

ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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July, 2011

Club Meeting:

Monday, July 11th, 2011
6:00 pm - Wet Fly
7:00 pm - Dinner
Dinner and Program - \$25 Cash
Program Only - \$10 Cash
\$1 Fee for Credit Cards
Phoenix Club
1340 S. Sanderson
Anaheim, CA

Board Meeting:

July 12th, 2011
7:00 pm
Cross Roads Church*

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<http://www.ffcoc.org>

* See back cover for meeting
location addresses.



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THE DEADLY SOFT HACKLE FLY

SoCal Welcomes Back Charles Jardine!

It may sound like a plot twist in the latest teen horror flick, but the soft hackle is the best fly to scare up hidden trout. Based on the tradition of English wet fly fishing, soft hackles are popular as well as *immensely* effective throughout Europe for the competitive and casual angler alike. Making his second appearance to our club, British angling legend Charles Jardine will show how the soft hackle can be just as deadly in the Sierra as it is on the chalk streams of the UK. As Charles says, "Trout act the same way everywhere – they don't know which country they are in." Along the way, we can expect great photography and lots of British humor. Charles' fly fishing biography could

fill an entire newsletter, so we are limited to a few career highlights.

Charles was born in Canterbury, Kent, the son of Alexander Jardine, a world-famous artist and angler responsible for a series of UK fish stamps as well as sought-after paintings and illustrations. Charles started fishing at three-years-old, fly fishing at six. He and his father were operating a catch-and-release policy on their river, the Lesser Stour, as early as 1959. Charles attended art school before beginning a career as a journalist and artist. He also helped in the family's restaurant, which was located in a Norman castle.

Charles went on to become an accredited angling instructor, concentrating on teaching the disabled not only fly fishing, but also art and English. Also about this time, Charles became an angling columnist for *The Daily Telegraph* and a contributor to magazines such as *Trout Fisherman*, *Game Fisher* and *Trout and Salmon*. He became the gold medal winner for England in commonwealth angling contests and later wrote *Sotheby's Guide to Fly Fishing*, which has been published in five languages and is considered the best-selling book of the genre.

In the new millennium, Charles became the Angling Director for the Countryside Alliance, a highly respected conservation organization. He recently was awarded this organization's Goodson Wickes trophy for his dedicated devotion to conservation and youth initiatives.

Following many years of attending American fishing conclaves, last year the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF) awarded Charles the President's Pin and named him a Fly Fishing Legend in the USA. For good measure he was also presented with the rare Ambassador Award for his worldwide promotion of our sport, and gained recognition as a USA and European Casting Master. In support of what he has named "the loveliest sport imaginable", he has been a past Chair of the Game Angling Instructors Association, VP of the Fly Dressers Guild and International Director of FFF. He is a Board member of the Angler's Conservation Association and Get Hooked on Fishing, where his focus continues to be the attraction of young people into the sport of angling.

Charles has amassed frequent flier miles doing casting demonstrations in Slovenia, Italy, Denmark, Africa, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Cuba and the Bahamas. Last month was asked to join the prestigious English International team.

In the industry, Charles has been a part of team Sage for nearly fifteen years and has consulted for Simms, Rio, Patagonia and Airflo. Lately he has joined the Pro staff of G Loomis in the UK. A family man at heart, his son Alex is a member of the England Youth Rivers team and one of the country's "top rods". His father views this with a mixture of pride and envy.

Today, his busy life is filled out further with many magazine articles for *Today's Fly Fisher* and *Fly Fishing and Fly Tying* and a regular blog on the Countryside Alliance homepage. To round out these many talents, Charles continues to produce watercolors and illustrations of collector quality. He has recently returned to Dorset in the UK within easy reach of the Test and Itchen, where he is in demand as a celebrity guide. Charles will be tying soft hackles before the meeting and will, as usual, be on hand to sign books.

