

ON THE FLY

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
FLY FISHERS CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



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President's Message: Nice River, NOW WHAT?



Nice river, but do you know how to approach it or how to fish it? The Fly Fishers Club of Orange County has the answer! *On The River Training* will be offered to Club members this fall.

FFCOC member Joe Libeu has volunteered to implement an *On The River Training* program for new and less-experienced members of the Club this fall. The training will be in follow-up to our annual casting clinic and consist of six hours of classroom training followed by an outing on the Lower Owens to put what you learn into practice. This year's Casting Clinic open to the general public as well as club members is scheduled for Saturday October 3. It will be followed by the *On The River Training* for club members as follows:

- Saturday October 24 - The first of two 3-hour classroom sessions
- Saturday November 7 - The second of two 3-hour classroom sessions
- Saturday and Sunday November 21 and 22 - On The River Outing on the Lower Owens River

Joe has conducted this training for other clubs with great success and we are looking forward to implementing it for the FFCOC. If you are an accomplished fly fisher and know the Lower Owens River, you would be a great candidate to work with Joe and others to assist with the training program. Please contact me if you are interested in helping. More program details will be coming as dates approach but it's not too early to get these dates on your calendar.

This Month's Meetings

Club Meeting:

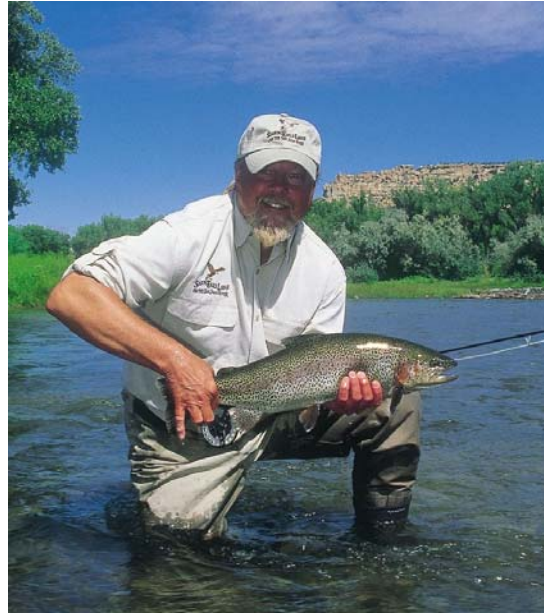
May 13, 2015
Phoenix Club
1340 S. Sanderson
Anaheim, CA
6:00 pm - Wet Fly
7:00 pm - Dinner
Dinner & Program - \$30 Cash
Program Only - \$10 Cash
\$1 Fee for Credit Cards

Board Meeting:

May 18, 2015
Montesilla Mobile Home Park
15601 South B St, Tustin
Club Members Are Welcome
7:00 pm

This Month's Program:

Fly Fishing the Spectacular San Juan with Larry Johnson



Not too far from southern California is a river that is world famous . . . world famous, that is, among fly fishers. In the northwest corner of New Mexico is where the San Juan River flows out of Navajo Dam, and there are very few fly fishing waters that can compete with this stream for numbers, size or the strength and fighting abilities of these trout.

The San Juan is a tributary of the Colorado River and became famous as a trout fishery after the Navajo Dam was built, which made the San Juan a tailwater. Construction began on this earthen dam in 1957 and was completed in 1962, originally designed for water storage in the newly created Navajo Lake. It is 402 feet high and more than 3,600 feet in length. Before the dam, the river was a relatively small one in the arid western foothills of the Rocky Mountains with not much to attract hordes of fly fishers.

But after the dam was in operation, with water flowing at a constant temperature of 42 to 44 degrees year-round, and the initial stocking of brown trout, the world began to take notice and for good reason. The trout average 17 to 19 inches, with many much larger. The fish took to the San Juan perfectly and the stocking of browns actually stopped 25 to 30 years ago so the browns are now considered wild. (These days some rainbows are stocked.) The pristine water below the dam runs for about 20 miles, with the fish numbering an incredible *nine to twelve thousand per mile*. This desert setting is indeed a unique one for a trout fishery, with the fish of the San Juan holding in pods, scattered in many of the riffles, as well as in back channels. The primary food source is midges, with the trout also taking mayflies, blue-wing olives, caddis, stoneflies, terrestrials like hoppers and ants and more meaty food such as worms, (yes, where did you think the San Juan worm got its name), leeches, snails and scuds.

