

ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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

June 2013

Club Meeting:

Wednesday June 12th, 2013

6:00 pm - Wet Fly

7:00 pm - Dinner

Dinner and Program - \$30 Cash

Program Only - \$10 Cash

\$1 Fee for Credit Cards

Phoenix Club

1340 S. Sanderson

Anaheim, CA

Board Meeting:

June 17th, 2013

7:00 pm

Cross Roads Church*

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For More Information:

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<http://www.ffcoc.org>

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JUNE'S MEETING

AT

JT SCHMID'S

2610 E. Katella Avenue

Anaheim, CA

714-634-9200 714-634-9200

**Fly Fishing Up 395
with Greg Vinci**

(Continue on page 9 Greg Vinci)

Presidents Message

Well fellow fly fisherman we are half way through the year. Have you been having fun? I have been placing snacks on the tables at our general membership meetings. I have added the Presidents' raffle to encourage our membership to participate more and have also added a table decoration that is themed for the month and one lucky member gets to take it home. This is all too entice our members to come to our general membership meetings and be an **active** member and not just a member in the directory. We want to see you there with the rest of us. By being an active participating member you can earn more President Raffle tickets and have a better chance at winning the President's Gift for the month.

I know it is sometimes tough to make it to the meetings but we all need to treat ourselves from everyday's life stress by doing something for ourselves. Come join us at the monthly meetings and reward yourself with friendship, camaraderie and fun. Come share and listen to all the wonderful fish stories we all have to share. You will also be treating yourself to a fantastic speaker program as Andy and the Speaker Consortium has put together a fantastic lineup of speakers.

The Board of Directors has recently formed a new membership committee. Our goal is to bring in new members and to work on membership retention. We will be devising a membership drive where you as an existing member can earn points to some fantastic prizes by bringing in new members. Details of the membership drive will be coming soon but the points start NOW!!

This month's speaker is Greg Vinci and he will be speaking on "Fly Fishing up Highway 395". I know I have tried my version every Mother's Day Week for my annual trip with Honey Burns. Each trip we explore new waters and of course hit our regular, where this year I brought in a beautiful 14" Lahontan Cutthroat on the Upper Owens.

I am still looking for members to join our Kern River Tournament team. I need a couple more fishermen and still need 5 volunteers to be controllers. So bring your special someone to help us out by being a controller. This tournament will be held on Saturday November 2nd, 2013 up at the Kern River.

The 2013 SWCFFF Fly Fishing Faire is just around the corner. If we have enough volunteers from the club the club has set aside \$\$ for lodging accommodations for those who volunteer 2 or more days. Shifts are 3 -4 hours long so that gives you time to take some classes while you are there. So all you need to do is get up there and pay for your meals. This is scheduled for September 19-22, 2013. See me for more details.

Oh and don't forget, our June meeting will be held at JT Schmid's Brewery @ 2610 E. Katella Ave, Anaheim, C A 92806. Come early to get the best seating. See you Wednesday June 12th.

May your lines be tight, rods be bent and your drags screaming!

Melinda C. Burns
President FFCOC



SPEAKER'S LIST – 2013

By Andy Frumento

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
1-9-13	Ballroom	Chris Eaton	"The Meandering Madison"
2-13-13	Pavilion	Pat Dorsey	"Fly Fishing Western Tailwaters"
3-13-13	Pavilion	Kevin Peterson	"Hot Creek"
4-10-13	Pavilion	Gary Bulla	"Fly Fishing The Edge – Baja"
5-8-13	Pavilion	Andrew Harris	"The Trinity River"
6-12-13	JT Schmid's Brewhouse	Greg Vinci	"Fly Fishing Up Hwy 395"
7-10-13	Pavilion	Landon Mayer	"Timing Is Everything: Trout Hunting Colorado's 4 Seasons"
8-14-13	Pavilion	Jeff Solis	"San Diego & Mission Bay"
9-11-13	Pavilion	Auction	
10-9-13	Pavilion	Jeff Currier	"Four Seasons of the Yellowstone – Trout Bum"
11-13-13	Pavilion	Alberto Salvini & Marica Ciccioria	"Fly Fishing The World"
12-4-13	Pavilion	Christmas Program	

