

ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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President's Message

By Doug Jones



In January I attended the Southwest Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers (SWCFFF) Winter Quarterly Meeting which also served as the 6th annual Member Club President's Meeting. The meeting was a great opportunity for me and other FFCOC members to interact and share ideas with officers and members of clubs throughout Southern California. Goals of the meeting included inter-club collaboration, cooperation and commitment.

There were several breakout discussions including club presidents, social media, fly tying, conservation and others. I joined presidents of several of the clubs in the President's Breakout Session and covered topics including:

- Social media/internet and its implications regarding individual club's membership, newsletters, communications and participation in club activities. We also discussed how social media could improve communications between clubs including posting of individual club activities on the SWCFFF calendar.

- Trout in the classroom.
- Status of clubs as 503c organizations.

During the general session of the meeting additional subjects were discussed including club advertising opportunities through the SWCFFF, the SWCFFF annual fly fishing fair, social media, and internet security and privacy. The SWCFFF is constantly doing numerous activities to promote fly fishing and the numerous fly fishing clubs throughout Southern California.

Melinda and John Burns have been very active with the SWCFFF and representing our club there. I would like to thank them for their ongoing efforts and support to the FFCOC as well as the SWCFFF.

PS – the above photo was taken February 19th at Eagle Canyon Trophy Trout Lakes

This Month's Meetings

Club Meeting:

March 11, 2015
Phoenix Club
1340 S. Sanderson
Anaheim, CA
6:00 pm - Wet Fly
7:00 pm - Dinner
Dinner & Program - \$30 Cash
Program Only - \$10 Cash
\$1 Fee for Credit Cards

Board Meeting:

March 16, 2015
Montesilla Mobile Home Park
15601 South B St, Tustin
Club Members Are Welcome
7:00 pm

March Club Meeting - Part 1:

Bob Marriott's New Travel Service

At our March meeting the new owners of Bob Marriott's and their new Adventure Travel Service 'Wild on the Fly' would like the opportunity to formally introduce themselves. They will talk about their new travel services and the future and direction of Bob Marriott's fly fishing store.

We will meet Dan Shepard, the managing partner of the Grizzly Hackle Fly Shop in Missoula, Montana, who is also the Travel Director for the travel service "Wild On The Fly". Accompanying Dan will be Kevin Bell, who has been the General Manager of Bob Marriott's for the past 16 years.

Both Dan and Kevin will talk about the exciting plans they have for both the store and their new travel service.

March Club Meeting - Part 2:

Joe Libeu - A River For All Seasons, The Bighorn River

Our club's March program will be on the Bighorn River in Montana and our guest speaker will be Joe Libeu. Joe is the owner of Sierra Pacific Fishing Adventures, a California Guide, a Master Casting Instructor and on the Casting Board of



Governors with the IFFF. He has also been awarded the following awards: the Pauline C. Cathcart Memorial Fly-casting Award from the Pasadena Casting Club, the J. Stanley Lloyd Order of the Mayfly Award from the Sierra Pacific Flyfishers, the Ed Thomas Memorial Trophy from the Long Beach Casting Club and the first Mel Krieger Instructor of the Year Award from the International Federation of Fly Fishers.

Joe Libeu is also a member of our club, The Fly Fishers Club of Orange County. For the past several years Joe has been our main mentor for the Annual Fly Casting Clinic. Many of us have had the privilege of receiving Joe's wisdom and instruction. He is always willing to help the novice fly fisher as well as the seasoned angler. Joe fishes all over the United States as well as international waters. One of Joe's passions is Montana's Big Horn River.

The Bighorn River is considered one of the top tailwater fisheries in the US with an average of 6000 Brown and Rainbow trout per mile from the After Bay to the 13 mile takeout. Most anglers float the river to be able to access and cover as much water as possible. Walk and wade fishing up stream and downstream from the boat launch ramps is also a good way to fish the river, and the only restriction is the high water mark. The various islands within the river system provide ample areas for the drift boats to navigate from one area to the next for wade fishing. The trout population is currently on the rebound after a several drought years and currently average 13-21 inches. The record Bighorn trout is 29 inch Rainbow weighting 16 lbs.

Joe's presentation will cover the various seasons of the Bighorn River, and will include discussions on lodging, camping, insects and equipment. The Bighorn River is a river for new anglers as well as for a seasoned pro. There is something for everyone's enjoyment and challenge.

