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Leader's Line ...

On the Road Again...and Other Quotes

BILL BOEHLERT, PRESIDENT

There was nowhere to go but everywhere . . ." (Jack Kerouac). What is it about a road trip that so captures our imagination? There is undoubtedly something special about setting out on a fishing road trip, not necessarily with a definite agenda, but only a vague outline whose specifics will be determined by feelings, fish, and fancy.

A friend and I just took a ten day jaunt through California. We had a hazy plan—fish our way up the east side of the Sierras, continue up the Cascades as far as Eagle Lake, head west for the McCloud and Sacramento Rivers, then head straight south back home, powering through the dusty, fishless plains of the San Joaquin Valley. We had hoped to rely on accurate fishing reports to nail down the particulars of the trip.

"The two best times to fish is when it's rainin' and when it ain't." (Patrick F. McManus) We first stopped in Mammoth. The weather was glorious, but the heavy rains and snow of the previous winter were still having ornery effects on the fishing. Streams flows were still high and erratic. High lakes were still cold.

"Soon after I embraced the sport of angling I became convinced that I should never be able to enjoy it if I had to rely on the cooperation of the fish." (Sparse Grey Hackle) The forecasts from the fly fishing shops were certainly more optimistic than our results, or perhaps the fishermen writing the reports had much more

skill. Some favorite spots, like the East Walker or Hot Creek, were uncharacteristically slow. Other places, like Lake Mamie or the Virginia Lakes, produced good numbers of fish, but the lunkers of our dreams eluded us. Nevertheless, camping and fishing in the Sierras is rarely a letdown.

"The finest gift you can give to any fisherman is to put a good fish back, and who knows if the fish that you caught isn't someone else's gift to you." (Lee Wulff) In spite of the incredible aroma and taste of trout cooked while camping, we never did keep a fish. We preferred to see them dart away after the (hopefully) brief annoyance of the hook and the fight. Clearly, not everyone follows this policy—we saw numerous dead trout "released" by bait fishermen.

We continued north to the Eagle Lake region. We didn't fish that famous water due to negative reports from several sources. Instead we attempted small lakes in the Caribou Wilderness area, but our luck

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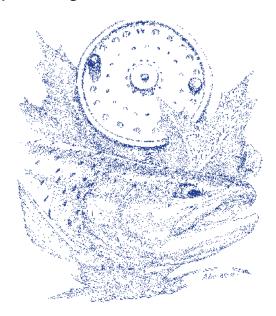
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was most conspicuous by its absence. We had more success in Hat Creek and Baum Lake, but declined to fish the Pit out of concern for our aging, brittle bones. If you haven't yet fished the Pit, you owe yourself a trip to help you better appreciate the wade-ability of other streams.

"There he stands, draped in more equipment that a telephone lineman, trying to outwit an organism with a brain no bigger than a breadcrumb, and getting licked in the process." (Paul O'Neill) Onward to the Upper Sacramento, since the Lower Sac was roaring along at over 11,000 cfs. The reports from The Fly Shop were glowing, but once again our skills did not yield the predicted result. It is such a beautiful canyon, though, disappointment never set in deeply.

We decided to head home, leaving the magnificent McCloud for another trip. "There will be days when the fishing is better than one's most optimistic forecast, others when it is far worse. Either is a gain over just staying home." (Roderick Haig Brown) We had finished a beautiful trip, not landing trout as numerous or as mighty as our hopes had envisioned, but fishing many scenic places new to both of us. "More than half the intense enjoyment of fly-fishing is derived from the beautiful surroundings, the satisfaction felt from being in the open air, the new lease on life secured thereby, and the many, many pleasant recollections of all one has seen, heard, and done." (Charles F. Orvis)

What are you waiting for? Get out and fish.



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Southern California Bass'n

JIM THOMASON, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Southern California is not known for trophy trout fishing but it is known for trophy bass fishing. Several of the top 10 bass world records are from Southern California lakes. While most fly fishers fish for trout and a smaller number also enjoy saltwater fishing, relatively few fish for bass. That's unfortunate as there is a reason it is America's #1 sport fish (and it's not the chance to wear decal clad jumpsuits). There is nothing more exciting in fishing than the explosive surface strike of a largemouth bass. And their fight will put a serious bend in your biggest rod.

