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Leader's Line

A Fondness for Fall

RICK HILLES, PRESIDENT

November finds the fall season full upon us and with it, lots of club activities to accent our enjoyment of this wonderful time of year.

Rod building has just about concluded by now and a small group of lucky members have constructed their own rods. The process, which I have not yet done personally (somehow I always seem to be out of town), provides a chance to develop a much more in-depth understanding of the nuances of rod performance, hardware and cosmetics. Do you know where the spline is on your rod? The knowledge gained from all of this helps you better evaluate different rods and contributes to your casting skills.

Fly tying is just getting started under the leadership of Mark Tsunawaki. This awesome program provides a chance to either develop or refresh your fly tying skills over the next seventeen Tuesdays into the 3rd week of March. With support from Joe Tanyi and Art Murphy, Mark has refined the curriculum so that the written materials have been fully integrated with the audio visual presentations. Each session will be led by an experienced club member who takes you through a step by step process. Tying your own flies helps you to better understand the different aquatic foods and how they

behave. I'm looking forward to the program as a way to get back into tying my own flies and re-supplying my dwindling fly boxes. After fly tying workshops conclude, we will have the opportunity to learn from a most renowned fly tier, A.K. Best.

On the meeting front, in September we had a terrific visit by Tim Rajeff, who shared his ideas about the state of the art in rod design and who educated us on the complexities of fly lines. For me, the best part of the evening involved listening to his ideas about teaching casting as he talked informally with us on the pond in the hour before the regular meeting. In October, we hear from Ken Hanley as noted by Carole Katz in the last issue of Target Talk. Ken is one of the guru's of salt water fishing, especially in the surf. In November we will have a visit from one of my favorite people, Maggie Merriman on strategies for fly selection. Sometimes I find the level of expertise of our speakers to be truly remarkable.

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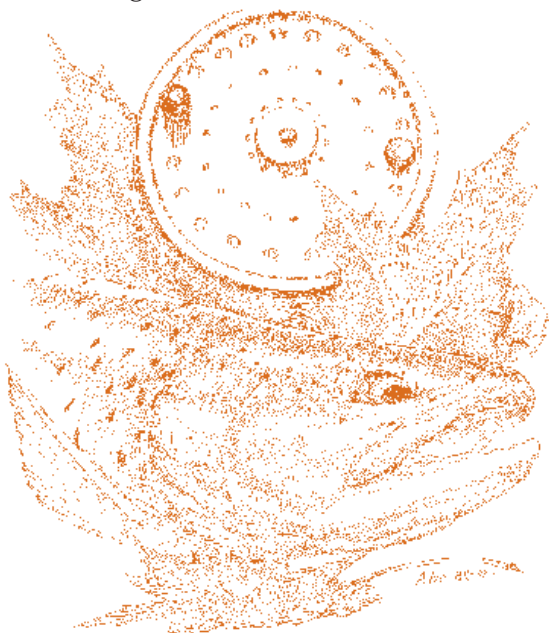
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We will wrap up on the first Saturday in December with our big (and only) social event, the Venison Stag dinner. Put it on your calendar now and sign up to help with the many activities required to make this traditional event a success.

Speaking of food, have you stopped by the club on the designated Saturday and enjoyed breakfast? Club breakfasts and casting competition will continue twice a month through March.

In the meantime, club members continue to roam far and wide on their fishing adventures. In October some members headed up to Northern California in search of Steelhead while others returned to Mammoth, a club favorite, later in the month. Joe Libeu and friends traveled south where they tested their skills, strength and stamina against the monster tarpon on the coast of in Costa Rica. Jeff Gross and I headed to the Big Horn and other waters to tantalize big cannibalistic, aggressive brown trout with double bunny streamers. November provides us with a chance to fish the Kern and see if Guy Jeans can guide us to some of the beautiful fish he showed us on his visit with the club in August.

It all makes me wish I could be in more than one place at the same time. But one place I'm glad to be in is the Long Beach Casting Club.



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Maggie Merriman & "Reading Trout Streams"

CAROLE KATZ, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

One of America's premiere fly fishing instructors for over 35 years, Maggie Merriman is recognized throughout the world as both a pioneer in the sport and a strong advocate on behalf of fly fishing women. She will be speaking to the club on Thursday, November 17, at 7:00 PM.

Among her many accomplishments, Maggie organized and led the first fly fishing schools for women in the western United States, beginning in 1978. She was a product development consultant for Lamiglas Rod Company, which produced her signature rod in 1982 and gave her the title "Fly Fishing Lady of the West."

Also in 1982, she designed and manufactured the first fly fishing vest for women, which featured a colored and patterned lining, colored zippers and a scarf to match the lining. She developed a line of men's and women's apparel and accessories under her own brand name that included vests, fishing bags, boots bags, and the first padded reel case and pouch for lines, leaders and tippets.

