

# ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE  
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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June 2012

## Club Meeting:

Wednesday, June 13th, 2012  
6:00 pm - Wet Fly  
7:00 pm - Dinner  
Dinner and Program - \$25 Cash  
Program Only - \$10 Cash  
**\$1 Fee for Credit Cards**  
Phoenix Club  
1340 S. Sanderson  
Anaheim, CA

## Board Meeting:

June 18, 2012  
7:00 pm  
Crossroads Church\*

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See Calendar inside or  
[www.ffcoc.org](http://www.ffcoc.org)

\* See back cover for meeting  
location addresses.



## 'ALASKA TO BOLIVIA AND BEYOND' - A Fly Fishing Fantasy Tour With Chris Santella

Ever dream of skating a mouse pattern over double digit Rainbows... or stripping a streamer past voracious golden Dorado in a crystal clear Amazonian stream? Those are just two of the magnificent experiences we will see and learn about in the inspiring presentation Chris Santella will be sharing with us at our June meeting.

Since 2004, Chris has been capturing the beauty and awe of fly fishing experiences for the New York Times in his first book 'Fifty Places To Fly Fish Before You Die'. Last year Chris published his 10th book, 'Fifty More Places To Fly Fish Before You Die', which chronicles fifty more of fly fishing's most intriguing destinations as shared by individuals from around the angling world. He is also working on two other books titled 'The Hatch Is On' and 'Why I Fly Fish'.

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(Continued From Page 1 Chris Santella)

During his program Chris will show us some stunning photography (working with Val Atkinson) and discuss some of the adventures from these books, with the goal of exploring both the geographic and experiential boundaries of our sport.

Chris is a passionate fly fisher, freelance writer, and marketing consultant based in Portland, Oregon. After nearly 25 years working in advertising and marketing, Chris now makes most of his living as a writer. His works have been published in the New York Times, Fly Fish Journal, The Drake and Fly Rod & Reel, and many other magazines and newspapers.

Chris began fly fishing at the age of 15. He grew up in Norwalk, Connecticut fishing local Trout waters. His travels and writing have taken him all over the world to fish some of the best and most exotic destinations. Chris's show will be filled with wonder, beautiful places, and fascinating adventures presented by a man who is one of the most well traveled and interesting persons you could ever hope to meet.

Please join Chris Santella for a 'Fly Fishing Fantasy Tour' of the world's greatest destinations. I will see you there..... and remember to pursue your fly fishing dreams!

Andy Frumento

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## Presidents Message

### By Doug Jones

Many of us in the FFCOC are also members of the Federation of Fly Fishers Southwest Council (SWFFF). In addition, the FFCOC is one of 25 clubs that are members of the SWFFF. To further promote the goals of the SWFFF, which include education, conservation and fellowship, SWFFF is organizing a 4 day Fly Fishing Fair September 13-16 of this year in Mammoth. Details of this event are posted on the SWFFF website <http://southwestcouncilfff.org/>. The following summarizes some of the planned workshops, programs and events from the SWFFF website.

#### FLY FISHING WORKSHOPS

Where the Big Fish Live Techniques for Success

10 Mammoth area Hot Spots

Fly Casting 101

Fly Tying- Basics and Beyond

What Fish Eat

#### PROGRAM SAMPLER

There's a Big Ocean out There- Saltwater Fly Fishing

Travel With Your Flyrod

Why 10% of Anglers catch 90% of the Fish

Building a Lifetime of Memories

#### OTHER WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Digital photography

Rod Building

The History of the Sierra

Eastern Sierra Geology

Artists and Where to Find Them

Several FFCOC members have expressed interest in assisting the SWFFF by volunteering at the September fair. For example, a group of FFCOC members are considering conducting a half day beginning fly fishing workshop. Volunteers will be needed to assist with that workshop as well as other activities like the following examples provided by Michael Schweit, President of the SWFFF:

Help is needed in all areas but should not involve a huge time or personnel commitment. For example, we need a club to track raffle/auctions items, both as we receive them and as they are picked. 1-2 people each day should be able to handle this. And we really need one more club to take on a beginners class. The format could be whatever you want but some easy suggestions were a 4 hour class where we take them to a grassy area, do an hour of casting and then take them to water. Continue casting but at least you (and they) are fishing.

