

ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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August 2014

Club Meeting:

Aug 13, 2014

Phoenix Club
1340 S. Sanderson
Anaheim, CA

6:00 pm - Wet Fly
7:00 pm - Dinner
Dinner and Program - \$30 Cash
Program Only - \$10 Cash
\$1 Fee for Credit Cards

Board Meeting:

Aug 18, 2014

Montesilla Mobile Home Park
15601 South B St
Tustin
Club Members Welcomed
7:00 pm

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<http://www.ffcoc.org>

Entomology—Do You Know Your Bugs

With Dave Parker



According to Wikipedia, Entomology is the scientific study of insects. Do we as fly fishers really need to study entomology? Is it really that important? The answer to the latter is a definite yes—it is very important because it will help you catch more and larger fish. If you want to be a good fly fisher you have to

understand what a Trout eats, why, and when are the most prolific times to fish. Most Trout feeding is done in connection with insect behavior. So if we know what insects make up a Trout's diet and how insects behave, we become a better angler.

Our guest speaker this month is Dave Parker. Dave's flyfishing career started in the early 1980s in southwestern Virginia, where he cut his teeth on small-mouth bass in the larger rivers, and later on trout in the small freestone streams of the region. In 1988, he moved to California and joined the faculty of UC Riverside as a professor in environmental sciences, from which he retired earlier this year. Although principally a chemist by training, his research interests have always spilled over into biology and from the beginning he has been fascinated by the biology and ecology of the aquatic invertebrates that comprise the majority of the trout's diet.

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Since moving to California, Dave has fished all over the western U.S. and has become particularly passionate about the technical challenges posed by small spring creeks (such as Hot Creek) and by the many blue-ribbon tail-water fisheries in the region (e.g. the San Juan, the Green, the Madison, Lee Ferry's, etc. Although these fisheries occasionally offer opportunities to fish the "super-hatches" of large and conspicuous insects (salmon flies, golden stones, green drakes, etc.) the bread-and-butter opportunities in these often year-round fisheries are dominated by much smaller bugs: blue-winged olives, pale morning duns, cad-disflies, and midges among others.

His presentation focuses on the intersection of three major themes. First, there will be an overview of the basic entomology of relevance of these hatches, and some tips on how to identify what the trout are feeding upon. Second, we will discuss effective fly patterns. Because of their small size, most of these hatches are best fished with very simple patterns that accurately imitate the size and shape (and secondarily color) of the naturals, but lack the excessive detail (legs, gills, antennae, etc.) often seen at the local fly shop. Recent advances in underwater photography and videography have greatly improved our understanding of what the trout sees, what the likely triggers are that induce them to eat our flies. Lastly, we will discuss effective strate-

gies for fishing these small bugs, including the use of dry-dropper set-ups, presentation, and the value of site fishing. Time permitting, there will be one or two "bonus topics where Dave engages in his favorite past-times: 'myth-busting" of fly fishing lore and legends (as a scientist, he really can't resist).

Dave has served as the education coordinator for the Deep Creek Fly fishers for many years, where he has taught fly tying, rod building, and general fly-fishing for many years. One of his most popular programs has been a half-day introduction to entomology, which has now been offered in several Southwest Council venues. There is insufficient time in a one hour evening program to go into the same level of detail but it is his hope that this overview of how to identify and imitate small bugs will wet your appetite for further learning.

Please join Dave Parker as he share with us the life cycle of aquatic invertebrates, effective fly patterns and strategies that will make you a better fly fisher. See you there... and remember to pursue your fly fishing dreams.

Andy Frumento
Speaker Chair



Presidents Message



Welcome to the Fly Fishers Club of Orange County

Let's not be bashful, our club auction is just around the corner on September 10, 2014. Please help us by attending and better yet donate something to the auction.

Believe in your abilities and those you can acquire with the club's help. Another round of fly tying is about to start, make sure you sign up, if buying flies has gotten old. Club outings are a wonderful way to meet fellow members and share the experience and knowledge, there are more outings scheduled for this year.

