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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY

50 YEARS OF SERVING OUR MEMBERS!



June 2019

President's Message

By Art Prangley

At our next meeting in June, we should all hear some great fishing reports from the membership. Looking forward to it.

As most of us are thinking fishing as summer rolls out, a dedicated few are focused on the auction as well in September. It's our big event for the year and the one that drives our fundraising. We REALLY need your help and participation!

My list of asks: **Make a donation!** What can you contribute to the auction: gently used fly fishing gear, a gift-certificate, something creative, money.

Bring your donation to the next two meetings so we can get it in the catalog.

Tell us what you would like to see in the auction-something new? Fly rod, reel, etc.

Make sure you've got Wednesday, September 11th on your calendar!

Bring a friend to the Auction.

Now, back to fishing topics. We've got some great speakers lined up for our next few meetings, starting with Dave Hughes in June. Dave is a world class angler and author and he will talk about how best to take advantage of the wet flies in our fishing arsenal. The June meeting is on Wednesday, June 12th.

Have fun this summer. I hope you go fishing soon

Regards, Art

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Next Club Meeting:

June 12, 2019

Phoenix Club

1340 Sanderson Anaheim, CA

6:00 pm - Wet Flies Social Hour

7:00 pm - Dinner and Program

Dinner & Program - \$35.00

Program Only - \$12.00

Next Board Meeting:

June 16 - 7:00 pm

Santiago Canyon College

Club Members are Welcome

Pete Fox

January 6, 2018

In Memory Of

Saturday, January 6th, 2018, Pete Fox passed away. Pete had Parkinson's disease for several years. December 6th, 2017 Pete fell and broke his femur and was hospitalized. While hospitalized his vital organs began to fail, leading to his death.

Pete was one of pillars of FFCOC serving as President of FFCOC in 1982. Pete also held the post of treasurer for the club of FFCOC for a number of years in 2000's. Pete was an avid fly fisher and active person, who cared about the many concerns of FFCOC, friends, family, and how he could help out before being ask.

Regretfully,

Gerry Gruhn



This Month's Meeting

WET FLIES AND HOW TO FISH THEM – DAVE HUGHES

In June we welcome back legendary angler, author and fly tier Dave Hughes with a brand new program on Wet Flies and Wet Fly Fishing. Despite its ancient origins and varied styles, wet fly fishing is frequently overlooked by the modern fly fisherman. Dave will show that, fished correctly, these versatile flies can outfish the more standard contents of your fly box. In his long career Dave has been fortunate to meet, and in most cases to fish with, some of the most famous wet-fly anglers in the world: Sylvester Nemes and his soft-hackles, Pete Hidy and his flymphs, Polly Rosborough and his fuzzy nymphs (the basis for all-fur wet flies), and Davy Wotton, instructor in the video Wet Fly

Ways. This new presentation reviews the various wet fly styles, with notes on what makes each attractive to trout, including notes on many hatches that they match. It focuses on how to rig and fish wet flies.

Dave Hughes is author of more than 20 books about fly fishing for trout. They include Wet Flies, Handbook of Hatches, Reading Trout Water, Essential Trout Flies, the classic Western Hatches (with Rick Hafele), American Fly Tying Manual, Nymphs for Streams and Stillwaters, Trout From Small Streams, Pocketguide to Western Hatches and the massive reference Trout Flies.



His articles on fly fishing have appeared in Field & Stream, Outdoor Life, Sports Afield, Gray's Sporting Journal, Fly Fisherman, Fly Rod & Reel, Northwest Fly Fishing, and Fly Tyer magazines. Dave served as editor of Flyfishing & Tying Journal for eight years, and is currently a columnist for American Angler, and Flyfishing & Tying Journal.

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Born in Astoria, Oregon on the 4th of July, 1945, Dave worked his way through college at jobs specializing in the Three Ds--Dirty, Difficult, and Dangerous: mink ranches, tuna canneries, and shrimp boats. He graduated from the University of Oregon in 1967, from Army Infantry Officer Candidate School in 1968. Dave served one-and-a-half years in Viet Nam, 6 months as a communications site commander in the Mekong Delta, one year as liaison officer to the Commanding General of communications in the Southeast Asia theater.

Dave was founding president of Oregon Trout in 1983, and was awarded life membership in the Federation of Flyfishers in 1985. He was awarded the Pete Hidy honorary life membership in the Flyfishers Club of Oregon in 1992 for his literary accomplishments. Dave received the prestigious Letcher Lambuth Angler Craftsman Award in 2008 from the Washington Fly Fishing Club. He is a life member of his home club, the Rainland Flycasters in Astoria, Oregon.

