousers in olive/white (there are great selections of surf flies at both Bob Marriott's Fly Shop and His and Her's Fly Shop or on line at www.garybulla.com)...and if it's raining, forget it!

Streamkeeper is **Jim Edwards:**
714 337 5899,
jimmywt1957@yahoo.com.

Fly Fishing Surf Checklist:

Long Johns - Fleece if it's cold
Liner socks, Wool boot socks
Fishing Shirt - Fleece if its cold - with big pockets to carry gear
Wading Jacket
Waders and Wading Belt
Boots or Booties and Gravel Guards
Hat, Sunglasses and Sunscreen

Rod - 7, 8 or 9wt
Reel with floating line
2nd reel or spool with 250 or 300 integrated sink tip line
Leader 5 to 7ft, 10lb mono
Tippet-8lb mono
Saltwater pliers and sheath
Basic tools - nippers, forceps, etc. (A lanyard/necklace is a good way to carry these.)
Saltwater flies and fly box
Optional, Inflatable life jacket

Bottled water, Snacks, etc.



PYRAMID LAKE OUTING

March 16th, 17th, and 18th 2015

In what has become an annual event, this year's Pyramid Lake outing will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 16th, 17th, and 18th. In an attempt to miss the bulk of the weekend crowd which usually clears out by Sunday afternoon, we again will fish during the week. Those of you who went last year know this worked out well for the most part. If fishing is off the charts all bets are off as the number of people will triple during a hot bite!

If you have never done this trip before you are missing out on a chance to catch what may be the biggest trout of you life. The lake's native Lahontan Cutthroats *average* 3-5 pounds, with many fish pushing 10 pounds or more. **In the past a fish 10 pounds or bigger was considered a trophy. Now thanks to the introduction of the longer living Pilot Peak strain that is much**



longer living fish over 20 pounds are being caught! If you are new to fly fishing the techniques are simple and easy to learn. We normally fish from ladders placed in the water at the proper distance from shore. There usually is nothing around you, but water. There is nothing to interfere with a back cast and nothing on the bottom to snag. You do not need to be a long distance caster as fish are sometimes hooked right at you feet.

Equipment that is appropriate for both kinds of fishing is usually two rods. **A 6-7 weight rod with floating line for indicator fishing and a 8-9 weight rod for streamer fishing** (a Rio DC 24ft. 250 gr. line is perfect). I will provide a more extensive list of what to bring that includes equipment, lines, flies, leaders, tippet and clothing in an upcoming e-mail.

Daytime temperature will likely be around 50 degrees F. This is a very variable temperature as we have experienced 30-75 degree temperatures in past years

You make your own travel arrangements to Reno, fly or drive. It is best to arrive by Sunday as we start fishing EARLY on Monday. Please let me know that you have arrived safely, Jim Wright (714-679-6638). I will be staying at the Silver Legacy Resort in downtown Reno. Others have stayed the Atlantis Casino (800-723-6500). Rob will be providing breakfast and lunch on Monday and Tuesday breakfast on Wednesday, as well as step ladders to fish from. Cost of the trip is \$225 per person for 3 days of fishing. I will e-mail a list of all attendees so you can communicate as to carpools, car rentals and lodging.

E-mail me (jrwright1@earthlink.net) with any questions or to sign up. I will also have a sign-up sheet at the Meetings in December, January, and February.



TRIPLOID RAINBOW TROUT 2 TO 5 LBS.
"OUTSIDE THE BOX STILLWATER CLINIC"

DATE: - MAY 29-30-31 2015
FRIDAY - 6PM ORIENTATION + PIZZA AT HOTEL
SATURDAY - 7:30 AM FISHING AND INSTRUCTIONS AT THE LAKE
LUNCH, STEAK BBQ.
SUNDAY - 7:30 AM FISHING AND INSTRUCTIONS AT THE LAKE
LUNCH, WRAP UP

STREAM KEEPER - ANDY FRUMENTO 323-816-7067

INSTRUCTORS & GUIDES - ERNIE GULLEY + DOUG OUELLETE + STAFF

COST - \$525.00

(A \$200.00 NON- REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED TO HOLD YOUR SPOT)

LIMITED TO 10 ANGLERS

WHAT'S COVERED:

INSTRUCTORS WILL BE COVERING MANY DIFFERENT TACTICS FROM BASIC TO ADVANCE.

