On The Fly

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY

50 YEARS OF SERVING OUR MEMBERS!



October 2021

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President's Message



Welcome to October! It's beginning to feel like Fall, my favorite time of the year to fish!! Now if only the fires and smoke will go away, and we have a nice wet winter to refresh and replenish our streams, rivers and lakes. I'm writing this month's message from the Willow Springs Motel and RV Park in Bridgeport. I'm joined by 7 fellow FFCOC'ers on the 2021 Bridgeport Outing. This year we had 3 RVs make the trip, a new record! Perhaps this outing can grow as an RV outing for our RV members in future years...

September was a busy month for FFCOC events; the culmination of a lot of hard work by many! We hosted our Annual Club Auction on September 8, followed 3 days later by our annual Casting Clinic (Open to the Public) in Mile Square Park on September 11.

First, I would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to Larry Behm for leading the planning and execution of our Annual Auction at the Phoenix Club. This year featured both on-line and live auction opportunities. It was a great event, very well planned and executed! The Auction can't happen without volunteer support. Another big **THANK YOU** to the many volunteers that made this event happen!! It was also great to see those who attended the in-person event at the Phoenix Club. There are a few silent auction items that did not receive a bid. These items will be featured in a follow-up mini online auction using on our Auction Website (Auctria). Look for an announcement with the specifics.

Next, I would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to Ken Lindt for leading the Public Casting Clinic Event. Many thanks also to Joe Libeu and his Casting Team for providing the expert casting instructions and guidance to our guests. This year, after the BBQ lunch, a mini casting challenge course was added to allow our casting students an opportunity to test their casting skills in a fun environment. This was a great addition to our Casting Clinic Program! Another big **THANK YOU** to the many volunteers that made this event happen! Can't be done without you!! Finally, I welcome our new members reading this newsletter who joined our Club as a result of the Casting Clinic!! **WELCOME!!!**

President's Message (Con't)

No resting in October as the Club's Educational opportunities continue with the On the River Training event, led by Doug Jones and Joe Libeu. The Saturday classroom sessions will occur at Santiago Canyon College on October 2 and 16. The Lower Owens River outing will occur next month on November 13 and 14. This is an outstanding educational Program offered by the Club for our novice members! Janna and I participated in this Program six years ago and it gave us the confidence and skills to participate in Club outings, outside outings, and our own personal fishing adventures!

Go out there and fish! Write up your adventure and submit your Fish Tale for the newsletter! Your Fish Tales are always greatly appreciated, enjoyed by our membership, and can earn you some \$\$\$! Keep them coming!! Hopefully, at our October meeting we will remember the drawing for those who have submitted Fish Tales to the newsletter since June! We have a four month backlog of gift certificates to give away and to find a welcome home!

Terry

This Month's Speaker



Lino Jubilado



We have all heard that in Southern California you can ski and surf on the same day, but how about catching quality fresh and saltwater fish in one morning? Lino Jubilado, our October presenter, will show us how to pull off what he calls "the Surf and Turf Grand Slam." Lino's program will open the door to two exciting and often neglected local fisheries within easy driving distance. Carp in the LA River and corbina on the local beaches combine skillful presentation and a chance to see the backing on your fly reel. Luck can take you part of the way with these picky fish, but this program will tip the odds in your favor.

Lino will introduce us to his preferred rod setups, give us a peek into his fly boxes and even show how a Tenkara rod can be used to cover water quickly and efficiently. A master fly tier, Lino will demonstrate his signature fly - the Bed Buster – a pattern that will catch a variety of species includingcorbina, croaker, halibut, leopard sharks, carp, largemouth bass and trout. As a bonus he will also tie the Green Eggs & Ham Fly, a creation he uses to help many anglers catch their first carp including two IGFA World Records caught by Kesley Gallagher who named the fly.

THE BACK STORY

Lino Jubilado is an experienced Southern California fly angler and an avid fly tyer who lives, eats, and breathes all things fly fishing. As an accomplished competitive bass an-

This Month's Speaker (cont'd)

gler, he won multiple bass tournaments, big fish awards, and an Angler of the Year title from the American Bass Association. He has over 40 years of experience catching everything from tuna on the fly to small native rainbows and bluegill in local streams and ponds. He is a Temple Fork Outfitters Ambassador and on the Simms and Far Bank Enterprises (Sage, Reddington, Rio Products) pro staff. Other supporters include Tenkara USA and Orvis Pasadena.