So please join Joe Libeu as he takes us down the beautiful Big Horn River.



Club Meeting Dates and Speakers

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
3-11-15	2nd Wed	Joe Libeu	“The Big Horn River”
4-8-15	2nd Wed	Wanda & Gary Taylor	“Death By Fly Fishing And How To Avoid It”
5-13-15	2nd Wed	Larry Johnson	“The San Juan River”
6-10-15	2nd Wed	Davy Wotton	‘Fly Fishing Arkansas’s White River”
7-8-15	2nd Wed	Zane Mirfin	“Affordable Fly Fishing In New Zealand”
8-12-15	2nd Wed	Mark Berlin	“So Calif Back Country Fly Fishing In Depth”
9-9-15	2nd Wed	AUCTION	-----
10-7-15	1st Wed	Ernie Gulley	“Trophy Stillwater of the Eastern Sierra”
11-11-15	2nd Wed	Dave Trimble	“Fly Fishing for Sharks”
12-16-15	3rd Wed	Holiday Program	TBA

Outings and Events for 2015

The Outings and Events planned for 2015 are listed below. If you are interested in participating in any of these or want additional information, you should contact the Streamkeeper listed in the table below.

DATE	LOCATION	STREAMKEEPER	PHONE
MARCH 16-18	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright	714 679-6638
APRIL 10-14	San Juan River	Brian Mayer	562 619-9169
MAY 15-17	Kelsey Bass Ranch	Lyman Kennedy	714 742-5865
MAY 29-31	5-Dot Ranch	Andy Frumento	323 816-7067
JUNE 12-14	Mentor Outing Mammoth	Dave Long	775 586-1680
JUNE 19-21	Fish Creek	Erik Kraemer	805 984-7202
JUNE 15-19	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862
JULY 10-13	Hot Creek Ranch	John Williams	951 236-0862
AUGUST TBD	Womens' Outing Mammoth	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920
SEPTEMBER 21-25	Southern Utah	John Williams	951 236-0862
OCTOBER 16-18	FFF Fly Fishing Faire Bishop Fairgrounds	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920
OCTOBER 16-18	President's Outing	Doug Jones	714 998-7304
NOVEMBER 2-6	Lee's Ferry	Melinda Burns	951 415-9920
DECEMBER TBD			

SAN JUAN RIVER, NM OUTING

April 10 to 14, 2015

Once again, we are planning another fantastic outing to the San Juan River in New Mexico. The clear river waters of the San Juan are the jewel of North West New Mexico just a short 14 hour's drive from Southern California. The river is fed from the deep waters of Navajo Lake which provide nearly constant temperature and abundant food supplies. This means many large brown and rainbow trout with substantial fight.



Many of the club members have stayed at the Fisheads San Juan River Lodge [(505) 634-0463, <http://www.fisheadsofthesanjuan.com/>], and the Abe's Motel just across the street [(505) 632-2194, <http://sanjuanriver.com/>]. Both have very reasonable rates and can arrange guides as well. There are other accommodations as well. Contact Brian Mayer for full details. If you plan to stay at Fisheads, please let them know you are part of the FFCOC group.

Plan to arrive on Friday, April 10. If you arrive early enough, you may have the opportunity to wade fish the lower quality water. The general plan is to fish Saturday, Sunday and Monday. These are the days that you should consider arranging guides. I strongly recommend you get a guide for at least two days to thoroughly enjoy all the fishing the San Juan Quality Water has to offer. Both Fisheads and Abe's offer package deals for two and three days guiding with lodging. Prices are the same as last year for guides and lodging.

For those non-fishing travelers, there are several historic and interesting areas nearby to explore. The city of Aztec offers some shopping for Native American products and Durango, Colorado is a short drive away as well.

Traditionally, we have all gathered at Fisheads for the Prime Rib dinner on Friday at about 6 PM. I will need to get a meal count to let Fisheads know in advance. We have generally gathered as a group for dinner each night. Although there are limited choices in Navajo Dam, we usually go to the city of Aztec (short 20 minute drive) for dinners at the local Chinese restaurant and Mexican food restaurant.

If you plan to attend the trip or want more information, please contact stream keeper Brian Mayer, (562) 619-9169 or bdmayer@hotmail.com



KELSEY BASS RANCH

May 15-17, 2015

Kelsey Reservoir is a 125 acre lake located on the 7,000 acre Kelsey Cattle Ranch in the city of Snelling about 25 miles east of Merced. The lake is stocked with about 15,000 Florida strain Large-mouth Bass along with Bluegill, Red ear sunfish as well as catfish and several times a year with trout.

