

# ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE  
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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September 2011

## Club Meeting:

Monday, September 12th, 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:

September 19th, 2011

7:00 pm

Cross Roads Church\*

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## AUCTION 2011

September 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.  
at the Phoenix Club Ballroom

It's that time of year; the Fly Fishers Club of Orange County's (FFCOC's) Annual Fundraising Auction is Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> during the FFCOC's regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Phoenix Club Ballroom.

The Auction is open to all Club members, their guests, and the general public. Make sure you arrive on time as there are hundreds of items to bid on and you'll need every second before the 6:45 buffet begins to inspect the items, place your bids on



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Presidents Message  
**ANNUAL AUCTION TIME!**  
**It's September 12th this year!**  
**By Richard Fanning**

The Fly Fishers Club of Orange County derives the funds to pay for its education, conservation and other projects from the proceeds of its annual fund raising auction.

This year's auction will be held at the September meeting at our regular place and time:

Date and Time: September 12, 2011, 6:00pm.

Location: The Phoenix Club, Main Hall (Ballroom)

The Auction Catalog (very nearly complete version) has been posted on the web site. You can download the latest catalog at [www.ffcoc.org](http://www.ffcoc.org). The catalog can be accessed by anyone if they go to Membership, then Documents, then scroll down to Auction, click Documents under Auction, and download the catalog.

The auction is a great opportunity for those getting started in fly fishing to obtain what you need to begin your journey into the wonderful world of fly fishing. For those who think they already have it all, not a chance! There is always something good to add to your fishing fun!

We are fortunate to have a large number of items to auction off including:

- Fly rods, reels and lines - both new and carefully used.
- Fly boxes filled with flies tied by club experts
- Fly tying equipment and materials.
- Waders and other equipment.
- Great fly plates and art.
- Fly Fishing oriented books.
- Trips, lodging and guiding.
- A dinner for six by a well known club member

And, other fun stuff

The Auction is your opportunity to support the operations of your club. While the Auction provides great bargains due to the support of both large and small vendors and a core of regular members who donate their time and effort, we need to remember the Auction is the Clubs only major fundraiser. The Club depends on the Auction proceeds to support our "good works" through out the upcoming year.

In fact, one might ask "what attracts you and others to the club?" I propose that the opportunity to enjoy the interaction and camaraderie with other great people with similar interests and priorities is what keeps us coming back. In this vain, the club's "good works" serve as part of the "glue" that keeps us together to enjoy each other and fly fishing. Many of these are tied to outside organizations and are only possible when we can pay of them. That's where the funding from the auction comes in. It enables us to be involved in great activities like Trout in the Classroom, Conservation and Public Casting Clinics. We need these activities to keep the club going. A robust program will continue to attract new members and provide them with fun and interesting projects and learning experiences to keep the club going and growing.

About 9 months worth of letters, phone calls and revising the list of donators are about to come to fruition. (About the same effort it takes to manage the design & construction of a major addition or custom home). Fortunately, we have been able to build on the experience from prior auctions.

We count on you to remember that the auction is not just about "deals". It's about maintaining the health of the club. Thus I urge you to be generous in you bidding and help us grow a club we can continue to be proud of!

Be well, fish on!

## 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	

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## 2011 Outings Plan

By Lyman Kennedy

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 July 30 - August 6	Dillon, Montana	Richard Fanning	714-671-1370
August 19 - 21	Monache Meadows	Marvin Crocker	949-351-4700
September 23 - 24	Women's only Casting Clinic	Melinda Burns	951-451-9920
October 1	S.D. Bay Tidelands Park	Lyman Kennedy	714-742-5865
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 outings plan for 2011.  
Please refer to the website <http://www.ffcoc.org> for more detailed information on the outings



# MONTANA 2011 HIGHLIGHTS

By Richard Fanning

This year's FFCOC trip to Montana is in the creel! It was another great trip with fine results. If you were at the August Club Meeting you saw a slide show of some of the fishing results. I think the general opinion is that the fish were a size bigger this year, the food was wonderful and the lodging was excellent.

Let me start with the fishing. The 12 fishing participants each had four days of guided fishing with the guides from Tim Tollett's Frontier Anglers out of Dillon, Montana. We fished the Beaverhead River and the Big Hole River. Southwest Montana had a very wet Winter and Spring and water level have been higher than normal all year. Fortunately by the end of July these rivers were fishable and producing well.