Our speaker this month is Richard Bean, author of "FLY FISHING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LAKES & STREAMS" and "FLY-FISHING FOR BASS IN THE WEST". Richard is also the Warmwater Columnist for CALIFORNIA FLY FISHER Magazine. He'll be sharing with us the top bass fly-fishing lakes of Southern California. You'll learn where to go, the best times of the year to be there, and what to do once you get there. For those of you that don't have a floatation device, he'll also highlight the lakes with the best shore fishing. As Richard does a fair amount of trout fishing as well, I've asked him to fill us in on which of these waters are also good for trout.

In addition to discussing where to go, Richard will also share with us his methods for tying and fishing his version of the most successful lure ever devised, the soft plastic "worm" used by conventional bass fishers. It's a rabbit fur strip fly that works well in most waters. You'll definitely want to have some of these in your flybox for your next trip. He'll be tying these before the meeting as well so get there early to see how it's done.

Join us Thursday, October 27 at 7:00 PM at the Long Beach Casting Club to learn all about this wonderful fish found right here in our backyard.



Rock Creek Trip Report

EDDIE MADRID, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

The fishing was slow at best, but new fishing tasks were experienced. Gary Runnells Sr., Gary Jr., Evan Moran and Eddie went float tubing at Rock Creek Lake. This was the first time tubing for Gary Sr., Gary Jr. and Evan. Gary Sr. got the hang of it right away and spent about 3 hours on the water. Gary Jr. and Evan need to work a little more on navigating the tube and working their fly rods. We all worked on nymphing on the upper Owens River, with both Gary's and Evan landing a few. Eddie did not land any but did have several hits on a Muddler Minnow.

Saturday evening was highlighted with camp dining on chile made by Eddie and his son Brandon. Sheri Runnells provided a tasty olive salad and Evan provided fresh caught trout that was prepared on the camp grill. In addition several camping neighbors (about 10) were invited to joint us for dinner. Later in the evening Gary Jr. and his sister Sierra roasted marshmallows and made s'mores. The adults soon joined the young people in making their own treats, until all the marshmallows, graham crackers and chocolate were gone. Gary Sr., Gary Jr., Sheri, Sierra, Evan, Brandon and Eddie enjoyed the sunny weather, camping, fishing and making new friends.

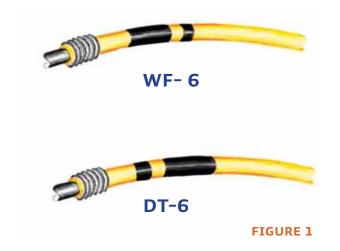
How to Mark & Keep Track of Your Fly Lines

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, EDITOR

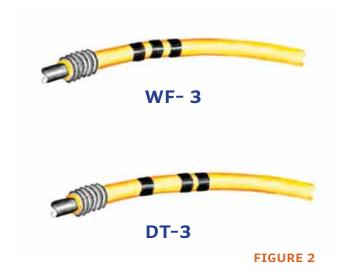
At the request of dozens of members (okay it was only one or two) I am re-introducing you to an excellent and simple method of marking your fly lines. All it takes is a permanent marking pen (I prefer a black "Sharpie" by Sanford) and a few minutes of your time.

Remember your Roman numerals? Well that's how it works. By using a series of long bars worth five and short bars worth one you can mimic the V and I of Roman numerals.

If you look at the example in Figure 1 you will see a long bar near the end of the line and a short bar. This example would be a 6 weight line and more specifically a weight forward 6. That is because I placed the long bar forward, towards the front of the fly line. In the bottom example the short bar is forward which is my way of denoting a double taper 6-weight line.



The top of Figure 2 shows a weight forward 3 line and the bottom shows a double taper 3-weight line. The more common line (at least these days), the weight forward is a simple 3 short bars. To be consistent with the 6-weight double taper example I have held



one of the 3 bars closer to the end of the line with the remaining 2 behind.

For a weight forward 10-weight line I would use 2 long bars. However, for a double taper 10-weight line I would use the same 2 long bars but I would add a dot on the line on the reel side of the bars. If you store your spare lines on the plastic spools that they came on from the manufacturer, then you may want to consider marking them on both ends. Believe me, it can be very difficult to seethe markings on the inside if you only mark the front of the line.

