# ON THE FLY

# THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY

#### **OVER 50 YEARS OF SERVING OUR MEMBERS!**



#### **MAY 2022**

# Spring is Here! Very Active Month!!

# Please see your newsletter for all the latest Club Events!

# **Just Announced:** Single and Double Haul Casting Practice (5/14), Rod Building Class (8/20), President's Outing Dates (Oct 21-23).

# Read About these Club Events: TIC Release (Huntington Beach HS), FFCOC Casting Contest, Completed Outings (Lake Pyramid, Lower Owens, and the San Juan River).

Member Fish Tales!

Much to read about this month. Join in the activities of YOUR Club!!

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#### **President's Message**

#### President's Message by Larry Behm

Welcome to the official start of THE season - moving water trout season that is. California moving waters will have just opened when you read this. We are settling into something of a normal year finally. The Club has met in-person twice now at our new venue. Los Cab Sports Village, our new venue, is working well. It is different, but seems to be working.



The Board has worked hard getting things back to normal, classes started up again, more events and outings are happening, and more are planned. I hope you feel that we have done the right things to keep the Club vital and healthy.

It is your turn to help the Club! 1) pay your dues if you haven't, and 2) volunteer to help at one of the events or classes. "Many hands make for light work!" If everyone does a small piece, no one must carry very much to keep this all going.

This newsletter is full of activities that are all intended to advance our Club Mission. I hope to see you on the river or at one of these activities soon.

Larry Behm - 949.235.4466

The next FFCOC Board Meeting is Thursday, May 19 at 7pm. The Zoom Meeting info may be found on the FFCOC website. Club Members are welcome to attend.

#### **FFCOC New Meeting Venue; Los Caballeros Sports Village**



Beginning in February 2022, our monthly Club General Meetings are now hosted by the Los Caballeros Sports Village in Fountain Valley (approximately a half-mile east of Mile Square Park).

"Los Cab" is located at 17272 Newhope St. in Fountain Valley. (See map below for location).

We will be meeting in the Terrace Room. Enter lobby, then upstairs to the Terrace Room. (See photo below)

Our meeting format has changed, the Happy Hour

format (no served dinner); later start time (7 pm), Wet Fly socialization with snacks/appetizers, cash bar,

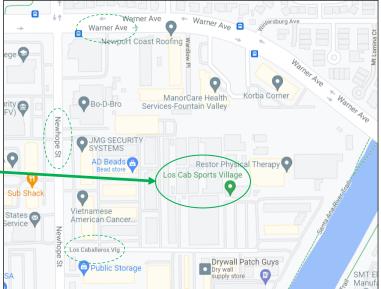
and some Club announcements, followed by our guest speaker presentation at 8 pm. Guests are always welcome!

Meeting Fee: \$10.

#### Los Cab Sports Village:

South of Warner Ave.

Enter Los Caballeros VIg off of Newhope St. Proceed approx. 1/4 mile to parking lot.





#### **Proceed to the Terrace Room**:

Enter Lobby.

Proceed Upstairs (at the right-side of the Reception Desk) to the Terrace Room (right turn at the top of the stairs/elevator).

# 2022 Speakers

#### **MONTHLY SPEAKER PROGRAM**

January	Ernie Gulley	Stillwater Bugs and Tactics - What Do Trout Eat	01/12/22
February	Peter Stitcher	How to Match the Hatch in 2 Minutes	02/09/22
March	Scott Leon	Off-Shore Fly Fishing Adventures	03/09/22
April	Alice Owsley	Stalking Trout in Yellowstone	04/13/22
May	Charles Jardine	Beyond The Chalk	05/11/22
June	Michael Schweit	Local Saltwater Opportunities - Channel Islands and Beyond	06/08/22
July	Heather Hodson	DIY Fishing the West - 30 Days On the Road	07/13/22
August	Club Picnic	Irvine Regional Park	08/06/22
September	Club Auction	Live	09/14/22
October	Al Q	A Saltwater Check List	10/12/22
November	Beckie Clarke	Colorado River Fishing	11/09/22
December	ТВА		12/14/22

#### This Month's Speaker

#### Our Guest Speaker- Wednesday, May 11







# BEYOND THE CHALK with CHARLES JARDINE

To an American angler, all too often, fishing in the UK is a tapestry of tweedy, bewhiskered, crusty gents in itchy tweeds and ties, flailing the crystal, hallowed, exclusive, and expensive chalk streams of Southern England.

The island where fly fishing began has been transformed. The days of Walton, Halford and Skues have made way for a new breed of fisher. Now, it is claimed that more people fish the English reservoirs than attend soccer matches. And not just trout. Have the fly fishers echoed the Punk revolution of the 70's and 80's and dispensed with tweedy tradition?

Who better to update us on the many non-exclusive and reasonably priced options within driving (on the wrong side of the road) distance of London, than our May presenter, Charles Jardine? No stranger to our speaking circuit, Charles will open our eyes to lesser-known rivers and species – pike anyone?

As you read Charles' biography you will appreciate why we kept his words intact and unabridged. Charles Jardine has been fly fishing for 56 years: which is a very long time to not have learned much.

During that time, he has cast, fished, written, and painted around a good bit of the globe. Won a few awards and made as much chaos as he possibly can. Jardine guided (and still does, sometimes) on the Southern English Chalk streams; been extraordinarily fortunate to be honoured by Fly Fishers International, with the Ambassador Award; the President's Pin awards (which he cherishes) and being honoured as a Legend of American fly fishing (curious, for someone from Southern England.) which was very flattering!

He has written and illustrated a number of books, which have, curiously, done quite well. Notably the Classic (Sotheby's: in the UK) *Guide to Fly-Fishing* that was published in 5 different languages and sold over 80 thousand copies world-wide – quite a lot for an angling book! He has also written, illustrated, and contributed to over twenty more, including George Daniel's classic *Dynamic Nymphing*.

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#### This Month's Speaker (Con't)

Charles was humbled to be awarded *Game Angler of the Year* by Sky Sports a couple of years ago, and silver medalist at the ESPN Outdoor Games in update New York. He was in at the very start of the IFFF Casting certification programme. He maintains a close association with Sage and RIO products. He has been associated with Sage as long as any normal person can remember. He has been Chair of the prestigious Fly Dressers Guild and remains vice Chair. He recently won the prestigious *Commonwealth Casting Championship* trophy.