2013 OUTINGS PLAN

By Lyman Kennedy

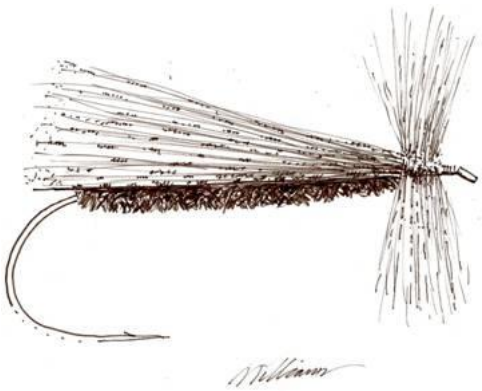
<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Streamkeeper</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>Email</u>
April 6	Lago Fig	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
April 13-15	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright	714 679-6638	jrwright1@aol.com
April 27-28	Mammoth Lakes	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
April 27	One Surf Fly H.B.	Shane Chung	949 633-6973	sschung@hotmail.com
May 18-19	Kelsey Bass Ranch	Richard Fanning	714 671-1370	rkfanning@aol.com
June 29-30	Fish Creek	Jim Edwards	714 337-5899	jimmywt1957@yahoo.com
June 22-29	Montana	Richard Fanning	714 671-1370	rkfanning@aol.com
July 8-12	Golden Trout Pack	Trip John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
July 12-15	Hot Creek	John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
August 10	San Diego Bay	Lyman Kennedy	714 921-9412	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
August 9-12	Women's only Mammoth	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net
Sept. 19-22	Fly Fishing Faire-Mammoth	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net
Sept. 16-20	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
Sept. 23-27	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
October 19-20	President's Outing	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net
October 5th	Tejon Ranch	Lyman Kennedy	714 921-9412	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
November 4-8	Trinity River	Audrey Williams	714 264-6361	Audrey@wrem.com
December				

Flies That Keep On Giving

By John Williams

My apologies to Bob Moyer and Joe Morris, they developed this fly many years ago on Hot Creek Ranch and I have altered it a couple of times but the effectiveness of this fly stands strong as one of my go to flies of all time. Caddis flies populate much of the world's waters and this one kicks ass on Hot Creek and many of the waters I frequent. I tie these from #14 – 20 with #18 the most frequently tied. I tie these in wood duck natural and mallard flank feathers died dark gray. I have been asked to share this again because it has been some time.

M&M Caddis



Hook: #14-20 Dry Fly Hook

Thread: 8/0 or 70 UTC Black

Abdomen & Thorax: Peacock Hurl

Under wing: Antron Yarn in Cream or Gray depending on the color of the fly

Legs: Grizzly of Dark Dun neck or saddle feathers

Run your thread from the eye to the bend leaving the tag end of the thread hanging to be used in the next step. Tie in two or three peacock strands by the butts, counter twist the thread and the fibers together to form a supported noodle and wrap forward to a point leaving enough room for the hackle and thread head. Tie in a small piece of Antron yarn where you tied off your peacock. Take a wood duck feather stripping off all the junk at the base and stroke the feather to form a tent wing and place on top of the hook, secure with several wraps of thread. Tie in your hackle and take two to three wraps to form the legs. Tie off and whip finish and head cement.

Don't Leave home without this fly you will thank me.
John

FFCOC FLY TYING CLASSES

By: Cheryl Moore



What a fantastic time we had. I'm referring to the FFCOC Spring fly tying classes that were held at the REI/Tustin store. This last round of fly tying was the biggest group of students we've had. We still had four separate classes but our largest class was the beginning students. Many of our intermediate tyers are repeat students and they are showing remarkable talent. It is obvious they have found a passion for our fly tying craft. Our classes have been very successful and this is based largely on the quality of our full time instructors and the "guest tyers" that donate their time and a lot of their own tying materials to instructing and increasing the level of talent that our students demonstrate. My heartfelt "thank you's" go out to all of these individuals. Without these dedicated people, our classes wouldn't be nearly so effective. Fly tying classes will once again be offered on a Tuesday night, once a week, in October and November 2013. If you have any particular fly pattern you want to learn to tie or a target species you want to fish and need ammo, please don't hesitate to contact me. In the meantime, please take a look (below) at one of our classes and some of the flies that were presented to our students. Have a very fun and safe summer.

Just one more shout out and THANK YOU to the following folks: Mike Neesley, Lyman Kennedy, Jim Edwards, Joe Libeu, Kathy Kim, Greg Cooks, Richard Fanning, John Williams, Shane Chung and Bill Blackstone.