The lake is best fished from a pontoon boat, float tube or pram, although it can be successfully fished from shore. The bass average about 2 ½ to 3 pound although there are larger bass up to 6 pounds. The bluegill and red ear sunfish are very large and at first hookup it is difficult to tell whether the fish hooked is a bass or not as they pull very hard.



Fishing for bass at Kelsey can be done in a variety of ways. You can actually troll and strip streamers for bass like you do for trout as long as you find the right water which is usually at drop offs from deep to shallower water. The most exciting way for me is to throw top water flies into the weed, tules, trees, stickups and brush, especially early in the morning and later in the evening. Having a bass explode on your fly as it is sitting there very calmly in the water will get your heart racing quickly. When the topwater bite slows down, we change over to subsurface flies as small as one inch and up to 4-6 inches long at all depths from a few inches to 14 feet deep.

Fishing for bass requires a stout leader to keep them out of logs, brush, and weeds. Because we change the type and size of flies frequently it is helpful to have at least 2-3 rods to save time when fishing. We usually use fly rods in sizes from 6 wt to 8 wt, and we usually have 1-2 rods rigged with floating lines and 1-2 rods rigged with sinking lines. Some of the flies that we use are wholly buggers of all colors and sizes, meat whistle, perfection perch, poppers, gurglers, dahlburg divers and many others.

The cost to fish Kelsey Bass Ranch is \$100 a day. The club will have the lake for two days, Saturday and Sunday, and we are allowed to camp on the property. There is a large shaded grassy area for pitching out tents. A porta potty is provided and there is a large barbecue area with picnic tables. We usually arrive Friday afternoon, in time to pitch our tents and get our gear assembled and ready for fishing Saturday morning. We fish all day Saturday and Sunday (as late as you want), and we pack up and leave Monday morning.



There are limited spots available for the outing. If interested contact Lyman Kennedy at lkennedyjr@earthlink.net or 714 742-5865.



TRIPLOID RAINBOW TROUT 2 TO 5 LBS.
"OUTSIDE THE BOX STILLWATER CLINIC"

DATE: - MAY 29-30-31 2015
FRIDAY - 6PM ORIENTATION + PIZZA AT HOTEL
SATURDAY - 7:30 AM FISHING AND INSTRUCTIONS AT THE LAKE
LUNCH, STEAK BBQ.
SUNDAY - 7:30 AM FISHING AND INSTRUCTIONS AT THE LAKE
LUNCH, WRAP UP

STREAM KEEPER - ANDY FRUMENTO 323-816-7067

INSTRUCTORS & GUIDES - ERNIE GULLEY + DOUG OUELLETE + STAFF

COST - \$525.00

(A \$200.00 NON- REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED TO HOLD YOUR SPOT)

LIMITED TO 10 ANGLERS

WHAT'S COVERED:

INSTRUCTORS WILL BE COVERING MANY DIFFERENT TACTICS FROM BASIC TO ADVANCE.

THE CLINIC ALLOWS THE ANGLER TO SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF TIME WITH ON THE WATER INSTRUCTIONAL FISHING WITH A GUIDE, SIGHT FISHING FOR TRIPLOID TROUT, AND PERSONAL TIME FOR FISHING. GUIDES WILL CONCENTRATE ON IMATING THE TROUT FOOD ITEMS THAT ARE FOUND IN THE LAKE. THEY WILL SHOW YOU THE BEST PATTERNS TO USE AND THE PROPER WAY ON HOW TO RETRIEVE THEM FOR OPTIMUM RESULTS.

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

9' - 9 1/2' 5 TO 6 WT RODS

FLOATING AND INTERMEDIATE LINES

WADERS

FLOAT TUBE OR INFLATABLE

LEADERS - 9FT 4 X, TIPPET - 3X, 4X, 5X, MOSQUITO REPELLANT

MAMMOTH MENTOR OUTING

June 12-15, 2015

The Club has planned a 3 day Mentor Outing to the Mammoth Lake's area for June 12-15, 2015. The outing is designed as a basic introduction to fly fishing the eastern Sierra and is geared to novice fly fishers, and those wanting to become more familiar with the Mammoth Lakes area. Club members will be on hand to provide assistance and will lead car pool groups to a variety of area waters for those not working with the professional guides.

