

ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY
OVER 50 YEARS OF SERVING OUR MEMBERS!



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Please see your newsletter for all the latest Club Events!

Just Announced: Surf Fishing (6/3), Another FFCOC Public Casting Challenge (7/9), Women's California Salt Water Fly Fishing (7/16), On The River Training (2022 Dates).

Read About these Completed Club Events: Single and Double Haul Casting Practice, Lake Crowley Float Tube Clinic.

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

Everyone seems to be in full swing with fishing trips. Please be sure to send your stories and photos to Janna Roznos and tell us about it at the next meeting.

Our speakers this year offer quite a range of topics, geography and techniques. They have all been very good and are a great way to improve your fishing skill. Be sure to put our June 8th

meeting on your calendar. We have scheduled our meetings at 7pm to allow most people to avoid the worst of rush hour, so give the new venue a try.

Keep a watch on the website for new classes and clinics. There will be another fun casting challenge day in July. My recent fishing trip went much better because I had just been out at our last challenge. Ken's course highlighted a few deficiencies in my casting repertoire. I practiced those areas and was much happier on the water when the weather turned bad in the middle of a great hatch.

Are you trying to improve your fishing skills? I ran across this article at Hatch Magazine and thought it was worth sharing.

<https://www.hatchmag.com/articles/12-keys-becoming-great-fly-angler/7715490>

Be sure to check the club calendar for upcoming events, outings and meetings. I look forward to seeing you at one of these events or on the water.

Larry Behm - 949.235.4466



The next FFCOC Board Meeting is Thursday, June 16 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). Come and join us!!

“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!

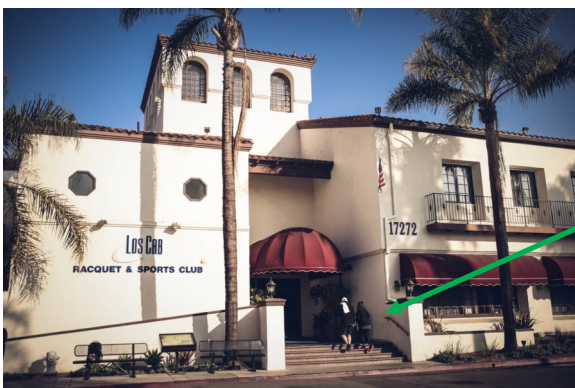
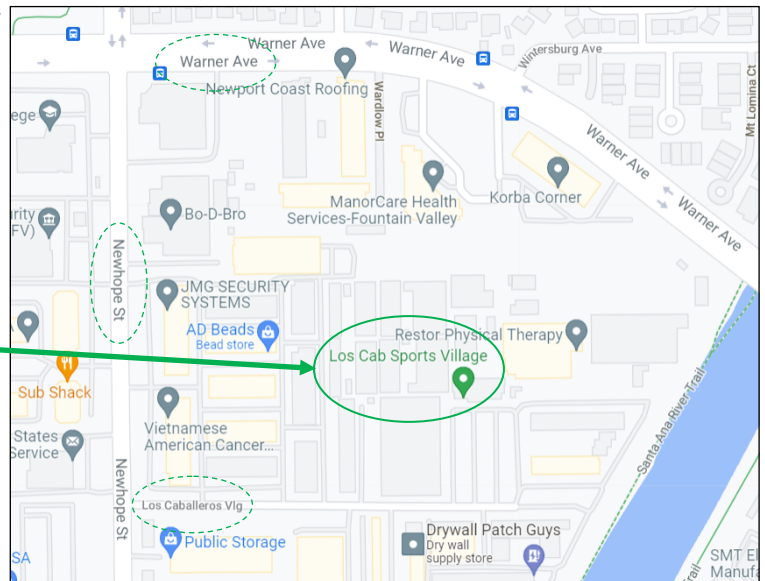
Meeting Fee: \$10.

Los Cab Sports Village:

South of Warner Ave.