You can discover more about our famous friend by going to: www.charlesjardine.co.uk

Please join our English friend, Charles Jardine, as he shares with us the deadly role of the soft hackle fly.

Cheers!

Andy Frumento

Presidents Message

President's Message:

"The Auction Is An Opportunity For You And The Club"

By Richard Fanning, President

The FFCOC Auction each year is the principal means for the club to raise funds for our programs and events. But equally important, it is an opportunity for club members to get the gear they want at an attractive price.

Doug Jones, our 1st VP and Auction Chairman is well into the planning for this year's auction. The main task so far has been to send letters to vendors and club members requesting donations to the auction. Many responses have been received, especially from vendors. As a result we have received discounted buying opportunities to purchase fly rods, fly reels, lines, fly tying vises, accessories, trips and a variety of other items. Purchased items will be available for bidding at the auction.

Doug is ready to make decisions on what to purchase. He went over the opportunities at last night's board meeting and some decisions were made. But there are many other opportunities, especially for gear like rods, reels and personal watercraft (float tubes and pontoon boats) at various price levels. We will buy some items that we know will sell at the auction. There are many other items to choose from.

Here's where you come in. If you are looking for something to add to your gear, its likely Doug can order the item at a significant discount and make it available at the auction. But he can only do this if he knows that you are interested and are willing to make at least an opening bid on the item. With this approach the club can make a little money and you can get a nice discount on gear. Doug's contact information is in the directory recently passed out.

Over the years the club has also benefited from auction items donated by club members. Besides fishing gear, there are many possibilities. Be creative. Here are some ideas:

- A fishing trip with you
- Dinner out (or in) with you and your spouse
- A stay at a resort you have access to
- A donated craft item you make
- Tickets to a show or activity

A private class on a subject you are passionate about

With your help this year's auction will be a success and we will all share the benefits of a healthy club for years to come.

Be well, fish on!

Hot Creek Ranch July 15-17 2011

This year we have three cancellations on the Hot Creek Ranch outing and want to make them available on a first come first serve basis. We have either one cabin for a husband and wife or significant other or three openings available. Please let me know by phone or e-mail but the best way is by phone to ensure your spot is held. The Cost is \$390 by check or by credit card there will be an additional \$9.56 the credit card co. charges us for the transaction. If you are interested and would like more information please feel free to call me.

John Williams cell 951-236-0862

Stream Keeper

2011 Outings Plan

By Rick Umbarger

Date	Location	Streamkeeper	Phone #
February 26	Laguna Niguel Park Lake	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865
March 19	Saltwater Surf Fishing	Jim Edwards	714 337-5899
April 23	Casting Clinic	Van Lloyd	949-307-6873
April 16 - 18	Pyramid Lake	Jim Wright Rob Anderson (Guide)	714-679-6638 775-742-1754
May 14	Tejon Ranch Little Lake	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865
June 24 - 26	Fish Creek	Jim Edwards	714-337-5899
July 15-18	Hot Creek Ranch	John Williams	909-598-7905
July 23-30	Dillon, Montana	Richard Fanning	714-671-1370
July 30 - August 6			
August 19 - 21	Monache Meadows	Marvin Crocker	949-351-4700
September 23 - 24	Women's only Casting Clinic	Melinda Burns	951-451-9920
October (tbd)	Kings Canyon Camping	Rick Umbarger	714-222-9963
November 4-6	President's Outing	Richard Fanning	714-671-1370
December 5 - 9	Trinity River Steelheading	Audrey Williams	714-427-5977

Outings Chairpersons, Lyman Kennedy, have released the initial draft outings plan for 2011.
Please refer to the website <http://www.ffcoc.org> for more detailed information on the outings