Novice anglers will get to work with professional guides on fishing basics. Saturday participants will work on basics, and some on-water activities with a guide from The Troutfitter. On Sunday we will meet with a guide supplied by Tahoe Fly Fishing Outfitters and learn the basics of fishing the East Walker River. There is no extra cost to participants for the guides. There may however, be a limit to the group size that will be working with the guides.

The Club reserved group campsite No. 9 at the Pine Glen Group Campground in Mammoth Lakes, CA. The campground is located adjacent to the Forest Service Ranger Station and Welcome Center off of Highway 203. Water and toilets are at the campground. Saturday evening is a planned potluck dinner. Sunday morning breakfast will be provided. There will be camp stoves available for use and some basic cooking utensils. The weather in June can be quite variable so bring cold weather gear along with the sunscreen.

The outing will cover basic fishing strategies and visit a few streams and lakes in the area. Fly rods from 3-6 weight will work well. If floating a lake a 5-6 weight rod is recommended. We will do a meet and greet stop at one of the area fly shops. An evening program is being planned for Saturday. There are plenty of non-fishing activities in the area for those attending that are not anglers.

There may be opportunity to learn basics of lake fishing using float tubes (weather permitting). Please **contact Lyman Kennedy (714) 742-5865** if you are interested in learning to fish from a belly boat on this trip. There are also options for renting tubes. Each float tube participant needs a Personal Flotation Device.

This outing is a great introduction to fishing Mammoth area lakes and streams. While the campsite can accommodate up to 25 people, feel free to make alternate lodging arrangements in Mammoth and still participate in Club activities. A trip sign-up sheet will be circulated beginning with the March Club meeting. Hope to see you on this great family friendly trip.

We are also looking for a couple of experienced anglers to attend and help with the mentoring aspects to assist the guides and help the novices. Contact **David Long** davidmlong@earthlink.net or **(714) 336-6398** for details and suggestions.

All participants must have a Club Insurance Waiver on file prior to attending.

SAN GABRIEL RIVER CLEAN UP

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY CTUC

OPERATION SUPER CANYON SWEEP-2015

**WE NEED YOU SATURDAY, JUNE 13th, 2015
8 A.M. TO 3 P.M.**

WE WILL BE CLEANING UP THE SAN GABRIEL CANYON.

**SAN GABRIEL, OHV AREA, SAN GABRIEL CANYON ROAD,
HWY 39, JUST NORTH OF THE EAST FORK BRIDGE AND
NORTH OF AZUSA**

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

TO VOLUNTEER AND FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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E-MAIL BHWetherby@aol.com

3700 Santa Carlotta St., La Crescenta, Ca. 91214

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LEE'S FERRY OUTING

November 2-6, 2015



The Colorado River is described as “The World’s Largest Spring Creek” that boasts 15.5 miles of clear running tailwater fishery flowing from Lake Powell.

Come join Honey Burns and I along with 15 other lucky club members as we fish one of the waters of the 7 Natural Wonders of the World. This trip will consist of 4 nights lodging at the Cliff Dwellers (2 Adults per room) and 3 days of guided fishing (Drift or Wet Wading). I have reserved Rooms 26 -32 along with one Two Room Suite, each room has two beds. But if you want the room to yourself then you pay the full price. Each room is \$85.28.

We also have the following guides reserved: Terry Gunn, Jeff English, Skip Dixon, Natalie Jensen, Tyson Warren, Dale Gauthier, TJ Carrington and Kevin Campbell. Guides are \$450 for 2 fisherman.

This cost of this trip is approximately \$845 per person. This does not include tips for the guides, meals or transportation.

Sign ups are now being taken. You can sign the Outings Sheet at the next meeting or you can call or me to place you on the list, 951.415.9920 mel11755@pacbell.net.

Melinda and John Burns
Streamkeepers

Trip Reports

LAGUNA NIGUEL LAKE TRIP REPORT

By Dennis Harper

Thanks to Streamkeeper, Lyman Kennedy, the trip to Laguna Niguel Lake was definitely a success. Several members of the club met at the lake early (6:00a.m.) Saturday morning. We got our float tube passes at the concession stand and we went to the parking area where Lyman checked our rigging and provided us with a selection of flies he said would work well.