Currently he is the very proud director of the *England Youth Fly Fishing Team*; and working on his opus - Fishing 4 Schools. Directing operation with TCAF and taking our fabulous sport into urban areas and less privileged populations, where he sees fishing as a true opportunity for young people to learn and heal from, and a chance to enthuse a future generation as well as address mental health issues - an area where the calm of angling can play a significant role.

His passion remains undiminished. And whilst a little slower, to the amazement of his contemporaries, still runs marathons, and does his best keeping pace with his fabulous two children Alex and Annabelle. This will be Jardine's last tour of duty.

Join us for what should be a memorable presentation!

His website: http://www.charlesjardine.co.uk/ Twitter: @CharlesJardine







#### **Club News**

#### Membership

#### Please Welcome Our Newest Members!

<u>March</u> <u>April</u>

Andrew McGuire (Orange) Matt Spencer (Lake Forest)

Michael Shimokaji (Rancho Santa Margarita)

Art Garza (Chino Hills)

James Wilcox (La Habra)

Garrett Woodward (Costa Mesa)

#### **Membership Renewal Reminder:**

Just yet another friendly reminder for those who have not renewed their Club membership for 2022, your 2021 membership expired on 12/31/21. There a three ways you can renew your membership:

- 1. Attend and make payment at our **May Club Meeting** at Los Cab! We'd love to see you!!
- 2. You can download and print a Membership Application, fill it out, and return it with your payment via the US Postal Service. A Membership Application is available on the Club website. Use the following link: <a href="https://ffcoc.clubexpress.com/docs.ashx?id=910542">https://ffcoc.clubexpress.com/docs.ashx?id=910542</a>
- 3. You can renew your Club Membership on-line using our Club website. Personal check or Credit Card payment is accepted. Just follow the instructions on the website. For on-line membership renewal, use the following link:

https://ffcoc.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page\_id=60&club\_id=510287

Thank you from our Membership Director, Cherie Dalton, at <a href="membership@ffcoc.org">membership@ffcoc.org</a>!!

#### **Auction Update**

Have you finished spring cleaning and found any unwanted items that are too good to throw away? The club can use those items in it's fall auction. Please bring donation items to the next club meeting. Do you want to help in the Fall auction? We need volunteers to staff the check-in table, collect money, set-up tables and run purchases to the counter. Please call or email Larry Behm to volunteer. <a href="mailto:larry.Behm@cox.net">larry.Behm@cox.net</a> or 949-235-4466.

#### Newsletter

Newsletter inputs for the next (June) edition are due to the Editor by <u>Saturday, May 28</u>, to meet publication deadlines. All submittals are gratefully accepted; Board Member announcements, Club News, Fish Tales, Fly of the Month, Outing Streamkeepers, or just general commentary from you (our readers)! Please send your inputs to Janna Roznos at <u>jkroznos@verizon.net</u> or <u>jkroznos@gmail.com</u> Thank you!! ...Editor

#### **Club News - Upcoming Events**

#### **Single Haul and Double Haul Casting Practice**

Scott Broome, a FFCOC member, is hosting a free casting practice for any FFCOC member who would like to learn the single haul, the double haul, and the use of sinking lines. Let's get ready for the Surf fishing season!

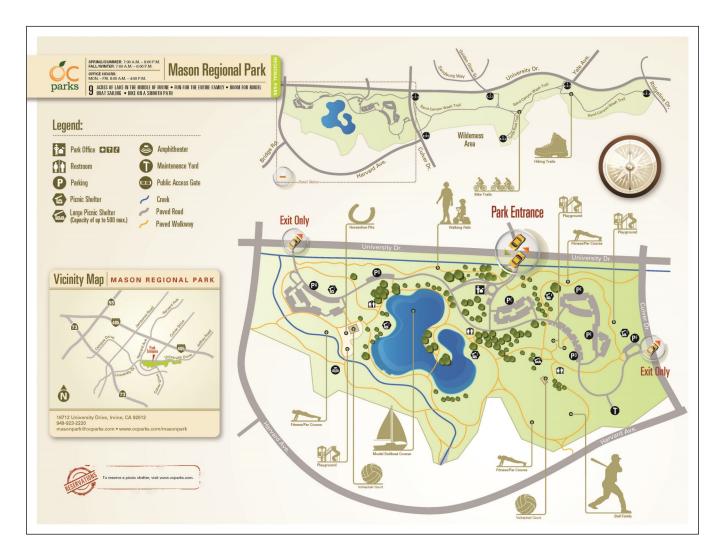
When: Saturday, May 14th
Time: 9:00am until noon

**Location:** William R. Mason Regional Park 18712 University Drive, Irvine

Please bring your own rod and reels. \*

All levels of expertise are welcome, and this is a free event for members of FFCOC.

\* Scott Broome will have a few extra rods and reels to borrow



#### **Club News - Upcoming Events**

#### **Rod Building Class**

Come learn the finer points of rod building and complete a 3wt fly rod. Registration for the rod class is now open on the FFCOC website: Rod Building Class - 3 sessions - Club Calendar - Fly Fishers Club of Orange County (clubexpress.com)

**Dates:** (you must attend ALL sessions to complete your rod)

Saturday Aug. 20 - Session 1 Saturday Aug. 27 - Session 2 Saturday Sep. 10 - Session 3

Location: TBD

Cost:

Less than \$120 total.

The Club is still working with several vendors secure a better price for the kits A down payment of \$30 is required to hold your place. Final payment will be in July.

**Rod Kit:** 

We will build a 3 wt. rod.

Details are still in flux, our intent is to offer you the option of fiberglass or graphite.

#### **Questions:**

Contact Larry Behm, Larry.Behm@Cox.net or 949-235-4466





# **Save the Date!**

# **2nd Annual FFCOC Picnic**

When: Saturday, August 6, 2022

11 am to 3 pm

Where: Irvine Regional Park

Deer Den Group Area

Food, Games, Prizes, Fellowship!

More Details to Come!!

#### **Club News**

# **FFCOC Marine Studies Scholarship**

As reported in the April Newsletter, the FFCOC is pleased to announce the award of a second Marine Studies Scholarship (\$3,000 ea) for the current 2022 school year. The Scholarship recipients are Shannon Tarby and Emma Siegfried. Both scholarship recipients are MS Candidates at CSULB with a degree plan in Biological Sciences. A second scholarship was made possible due to a surplus in the FFCOC Operations budget performance for 2021. Below are the letters of gratitude received from both recipients of the FFCOC Marine Studies Scholarship.