2011 Speakers List

By Andy Frumento

Date	Day	Speaker	Topic
March 7, 2011	1st Monday	Landon Mayer	"Sight Fishing For Trout"
April 11, 2011	2nd Monday	Jim McLennan	"Fly Fishing Alberta"
May 9, 2011	2nd Monday	Marlon Rampy	"Southern Oregon"
June 6, 2011	1st Monday	Kirk Deeter	"The State of the Industry"
July 11, 2011	2nd Monday	Charles Jardine	"Soft Hackles: Legend & Living"
August 8, 2011	2nd Monday	Al Quattrocchi	"Calico On The Rocks"
September 12, 2011	1st Monday		"FFCOC AUCTION"
October 10, 2011	2nd Monday	Tom Pero	"The Magic Language Of Flyfishing"
November 7, 2011	1st Monday	Peter Piconi	"Cajun Redfish"
December 12, 2011	2nd Monday	Christmas... TBA	

Flies That Keep On Giving

By John Williams

I headed to Southern Utah for a few day of R&R otherwise known as fly fishing. I trying to help prepare for my trip but in reality I have enough flies to last this life time and some of yours. While I was talking to Mike James of the Quiet Fly Fisher I queered what flies we could expect to use and he told me of a streamer that has magical powers over some nice fish so I will share with my friends as usual. I don't know a name but if it works who cares.

Canadian Brown Mohair Streamer



Hook: Tiemco 2220 #6-12 or equivalent

Weight: 9 wraps of .035 lead

Thread: Black 3/0

Body: Canadian Brown Mohair Yarn, I purchased mine at Marriott's, you can also use the Canadian Brown dubbing to create the long strands. This is made up of multi colors, it's beautiful.

Wrap the thread with nine wraps of .035 lead or to your liking. Run your thread front to back a couple of times to secure the lead and build up ramps on either side of the lead to make a more graceful body. Tie in the yarn and wrap the entire body from rear to head pulling the fibers away from the hook so they don't get trapped between the thread and hook, work all the way to the head and whip finish. I head cement with red orange finger nail polish to give the appearance of bleeding gills.

I'm sure this will work and Mike swears by it.

Tight Lines, John

Membership Welcomes

Please join me in welcoming our newest members to the club. Make sure to look out for them at our next meeting and introduce yourself to them to welcome them into our fly fishing family. This is a full list of those who have joined our club since January 1st 2011

Anne Gunderson

Beth Greenwood

John Chan

Women Only Casting Clinic Outing

Let your wives, sisters, girlfriends and daughters know about this one. Our one and only female Federation of Fly Fisher Certified Caster, **Kathy Kim** will be instructing us on the basics. She will be going through the proper rigging of our rods, leader and tippet. Once we learn how to rig our rods properly, we will move on to reading the waters, entomology and then applying all of this on the San Joaquin River. You will even have a chance to tie your own fly. Now wouldn't that be fun to catch a fish on a fly you tied for the first time. So make sure all your female family and friends are aware of this great opportunity. (You must be a member of the club to attend all club outings.). More info will be given as the date draws closer.

Date: Fri – Sun, September 23 -25, 2011

Location: Mammoth Lakes

River To Fish: San Joaquin River

Note: We will be renting a condo so we can all stay at the same location and split the cost. However, if you choose to get your own place that is fine as well.

To reserve your spot, please contact: Stream-keeper: Melinda Burns
Cell phone: 951-415-9920 or Email:
mel11755@pacbell.net

THE SOUTHWEST COUNCIL FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS (SWC FFF)

An Evening With Joan Wulff



Photo courtesy of Royal Wulff Products website.

When: Saturday, October 15, 2011; 6:00 p.m.

Where: The Olympic Collection
11301 W Olympic Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90064

Dinner: \$75 (\$750 for a table of 10)

Tickets: The Southwest Council is expecting to host as many as 500 guests for this sit-down and presentation. In order to obtain preferred seats, FFCOC has committed to purchasing two tables of ten guests each. A signup sheet will be available at our regular meeting on April 11th. A deposit of \$37.50 is due to hold your spot. The FFCOC Board will allot seating choices based upon when you signup and pay the deposit. Make checks payable to FFCOC.