In the early '80s, she introduced the first all-day fly fishing schools for women at a FFF National Conclave in West Yellowstone. She started the first Sunday evening free casting lessons for the general public in the city of West Yellowstone. In the '90s, she introduced one of the first entomology workshops at the FFF Conclave.

From 1995 to 1998, Maggie served as the coordinator of the FFF National Women's Educational Fly Fishing Program, which she created and organized. She produced a video on Dame Juliana Berners, her history and contributions to the sport. She developed the HISTORY OF WOMEN IN FLY FISHING display for the conclave, which has traveled the country to various regional conclaves and events. She is currently working on a display for the IFFC Museum of Livingston on the history and contributions of early women fly tiers.

A long-time member of the esteemed Outdoor Writers Association of America, she wrote a product review column for Heritage Fly Fishing Magazine for three years, and authored a regular column on women's issues for the FFF national magazine.

During the last three decades, Maggie has provided casting demonstrations, slide shows, lectures and schools to fishing clubs, regional and national conclaves, and international sport shows. In May of 1998, Maggie represented US fly fishers at the prestigious Chatsworth Angling Fair in England. On television, she has been featured in such programs as FISHING THE WEST with Larry Schoeborn and THE BACK ROADS OF MONTANA with William Marcus.

Maggie has received numerous awards for her work in the sport of fly fishing from the FFF: in 1997, the President's Pin; in 1982, the Lew Jewett Memorial Life Award; and, in 1995, the FFF "Woman of the Year." In 2003, Maggie was honored as one of the "Legends of Fly Fishing" at the FFF National Conclave in Idaho Falls.

Mark your calendars now for this educational program.



A.K. is Coming!

CAROLE KATZ, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Renowned fly tier A.K. Best will be speaking at the club meeting on Friday, March 31st. As usual, the monthly meeting is open.

So many of you have asked about or tried to reserve a spot for A.K.'s six-hour tying demo on Saturday, April 1, that the Board wants to preview the manner in which reservations will be handled. We want this process to be equal and fair for everyone.

Here is the plan:

1. The tying demo on April 1 will be open to

club members only. Membership status will be checked.

2. Lunch will be provided.
3. The cost is \$40, prepaid with the reservation and non-refundable.
4. The maximum number of reservations accepted will be 60, based on the number of tiers that can be comfortably accommodated in the clubhouse for that length of time. Reservations will be accepted in the order in which they are received.
5. The reservations must be payable to LBCC and mailed to Carole Katz, 1801 Bridle Path Way, Santa Ana, CA 92705. Do **not** mail or deliver reservations to the clubhouse or the club's post office box.
6. No reservations will be accepted before January 31, 2006. No exceptions.

Club Membership Requests

JEFF SADLER, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Please welcome the following new members who joined us this month:

- ❖ Bill & Valerie Amans and three Junior members: Eden, Connor, and Mackenzie from Lakewood.
- ❖ Joyce Hoffman and Liz Virtue of Laguna Beach.
- ❖ Tim and Janet Kane of Laguna Beach
- ❖ Jan Schaffer and Patty Mitchell of Santa Ana.
- ❖ Bettye Swart and Jeri Vaillancourt of Aliso Viejo.
- ❖ Joe and Lois Wangsness and a Junior: Joey from Long Beach.

Welcome all of you and we wish you success, and fun, as members.

Plan Now For Great Fishing

BOB GRAHAM, CO-2ND VICE PRESIDENT

Here's the line up for club fishing trips for the balance of this year. We need ideas for April so let us know what you think.

And we need you to join us! I hate catching all those fish without witnesses...

TRIPS FOR 2005

- ❖ Nov. 11–13 Kern River
- ❖ Dec. 17–18 Piru-Mania XI

TRIPS FOR 2006

- ❖ Jan. 13–15 Lower Owens #1
- ❖ Feb. 16–20 San Juan River, New Mexico
- ❖ Feb. 18–19 Lower Owens #2
- ❖ March 18 Newport Bay Bass Tourney
- ❖ April 18 to be determined
- ❖ Apr. 28–30 Opening Weekend
- ❖ May 25–30 Green River, Utah

Two New Venues to Avoid!

BOB GRAHAM, CO-2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

Gary Charles doesn't spend as much time fishing as most people do. He explores. He finds new areas to fish and then usually catches more fish than you or I. He likes to fish alone, not because he is embarrassed about his technique but because he feels if you want to fish, you should find your own places and keep them secret. Difficult fish are sweeter to catch.