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From: Emma Siegfried Subject: Thank You

Date: April 6, 2022 at 12:12:03 PM PDT

To: president@ffcoc.org

Hello Mr. Behm,

My name is Emma Siegfried and I am a graduate student focusing in Marine Biology at California State University - Long Beach. I am currently researching the effects of ocean acidification on the larvae of California Grunion and Northern Anchovy and am hoping that my paper will help inform management practices on the California coastline. I am planning on graduating from CSULB in May 2023 and hope to pursue a PhD after that.

This year, I received the Fly Fishers of Orange County scholarship, and wanted to email you to thank you and your organization for your support. As a graduate student, having extra financial support is critical to my success, as it allows me to focus more on my research and completing my degree rather than getting an extra job to support myself.

Thank you again for your support and I hope to do your organization proud.

Emma Siegfried Biological Sciences California State University - Long Beach

From: Shannon Tarby

Sent: Monday, October 25, 2021 12:26 PM

To: president@ffcoc.org

Subject: Fly Fishers Club of Orange County Marine Studies Scholarship

Dear Fly Fishers Club of Orange County,

I would like to thank you very much for selecting me for the Fly Fishers Club of Orange County Marine Studies Scholarship. I am deeply appreciative of your support and honored to be selected. As of now I am conducting research using FTIR to validate the weathering of MP particles that will later be used in exposures with zebrafish in the coming months. This scholarship will help me purchase materials I need to conduct experiments. I am so thankful that you have chosen to support my research! Please let me know if you need any information from me. Thank you again for your generosity.

Best wishes, Shannon Tarby CSULB Biological Sciences

#### **Club News**

# The Mayfly Project



Would you like to help Foster Kids develop into productive adults? The Mayfly Project (TMP) is a mentoring program that uses fly fishing to help kids in foster care develop and grow into healthy adults.

The Mayfly Project mission is to support children in foster care through fly fishing and introduce them to their local water ecosystems, with a hope that connecting them to a rewarding hobby will provide an opportunity for foster children to have fun, feel supported, and develop a meaningful connection with the outdoors.

The Southern California chapter of TMP is looking for volunteer mentors to begin their first cycle in July. The TMP mentoring stages (sessions) are characterized by parts of the life cycle of a Mayfly. TMP mentors will guide their mentees through their 5 stages (see below); learning new fly fishing skills, get time to fish, earn participation buttons, and receive gear to continue to pursue fly fishing.

**EGG STAGE** 

Introduction to fly fishing, the fly rod, and The Mayfly Project mentors!

**NYMPH STAGE** 

Introduce casting, knot tying, catch and release, and time to fish!

**EMERGER STAGE** 

Setting the hook, conservation education, casting and time to fish!

**DUN STAGE** 

Reading water, mending line, roll casting, and time to fish!

**BIG CATCH STAGE** 

Final fun day, fishing a special location and mentees receive their fly rod and gear!

Our Club has been contacted by the Southern California Chapter of TMP. The are looking for volunteer mentors. There are 10 kids signed up and waiting for you. Please check out <a href="mailto:The Mayfly Project">The Mayfly Project</a> | <a href="mailto:Mentoring Foster Children Through Fly Fishing">Mentoring Foster Children Through Fly Fishing</a>, or contact David Gins at <a href="mailto:davidgins@gmail.com">davidgins@gmail.com</a> for more information.







#### **Club News (Events)**

# **Trout in the Classroom (TIC)**

# Huntington Beach High School Trout Release (Eisenhower Park) FFCOC Mentors: Gill Realon and Kelly Yokoe

Fun morning with Sarah and all the Huntington Beach HS freshmen.

Having the five additional Echo rods today was a big plus in providing the casting experience as maybe 3 or 4 students out of the 50 students participating had ever touched a fishing rod in their young lives, much less a fly fishing rod.

Besides releasing the trout into Eisenhower pond, Kelly guided students through a knot tying effort, teacher Sarah discussed the trout and the release into the pond and I guided students on casting at the pond. I'm sure I may have left something out regarding the clip board exercise that the students were working on as well.

Additionally, on two tables we displayed fly tying materials and a couple of fly boxes with various fresh water flies.

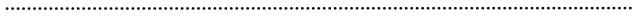
A good learning day for all!

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On Mar 31, 2022, at 2:17 PM, Sarah Hatfield wrote:

So rad! Thank you Gill and Kelly for all you did today. It was absolutely a great experience for these kiddos. They seemed super engaged. I can't wait to do it again next year:)

Sarah Hatfield Biology/Chemistry Teacher Huntington Beach High School





# Club News (TIC Con't)

# **TIC Release Photos!**













Thank you Gill and Kelly! You represented the FFCOC well!!



#### **Club News (Events)**

# **Public Casting Challenge Outreach**

# Irvine Regional Park - April 16

FFCOC Mentors: Ken Lindt, Larry Roberts and Young Kwon

Bunyan Bug Bulls-Eye

On Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>, Irvine Regional Park was the site of the Club's first Public "Casting Contest". Consisting of such long-familiar games as Bunyan Bug Bulls-Eye, Trout Pool Tribulations, and Shadow Cast Hoopla Blast, all who participated (both experienced and advancing fly casters) were rewarded with prizes valued (up to) a million dollars or more.

Larry Roberts (Board member), Young Jik Kwon (one of our Club's certified casting instructors) and yours truly (all around grunt) helped organize and tailor the games for the participants. In attendance were such luminaries as Larry Behm, our illustrious president, Milford Dahl an energetic past president, Todd Gomez our web master, and the gregarious Cherie Dalton head of memberships, all of whom were observing the games...and then became active participants. These games are contagious you know!

Non-Board contestants Art, Shelly, Michael, John, and Andrew were put through their paces with Art, Shelly and John earning the winning prizes. Shelly earned the big \$ million prize.

Being such fly casting staples, these games required very little instruction to start the contestants on their respective paths to victory. Oh....you say you're unfamiliar with these games. You best attend the next contest so as not miss all the fun your claim to fame. Who knows, with the likes of master caster Young Kwon there, you might even add a few new arrows to your fly-casting technique quiver. And don't forget your chance to win (up to) millions of dollars in prizes! Stay tuned to our Club website for future contest announcements.