Two-handed lines can get the same treatment until you start using a number of the very popular Scandi and Skagit heads. Most of these are marked in various ways by the manufacturer (older Rios use a code similar to what I have shown here and Airflo uses color coding) and the very newest lines have the length and grain weight actually printed on the line. If you have a line that is unmarked you can weigh and measure the length and write it on one of those paper tags with cotton string attached you can get at your nearest office supply store.

There are any number of methods or variations to the one shown here that you can use. What ever method you use just be sure you keep it simple so that you can remember it come next season. This is my way and has served me well for over 30 years since I learned it from Lefty Kreh and Mark Sosin.

Tejon Ranch: Fire and Strikes

JIM THOMASON, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

The September Fleet trip to Tejon Ranch started off with a flash, followed shortly by some cracks, got smoking early, ending with several whirrs. We were delayed starting our day due to lightning early in the morning. Once we were on the water we noticed smoke on a nearby ridge and watched as the fire from the lightning engulfed the mountainside. We did not let this deter us from our mission. The fishing was pretty good with everyone hooking up both on the surface and down deep.

By lunchtime they had brought in a small helicopter to help fight the fire. After it emptied a nearby pond it started hovering over our lake to refill. We gave it plenty of room but did not let it slow us down. Soon afterwards it was joined by two larger ones. This made crossing the lake impossible as they came back every few minutes for a drink.

Although they sent out lots of waves and wind, we



kept working the shore and submerged trees as it did not seem to bother the bite. Maybe it was the big black storm clouds coming over the other hill that sent out the "eat while you can" signal.

When they finally left for the day due to the pending

darkness, the fire had already reignited itself and looked like it would be burning the next day which meant more water drops. With the fire headed towards our intended campsite and more bad weather on the way, we decided to call it a day and cancel our next days fishing.

The lake was much higher this year than it has been for several years with most of the trees still in the water providing cover for the bass. This provided for very good surface fishing and plenty of structure to fish. The bass were right where the books say they were supposed to be. It was disappointing that we didn't get to fish the evening bite but that left us hungry for our return trip next month.

Ode to an Indicator

JACK L. TURNER, PAST PRESIDENT

We have lots of tools in our game, Probably more than I can name. Rods and reels and fly line and hackle, Are all parts of fly fishing tackle.

One component that most of us use, Can foster agreement or light a fuse. Some say it should be outlawed, While others merely grin and guffaw.

The fish getting aid to which I refer,

Helps all fly fishers, both him and her.

It's a simple device, as big as your thumb,

It can lift a guide to a whiz from a bum.

Made from yarn, foam, and, balsa too,
It's an old fly fisher's dream come true.
It gives a shot at more fish to clobber,
It's called an indicator, but, man,
It's really a bobber!

Formula for Determining the Weight of Fish

MARTY SELDON, FROM THE FFF CLUBWIRE

The use of formulas to make estimates is common in medical practice and many other fields. They generally use scattered data points and yield approximate results. In determining the weight of fish, the value of the constant (K) is adjusted dependent on the species of fish and how fat or skinny it is. The formula for fish weight is: The (Girth) squared in inches, times the (Length) in inches, divided by a (Constant = K) is equal to (=) the weight of the fish in either pounds or grams (or G2 x L / K = Weight).

Using Inches and Pounds:

For slender fish similar to trout: K = 900 For fat bodied fish such as a permit or a fat black bass; K = 800

Fat Black Bass Example:

Girth = 18 in. & the Length = 17 in. 18 x 18 = 324 324 x 17 = 5,508 5,508/800 = 6.9 pounds, the weight of the fish

Trout Example:

Girth = 13 in. & Length = 16 inches 13 x 13 = 169 169 x 16 = 2704 2704/900 = 3 pounds, the weight of the fish

Using Centimeters and Grams:

Girth and the Length are in centimeters (1 in = 2.54 cm) and the weight is in grams (1 pound = 453.6 grams). The formula is the same except:

For a slender fish similar to a trout, K = 31.1 For a fat fish such as a largemouth bass or a permit, K = 27.8

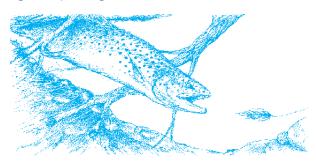
Fat Black Bass Example:

Girth = 45 cm, Length = 43 cm 45 X 45 = 2025 2025 x 43 = 87,075 87,075/27.8 = 3132 gms = 3.13 kg = 6.9 pounds

Trout Example:

Girth = 32 cm, Length = 41.5 cm: 32 X 32 = 1024 1024 X 41.5 = 42,496 42,496/31.1 = 1366 gms = 1.37 kg = 3 pounds.