During the first week of the trip the fishing was mostly indicator nymphing but by the second week we were also using dry/dropper and dry only rigs. A typical fishing day was a float of 5 to 7 miles on one of the rivers. I've in-

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cluded photos of larger fish that were caught and uploaded many more photos the Photos/Outings Section on the FFCOC web site.

I'd like to also mention the great job done by Joannie Fanning who prepared the meals. I heard remarks like "It's sure great to come back from a day of fishing and have a wonderful dinner complete with hors d'oeuvres and desert waiting for you!"

Again we stayed at Big Trout Ranch located between Dillon and Twin Bridges. They provide a two story, five bedroom, four bath ranch style house located on an elevated lot overlooking crops of wheat and alfalfa. The background to this view is open range and mountains. It's quiet at night except for the occasional owl or pack of coyotes. Osborne's Lake on the Ranch was good for some nice rainbows up to eighteen inches.

Going on a trip like this is a great way to get to know members of the club in a more relaxed setting than typical club meetings. In fact the camaraderie and talk about the days events was often spirited and exciting. Going on a trip like this is also a great way to develop your fishing skills. The guides we used were top notch and worked with us to not only catch fish, but learn and have a good time.

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## **SAN DIEGO BAY OUTING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1**

Croakers, spotted bay bass, and halibut are some of the fish you might expect to catch in San Diego Bay, near Tidelands Park (under the Coronado Bridge). This water can be successfully fished from float tubes, pontoon boats, kayaks or skiffs. Skiffs can be rented at nearby Glorietta Bay ( 4 hours for \$54.). Equipment that you would need include rods (5-8 weight) with sinking line (250-300 grain) with intermediate running line, and of course salt water flies including small clousers, crab and shrimp patterns. Good tidal movement is essential and launching at first light is recommended for success. That means arriving early (in the dark) to get equipment set up and launched. Even a small spotted bay bass can put a real bend in your rod and pull very hard. If you are interested in participating, contact me at : [lkennedyjr@earthlink.net](mailto:lkennedyjr@earthlink.net) or **714 742-5865. Lyman Kennedy**, Streamkeeper.





# SAN JUAN RIVER, NEW MEXICO

## MARCH 24-28, 2012

The San Juan River is located in Northwest corner of New Mexico, about 20 minutes from Aztec, New Mexico. The San Juan River is a tailwater, famous for it's large fish, eating tiny midges and baetis mayflies. It fishes well year round. I am planning a club trip there in March of 2012. Guide prices are \$375 for two people/full day and lodging is 85-90/night for two people. Participants can elect to use a guide for 1-3 days or wade on their own, all or some of those days. If you have never fished the San Juan River before, it is recommended that you use a guide for at least 1-2 days. This trip will be limited to 8 people. Participants have the options of A. driving (750 miles=12 hours), B. flying to Farmington, New Mexico (about \$462 with two stops) and driving to Aztec (about 20 miles) C. flying to Albuquerque (\$360-\$410) and driving to Aztec (about 3 hours). If you are interested contact me at: [lkenne-dyjr@earthlink.net](mailto:lkenne-dyjr@earthlink.net) or 714 921-9412.

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## EAST WALKER RIVER WITH PATRICK JAEGER

On Monday, September 5th, Patrick Jaeger will be doing a five hour on the river clinic on how to fish the East Walker. Initially Patrick will discuss rigging the line and then tactics for fishing the river. He will then cover approaches to the water, reading the water, how to cover the water and getting good drifts. Participants will then try to apply all of their new knowledge and try to catch some fish. Patrick will observe and fine tune your techniques. Patrick expects participants to be adept at tying surgeons and clinch knots and to be able to do their own rigging.

This class is being put together on short notice, so if you are interested please contact me right away. The cost should be about \$50 for 6 participants. You can e-mail me at [lkenne-dyjr@earthlink.net](mailto:lkenne-dyjr@earthlink.net) or call 714 921-9412.

Lyman Kennedy  
Outings Chair

## HELP NEEDED

Each year several club members volunteer to help make our FFCOC Annual Fundraising Auction a success. On the day of the Auction (September 12) we will need several volunteers to arrive early and help with room setup, transport of items to the Phoenix Club, assemble equipment and items for auction, organize and set out items for display, identify associated bid sheets for each item, and numerous other tasks. Last year we had about a dozen volunteers arrive in the several hours before the auction started and they were all busy with these and other activities. Please let **Doug Jones** know if you are able to help. He can be reached at **(714) 998-7304** or [doug-j@dslextre.me.com](mailto:doug-j@dslextre.me.com). Here will also be a sign up sheet at the August 8 meeting

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## 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.