Enter Los Caballeros Vlg 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 Sticher	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	AI Q	A Saltwater Check List	10/12/22
November	Beckie Clarke	Colorado River Fishing	11/09/22
December	TBA		12/14/22

This Month's Speaker

Our Guest Speaker- Wednesday, June 8



FLY FISHING IN LOCAL SALTWATERS with Michael Schweit

After presentations on Yellowstone and the UK, our June 2022 speaker brings us much closer to home. If you're tired of long drives to the Sierra or Kernville, the Pacific Ocean might become your next fly rod destination. The Channel Islands and Catalina abound with calico bass, yellowtail, white sea bass and barracuda and are a short boat ride from Oxnard or the South Bay. If you haven't seen the backing on your fly reel lately, this could be the program for you.

Our presenter, Michael Schweit, known to many of you as a Past President of the Southwest Council of FFI, has been fly fishing these waters for 30 plus years. His local charters have been a training ground for trout fishermen eager to expand their species portfolio. His program will cover the gear you will need, the clothing, footwear and even a guide to avoiding sea sickness.

Born in the San Fernando Valley, Michael's angling career began early: "I started fishing with my father at around the age of 6. As he was somewhat frugal (cheap), we would go to what we now call "Pay-to-Play" venues like Sportsmen Lodge (right on Ventura Boulevard in the heart of the San Fernando Valley) and as they charged you for any fish you caught, he would crimp our barbs. We said "Oops" a lot to the fish manager when fish got off our line.

After the draw of those first tugs, I got my dad to teach me how to cast and soon after, we were off to the Kern River. I caught my first river trout there and promptly "released" him into the water in my attempt to place him on the stringer. Catch and release from the start.

As Michael has shared, "My father, and later my mother, loved saltwater fishing and once I was old enough, I started fishing the barges that used to be anchored off our coast. From there, I graduated to half day boats, then full day and finally multi-day trips out of San Diego. I caught my first albacore at 12 and never looked back."

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This Month's Speaker (Con't)

He learned to fly fish from Neal Taylor who ran a teaching program at UCLA, paid his dues catching trout on the Owens and Hot Creek and joined Sierra Pacific Fly Fishers. At a meeting, he asked visiting speaker Lefty Kreh if you could catch albacore on the fly.

When Lefty told him "You can catch ANYTHING on a fly," new horizons opened. In 2011 he set the IGFA world record for a fly caught white sea bass and has landed albacore, yellowfin and dorado on the charters he runs out of San Diego and Oxnard. A dedicated adventurer, Michael has tested his saltwater skills in Baja, Ascension Bay, Xcalak and the Bahamas. His preference for DIY (unguided) flats fishing has sharpened his stalking and casting skills. Well known for what his friends call his "fly angelism," Michael organizes special events for the Southwest Council and is devoted to introducing newcomers to the sport.

Michael Schweit is a charter master out of Channel Islands Sportfishing. That means he hosts trips throughout the seasons and while these trips are mostly for conventional gear anglers, Michael will show you opportunities to use a fly rod on any boat. His current world record of a white seabass, taken on 8 lbs. tippet, was on just such a trip and he will show you techniques that can be used on fly rod only trips too.

If you would like to be "on his list" for the many charters that Michael books throughout the year, please contact him at:

Michael Schweit

Email: msangler@earthlink.net

Home: 818.757.3474 Cell/Text: 818.601.9702



Club News

Membership

Please Welcome Our Newest Members!

April

Matt Spencer (Lake Forest)

Michael Shimokaji (Rancho Santa Margarita)

Art Garza (Chino Hills)

James Wilcox (La Habra)

Garrett Woodward (Costa Mesa)

Tim Linden (Newport Beach)

May

George Martinez (Whittier)

DO YOU KNOW ANY WOMEN ????

Would they like to learn to fly fish, or get together with other women fly fishers?

We are looking for new members and encourage all women to join! Your wives, daughters, daughter in laws, grand daughters, neighbors and friends! We have a great speaker in July, Heather Hodson, Founder of *United Women on the Fly*. We are also arranging a ***Women's Introduction to California Salt Water Fly Fishing*** event with Frank Selby on July 16. See your Newsletter Club Events section for details.

Thank you from your Membership Director, Cherie Dalton, at membership@ffcoc.org!!

Auction Donations

We are looking for any donations you have for the fall auction. The Club can use any items of value. Can you donate a bottle of wine (or a case), an unused rod, extra waist pack or other useful items? 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. larry.Behm@cox.net or 949-235-4466.