Well known angler, author, and FFF Silver King Award winner Dan Blanton advises that the Constant K = 800/27.8 should be used for bonefish, tarpon, redfish, striped bass, and similar species. Barracuda, pike, and trout that are not excessively fat or girthy are more accurately described, as are Pacific bonefish that have less girth by using K = 900/31.1.



Las Vegas Water Grab!

LARRY WOOD, ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Trgent!!! We in Nevada are asking your help in signing a petition against a terrible environmental project proposed by the State of Nevada and the Bureau of Land Management. The site can be reached at www. ipetitions.com/petition/nowatergrab/ which will tell you about the project and enable you to sign the petition.

Please pass this on to your fellow fly fishers and environmentalists and thank you for helping to stop this terrible project.

Larry Wood — member of Las Vegas Fly Fishing Club, Southern Nevada Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Federation of Flyfishers, and an Associate Member of the Long Beach Casting Club.

Beginning Fly Tying Class 2011-2012

DOUG SMITH, CHAIRPERSON

Inow know why the fly tying program works so well at Long Beach Casting Club. It's because of the dedicated fly tying instructors that this club is blessed to have as members. These instructors are like the "Mike Diamond Plumber." They show up on time, smell good and teach fly thing for \$99.00 FREE!

Last year, when I told my friend, Ron Finney, that I was going to accept the lead as chairperson for LBCC beginning fly tying program, he said, "Everything will fall to you to get done." His statement made me think about what would happen if the instructors didn't show up.

With that thought in mind, I would tie each week's fly to get ready for each Tuesday night's class. I wasn't very good. I realized that, if I had to teach these flies, the class would suffer greatly! The worry was really for nothing. All 15 instructors showed up well-prepared and each one brought something special to his or her class. I enjoy listening to Michael Josephson's comments on "Character Counts." When I hear his commentary, I think of the instructors and everyone else who helps out with the fly tying program. Here is a list of some of my favorite people at LBCC:

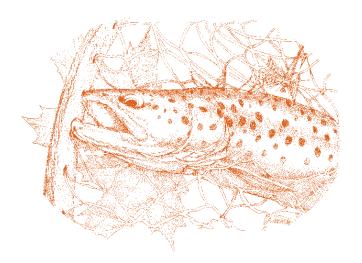
Wanda McCarger Larry Albach Paul Burgner Dan Rivett Al Ross Dale Day Mary Dworzak Jeff "Royal Wulff" Sadler Ron Finney George Siewerd **Gary Spencer** Rich Garrett Rick Hillis **Bettye Swart** Stan Holden Doug Uyematsu Carole Katz **Howard Uller John Van Derhoof** Kathy Kim Joe Libeu **Jun Watanabe** Carol Murphy Mick Woodbury

And a very special THANK YOU to Mark Tsunawaki, one of our club's greatest volunteers ever. Mark

taught me and hundreds of others how to tie flies and everyone of us will always be grateful for his dedication and service.

Beginning Fly Tying classes start October 25 at 7:00 PM. If you have never dressed a hook before, boy oh boy, do we have a deal for you!

See ya at the clubhouse.



Welcome Our New Members

NANI BLYLEVEN, MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

The Board of Directors unanimously accepted the following applications for membership at the September meeting:

- David Warner Sr. , Fullerton
- Wyatt Vele, Torrance
- Evan Morgan, Yorba Linda
- John Woodling, Whittier
- Susan Coyle, Glendora
- Jeff Haas, Huntington Beach

Please welcome all our new members at LBCC functions.

"Cast the Beach" at the ACA National Tournament

MARK TSUNAWAKI, COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR

hearty "Well Done" to all the volunteers, committee members, ACA members, and casters that made the 103rd ACA National Tournament another great success at the Long Beach Casting Club. Many of you put in many hours of hard dedicated work and I want to thank all of you for your efforts to make Bob Middo's and my job easier.