Professionally, he is currently employed as a school nurse and his education includes a bachelor's and master's degree in Social Work and he is a licensed vocational nurse.

Although not a licensed guide, he has been very fortunate to mentor and coach many people to catch their first bass, carp, corbina, and other species on the fly. In his words,

"It is very rewarding to bring a trophy fish to hand, but nothing compares to helping others get a thrill from learning and accomplishing this task themselves. Whether it be someone's first or largest fish on the fly, I love watching the smiles and joy fly fishing brings to others more than anything."

Follow Lino Jubilado on his Instagram page:

https://instagram.com/lino_jubilado?utm_medium=copy_link





AUCTION UPDATE

Some of you missed out on the auction a few weeks ago. Don't worry you'll get another chance soon. Thank you to all who donated stuff for the auction, we had a lot of great items to offer. And don't forget the volunteers who helped to make it a big night on 9/8! They made it all possible, so thank you too!!

It was great to see everyone in person again and we were able to meet several new members. It was fun to see the new members getting fitted out for better fishing and learning from other members.

We had about 50 people bidding in early September and they bought over 180 great items. Your activity and generosity generated about \$8,000 for our operations in 2022. We would like to raise an additional \$1,500 to cover expected expenses for next year. So far, people have won everything from bags of tying materials, to beautiful artwork, to great fishing trips.

Starting October 30, you will be able to bid on some remaining fishing trips, artwork, tying materials, and instructional videos. We will run a final auction for the year from Saturday 10/30 through Sunday, 11/7.

Larry Behm

Public Casting Clinic

Free Public Casting Clinic a Success in 2021

By Ken Lindt & Larry Roberts

Whether seeking a safe form of outdoor recreation for their families, rising interest from woman anglers, or seeking a new adventure after Covid fatigue, the group of 32 new anglers that joined us in Mile Square Park for the 2021 Free Public "Casting Clinic" represented all walks of life. From a seven-year-old to a half dozen women, we saw great participation from a diverse group of participants. Numerous compliments were received from the group that their first exposure to the art of fly casting was absolutely first rate.

Joe Libeu. Kathy Kim and their team of fly instructors (including members John Burn, Young Jik Kwon, Steve Hollowell, Lee Smith and Bill Calhoun) dazzled their participants with detailed knowledge from their collective fly-fishing experience. The group learned how to properly put line on a rod, to pick-up and lay-down casts, false casting and roll casts on the South Lake. We were fortunate to be provided 15 Sage demo Fly Rods through the generosity of Bob Marriott's fly fishing (Thank you Kevin Bell!).

Also, thanks go to Melinda Burns for getting everyone registered and our "Rod Bosses" Don Tayenaka and Roy Fukushima who assembled all the Sage rods and FFCOC rods and organized their distribution to the participants. And just when the day turned hot and sultry, the club hosted refreshments and a BBQ picnic for the group. Terry and Jana Roznos holding down cooking and food preparation duties. Then Melinda Burns treated the group to a multi-stage fly-casting contest. Also, thanks to Dennis Chandler for their all-around service to make the day go smoothly.

After a 2020 hiatus due to Covid 19, the Casting Clinic proved to be a wonderful success in 2021. We had nearly 46 people sign up including 14 people who ended up on the waitlist. Our public outreach, which is part of the FFCOC charter, was fulfilled in part and we received 5 new members in the week following the clinic. A group of them will continue their exposure to fly fishing in Doug Jones On-the-River Training on the Middle Owens with Joe Libeu again at the helm of the instruction.

And finally, a shout-out to Orkideh Dale, the head of recreational activities for Mile Square Park for shepherding us through the OC Parks permit process. Well done!

Again, thanks to all the participants and all those performed service for the club. We're extremely pleased this important club function could begin anew post covid.

