

ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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

December 2013

Club Meeting:

December 4th, 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:

December 9th, 2013

7:00 pm

Cross Roads Church*

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<http://www.ffcoc.org>

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location addresses.



'FFCOC HOLIDAY PROGRAM'

Presented by John Williams and Friends

This time of the year is a time to reflect on family and friends. It is a time to be thankful, a time of giving, and a time to express our gratitude with others for all those special moments. Our Holiday program this year will once again focus on good friendship, lasting memories, what we have accomplished this year as a club, and lots of Holiday cheer.

John Williams, three-time past President and incoming President for 2014, will be our host for this special evening. John has prepared for us a program that will be a pictorial review of this year's club outings, along with other photos provided by the membership of their memorable fish caught this year or in years past.

The stars of the program will be you, our great members of the FFCOC, and their

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December President's Message

Hmmm so the colors finally started to change and fall is here. You know what that means... FALL FISH-ING !!! Fooled you. Thought I was going to say , "The Holidays are Coming!"... Oops I guess I just did. So if anyone sees Santa can they give him this letter for me?

Dear Santa;

I would like a new set of Simms waders, a new custom made net, some fly tying gadgets and can you throw in an Alaskan Fly Fishing trip or a Chilean Fly Fishing Trip. That should do it for this year. I promise I have been a very good girl. Ok...so I might have bossed a few people around a little in my fly fishing club, scared a few people into joining the club and heavily encouraged people to spend more on donations ; but it was all for the good of the club. I promise. Membership is up over last year. TIC is making it's way back, there have been tons of fabulous club outings and lots of new friends.

Yours Truly,

Melinda C. Burns

P.S. If you want those homemade chocolate cookies, I better see one of those items under my Christmas Tree.

So I am so looking forward to John Williams presentation this month. It will be showcasing what are club is all about. Having fun while fly fishing and cultivating life-long friendships. Come and see what you might have been missing. Don't forget to stop by the toy store and bring that unwrapped toy for our Spark of Love Toy Drive. Last month we collected funds to donate to the Orange County Food drive and we collected \$291.00. Thank you all for your generosity.

Happy Holidays to you and your family!

Melinda C. Burns

PS. You are only stuck with me for this last meeting and then John Williams a three times Past President will be taking over.



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	John Williams	"The Holiday Program"

2014 OUTINGS PLAN By Lyman Kennedy

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Streamkeeper</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>Email</u>
January	Laguna Niguel	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
February	Surf	Jim Edwards	714 337-5899	jimmywt1957@yahoo.com
March	Double Haul Ball	Shane Chung	949-633-6973	sschung@hotmail.com
Mar 30-April 2	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright	714 679-6638	jrwright1@earthlink.net
April 12	One Surf fly	Shane Chung	949-633-6973	sschung@hotmail.com
April 12-16	San Juan River	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
April 26-27	Mammoth Opener	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
May 17-18	Kelsey Bass Ranch	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
June	Fish Creek	Jim Edwards	714 337-5899	jimmywt1957@yahoo.com
July 7-11	Golden Trout Pack Trip	John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
July 11-14	Hot Creek	John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
August	Women's Outing Mammoth	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net
September `	Fly Fishing Faire-Mammoth	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net
September 15-19	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
September 22-26	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
October	Kern River	John Williams	951 236-0862	mel11755@pacbell.net
November	Trinity River	Audrey Williams	714 264-6361	Audrey@WREM.com

SPEAKER'S LIST – 2014

DATE	PLACE	SPEAKER	TOPIC
1-8-14	Pavillion	Pat Jaegar “	Floating the Lower Owens”
2-12-14	Pavillion	Tim Holschlag	“Trophy Smallmouth Fishing”
3-12-14	Pavillion	Beau McFadyean	“The Big Horn River”
4-9-14	Pavillion	Conway Bowman	“Fly Fishing For Largemouth Bass and Carp”
5-7-14	Pavillion	Mark Forslund	“Fly Fishing Northern Utah & Wyoming”
6-11-14	Pavillion	Kirk Deeter	“The Mother Of All Trout – Brown Trout Around The World”
7-9-14	Pavillion	George Daniel	“Nymphing Dynamics”
8-13-14	Pavillion	Dave Parker	“Entomology – Know Your Bugs”
9-10-14	GrandBallroom		AUCTION
10-8-14	Pavillion	John Sherman	“The World's Best Sea-Run Fly Fishing”
11-2-14	Pavillion	Judith O'Keefe	“Intro Flats Fishing And The History of Women In Fly Fishing”
12-10-14	Pavillion	CHRISTMAS TBA	

The May 7th general meeting will be held on the 1st Wednesday in the Pavillion

Flies That Keep On Giving

By John Williams

There are many good tiers in our club and here is one of the best. Greg Cook ties a mean fly. He has many years as a production tier and has a keen eye for quality. While at an evenings tying session he shared this spruce fly with me. Do you fish for trout? Do trout eat caddis and spruce flies? Give this one a try.