Dave is an accomplished amateur aquatic entomologist. His hobbies include collecting, identifying, and photographing the aquatic insects that are fed upon by trout, as well as tying and fishing the flies that match those insects and fool those trout.

Dave lives in Portland, Oregon with his wife, Japanese fly fishing writer Masako Tani.



Auction Corner - May 2019

Auction Time! Auction Time!

This may look familiar, as in Déjà vu all over again, but it's an important part of our auction: having a chance to get some new stuff at a decent price and help the club out. What's not to like?

We need your help to decide what to purchase as part of the special deals we get from many vendors. In the past we have had new Orvis rods, Tibor reels, Fat Cat float tubes, Renzetti Vises, just to mention a few. With the suggestion from a member and a commitment to bid the opening bid, the auction committee will go out and buy the item at a discounted price, add a small markup (15%) and put the item up for bid. That way a great deal might be available or a bidding war may bring in some excitement and more dollars to the club. John Burns will be guiding the purchase choices so if you have something in mind, please let him know.

And again, as you go through your spring cleaning of your fishing stuff, think about what might make a great donation. Look for those items you no longer use and are always left home when you go on a trip. Give all your unused gear a new life with a new owner:

2 piece rods, vests, float tubes, boots, waders, fly tying materials reels, lines, etc.

The member may not buy it for himself but may have friends, children or grandchildren who would love to use it with you on a local or sierra trip.

For large items, we'd like to ask that you let us know about them but hold the item until close to the auction. We recently were told that 2 barely used kayaks were being offered and the donor graciously agreed to hold on them until the auction. Perfect!

For other stuff, please start bringing those items to club meetings so we can get them in our catalog and start advertising our wares.

Sponsor Corner - Another Two-for-One for this year's auction!

Here is brief overview of another amazing outfitter that has donated a two-for-one fishing trip for Alaska during the month of July 2020.

Reel Action Fly Fishing is a full-service tent lodge located on the Kanektok River near the village of Quinhagak, Alaska. Depending upon the time of the year, anglers can catch either King Salmon, Silver Salmon, Chum Salmon, Pink Salmon, Sockeye Salmon, Rainbow Trout, Dolly Varden, Artic Char, or Grayling. The lodge takes a maximum of 12 anglers and uses their jet boats to take you to the hottest fishing spots on the river. Their guide ratio is two clients for one guide.

Prices for this July 2020 trip range from \$5150 to \$5750 per person. Since this is a two for one special, this means that the winning purchasers of this donation will actually pay approximately ½ of the price listed above. One-week trips go from Friday to Friday. Please note that the cost of your flights from Orange County to Quinhagak are not included in the above price. Otherwise, all meals, rods, lodging, flies, guides, vacuum packing of fish, and wi-fi are included in this exciting offer. Check out their video on their web site for the fishing experience you can expect to have (www.reelactionfly.com) or call them with any questions you may have at 585-568-7335.

2019 Meeting and Speaker Calendar

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
<u>MEETINGS</u>		
<u>WEDNESDAYS</u>		
1-9-19	Landon Mayer	"Successful Seasons - All year"
2-13-19	Jim Cox	"Western Rivers - Smallmouth - John Day"
3-13-19	Joe Libeu	"Golden Dorado"
4-10-19	Kirk Johnson	"The Feather Thief"
5-8-19	Devin Oleson	"European Nymphing" (In the ballroom!)
6-12-19	Dave Hughes	"Wet Flies and How to Fish Them"
7-10-19	Kelly Gallagher	"Intro to Flats Fishing"
8-14-19	Sam Sedillo	"Trout Unlimited: California Restoration Efforts and a Little Fishing on the Truckee"
9-11-19	FFCOC	FFCOC AUCTION
10-9-19	David Gregory	"Yosemite"
11-13-19	John Baiocchi	"Northern California"
12-11-19		HOLIDAY PROGRAM

NOTE: Club Meetings are held at the Phoenix Club in Anaheim. In the Pavillion except for the Auction in September which is held in the Ballroom unless otherwise notified.

The Board Meeting location is tbd for now.