The club has reserved two tables of 10. Eleven seats have already been paid for by club members. If you would like to be a part of one of these tables please reserve one soon. There is no guarantee the club will be able to reserve another table close to the front of the stage. All other reservations will be seated with the general tables since tickets have been made available to the general fly fishing public now. A sign up list will be available at the club meeting. You can also email [Brian Mayers](mailto:bdmayers@hotmail.com) (bdmayers@hotmail.com) or [myself](mailto:mdcrocker@cox.net) (mdcrocker@cox.net) with any questions.

Marvin Crocker

THE CHARLES JARDINE UNIVERSITY OF FLY FISHING



Go back to school for a day with legendary British angler **Charles Jardine** at the Pasadena Clubhouse. For thirty years Charles has been educating and entertaining students with his blend of wit and wisdom. Charles has received the highest awards our sport has to offer and enjoys worldwide recognition as a fly fisherman, master fly tier, FFF Master casting instructor, author, artist, chef and teacher. He was a runner up in the ESPN games and is a member of the British National team and a guide on the chalk streams of England. He leads groups as far a field as the Bahamas, Cuba and the Seychelles. He is equally at home on the big Western waters of Idaho and Montana as the saltwater flats of Belize. He has recently joined the G Loomis Pro Staff in the UK.

The seminar will include instruction in presentation casts, tying and fishing of soft hackle flies and special leader construction. There will also be time for individual instruction on casting, tying or general fly fishing questions. Charles brings to the table a vast knowledge of European techniques that will improve your chances on our local waters. For this who wish to focus on casting instruction, FFF Certified Casting Instructor Marshall Bissett will be on hand to help out those more interested in casting than tying.

Two, one day courses are available and will be limited to 10 students for each session:

Choose either **Saturday July 16th 9.00 am to 3.00 pm** or **Sunday July 17th 9.00 am to 3.00 pm**

Place: Pasadena Casting Club Pond

Equipment: Any rod/reel combo you wish to learn on.

Vice, tools and materials if you want special tying instruction. Hat, sunglasses, sunscreen and other angling essentials. Notebook – analog or digital.

Lunch and soft drinks will be provided.

Class Fee: \$100 Call (818) 785-7306 with any questions.

Trip preparations for a good trip

Or

Living the trip before it happens.