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Casting Clinic-Photos









On the River Training

FREE FLY FISHING CLASSES

ON THE RIVER TRAINING 2021

Save the dates:

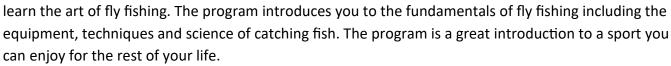
Classroom Training

- · Saturday Oct. 2nd 8:00am -12:00 noon
- · Saturday Oct. 16th 8:00am -12:00 noon

On-The Water Clinic

- Saturday Nov. 13th
- Sunday Nov. 14th

The Fly Fishing Club of Orange County's On The River Training program is a perfect way for new, and less-experienced, fly fishers to



Joe Libeu, a member of the FFCOC is a Fly Fishers International Certified Master Caster Instructor and professional guide. He developed and instructs Advanced Nymphing Clinics on the Owens River. Several experienced Club members assist Joe providing hands-on training during the on the river clinics.

The program includes everything needed to plan and prepare for a successful fly-fishing trip. Classroom training subjects include equipment, insect life cycles and how flies imitate them, how trout behave, clues as to what fish eat, stream care and etiquette, reading the water, nymph rigging and much more.







On the River Training (Con't)

The on the river clinic is held on the Lower Owens River near Bishop. Many of the items discussed in the classroom setting are covered in the field. In addition, the on the river clinic includes reading the stream, entomology, casting, mending, setting depth of flies using indicators, and numerous demonstrations. The program includes fishing one-on-one with one of the more experienced club members.

The On The River Training program is focused on helping new FFCOC members learn the basics of fly fishing and will be in follow up to our annual *Casting Clinic* scheduled for Saturday September 11th. Participation in the On The River Training program is limited. New Club members that sign up at the September *Casting Clinic* will be given preference. Other Club members are welcome to participate again if space allows.

Joe Libeu is conducting the On The River Training program and Doug Jones is the coordinator. If you would like more information about this program, you can contact Joe Libeu at fishlgf@ix.netcom.com or (310) 749-6771, or Doug Jones at dougjones.oc@gmail.com or (714) 697-2222.

Remember, the On The River Training program is only open to FFCOC members. If you are not a club member you can join at our web site www.ffcoc.org or contact Melinda Burns, the Club's Membership Chair at membership@FFCOC.org.

SIGN UP NOW

You can sign up for the On The River Training, either as a participant or volunteer, by contacting Doug Jones at douglones.oc@gmail.com or (714) 697-2222.

If you would like information regarding the <u>September Casting Clinic</u>, which is open to the public, you should contact Ken Lindt at castingclinic@ffcoc.org or 714-936-3486.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are an accomplished fly fisher and know the Lower Owens River, you would be a great candidate to work with Joe and provide instruction at the On The River Training program. Please contact Doug Jones if you can help. We will need eight to ten members to help with the training.

Member Update

New Members

Please join me in welcoming the following new club members.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Date Joined</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Krause, Alex | 9/18/2021 |
| Nomura, Craig | 9/18/2021 |
| Parsons, Gary | 9/17/2021 |
| Alstrand, Jason | 9/15/2021 |
| Berg, Joe | 9/11/2021 |
| Breaux, Derek | 9/11/2021 |
| Buchanan, JoAnn | 9/11/2021 |
| Clyburn, Rosa | 9/11/2021 |
| Milius, Gary | 9/11/2021 |
| Swaim, Michael | 9/11/2021 |
| Yokoe, Kelly | 9/11/2021 |
| Calhoun, William | 9/9/2021 |
| McMaster, William | 9/3/2021 |
| Chun, Delo | 8/27/2021 |
| Mastrovich, Larry | 8/27/2021 |
| Cowan, Gregg | 8/22/2021 |
| Mercurio, Chris | 7/30/2021 |
| Hornstein, Jerrold | 7/19/2021 |
| Kiser, Steven | 7/2/2021 |

Volunteering

FFCOC BOD is in need of fresh volunteers!!

Hello club members. As I (Melinda Burns) will be retiring from the board after 14 years of volunteering, our BOD will be looking for new volunteers to fill the following positions:

- v Membership
- v TIC Coordinator (Trout in the classroom)
- v FFI Liaison
- v Scholarship Chairman

Being on the board for the last 14 years has afford me the opportunity to give back to a club who welcomed myself and Honey Burns with open arms. When we joined the club back in 2007 I had no experience in Fly Fishing, to that matter I had no experience in fishing either. But the club embraced us as new members and novices to the sport. Since then, I have built friendships and mentorships that will last forever. All my knowledge and skills about fly fishing has come from my fellow club members and FFI, all whom I consider close friends. I have enjoyed the many club outings and events the club has sponsored. I have been able to participate in the planning and continued growth of this fabulous club and it is my hope that new and experienced club members will take this opportunity to step up and participate in the future of our club as I have over the years.