#### **Club News (Events)**

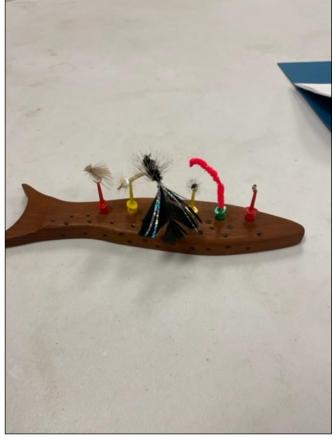
# **Beginning Fly Tying Class**

Lake Forest Family Building - April 27
FFCOC Mentors: Mike Neesley and Don Tayenaka

On Wednesday, April 27, we started the Club Beginning Fly Tying class in Lake Forest. Students will learn a set of 5-6 flies that they will be able to try to fish. Today we had 7 students with a few new Club members. Thank you to member Matt Conrad for providing our beautiful meeting location.

Reported by: Don Teyenaka





# Beginning Fly Tying Class

# Lake Pyramid, Nevada

March 14-16

Streamkeeper: Paul Nakamura

The annual FFCOC trip to Pyramid Lake took place between March 14th and March 16th. Paul Nakamura was the Streamkeeper. Attendees were Terry Imlay, Andrew Sprowl, Dale Stilwell, Steve Augustine, Eric Kramer, Ron Engelenburg, Curt Morris, and Gregg Cowan.

Fishing was tough. About 30 fish were caught on day one and 5 or 6 on day two and three. Andrew Sprowl caught the most fish with 10, including a 13 pounder. Eric Kramer caught the largest at 14 pounds and a 10 pounder. Steve Augustine caught a 11 pounder and Dave Stilwell caught a 9 pounder. We fished Windless Beach all three days.

The food was good, and everyone caught at least one fish; not bad considering five out of the nine guys were newbies to Pyramid Lake.

-Eric Kramer





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# Lake Pyramid, Nevada (Con't)

More Photo Candidates for Western Outdoor News!





# **Mentor Outing Success!**

# Lower Owens River - April 2nd and 3rd

Streamkeeper: Doug Jones

The FFCOC held Mentor Outings on the Lower Owens River for new and inexperienced members of our club February 19th - 20th and April 2nd -3rd. Participation was great, fish were caught, lessons were learned and we had a great time. The February session included 10 participants and 10 mentors. The April session included 8 participants and 8 mentors. The Mentor Outings were initially planned in follow up to last fall's On the River Training Program but do to overwhelming interest it was expanded to include members that joined afterwards.

Thanks to all of the new club members who participated; you are the future of the club. Also, thanks to all of the seasoned club members that acted as mentors sharing their experience and wisdom with the new members.

Prior to the outing an online meeting was held to help everyone prepare for the trip, numerous phone calls were made and some new members participated in informal casting practice sessions. Participants travelled to Bishop on Friday or before, and the programs started on Saturday when participants and mentors were paired up and everyone hit the water. On Sunday participants fished with mentors or other fishing buddies.





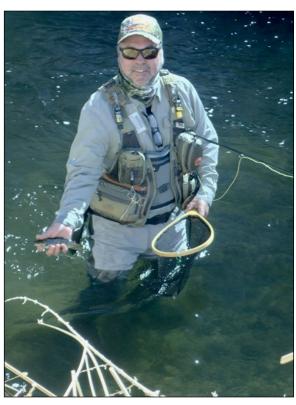


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#### **Club News (Mentor Outing - Con't)**

Unsolicited feedback from participants included:

- I'd like to thank you all for another fun and educational weekend. I learned a lot. I, and everyone I've spoken to, really appreciate all the time, commitment and effort you put in to help everyone learn and be safe. Thanks again and take care.
- Thank you to .... all the mentors. This was another great weekend. It is awesome the commitment each of your have to the expansion of the sport and to our education. I cannot thank you enough.
- THANK YOU ALL FOR A GREAT OUTING.
- Special thanks ... for my introduction to fly casting back in November and subsequent follow up lessons & tips. Also, for his efforts to help me get my first Owens River Trout.
- Additional thanks to ... for all his help and new found friendship. It was also great to meet and get know the club members.
- A great big THANK YOU for an awesome trip. I really appreciate the time and effort all the mentors gave us novices especially .... who put me on the fish. What an awesome club to be a part of. Thanks again
- A special thanks to everyone involved in organizing this week's mentor outing. You all made a good trip a great one. FFCOC does it right and with feeling. I always learn something new on these trips and this was no exception.
- Just wanted to add my thanks for organizing this weekend. I also need to give a call out to ... for all his help and patience putting up with me for the whole day. Really learned a lot.
- Really appreciate the efforts by the club and the mentors.
- Thank you for all you do. The Bishop trip was not only fun, but on behalf of ... and myself, we learned a lot. I am continually impressed with the ongoing commitment of the club members to the advancement of the sport and to welcome and involve the rest of us in these activities. Thanks again and I am looking forward to more trips.



# San Juan River, New Mexico

April 4-6

Streamkeeper: Brian Mayer

Eleven members of our Club made the annual trip to northern New Mexico to fish the San Juan River in April. There were the usual suspects – the Moores, the Roznos, Eric Kramer, Paul Nakamura, and Brian Mayer. We were joined by new member Chris Yamada, and members new to the trip – Todd Gomez, Ian Frasier and Gary Jaacks.

The San Juan River was slightly cloudy for this year's trip, but still very fishable. Water temperatures were still in the low 40's. Flows started at 375-400 cfs, but were being reduced. Our biggest hurdle was the wind that blew in late on our second day of fishing and blew through our third day. Because of the wind, we spent some time wade fishing various locations on the river this year.

Most of the fishing was done with traditional midge nymphing rigs and strike indicators. Some of the crowd tried throwing the jig flies in Texas Hole, but they did not seem to bring the fish out.

Big fish of the trip goes to Jim Moore – a 24 inch hen brown caught on a Size 24 midge nymph! Unfortunately, the fish was camera shy and managed to flip out of the boat before the trophy picture could be taken.