Health updates: Peter Koga is doing much better and able to drive. Jim Edwards is recovering from a triple bypass surgery. Please keep them both in your thoughts and prayers,

If you have a desire to join the board of directors of our club, just say something to any one of us on the current board. It doesn't pay monetarily but you will have the satisfaction of knowing you have helped the club to grow and you have access to the workings of this wonderful club and we do make a difference. Thanks to those who are now on the board, you are greatly appreciated.

Tight Lines,

John Williams

Membership Corner

Please join me in welcoming our 2014 new members:

Join Date:	Name:
5/7	Richard N Martin
5/7	Terry Barger
5/7	Chris Huey
4/19	Michael Flynn
4/9	Craig Douglas
4/9	Jim Smith
4/1	Don Dickey
3/12	Joyce Carrico
3/12	John Mc Lellan
3/12	Brian Mulligan
3/12	Steve Schneider
3/10	Joel & Patti Parker
2/18	Theodore O'Hirok
2/12	Donald Bell
2/5	Mary Barsaleau
1/8	Gediminas Novikas
1/8	Rian Rische

Please add these names to your roster. If you would like their contact info, please see me and I will give you a print out to add to your club directory. Or you can go online and obtain their contact info from our website:

ffcoc.org

Membership Raffle: Don't forget to wear your name tags to the meeting. We will be selecting the lucky member at this meeting that will be the new owner of the John Williams Painting. ☺

Melinda Burns

Membership Chair



2014 SWCFFF Inter-Club Rod Building Challenge

The What: An inter-club rod building challenge between SWCFFF affiliated, sponsored by the **Southern Sierra Fly Fishers Club**, to benefit the Southern California "Casting for Recovery" chapter.

The Why: To supply the So. Cal. CFR with enough rods and rod tubes to cover all the retreat participants. If a CFR chapter does not have all the necessary equipment to cover the retreats they need to get the equipment from the national headquarters. This requires the local chapter to use funds that would be better served on other expenses. This challenge is a start to get the So. Cal. CFR outfitted with their own supplies.

The Who: The challenge is open to any SWCFFF club and their members.

The When: The deadline to get the rods in will be the weekend of the 2014 SWCFFF Fly Fishing Faire in September.

The How: Simple..... you build a rod, donate it to the challenge, and your build is entered in the judging for the "Best of Show" plaque for you and your club.

The Goal: To supply at least 20 rods and rod tubes to our local "Casting for Recovery" chapter.

The Rules:

#1 Build a 9', 5 wt., 4 piece rod, supply a rod tube and donate it for the challenge.

#2 Build the rod to a CFR theme. There must be a bit of pink somewhere on the build.

The Judging: Two categories and all rods will be entered in both.

1. Craftsmanship: Based on basic rod building fundamentals. Fit and Finish is the #1 judging criteria.
2. Best of Show: This will be the best rod in the challenge. This is a category where all the extras will come into play.

Awards: Bragging rights. The SSFFC will supply a plaque to the winning club and individual builder. The real winner will be the Southern California "Casting for Recovery" chapter and all the future retreat participants.



Note: The SSFFC was able to get a good discount on 20 Batson blanks from Bill Batson. We will pass those savings on to you at our cost + shipping= \$35 per blank. Remaining rod components and tubes are on the builder and club depending on how you



Auction Update—August 2014

This year's auction will be on September 10th In the Phoenix Club Ballroom

Mark your calendar, the FFCOC Annual Auction is September 10 in the Phoenix Club Ballroom and things are starting to shape up nicely. We have numerous great donations from club members and the numerous vendors, outfitters, and manufacturers.