Interesting enough, the club gave me the opportunity to engage with other fly fisherman through Fly Fishers International, which is another non-profit organization that supplies and supports fly fishing clubs and new fly fisherman. Through this organization I met so many talented and famous fly fisherman eager to share their knowledge and experiences of fly fishing. This opportunity along is enough to join the board.

There is no better way to learn about fly fishing than getting involved. Maybe you are not ready to be on the board. That's ok, the BOD is always looking for people to volunteer for events. Start there.

I will always be at your disposal to ask question on how I might have done something. Please consider in helping the club to grow.

Tightlines,

Melinda Burns

News

FFCOC Donation to Casting for Recovery

From: Carole Ontiveros [mailto:wwhikerlady@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 29, 2021 4:01 PM

To: Chiaki Harami

Cc: taroznos@verizon.net

Subject: Re: Casting For Recovery Rod Outfit Donation

Hello Terry,

We are so pleased and filled with gratitude that Fly Fishers Club of Orange County is willing to sponsor 4 rod packages for our

Southern Cal Participants. We will make sure that the women know that your club sponsored the rod packages. The excitement on each face when the rod is placed in their hands is indescribable.

With thanks and appreciation,

Carole

Carole Ontiveros, Volunteer

760-912-7539

Coordinator/Retreat Leader

Southern California, Casting for Recovery

2021 Speakers

MONTHLY SPEAKER PROGRAM

| January | Landon Mayer | Mastering the Short Game | 1/13/21 |
|-----------|----------------|---|----------|
| February | Tony Reinhardt | Advanced Drift Boat Techniques | 2/10/21 |
| March | Heather Dyer | Conservation in San Bernardino NF | 3/10/21 |
| April | Jason Randall | When All Else Fails - Tactics for Catching Trout on Slow Days | 4/14/21 |
| May | Skip Morris | Make Dry Fly and Emergers work | 5/12/21 |
| June | Ernie Gulley | Choronomids on Lake Crowley | 6/9/21 |
| July | Dave Smith | Euro Nymphing | 7/14/21 |
| August | Picnic | Irvine Regional Park | 8/14/21 |
| September | Auction | Live & Online | 9/8/21 |
| October | Lino Jubilado | Catching Carp in the LA River | 10/13/21 |
| November | Karlie Rowland | Fishing Henry's Fork, Idaho | 11/10/21 |
| December | TBD | | 12/8/21 |

2021 Outings Updates

New Outings Chair: Don Tayenaka has joined the board recently taking over from Lyman Kennedy.

| Date | Destination | Streamkeeper | Phone |
|------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| March 16-18 | Pyramid Lake (Cancelled) | Paul Nakamura | 310-487-3367 |
| March 28-April 1 | San Juan River (Cancelled) | Brian Mayer | 562-619-9169 |
| June 14-18 | Lee's Ferry, AZ | Melinda Burns | 951-415-9920 |
| July 9-12 | Hot Creek Ranch | John Williams | 951-236-0862 |
| August 1-6 | San Juan River | Brian Mayer | 562-619-9169 |
| Sept. 20-24 | Loa, Utah | John Williams | 951-236-0862 |
| Sept 24-28 | Bridgeport, CA | Terry Roznos | 562-322-4790 |
| October 8—10 | President's Outing/Kern (Cancelled | d) Terry Roznos | 562-322-4790 |

Note: Dates may change and outings may be removed or added. Contact the Streamkeeper for latest information.

2022 Outings

Sneak Preview: More info to follow!

Date Destination Streamkeeper Phone

March 13 -15 Pyramid Lake Paul Nakamura 310-487-3367

April 2-9 San Juan River Brian Mayer 562-619-9169

May Crowley Lake / Still water clinic Ernie Gulley

June

July 15-28 Hot Creek Ranch John Williams. 951-236-0862

August

September 26-30. Loa, Utah John Williams 951-236-0862

September Bridgeport Terry Roznos 562-322-4790

October President's Outing / Kern.