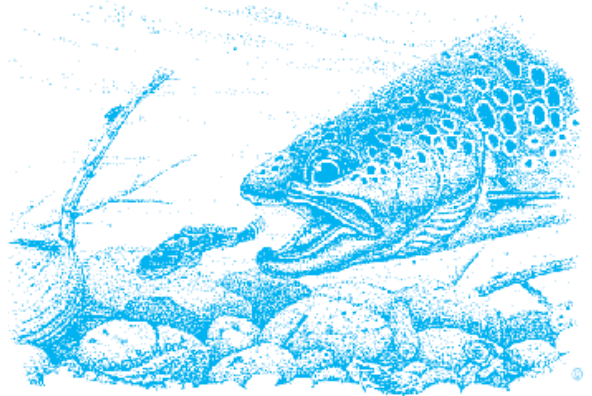
When he tired of hearing about my horse pack trip into the Golden Trout Wilderness (finally, some place he hasn't fished), he asked me to come along and he would show me some new waters in the Mammoth area. On the September club trip, he took me exploring along with Dan Rivett. I can tell you where because you won't go.

The first was to the lakes behind Saddlebag Lake, the highest lake in the Eastern Sierra you can reach by car. But your car will be wheezing. The lake is at 10,087 feet, above the tree line and comprises 339 acres of heavily stocked water. When we left the truck to sign up for the water taxi, we immediately felt the effects of the high altitude. Sunscreen, glasses and hat are mandatory. You have to pay for the ferry with cash; there is no electricity so your credit card is, well, just a useless piece of plastic.



The boat takes you about a mile and a half to a dock on the far side of the lake (although there are trails on both sides of the lake) and then the

hike begins. There are two well-marked trails on the north side of Greenstone Lake with a gentle climb taking you into the 20 Lakes Basin. Brook trout, rainbows, cutthroat and even goldens are caught in the smaller lakes back there. Both trails are easy and a favorite of day hikers from the large nearby campground after they become acclimated to the thin air. But we went to the left.



The trail suggested by the boat driver led us along the south side of Greenstone Lake where we stopped to catch a few brookies to get the skunk off. Then the steep climb started. The goal was to reach the Conness Lakes below the Conness Glacier, a climb of about another 1100 feet. No, I didn't make it. Dan did and caught a few goldens, his first. Gary got lost and couldn't find the trail over a clean granite face.

I went back to the creek running into Greenstone and had my own private Brookie Bash. These are truly dumb fish. I spooked one pod and they scurried for shelter except there were so many of them that they couldn't all fit into their favorite hideout so they would race to the next available one. That was also full, so on to the next. The end result was a clockwise merry go round of racing fish!

At another pod, I could (and because of the wind, I had to) cast directly over the fish and strip the fly back through them without spooking them. They were not line shy and were actually facing me although I was making very lengthy casts to get to them. A fish was caught with every few

casts. I was stripping a dry fly on or just under the surface and the color of the fly didn't make a difference. I wore out several flies. I can't give you the total I caught or I'll never get rid of the club fish counter.



The next day, we turned south from Mammoth for only a mile or two and then headed west off 395. Destination: Laurel Lakes, only 5 miles away but it was straight up. Gary's truck was the only vehicle on that particular club trip that could have attempted this climb. High clearance and a real four-wheel drive (preferably with a compound low) are required. The road was an old mule trail to a mine high above the lakes. It has not been improved in this or even the last century. Indeed, some of the lower portions became a creek bed from this winter's heavy rains. The road was strewn with rocks, boulders and scree. It was one lane, narrow and slippery since the rubble does not provide much traction. Gary folded in both of the side mirrors to avoid hitting the vertical granite in some areas.

The Laurel Lakes are billed as the only golden trout lake fishery you can drive to. They sit at about 10,000 feet and can usually be fished with dries throughout most of the season. It was in the 30s when we arrived and there was ice on the marshy areas that fringed the lake. We had windy conditions, so nymphing or streamers proved to be the right tackle. Gary suggested a Yellow Stimulator

but I opted for a Golden Stone. I caught all of my fish on a fly that these fish have never seen before and in a lake that cannot support this insect because of the absence of running, well-oxygenated water. I stayed on the larger lake but Gary and Dan fished the smaller lake using buggers. We all caught fish and had a great day.

High above the lakes was Bloody Culm, a shale saucer tilted on edge that skiers climb for the thrill of a steep descent at break neck speeds. The park ranger assured us that no one died last year on the culm—he thought. He was there to cite a film crew taping Range Rover commercials. They didn't have a film permit and had been found in meadows the previous day where motorized vehicles were prohibited. The bad news was that the Range Rovers had difficulty negotiating the road out from the lakes.

The ride down the mountain took more than an hour. Gary was virtually braking his truck to prevent it from sliding down the trail. He chewed a toothpick to show his nonchalance. It was sawdust by the time we reached the bottom. Dan and I both held on to the handholds in the truck. The glove box has two knee-shaped indentations where I braced myself. Portions of the return trip were done without breathing; there was very little talking. Gary's truck bounced in and out of potholes and onto several boulders. More than a little damage was done to his truck. The sidebar was pounded up and over the bottom lip of the passenger doors, sealing the doors closed.