Newsletter

Newsletter inputs for the next (July) edition are due to the Editor by **Sunday, June 26**, 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 jkroznos@verizon.net or jkroznos@gmail.com
Thank you!! ...Editor

Club News - Upcoming Events

Surf Fishing

When: Friday, June 3rd

Time: 6:00am

Location: Talbert Channel
Southern End of Huntington State Beach
21601 Pacific Coast Hwy
Huntington Beach, CA
(GPS 33.63317, -117.96150)



Join other club members for a morning of chasing the "Ghost of the Coast". The Corbina should be starting to show. If you arrive early, you will be able to scout the shore structure before the water moves back in off the low tide.

This will be a great time to fine tune the double haul after your casting session a few weeks ago!



Club News - Upcoming Events

Public Casting Challenge Outreach Back By Popular Demand!!



A repeat of the Casting Challenge event is planned for on July 9; a day of fun and casting skill building for our members and the public as well. A FREE event!!

This is a great event to hone your skills as some of these casting games you will see again at our Club Picnic in August. Get a leg up on your fellow picnic competitors for those fabulous prizes to be awarded! But more importantly, make that pinpoint cast at your next fishing outing and catch that monster you've been watching!

Once again, our event coordinator is Ken Lindt.

Date, Time and Location are currently tentative.
Watch for further details and confirmation.

When: Saturday, July 9th

Time: 9:00am to 10:30am

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

Please bring your own rod and reel. Club rods will be available for those without.

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



Club News - Upcoming Events

California Salt Water Fly Fishing An Introduction for Women Fly Fishers

FREE Women's Introduction to California Salt Water Fly Fishing

Instruction from Frank Selby of His and Her Fly Fishing Shop (Newport Beach).



When: Saturday, July 16th

Time: 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm

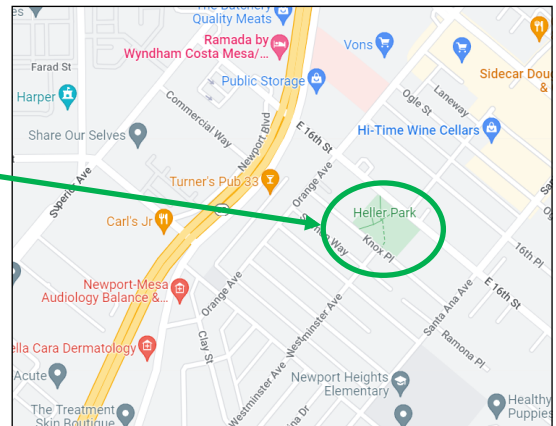
Location: Heller Park
257 E 16th St, Costa Mesa

Contact: Cherie Dalton
membership@ffcoc.org

Meet at the center of the park. Look for the Fly Fishing Banner.

Bring your folding chair and a rod if you have one.

All levels of expertise are welcome, this is a **FREE** event for the public and members of FFCOC!



Rod Building Class

You have only a few weeks left to sign up for the class to build a fly rod. **June 25** is the last day to sign up. I have to order parts by then to ensure delivery in time for the class.

Why would you want to learn how to build a rod? The process of building will teach you what to look for in a quality rod, it will educate you for all future rod purchases. It is also fun and not very hard to build a rod if you enjoy handiwork. There is a lot of mystic around rod building, but it is straightforward and the process that Rich Fanning wrote up produces great results.

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 \(clubexpress.com\)](http://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:

Classes will be held at Matt Conrad's offices at 23161 Lake Center Dr, Lake Forest, CA 92630. He has graciously offered a beautiful conference room where we will be able to work together to build your rod.

Cost:

Less than \$120 total. Price to be finalized at the time of rod kit order.

A down payment of \$30 is required to hold your place. Final payment will be in July.

Rod Kit:

We will build a 7 ½' 3 wt rod. This rod will be a great small stream rod or practice rod. It will take three Saturday mornings and few hours at home to complete. The Club has lots of loaner gear, so you only need to buy the rod parts and consumables.

Questions:

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

Sign up today! Time is running out!!