November

December

Note: Lots of fee space for more outing. Check with Don Tayenaka to see if you can help develop more outings for the club... Editor

Fish Tales

A Day Fishing with Ernie Gulley: Melinda Burns

Fish-On with Ernie Gulley at Lake Crowley. Of all days to be fishing with Ernie, Monday morning September 13th on a half-day adventure. The fish were big and plentiful. We had a 30+ morning, Melinda caught a 22 ½ inch Lahontan Cutty and I caught a 6 lb. rainbow. As always Ernie's boat is surrounded by the locals as they all wait to see if he is going to bring his A-game. Well, we were the only ones showing off catching skills and after a while other were asking how much we were paying the guy under the water to put the fishes on our lines. A great day all-in-all and we highly recommend that you reach out to Ernie too schedule a day on Lake Crowley.

John and Melinda Burns





Click here to see a video or our adventures. Or cut and paste this URL https://youtu.be/vqFyYBTjWol

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Santa Ana River Fish Survey: Melinda Burns

On Wednesday September 15th, John and I embarked on a conservation research study with the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, USGS, RCRCD (Riverside Corona Resource Conservation District. John and I assisted in the electro-shocking of the fish.

Click here to view a short video of this event or copy and paste this URL. https://youtu.be/LzlsSRNXNPY



See Article below for more info on what this study is.

John and Melinda

Native Fish Population and Habitat Study - Santa Ana River

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California Water Science Center scientists further research on two native fish species.



Close-up of Santa Ana Suck-Multiple agencies are currenter (Paul Barrett, USFWS)

ly working to establish a

Habitat Conservation Plan for the Santa Ana River Watershed. The data currently available for two native fishes in the HCP area, Santa Ana Sucker and Arroyo Chub, are not sufficient to support development of the HCP; therefore, addition data on these two species are needed.

Developing an HCP requires sufficient knowledge of the populations of interest to develop plans for their protection and management. The ability to monitor population abundance and habitat availability with some level of confidence is important when developing such plans. The goals of this study are:

- Compare snorkeling, seining, and electrofishing as methods for estimating native fish abundance.
- Develop a population estimate for native fish species in the study area based on the results from Goal Develop a habitat suitability model for the Santa Ana River for Santa Ana Sucker.

In September 2015, selected 50 m lengths of stream in the Santa Ana River between the Rialto wastewater treatment plant and Mission Street will be blocked at both ends using nets and sampled for fish abundance (numbers) by snorkeling, seining, and electrofishing. Data on fish habitat use in the same area will also be collected including depth, water velocity, bottom particle size, and distance to cover at locations where fish are observed. Models of available habitat in the study reaches will be developed based on detailed surveying and computer models.

The fish abundance data will be used to establish a standard methodology for monitoring native fish abundance in the Santa Ana River in support of the HCP. The habitat use data will be compared to the computer models of available habitat to determine the types of habitat features selected by native fishes. Snorkel surveys will be repeated in September 2016 to provide additional data on fish abundance and will presumably represent the second year of monitoring in support of the HCP. A second year of fish habitat use data will also be collected to determine if observed fish habitat utilization is consistent from year to year. Such consistency would support the use of habitat models to predict expected habitat quality in areas that have not been sampled for fish.

This study primarily supports the strategic direction "Understanding Ecosystems and Predicting Ecosystem Change" of the USGS strategic plan. The study also contributes to development of assessment tools that will enable a better understanding of ecosystem properties and processes for use in decision making about the health and welfare of human societies and the environment. The project addresses the Water Resource Area Priority of environmental flows. This project is also supportive of U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) programs and goals in California by increasing the visibility of the Center and individual researchers as experts in the fields of stream ecology.

https://www.usgs.gov/centers/ca-water/science/native-fish-population-and-habitat-study-santa-ana-river?qt-science_center_objects=0#qt-science_center_objects

"Opportunity Knocks on the Bighorn River": Lee Smith

This past August, I fished the Bighorn River in Montana at the Kingfisher Lodge for five days. Straight-away, I was reminded when the weather changes, so must the fly-fishing tactics. On day three of my trip, the temperature plummeted from the high and sunny 90's to the low and rainy 50's.