Examples of volunteer activities planned by other SWFFF member clubs reported by Michael Schweit include:

Aqua Bonita Fly Fishers – Leading and coordinating Boy Scout Merit Badge program

Deep Creek Fly Fishers – Coordinating Entomology classes

Fly Fishers Club of Orange County – possible beginners class

Hi-Desert Fly Fishers – general volunteers

Santa Clarita Casting Club – list of general volunteers

Sespe Fly Fishers – possible beginners class

Sierra Pacific Fly Fishers – Beginners fly fishing class (Friday)

Streamborn Fly Fishing Club – Silver Lake/Rush Creek fishing techniques workshop

Wilderness Fly Fishers – Administering the Theater for Films and Artists

Please let any of the FFCOC board members know if you are interested in volunteering to support the SWFFF fair. Richard Fanning is our club's liaison with the SWFFF and is a good point of contact for further information. You can also contact Michael Schweit directly at [president@southwestcouncilfff.org](mailto:president@southwestcouncilfff.org).

The FFCOC is looking into ways to provide reduced cost lodging in Mammoth for volunteers from our club. More information on this will be provided as we have a better understanding of the number of volunteers we may have.

## 2011 Outings Plan

By Lyman Kennedy

Date	Location	Streamkeeper	Phone #
January 14	Laguna Nigel Lake	Lyman Kennedy	714-921-9920
February 11	Huntington Beach Surf Outing	Jim Edwards	714-921-9920
February 18	Mentor Outing West fork	Melinda Burns	951-451-9920
March 10—12	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright	714-679-6638
March 17—21	San Juan River	Lyman Kennedy	714-921-9920
April 21	One Surf Fly Dockweiler Beach	Shane Chung	949-633-6973
May 5	Huntington Beach	Jim Edwards	714-337-5899
May 22—24	Tejon Ranch	Cancelled	
June 23—24	Fish Creek	Jim Edwards	714-337-5899
June 17	Tejon Ranch	Cancelled	
July 13-16	Hot Creek Ranch	John William	909-598-7905
September TBA	Tejon Lake	Lyman Kennedy	714-921-9920
September 28—October 1	Women's Casting Clinic	Mlinda Burn	951-451-9920
October 19—20	Presidents Outing	Doug Jones	714-998-7304
November			
December			

## 2012 Speakers List By Andy Frumento

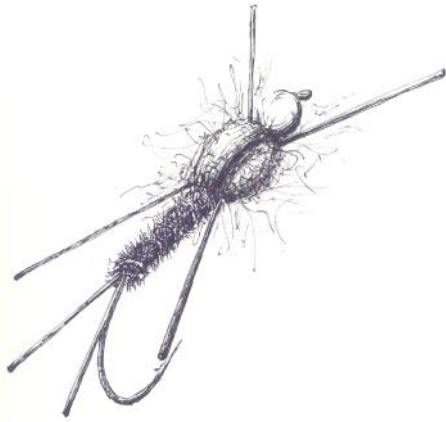
Date	Location	Speaker	Topic
January 11th 2012	Ballroom	Kelly Gallop	Streamer Tactics for Trophy trout
February 8, 2012	Ballroom	Brian Slusser	Reno—Tahoe Fly Fishing
March 14, 2011	Ballroom	Mike James & Scott Petter-son	Utah Magic
April 11, 2011	Ballroom	Ernie Gulley	Pyramid Lake
May 9, 2011	Ballroom	Spencer Higa	Best Fly Fishing in North Utah
June 13, 2012	Ballroom	Chris Sentella	Alaska to Bolivia and Beyond
July 11, 2012	Ballroom	Brian O'Keefe & Todd Moen	Behind the Scenes of Catch Magazine
August 8, 2012	Ballroom	Chris Schiel	Fly Fishing For Bass Top To Bottom
September 12, 2012	Ballroom	Auction	
October 10, 2012	Pavilion	Rob anderson	Pyramid Lake
November 7, 2012	Pavilion	Toney Rindhart	Fly Fishing Western Montana
December 5, 2012	Pavilion	Christmas... TBA	