2019 Outings

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESTINATION</u>	<u>STREAMKEEPER</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Feb 17 & 23	Jess Ranch Lakes, Float Tubing	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865
Mar 11-13	Pyramid Lake, Nevada	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865
Mar 30	Santa Ana River Mouth	Larry Behm	949-235-4466
Mar 31 - Apr 3	San Juan River, New Mexico	Brian Mayer	562 619-9169
May 6	Fishing In Town (FIT) Santa Ana River Mouth	Tom Niedzialek	714 738-5540
May 6-9	Lee's Ferry, Arizona	Melinda Burns	951-734-6005
May 31 - Jun 2	Fish Creek, CA	Brian Mayer	562 619-9169
July 12-15	Golden Trout Wilderness	Larry Behm	949 235-4466
Oct 11-13	Hot Creek Ranch, CA	John Williams	951-236-0862
Sept 15-20	Colter's Hell or Yellowstone National Park	Larry Behm	949-235-4466
Sept 16-20	Loa, Utah	John Williams	951-236-0862
Sept 23-26	Circleville, Utah	John Williams	951-236-0862
Oct 6-12	Colorado	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865
Oct 18-20	President's Outing, Kernville, CA	Art Prangley	714 270-7090

Fish Creek Outing – May 31 to June 2, 2019

May 31 - June 2, 2019 - Brian Mayer, Streamkeeper

Sign-ups are open for the trip to Fish Creek. This year, it will be the first weekend in June.

This is a camping outing to the Southern Sierra's Kern River Plateau area close to Kennedy Meadows. The camp ground provides cold water and out houses only. Most people will be camping in tents; however, small camping trailers and motor homes are allowed. We will be fishing for small golden trout in small water creeks, so bring your small rods (3 weights and less). The fish are generally very eager, so this is an excellent trip for the novice and experienced fisher-person as well.

If interested, contact Brian Mayer , bdmayer@hotmail.com, (562-619-9169).



Golden Trout Wilderness

Larry Behm, Streamkeeper (Backpacking Trip)

July, 12-15, 2019

Fishing season in the Cottonwood drainage opens on July 1. The snow levels this year have provided lots of water and it appears the snow level will be conducive to fishing by July 1.

Fishing the Cottonwood area is not about catching the biggest fish; 12-14" will be a big one. It is about stealth and beauty. These fish are wary of predators, and you will have to use all of your skills to catch one. When you do, they are unique and a sight to behold!

This trip is a backpacking trip. We will be sleeping for two nights at an elevation of about 10,000'.

We will park cars at the Horseshoe Meadows trailhead and hike in about 4 miles. Our destination will depend on the permits we receive upon arrive. If we are guaranteed a pass to Mulkey Meadow but may get luck and win one for the Cottonwood Lakes area. With the altitude and terrain, it should take about 3 hours of hiking to reach a suitable basecamp site. You will have to camp overnight in bear country, bear canisters are required and can be rented at Lone Pine - Inyo Ranger Station. We will set camp and then hike to different lakes or streams for fishing opportunities.

We will need a wilderness permit, so I need a head count by July 1 to allow time for permitting.

Please contact Larry Behm, 949-235-4466 or larry.behm@cox.net to discuss the timing details and to get a packing list for the trip.

Colter's Hell or Yellowstone Park

September 15-20, 2019

Larry Behm, Streamkeeper

Mid-September in Yellowstone National Park (YNP) is my favorite time. The animals are getting ready for winter, the days are warm, and the nights are crisp. Snow occasionally decorates your morning view. This trip will target the Lamar Valley and Meadows area. This is the high, eastern side of YNP, the last area to ice-out. I always encounter plenty of bison, deer, and moose; occasional wolf and bear; and lots of fish in this area.

Most of the waters in YNP have been rehabilitated to carry only native fish: the Yellowstone Cutthroat and some Rainbows. The fish have a short “growing” season, so they test anything that looks like food. The bugs are big, and hatches can be heavy, making dry flies the most common choice. Some of the water I would like to visit include, Slough Creek, Soda Butte Creek, Cache Creek, Lamar River, and of course the Yellowstone River.

This trip will require camping and walking. The lodges in YNP are booked out a year ahead of time. Lodging outside the perimeter of the park is more available but makes for a much longer drive to fishing water. My plan is to find a campsite near fishing water and use it as a base. Each day we will drive to a new stream, hike upstream, explore the fishing opportunities and return to base for dinner.

My initial plan is not to use guides or horses. However, I’m very willing to adjust to the group’s interests. The base costs are limited to your transportation and meals. If everyone wants to add guides or horses, I will let you know the prices.

I need a head count by August 1. I will need to know by June if you want guides or horses.

Contact Larry Behm, 949-235-4466 or larry.behm@cox.net for information or to be put on the roster.



FFCOC 2019 Outings to South Central Utah

John Williams, Streamkeeper

Loa Utah Trip 5 days September 16-20

Circleville Anglers 4 days September 23-26

Openings Still Available!