What made this national tournament more special than any of the other nationals in the past was that this was the first 4-day tournament. That meant running all the distance games in 2 days and all the accuracy games in 2 days. Also included in this 4-day mini marathon were the Opening Ceremonies with John and Thea Lincoln cooking what John calls "Poo-Poos" or appetizers as well as coordinating delivery and serving of lunches, having an ACA Annual Business Meeting, and finally, the Awards Banquet all within the 4 days. And we did it!

So when all the dust had settled a great sigh of relief, the Long Beach Casting Club had hosted the "Best Ever" ACA National Tournament!

I personally want to offer my sincere gratitude and thanks to the following LBCC Volunteers: Paul Auriemma, Nani Blyleven, Bill Boehlert, Bill Boyce, Tim Constantine, Marv Dworzak, Mark Flo, Ed Foster, Steve Gonzalez, Jeff Gross, Craig Haines, Kaz Hata, Patrick Heilman, Steve Hollowell, Don Huseman, Dan Jamieson, John Jones, Terry Komisak, Gary Kosaka, Frank Kropacek, Ariel Levin, Joe Libeu, John Lincoln, Thea Lincoln, Mark Lipe, Eddie Madrid, Walter Matera, Gary McDonough, Ephraim Mendoza, Bob Middo, Feliz & Jerry Ramirez, Dan Rivett, Al & Judy Ross, Jeff Sadler, Ron Sakoda, Tom Tatham, Jack Turner, Donna Walkuski, Mick Woodbury and my sincere apologies to all that helped and were not listed on the "Volunteer Spreadsheet".

Congratulations to the Long Beach Casting Club individuals that participated in the tournament: Larry Allen, Mark Flo, Rick Hilles, Frank Kropacek, Mark Lipe, Randy Mandt, Bob Middo, John Napoli, Matt Rickerd, Marion Tallon, Mark Tsunawaki, and Jack Turner.

ACA AWARDS TO LBCC CASTERS UP TO 6TH PLACE

5/8 OZ. REVOLVING SPOOL DISTANCE:

Bob Middo 3^{rd} place, Larry Allen 4^{th} place, Randy Mandt 6^{th} place

5/8 OZ. SPINNING DISTANCE:

Bob Middo 3rd place, Larry Allen 4th place, Randy Mandt 5th place

SINGLE-HANDED FLY DISTANCE:

Larry Allen 3rd place, Randy Mandt 4th place

Two-Handed Fly Distance:

Randy Mandt 3^{rd} place, Larry Allen 4^{th} place, Bob Middo 5^{th} place

1/4 OZ. SPINNING DISTANCE:

Larry Allen 4th place, Bob Middo 5th place, Randy Mandt 6th place

ANGLER'S FLY DISTANCE:

Larry Allen 3rd place, Bob Middo 4th place

DRY FLY ACCURACY:

John Napoli 2nd place, Larry Allen 6th place, Rick Hilles 6th place (Sr. M)

BASS BUG ACCURACY:

Mark Tsunawaki 4th place, Larry Allen 5th place, Randy Mandt 5th place, Rick Hilles 5th place (Sr. M)

1/4 OZ. PLUG ACCURACY:

Larry Allen 4th place

3/8 OZ. PLUG ACCURACY:

Mark Tsunawaki 3rd place, Larry Allen 6th place

TROUT FLY ACCURACY:

Matt Rickerd 2^{nd} place, Larry Allen 5^{th} place, Rick Hilles 5^{th} place (Sr. M)

5/8 OZ. PLUG ACCURACY:

Bob Middo 6th place, Mark Tsunawaki 6th place

WET FLY ACCURACY:

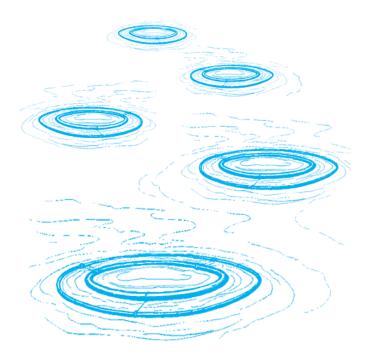
Larry Allen 5th place

BASKET BUTTON FOR OVERALL ACCURACY:

Mark Tsunawaki

ALL AMERICAN TEAM:

Larry Allen, Bob Middo



Notes from the Pond

JEFF GROSS, CAPTAIN

Tello again campers. As the seasons 1change, our club's casting games change their day and time also. We now meet every other Sunday. Breakfast starts at 8:00 AM; casting at 9:00 AM. Bring your appetite and your fish stories.