We viewed Mammoth Lakes Village on the far distant valley floor thousands of feet below. It was quite a sight but it seemed that if we lost traction we would fall off the mountain and be there sooner than we planned.

This was another white-knuckle adventure brought to you by Gary Charles Tours and Suicide Missions. If Gary ever asks you to go fishing with him, run and hide. The fish do and their brain is only the size of a pea.

Piru-Mania XI... LBCC's Traditional December Trip Returns by Popular Demand

JEFF SADLER, INTREPID GUIDE

Yes, children, the Winter Solstice Classic is back after a 3 year absence.

Don't miss this fun trip especially for new members or guests. An easy to fish, pretty gem of a little creek within an hour or so of your house. Designed to be after the Fall Eastern Sierra flotilla trips and Turkey day but before Christmas, it's just the right time to treat yourself to a short day of fun.

Come to the pre-trip on Wednesday, December 7th at 7:00 PM and learn the secret of the Masters:

- ❖ Maps to the location
- ❖ Maps of the best spots
- ❖ Maps showing the biggest fish
- ❖ Lists of the 2nd greatest flies behind the Royal Wulff
- ❖ True, yes true, fishing stories
- ❖ Details to becoming a trout-meister at Piru Creek
- ❖ And best of all, a magic lantern show presented by Mr. Fly Fishing in Los Angeles himself.



The trip itself will be on Saturday, December 17, 2005, starting at 8:00 AM at the Frenchman's Flat parking area. We need rookies so old fogies can show off. We need old fogies to lead the rookies to success.

See you there.



Unofficial LBCC User Group

STEVE LEE, MEMBER

Hi everybody. I'm inviting all club members to join the unofficial Long Beach Casting Club user group. The list was started by Darryl Hayashida a few years back and has been popular with many of the club's members.

The purpose of the list is to share information primarily on fly fishing such as trip reports, casting techniques or posting's of dates and locations to meet and fish. Past postings include digital photography, GPS locations and walkie-talkie information.

Your info is not shared with anyone and spam is not tolerated. People that misuse this list will be banned from it.

To join the list email the list go to yahoo.com and register (free, no money) and receive another e-mail account (also free, no money). The list will still come to the e-mail account you designate. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at fish1lee@yahoo.com.

Thanks for taking a look and I hope the list can help increase your fly fishing interests.

Beginning Fly Tying Classes 2005-2006

MARK TSUNAWAKI,
COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRMAN

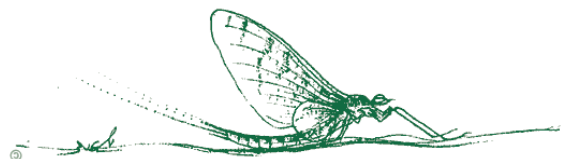
Beginning on October 26, 2004 at 7:00 pm the Long Beach Casting Club will start our annual Beginning Fly Tying Class. This year's class will be organized by Art Murphy, Joe Tanyi and Mark Tsunawaki. Here is a tentative schedule of the flies and instructors:

- ❖ October 25, 2005: Jaime Murphy
Introduction to Beginning Fly Tying
- ❖ November 1, 2005: Mark Tsunawaki
Techniques and Demonstrations
- ❖ November 8, 2005: Diana Yao
Ant (Wet Fly, Terrestrial)
- ❖ November 15, 2005: Carole Katz
Soft Hackle (Wet Fly, Emerger)
- ❖ November 22, 2005: Kelley Van Derhoof
Boss (Steelhead Fly)
- ❖ November 29, 2005: Dan Rivett
Scud (Nymph/Crustacean)
- ❖ December 6, 2005—Instructor: Paul Burgner
Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear (Nymph)
- ❖ December 13, 2005: Joe Tanyi
Pheasant Tail (Nymph)
- ❖ December 20, 2005: Joe Libeu
Clouser Minnow (Bass/Saltwater Streamer)
- ❖ December 27, 2005: Doug Uyematsu
Crazy Charlie (Saltwater Fly)



- ❖ January 3, 2006: Larry Albach
Wooly Bugger (Streamer Fly)
- ❖ January 10, 2005: Art Murphy / John McKim
Muddler Minnow (Streamer Fly)
- ❖ January 17, 2006: Jaime Murphy
Elk Hair Caddis (Dry Fly)

- ❖ January 24, 2006: Jeff "Royal Wulff" Sadler
Royal Wulff (Dry Fly)
- ❖ January 31, 2006: Ian Walker
Adams (Dry Fly)
- ❖ February 7, 2006: Matt Rickerd
Parachute Adams (Dry Fly)
- ❖ February 14, 2006: John Van Derhoof
Humpy (Dry Fly)



Spring is in the Air!

BOB GRAHAM, CO-2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

As previously announced, we are off to the San Juan River in New Mexico in February, 2006. So mark your calendars and tie up some worms.