FREE FLY FISHING CLASSES

ON THE RIVER CLASSES AND CLINIC 2022

AKA FLY FISHING 101



Save the dates:

Classroom Sessions:

Saturday Oct. 1st - 8:30am -12:00 noon

Saturday Oct. 8th - 8:30am -12:00 noon

Location to be determined

On-The River Clinic:

Saturday Nov. 5th

Sunday Nov. 6th

The Fly Fishing Club of Orange County's (FFCOC's) On The River Classes and Clinic program is a perfect way for new, and less-experienced, fly fishers to learn the art of fly fishing. The program which is open to Club Members introduces participants to the fundamentals of fly fishing

including the equipment, techniques and science of catching fish. The program is a great introduction to a sport you can enjoy for the rest of your life.

Joe Libeu, a member of the FFCOC, is a Fly Fishers International Certified Master Caster Instructor and professional guide. He developed and instructs Advanced Nymphing Clinics on the Owens River. Several experienced club members assist Joe providing hands-on training during the on the river clinic.

The program includes everything needed to plan and prepare for a successful fly-fishing trip. Classroom training subjects include equipment, insect life cycles and how flies imitate them, how trout behave, clues as to what fish eat, stream care and etiquette, reading the water, nymph rigging and much more.



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The on the river clinic is held on the Lower Owens River near Bishop. Many of the items discussed in the classroom setting are covered in the field. In addition, the on the river clinic includes reading the stream, entomology, casting, mending, setting depth of flies using indicators, and numerous demonstrations. The program includes fishing one-on-one with one of the more experienced club members.

The On The River Classes and Clinic program is focused on helping new FFCOC members learn the basics of fly fishing and will be in follow up to our annual *Casting Clinic* scheduled for Saturday September 24th. Participation in the On The River Classes and Clinic program is limited. New Club Members and those who sign up at the September *Casting Clinic* will be given preference. Other club members are welcome to participate if space allows.

Remember, the On The River Classes and Clinic program is only open to FFCOC members. If you are not a club member you can join at our web site www.ffcoc.org or contact Cherie Dalton, the Club's Membership Chair at membership@ffcoc.org

REGISTRATION

Registration will open in the August timeframe. The date registration is scheduled to open will be announced in the Club Newsletter and on the website.

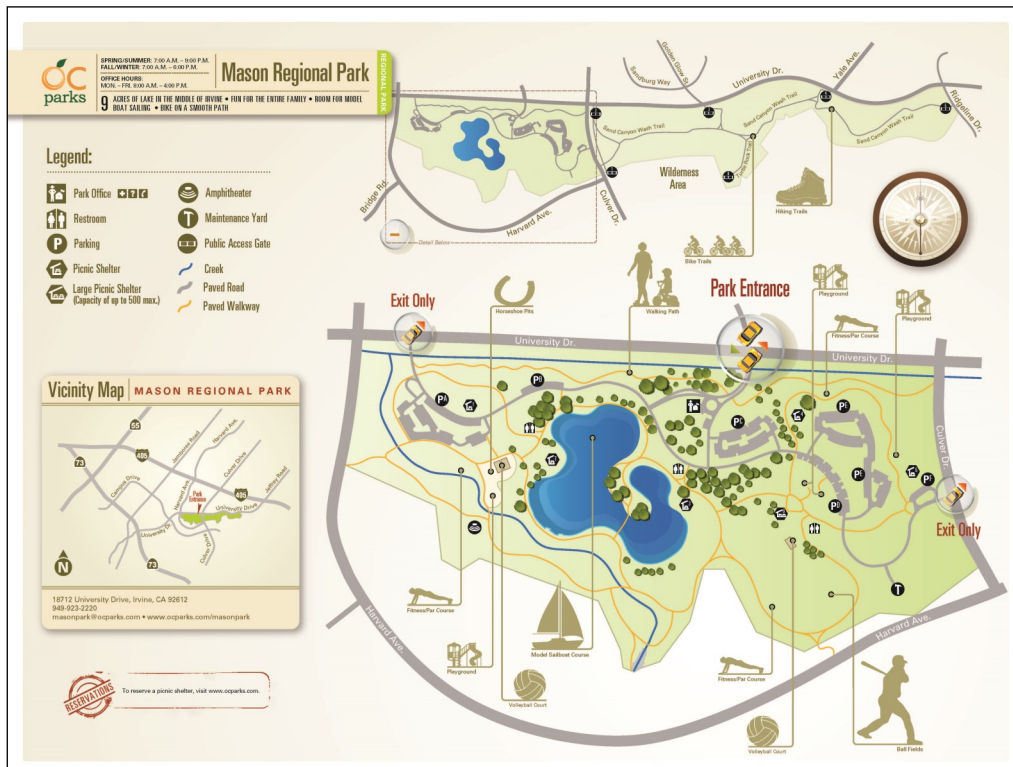
If you would like information regarding the September Casting Clinic, which is open to the public, you should contact Ken Lindt at castingclinic@ffcoc.org