We launched our float tubes and headed to the area north of the big island. After clearing the area where there were several bank anglers, I checked my indicator setting and I was about 8" above the bottom and did a slow troll with a balanced leech and fished my way to join the area where the other float tubes were congregated (about 16 tubers in the area). On the way, I hooked and brought to my net a very, very nice fish. I'm guessing it was 18" to 20" and about 3.5 pounds. I did this on the balanced leech that Lyman had tied.

Lyman put us in what he thought were the best spots. My anchor did not want to hold so I moved to the fringe of the tubers. I got a headshake, 2 misses that I saw and probably a dozen that I didn't see. I called it a day around 1:00pm.

Lessons learned from the outing:

- This is a good "cabin-fever" location, half an hour from home.
- 4X tippet has its place
- I need a bigger anchor

Lyman did an excellent job as our guide and instructor. His communication prior to the trip was outstanding. I feel I learned enough to go back on my own and be successful. I would highly recommend this outing and a chance to fish with Lyman to all members.





EAGLE CANYON LAKES TRIP REPORT

By Richard Fanning



Eagle Canyon Lakes are two relatively small lakes with a good population of large Rainbow Trout. The lakes are located about 20 miles northeast of Red Bluff in Northern California and this time of year are surrounded by green hills and great views of Mt. Lassen. It's quite place except for the splashes of 10 pound and larger trout and the banter of fly fishers and the excited yelling upon hookup!

Lyman Kennedy set up two days of fishing for our group of four (including himself, Carl Thompson, Doug Jones and Richard Fanning) thru Confluence Outfitters. A maximum of 6 fishers are allowed each day and if you have a group of 4 they don't add strangers to the mix.

Several fishing techniques were effective including: Stripping Streamers, Indicator Nymphing and Midging with Balanced Leeches.

Use a 5, 6 or 7 wt rod that you can cast well. The fish were scattered around the lakes but sometimes it seemed like they knew how to be just beyond our reach. We mostly used floating lines matched to our rods. Intermediate sink tips with slow sink rates can also be effective - the max depth is about eight feet.

Float tubing made access to fish easier and mitigated then need for long casts. A good number of fish were caught using this method. If you have a tube, take it.

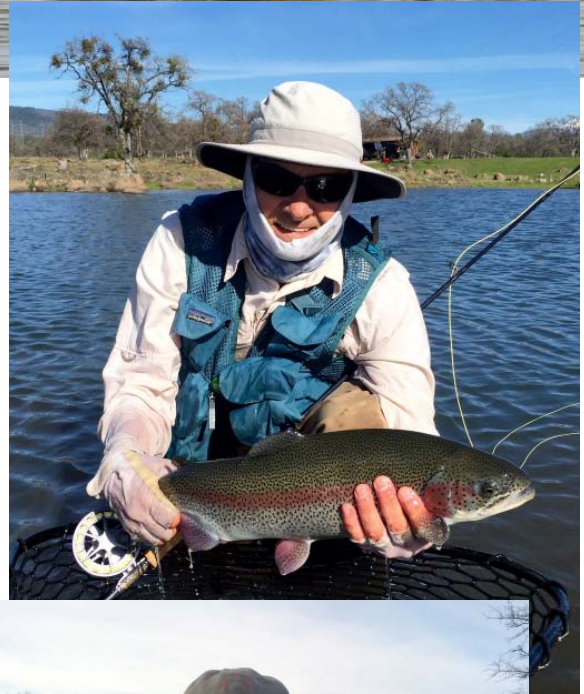
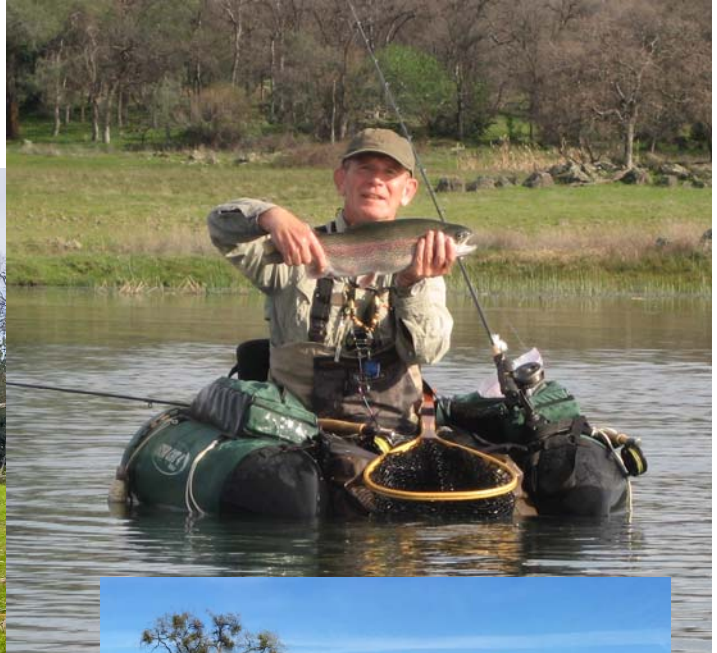
While none of us caught a large number of fish, the fish we caught were huge and exciting. Our every-day trout nets were way too small - fortunately there were large nets available there for our use.