Therewillbeclubrodsriggedfortheappropriate games for you to use if you do not have your own. Casting members will be more than happy to explain to you how each game works. Feel free to call me or consult the Roster where there is complete schedule to get in sync with our Sunday schedule.

See you at the pond.

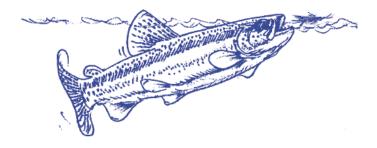
Member Lending Library

JIM THOMASON, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

re you running out of room on your bookshelf for new fly-fishing books? Are you going to a new destination and need some information but don't want to buy a book for a one time trip? Do you like to preview a book before buying it? Is your fly-fishing book budget beginning to rival the national debt? If you've answered yes to any or all of these questions you may be interested in our new Member Lending Library program being offered by the club.

In addition to the many books currently available from the club library, I suspect between our club members we may have just about every fly-fishing book ever published (and many DVD's as well). The concept is easy. Fill out a simple inventory of books, tapes, and DVD's that you currently own that you are willing to make available to other club members. I'll compile them all into a single list which will be distributed to those in the program and updated as new items are acquired. If you see something you're interested in, contact that member and make arrangements to borrow the item (after discussing the length of the loan and amount of payment if lost or damaged). When you're finished viewing it or your time is up, simply return it to them.

If this is something you're interested in, please email me at jathomason@mail.com and I'll send you the form to get started. Participation is limited to current club members and you'll be asked to abide by a few basic rules. This is a great way to expand your learning horizons little or no cost.



An Evening with Joan Wulff

Presented by Southwest Council Federation of Fly Fishers

Saturday October 15, 2011 6:00 PM \$75 per plate The Olympic Connection 11301 W. Olympic Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90064

Joan Wulff is widely acknowledged as just about the world's most famous fly fisher. From 1937 as an 11-year-oldcaster in Patterson, New Jersey to 1960, she won numerous International and National tournament casting titles. In 1951, she captured the Fisherman's Distance event while vying against an allmale lineup. Joan cast a fly 161-feet in one competition.

Through promotion of catch and release, she has helped sport fishing be accepted as environmentally-sustainable.

Both Joan and her late, legendary husband, Lee Wulff, have had a positive impact on flyfishing. She has written numerous books and columns and been featured in highly successful fly casting videos and DVDs

This event, beginning with a cocktail reception at 6 p.m. where Joan and her husband Teg Rogowski (a retired environmental-specialist attorney) will meet and greet guests, will include a sumptuous sit-down dinner with wine, brief



Joan Wulff

remarks by a few people who know Joan well and then Joan will speak about her life. After her talk, she will do something she has never done before and that is answer any and all questions from the audience, no matter how long this might take.

The evening will be a once-in a lifetime event and even though Joan is 84, she is sharp as ever. This will probably be the last chance to spend such a lovely evening with such a magnificent lady. You wouldn't want to regret later

on not attending this event. The gathering will be held at The Olympic Collection, 11301 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles.

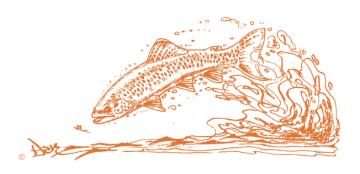
Also, payment is made to the Southwest Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers, so money raised from the dinner will be used to fund *Trout in the Classroom*, casting and fly tying programs and ongoing support for local council activities.

Tickets may be purchased by calling 818-757-3474 or on the website, www.Southwestcouncilfff.org.

Club Trips For 2011

EDDIE MADRID, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

he September outing will be a weekend trip to Kern River and upper streams hosted by Eddie Madrid. I fished the Kern River many times over the last 20 years and have always enjoyed it. On this trip I would like to try the upper connecting stream, which I understand is the home of the famous golden trout. Look forward to having a pizza and salad dinner at the Pizza Barn in Kernville on Saturday night.