(714) 998-7304 or (714) 697-2222 Mobile

The first draft of the 2014 Auction Catalog is available on the club website under "Documents" at the bottom of the column on the left side of the page and then under "Auction 2014". Although I marked it for public access, you may need to be logged in to see it. You should also be able to access the catalog by clicking on this line [2014 Auction Catalog](#)

There are a lot of exciting items in this year's auction—many of the donations we have become accustomed to and a lot of new items. Also, we will be mixing things up this year by having a "Buy-it-Now!" section in addition to the Live Auction, Silent Auction and Bucket Raffle. Many of you have donated to this year's auction, the primary fundraiser for our club — THANKS; these donations help us keep the club afloat. If you have something to donate that you haven't got to me yet, please let me know ASAP (714) 697-2222 or dougjones.oc@gmail.com. We will be printing the catalog for mailing in the next 2 weeks and it really helps if we have a complete catalog to review prior to the auction so everyone arrives anxious to spend \$\$ for the great items and support the club.

Several vendors will be making donations that are not yet reflected in the catalog. However, if you notice that any names are missing, let me know and we'll see what can be done. For those of you that have donated, remember, this is a draft and there may be some typos or other issues. Let me know if you see any problems that need correcting so I can get them fixed prior to the hard copy being printed.

Thanks again to all of you that have helped

Doug Jones— Auction Chair



FFCOC
Annual Auction
September 10, 2014
**Bring your wallet and
bring a friend!**

We Need New Streamkeepers !

Calling all Potential Streamkeepers!

Have you ever wondered why we don't have a club outing at your favorite place to fish? Do you want to share the spectacular fishery with others? We are looking for new streamkeepers and new fishing locations to share with our fellow club members. To help you become one of our new Streamkeepers, we have included Richard Fannings Guide on what you need to do to host/or be the streamkeeper as we call it, for one of our monthly outings. To download a copy to print, [click here](#).

Streamkeeper's Guide to a Successful Trip

by Richard Fanning

Creating a successful fishing trip isn't hard but it does require attention to some details. This document is intended to describe these details and help a streamkeeper prepare for a successful trip. Depending on the details of the trip, some of these topics will be more important than others or might not apply at all.

1. Location, Location , Location

This is the starting point. A trip to a location familiar to the streamkeeper is best. If you are not familiar with it, enlist the aid of others or perhaps a Fly Shop or Guide Service to help with the planning. You also need to consider the quality/difficulty of the fishing and the proximity to services. Many fly fishing venues have been described in magazine and journal articles. Try to find an applicable one to help you with your planning. You should estimate the number of participants to help with the following topics. Experience has shown that cost is an issue. A goal in your planning should be to make the trip affordable.

2. Coordination with Outings Chairperson

Once you have an idea for a trip you should talk to the club's Outing Chairperson to get help in scheduling and planning.

3. Transportation to Location

How will participants get to your chosen location? Is this consistent with a weekend trip? Or, will the investment in travel mean it's more appropriate to make it a longer trip? Approximately what will the travel cost be? It will be best for the streamkeeper if you don't have to get involved in arranging travel. One example where the streamkeeper might need to be a travel coordinator is where there is a special access issues—4x4 vehicles, for example. With the location and means of transportation in mind you should set the trip duration.

4. Guided or Not

It's great to fish with a guide, especially if the venue is new to those participating. However, it adds cost and this cost might prevent some from participating. If the venue is a river that requires drifting, guides and drift

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boats are essential. If it takes a lake participants might be expected to bring float tubes and/or pontoon boats.

The more experienced fisher in your group might feel they don't need a guide so you might make guides optional. If it is a walk in venue, you might consider having a guide watch over more fishers than the normal two. Or, you might have a seminar associated with the trip where a local guide explains the local waters.

5. Transportation on Site

If the fishing is co-located with the lodging, this won't be an issue. If guides pick you up at the lodging location this won't be a problem. Otherwise, you need to know how this "local" transportation will work on a day by day basis. Will you have enough vehicles on site? If participants fly in, will they need rental cars for local transportation?