By John Williams

Travel Fishing Check List	
General Items	Fishing Items
<input type="checkbox"/> Airline tickets, Picture Identification	<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing license
<input type="checkbox"/> C.P.A.P. Machine & HQD	<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing hat
<input type="checkbox"/> Itinerary with contact numbers	<input type="checkbox"/> Rain coat, rain pants, rain hat
<input type="checkbox"/> Valid passport with 6 Months left	<input type="checkbox"/> Light socks, heavy socks
<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of passport in separate luggage	<input type="checkbox"/> Hand lotion
<input type="checkbox"/> Wallet, cash	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry bag for float trips
<input type="checkbox"/> Travelers checks, copy travelers check numbers pack in different location	<input type="checkbox"/> Wading gear bag
<input type="checkbox"/> Credit cards	<input type="checkbox"/> Fly rods
<input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries, Sun Block, Chapstick	<input type="checkbox"/> Fly reels with appropriate line dry/sink
<input type="checkbox"/> Prescription medication	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaders
<input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin & ibuprofen	<input type="checkbox"/> Tippet material
<input type="checkbox"/> Camera, film 200 ASA, batteries, lenses	<input type="checkbox"/> Fly boxes dry, nymph, streamer
<input type="checkbox"/> Address & phone numbers, emergency	<input type="checkbox"/> Floatant, desiccant, fly dressing
<input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof laundry bag	<input type="checkbox"/> Spill shot
<input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight polypropylene underwear	<input type="checkbox"/> Strike indicators
<input type="checkbox"/> Polypropylene undershirts	<input type="checkbox"/> Polarized sunglasses & magnifier
<input type="checkbox"/> Light pile or Polarfleece Pants	<input type="checkbox"/> Waders, boots, gravel guard, belt
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel pants	<input type="checkbox"/> Fingerless floor gloves / mittens
<input type="checkbox"/> Belt	<input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight / headlamp
<input type="checkbox"/> Polarfleece pullover, vest, jacket	<input type="checkbox"/> Nippers, pliers, hook hone
<input type="checkbox"/> Cold weather warmth jacket (down?)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing vest, tackle pack, <i>Vest, Lany</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-sleeve shirts	<input type="checkbox"/> Day pack
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-sleeve shirts	<input type="checkbox"/> Knot tool
<input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof jacket	<input type="checkbox"/> Herocutite
<input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof gloves	<input type="checkbox"/> Water filtration bottle
<input type="checkbox"/> Boot, shoes, down booties	<input type="checkbox"/> Insect repellent
<input type="checkbox"/> Light socks, heavy socks	<input type="checkbox"/> First aid kit
<input type="checkbox"/> Bug repellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper
<input type="checkbox"/> Bandana	<input type="checkbox"/> Lighter, matches
<input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof notepad, permanent pen	<input type="checkbox"/> Two way radio's
<input type="checkbox"/> Playing cards, dice, game, book	<input type="checkbox"/> Bear spray
<input type="checkbox"/> Maps	<input type="checkbox"/> Nylon cord
<input type="checkbox"/> GPS	<input type="checkbox"/> Duck tape, patch kit
<input type="checkbox"/> Pocket knife	
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel alarm	
<input type="checkbox"/> Zip-lock bags	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reading glasses	
<input type="checkbox"/> Plastic trash bags	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cell phone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cigars, lighter, lithium	

Overnight
<input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping bag
<input type="checkbox"/> Inflatable sleeping pad
<input type="checkbox"/> Pillow
<input type="checkbox"/> Blanket
<input type="checkbox"/> Tent, ground cloth, tarp

Currently in my situation I make about six trips a year to a variety of locations in the west. I have fished the Sierra's to my hearts content and still look forward to the comrade and fishing Hot Creek has to offer. My new love is Southern Utah; it has all the as great fishing you could ask for but not the crowds. It is nine hours away so it makes it about the same distance as Bridgeport and much less expensive. Many of you know I am an avid fly tier and can't fish them all if I lived two hundred years. What I get from tying is the enjoyment of knowing I can project the course of events based on so many fishing trips and the location and flies I have with me. If the trip goes as planned it is a good trip and if not, well I have enjoyed my fishing partners company and all the beautiful scenery to its fullest. First of all if I plan to use a guide I quire the guide for the weather we might plan on and what equipments including flies we will need, don't forget this step it's important.

I tie the required flies in advance and usually take a travel bag because I have never met a guide who spills all he knows in a phone call. One advantage of the internet is the availability of hatch charts of many of the worlds fishing locations. Know your gear and how to use it before you leave town that includes casting. Casting on your front lawn is great for practice but you can't neglect any stretch of water that is out their lakes and streams. Mending, accurate casts, line control are all part of the picture and must be done before you soak your hard earned dollars into a guide teaching you to cast. I will include my check list that is pasted on the wall so I don't forget something and it has happened on occasion. If I know I'm fishing for trout under 16" I don't bring a net. There are many items I have on

the list that aren't used each trip but they are there to remind me. I do carry a first aid kit, water filter, knife, candy, food, sun protection/hat, polarized sunglasses, lighter, cigar, toilet paper with me all the time. I hope this list is of help and if not your better prepared than I.

It is said that; fishing is one jerk on either end of the rod. I believe I will have my day with as many fish as I so choose because I have planned accordingly.

Tight Lines,

John (Editor's note: for a better copy of the list please email John W. for a copy)

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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