We'll drive there, hopefully by carpool, on February 16th, fish the 17th through the 19th and return on the February 20th. Rick has made reservations at the Octagon Inn that sleeps 8–12 depending on sexual orientation and other factors. We'll be arranging guides later for those who wish to float the river, so let me know your intentions.

From my earlier article, which some felt was longer than the river, you know that the San Juan is very similar to the Lower Owens at that time of year and, yes, the trip is on the same weekend as Lower Owens #2. The water will be a cold 40 degrees or so and the air temperature will be in the low forties or colder. But the river is big, the fish are numerous (and large) and we will avoid both the crowds and the spring runoff. This will be good.

See me ASAP to sign up.

The Venison Stag: Our Annual Holiday Dinner—Then & Now

CAROLE KATZ, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

THEN

The First Annual Venison Barbecue Stag was held in 1941, and, with the exception of the war years, has continued throughout the club's history. A particularly spectacular version took place in 1945.

After the end of the World War II, \$20,000 was raised to purchase an old Army barracks, which club members moved by tearing it down in one day and then rebuilding it in another. To celebrate the bigger and better clubhouse, members outdid themselves with a feast that year. There may never be another Venison Stag like that one sixty years ago. The menu included two deer, two antelope, a bear, one-half elk, and one-half moose, all spit barbecued. More than 230 members and guests ate every morsel.

NOW

We've changed a little over the last sixty-four years. The clubhouse has continued to evolve, and our membership has grown from 125 in 1941 to more than 470 in 2005. Female members were first accepted in the 1983.

The tradition of the Annual Holiday Dinner or Venison Stag has continued. We no longer barbecue deer, antelope, bear, elk or moose. Now we prepare prime rib and all the accoutrements, but mostly we serve good food and a good time.

Do join us this year on Saturday, December 3rd. The pre-dinner social hour starts at 6:00 PM, with dinner served at 7:00 PM. No speakers, just time to spend with friends and family.

THE DINNER

The dinner will cost \$15 for adults and \$6 for children. In order to prepare the correct amount of food, reservations are necessary and due November 19. Anyone who comes without a reservation must pay \$25, and will only be accommodated if there is room.

In this issue of Target Talk, you will find a reservation form to fill out and return with your check payable to Long Beach Casting Club. You can mail it to the club P.O. Box, or you can give it to any board member.

WE NEED YOU

Of course, an event like this depends on the help of many members. Please volunteer in any of a number of ways. We need people to prepare the clubhouse on Saturday, November 27th when we'll be cleaning the light fixture diffusers, trophy cases, windows, dinnerware, etc.

We'll also need help on Saturday, December 3, in the morning, to do some final decorating and table setting, and, in the evening, for meal preparation and serving. Finally, we will need a clean-up crew after the festivities.

Please e-mail me or contact me by telephone if you are willing to help. Remember, we need help on November 27th, the morning of December 3rd, and the evening of December 3rd. New members; don't be shy about joining us and helping out. This is a great way to get to know other club members.





Think Cicadas; Think Green!

BOB GRAHAM, CO-2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

It's hard to believe that the Green River Trip is just around the corner—I can hear the cicadas whirring already.

The Memorial Day trip to the Green River in Utah has been set for May 25th through May 30th, 2006. Five nights lodging and two guided drift-boat fishing days will be \$768. I plan to get a guide for at least three days and that is \$988. We stay in the comfortable (almost brand new) cabins at Red Canyon Lodge. Arrangements are two to a cabin so, either choose an acceptable roommate or bring your earplugs.

In addition to the tenderfeet who stayed in the cozy cottages, we had a large contingent of campers last year. If you plan to go and camp and need a guide, please let me know so I can arrange to accommodate you.

Plan your calendar early. Full payment is due 60 days prior to departure, which works out to the end of March. Make reservations with me but Brant and Jerry at Marriott's are attending to the payment details. They must pay 45 days in advance, so if you aren't fully paid before then, you won't go.

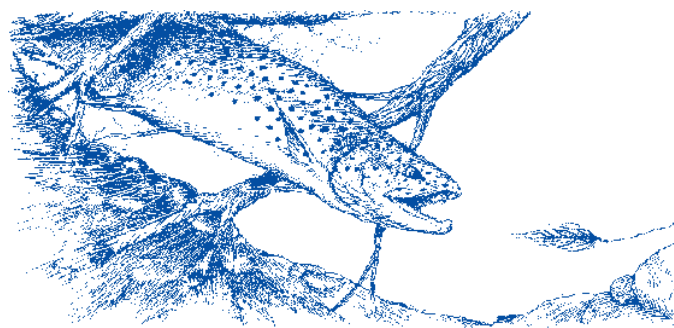
'Nuf said!

Hooked on LBCC

BOB GRAHAM, CO-2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

I had the privilege of attending the September fishing trip to Mammoth. It was an extraordinary experience. The precursor was the Pre-trip Meeting that was held the Wednesday night a week before the trip. Gary and I had asked Kim Dunbar to instruct us all on float tubing and the vagaries of Crowley Lake. Unfortunately, Kim took ill that day, so we had no program. Not to worry—after the business portion, we just sat and talked about fishing adventures past and planned.