CLUB VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are an accomplished fly fisher and know the Lower Owens River, you would be a great candidate to work with Joe and provide instruction at the On The River Classes and Clinic program. Please contact Doug Jones if you can help. We will need eight to ten members to help with the training.

Single Haul and Double Haul Casting Practice

On Saturday, May 14, Scott Broome hosted a free casting practice at William R. Mason Regional Park in Irvine. The focus of the practice was to learn the single haul, the double haul, and the use of sinking lines in preparation for the surf fishing season!



Lake Crowley Float Tube Clinic With Ernie Gulley

On Saturday May 14, five daring young Fly Fisherman met with Guide Ernie Gulley to learn the secrets of Fly Fishing on Lake Crowley from a float tube. We started at 7 am and met at the all to famous little green church to caravan to McGee Bay, where we would be fishing in the morning.



Ernie started us off by asking all of us to hand him our rod with no leader on. While he was setting up our rods with his secret leader we geared up in our waders and prepared our float tubes to do some fishing. Once we were ready to hit the water, Ernie spoke to us on why we were fishing in this particular location. He also provided us with a secret book on how to fly fish from a float tube on Lake Crowley. These are secrets on how to be successful. But only those who take his clinic are privy to this information.



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He then discussed with us, how the leader was setup, what flies we would be using and why. This is all in our secret guidebook he provided to us. Something, you all don't have because you didn't participate... This little guidebook provides information on the aquatic insects that are present in Lake Crowley and at what times of the year. There is a list of the proper equipment that is needed to be successful on Lake Crowley. He explained the differences in the line setup and why one way might be more successful than another. There are oodles of diagrams displaying how each type of setup looks under the water, that is what the fish will probable seeing. Boy did you all, miss out.....

Ernie showed us how to check our depth, so we would be fishing at the correct level where the fish would be. Again, another secret tip.... After all this information was shared with us, we were off to catch some fish. We all jumped into our float tubes and paddled out to where the boats were.



We then started utilizing the techniques Ernie had just taught us. We struggled a little at first, but he came around to each of us and checked to see if we set are depths correctly. Most of the time we were a little off, but when he corrected us, we were on. Steve Holloway was the first to bring in a fish, and shortly after that we all had at least hooked a fish and almost brought them in. I lost a couple just as I got them to my float tube, but I saw them.

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All in all, it was a great learning experience and I feel confident the next time I am out on a float tube on Crowley, I will have better success.



Thanks to:

Ernie Gulley Guide Service

<http://www.erniegulley.com>

erniegulleyflyfishing@aol.com

909-953-1770

Streamkeepers; Melinda and John Burns

Report on Opening Week in the Sierras

Paul Nakamura from FFCOC and I usually troll Crowley in a rental boat on Sat. and Sun., but this year Paul forgot to reserve it. So I started on the Upper Owens between Benton Crossing bridge and the lake. It was completely unfishable for flies, lures or bait. The water was low, warm and so full of algae one couldn't fish. I went way upstream, above the Hot Creek inflow and found clean, cold water, but few fish. No spawners evident. I caught four small wild fish on Panther Martins.

The people who fished Crowley in boats did well in the A.M., but were blown off by noon. Andrew Sprowl, also of FFCOC tried to fish the East Walker, but it was much too low. He then went to the East Carson and it was much too high. No one fished on Sunday as it was impossible to fish due to wind.

Monday Paul and I midged with Ernie Gully and only got eight fish before we were blown off by 1pm. Tue. was much better fishing and weatherwise. We caught thirty four. Paul and I each got a 22" Cutty and I got a 21" Rainbow. All fish were caught shallow at Stormy Flats.