New Mexico is still recovering from the hard hit by the Covid pandemic and many restaurants are closed or are only working on limited hours with take out. Fishead's Backcast Cafe at the Lodge is open for breakfast and dinner is by prior reservation. Abe's Restaurant is closed, the Sportsman's Grill is only open Friday/Saturday (sometimes), and a lot of places in Bloomfield and Aztec were either closed or take out only (yes, our favorite Chinese restaurant is still open, but take out only). We did find that the Rubio's in Aztec has reopened to dining and had a nice Tex-Mex dinner there.





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# San Juan River (Con't)

**Photo Gallery** 









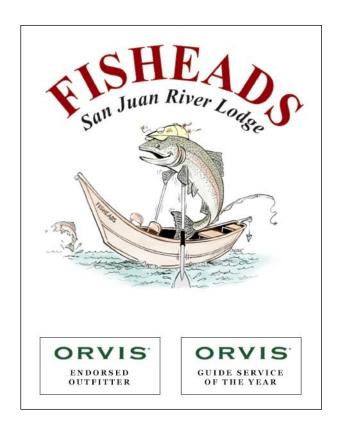
# San Juan River (Con't)

Photo Gallery









#### **Club News - Fish Tales**

#### **Searching the Keys for Bonefish**

In March, 4 intrepid club anglers (3 of which took a leap of faith that this was going to be a good trip) went to Islamorada in search of our first Bonefish...



Not a Bonefish, but it would have to do! Honors go to Tom Niedzialek for making the first cast of the morning to a school of large Tarpon, and 45 minutes later brought it to the boat. Estimated at 100#... Way to go Tom!





Doug Jones, Tom Niedzialek and Brian Mayer joined me on a trip that was originally scheduled for March 2020, BC (before COVID). It's been on the bucket list to go to the Keys and sight fish. We ended up working with 2 guides who had flats boats they would pole around promising areas. Worked Florida Bay, the western side of the Everglades and Ocean coves off of Marathon Key. We had shots at Snook and Baby Tarpon in the Mangroves and then the larger Tarpon on the flats. Beautiful place, challenging fishing, but we all agreed we would do that again, now knowing a little bit more about the style of fishing and ways to target the season. Doug brought a couple to the boat, we all had takes and long distance releases. Now about Bonefish... Much tougher to find and cast to at this time of the year.

The Key's themselves were beautiful. Blown out on our final day by wind we drove down to Key West and kicked around. Ate lots of Grouper at some wonderful restaurants, saw the sights, laughed a lot.

Great trip. Thanks for joining me guys!

Oh yeah, sampled Key Lime Pie everywhere we went..... Delicious

Fish Tale By: Art Prangley







#### **Club News - Fish Tales**

#### **Rockfishing with Captain Kramer**

With calm seas and light winds, we left Channel Island Harbor for Point Magu for a day trip deep sea fishing with Captain Eric Kramer. This trip was an FFCOC auction item which Eric graciously donates to the Club every year. We caught 13 fish between us and what we lacked in quantity we made up for in variety of rockfish (vermillion, speckled, yellowtail, and chili pepper) and we caught two sand dabs, too. All in all, a great day out on the Pacific Ocean. After our return to the Harbor, we were treated to wine with snacks on the backyard patio by our gracious hosts; Ellen and Eric Kramer. Our catch was filleted, bagged, and packed on ice by Eric for our return travels home. Looking forward to our grilled tacos! What an wonderful day it was; thank you Eric and Ellen Kramer!!

P.S. Unfortunately, Janna kept up her tradition of getting seasick, so Terry's dream of owning a sea going fishing boat is now officially squashed.

Fish Tale By: Janna Roznos



#### **Club News - Fish Tales**

#### **Davidson River, North Carolina**

Hi Janna, my wife and I recently fished the Davidson river in North Carolina, here's a couple of our fish.

We're new to the club and haven't attended any meetings yet due to conflicts but hope to attend soon.

Thanks,

Gary Milius and Jane Helmeczi





#### Wanted! Your Fish Tales!!

Have you been fishing lately?? Please share your story with our membership! Our readers enjoy your fishing exploits!!

Your tales don't need to be novels, or even short stories. A paragraph or two would suffice. Photos are great (as the old saying goes, "they are worth a thousand words")! Don't worry about the formatting or arranging. Just send what you've got! Your newsletter staff will handle the polishing!! Your Fish Tales are always greatly appreciated!

Please send your Fish Tale submittals to your Newsletter Editor, Janna Roznos at: jkroznos@verizon.net or jkroznos@gmail.com.

Thank you!

# **2022 Outings**

Date	Destination	Streamkeeper	Phone
February 19-20	Owens (Mentor)	Doug Jones	714-697-2222
March 13-15	Pyramid Lake, NV	Paul Nakamura	310-487-3367
April 2-3	Owens (Mentor)	Doug Jones	714-697-2222
April 2-9	San Juan River, NM	Brian Mayer	562-619-9169
May 14	Crowley Lake/Float Tube Clinic (Ernie Gulley)	Melinda Burns	951-415-9920
June 3	Surf Fishing-OC Beach TBD	Larry Behm	949-235-4466
July 15-18	Hot Creek Ranch	John Williams	951-236-0862
July 16	Surf Fishing-OC Beach TBD	Larry Behm	949-235-4466
July 22-24	Golden Trout Hunting - Mulkey Meadows	Larry Behm	949-235-4466
August 6	Club Picnic		
August 12	Surf Fishing-OC Beach TBD	Larry Behm	949-235-4466
September 2-6	Bridgeport	Terry Roznos	562-322-4790
September 26-30	Loa, Utah	John Williams	951-236-0862
October 21-23	President's Outing/Kern River	Larry Behm	949-235-4466
November			
December			

Note: Contact Don Tayenaka with your Club Outing proposal, or for guidance on creating a Club Outing. Let's go fishing as a group!!!

#### **OUTINGS (Crowley Lake/Float Tube Clinic)**



Photo courtesy of Don Tayenaka

# Float Tube Fly Fishing on Lake Crowley with Ernie Gulley

When: May 14th, 2022

**Cost:** \$200 per person

**Location**: Lake Crowley

Minimum 4 Anglers and maximum of 8

#### FLOAT TUBE CLINICS – ERNIE GULLEY

This is an on the water clinic. Fishing out of a float tube in stillwater can be very intimidating, let me show you all of the ins and outs of being successful fishing from a float tube. I will teach you proper setup for your float tube before you even go into the water. How to properly set up and anchor your float tube or water craft to be successful in keeping your fly at the proper depths at all times. How to properly position your water craft depending on what food times you are trying to present. How to read the water conditions, structure, habitat weather! How to use different fly lines, floating, hover, clear intermediate and sinking lines and how to find the fish at each level of the water column.