I drove past some great fishing in Utah for many years heading up the 15 freeway not knowing what this area had to offer and driving by headed to Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. Tiger trout & Splake, fish I had never experienced, Brown trout, Rainbows were my targets with some occasional Brookies, lets not forget the Cutthroats. That has all changed,

Loa I met Mike James of the Quiet Fly Fisher in 2007 through the Internet and he opened up my love affair with one of the best-kept secrets in my fly-fishing world. There are streams and lake and many more places to fish than we have time to fish in one trip, every year mike shows me some new water and I marvel at the numbers of great places to fish. For the past six years our club has been fishing the Southern Utah area as a group limited to six fishermen or women staying in the Mill Cabins in Lyman Utah or near by towns and fishing with Mike James in Loa as our head guide. Mike employs several other guides, which are well versed in the area.

Circleville Emmett Doane is the owner of Circleville Anglers located in Circleville Utah a place you might drive by and not know where the fishing was wonderful but they know and are happy to share the experience with you. The opportunity to fish the Severe River, Streams and Lakes is another location I fish when in the area with Emmett.

These guide services are quite professional and friendly, I wouldn't use them unless they were, and several of our club members have used both of the guides both with the club and solo and can give you recommendations. If you have questions please feel free to call my cell phone 951-236-0862 and I should be able to answer any of your questions and if not the guide numbers are listed below.

Stream Keeper: John Williams contact me if you have interest, my cell 951-236-0862 You must be a club member with a signed liability release signed prior to any of our club trips. The prices were negotiated as a group and for the duration of the advertised dates. Deposits are sent to me and I forward them on to the guides. I do recommend both guide locations but have spent more time with Mike James only because I met him years before I met Emmett.

Loa Utah Trip 5 days September 16-20 Cost \$1000 a \$200 non-refundable deposit is required to hold your spot.

Circleville Anglers 4 days September 23-26 Cost \$780 a \$200 non-refundable deposit is required to hold your spot.

Preparation for Fishing Southern Utah

By John Williams

Where We Are Going:

Loa Utah Home to the **Quiet Fly Fisher** and is located in a beautiful valley at 7064" elevation, which hosts a few small towns like Loa, Lyman, Bicknell and Torrey. This is farming and livestock country and is surrounded by mountain ranges of which we will be fishing. There are National Parks near by that offer spectacular scenery, Bryce Canyon to the South West and Capitol Reef to the East, Fish Lake National Forest to the North West along with Boulder Mountain with an elevation of 11,317 which provides many fishing locations, and spectacular views.

Circleville Utah is home to **Circleville Anglers** and is located at 6600' elevation and in farming/ cattle country in a valley and home to the Sevier River and tributaries along with many lakes and streams in the near by mountains. Its location is closer to Bryce Canyon and north of Panquitch.

Guide Contact Information:

Our head guide in **Loa, Utah** is **Mike James** owner of the **Quiet Fly Fisher** their address is 200 N. Main Street Loa, Utah 84747 Contact Phone Number is 435-616-2319.

Our head guide in Circleville in **Emmett Doane** owner **Circle Valley Anglers** their address is 350 S. Hwy 89 Circleville, Utah 84723 Contact Phone number is 435-577-2168.

Weather & Clothing:

We will be lodging at approx. 7,000' elevation. Nights are cold and days are warm usually, I have experienced rain, snow, hail, and hot and cold days. Bring clothing you can put on in layers that wick moisture, nothing more uncomfortable than moisture under your clothing, which either keeps you hot and sweaty or cold and sweaty. Bring a lightweight rain jacket. Most days you will be wearing your waders but on hot day I wet wade with light shirt nylon pants and my wading boots on, don't forget the neoprene booties if wet wading. Be flexible, bring both cold and warm weather gear and adjust as needed. Weather at high altitude can change rapidly be prepared. The weather will not stop your guide from fishing unless it is dangerous and or access is limited. They will advise if there is a problem. Mother nature sets the parameters we must always be aware of our surroundings and climate.

Lodging:

There are many options in the region of Loa, Utah both in town and adjoining hamlets like Lyman and Bicknell. I would suggest The Mill Cabins 1500 S. HWY 24 Lyman, Utah as a wonderful place with individual cabins that can sleep two and are very reasonably priced. In Loa the Snuggle Inn is pricy but luxurious by small town standards. In Bicknell the Sunglow Motel and Restaurant is comfortable and reasonably priced. In Circleville, Utah the picking are fewer. Circle Valley Anglers has a house with sleeping for three and a full kitchen and living area. The other option is across the street the Butch Cassidy Inn and Motel. They have comfortable rooms and a café and are reasonably priced that sleep two. Lodging in these areas can be limited so make your lodging reservation early; I do not take responsibility for making anyone's lodging reservations due to last minute cancelations and family emergencies.