2011 TRIPS

TRIP DATE	TRIP & LEADER
September 24-25	Kern River with Eddie Madrid (Pre-
	trip: Sept. 14)
October 1	Yards & Inches with Mick Woodbury
	(Pre-trip: Sept. 21)
November 5-6	Deep Creek with Paul Burgner
	(Pre-trip: Oct. 26)
December 10	Irvine Lake with Eddie Madrid
	(Pre-trip: Nov. 30)

If you would like to host any other future outing, please contact Eddie at 562-537-9618 or netboy3@ verizon.net

Trip locations and dates are subject to change. Please monitor Target Talk for the latest information. Pre-Trip Meetings held at the clubhouse at 7:00 PM.

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The Ultimate: Chilean Patagonia - January 14-21, 2012

Estancia del Zorro is situated near the border of Argentina in Central Patagonia. Private spring creek runs through this 15,000 acre Estancia with huge brown trout up to 32". Cinco Rios is near the town of Coyhaique with access to five major rivers and their tributaries. New this year, we are offering you a unique opportunity to experience Patagonia's diverse fisheries and landscapes from the Rainforest to the Pampas by combining both lodges!

You will enjoy the luxurious and modern Cinco Rios lodge and three days of fishing spectacular Patagonian rivers on a float. And then you will switch over to the wild and breathtaking Estancia del Zorro, for three days of wade



fishing the private waters. After each day of fishing, you will be treated to gourmet Chilean cuisine (& wine) and warm Chilean hospitality before you retire to the spacious and comfortable rooms.

\$3900 per person/double occupancy

Includes 7 nights lodging, 6 days of guided fishing, all meals and drinks, ground transportation. Space is limited to 14 anglers so reserve your space now.

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Fly of the Month: Extended Body Mayfly

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, EDITOR

Thave been fascinated with tying realistic imitations of insects for a long, long time. We all know that a very simple, impressionistic pattern like the RS-2 or Hank 'O Hair works remarkably well, but there is this nagging sense that a fly that tied to exactly match the real thing and looks as though it will fly or swim away will work even better. Whether it is true or not is uncertain (personally, I don't think so) but trying different methods of fishing and tying is what keeps me going. Here's your chance to try something new.

My earliest attempts to tie realistic mayflies (back in the 60s and 70s) were the result of reading and trying to copy some of the patterns found in J. Edson Leonard's book <u>FLIES</u>. From that point on I was hooked and have enjoyed watching and learning from friends like Poul Jorgenson and Bill Blackstone. I even added to the more absurd side of realistic tying by introducing my imitations of insects with extended bodies, married wings and exotic materials á la Atlantic salmon flies.

For me tying flies with extended bodies had always been a challenge until I learned this particular method from Poul Jorgenson. Poul came up with this method while working with his realistic mayfly dun imitations and I have found it to be very easy to tie and very durable for fishing. You can tie the pattern in an array of colors depending upon the species of mayflies you are trying to imitate. You can also continue this technique to other insect species; most notably damselflies

Materials for the Extended Body Mayfly:

Hook: 2X short dry fly in sizes 8 through 20 Thread: 6/0 or 8/0 in a color to match the natural

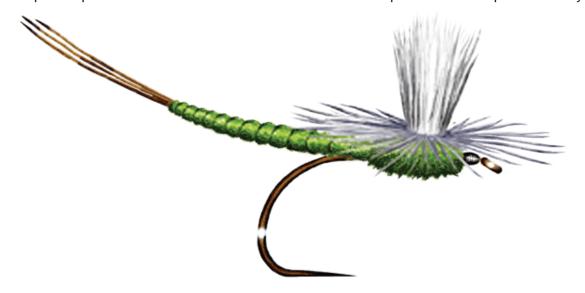
Wing: Goat body hair

Hackle: Parachute style dry fly quality in a color to match the natural

Body: Synthetic dubbing in a color to match the natural

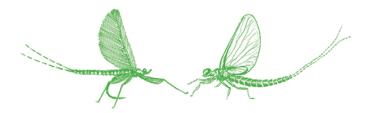
Tail: Micro Fi-Betts or elk mane in a color to match the natural

Glues: Zap-A-Gap for the tail and Dave's Flexament or thinned Sportsman's Goop for the body



Instructions for tying the Extended Body Mayfly:

- 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 glue to your finger and massage it into the body. Clean off you're fingers after every application.
- 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 of 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 Mayfly is now ready for the stream.