THE CLINIC ALLOWS THE ANGLER TO SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF TIME WITH ON THE WATER INSTRUCTIONAL FISHING WITH A GUIDE, SIGHT FISHING FOR TRIPLOID TROUT, AND PERSONAL TIME FOR FISHING. GUIDES WILL CONCENTRATE ON IMATING THE TROUT FOOD ITEMS THAT ARE FOUND IN THE LAKE. THEY WILL SHOW YOU THE BEST PATTERNS TO USE AND THE PROPER WAY ON HOW TO RETRIEVE THEM FOR OPTIMUM RESULTS.

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

9' - 9 1/2' 5 TO 6 WT RODS

FLOATING AND INTERMEDIATE LINES

WADERS

FLOAT TUBE OR INFLATABLE

LEADERS - 9FT 4 X, TIPPET - 3X, 4X, 5X, MOSQUITO REPELLANT

Fishing Southern Utah

June 15-19 & September 21-25, 2015

June is dry fly time, September spawning colors time



**You've heard me talk about Southern Utah. Here's your chance!
5 days of guided fishing at a quite reasonable rate with a wonderful guide!**

Stream Keeper: John Williams 951-236-0862

Head Guide: Mike James, Quiet Fly Fisher, 200 N. Main St., PO Box 533, Loa, Utah, 84747, 435-616-2319

Cost: \$900 to the guide plus tip, lodging and food. Contact John to make your reservations, a **\$200 Non-Refundable Deposit** is required to hold your spot, make checks payable to Mike James and send to John Williams 19859 E. Calle Cadiz, Walnut, CA 91789

Tipping is considered normal on this trip.

Our maximum group size is six per session.

Lodging: We will be staying at the Mill Cabins; they have comfortable, cozy cabins and good rates. A cabin with two beds costs \$50.00 per night. These cozy cabins are simple - just a bedroom, bathroom and a few extras. Make your reservation by calling Bruce Chappell (owner) at 435) 836-2426.

Meals: We will be eating breakfast on the way to the fly shop each morning and going to one of the local cafes for dinner. You'll need extra cash or credit card for this.

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FLY FISHING SOUTHERN UTAH (CONTINUED)

The drive to Loa, Utah area is approx. 9.5 hours you should arrive at least a day before we start fishing to acclimate to 7,000' altitude. I have cell reception in the area with AT&T, if on the mountain fishing I'll call you back when I get in reception. We are staying at 7,000' elevation and probably fishing from 7,500'-11,000' elevation. I would recommend getting a good rest the day before we get fishing with Mike James and his crew. Drink plenty of water to stay hydrated, the guide will have drinks available, don't be bashful, ask for them if you are thirsty. If hiking take the bottled water with you and or a water filtration bottle.

Have your rain gear and a couple of layers to keep you warm if the weather should change and get bad. I have been on Boulder Mountain with the weather beautiful and two hours later rain or hail. A word of warning, don't carry everything you own, pack light and smart, if you have questions please call me.

Gear:

- Waders and wading boots
 - A nine foot five or six weight rod will do fine with floating line (a second rod is optional for tight waters) 7 foot long approx., I carry an 11'-5wt. Switch rod as well, Optional.
 - Tippet sizes 3-5x, Leaders 9'-5x & 7'-5x
 - Have some split shot along to get your flies down if needed and a few strike indicators.
 - Rain Coat, cold weather coat & gloves
 - Packet of Kleenex if needed as toilet paper
 - Camera, Flashlight
 - Long sleeved shirt
 - Sun block, Chap stick
 - Sunglasses, reading glasses
 - Utah Fishing license can be purchased on line before the trip or at the market in Loa.
 - A day pack can be helpful to carry extra clothing, water, flies, and extra clothing.
 - Flies: Parachute Adams #16 & 18, Willie's Callibaetis Nymph #14, Elk Hair Caddis #16-18, Hoppers #6-10, Damsel fly adult #10, Damsel Fly Nymph #12-14, Red Copper John #14-18, Printz nymph #14, Black & Red Zebra Midges #16-20, M&M caddis #16-18, Black beetle #16, Black and Golden Stonefly nymph #8-10, #6-10 Cone head Streamers in Olive, Black & Brown, #14-16 Black and Red Zebra Midge.
 - These are suggestions; your guide will have flies at no charge while fishing.
- Your guide will tell you what to bring for the day's activities so have it in your vehicle at the fly shop in the mornings you fish.