NEW: The Fly Rod Building Column

Newsletter Editor, Shane Chung, asked me to write something on Fly Rod Building. I like the idea and it's a subject I know a little bit about. I could write about how much fun it is. Or, I could make the case that you can have a quality rod at less cost by building it yourself. I could turn it into a monthly column, describing how to do it in installments. I could describe the parts and components needed. Or, the tools needed. And the list could go on . . .

But, here's my plan. I want to start out by asking you, newsletter readers, what would you like to know? About rod types, designs and/or rod building, etc. I don't claim to have all the answers but I'll do my best to get the answers. I'm not qualified to answer questions about specific brands so keep the questions more general.

E-mail your questions or suggestions to **Richard Fanning**, rkfanning@aol.com.

I'm looking forward to your inputs!

NYLON VS. FLUOROCARBON

I just read a very interesting article in the June 2013 issue of California Fly Fisher by Ralph Cutter on nylon vs. fluorocarbon monofilaments. What it all boiled down to is that the production process for all monofilaments is so complex and the resulting products so diverse that most blanket statements regarding the properties of nylon versus fluorocarbon are largely meaningless.

One statement that is true is that fluorocarbon is not degraded by ultraviolet light and nylon on the other hand is affected and will decay rather rapidly. But most of us like myself purchase fluorocarbon because of the marketing claim that it is invisible in water. Fluorocarbon is neither invisible nor even "nearly" invisible.

Ralph Cutter observed both nylon and fluorocarbon in a multitude of aquatic environments and couldn't even hazard a guess as to which one was drifting by Bruce Richards, who until his recent retirement ran 3M/ Scientific Anglers, a major distributor of fluorocarbon, and who has contributed more to the development of fly lines and leaders than anyone in history, candidly states: " The whole visibility thing is bunk ". As far as strength , fluorocarbon and nylon share very similar strength-to-diameter ratios. But the strongest nylon monofilaments have greater tensile and knot strength than any fluorocarbon on the market.

The article ends with a survey of 10 guides on the use of fluorocarbon vs. nylon. Most of the guides (90 percent) agree that fluorocarbon had no distinct advantage over the use of nylon monofilament. So next time you spend \$14.95 on a small spool of fluorocarbon tippet material , you might want to consider using a good nylon at one third the cost.

Tight Lines Andy Frumento

NEW OUTING-TEJON RANCH SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

After being closed to the public for one and a half years, Tejon Ranch is now allowing clubs to have access to their lakes for fishing. I have reserved the little lake on Tejon Ranch on Saturday, October 5th for an outing for largemouth bass and blue gill fishing. We will be allowed to camp on the lake the night before (Friday) and fish all day Saturday. The cost is \$100 rod fee plus another \$18 for liability insurance for the ranch. The club has had many prior outings there with good success. If you are interested you can sign up at the next club meeting or contact **Lyman Kennedy**, stream keeper at lkennedyjr@earthlink.net or **714 742-5865**.

Women Only Outing 2013

Attention Women of the “Fly Fishers Club of Orange County”



Are you a new Fly Fisherwoman?
Do you want to improve you skills?
Would you like to mentor a new Fly Fisherwoman?
Do you want to just fish with other Women?