Physical Demands:

Where we are lodging at 7,000' elevation we can be fishing and hiking at as high as 11,000'. If you have problems at altitude let the guide and streamkeeper know in advance of our trip. Most fishing locations involve some hiking and wading. I would suggest arriving a couple of days early to acclimate to 7,000' not hiking hard and drinking plenty of water, it easy to dehydrate in higher elevations, the guide has water and soft drinks along in their vehicles so ask for the water.

Gear:

Rods & Lines, the entire trip can be done with a 9-foot 5-weight rod and a floating line. I bring along for fun an 11' switch rod 5 wt. and a 6'6" 5 wt. rod as well but by no means buy additional rods just for this trip; one rod is all you need.

Waders, good pair of breathable waders is required in most situations.

Boots, wading boots are part of the package. No restrictions on felt as yet.

Wading Staff, Many of us find having a wading staff necessary for stability in slippery or rocky situations, or just find a long stick, don't fall, the rocks are hard.

Terminal Tackle, I use a 9 foot 5x leader and have along 3,4,5,6x tippet. I as well bring an assortment of lead free shot to use as needed if nymphing.

Flies, We will be fishing many lakes and a few streams and possibly a couple of rivers. I carry dries, nymphs and streamers but the guide will provide you with flies. If the guide suggests a fly or gives you a fly use it with the full understanding you will catch fish, they are quite experienced on these waters. If you are like me I bring many more flies than I will ever use. I have hoppers, caddis, mayflies, and damselflies in adult and nymph stages. I find a callibaetis mayfly nymph very useful in the lakes. Bring what you own and the fly shop offers all the working patterns you will be using if you want to purchase some.

First Aid Kit: I carry a basic first aid kit in my tote bag for simple emergencies, minor cuts and abrasions, headaches and back pain.

Transportation:

From Southern California near the Ontario airport it is a 9 1/2-hour drive including gas stops and a lunch stop to Loa, Utah. To Circleville it is 8 1/2 – 9 hour drive including stops. Sharing a ride is more fun to get to know your friend or partner better and listen to each other experiences along the way. When in Loa the guides provide the transportation to and from the days fishing locations. When in Circleville you provide your own transportation to and from the fishing locations following the guide. Salt Lake City is approximately 3 hours away from Loa and 3 3/4 hours from Circleville and is serviced by many airlines and rental car companies.

Float Tubing:

There will be opportunities to float tube in the area if you so desire. The Quiet Fly Fisher in Loa can provide you with a float tube if they are guiding you. If you wish the comfort of your own float tube please feel free to bring yours.

Food:

In Utah many of their dinning locations close on Sunday, it is best to call ahead or ask you guide where and what is open, most areas have a couple options on Sunday but it is best to inquire. Guides provide lunch during the days guiding. Many of us BBQ at the Mill Cabins for dinner, to curb the costs of eating out every meal, the grocery in the town of Loa is open Mon.- Sat. Breakfast is your choice of eating at a local restaurant or at your lodging, the guide provides lunch the days you are fishing.

Libations:

You are responsible for any liquor you wish to purchase either bought from the local Liquor store in Bicknell or for beer (3.2) in some of the gas stations, or bring from home. BYOB.

Costs and Payment:

Both of the guides require a Non-refundable \$200 deposit to secure your reservation and the final payment is due upon completion of your final day.

Tipping:

It is customary to tip the guide daily; I tip \$50 per day of guiding at the end of the day. Tipping is not based on your ability or the number of fish caught, but for good service and the ability of the guide to lead you doing everything in their ability to make the experience enjoyable. Fish are a bonus. I have negotiated quite reasonable rates for the group of six and feel a percentage tip is quite unfair to the guide considering the extreme road conditions, locations and wear and tear on their vehicles. These extreme road conditions keep most of your competition for fish away.

Fishing License:

Utah state fishing license can be obtained on line prior to your trip, which is the easiest. Licenses can be purchased in Loa at the local market Monday through Saturday, closed Sunday. Yearly licenses last from the date you purchase them for a complete calendar year. In Circleville Utah you can purchase your license from the fly shop.

Emergency Services:

Bicknell near Loa has a clinic available for minor emergencies.

Panquitch is the closet emergency services to Circleville.