You can drive to the river, or you can fly into Albuquerque, which then leaves you a little more than a three hour drive to the northwest, or you can fly into Durango, Colorado, which is one hour north of the river.

Larry Johnson has been fishing the San Juan for years. He loved it when he first fished it in the mid-80s and that love has steadily increased during the last 14 years that he's been living on the banks of the river. The southwest was a new experience for Larry. He was born and raised in New Jersey where his family had a restaurant along the shore of Lake Lackawanna – yes there is a Lake Lackawanna-- that has been a summer resort 50 miles outside of New York City since 1911. Larry is one of five children born to a man whose first job was a mathematician working on what would become a new invention -- called a computer -- for IBM. Then Larry's father went off to fight in World War II.

Larry learned to fish from a neighbor at the lake, a Catholic priest whom Larry describes as being a family friend and a good fishing teacher who was the person to first put a bamboo rod in Larry's hand. Larry describes Father John Dericks as a man his family loved so much that the married everyone in the family . . . and they weren't even Catholic.

Larry graduated from Nichols College of Business in Dudley, Massachusetts in 1975 with degrees in business administration and marketing. After graduating, he worked at a ski lodge in Vermont until his brother-in-law convinced him to come out west to California. After a few years of working in different sales positions, Larry was hired by Polaroid where he spent more than a decade working for that corporation in Europe. In 1991 he was on a fishing trip in Florida where he had dinner with a doctor when this doctor showed him a new-fangled invention – a digital camera. Larry is a smart man and almost immediately realized that the Polaroid camera was doomed. He took early retirement and eventually wound up in New Mexico where, in 2000, he decided to become something of a trout bum on the San Juan. He actually took a job working behind the counter in a fly shop and, a year later, when Soaring Eagle Lodge came on the market, he bought it. He lived through some rough spots, like the actual day he took possession of the lodge. It was September 11, 2001 and by early afternoon, he was flooded with cancellations. But his skills at sales, marketing and publicity have proven invaluable and his investment paid off. He loves the San Juan, he loves guiding on the San Juan and he loves all the people who come there to fish.

To see and learn more about the San Juan, Larry Johnson and Soaring Eagle Lodge, go to: www.soaringeaglelodge.net

Please join Larry Johnson as he shares with us “Fly Fishing The Spectacular San Juan River”. And remember to pursue your fly fishing dreams!

Andy Frumento

Bringing Food and Drinks to Club Meetings is not Allowed!

FFCOC has a contract with the Phoenix Club that stipulates the conditions of our use of their facility. Under this contract participants at our meetings are not allowed to bring food they obtained outside of the Phoenix Club into our meetings. There have been incidents at recent meetings where this has occurred. In the future you may be asked to take your food outside of the Phoenix Club.

While we understand that you might prefer the reduced cost of food purchased outside, we must operate in accord with our contract.

2015 Auction News

Okay, folks, as you know the annual Club Auction is right around the corner (September 9, 2015), our major fund raiser for the year.

Running a club costs a lot of money and we can't do it on our good looks alone, as we would be dead broke! What we need is product, and lots of it. We count on club members to donate items to the auction.

I would like to have your donations ASAP so I can get them cataloged and can mail out the Auction Catalog in late August. Remember, **THIS IS OUR MAJOR FUND RAISER FOR THE YEAR!** So dig deep...and get the items to me as soon as you can please!! Or, if you need me to pick up your donation, call me at (714) 541-8433, or send me an e-mail at jimmywt1957@yahoo.com and I'll be happy to pick them up.

Manufacturers and Guides have pitched in with products, discounts and certificates, so here's your chance to donate items to be sold at the Auction, and get yourself a very nice letter for a tax write off as well.

There are opportunities to "sponsor" an item from a major manufacturer. The way it works is, as a "sponsor" you select the item(s). The club buys said item(s) at a good price and makes it available for bidding at the auction. As a sponsor, you guarantee you will bid on the item at the starting price. Others may bid the price up in which case you may bid again at a higher price if you wish to. There are quite a few manufacturers who participate,. I'll have the catalogs at the meetings.

And, do plan on attending the Auction on September 9, 2015 at the Phoenix Club. Come early so you have plenty of time to look over the items available for auction. It's a lot of fun and you can get some pretty good deals on new and used items.