Weds. and Thurs. we finally trolled Crowley in decent weather and caught enough to smoke. Needlefish and Tasmanian Devils were the lures of choice. While we were trolling my guide friend Evan Hillard float tubbed Whisky Bay and caught nearly fifty fish in two days. Friday was blown out so Paul went home.

Sat. Jarret Cooms of Sierra Mountain Trout presented a Euro Nymphing clinic to myself and six other members of Sespe Flyfishers on the Upper Owens at the exact spot I had fished the week before. He did a great job in 30 knot winds teaching us all the in and outs. We then fished for a couple of hours for not much. But, in a mere weeks time some Cutthroats had traveled the six or seven miles up from Crowley to start spawning. We just couldn't catch them.

Andrew fished Hot Creek Ranch that second weekend and did OK on dry droppers. They were allowing nymphing because of the low water. All in all; too much wind and not enough fish.

Fish Tale By: Eric Kramer

Photos (Next Page) Courtesy of:

Ernie Gulley Guide Service

<http://www.erniegulley.com>

erniegulleyflyfishing@aol.com

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Club News - Fish Tales (Kramer - Con't)



More Opening Week Reports

East Walker 4/30

I hit the East Walker for the trout opener. I fished the miracle mile, Rosachi, and the Elbow. The flows were too low and there were no real holding spots for larger size trout. I caught one mountain fish and some goldfish size trout that were half the size of the fly I was fishing. I fished with some good fisherman, and it was the same story all around. I don't think the change in the fishing regulations helped this river or the lack of water.

Truckee River 5/2 & 5/4

I fished the Truckee River on 5/2 & 5/4 by myself. I focused my efforts on the waters below the town of Truckee, above and below the San Francisco Fly Fishing Clubs private waters. Heavy winds really made things difficult, I broke the tip on my favorite rod before I even got on the water. I managed a fisty mountain fish fairly quickly on my backup stick, the next fish broke off right at the take which I chalked up to a bad knot. I almost got fish three in the net, but he slipped into the fast stuff and broke me off and that was day one of fishing the Truckee. When I was packing it in, I saw a guide with a husband-and-wife trip so I asked him if he was using 5x because I had just lost my fish on 6x. The guide told me they were using 4x but they didn't have any hookups, so I guess we each learned a little something from our conversation. On my last day, I hiked into the "Grand Canyon" section and got into some nice rainbows. The Truckee is the only outlet for the clean cold Lake Tahoe water and has 88-miles of fishable water with good access. I fished it one day last year this same of year and had a nice brown trout while it was snowing out. There is a lot of water so the fish are spread out and you have to work for them, but I've never caught a bad fish on the Truckee.

Hot Creek Ranch May 6-9th

The wind was still blowing like it had been all week and no hatches were coming off, so Kevin let us fish nymphs. I was looking forward to throwing some dries but nymphing did offer the opportunity to get at some of those hogs in the deeper holes. I almost felt a little guilt breaking out the euro stick but I grabbed my two biggest fish at the Ranch on back-to-back holes. I even got a surprise visit from Kramer who was out fishing the public section. Great place if you're lucky enough to get a reservation.

Fish Tales By: Andrew Sprowl

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Hot Creek Ranch:



Truckee River:



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Club News - Fish Tales (Sprowl)

Truckee Grand Canyon:



Italy

My wife and I spent a month in Italy visiting my son and his family. I asked my son to ask his Italian friends if they knew of any fly-fishing in his area, which is two and one half hours east of Rome. Finally, we were contacted by a guide in Pescara, the largest fly shop in the south of Italy. I booked one day not knowing what the fishing would bring; I wish I had booked three days. I was able to hook 11 and land 6 Brown and Rainbows, Lost a few by either by breaking off or the hook straightening I was very happy. We fished dry and Nymphs May fly Emergers, Beetles and San Juan Worms. The fish ranged in size from 14-20". I will be back next year to fish the Abrusso Italy area again and hook up with such an exceptional guide Alessio Giucioni.