Spruce fly

Hook: #14 Dry Fly Hook

Thread: Lt Cahill 6/0

Body: P,M,D, Superfine Dubbing

Under wing: Cream Antron

Wing: Bleached Elk Hair splayed

Start your thread at the eye and run your thread all the way to the rear of the shank. Dub the body with the P.M.D. superfine dubbing and stop two eye spaces before the eye. Lay a piece of Cream Antron over the top of your body extending just beyond the hook bend. Tie it off two eye spaces behind the eye and cut off excess that extends to the front.

Trim a bunch of Elk hair from your patch and stack it. Let it extend to just beyond the hook bend. Tie the bunch in with a loose wrap over and around the bunch and then pull downward, all the time supporting the bunch on top of the body. Now take several wraps to secure and tie off. Lift the bunch from the front end of the fly and cue it off leaving a small tuft. Head cement and your on the way to catch fish.

If you have a favorite fly that catches fish and you would like to share it with others send or give me one and tell me how you fish it and I will draw it and include it in the newsletter.





SAN JUAN RIVER, NEW MEXICO

April 12-16 2014

Last year fourteen club members and family traveled to Aztec, New Mexico to fish the San Juan River, and we had a great trip. We are planning a return trip in 2014 and now is the time to get your name on the list for some fantastic fishing.

The San Juan River is located in Northwest corner of New Mexico, about 20 minutes from Aztec, New Mexico. The San Juan River is a tailwater, famous for it's large fish, eating tiny midges and baetis mayflies. It fishes well year round trip. Guide prices are \$375 for two people/full day and lodging is 85-90/night for two people. Participants can elect to use a guide for 1-3 days or wade on their own, all or some of those days. If you have never fished the San Juan River before, it is recommended that you use a guide for at least 1-2 days. Participants have the options of A. driving (750 miles=12 hours), B. flying to Farmington, New Mexico (about \$462 with two stops) and driving to Aztec (about 20 miles) C. flying to Albuquerque (\$360-\$410) and driving to Aztec (about 3 hours). If you are interested contact me at: lkennedyjr@earthlink.net



April 15, 1921 – November 29, 2013

Earl Young

He was a friend to many, having worked at Marriott's he got to know many in our club from both sides of the counter.

Earl was a retired Lt. Colonel in the army, he served in the Philippines and then in Japan during the occupation and surrender. He then worked for Hughes Aircraft in Fullerton then on to Marriott's, he then retired and met a wonderful lady Carol Jean Hanson. Earl and Carol Jean were married and have enjoyed many outings with the club to the Kern River area which they enjoyed very much.

Among Earl's loves were Carol Jean, Photography, Fine Art, and Concerts especially Symphony's, camping and of course Fly Fishing. Earl disliked Rock and Roll! He was the President of the club in 1983. Earl died of complications of Pneumonia after a fall that broke his leg.

You will be missed old friend.



Casting Instructor Training on March 15 & Casting Clinic on April 19

The annual FFCOC Casting Clinic will be held the morning of Saturday, April 19 at Mile Square Park. If you're new to fly fishing it's a great opportunity to see and learn the basics of fly casting. If you've been fly fishing for a while and would like to freshen up your mechanics there's room for that too.

We need instructors! On the morning of Saturday, March 15 an FFF-certified casting instructor(s) will lead a training session (location tbd) for those who want to help as Club instructors at the April Clinic. Training as an instructor is guaranteed to improve your own casting ability so it's fine to have a completely selfish motive.

For the Clinic we need volunteers to set-up, register casters, demonstrate at knot- and fly-tying tables, set up and take down rods/reels, cook, take pictures, instruct, and generally help out as needed. Every year the Club gets many compliments from people who attend the Clinic and they appreciate the effort that goes into the event.

If you're interested in participating, or helping in any capacity please email me at FFCOC.casting@gmail.com, or my phone is **949-307-6873**. We'll need and use all the help we can get!
Thanks – Van Lloyd

The Advantages of Joining a Club Outing

By John Williams

There are many great fishing locations to choose from and some are destinations the club has a stream keeper working with, if not on one of these outings the stream keeper is a great resource to contact about this location. This year our club has 16 outings with great diversity, from San Diego and other salt water outings to Largo Fig a small lake near wine country, The Sierra's and Hot Creek Ranch to a pack trip which gets you away from the crowds. All you need do is check out our outings schedule on our website or take a look at your newsletter, look to see who the stream keeper is and contact them; they are all knowledgeable and enjoy helping members. Most of our stream keepers have many years of fly fishing experience and are will to help you find a location suited to your needs. If you have any questions please feel free to call me **(951) 236-0862**

Remember this club has very much to offer all club members

Membership Drive Free Dinner!!!!