To reserve your spot for this clinic, contact Melinda Burns (streamkeeper) at <a href="mel11755@pacbell.net">mel11755@pacbell.net</a> or text 951-415-9920. Remember this is limited to 8 anglers and Honey Burns and I are already 2 so there are only 6 openings left. Hope you can join us.

#### **OUTINGS (Hot Creek Ranch)**

# **HOT CREEK RANCH 2022**

**July 15-18** 



#### The cost of this trip this year is \$487.00 per person

Monies need to be to our Treasurer

Tom Sakai

By 6/1/2022

Send Check Made out to: FFCOC

P.O. Box 23005 Santa Ana, Ca. 92711-3005

Trip starts: Hot Creek Ranch July 15, 2022

Check in time is 4:00 P.M. Friday. NOT BEFORE!

Trip ends: July 18, 2022. You must be out of the cabin by <u>10:00 a.m.</u> and may fish the rest of the day.

You must be a club member to attend.

You will need a signed release form on file for this trip.

If you have previously attended a club outing and your form is on file you are set.

Check with our Membership Chairperson to see if it is on file. Thank you.

## **OUTINGS (Hot Creek Ranch)**

# You Must Be A Club Member To Attend

<u>Cabin</u>	<u>Persons</u>
1	Ron & Sabrina Gregg
2	Jim Moore
	Cheryl Moore
3	Don Tayenaka
	Gary Giuliano
4	Bri Buchko
	Karen Villancourt
	Marsha Watel
	Chris Nicosia
5	Don Bell
	John Williams
6	Scot Lewis
	Jim Edwards
	Andrew Sprowl
7	Joe Villa
	Debbie Blair/Villa
	Jacob Villa
	Julie Korak
8	George Peters
	Bill Sidenfaden
9	Ken Lindt
	Larry Roberts

#### Waiting List:

- 1 Dennis Richards
- 2 Bob? with Dale Fairchild
- 3 Joe Hernandez & daughter
- 4

#### **OUTINGS (Hot Creek Ranch)**

# **Food For BBQ:**

Steaks 26

Salad 2 bags

Dressing two bottles

Charcoal 1 bag

Lighter Fluid 1

Potatoes 26

Butter 1 tub

Sour Cream 1 tub

Garlic Bread 2 loaves

Canada Steak Shaker

Worchester Sauce 1 bottle

Aluminum Foil 1 roll

#### **OUTINGS**

#### **Golden Trout Hunting - Mulkey Meadows**

Horseshoe Meadows Trailhead July 22-24, 2022



Join me for a beautiful hike in the Golden Trout wilderness to hunt for fish.

Fishing the Cottonwood area is not about catching the biggest fish; 10" 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 tent sleeping for two nights at an elevation of about 10,000'. You will have to carrying your gear for 4 miles with only 70% of the oxygen you are used to! You will struggle with the elevation and pack weight if you don't prepare.

Your gear list is pretty easy. Because you have to carry everything, we keep it light and and simple. A light rod with standard dry flies and couple of nymphs is all you need. I love to use a 3 wt fiber-



glass rod in the high mountains. I can feel every wiggle of the fish on the line while I hide behind bushes or rocks and catch them more by feel than sight. These fish have a short season to eat, so they will usually hit at any reasonable fly, as long as they don't see you. It is truly hunting and stalking fish in these waters.

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#### **OUTINGS (Mulkey Meadows - Con't)**

We have 8 slots open still for this trip. Contact Larry Behm, 949-235-4466 or lbehm@iCloud.com to sign up.

#### **Itinerary:**

Friday 7/22, we will park cars and meet at the Horseshoe Meadows trailhead and spend the night camping to acclimate to the altitude.

Saturday, 7/23, we will hike in about 4 miles to Mulkey Meadows. With the altitude and terrain,

it should take about 3 hours of hiking to reach a suitable basecamp site. We will set camp and then hike to different streams for fishing opportunities.

Sunday, 7/24, we fish in the AM and hike back to cars in PM, then drive home.

You will have to camp overnight in bear country, and you will need to prepare your own food.

Costs: \$10 to help cover the permit fees

There are NO guides on this trip. We learn from each other. You are responsible for all of your own gear and protective clothing. There is no cell coverage in the area. I will carry a satellite communicator for emergencies.

We will try to ride share to reduce our carbon footprint while enjoying on the best areas of the Sierra.

Join me on a short trip to a wonderful place!



Mulkey Creek. Photo courtesy of Nativetroutaddict

#### **OUTINGS**

## **FFCOC Bridgeport Outing 2022**

September 2-6



**Dates:** September 2-6. Arrive on a Friday (9/2), and Depart on a Tuesday (9/6). Three full days of fishing the Bridgeport area (Saturday, Sunday, and Monday)! This is Labor Day Weekend, and we have lodging secured!!

**Waters:** There are numerous great fishing opportunities in the area; including stream fishing the East Walker River, West Walker River, Virginia Creek, Buckeye Creek, Robinson Creek, and more. Stillwater fishing on Bridgeport Reservoir, Kirman Lake, Lundy Lake, the Upper or Lower Twin Lakes, or on the Virginia Lakes. Private waters are also available for a fee (Sceirine Ranch, Nevada).

**Two Rooms Remaining!** 

#### **OUTINGS (Bridgeport - Con't)**

**Fishing:** Independent fishing. Members disperse to their desired fishing locations in the morning (as singles, or buddy up). Guided fishing is also available; Ken's Sporting Goods in Bridgeport has a list of recommended local guides for hire to put you on fish! Then after a day's fishing, the group will rendezvous at the evening campfire at our host Lodge to discuss the day's fishing, and plans for the next day.

**Lodging:** Willow Springs Motel and RV Park (<u>Willow Springs Resort – Bridgeport, California – Come Play and Stay in Bridgeport, California</u>), approximately 5 miles south of Bridgeport off Hwy 395, is our home base for the outing. Standard single rooms (queen bed), Kitchenette rooms (one queen and one double bed) for those who wish to buddy up and share a room, and 30A full hook-up RV sites are available for your lodging choices.