You need to provide good directions to the lodging and fishing locations—at least a map and maybe turn by turn directions if it is complicated. You might even post signs if it's complicated Monache Meadows. This could be as simple as color coded arrows. (Be sure to remove them after the trip.)

6. Lodging

Finding nice lodging at a reasonable price can be a challenge. If your destination is a city, consider getting a "deal" for a block of rooms at a hotel or inn. In this case, try to find lodging that is near restaurants. If a fly shop or guide service is involved being near their location is a good idea too.

If your destination is out of town, look for a rental house or lodge with reasonable rates. When choosing a house or lodge you need to know how the rooms are configured. Ideally, you should have separate bedrooms and baths for couples. It's not appropriate to expect unattached couples to share a bed. You will also need to figure out how meals will work. Perhaps the owner will provide meals, your group can cook or maybe a caterer will service the group's needs.

Camping is another option but be aware of the expected weather if you are thinking of this approach. Some like camping, some don't. Going this route might limit participation to those who have the right camping equipment.

Another possible approach would be a RV based trip. There are services in some locations who will haul a rental trailer to your camp location.

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7. Food

The approach to meals can vary considerably. Here are some ideas:

Got to restaurants

Guides usually provide lunch

Meals are usually provided at Lodges

Participants bring their own food (e.g. for camping trips)

An individual or team of individuals is assigned to each meal.

A mixed approach. For example, Participants are on their own for breakfast, lunch , potluck dinners

8. Expected Water Conditions and Weather

You should let the participants know what range of weather conditions are possible and suggest they be prepared accordingly.

9. Clothing

While experienced fly fishers will know what to bring, based on the expected weather conditions, it would be good to remind the participants to bring quality clothing for the conditions expected.

10 Equipment

Let your participants know what rods and lines to bring. Sometimes other equipment such as a stripping basket, a float tube, etc. is needed. Let them know.

11. Flies

Let the participants know what hatches to expect. If there are recommended local patterns, let them know.

Some of your participants are fly tyers. Let them know in advance so they can tie flies if they choose to. Flies can be costly (typically about \$2.00) in a destination fly shop. If the trip is being guided, make an arrangement with the fly shop so unused flies can be returned after the trip.

12. Cost and Payment Schedule

Figure out what you need to charge each participant. Let them know what is included and what they may need to pay for separately.

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13. Local Fly Shops

Provide a list of fly shops at the destination. If you are using guides from a specific shop, that one should be able to provide everything needed.

14. Licenses

Tell participants what licenses and permits they need to get. The Fish and Game departments of many states now have web sites where licenses and permits can be purchased. Have participants use these to reduce the time needed to get going on the first day of the trip.

15. Proximity to Emergency Services

While we certainly hope nothing happens, it sometimes does. Everyone should know how to contact emergency services and where the nearest emergency care provider is located.

16. Local Services and Attractions

Many of the places we go to fishing have other interesting attractions. Some participants might like a change of pace, especially on longer trips. Listing significant attractions in the area is a good idea.

17. Advertising and Getting Sign ups

Work with the Outings Chairperson to get your trip on the club's Outing Schedule. Local trips can be somewhat impromptu but trips with significant travel and many fishing days need to get on the plan early in the year.

You should write an article for the club newsletter to advertise the trip. Have a sign up sheet at the meeting.

My personal experience is that many people plan their trips up to a year ahead of time. Thus, you need to start early to get people signed up for your trip

Good Luck!

Richard Fanning

Hot Creek Ranch Outing Overview

By John Williams

A group of determined members of our club invaded the Ranch July 11—14 and had a wonderful time in spite of the low water conditions. Fewer fish were caught but spirits were absorbed, cleansed and rejuvenated by the company we kept and the spirits consumed, a few cigars were incinerated in the process. Jacob had a lesson on how to propose to the one he loves and all who attended were surprised except Loren and me. The dinner went well with Bill Nichols attending while Kevin and Lisa Peterson attended a wedding and a funeral, not on the same day. Sign up's for next years outing July 10—13, 2015 will begin at the January 2015 meeting.