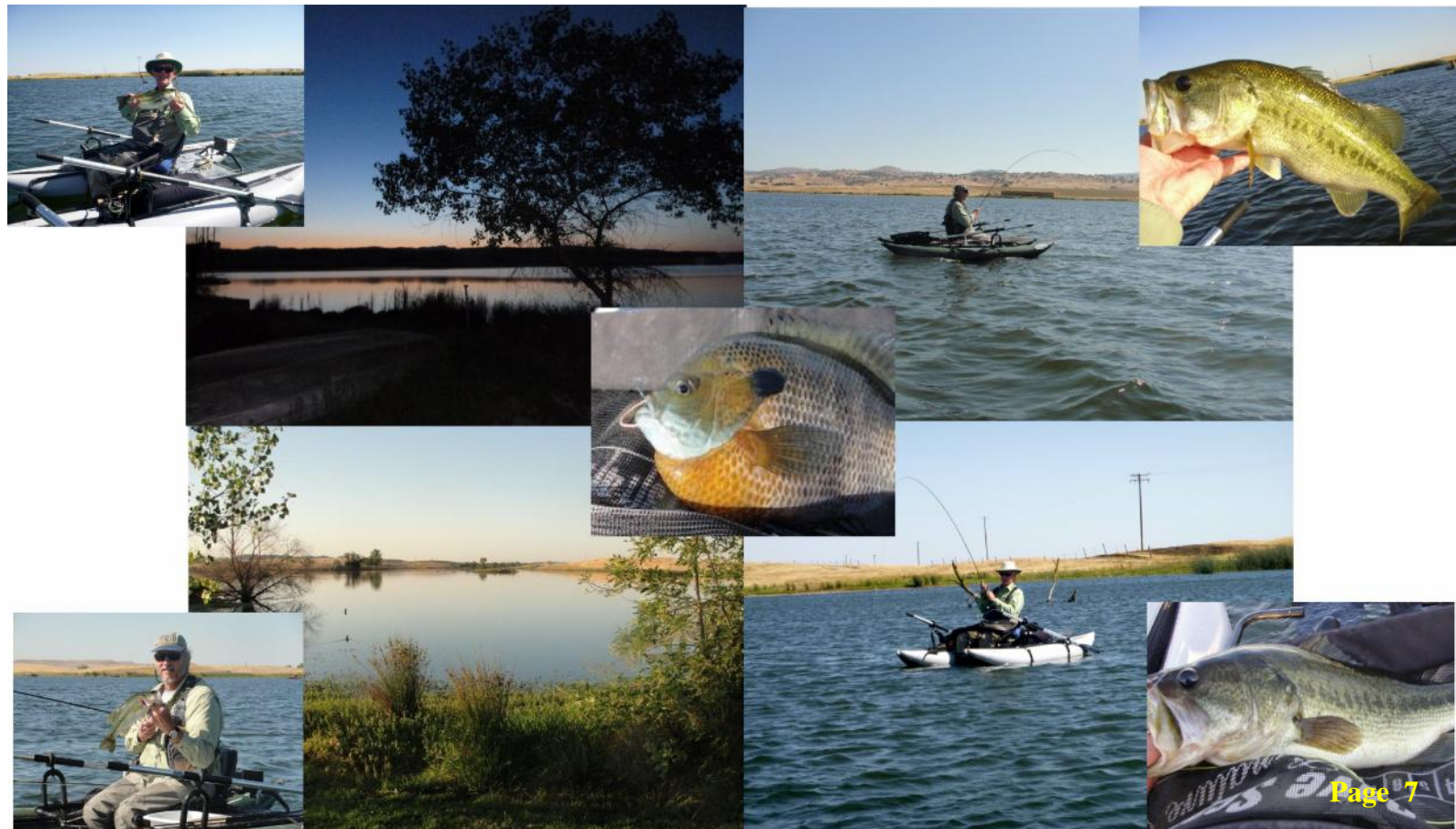
If you answered yes to any one of these questions, then join us as we spend 4 days and 3 nights in the Mammoth. We will be fishing the Alpine Waters of the High Sierra in the mornings and Hot Creek or the Owens River for later afternoon fishing. We will be renting a condo in the Mammoth area that has 3 bedrooms and a loft , full kitchen and 3 bathrooms. This will accommodate 8 people comfortably and we will split the cost amongst those who sign up. Approximate cost will be as low as \$20 a night per person for lodging. Food and Transportation will be additional cost. However, we will setup carpools for those who do not want to drive and we will take turns cooking. In the evenings we will work on fly tying and entomology for the newbies or talking about how to read the waters and what rigging you can use. Or just sipping a glass of wine whilst watching some fly fishing movies. Stream Keeper: **Melinda Burns** 951-415-9920 or email at mel11755@pacbell.net

Fish Creek Outing June 28, 29 and 30th

Fish Creek outing June 28th, 29th and 30th. We're going camping and fishing for the ever elusive Golden Trouts in the southern Sierras (the Kern Plateau). As always, there's no guarantee about the fishing, but the company is always great. Breakfast and dinner are included on Saturday. See me at the June meeting or gimme a call (714) 337 5899 or drop me an e-mail (jimmywt1957@yahoo.com) to sign up. I need to know ASAP if you want to go so I can plan dinner/breakfast. Thanks! **Jim Edwards**