**Dan Young**  
**Mike Smith**

**Membership Renewal**  
**Time of the year!**  
**Membership renewals**  
**will begin October 2011**

# Flies That Keep On Giving

By John Williams

For years I have fished Hot Creek Ranch and had good fortune to select flies that work well on the ranch. I have been the biggest fan of the M&M Caddis which has lured many fish to its silhouette. While at a Wine Tiers meeting Greg Cooke was tying a Caddis pattern / Yellow Sally, it had way too many steps for this guy but it looked great as Greg is a fantastic tier. So as I have done many times in the past I bastardized it.

## Hot Creek Flamer / Red Hot Habanero Butt



**Hook:** TMC 921 #16

**Thread:** UTC 70 Fluorescent Chartreuse

**Butt:** Red Holographic Tinsel

**Abdomen:** Antron Sparkle Dubbing Fluorescent Chartreuse or Fl. Orange

I tried both with great success.

**Wing:** Bleached Elk Hair

**Hackle:** Grizzly Saddle Hackle

Run the thread from the eye to the bend, tie in the red Holographic Tinsel and wrap  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the shank and secure with a couple wraps of thread. Dun the abdomen with the Fluorescent dubbing either color works well to the  $\frac{3}{4}$  point forward. Cut and stack a small bunch of hair for the wing and tie in at the  $\frac{3}{4}$  forward point leaving the butt's extend forward, make several wraps to secure the hair. To keep the hair from turning smear the slightest amount of super glue at the base before tying in. Cut the ends just behind the eye. Tie in a grizzly hackle to match the size of the hook and make three wraps and tie off. Whip finish and head to the water before the butt burns off. The fish like it and so do I.

Tight Lines Again,

John

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Silent Auction items, and prepare for the Live Auction that will begin at 8:00 p.m. Silent Auction tables will be closed between 7:15 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. prior to the start of the Live Auction. The Door Prize will be awarded at 9:00 p.m. after the Live Auction.

There are countless great items in the Auction this year that range from fly fishing necessities like flies, fly tying materials, forceps, rods and reels, to fly fishing adventures in Montana, Mexico, New Zealand and other great fishing destinations. If you are a fly fisher, there is something in the Auction for you. There are also a lot of great items for non-fishers including clothing, Disneyland tickets, vacation rentals, and other fun stuff. The 2011 Auction catalog can be viewed by clicking here [2011 Auction Catalog](#) or clicking on the link on the home page of the FFCOC web page at [www.ffcoc.org](http://www.ffcoc.org). Several additional items planned for the Auction are not in the catalog because they have not arrived or all of the details have not been worked out yet. These items will be coming in an addendum to the catalog. Hard copies of the 2011 Auction Catalog were mailed to active Club members August 25<sup>th</sup>.

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### Important message for non-members:

Most attending our meetings participate in the buffet dinner we buy from the Phoenix Club. If you would like the dinner you must make a reservation as described below. If you do not want to be included in the dinner, there is no charge and you do not need to make a reservation.

You must make your dinner reservation by September 5<sup>th</sup> by following these easy steps:

Go to the FFCOC web site at [www.ffcoc.org](http://www.ffcoc.org). Select **Club Calendar** and click **Sep** in the upper right portion of the calendar to get to the month of September.

Click on the text found in the September 12 box.

Click on **Register Now**

Follow the directions to register and pay by credit card.

You will be asked to pay a \$26.00 fee, consisting of a \$25.00 dinner fee and a \$1.00 credit card fee.



VP and Auction Chairman,  
Douglas Jones

## Fly Fishers Club of Orange County

The **PURPOSE** of the Fly Fishers Club of Orange County is to:

- Encourage angling with artificial flies (fly fishing)
- Encourage education and fisheries conservation, including habitat and watershed conservation
- Disseminate to the public the results of the Club's efforts
- Encourage youth to follow sound conservation practices

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

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

### Meeting Locations:

Phoenix Club:  
1340 S. Sanderson  
Anaheim, CA

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

Board of Directors:			
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