President's Outing

October 18th - 20th

Kernville

Once again, we're holding the 2019 President's Outing at the Sequoia Lodge, on the Kern River this coming October. It's a tradition and a great way to gather for fun, fishing, telling of stories, and to spend time outside.

The dates this year are Friday, October 18th through to Sunday, October 20th. I'll be hosting a Pizza dinner at the Sequoia Lodge on Friday evening for all those that can attend and on Saturday evening, we'll have the big BBQ/ Pot Luck dinner. The days are open to whatever floats your boats, so to speak. There are some great fishing opportunities around and flows seem reasonable, so fishing could be great.

The Sequoia Lodge still has rooms and I have held a couple as well. Please call them to make a reservation and if not available, give me a call. Sequoia Lodge can be reached at 760-376-2535.

If you are interested, or already have your reservations, please let me know so I can make sure we have enough food for all. Please RSVP to me at artp@sbcglobal.net.

Best regards, Art



FFCOC Colorado Trip

October 6-12, 2019

Lyman Kennedy, Streamkeeper



The dates for our Colorado trip are October 6-12, just in time for pursuing those fall spawning brown trout. The trip starts in Kremmling Colorado, about two hour drive from Denver. Participants can fly into Denver on Sunday October 6 and rent a car for the drive to Kremmling and then back to Monument for the second half of our trip. In Kremmling we will be staying at the Allington and participants need to make their own reservations there. While in Kremmling we will be doing a float trip on the Colorado River one day, and we will be wading the Williams Fork River on the alternate day. On Wednesday the group will be driving back to Monument where participants will need to obtain reservation at one of the local motels. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evening, Mark and his wife Liz will be hosting dinner at their home. On Thursday and Friday we will drive to one of 3 destinations on the South Platte River including Cheesman Canyon, Deckers or the Dream Stream, where we will be doing wade fishing. Mark has already reserved guides for all of the areas mentioned including Bob Dye, Pat Dorsey and Landon Meyer. A deposit of \$500 is due April 1st and \$530 is due on August 1st to cover the guide fees. The deposit is refundable up until August 1st unless we can make arrangements with Blue Quill. More details will be coming later. If you are interested please contact me at lkennedyjr@earthlink.net or at 714 742-5865. The trip is limited to 12 people so get your name on the list right away before it fills up.

Lyman Kennedy, Streamkeeper.

Trip Reports

Lees Ferry Trip Report May 2019

By Melinda Burns

Monday May 6th – Friday May 10th

Participants:

John and Melinda Burns (Streamkeepers)

Jimmy and Cheryl Moore

Ronney Sakoda

Mark Whelan

Cody and Christoph Engle (New Members)

Dennis Chandler (New Member – 1st Club Trip) Not in this photo unfortunately.



For those of you who have never fished this 15-mile section of the Colorado River below Lake Powell, you need to add this to your Fly Fishing Bucket list. Fishing is spectacular, from wade fishing along those long seams where the river twists and turns around one cliff to another. To drifting a streamer from the boat or trying out that new fool proof dead drift they like to practice there. The fish are beautiful and great fighters. They promise to give you a fight. They aren't going to be reeled in easily.

Now when the fishing is a little slow, take the time to put your rod down during the lull and look skyward and just imagine what it might have been like to roam this plateau only to come upon this treacherous drop to a magnificent river. What was it like to be an Indian living in this region of Arizona? From a desert land to this beautiful pristine water filled with fish. These cliffs have been carved by the wind and water, creating a beautiful canvas of color and structure. When you are not fishing, you can find hiking trails, bird watching, and hieroglyphics left from the Indians indigenous to this region.



Some of the fish we caught. Next trip is planned for May of 2021. Mark your calendars now.

To view additional photos from our trip,

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“All of the massive exposures of rock strata are sedimentary in origin, having been laid down as water deposits, or solidified from arid sand dunes. Geologists say that the rocks visible about Lee’s Ferry were formed during the Paleozoic and Mesozoic eras about 250 to 150 million years ago. For example, the highway into Lee’s Ferry runs across the Kaibab limestone formation that is 225 million years old, a period of time that is almost beyond human comprehension.” An excerpt from Lee’s Ferry Desert River Crossing by W. L. Rusho



I thought it would be fun to show you how gas prices have changed in the last two years since we have been here.