Fish Tale By: John Williams



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Kauai

Hi Janna! Our family just took our first post-pandemic vacation to Kauai and I got out on the flats with guide Jordan Willer from [Fly Fish Kauai - Saltwater Fly Fishing, Bonefish](#) to fish for bonefish. It was my first time for bonefish and I learned a ton: how to carry line and be ready to cast, saltwater fishing without a stripping basket, my double-haul, you name it. Didn't land a bonefish but did catch one Stocky Hawkfish (pic from online-not mine). Was fishing with an 8 weight. It was a fantastic day. We were on the north shore fishing the flats to the west of Anini Beach. Gorgeous location, highly recommended. Hope to see everyone at a meeting soon. Best, Andy Gottlieb



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 (Hot Creek Ranch)

HOT CREEK RANCH 2022

July 15-18



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

ALL PAYMENTS ARE DUE BY JUNE 1. CHECKS AFTER JUNE 1 WILL NOT BE HONORED UNLESS RECEIVED AT THE CLUB POST OFFICE BOX BY JULY 1. PAYMENTS AFTER JULY 1 WILL HAVE TO BE MADE BY CREDIT CARD ON THE CLUB WEBSITE OR VIA PAYPAL (treasurer@ffcoc.org) WITH A CHARGE OF \$505 PER PERSON (extra charge to reimburse for credit card fees).

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 10:00 a.m. 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

Worcester 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 fiberglass 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).

Check with Streamkeeper for Availability

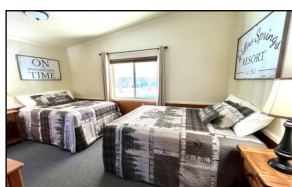
OUTINGS (Bridgeport - Con't)

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 ([Willow Springs Resort – Bridgeport, California – Come Play and Stay in Bridgeport, California](#)), 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; **all rooms are tentatively reserved**. Please contact your Streamkeeper for **latest** 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!

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OUTINGS (Bridgeport - Con't)

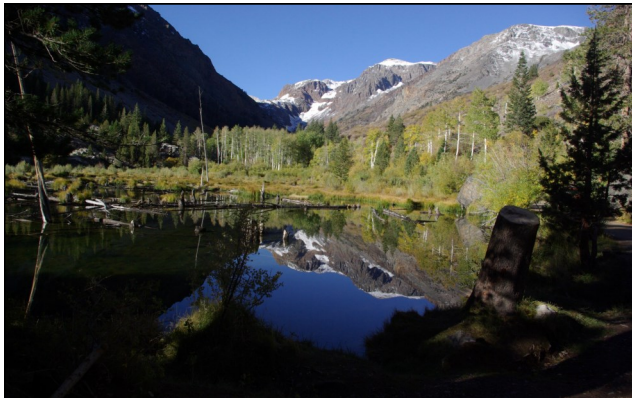
Sounds like an Outing for you? Please contact your Streamkeeper with your questions, or with your reservation request. Thank you!!!

Streamkeeper Contact Info:

Terry Roznos

(562) 322-4790 (cell)

taronos@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 find 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 your friend or partner better and listen to each other's experiences along the way. When in Loa the guides provide the transportation to and from the day's 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 dining locations close on Sunday, it is best to call ahead or ask your 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.

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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!!
Only 5 Rooms Left!**

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 all 14 rooms at Sequoia Lodge, 16123 Sierra Way, Kernville, CA 93238. This is the same place we have stayed for years. Website: [Sequoia Lodge \(sequoialodgekernville.com\)](http://Sequoia Lodge (sequoialodgekernville.com))

Only 5 Rooms Left!! Sign up now if you want to stay at the center of things at Sequoia Lodge! Contact me directly with your room preference and to reserve a room: LBehm@iCloud.com

Sequoia Lodge Rooms Types and Pricing:

- Single Queen bed - \$135/night plus tax.
- Single King bed - \$145/night plus tax.
- 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

Ocean Fly Fishing Trips - Michael Schweit

CHANNEL ISLAND & SAN DIEGO FLY FISHING CHARTERS | 2022



WANT TO CATCH SOME NEW SPECIES? SEE A NEW PART OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA?

COME JOIN US ON A FLY-ONLY ONE-DAY SALTWATER TRIP OUT OF OXNARD AND FISH THE CHANNEL ISLANDS.

The islands get less angling pressure, and the fishing CAN be off the charts. We will be fishing for California Kelp Bass (calico bass), yellowtail, white seabass, barracuda, bonito and rockfish. We never know what will show up as it is dependent on water temperatures and currents but with two islands to choose from, there is always a place that is biting. Check out SWCFFI's [YouTube](#) Channel Island presentation.