Membership Raffle John Williams Painting



Have you been wearing your name badge to the meeting for the last 6 months? Then you know that this month is when we will be drawing the winner for the John Williams Painting. You must be present to win the prize as it is our goal to have all our members attend the meetings. For those of you who read this, I will have an extra raffle for those of you who remember to bring me a piece of chocolate candy. No Nuts, milk chocolate is good. Just checking to see if you read this. You will be entered into a separate membership raffle for a cool prize. See you at the meeting..



Aug 2014

8/13	General Membership Mtg
8/18	Board of Directors Mtg
8/15-18	Women's Outing

Sept 2014

9/10	Annual Auction-Ballroom
9/15	Board of Directors Mtg
9/18 21	Fly Fishing Fair-Mammoth
9/18	Czech Nymphing Class
9/15-19	Southern Utah Outing
9/22/26	Southern Utah Outing
9/27	WFC Kids Academy

Oct 2014

10/4	President's Barbecue
10/8	General Membership Mtg
10/9	Fly Tying Class—REI
10/17-19	Kern River Outing

Nov 2014

11/12	General Membership Mtg
11/17	Board of Director's Mtg

Dec 2014

12/10	Christmas Program
12/15	Board of Director's Mtg

Outings Info

Aug.15-18, 2014 Women's Outing—Mammoth

There are still a few opening for the Women's Outing and we are looking for those women who want to learn from other women or fish with other women. We will be fishing the Alpine creeks in the morning and then coming down the mountain to fish Hot Creek or the Upper Owens for the afternoon. We have a condo that sleep 8 and will spit the cost between all the participants.

We will also be fishing Lake Crowley with our one and only Ernie Gulley. Looking forward to learning how Stillwater fish this lake.

For more details, please contact Melinda Burns @ 951-415-9920 or mel11755@pacbell.net

Sept 18-21 2014 SWCIFFF Fly Fishing Faire—Mammoth



- ◆ Our Fly Fishing Faire is for every level of angler, from complete beginner to the expert
- ◆ No Equipment necessary for introductory classes, Family Rates for Many Classes!
- ◆ Free Seminars on where and how to catch more fish
- ◆ Watch renowned Fly Tyers or take one of their classes
- ◆ Raffles and Giveaways

Registration Is Now Open

<http://www.swc-fff.org/faire>

Fly Tying News

FALL 2014

Fly Fishers Club of Orange County Fly Tying Classes

The FFCOC is putting together fly tying classes that will enhance your fly fishing experiences. These classes will be given at no cost to our club members. We are offering beginning, intermediate and advanced fly tying. The classes will be held one night a week and will run for six weeks. Our club is very happy to accept the offer of the REI/Tustin Store to host these classes in their Community Resource Room. The REI/Tustin store is located in the Tustin Ranch Market off the 5 Freeway at Jamboree, between Best Buy and Total Wine.

For the beginning class, we have limited number of fly tying vices, You will be able to take these vices home to practice your tying. The FFCOC will furnish all of the tying materials and hooks. All you will need to do is bring your basic fly tying tools. You will learn how to spot good/bad materials. Proportions, size and color will also be on the agenda. The Instructors will give you approximately three different fly patterns a night. Classes will run from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm. All of the classes will be held on a Thursday night. The dates for the fly tying classes are October 9, 16, 23 and 30 2014 as well as November 6 and 13, 2014

These classes are a fantastic opportunity to learn a new craft and /or elevate your tying skills. By the time you have completed your classes your fly box will be stuffed with new and exciting fly patterns. If you would like to join us at REI, I will have a sign up sheet at our next meeting or just drop me an email at flytyer10@aol.com.