KELSEY BASS RANCH OUTING

Five club members along with a few of Rocky Tussey's friends traveled to Kelsey Bass Ranch the weekend of May 18-19 for some largemouth bass fishing. Kelsey reservoir is a 125 acre lake located on the 7,000 Kelsey Cattle Ranch in the city of Snelling about 25 miles east of Merced. The lake is stocked with about 15,000 Florida bass along with bluegill, red ear sunfish as well as catfish and several times a year with trout. The fishing last weekend could have been described as "frustrating, demanding, exciting, difficult, easy and awesome" depending on the time of the day and conditions. The lake was generally calm early in the morning and later in the evening offering a great opportunity for top water fishing as long as you placed the right fly in the right place (on the nose of the fish). A variety of flies worked for top water including poppers, gurglers and dahlberg divers. Once the top water bite slowed, we changed over to subsurface flies, using flies as small as 1 inch up to 4-6 inches at all depths from a few inches of water to 14 feet deep. We used woolly buggers of all colors and sizes, meat whistle, perfection perch and a variety of large bass flies that I don't know all the names. About midday, a strong wind came up blowing us off the water, but that was a good time for some lunch and an afternoon nap(kicking, rowing and casting is hard work after all). As soon as the wind died down enough to get back on the water, we were at it again, especially waiting for calm conditions to begin throwing top water stuff again. The bass were about 2 1/2 to 3 pounds with a few larger ones in the 3-4 pound range. These bass were strong and were determined to head into the weeds and stickups in the water once they felt the hook in their lips. We also caught quite a few very large red ear sunfish that at hookup you couldn't tell if it was a bass or not they pulled so hard. You can actually troll and strip steamers for bass like you do for trout as long as you find the right water which is usually at drop offs from shallow to deep water. Most of the time we patrolled the edges of the lake casting into weeds, tules, trees, brush and stickups, any place that could provide cover where a bass could hike out waiting to ambush its prey. Carl Thompson had the "hot stick" for the trip, catching 20+ fish on our last day Sunday. He was very observant and adjusted to the conditions and was the most successful. We had a very nice shaded grassy area to pitch our tents and a large picnic area with tables and a huge grill (you could have cooked a cow in it). I think we all had a great time and I am certainly looking forward to going back there again. By the way, thanks to Rocky Tussey for so generously sharing his weekend at Kelsy with the club. Lyman Kennedy, Streamkeeper



Seventh Annual Rush Creek Cleanup



Saturday, June 22nd, 2013
Rush Creek, Silver Lake Resort, June Lake Loop, CA

Trash, from monofilament to old bait containers, will be picked up from Rush Creek, Silver Lake and down the canyon as far as Grant Lake by member club representatives of the Southwest Council Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF) on Saturday, June 22nd. The Seventh Annual Rush Creek Cleanup is slated for 8 a.m. - noon, according to Joe Lemire, a member of the Streamborn Fly Fishing Club and SWC IFFF representative. Silver Lake Resort in the June Lake loop will provide a free barbeque lunch following the cleanup. Volunteers will pick up and dispose of trash along an approximately five-mile stretch of the eastern Sierra along the shoreline of Silver Lake and Rush Creek from the power plant above Silver Lake down the canyon to Grant Lake. "We've previously filled as many as 60 trash bags on our Rush Creek cleanup; this year we expect to haul out 30 to 40," Lemire said. Club volunteers are expected to carry out coolers, sun glasses, broken bottles, automobile hub caps, hundreds of feet of fishing line, hooks, lures and bobbers that are a death trap to wildlife. If enough volunteers show up this year, the cleanup can continue up the canyon and impact the environment as far as the Gull Lake area. Anglers who will be in the area and want to volunteer should meet at the Silver Lake boat ramp at 8 a.m.; bring gloves, hat, sun screen, trash pick-up sticks, boots and waders if you have them. Trash bags will be provided by Silver Lake Resort.

For information, contact **Lemire** at jflx8@dslextrreme.com or phone **909-609-1101**

FFCOC June 12, 2013
Dinner Meeting
at
JT SCHMID'S BREWHOUSE
2610 E. Katella
Anaheim, CA 92806
714-634-9200

Our Wednesday June 12th
Dinner Meeting will be held
at JT SCHMID'S BREWHOUSE
NOT AT THE PHOENIX CLUB.