Gary had arranged the condos based on a guess of the number attending. There were fifteen of us in two condos. But so many people planned to go up early that he had to reserve one condo for three nights instead of just Friday and Saturday. I was assigned the lumpy sofa on Thursday night and then moved to the other condo for a real bed. So I was able to observe all of the participants.

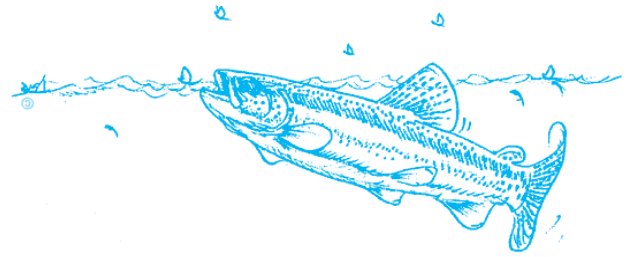


This was a gray haired trip. Most of these anglers were fishing together before Bill Mulholland got thirsty. There was an ease, a self-confidence within each of them and a spirit of camaraderie within the group that had to be experienced. I can't do justice in words. The banter was continuous; the tales were long and tall. No harsh words. The only raised voices were those needed to assure that everyone heard the punch line. It was fun being in a group of gentlemen especially since I was one of the younger ones and I don't get to say that very often.

The youngsters were to listen in awed silence.

You didn't dare claim to have fished somewhere you hadn't. No matter how remote. They had; and someone would invariably ask "Does Gus still have trouble walking upright after ten in the morning?" or "Does Millie still work at the cafe? How's her arm coming along?" See, they don't just fish, they learn the area, the people and their personalities. They have been there (wherever) often enough to understand the fabric not just where to catch the fish.

The club fishes the Mammoth area several times each year. There are many types of water and the group normally breaks up into smaller contingents to go fish favorite places. On this trip, LBCC hooks found fish in the San Joaquin, Hot Creek, Big Springs, Crowley, Bishop Creek, and the Upper Owens at the inlet. At the end of each day, the fishing reports were given, but limited to "a few", "some", "a bunch", or sometimes just a smile. It was the fishing, after all, that was important, not the catching. Information, tips and techniques



were freely shared. New ideas for future trips were explored. One could have a good time with this group without getting a line wet.

It was a great learning experience to see how gentlemen comport themselves and fly fish together. It harkens of the time of Theodore Gordon or George Skues in a leaky cabin by the Battenkill. To me, this was and is the essence of fly-fishing: companionship, jokes, the lightness of the weekend and a shared beverage after a long day trying to outwit wily prey. There was no business world for a short time; and politics did not intrude. These were just old friends—and the new friends—hooking a few fish and spending quality time together. Let's do it again sometime.

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October 5 - 10, 2005

We will be going to Costa Rica on Oct. 5 returning on the 10th of Oct. 2005. Upon arrival, you will be met by a host to transport us to and from the airport. We will be staying at the Casa Mar Lodge on the Bara del Colorado. We will have a one night stay at the Herradura hotel about 10 minutes from the San Jose airport. Our San Jose host will pick us early the next morning for a flight to Bara del Colorado, then we will leave the airport via pangas for a short 10 min. run to the Casa Mar Lodge. Once there, we will have breakfast, get our cabin assignments, meet our guides and head out for an introduction to Tarpon. All meals, beverage and laundry are included in the package once you reach the lodge. The lodge has rods and reels available for anyone that does not have the necessary tackle. Flies and leaders are also available at the lodge. The cost of the trip is **\$1475.00** per person.



About the fishing, like all fishing, nothing is guaranteed, but this area is the tarpon capital of the world and you will have the opportunity. Once you have hooked a tarpon, you will never forget it. It is a experience of a life time. Please visit my web site for the 2004 fish report.

Not included in the package is the airfare to and from San Jose Costa Rica, tips to the guides and to the lodging staff.

Reserve Early! SPACE IS LIMITED!



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Fly of the Month: Extended Body Parachute

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, EDITOR

I have been fascinated with tying realistic imitations of insects for quite a long time. We all know that a very simple, impressionistic pattern like the RS-2 works remarkably well but there is this nagging sense that a fly that looks as though it will actually fly or swim away will work even better.