Cheryl Moore

Support our local Fly Shops

For those of you who don't know, we have two local fly shops who have been very generous through out the years. They have donated items to our club and they provide discounts for some of our auction items. Next time you are in one of these shops be sure to say thank you for their continued support of FFCOC.



Bob Marriott's Flyfishing Store

2700 W. Orangethorpe Ave.

Fullerton, CA 92833

Store Hours;

Mon—Sat: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Sun: Closed

Phone: 714-525-1827

Email: info@bobmarriottts.com

His & Her Fly Fishing

SHOP

His & Hers Fly Fishing Shop

1566 Old Newport Blvd.

Costa Mesa, CA 92627

Store Hours:

Mon—Fri 10:00 am—6:30 pm

Sat: 9 am—6pm

Sun: Closed

Phone: 949-548-9449

Email: hisher1666@aol.com

SPEAKER'S LIST – 2014

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
1/8/14	Pat Jaegar	"Floating the Lower Owens"
2/12/14	Tim Holschlag	"Trophy Smallmouth Fishing"
3/12/14	Beau McFadyean	"The Big Horn River"
4/9/14	Conway Bowman	"Fly Fishing for Largemouth Bass and Carp"
5/7/14	Brant Oswald	"Spring Creek Tactics Make a Better Trout Angler"
6/11/14	Kirk Deeter	"The Mother of All Trout— <i>Brown Trout Around the World</i> "
7/9/14	George Daniel	"Nymphing Dynamics"
8/13/14	Dave Parker	"Entomology—Know Your Bugs"
9/10/14	No Speaker	<u>"AUCTION" in Grand Ballroom</u>
10/8/14	John Sherman	"Fly Fishing for Steelhead in the Rivers of CA and the NW"
11/2/14	Gary Bulla	"Surf Fishing Southern California"
12/10/14	Peter Koga	"Size Matters"

2014 OUTINGS PLAN

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Streamkeeper</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
2/22	Surf	Jim Edwards	714-337-5899	jimmywt1957@yahoo.com
3/22	Double Haul Ball	Shane Chung	949-633-6973	sschung@hotmail.com
3/30—4/2	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright	714-679-6638	jrwright1@earthlink.net
4/12	One Surf Fly	Shane Chung	949-633-6973	sschung@hotmail.com
4/12-16	San Juan River	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
4/26-27	Mammoth Opener	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
5/17-18	Kelsey Bass Ranch	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
6/6-8	Fish Creek	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
6/13-15	Mammoth Mentor	Dave Long	714-336-6398	davidmlong@earthlink.net
	Outing/Pine Glen	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865	lkennedyjr@earthlink.net
7/7-11	Golden Trout Pack Trip	John Williams	951-236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
7/11-14	Hot Creek	John Williams	951-236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
8/15-18	Women's Outing	Melinda Burns	951-415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net
9/18-21	Fly Fishing Faire	Melinda Burns	951-415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net
9/15-19	Southern Utah	John Williams	951-236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
9/22-26	Southern Utah	John Williams	951-236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
10/4/14	President's Barbecue	John Williams	951-236-0862	troutbum2@earthlink.net
10/17-19	Kern River	Melinda Burns	951-415-9920	mel11755@pacbell.net

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.

Board of Directors: President John Williams president@ffcoc.org 1st Vice President Doug Jones 1stvpresident@ffcoc.org 2nd Vice President Jim Edwards Past President Melinda Burns	Treasurer Brian Mayer Secretary Alan Ross secretary@ffcoc.org Outings Lyman Kennedy Newsletter Melinda Burns (temporary) Website Victor Raphael newsletter@ffcoc.org	Conservation/ FFF Liaison John Burns Historian Marvin Crocker Raffle Coordinator Charlene Hanson Trout in the Classroom James Wright Melinda Burns Membership Melinda Burns membership@ffcoc.org	Programs Andy Frumento Casting Van Lloyd Fly Tying Cheryl Moore Member at Large Richard Fanning Member at Large Denis Higginson
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