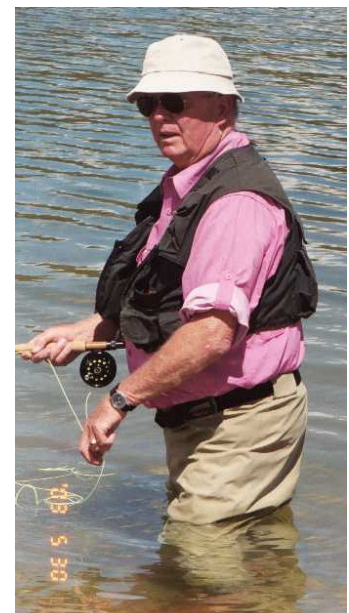
Thanks again! Jim Edwards

In Memorium, Chris Menadier (1932 - 2015)

Chris Menadier was an Air Force Pilot, a Husband, a Father, a Friend and a Fly Fisher. He was a FFCOC Board Member and a Streamkeeper. He introduced many to the beauty and productive fisheries of Utah. He started a informal group called Fly Fishing Mentors whose mission was to introduce others to Fly Fishing and help them develop their fly fishing skills. His materials were used in FFCOC Mentor Outings. He sold rods and fly fishing equipment to finance his fishing interests.

Chris leaves behind his wife, Carol, his children, and his grandchildren, all of whom he enjoyed and loved. He will be missed.

---- R. Fanning



Club Meeting Dates and Speakers

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>DAY</u> | <u>SPEAKER</u> | <u>TOPIC</u> |
|-------------|------------|----------------|--|
| 5-13-15 | 2nd Wed | Larry Johnson | "The San Juan River" |
| 6-10-15 | 2nd Wed | Ed Engle | 'Offbeat Tactics to Catch Trout" |
| 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 | Dan Lecount | "Advanced Tactics for Big Trout" |

FFCOC 50th Anniversary Meeting!

The Fly Fishers Club of Orange County will have it's 50th Anniversary next year! The March 2016 meeting will be a special event. Planning is just beginning but as details become available they will be published here.

So, **reserve March 9, 2016 on your calendar** and plan on attending!

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.

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>STREAMKEEPER</u> | <u>PHONE</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| April 29 | Hewes Middle School Demo | Melinda Burns | 951 415-9920 |
| 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 | Mammoth Mentor Outing | Dave Long | 775 586-1680 |
| June 19-21 | Fish Creek | Brian Mayer | 562 619-9169 |
| June 15-19 | Southern Utah | John Williams | 951 236-0862 |
| July 10-13 | Hot Creek Ranch | John Williams | 951 236-0862 |
| September 21-25 | Southern Utah | John Williams | 951 236-0862 |
| October 16-18 | FFF Fly Fishing Faire - Bishop | Melinda Burns | 951 415-9920 |
| October 16-18 | President's Outing Kern River | Doug Jones | 714 998-7304 |
| November 2-6 | Lee's Ferry | Melinda Burns | 951 415-9920 |
| December | TBD | | |

HEWES MIDDLE SCHOOL Fly Fishing Demonstration



Wednesday April 29, 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 29 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 mell1755@pacbell.net or call me 951-415-9920.

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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“WE NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS.”

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Fish Creek Outing June 19 - 21, 2015

Sign-ups are open for the annual trip to Fish Creek. This year, it will be the third weekend in June.

This is a camping outing to the Southern Sierra's Kern River Plateau area close to Kennedy Meadows. The camp ground provides cold water and out houses only. Most people will be camping in tents; however, small camping trailers are allowed. We will be fishing for small golden trout in small water creeks, so bring your small rods (3 weights and less). The fish are generally very eager, so this is an excellent trip for the novice and experience fisher-person as well.

If interested, contact Eric Kramer (805 984-7202) or Brian Mayer (562-619-9169).



Hot Creek Ranch July 10-13, 2015



For those who have signed up for the Hot Creek outing your \$400 is due by the end of May, I will turn the list over to Brian Mayer our treasurer and he will collect the funds from you, Make your checks payable to the F.F.C.O.C.. Many of us have heard there is a water shortage in California and much of the west. Please read Kevin Peterson's letter below that addresses this question. I personally look forward to a wonderful time at the ranch.

Greetings Everyone,

I am sure that most of you have been hearing the grim reports on the snow pack here in the Eastern Sierra and on the water outlook for the entire state of California. I have heard that the main topic of conversation at club meetings etc. has been frantic about the upcoming fishing season and that many folks are in a panic over it and even thinking of hanging it up until we get some water.

I would like to give you a few facts. Hot Creek is a spring creek. 85% of our summer water comes from the upstream springs. While the main springs are 30% down, we still have 70% of our water, which puts us in **much better shape** than most fisheries in the state! The water situation is not at its best but fishing can still be pretty darn good and FUN if you are willing to work a little more than you might be used to.