Hot Creek Ranch July 10-13, 2015



Stream keeper: John Williams 951-236-0862 call if you have questions.

I take reservations at the January club meeting, you must be a club member to attend with a signed insurance form on file.

Hot Creek is a classic spring creek, Cold water seeps from eleven different fissure springs that make up the stream. Wild rainbow's and brown's are the main attraction that has drawn celebrities, statesmen and a group fly fisherman who love to fish the dry fly to trout with PhD's. Bring your best casting and a variety of small caddis, mayflies, and midges. Leave the stand over the fish method at home, they will teach you something if you listen and watch them. As Jim Edwards will show you, lying on your belly can be most effective at getting a close look at them and possibly catching a nice one. There are 9 fully outfitted cabins with refrigerator, microwave, utensils, stove/oven, and dishes. We try to put two to a cabin but with the popularity of this outing we occasionally put three to a cabin.

- Hot Creek is a private ranch and we are paying guests, please abide by all the ranch rules or you will be asked to leave.
- Check in time is 4:00 p.m. on July 10, 2015 and not before!
- Check out time is 12 noon on July 13, 2015 you must be out of the cabin by noon but you may fish the ranch the rest of the day if you so choose. It is customary to leave a \$5 tip per person staying in the cabin for the cleaning staff.
- Dry fly fishing only, Catch and Release using barbless flies, No Wading.
- California fishing license required and the DFG checks occasionally.
- The ranch has 9 housekeeping cabins with complete kitchens that contain microwave, stove/oven, pots and pans, silverware, dishes, and BBQ grill outside. Bring your own food Friday night, Saturday breakfast and lunch, Sunday all meals, Monday breakfast and lunch.
- We will have a BBQ steak dinner on Saturday evening at 4:59 p.m. this will give us time for dinner and still time to catch the evening hatch or grab a cigar and a scotch on the porch. Everyone is in-

Hot Creek Ranch (continued)

vited who is staying on the ranch and Kevin and his wife Lisa “the ranch managers” are our guests for dinner. Please be on time, we will not wait for you! Please bring your own silverware, plate, knife, fork, beverage of choice from your own cabin and remember to return it where it belongs after dinner.

- Hot Creek Ranch website is www.hotcreekranch.com there is helpful information on the site.
- Productive flies on the ranch are: M&M caddis #16-18 tan, #10-14 hoppers, Parachute Adams #16-20, Brooks sprout midge #18-24, Black beetle #16, Red & black ant #18, Griffith gnat #20-22, CDC caddis #18, PMD #18-22, #16 Hot Creek Hot Butt. There is a fly shop on the ranch that is well equipped with flies, shirts terminal tackle, floatant.
- Equipment: 4-6 weight rods, afternoons tend to be windy, 9-15’ leader with 6x tippet works well.
- This is a demanding fishery that requires drag free drifts on a stream with many seams in the current. A helpful suggestion, practice you’re casting and mending on moving water prior to this outing. There are many nice fish and I want you to catch your share.
- If you should have any question about this outing or any fly fishing related item please feel free to call me, John Williams at 951-236-0862 my cell phone.
- While at the ranch, please ask if you are having trouble catching fish, I or someone experienced will help you.
- **Thank you for your compliance with all the ranch rules**

LEE’S FERRY OUTING

November 2015



Mark your calendars now as Melinda Burns will be taking signups for our Lee’s Ferry Outing scheduled for Monday November 9, 2015 through Friday November 13, 2015. We will have three days of fishing on the Colorado River with guides. Rooms are double occupancy except for one lodge that has two bedrooms and full kitchen. You can either float on a drift boat all day or do some wading. This trip is limited to 16 people and you will be sharing your room with another club member. Pricing is approximately \$45 per person per room + tax and \$225 for the guide. That is with two people per guide. This does not include meals or travel. Looking forward to a fun trip.

Rod Building

Fly Rod Building Class March 7, April 4, April 11, 2015

Building your own rod is a good way to get the rod you want, customized as you want it. You can save on the cost and have fun doing it! It's not hard - but it does require good eyesight and hand coordination.

This class is more than how to assemble a rod. You will learn about the uses for different types of rods. You will learn about rod action. You will learn why rods perform the way they do. We will show examples of the various types of components available. You can choose the blank, the guides, the wrapping thread, the reel seat and the grip for your project. The club will provide the tools and consumable supplies needed to complete your rod.