Standard Single Rooms are \$130/night. The Standard Room includes: One queen bed, Private Bathroom, Wifi and Satellite TV, Heating and Air Conditioning, Mini refrigerator, Microwave, and Coffee maker.



Kitchenette Rooms are \$180/night. Kitchenette Rooms include: One queen bed, One double bed, Private Bathroom, Wifi and Satellite TV, Heating and Air Conditioning, Coffee maker and Toaster, Microwave, Mini refrigerator, Stove top range, and Silverware/dinnerware/cookware.



RV sites are \$50/night. RV Sites have Full Hook Ups; 30A Electrical, Water, and Sewer connections.

A Block Room reservation has been made by your Streamkeeper; 2 Standard Rooms and 2 Kitchenettes; **two rooms are now booked, with two currently available**. Please contact your Streamkeeper for room availability and assignment. RV site reservations are made by using the Online Booking System at the Willow Springs Resort link provided above.

Remember, this is a Labor Day Weekend event, and as such, all rooms and RV sites are expected to fill up. Reserve early to secure your spot!

**Responsibilities:** Outing attendees are responsible for transportation, lodging and meals. Lodging fees are paid to the Club. First night deposit shall be paid at time of reservation, with the remaining balance due 60 days prior to the outing (21 day cancellation notice for full refund). RV sites require payment in full at time of reservation (21 day cancellation notice also applies). Convenient dining (breakfast, lunch or dinner) is available across the street at Virginia Creek Settlement (this is a gem of a restaurant), or in town. Bring your favorite trout fishing gear!

## **OUTINGS (Bridgeport - Con't)**

Sounds like an Outing for you? Please contact your Streamkeeper with your questions, or with your reservation request. Thank you!!!

#### **Streamkeeper Contact Info:**

Terry Roznos (562) 322-4790 (cell)

taroznos@verizon.net













#### **OUTINGS**

# Fly Fishing Southern Utah

September 26-30, 2022

Stream Keeper John Williams 951-236-0862









The area of Southern Utah we are going has four mountains that surround it and has numerous lakes and streams.

I have fished the area in the spring, summer, and fall; I have found the most productive time is in the fall

#### Where We Are Going:

**Loa Utah** Home of 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.

#### **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.

#### 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

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#### **OUTINGS (Loa, UT - Con't)**

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 (435) 491-0426 as a wonderful place with individual cabins that can sleep two and are very reasonably priced, **Bruce & Dana Chappell** are the owners. 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. 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. I recommend you book you're lodging early, as lodging will be harder to fine closer to the trip dates. Many travelers hit the road after school is in session and before winter.

#### **Physical Demands:**

Where we are lodging at 6500' to 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 and a sinking line, 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 unforgiving.

**Terminal Tackle**, I use a 9 foot 5x leader and have along 2,3,4,5,6x 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.

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#### **OUTINGS (Loa, UT - Con't)**

#### **Transportation:**

From L.A. Southern California is a 9 1/2-hour drive including gas stops and a lunch stop to Loa, Utah. Sharing a ride is more fun to get to know you 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. Salt Lake City is approximately 3 hours away from Loa 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:**

A deposit of \$200 Non Refundable is sent to John Williams 19429 Kamden Court, Sedro Woolley Washington 98284 to hold your spot then forwarded to the guide. The total cost of the trip is \$1,125 for five days of guiding. The staff of the Quiet Fly Fisher of Loa Utah will guide us.

#### **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.

#### **OUTINGS (Loa, UT - Con't)**

#### **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 store Monday through Saturday, closed Sunday. Yearly licenses last from the date you purchase them for a complete calendar year.

## **Emergency Services:**

Bicknell near Lyman has a clinic available for minor emergencies.

John Williams Cell 951-236-0862 Streamkeeper

#### **OUTINGS**

#### **President's Outing 2022**



Dates: October 21 - 23

**Location: Kern River** 

Sequoia Lodge (Kernville)

Reservations are NOW being accepted!!

This outing is a social outing for anyone interested in catching up with friends and maybe catching a Kern River Rainbow. Bring your shareable dish for Saturday dinner.

We have blocked rooms at Sequoia Lodge, 16123 Sierra Way, Kernville, CA 93238. This is the same place we have stayed for years. Website: <u>Sequoia Lodge (sequoialodgekernville.com)</u>

The rooms are being <u>held</u> for us until <u>Saturday, May 7</u>. Contact me directly with your room preference: <u>President@FFCOC.org</u>. After May 7, we will release any open rooms and you have to fend for yourself. October is a hard month for rooms in Kernville with Beer festivals, car rally and weddings taking most of the rooms in town.

There are 14 rooms available:

- 4 rooms Single King bed w/ kitchenette -\$145/night plus tax (6%)
- 4 rooms Single Queen bed \$135/night plus tax
- 6 rooms Double Queen bed \$149/night plus tax.

The block is reserved for Check-in on Friday, 10/21 and check-out on Sunday 10/23.

You will need to pay the first night now for deposit and the second night at check-in.

See the map on the website for room locations at the lodge.

#### Food:

We will organize pizza for Friday night and hold our annual pot-luck dinner on Saturday night. You are responsible for the remainder of the meals.

#### Fishing:

I encourage you to book a guide with Kern River Fly Shop early.

We will organize some groups for Saturday fishing to various locations on the river.

Larry, 949-235-4466

#### **Southwest Council FFI- News & Events**



#### What is Fly Buy?

Part fishing tackle garage sale, part fly-fishing carnival and all fun.

#### **INFORMATION:**

- Fly Buy (swcffi.org)
- When: May 21, 2022
- Time: 9:00 am 5:00 pm (Garage Sale open for business at 10 am)
- Where: Long Beach Casting Club 5201 E 7th St, Long Beach, CA 90804

#### **TICKETS/ADMISSION:**

- ADULTS: \$20.00. Includes lunch & drink.
- UNDER 16 and VETS: \$10.00. Includes lunch & drink.
- NEW TO FLY FISHING: \$15.00. Includes lunch and a FREE fly casting lesson to get you started.
- BRING/DONATE a new or lightly used item of \$40.00 retail value and get in FREE!

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#### **Southwest Council FFI- News & Events**



#### **ACTIVITIES:**

- Fly Tying Demonstrations all day. FREE FLY TYING FOR CHILDREN.
- Raffles
- Silent Auctions
- Flies for Sale
- Used-Equipment Sale
- Casting Lessons and Games
- Vendors
- Women and Youth Activities
- THE LARGEST FLY FISHING GARAGE SALE ON THE WEST COAST!