Loa Utah Trip Report May 13-14 2019

By Alan Ross

I just got back from a few days of great fishing with Mike James of the Quiet Fly Fisher (LOA Utah). We had some great midge action with a spectacular hatch that yielded over 30 jumping rainbows in the 12-15 inch range in a beautiful reservoir. The next day we used streamers and were quite successful with brook trout and rainbows. On the way out we stopped at a section of the Fremont River and fished a small stream with some dries and nymphs. Most of the fish were small but I got extremely lucky and landed a 19" brown as we were about to leave. What a great way to end a few days. I highly recommend you consider the Quiet Fly Fisher and Mike next year for some early season fun! (Editor's Note: the Summer and Fall fishing can be really good too!)

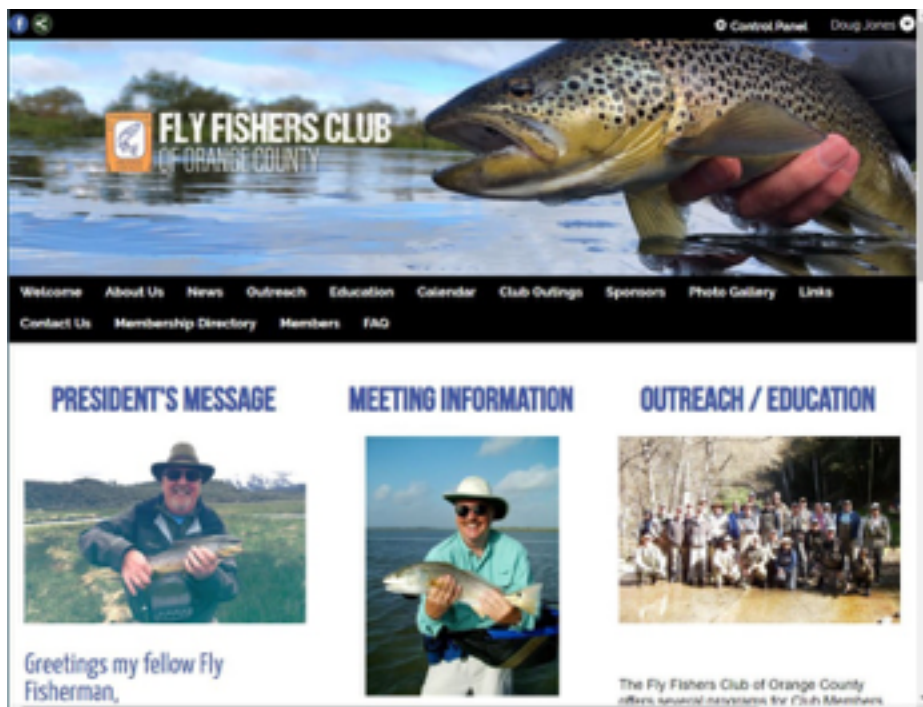


Website News

www.ffcoc.org

The revamped website has been up and running for a few months and we are getting numerous complements regarding its look and content. Thanks to all who helped with the revamping and especially to the members that are visiting the site. There is more work to be done and it is being tackled by the Website Committee. Updating and upgrading will be an ongoing project. The next big deal associated with the website will be the development of the FFCOC App so the site can be easily accessed on your phones and tablets. The FFCOC App is scheduled to be available by mid-summer.

We are always looking for new content – especially **PHOTOS!**



A few Club Members have had problems with the web page like the inability to log on and difficulty renewing their membership on line. If you have any questions or problems please send a message to websitemanager@FFCOC.org and a member of the Website Committee will get back to you promptly. Also, please let us know if you have questions about or suggestions for the website.

Fishing photos are at the heart of what we do. They inspire other members to take new adventures and make our website appealing to other site visitors. You have probably seen the scrolling photos that appear at the top of the MEETING INFORMATION column on the WELCOME page. Getting tired of seeing our fearless president's picture twice on the Welcome page? You can help remedy this by submitting your favorite fishing pictures to Art Prangly at President@FFCOC.org and he will create a new set of photos that appear here.

Fly Fishers International - Southwest Council



Presented by the Southwest Council, Fly Fishers International
October 05-06, 2019

Fly Fishing FAIRE

Glendale Civic Auditorium
Hours - Sat - 10-6, Sun 9-3

Free Expert Presentations
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For all levels of experience

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welcomes all anglers
Beginner to expert

Gear provided for
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Free seminars on where and how to
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Watch renowned fly tyers
Great deals on new merchandise from vendors
Enjoy and collect artwork from artists

Classes in tying, casting and fishing!
Admission: \$15 for 2 days, \$20 for family
Intro price for novices only \$5, including
casting and tying class.