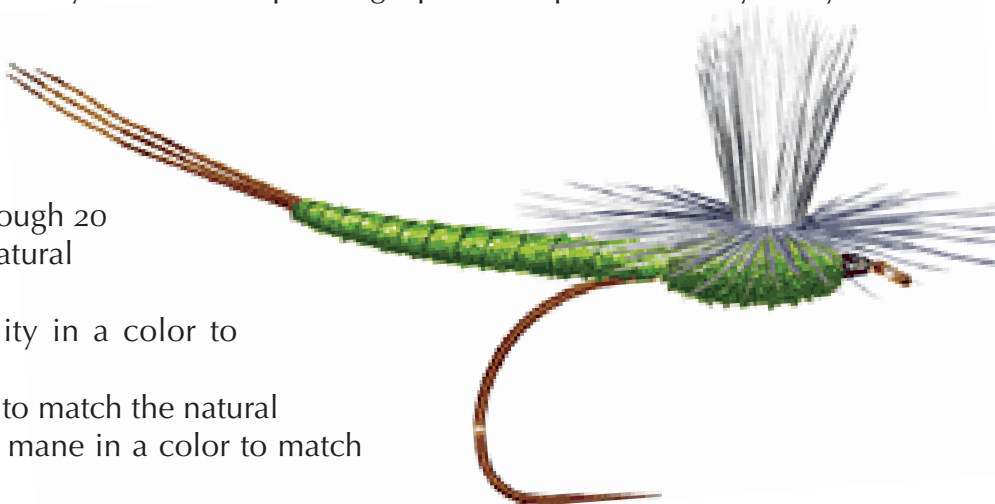
My earliest attempts to tie realistic mayflies were the result of reading and trying to copy some of the patterns in J. Edson Leonard's book *FLIES*. From that point on I was hooked. I have enjoyed watching and learning from the likes of Poul Jorgenson and Bill Blackstone. Sadly, Poul has just recently passed away but both of their work is truly remarkable.

Not satisfied with tying patterns just for my fishing I found my own niche and added to the more absurd side of realistic tying. Difficult and time consuming, but nonetheless absurd, these flies were tied mimicking realistic flies but using materials and techniques à la Atlantic salmon flies. Flies with extended bodies covered with fur, floss, ostrich herl butts, multiple tinsels ending in a golden pheasant crest tail. Realistically shaped wings of married exotic feathers including golden pheasant, bustard and peacock. Wings veiled with wood duck, kingfisher and jungle cock. Many of these damselfly, mayfly, crane fly and stonefly imitations required 12 to 15 hours to tie. They all went into frames and were donated for auctions.

Back in real world, tying flies with extended bodies has always been a challenge. They were time consuming and they usually don't last more than one fish—that was until I learned this particular method from Poul Jorgenson. Poul developed this method while working with his own realistic mayfly dun imitations and I have found it to be very easy to tie and very durable for fishing. They are ideally suited for larger mayflies like Green and Gray Drakes but size #16, #18 and #20 extended body Pale Morning Duns work great on difficult western waters. The beauty of this technique is that you can tie the pattern in an array of colors depending upon the species of mayflies you are trying to imitate.

Materials for the Extended Body Parachute:

- Hook: 2X short dry fly in sizes 8 through 20
- Thread: 8/0 in a color to match the natural
- Wing: Goat body hair
- Hackle: Parachute style dry fly quality in a color to match the natural
- Body: Synthetic dubbing in a color to match the natural
- Tail: Micro Fi-Betts, hackle or elk mane in a color to match the natural
- Glue: Zap-A-Gap and Dave's Flexament or Sportsman's Goop thinned with MEK



Instructions for tying the Extended Body Parachute:

- 1 Place the hook in the vise in the conventional manner and attach the thread to the hook at end of the shank and wind forward to the headspace. Tie in the goat body hair wing and post it. The height of the wing should be about the length of the shank. Tie in the hackle with the dull/concave side facing forward. Make sure there is a short length of bare stem exposed before the hackle barbs to help with winding as a parachute later. Wind the thread back not quite to the end of the shank.
- 2 Set the vise aside and pick up your dubbing needle. Using the dubbing needle as a mandrel, dub the body material onto the dubbing needle. Apply just enough dubbing to surround the needle each time. Build up to the body thickness that you want slowly, a layer at a time, until you get used to the process. On about every second or third layer apply a small amount of Dave's Flexament to your finger and massage it into the body. Clean off you're fingers after every application.
- 3 Once you achieve the desired length and thickness of the body apply one final coating of glue. If you want to add any color to the body with marking pens be sure to do so before you remove the dubbing needle. This will prevent the color from going all the way through when you only want to put color onto the top or the bottom. Remove the body from the dubbing needle and carefully cut the narrow end leaving the opening left by the dubbing needle intact, as you will need this later for the tails.
- 4 Attach the body to the hook with thread. The body should be 1½ to 2 times the length of the shank. Apply some dubbing to your thread and dub up to and in front of the wing. Wind the hackle with 3 to 5 turns depending on the size of the fly and tie it off. Add any extra dubbing you may need up to the headspace.



Form a small, neat head and whip finish.

- 5 Insert 2 or 3 tail fibers into the hole at end of the body. When you get them to a length of about same as that of the body than fix their location with a small drop of Zap-A-Gap. You're Extended Body Parachute is now ready for the stream.