We stayed at the Best Western in Red Bluff which was clean and quiet. The "Green Barn" nearby served up a good dinner at an affordable price. Be sure to take the fixing's for lunch with you to the lake.

These lakes are available during Winter and Early Spring - try it, you'll like it!

See the next page for more photos!

Eagle Canyon Rainbows!



Rod Building

Fly Rod Building Class March 7, April 4, April 11, 2015

Building your own rod is a good way to get the rod you want, customized as you want it. You can save on the cost and have fun doing it! It's not hard - but it does require good eyesight and hand coordination.

This class is more than how to assemble a rod. You will learn about the uses for different types of rods. You will learn about rod action. You will learn why rods perform the way they do. We will show examples of the various types of components available. You can choose the blank, the guides, the wrapping thread, the reel seat and the grip for your project. The club will provide the tools and consumable supplies needed to complete your rod.

The first session will be an introduction to the class and will focus on the components each student will need to purchase and bring to the following sessions. Suggestions will be made on what components to get and where to buy them. You will be given a Rod Building Manual and a Rod Design Worksheet to help in documenting your choices. Your homework will be to buy your components before the second session. Due to space limitations, please plan on building 4-piece rods only. There is a gap between the first two sessions to give you time to purchase your rod building components.

The second session will be a working session where you will prepare your blank, install your grip and reel seat, and temporarily install your guides.

The third session will be devoted to wrapping you guides. You will go home with the materials needed to finish wrapping and epoxy coating the wraps.

The class schedule is:

Session 1: Saturday, March 7, 9am-11am, 2 hours

Session 2: Saturday, April 4, 9am-1pm, 4 hours

Session 3: Saturday, April 18, 9am-1pm, 4 hours

The class will be held at His & Her Fly Fishing
1566 Old Newport Blvd.
Costa Mesa, CA

Contact Richard Fanning (rkfanning@aol.com) for more information or to be added to the sign-up list. The sign-up sheet will also be available at upcoming meetings.



Fly Tying

Fly Tying Classes - Spring 2015 It's SIGN-UP TIME!

The Spring 2015 Fly Tying classes will be held at the REI in Tustin Community Room from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. on the following MONDAYS: March 23 and 30, April 6, 20 and 27, and May 4. There will be 6 sessions with no class on April 13. Our goal is to have classes for **first-time** fly tiers, **beginners**, **intermediate** and **advanced** students. The actual class structure will be determined based on the numbers of students and instructors that sign up.

We had fourteen members sign up for these classes during the January Club meeting. There's plenty of room for more participants. Please call or email

Doug Jones at (714) 697-2222 or dougjones.oc@gmail.com to sign up or with questions. Doug will be the coordinator for the spring fly tying session while Bill Burns is out due to medical issues.



FLIES THAT KEEP ON GIVING

By John Williams

The excitement builds and the number of flies I'm taking to Largo Strobel (Jurassic Lake) is building. The twelve of us are planning and making preparations far in advance. Don Bell sent out a photo of a pattern that was used on Jurassic Lake, it looked like Denny Brier's cicada pattern that I bastardized many year back with a flashy wing. This one's for Don,

The Hollywood Pimp goes to Jurassic

Hook: Mustad R90 size 6
Thread: Big Fly Fire Orange
Body: 2mm Black Foam
Wing: Pearl Craft Film
Legs: Orange Round Rubber Legs - Medium
Black Legs: Crystal Splash - Peacock
Indicator: 2mm Orange Form
Cement: Super Glue