The first session will be an introduction to the class and will focus on the components each student will need to purchase and bring to the following sessions. Suggestions will be made on what components to get and where to buy them. You will be given a Rod Building Manual and a Rod Design Worksheet to help in documenting your choices. Your homework will be to buy your components before the second session. Due to space limitations, please plan on building 4-piece rods only. There is a gap between the first two sessions to give you time to purchase your rod building components.

The second session will be a working session where you will prepare your blank, install your grip and reel seat, and temporarily install your guides.

The third session will be devoted to wrapping your guides. You will go home with the materials needed to finish wrapping and epoxy coating the wraps.

The class schedule is:

Session 1: Saturday, March 7, 9am-11am, 2 hours

Session 2: Saturday, April 4, 9am-1pm, 4 hours

Session 3: Saturday, April 18, 9am-1pm, 4 hours

My intent is to hold the classes at His & Her Fly Shop but this **has not been confirmed** as of press time.

His & Her Fly Fishing
1566 Old Newport Blvd.
Costa Mesa, CA

Contact Richard Fanning (rkfanning@aol.com) for more information or to be added to the sign-up list. The sign-up sheet will also be available at upcoming meetings. There is room for 8 students on a first come, first served basis.



Fly Tying

Fly Tying Classes - Spring 2015 (Updated from Last Month!)

There's nothing quite like catching a fish on a fly you've tied. It may not make you smarter than the fish but you aren't dumber, either. (I've had my share of those moments.) This spring, FFCOC is offering a series of evening classes at REI, Tustin, in their community room on Monday nights. Classes will be taught by talented tyers for all levels. If you haven't tied before, sign up. If you're developing your skills, sign up. If you are advanced, sign up. FFCOC provides the instruction, the materials, even the tools if you need them, all for free. It's one of the Club's great perks. Sign-ups are at the Club meetings or email me your name and level.

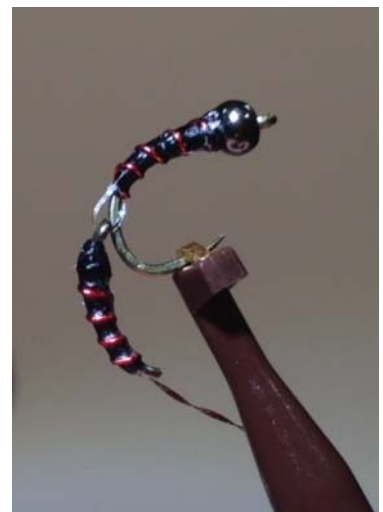


We've changed the dates a little to accommodate some meeting times and Club outings.

March 23, March 30, April 6, April 20, April 27 and May 4.

REI Tustin Community room, 6:00 to 8:30. I hope to see you at the classes.

Bill Burns, FFCOC Fly Tying Coordinator. (wrburns@me.com)



Membership

2015 Membership Cost Increase to \$45:

FFCOC annual membership fees will be increasing to \$45 effective the 2015 membership drive. Please note, our membership fees have not been increased since the mid 80's and this increase will ensure that the club will continue to provide exceptional speakers, classes, club outings and events.



Hey Club Members it's time to renew your membership for the 2015 club year. So to encourage you to renew early I have an incentive for you. This year's membership raffle drive will offer three different opportunities to enter the membership drive. This is how it will work.

If you renew at the October meeting you will receive **five** raffle tickets (*which I understand there were a few of you that I owe five tickets*).

If you renew your membership at the November meeting you will receive three raffle tickets

If you renew your membership at the December meeting you will receive two raffle ticket.

Online renewal is available, so if you renew online you will receive the same opportunity for tickets by renewing online. However, you have to attend the meetings to receive your raffle tickets.

If you mail in your renewal, you will receive one ticket. Again, you must attend the meeting to collect your raffle tickets.

Winning ticket will take home a lovely handcrafted prize that will be donated from several of our artistic club members. Again, this membership drive is all about attendance so you must be at the January 2015 meeting to win a prize.

Melinda Burns .☺

Membership Chair

FFCOC Leadership

Mission:

- 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.

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Support Our Local Fly Shops



Bob Marriott's Fly Fishing Store
2700 W. Orangethorpe Ave.
Fullerton, CA 92833

Hours: Mon-Sat: 9am - 6pm
Sun: Closed

Phone: 714 525-1827

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Costa Mesa, CA 92627

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Sat: 9am - 6pm
Sun: Closed

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