JT Schimid's is located on
Katella Across from the Honda Center
Wet Flies 6:00 pm + Dinner 7:00 pm

(Continued from page 1 Greg Vinci)

Hwy 395 courses through some of the most diverse and spectacular scenery in the west. As you travel north from Mohave, the Sierra appear to the West and present a dramatic tableau for the next four hundred miles. It not only provides great scenery but absolutely great fishing as well. In his presentation "Hwy 395 – California's Trout Highway", Greg Vinci takes us on a tour of Hwy 395's best trout waters, beginning at the Owens River Gorge (just north of Bishop) with stops along the way, including Hot Creek, the San Joaquin, the Upper Owens, Rush Creek, the East Walker and the West Walker, ending at the Carson River drainage just south of Lake Tahoe. Greg's presentation includes gorgeous photos of streams, rivers, spring creeks and stillwaters, along with fish, fishing strategies, tactics and rigging, flies to use and, of course, lovely locations, many of which have appeared in and on the covers of national magazines.

Greg grew up in the Ladera Heights section of Los Angeles County, which is just north of Inglewood in southern California. He graduated from Inglewood High School in 1965 and then attended El Camino College for a couple years. He then moved up to Sacramento to finish his studies at Sac State (California State University, Sacramento) and graduated with a BS in Marketing. When he first arrived in Sacramento, he found himself residing in a college dormitory, which was only 75 yards from one of the most prolific steelhead waters on the West Coast, the American River. It was the first time in his life that all the stars were aligned, being that within a small radius there existed everything that was important to him at the time: a swimming pool, a dorm with about two hundred co-eds, and trophy trout fishing.

After graduating from Sac State, Greg spent the next six years working as a commercial photographer. During that period he was fortunate enough to have a one-man show of his photography at UC Davis, and some of the photos from that show were subsequently exhibited in a show of international art at the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria (Canada). Greg was proud to see his images hanging on the same wall as paintings by Picasso and Monet.

Growing up in southern California during the 1950s and 1960s, Greg made many annual fishing trips with his dad to the Sierra. As a teenager he trekked from his parent's home in LA up 395

to the Mammoth area to ski, and as he traveled he fell in love with the spectacular Hwy 395 scenery. Once he reached adulthood, his visits to the Mammoth area continued, first as a salesman for his fly tackle & accessory company and later for the purpose of gathering images and information for the many articles he's written about the area.

In the twenty three years that Greg has been in the fly tackle industry, his career has taken him down many diverse paths. In 1989 he started Sierra Pacific Products, which became one of the major wholesale/distributors in the fly tackle industry. There he developed several great selling product lines that are still being sold today. After selling Sierra Pacific in 2010, he has been able to re-establish a relationship with his first loves: writing and photography, that can be now seen on the covers of and in many fly fishing and outdoor magazines such as Fly Fisherman, American Angler, Flyfishing & Tying Journal, Salmon & Steelhead Journal, Northwest and Southwest Fly Fishing magazines, California Fly Fisher, Sierra Heritage and Runner's World.

Greg has also kept his foot in the door of the fly fishing business by continuing to develop fly tackle product lines on a consultancy basis for clients in the fly tackle industry. In 2011 his product Insta-Set Indicators was selected by Field & Stream magazine as the best fly tackle accessory of the year! As a signature fly tier for Umpqua Feather Merchants, one of the fly tackle industry's most prominent fly manufacturers, he has developed fly patterns that can be found in most fly shops around the country. One of his most recent endeavors has been to develop the www.California-FlyFishing.com website, which is a portal to California's most popular waters.

Don't forget this month we hold our dinner meeting at JT Schmid's, not the Phoenix Club. JT's is right across the street from the Honda Center at 2610 E. Katella, Anaheim, CA. See you there... and remember to pursue your fly fishing dreams! ~ Andy Frumento

Membership Welcomes... Andrew Gottlieb

Lets greet all of the new members at this Wednesday June 12th's meeting with a warm hello. Remember all new members will have a green circle sticker on the name badge.

CONSERVATION FRONT AND FFF NEWS

(This is not an endorsement, but just getting the notice out to the club members on behalf of the conservation and FFF events happening within our state affecting our fisheries.)

San Gabriel River West Fork Kids Academy - Volunteers needed

FFCOC is looking for Club Members to assist the San Gabriel River West Fork Conservancy with the Kids Academy. If you can Cast, Fly Tie, Read a stream or talk about bugs we would like your participation. If you're interested, please contact **John Burns** (951) 734-6005.