# Flies That Keep On Giving

By John Williams

Again I find myself with a decision of what to throw to those big trout that seem to evade me on occasion. This was a recommendation from a friend who has caught several in the size range twenty and above. This is an Orvis pattern.

## Twenty Incher



Hook: #10 Nymph Hook (standard Length)  
Thread: 6/0 Tan  
Bead: 1/8" Gold Tungsten  
Tail & Legs: Small Brown Round Rubber legs  
Rib: Amber Medium wire  
Abdomen: Peacock Herl  
Thorax: Sparkle Hares Ear Dubbing  
Wing case: Turkey Feather

Slide the bead on the hook small side hole first. Start the thread at the eye and trap the Amber rib wire as you run the thread to the top of the bend. Tie in a piece of Rubber Leg material at the bend and fold in half and secure with a few wraps of thread. Tie in three strands of peacock Herl and wrap forward to the 1/2 point forward. Counter wrap the wire over the peacock to trap and form a rib. Tie in the Turkey feather piece and let it lie to the rear for now. Tie in the legs a piece on either side of the shank at the 2/3 forward point. Dab the Thorax with Sparkle hares ear dubbing. Fold the Turkey feather piece over the dubbed thorax and tin in just behind the bead. Whip finish and apply head cement to the wing case and just behind the bead at the tie off point.

Head to the dark deep water your afraid to loose a fly in.

Tight Lines,  
John

# Fishing with George Peters, Arkansas2012

By John williams

At last years auction we purchased a trip to fish with George Peters a long time friend and club member who relocated to Cotter Arkansas with his wife Sharon and are the owners of Roundhouse Shoals, a lodge and guide service. Joe Wheat and I only had a few days available and George suggested May should be a wonderful time to visit and catch some fish, so off we went after tying more flies than I needed. We arrived in Springfield Missouri and were met by George at the airport which is not the norm, Thank You George.

Upon arrival to Cotter Arkansas George took us on a tour of the local fishing spots and historic sites then we headed to a nice dinner and then to the lodge for a good nights sleep, The Lodge, a comfortable old building circa1905 that was The Bank Hotel and has been refurbished by George and Sharon. There is sleeping for twelve and big screen T.V., two bathrooms, complete kitchen and very roomy. George said be ready around 8:00 a.m. and we were set for a day of fishing the Whit River. George is outfitted with a boat to drift but we preferred to wade.

George has some power in the area; he managed to have the power generation shut off at two dams so we could have some great fishing, just kidding, by sheer luck the dam flow for generation of electricity was shut off and by natural seepage around the dam it crated a great small river of what can be a massive flow of water. Being a tail water fishery helps with a healthy population of bows, browns. Let's set the story straight now George likes to dry fly fish almost at all costs, I will do anything necessary and Joe as well to hook fish.

Joe was the first to hook a fish and the day was off to a great start, I was not hooking anything so I moved down the river a bit and managed to hook a small one, we then moved about seventy yards down river below a couple who were hooked up all the time, then the fishing got fun we landed several each. That afternoon we fished farther down river with greater success, I managed to catch a twenty incher and a sixteen and several smaller browns and rainbows.

Day two fishing George again suggested

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# Did You Know?

I have been a member of the FFCOC for over 25 years and have had the pleasure of meeting some very knowledgeable, dedicated, and talented members. Members like Dale Lundquist, Harry Kime, Bill Blackstone, Ray Johnson and John Williams have taught me so much about the great sport of fly fishing.