Tasty food from L.A. Food Trucks

Women's Programs featuring
Wendy Gunn of Lee Ferry Anglers and other
expert Anglers

pre-event ticket sales opens
August 11th, 6 AM www.SWCFFI.ORG/FAIRE

Month	Day	Date	Event	Time
January	Saturday	19 th	Club Management - Riverside	10am - 2pm
February	Saturday	2 nd	Fly Buy - Long Beach	9am - 4pm
March	Thurs - Sun	6 - 10 th	Fred Hall Show	Varies
April	Saturday	20 th	SWCFFI Quarterly Meeting	10am - 2pm
May	Saturday	4 th	Rip Tide Rendezvous	6am - 4pm
July	Saturday	20 th	SWCFFI Quarterly Meeting	10am - 2pm
October	Fri - Sun	5-6 th	Fly Fishing Faire - Burbank	10am - 5pm
October	Saturday	19 th	SWCFFI Quarterly Meeting	10am - 2pm

Casting for Recovery Events:

May	Fri - Sun	3-5 th	CFR Retreat - Lake Arrowhead
October	Fri - Sun	4-6 th	CFR Retreat- Wonder Valley outside of Fresno

FFCOC's Annual Fall Casting Clinic and Picnic

September 7 - Mile Square Park

This Casting Clinic, held at Mile Square Park, is an opportunity for friends and interested folks to learn about Fly Fishing and perhaps join FFCOC.

The date has been set for our FFCOC Annual Casting Clinic; Saturday, September 7, at Mile Square Regional Park, Shelter #1. The Clinic begins at 8:00 AM. Please mark your calendars now!

This annual event is open to the public for those who have an interest, or are just starting out on their fly fishing journey. This is a great event and our way of introducing the Club to potential new members. Please reach out to friends and others who may want to give it a try. We've got the rods, so participants don't need to buy any equipment. There is no charge for the event, but there is a \$5 Parking Fee charged to enter the park. The event concludes with a BBQ lunch and allows us to connect further with the participants to fuel their enthusiasm in fly fishing, and of course in our Club. Anyone interested can now register at CastingClinic@FFCOC.org.

Second V.P. Terry Roznos will be the organizer of this year's event and will be looking for the Club member volunteers needed to make this a successful event. The Casting Operations will be orchestrated by our newest Club Life Member, outstanding instructor and Master Caster, Joe Libeu. The event planning has begun. Please be prepared to volunteer your talents when asked to do so to help make our Annual Casting Clinic a successful event! Thanks!!



Casting in the Park Sessions for FFCOC Members

**FFCOC Members:
Improve Your Casting Skills
with FFCOC's
"Casting in the Park"
at Irvine Regional Park
Planning for the next session is
underway**



Image courtesy of, John Williams.

"Casting in the Park" is a series of casting classes for FFCOC members. Our plan is to hold a session approximately every three months.

We are in the planning stage for the 2019 version of "Casting in the Park". Stay tuned for more details in a future version of "On The Fly", FFCOC's Monthly Newsletter and/or at FFCOC meetings.

Contact Richard Fanning for the latest information:

(714 476-3027) rkfanning@aol.com

Fly Tying

Flies That Keep On Giving

By John Williams

This is an experiment, I think will work and it is fashioned after the Klinkhammer fly. I'll tie six and give them a try on a favorite spring creek either Hot Creek or Utah.

Klinkhammer Knock-off



Hook:	Firehole 315 size 16 Barbless Competition
Thread:	Black Uni 8/0 or similar
Post:	Antron Yarn White
Abdomen:	Mylar Flash Small Copper & Green
Thorax:	Wapsi Waterproof Dry Fly Dubbing Lt. Gray
Legs:	Grizzly Hackle
Cement:	Gel Super Glue

Start your thread three-eye widths back of the eye and smear a little super glue at this point, just a little. Cut a piece of Antron yarn approximately 13/4" long and catch it with your thread in the middle and pull it up and together, wrap the thread around the base with six to eight turns and pull your thread up slightly while holding the tips of the yarn to make the post stay upright. Run your thread back into the bend of the hook and tie in the Mylar flash in the bend, smear super glue on the shank from the Mylar tie in point to the base of the post and wrap the Mylar flash forward with touching wraps to the base of the post and tie off. Select your feather to become the legs and strip off 1/8" of barbules from the base and secure with a few wraps of thread, keeping the shiny side of the feather on top. Place a very small drop of super glue at the base of the post and wrap the feather around the post to form your legs and tie off with a few wraps of thread at the base of the post then whip finish the thread behind the eye and in front of the post. Cut the excess feather off close and your done. Tight lines friends, John Knock-off

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 club meetings.

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