Hot Creek Trout Fest 2013 - Volunteers needed

The California Department of Fish & Game is looking for volunteers to support their Hot Creek Trout Fest to be held in June.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife is organizing Trout Fest 2013, a one day kids fishing event, at the Hot Creek Hatchery on June 29th. Jim Erdman, a CDFW biologist, is looking for volunteers. This is the first year Trout Fest will be held at the Hot Creek Hatchery and the organizers hope to make this an annual event. Please let your members know about this terrific event. If any members have questions about volunteering tell them to email me and I'll try to answer any and all questions, otherwise they can contact Jim directly at his email or number below. This is a great opportunity to spend a few days in the eastern Sierras, get in some quality fishing, and help out some kids in a worthwhile project. This is the kind of event that kids remember for the rest of their lives. Contact **John Burns** at (951) 734-6005 for more info.

Event: 2013 Fly Fishing Faire
Where: Mammoth Lakes, Calif.
Venue: Cerro Coso Community College
101 College Parkway
Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546
When: September 20-22, 2013

What: A cornucopia of all things fly-fishing in Mammoth Lakes, the heart of California's fly-fishing world; an introduction to all aspects of the sport including beginner and intermediate fly casting, fly tying demonstrations and instruction. *Where-to-go and how-to-do-it with local guides. Workshops and programs on virtually every Sierra water including Hot Creek, the upper and lower Owens River, Lake Crowley, Walker River Basin, Merced River, small stream tactics, and bass in the lower Owens. Wildlife photography, fly-fishing films, Sierra sightseeing; conservation raffles and auctions. Vendor display booths.

Programs, demos and hands-on lessons by writer, photographer and Champion Fly-Caster Brian O'Keefe.

Hours: Fri. – 9-5; Sat. – 9-5; Sun. – 9-3

Admission: \$15 adults. Age 16 and under free. (Single admission is good all Faire days.)

Sponsor: Southwest Council Federation of Fly Fishers (SWC-FFF)

Registration: Opens June 30, 2013 on-line (Classes and seminars are limited by size.)

Website: SWC-FFF.org/faire

Registration

Phone: (818) 200-1499

Information: **Michael Schweit**, president, SWC FFF
msangler@earthlink.net; (818) 757 3474

Connie Bullock, Fly Fishing Faire chairperson
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Media: **Bennett J. Mintz**, VP, Southwest Council FFF
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HELP WANTED

The Southwest Council Federation of Fly Fishers (SWC FFF) is in need of someone to coordinate some of our events. One of the purposes of the Council is to increase outreach to the general public. Some of these events include the Fred Hall Show in both Long Beach and Del Mar, Sport Chalet, Fly Fishing Film Tour and others that come our way throughout the year. The job would be to keep track of these events, decide how many and what type of volunteers are needed for each one and generally be the liaison between the Council and these groups.

If you are the type to help us create a movement towards more fly anglers in SoCal and Southern Nevada, we want you.

This description makes it sound like a full time job. In reality, would only take a few hours each month. For more information, contact **Michael Schweit** (818) 601 9702 or president@southwestcouncilfff.org. Please join us in this quest to show everyone we have the greatest sport around.

What happened here could have been avoided.

By John Williams

These reels and rods “not shown” are not distorted because of water; they are the result of carrying your rods and reels on a magnetic rod carrier that should be attached to your hood and roof by magnets but failed. Was it the speed? Was it the weight of the equipment that made the unit too heavy and over powered the magnetic attraction? Probable both were causes of this disaster. I don't have much trust in these anymore even though I have used them often in the past.

This brings back memories of a previous ordeal that nearly ruined a fishing trip for Shane Chung and me. While traveling on Highway 80 west out of Reno on a Pyramid Lake outing two years ago our rod carrier detached from the hood and roof at 65 mph. skating along the freeway in the second lane nearly being run over by a semi truck, only to drift to the shoulder and come to rest at the curb. We pulled the car over and proceeded back to our equipment to find minor nick damage to our gear and able to use the equipment the next day on the lake.

If in the future I use one of the rod carriers it will be at slow speeds and with only a couple of rods involved.

Tight Lines, John



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: Cross Roads Church of Irvine/
Phoenix Club: Tustin:
1340 S. Sanderson 2472 Walnut Avenue
Anaheim, CA Tustin, CA

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FIRST CLASS

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