Our club has had some great mentors, and it continues to grow with some very talented people. People like... Bill Blackstone – A realistic fly tyer, mentor and guru; John & Melinda Burns – Conservation and FFF specialists; Shane Chung – Featured tyer of saltwater flies; Jim Edwards – Talented Bass and saltwater tyer; Richard Fanning – Expert rod building instructor; Charlene Hanson – Great tyer and expert distance caster; Kathy Kim – Casting instructor on the perfect cast; Peter Koga – Spey caster, tyer and excellent Steelhead fisher; Stephen Lim – A master caster and instructor; Joe Libeau – Guide, FFF casting instructor and expert fly fisher; Greg Madrigal – Woodworking artisan of custom fishing nets; Cheryl Moore – Expert fly tyer and our class instructor; Bob Semerau – Western Outdoor News writer; John Williams – Three time past FFCOC President, Fly tyer, guide, painter, and Mr. FFCOC. Jim Wright – TIC Pioneer, traveled fly fisher, and 'Mr. Peacock Bass Man'.

The FFCOC is a great club and full of talented people. Please take advantage of these people and talk to them at our meetings. I am sure they will help make you a more informed and better fly fisher.

Oh I almost forgot one other very talented member. He has only attended a couple of our meetings but is a great mentor. If you see Lefty Kreh at one of our meetings, stand in line to speak with him—he is worth the wait. Lefty Kreh is an honorary life member of the FFCOC.

Hey, Go Fishing!

Andy Frumento

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we head to the Nor Fork River that flows from Missouri as the North Fork and changes names when it leaved the dam in Arkansas.

What a beautiful river with plenty of fish for those willing to wade a bit. George fished a size twenty four parachute adams most of the time and on a few occasions fished a twenty six with great success, Joe and I fished a zebra midge and a red hot in size sixteen and eighteen. George continually suggested I try the small dries and I finally relented and farmed fifteen in a row until I could slow down and land one on the twenty six adams.

We had a wonderful time with George and Sharon Peters and hope he stops by the club when he is in town. If you're in his neighborhood I recommend the fishing and the hospitality.

**Roundhouse Shoals  
(870) 404-7757 gets George**



# Huntington Beach Cinco De Mayo Outing

By Jim Edwards

Cinco de Mayo (May 5th to you gabachos) found us at Huntington Beach to try our luck surf fishing once again. We arrived about 4:00 just as the tide was coming in. Joe, Ronny, Jack and Brian fished the mouth of the Talbert channel, and I braved the large waves and incoming tide for no fish but a good soaking and almost going down a couple of times. Meanwhile, everyone else was fishing the (mostly) slack water by the bridge and I watched Ronny land a halibut on the long rod. Brian got a few more, and we all got in some good casting practice. Makes a 3 weight seem like casting air. By dark, the tide was rushing into the channel not unlike a fast river, and the Super Moon (15% bigger! 30% brighter!) was making it's way into the sky. Thanks to all that attended, let's do it again some time!

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## Auction Updates

By Melinda Burns

Well there is only 3 ½ more months until our annual auction and I have been working hard procuring some fun things for this year's auction. We have received a slew of 2 for 1 trips, one being a Pesca Maya trip for two for 5 days and 4 nights all inclusive except for your airfare. The value of this trip is \$5110.00, so start saving your money if you have been wanting to take this trip.

I am currently in the process of deciding what to purchase for our auction. Some of the manufacturers that are offering us a discount for our auction items are Simms, Buck a Bag, Lamiglas, Merco Products, R. L Winston, Rajeff Sports ( Echo Rods ), Outcast Sporting Gear, Regal Engineering, Scott Rods, Spirit River, Thomas & Thomas . Tibor Reel, Wind River Gear and Wright & Mc Gill. If there is a particular rod or reel that you are looking to bid on, please email the item and I will see about including it in my purchases for auction items. If you have recommendations of other items, please feel free to drop me a line.