We launched the drift boat from the three-mile boat ramp before the rising sun. We started our slow drift down river, streamer fishing. Later, we parked the boat to nymph fish near a side channel. We caught several large rainbows and large browns with fly-fishing techniques.

After a boat lunch, we drifted further down river. Guide Matt navigated the drift boat into a large side channel 50' wide that meandered through thick and lush green foliage. As we drifted along this outgrowth of the main river, we could see that a 30' tree had collapsed and was laying perpendicular to the rushing current. This narrowed the channel width greatly, creating a faster flow at the top of the tree where several bare limbs extended out over the water like thin fingers.

At the tip of the tree, a large area of algae had collected on the surface of the water to create a large mucus colored green mat. The algae extended over the surface as if blanketing the water underneath it. This mucus mat was ironically the perfect cover for trout seeking shelter. From our position, we could see several hungry trout voraciously feeding from underneath the algae mat.

Additionally, the tree created a narrow watery feeding lane that merged with a foam line. This juncture was an insect food buffet and a subsurface food source. Pale Morning Dun's (PMD) were the main course.

As I watched the feeding lane, I could see three trout actively foraging around the algae blanket. One of the trout in particular, a 18" plus, was suckling gluttonously. It was a beautiful sight. It swam in the current, veering side to side eating insects that were drifting below the surface. The great trout would frequently rise to the surface, gulping the floating PMD's that entered its cone of view.

Intuitively, Guide Matt maneuvered the drift boat about 35' down current diagonally across from the fallen tree. We parked on the opposite bank of the actively feeding trout in order to position ourselves to cast a dry fly. He told us in this part of the channel the water was too deep and the substrate too murky to wade or stand in. Alas, we would have to cast from the drift boat. The boat was backed up close to a dense growth of shrubs, bushes and small trees which created a wall of vegetation and a fly-casting

challenge. This was the best boat angle we could get to cast a dry fly into the drift window of the feeding trout. As an experienced guide, Matt directed us to fish one at a time. He knew that dry fly casting would be a challenge from our anchored spot.

Ready for a challenge, I was the first to fish. Matt tied on a tandem dry fly rig. He tied a 4X leader to the top fly with a yellow sally and a 5X dropper line tied to a yellow PMD to the bottom fly. He knew the 5X would be risky considering the likely aggressive bite of an 18" rainbow, but it would present a more natural drift. I had my 6 WT. Echo Boost Rod, Hatch 5 Plus reel, and WF6F Rio Perception fly line.

My first cast was perfect. The dry flies landed on the surface and within seconds the PMD was bit aggressively by the large rainbow. As I went to set the hook, the large trout broke it off. Patiently, we waited for the water area to settle. Matt tied on another PMD. Minutes later, the large rainbow returned to the same area and started feeding again as though nothing had happened.

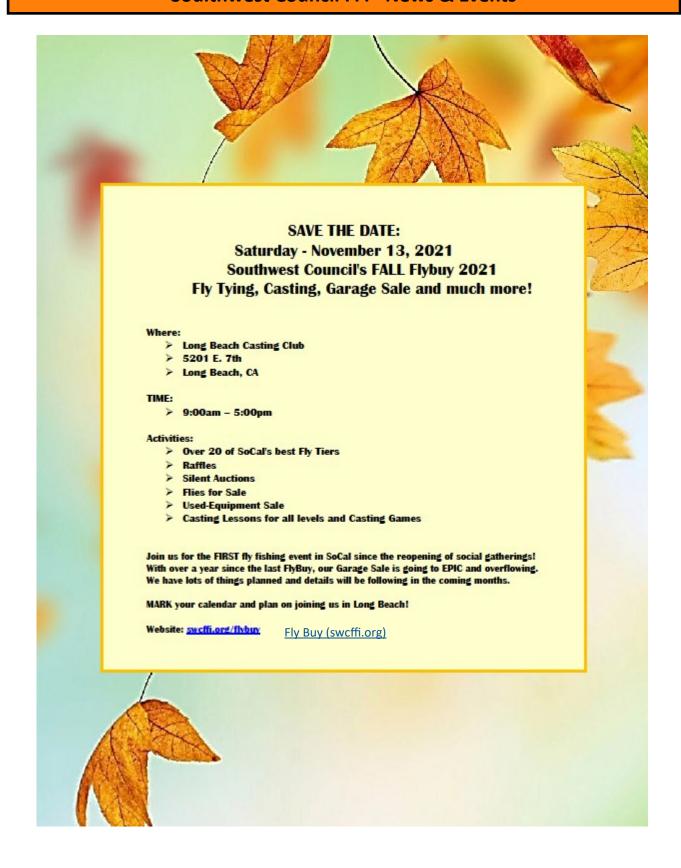
My next cast landed accurately near the tree limbs on the surface. I was directly in the feeding lane. The rainbow snagged an energetic bite on the PMD. The hook was set and my angler skills put to the test. But the trout swam directly into the current, giving it more leverage to resist. After several minutes of battle, the fish was in the net. A beautiful 19" rainbow. A visual experience that will forever stain my memories.