You ask how you get a free dinner. Very simply, recruit a new FFCOC club member during the months of September, October, November or December and you will be rewarded with a Free Dinner Gift Certificate that will be valid for any dinner meeting through January 2014. For each new member you recruit you will be awarded a Free Dinner Gift Certificate. That's right! As simple as that!

We would like to share our love of Fly Fishing with other interested fisherman or potential fisherman while also building our membership. There are a couple of guidelines you must follow:

1. New member cannot have been a past member since 2010.
2. You cannot recruit your immediate family members.

Membership Committee

Bob Marriott's Fly Fishing Fair

Dear FFCOC Volunteers,

I want to take this time to thank those of you who were able to find time in your schedule to help out at our booth at Bob Marriott's Fly Fishing Fair. Because of your help, we were able to register 11 new members into our club.

Doug Jones

Jim Edwards

Vern and Dawn Martin & Oggie

Dave Boyer

Dennis Richards

Andrew Gottlieb

Richard Harms

Dan Tayenaka & Onyx

Debra Ashby

Richard (Steve) Stevens

Club members Cheryl Moore, Greg Cooke, Chad Schields and John Williams were also guest tyers.

I actually had to turn away three other people who volunteered. So thank you as well for volunteering.

Bill Miller

Jimmy Moore

Richard Wall

Thank all of you for making this another great FFCOC event!

December Meeting Super Raffle

The December meeting is the final time to buy tickets. The odds are good fight now!

1. \$100 gift certificate to Bob Marriott's
2. Echo 3 11' 7wt switch rod, value \$450
3. PRP Private Wine Tasting with 8 bottles of wines you select from their wide selection with their wine consultant who will host the party, value \$149
4. Vodka & Martini basket with top of the line Vodka's, shaker, glasses, vermouth.
5. Watercolor by John Williams, he will paint a picture of your house or you may pick the watercolor on display at the December meeting.
6. #6 1 Day of Guided Fishing with Frontier Anglers, Dillon, Montana Sept. 11 through Sept. 30 2014 By Tim Tim & Teresa Tollett

This Raffle is to bolster the shortage in revenue from this year's Auction. The Cost is \$25 for five tickets, winner need not be present to win. You do not have to be a club member to buy tickets. Good Luck to all.

John Williams

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families. This program will also reflect on what we do as a club for our membership and our community. This is a perfect program for this time of the year... one that promotes fellowship, good will, education, conservation, and what we do as one of the finest fly fishing clubs in southern California.

There will also be a super raffle, and the cost for this raffle is \$25.00 for five tickets. Tickets can be purchased at the door if you have not already purchased them or want more tickets for a chance to win the following prizes:

A brand new Echo 3 Switch Rod 11' – 7 wt.

A water color painting by John Williams.

A martini basket filled with Absolut, Belvedere, Chopin vodkas and all the fixins.

A \$100 gift certificate from Bob Marriotts.

A certificate for a wine tasting party.

A one day trip for two from Frontier Anglers in Dillon, Montana.

A Thomas & Thomas 40% off certificate.

A fly box custom painted by Jeff Courier.

In addition there will be many door prizes given away all night long that include Holiday cheer, gift certificates, and assorted fishing items.

Please join John Williams and your fellow members for a night of Holiday cheer as we reflect on fellowship and goodwill to all.

Happy Holidays!

Andy Frumento

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.)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA STEELHEAD EXHIBIT

The Aquarium of the Pacific is planning a new exhibit which will showcase Southern California steelhead – a unique species native to Southern California watersheds yet relatively unknown to the large population in this region. Opening in spring 2014, the exhibit will be available to the Aquarium's 1.5 million annual visitors, including thousands of students and teachers, and will serve to inform our visitors and inspire change. The exhibit, along with an updated "It All Flows to Me" watershed education program for middle school students and interactive online resources, will illustrate the connections between human actions, watershed health, and the long-term conservation of a critically endangered species. This project will also significantly enhance the existing Our Watersheds: Pathway to the Pacific exhibit, and further connect the concepts of watershed conservation, societal and individual solutions to conserving water, and the benefits of recycling. We hope you will partner with us to share the story of the steelhead.

Fish Creek Outing June 2013

Stream-keeper Jim Edwards



Fish Creek outing is once again set for June of 2014. Don't miss out on Jimmy's very high tech slideshow 8000' up in the sky. The fishing is not too shabby too!

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

Cross Roads Church of Irvine/
Tustin:
2472 Walnut Avenue
Tustin, CA

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