I am still and will always be looking for club member donations. I have received some items from several of our members but we can always use more.

This year I will be including a special Wine Basket, it will have the FFCOC private label and some very nice Fly Fishing Wine glasses and few other goodies to go with it, like a Wine class.. What a hoot that would be... So if you haven't already started saving you money for the auction, start putting all your change in a jar now and label it auction money. Change does include 1's, 5's, 10's and 20's. And sometimes 50's and 100's, just depends on your purchase..

If you do bring me donations, please be sure to provide me with a sheet listing your name, what you are donating, what the estimated value is. This will help me track donations and make sure that I provide Thank You's to those of you who are able to donate. So remember, when you are at the fly shop picking up a few things for your next trip, pick up a few things for the auction.

Melinda Burns

1st Vice President/ Auction Chair

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*Please welcome all those new members joining us  
All new members will have a green circle sticker on their  
name badge. Remember to say a hello to them*

# Conservation Corner and FFF Advisories

These are articles provided to the membership as an FYI only and does not mean that FFCOC is in support of any of the issues provided.

SWCFFF Conservation:

Regarding involvement in Kern area issues, most of our activity centers on club projects in the Golden Trout Wilderness. Last year we funded two grants to support individual club projects on the Kern Plateau. The SWC is also a stakeholder in the upcoming review of grazing allotments on the Kern Plateau. We make an effort to stay informed regarding regional conservation issues and events, and distribute that information to all SWC clubs through our conservation network. We are eager to distribute to our membership "calls for volunteers" from any club.

- I am forwarding the minutes from the latest FFF Conservation Committee conference call.
- Those interested in stocking programs may want to look into the Whitlock-Vibert boxes, which provide protection for fish eggs planted directly into streams. These boxes are available from FFF (see <http://www.fedflyfishers.org/Conservation/Programs/EggPlantProgram.aspx>)

- EPA releases for public comment draft scientific study of Bristol Bay Watershed

Release Date: 05/18/2012

Contact Information: Hanady Kader, EPA Public Affairs, 206-553-0454, 206-225-8127(cell), [kader.hanady@epa.gov](mailto:kader.hanady@epa.gov)

A letter from SWCFFF TIC Director Rich Bollenger:

The federation offers two classes per year for teachers in the SoCal area one in the fall and one in January. In the Central Valley the DFG sponsors multiple training sessions per year. We also provide a very comprehensive amount of TIC training materials. These are donated by the Federation for teachers and the clubs. Included is a three hundred page TIC syllabus. We provide help and troubleshooting with TIC aquariums. We have and will continue to be a liaison between the clubs and the DFG. We have made some headway with the hatcheries keeping us informed about availability of trout eggs. This is a work in progress and will be for quite some time. And as you stated we will give financial help to the clubs.

Fly Fishers Club of Orange County  
Dear Doug Jones,

I want to thank Fly Fishers Club of Orange County for supporting the West Fork Conservancy's Next Generation Entomology Academy. We learned a lot of fun things like how to find bugs in the water. They then showed us how to tie flies that looked like them and fish with the flies we tied. It was so cool to catch a fish on the fly that I tied. It really works. WFC also taught us the importance of catch and release. Did you know by releasing the fish back into the water it allows the fish to continue to grow and someone else like me can catch him another day. We also learned about "leave no trace" and how important it is to take care of the forest so that it will still be beautiful when we teach our own kids how to fish and camp. My favorite part was holding the fish and letting it go after catching the fish.

Thank you for sponsoring this academy,

Dylan Burns

Dylan Burns  
Age 10  
Riverside, California



## Fly Fishers Club of Orange County

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

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

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

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

### Meeting Locations:

Phoenix Club:  
1340 S. Sanderson  
Anaheim, CA

Crossroads Church of Irvine/  
Tustin:  
2472 Walnut Avenue  
Tustin, CA

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