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Calendar of Events

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October				
0000001	1	Saturday	6:00 AM	Yards & Inches Tourney, Huntington Harbour
	3	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
	4	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Class: 3 rd Meeting
	6	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night/Spey Night at the Pond
	8	Saturday	7:00 AM	Flotilla Trip to Fort Tejon
	9	Sunday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
	5	- Carrady	9:00 AM	Club Cast
	11	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Class: 4 th Meeting
	12	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
	13	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night/Spey Night at the Pond
	18	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Class: Make-up Meeting
	20	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night/Spey Night at the Pond
	23	Sunday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
	3	,	9:00 AM	Club Cast
	25	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: Orientation
	26	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre-Trip Meeting: Deep Creek
	27	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Southern California Bass'n
	29	Saturday	8:00 AM	Pond Cleaning Pond Cleaning
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	1	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 1st Night
	3	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night/Spey Night at the Pond
	5-6	Weekend	0 414	Club Trip: Deep Creek with Paul Burgner
	6	Sunday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
	_	Manday	9:00 AM	Club Cast
	7	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
	8	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 2 nd Night
	9	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
	10	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night/Spey Night at the Pond
	15	Tuesday Thursday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 3 rd Night Monthly Meeting: to be announced
	17	Saturday	7:00 PM	Club rented by FFF SWC
	19 20	Sunday	9:00 AM 8:00 AM	Breakfast
	20	Junuay	9:00 AM	Captain's Handicap
	22	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 4 th Night
	25	Thursday	7.00 PW	Happy Thanksgiving
	25 29	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 5 th Night
	30	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre-Trip Meeting: Irvine lake
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	1	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity/Spey Night at the Pond
	3	Saturday	6:00 PM	Venison Stag
	4	Sunday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
			9:00 AM	Club Cast
	5 6	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
	6	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 6 th Night
			7:00 PM	Rod Building Class: Orientation
	8	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity/Spey Night at the Pond
	10	Saturday	7:30 AM	Club Trip: Irvine Lake
	13	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 7 th Night
	14	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
	15	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night/Spey Night at the Pond
	18	Sunday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
		- .	9:00 AM	Club Cast
	20	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 8th Night
	22	Thursday	7:00 PM	Activity Night/Spey Night at the Pond
	25	Sunday		Merry Christmas
	27	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying: 9 th Night
	20	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: to be announced

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Thursday

7:00 PM

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Venison Stag Holiday Dinner

JIM THOMASON, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Just like the holidays which seem so far off but will be here before you know it, it's time now to reserve a spot on your busy social calendar for the LBCC annual Venison Stag. This is the club's biggest social event of the year. The date for this year's extravaganza is Saturday, December 3. Social hour will begin at 6:00 PM, with refreshments provided. Please note that since our clubhouse is on city property, no alcohol is permitted. The dinner will begin at 7:00 PM.

For new members, a little history is in order. The first Venison Stag was in 1941, and has been an annual event ever since. Originally members (who were often hunters as well as fishermen) would clean out their freezers and bring their game to share for the dinner. Sixty years ago, the menu included two deer, two antelope, a bear, half an elk, and half a moose—all barbecued on a spit. Since the membership was exclusively male, it was called a Stag. Those traditions are long gone, and now we dine on delicious prime rib with all the fixings.

An accurate head count is necessary to plan and

prepare the dinner. There is a reservation form below. The cost this year is \$20 per person (\$6.00 for children) if made by reservation or \$30 at the door. Of course, all members, family, and guests are welcome. Please send in your reservation as soon as possible.

For an event of this magnitude, we depend on the membership for help. Please volunteer to serve on one of the committees. We need people to clean the clubhouse, set up decorations, assist the chefs, and to do the final cleanup. You can contact me or sign up on the lists on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. If you

are able to help, please e-mail me at jathomason@mail. com or call me at 626-357-6050.

For our newer members, it is a great opportunity to get to know the membership and traditions of our great club. Be sure to mark the date on your calendar. Once again, it's Saturday, December 3.



VENISON STAG RESERVATION (**) Saturday, December 3, 2011 Social Hour: 6:00 PM Dinner: 7:00 PM Reservations are due by November 18, 2011					
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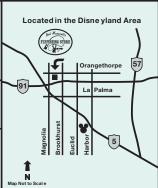
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