Meeting on Saving Piru

CONNIE BULLOCK, PAST PRESIDENT

The meeting for Saving Piru Creek is set for 7:00 PM on Monday, November 14, 2005 at:

Activities Center
20880 Centre Pointe Parkway
Santa Clarita, California

Jim Edmonson from Cal Trout will preside and update us on the effort to save Piru Creek (40 miles north of LA), one of the best year-round trout fishing holes in Southern California. We will discuss plans to continue the fight to save Piru Creek.

Judy McClean of the Santa Clarita Casting Club, 661-242-2349 (h) or 818-489-2637 (c), is spearheading the organization of the meeting which is co-sponsored by Friends of the River. If you have any questions or need directions, please give Judy or me, 661-513-1595 (h) 818-203-8922 (c) a call.

Hope to see you there as we need as much support as possible to help this cause.

Calendar of Events

November

1	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Tsunawaki, "Techniques and Demonstrations"
2	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre Trip: Kern River
3	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
7	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
8	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Yao, "Ant"
10	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
11-13	Weekend		Kern River Trip
12	Saturday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
		9:00 AM	Casting Games
15	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Katz, "Soft Hackle"
17	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Maggie Merriman, "The Right Fly"
21	Monday	7:00 PM	ACA National Tournament Committee Meeting
22	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: K. Van Derhoof, "Boss"
26	Saturday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
		9:00 AM	Casting Games
29	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Rivett, "Scud"

December

1	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
3	Saturday	6:30 PM	Venison Stag
5	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
6	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Burgner, "Gold-Ribbed Hare's Ear"
7	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre Trip: Piru-Mania XI
8	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
10	Saturday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
		9:00 AM	Casting Games
11	Sunday	8:00 AM	Pool Cleaning
13	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Tanyi, "Pheasant Tail Nymph"
15	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
17	Weekend	8:00 AM	Club Trip: Piru-Mania XI
19	Monday	7:00 PM	ACA 2006 Committee Meeting
20	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Libeu, "Clouser Minnow"
22	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
27	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Uyematsu, "Crazy Charlie"
29	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying

January

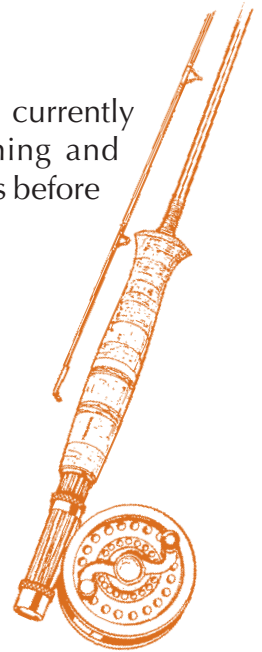
2	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
3	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Albach, "Wooly Bugger"
4	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre-Trip Meeting: Lower Owens #1
5	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
10	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Murphy/McKim, "Muddler Minnow"
13	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
13-15	Weekend		Club Trip: Lower Owens #1
14	Saturday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
		9:00 AM	Casting Games
16	Monday	7:00 PM	ACA National Tournament Committee Meeting
17	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Murphy, "Elk Hair Caddis"
19	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night: Casting & Tying
24	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Sadler, "Royal Wulff"
26	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Taylor Streit, "New Mexico Fly Fishing"
28	Saturday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
		9:00 AM	Casting Games
31	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Class: Walker, "Adams"

LBCC Programs for 2005 & 2006

CAROLE KATZ, 1st VICE PRESIDENT

Here is a list of the Long Beach Casting Club's Monthly Programs as they are currently scheduled. We have a great cast of presenters who will offer entertaining and informative programs. Several will be demonstrating their tying or casting techniques before the meeting, so plan to arrive early and **REMEMBER, MEETINGS WILL AT 7:00 PM.**

DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC
October 27, 2005	Ken Hanley	THE SURF ZONE
November 17, 2005	Maggie Merriman	SELECTING THE RIGHT FLY
December 3, 2005	none	VENISON STAG
January 26, 2006	Taylor Streit	NORTHERN NEW MEXICO FISHING
February 23, 2006	none	WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION
March 31 (Friday)	A.K. Best	PAYING ATTENTION
April 1 (Saturday)	A.K. Best	TYING WORKSHOP
April 6, 2006	none	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
April 28 (Friday)	Bob Jacklin	YELLOWSTONE SAMPLER



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VENISON STAG RESERVATION

Saturday, December 3, 2004 ❖ Social Hour: 6:00 PM ❖ Dinner: 7:00 PM

Reservations are due by November 19, 2005

Name: _____

I will attend the Venison Stag on Saturday, December 4, 2004

I will bring _____ adults. Total number _____ @ 15.00 = _____ Total Enclosed:

I will bring _____ children. Total Number _____ @ 6.00 = _____

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