DATES:

- August 07 (Wednesday) - 1 Spot Left
- August 24 (Wednesday) - 3 Spots Left
- October 06 (Thursday) - 3 Spots Left
- November 01 (Tuesday) - 2 Spots Left

COST

- 300.00 per person and includes bunk (bring your own pillow and /or sleeping bag), bait (for chumming up fish), water and a lox/bagels/fixings breakfast.
- Bring a small ice chest with your lunch and for any fish you want to take home (catch/release is encouraged but keeping something for dinner is encouraged).
- The boat has coffee and a microwave. Allow 25.00-50.00 for crew tip/fish cleaning.

LIMITED LOAD / ANGLERS

- Anglers - trip is limited to 6 anglers and the host.

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Ocean Fly Fishing Trips - Michael Schweit

SCHEDULE

- The Island Tak leaves CISCO's Landing in Oxnard at 4 a.m. and we can board any time after 3 a.m. There are motels in the area if you want to come up early. We will return to the dock around 4-4:30 p.m.

FISHING GEAR

- 7-8 weight rods are fine, along with a good reel with either a full sink (preferred) or sink tip line.
- A stripping basket is a must as is the ability to double haul.
- Streamer flies in olive over white are effective. Purple over black can also be good, along with red/black, all white and just about any combination. Fish are funny that way. Clouser-style seem to be slightly more effective.
- We use straight 20# 6' leaders as they are not leader shy.
- If you do not have the gear, contact me as I have extras.

INTERESTED IN A MULTI-DAY TRIP?

- I have 2 trips out of San Diego that will be targeting tuna, yellowtail, dorado and sometimes...GIANT SQUID!
- The first trip is July 27-28 (leaves the night of the 26th - 825.00) and September 19-21 (departs the evening of the 18th and returns the morning of the 21st - 1100.00).
- These are hybrid trips with half fly and half conventional gear. Trust me, it works quite well! The price for each trip includes everything but crew tip, drinks and fish cleaning.

BOOKING INFO

- Your word is your bond. If you want a spot on any of the trips, please contact Michael Schweit, SpecialProjects@swcffi.org, 818.6019702.
- To see these trips in more detail, visit our YouTube channel or click on these links below:
- SAN DIEGO FLY FISHING with Bruce Smith | [YouTube](#)
- CHANNEL ISLANDS FLY FISHING | [YouTube](#)
- Feel free to call with any questions.

Flies That Keep On Giving!

Flies That Keep On Giving

By John Williams

These little stoneflies are around always and become fish food when swept off rocks or vegetation. This is one of my versions.

Stoned Purple



Hook: Daiichi 1160 #12
Bead: 2.4mm Tungsten Black
Thread: Veevus 10/0 Black
Tail, Legs, Abdomen: Cascade Crest Silicone Micro Mini Legs Purple/ Blue Flake
Dubbing: Fine Black
Husk: Turkey Feather
Glue: Gel Super Glue

Prep Work: Coat the underside of the turkey feather with flexament and let dry before cutting piece for husk.

Place bead on hook, small hole first and place hook in vice. Start your thread at the bead and wrap to the back of the shank just above the barb. Tie in two tails one on either side of the hook and secure with several wraps of thread. Tie in the same material as the tail behind the bead and secure all the way back to the tails. Dub the entire fly from the tails to the bead tapering the body smaller at the anterior and more at the bead. Wrap the body material forward to just behind the bead and secure and cut off excess. From the turkey feather remove a section 3/16" wide and trim the butt straight across. Place the feather dull side up at the 1/3 back position from the bead and secure with several wraps of thread. With your bodkin to determine the fold of the husk place the tip across the feather and fold it forward to form the first husk. Tie in the legs on either side of the husk.

Make another fold in the feather ahead of the first where the legs are attached and secure with a few wraps of thread. Real stoneflies have three husks but the y can't count so I put only two. Cut the feather leaving a piece that resembles additional husk and secure with a few thread wraps. Smear 1/2" of your thread with a slight amount of super glue and take a few wraps around the husk and leg attachment area. Cut your thread free and adjust the length of the legs to your liking. Go fishing.

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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