#### NEW! NEW! PRE-PAY + BE GUARANTEED A SPECIAL LUNCH!



Join us at FlyBuy and your admission includes lunch from The Taco Guy Catering! These are some of the best around and he needs a count for the event. To **guarantee** you get lunch, please use link below to pay for your admission **NO LATER THAN MAY 07** and your ticket will be waiting at Will Call at the event.

Prepay your admission here: Fly Buy (swcffi.org)



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#### **Southwest Council FFI- News & Events**

## News Flash: Just Added!!



FLYBUY is delighted to feature a casting demonstration by renowned UK angler and Commonwealth Casting Champion Charles Jardine. Charles is a fixture at Game Fairs and trade shows around the world and his often hilarious and insightful approach to casting will entertain and educate. Check your schedule for exact times and location on the pond at LBCC.



#### Flies That Keep On Giving!

Your Fly Guy, John Williams, is on an Italian vacation this month; you'll have to wait until June for your next monthly Fly Tying exercise. Your Newsletter Editorial Staff has "lifted" the following article from the last Southwest Council newsletter. Enjoy the read...

# BASIC ENTOMOLOGY FOR FLY FISHERS AND HOW THIS RELATES TO FLY PATTERNS

Joe Radocchio | Southwest Council of Fly Fishers Education Director

Trout are basically predators and like most predators are constantly on the lookout for food. The primary food source for trout is aquatic insects that can be placed into four basic categories.

These four prime categories are: Mayflies, Caddis Flies, Stone Flies, and Midges. In addition to these prime categories, there are additional categories that are important depending on certain conditions. There are land-based insects such as beetles, ants, grasshoppers and aquatic worms, Sow Bugs, and leeches that at times can be very appealing to the trout if they are present in the water. The fly-fisher should have a basic understanding of these insects and their life cycle so that when on the water they can make an informed decision on which fly they need to select for the present situation. In addition to the aquatic insects identified here, trout will feed on smaller bait fish including trout. As the old saying goes, big fish eats little fish.

In order to keep this article relatively short I will concentrate on just the four prime insects, Mayflies, Caddis Flies, Stoneflies, and Midges. The life cycles for these insects are similar but not identical. In general, they all start as fertilized eggs, the eggs hatch to form the nymph, and then to an adult. Caddis and Midges go from egg to larvae to pupa and then to adult. Mayflies on the other hand have two adult stages, the Dun and the Spinner stage.

All these insects start off as fertilized eggs on the stream or lakebed. Once they have hatched and become either nymphs or larvae, they will spend 95-99% of their lives under water. The length of time that each species spends in the water is different, Midges can be just a few months, Caddis and Mayflies approximately one year and Stoneflies as long as three years. Eventually each of these species will begin the transition to the adult stage which entails leaving the stream or lakebed and moving up through the water column to the surface.



The Stone Fly nymph does not swim up to the surface but instead crawls out of the water onto rocks, logs, or vegetation along the riverbanks. The adult stage for these insects will last for a very short period as compared to their overall life cycle, typically for several hours to maybe a few days.

During this final stage the adults' mate, the females return to the river or lake to lay the fertilized eggs and then the adults die. The figure (left) is a graphic depicting the Mayflies life cycle in a diagram.

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#### Flies That Keep On Giving (Con't)!

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So, why is all this talk about insects and their life cycle important to the fly fisher? I started out saying that trout are predators when it comes to feeding, which translates to the fact that they will consume their prey whenever they have an opportunity. Trout will feed on nymphs and larvae on the stream bed, on nymphs and pupa as they move up to the surface of the water, adults that are on the surface, adults returning to the water to lay their eggs, and nymphs/pupa that are caught in the waters surface film as they try to escape their shuck. Over these many decades fly tyers have studied these different insects and their life cycle and have developed fly patterns that attempt to emulate each of these insects at each stage of their life.

Walk into any fly-fishing shop and you will encounter rows and rows of containers holding numerous fly patterns in various sizes. These flies can be placed into the following basic categories, dry flies, nymphs, and streamers. For the purpose of this article, I will include some fly patterns that are not nymphs but instead represent midge larvae and caddis larvae/pupa. Dry flies will include some patterns that can be utilized to represent an emerger in addition to adults that are on the surface of the water. Streamers represent these smaller bait fish that the larger trout will go after if the opportunity presents itself.

#### THE FOLLOWING PHOTOS SHOW FLY PATTERNS THAT REPRESENT NYMPHS AND MIDGE LARVAE.



The Pheasant Tail Nymph is an excellent representation for Mayfly Nymphs, the Zebra Midge, as its name implies, is great for Midge Larvae, while the Stone Fly Nymph can be used to represent a Stone Fly.

Next let us look at some patterns that represent adult insects and what we refer to as emerger patterns, insects that might be caught in the water's surface film as they attempt to transition to the adult stage.

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#### Flies That Keep On Giving (Con't)!

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The Adams pattern can be utilized for several different Mayflies while the Parachute Adams can be used to represent Mayfly Emergers. The Elk Hair Caddis is a good pattern for the adult Caddis while the Sparkle Wing Caddis would be used to represent Caddis Emergers.



Finally, there are fly patterns that are used to imitate bait fish. These two patterns are very popular when fishing streamer in almost any river holding trout.



Muddler Minnow



**Wooly Bugger** 

There are hundreds of different fly patterns that represent some form of a food source for trout. The person that is interested in fly fishing can be overwhelmed by the sheer number of fly patterns that are available in any fly shop. Understanding what insects are present in a particular watershed and observing insect activity on the water will help a new fly fisher to narrow down what fly or flies would work best in that situation. There is a lot more to this issue of observing what is happening on the water and relating that to a fly pattern that will help you catch fish.

This article is intended to give the new fly fisher a brief understanding of why the fly patterns have been developed to emulate the trout's food sources including the different phases of their life cycle.

#### **FFCOC Leadership**

**1st Vice President** 

Open

Terry Roznos

Tom Niedzialek

#### 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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#### **Visit our Local Shops**



#### **Bob Marriott's Fly Fishing Store**

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Phone: (714) 525-1827

www.bobmarriottsflyfishingstore.com



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