Smear the shank of the hook with super glue. Start the thread at the eye and make open spiral wraps to the bend. Cut a piece of 2mm black foam 1/4" wide and round one end. Place the rounded end just barely beyond the bend on top of the hook and make two wraps of thread to secure it. Advance your thread forward on the hook while lifting the foam approximately 1/4 of the way forward and make two more wraps on the foam and advance as before until to the head. Let the tag end of the foam lie forward for now. Tie in the Pearl Craft wing that you have cut 1/4" wide with the back rounded and let it extend beyond the body, fold the other end backward and round the end to form your second wing. Tie in a couple of legs over the tie in point of the wing and let them extend to either side. Tie in the Crystal Splash Peacock and let it extend the length of the wing. Super glue the wing tie in point and fold back the Black foam to form a head and tie down, cut the tag to a point to the rear. Cut a small piece of orange foam and place it on top of the tie in point to form the indicator. Smear super glue down your thread 2" and then wrap the tie in point with thread, make two whip finishes and your done.

Take me to Argentina quick, I have the fly.
John

Trout In The Classroom



This year we are starting out with two classrooms. One at Edison High School in Huntington Beach and the other at Ladera Elementary School in Tustin. Eggs will be delivered to the classrooms on Thursday January 15, 2015. We will also have another egg delivery the week of March 16th. Deadline for 772 application will be February 12th, 2015.

I am looking for a group of volunteers who would like to go out to these schools to put on a presentation of fly fishing. We will demonstrate the basics of Fly Fishing, Casting and Fly Tying along with conservation of our fisheries. If you are interested in volunteering your time to help keep this program alive, please contact me as soon as possible. I will be scheduling presentation dates with the teachers soon and I would like to have a team ready.

For those new club members who are not familiar with TIC or Trout in the Classroom. This is one of the outreach programs that FFCOC participates in to give back to our communities. TIC is a science class in environmental study. It is not a hatchery program. Students from grades K – 12 learn the importance of our natural resources through the lifecycle of the trout. Classrooms are provided with specialized refrigeration trout incubators. The California Department of Wildlife provides rainbow trout eggs. They are an important teaching aid for the instructor. They help the students understand the various stages of trout development and the importance of our water quality, forests, and the trout's ecosystem. In addition, the student will have an opportunity to release their fry at a local lake or stream approved by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Trout in the Classroom Teacher Workshop
Aquarium of the Pacific (100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach)
February 7, 2015 (12:30-4:30pm)

For those interested or know of a teacher who may be interested. Please join us at the Aquarium of the Pacific on February 7th, 2015 for our next teacher workshop. Please park in the garage directly across the street from the Aquarium at 99 Aquarium Way. The parking is \$8 per vehicle with Aquarium validation (there is a self-serve scanner right as you enter). When you arrive at the Aquarium, please enter through the Member's Entrance and check-in at the Information Desk. The class will be held in the "Watershed Classroom" between 12:30-4:30pm.

Melinda Burns, TIC Coordinator, 951-415-9920, Mel11755@pacbell.net



Hewes Middle School Fly Fishing Demonstration Wednesday April 22, 2015 8 am – 3 pm

Last year in January, 11 FFCOC and Long Beach Casting Club members put on a demonstration to over 300 7th Graders on our beloved sport of Fly Fishing. Last year was such a success, Hewes Middle school PE Department has invited us back. On Wednesday, April 22 we will once again be putting on a Fly Fishing Demonstration for Hewes Middle School.

I am looking for members who are interested and willing to volunteer some time to assist in Casting, Fly Tying and Entomology demonstrations. If you would like to participate in this event, please contact me, Melinda Burns at mel11755@pacbell.net or call me 951-415-9920.



Ladera Elementary School TIC Fish Release Saturday March 7, 2015

We have been invited to join one of our sponsored TIC classes on their Fish Release on Saturday March 7, 2015. We will be providing the 3rd grade class of Ladera Elementary School and their families some basics of Fly Fishing and Conservation. I am looking for volunteers who would like to share the love of casting a fly rod, tying a fly, talking about bugs (entomology) and conservation issues we address as fly fishermen.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact me; Melinda Burns at mel11755@pacbell.net or call me at 951-415-9920.

FFCOC Leadership

Mission:

- Encourage Angling with Artificial Flies (fly fishing)
- Encourage Education and Fisheries Conservation, including Habitat and Watershed Conservation
- Disseminate to the Public the Results of the Club's Efforts
- Encourage Youth to Follow Sound Conservation Practices

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

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

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