My fishing partner for the day was Tom C. He also had the opportunity to dry fly fish in this area further down in the channel where we could wade safely. He caught a large rainbow with his own story to tell. It was a team effort and a memorable afternoon on the Bighorn River, or as my wife would say a "Fish Tale" for another day.





Souithwest Council FFI- News & Events



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November 5-7 Registration is NOW OPEN! ENHANCE YOUR FLY FISHING SKILLS

Fly Fishers International has opened registration for the inaugural FFI Virtual Expo 2021 taking place from November 5-7. Fly fishing enthusiasts will have the opportunity to learn from some of the best instructors, presenters, and fly fishing personalities in the sport during this one-of-a-kind event focused on education and fun. The Virtual Expo can be enjoyed right from home and will feature over 150 interactive, hands-on workshops and presentations on casting, fly tying, conservation, women in fly fishing, travel, and much more. There are offerings for every skill level and all things fly fishing. Similar to fly fishing shows, there will be vendors, break-out rooms, social gatherings, and entertaining activities.

These days \$25 hardly covers lunch and a few flies—forget about gas money and beverages. But \$25 will get you access to over 100 free fly fishing workshops, presentations, and demonstrations when you register for the FFI Virtual Expo. This inaugural online-only event takes places November 5-7, 2021, and features over 150 opportunities to immerse yourself in every aspect of fly fishing.

Registration is limited to 1,500 participants— \$25 for members and \$60 for non-members which includes a \$35 FFI membership. Some workshops require an additional fee and have limited space; others are taking place before the Virtual Expo begins. Don't miss out!

REGISTER NOW at flyfishersinternational.org/Virtual-Expo/Activities

Flies That Keep On Giving!

By John Williams

Here is another gem from a trip to the North Platt River near Casper Wyoming. This fly proved itself by being a combination of two old classics.

Half & Half



Hook: Firehole 718 #14

Thread: Black UTC 70

Bead: 3/32" Brass Colored Tungsten or Brass depending

where you want to be in the Water Colum, This is Brass.

Wire Rib: ine Copper

Tail & Abdomen: Pheasant Tail Fibers

Thorax: Peacock Tail Fibers

Wings: White Goose Biots

Cement: Gel Formula Super Glue

Slide the bead on the hook small hole first. Smear a slight amount of super glue on the shank of the hook to the bend. Start your thread behind the eye and tie in your wire rib and secure it all the way to the bend. Gather 6-8 Pheasant tail fibers and tie in leaving a tail a hook shanks length to the rear. Add another slight smear of super glue to the shank and wrap the remaining pheasant tail fibers by holding the b utts and wrapping forward to the ¾ forward point and securing with a couple of thread wraps. Counter wrap the copper wire forward to the ¾ point and secure with a few wraps of thread. Select three peacock tail fibers and snip off the very tips and tie in at the ¾ point and make three wraps with them and secure behind the bead. Place two white goose biots on top of the and secure behind the

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Flies That Keep On Giving! -continued

bead with them canted at the tips to either side and secure with a few wraps of thread. Smear $\frac{1}{4}$ " of your thread with super glue and make a few more wraps of thread and whip finish. Cut your thread and head to the water and have fun. This is an easy one and quite effective.

Tight Lines All,
John

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 club meetings.

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