I have been walking the creek every day and there are plenty of fish in the system! They are all not in the usual places which will mean you may have to figure it out a bit but that is the fun of it!! We have all seen those banner years when fishing was really easy! Well, there is a balance to everything in life and this probably won't be one of those years, however, it can still be fun! Maybe instead of telling your friends about how MANY fish you caught, you can tell them about how you hooked those tough fish that you worked on for a while and finally got them to eat. I guess what I am trying to say is that Fly Fishing isn't always about numbers but about the experience. If you have to catch a ton of fish to have a good day on the water, there may be better places to fish this year, but if you are out for an incredible Fly Fishing experience in one of the most beautiful places on earth, then come to Hot Creek Ranch!

We hope to see you here,
Kevin and Lisa Peterson

LEE'S FERRY OUTING

November 2-6, 2015



Only 6 openings left so make your reservation soon to insure you are included!

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

2015 San Juan River Trip Report

This year's outstanding trip to the San Juan River was highlighted by excellent weather and good fishing. Seventeen members of the club went on the trip this year, most staying at Fishead's San Juan River Lodge. River conditions have greatly changed with the unfortunate silting caused by a large amount of sand in the lower half of the "quality" waters. However, plenty of fish were to be found both on guided float trips and wade fishing. As it was last year, the "scum bum fish" were hanging out in large numbers at the top of Texas Hole. There were plenty of other locations down river providing quality fishing as well. As always, small midge and red worms worked well (size 18 to 22). There were many reports of fish 20 inches and larger, including some 23 inch fish. A good time seemed to be had by all and many stories were swapped at dinner meal gatherings. Stream Keeper, Brian Mayer



Gathering at Fishead's Back Cast Café for the traditional first night dinner. The regulars plus some new friends joining the outing. Welcome to all !

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San Juan River 2015 Photos:



Guide Marcus showing off a nice brown trout



Brian Mayer with a colorful rainbow.



Eric Kramer with a “fish on” while wading the Texas Hole.

Fly Tying

FLIES THAT KEEP ON GIVING Willie's Bloody Stone



By John Williams

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Hook: | Daiichi 1760 size 6 |
| Thread: | UTC ultra thread 280 black |
| Eyes: | Black bead chain eyes 1/8" medium |
| Antennae: | Sili legs speckle fleck black/red |
| Legs: | same |
| Tail: | same |
| Body Weight: | .025 lead |
| Rib: | UTC vinyl rib medium clear |
| Dubbing: | Hare's Ice Dub Harder's Bloody Black |
| Back: | Mottled Turkey feather |
| Cement: | Super Glue |
| Back Coating: | UV clear thin fly finish |

I've got cabin fever and tying like I have a trip tomorrow. I do have one coming up soon. This is one of the big flies that have worked in the past for me. I love to nymph fish for large fish and all of them love large stone flies.

Smear the shank with super glue and tie in a pair of eyes on the bottom side of the hook shank just behind the eye. Tie in the Sili antennae leaving them 1" long. Tie in the tails leaving them 1" long. Start wrapping the lead on the shank of the hook just above the point, forward to the eyes and back for the thorax to the rear to form a weighted body and thorax. Tie in a piece of the vinyl cord at the back end of the thorax and wrap with thread to the tie in point of the tail. Super glue the entire shank to the eyes with a smear of glue. Dub your thread and with a tapered noodle and dub the abdomen to just on the thorax. Prep your turkey feather with Dave's flex-a-ment on the back side and let dry. When the feather is dry cut a 1/4" slice of barbules and tie them in by the butt where you finished the dubbing and leave the point to the rear. Dub to the center of the thorax and tie in two legs laying the Sili legs across the shank and figure eight wrap the thread to secure them and cut them to 1" long on either side. Dub forward to the eyes building the thorax. Fold the turkey feather forward over the eyes and secure with a few wraps of thread just behind the eyes. Add a slight amount of super glue to the wraps of thread on top of the back, fold the turkey feather just ahead of the eyes using a bodkin to form a head and pull the remainder of the feather back and secure with several wraps of thread just behind the eyes. Cut the tag end of the feather half way from the eyes to the rear of the back. Add a drop of super glue to the wraps and whip finish. I add a smear of UV clear finish to the back and cure with a UV light. This will get down to the bottom and play with the big guys.



Tight Lines,
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 meetings.

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