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Target Talk

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Leader's Line ...

Let's Try the Danish (Games, that is)

BILL BOEHLERT, PRESIDENT

On Sunday, March 18th, we will be celebrating the last Sunday breakfast and cast of the season. The last Sunday cast is traditionally the Directors' Handicap, and in addition to serving you a five-star breakfast, the board has decided to present a different type of game to test your abilities.

The Danish games were named in honor of fly fishing legend Poul Jorgenson, and were developed by Poul and Floyd Franke. I had a chance to play them recently at the SWC FlyBuy in January, and in addition to being a real challenge, they are a lot of fun. Rather than casting solely for distance or accuracy, the Danish games emphasize several skills that come into play in fishing technical rivers. The directors plan to follow the general plan of the games, but with a few modifications to make them a bit more accessible.

Station 1 is like a par 2 golf hole (is there such a thing?). The first cast (your drive) gets you close enough to shoot for the target on your second cast (your putt). Station 2 will test the tightness of your loop. You need to cast your fly through a hoop suspended five feet off the ground. At Station 3, you will be casting under a bar to hit a target just past the bar. This challenges your ability to cast under overhanging brush on a stream (have you ever done that on the San Gabriel?).

You will have a chance to try your curve cast at

Station 4, where the target is behind a tree. That skill helps you get that elusive trout that is just on the other side of that big rock you can't wade to. Station 5 forces you to do a Zorro cast, where you need to send a loop of line on either side of an alley, while still aiming for a target. This cast enables you to get a longer drag-free drift on streams. Your reach cast comes into play on Station 6, where you need to cast, then do a reach mend to extend your line past a cone while still keeping your fly on target.

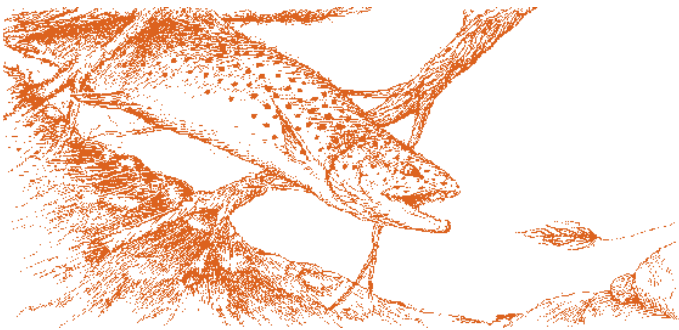
Station 7 tests your ability to cast with your off hand, an interesting skill that many people haven't practiced in a while. Station 8 is a parachute cast, where you aim your cast up high to pile up line for a long, drag-free downstream drift. Station 9 is a saltwater cast, where you need to start with your fly in your hand and cast to a target with only three (or four) false casts. This approximates the situation where your guide spots a bonefish or tarpon a fair distance away, and you have to get your fly in front of his nose before he moves out of range.

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As you can see, these are much more complicated than our usual casting games and each game is a simulation of real fishing situations. We hope to see all of you rise to the challenge and join us on March 18th. The breakfast will be tasty and filling and the games will hopefully inspire you to develop your casting talents more fully.

We all hope to see you at the pond.



Free Admission for Working Pasadena & Fred Hall Shows

RICK LONG & JOHN STINE, MEMBERS

The Fly Fishing Show will be held at the Pasadena Center on Saturday, March 3, 2012 and Sunday, March 4, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM. The Fred Hall Show will be held at the Long Beach Convention Center starting on Wednesday March 7, 2012 through Sunday, March 11, 2012 (Wednesday through Friday from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM; Saturday from 10:00 AM to 9:30 PM and Sunday from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM).

Volunteers are needed each day to help work three-hour or four-hour shifts in the morning, afternoon or evening. If you volunteer to work the show, you will get in free! Please contact: Rick Long at 310-375-6900 or email vglong1@aol.com or John Stine at 562-431-2817 or email jmastine@verizon.net

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A White Elephant is Stomping Your Way!!!

JEFF SADLER, SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

*Give us your Tired,
Your Poor, your Humble Masses
... OF FLY FISHING STUFF!*

Yes, once again it is time for Joe, Mark, Dan, and Jeff to make fools of themselves, but don't laugh too loudly, we have ways of getting even.

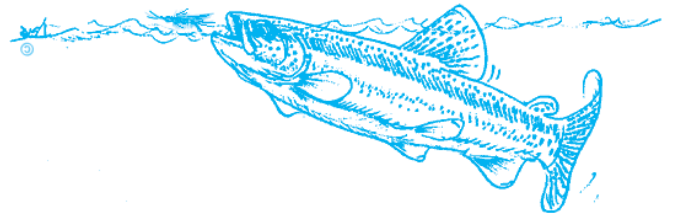
The White Elephant Auction and Clam Chowder-Fest is upon us and this time it arrives on Thursday, March 29, at 7:00 PM. It is never too late to donate that brand new Sage TCX rod you can't cast or the fly fishing tie your brother-in-law gave you for Christmas. Have a 100 year supply of pheasant tails? Donate half for the auction, clean out the closet, make your spouse happy. Please hold donations until at least February, we're out of room.

BUY STUFF, bring money, bring lots and lots of money, big checks (no credit cards). Replace that rusty old rod, reel, line, or buy a new fly fishing tie, or whatever.

*"Double, double
Toil and trouble,
Fire burn and
Cauldron bubble."*

Indulge in the Sunshine "Secret Recipe" delicious chowder (apparently, the clam lived for one more year).

Again, donations will be accepted but mostly come out and have fun.



Club Trips for 2012

EDDIE MADRID, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

The March 2012 outing will be the Owens River #3, (Friday, Saturday & Sunday March 9-11, 2012), hosted by John Lincoln.

PRE-TRIP ACTIVITIES:

In addition to the February 29 Owens River #3 Pre-Trip Meeting, there will be a Workshop on Saturday, March 3rd for members new to fishing this river. Plan on attending from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Dan Rivett, Yash Iseda, Jeff Sadler and John and Thea Lincoln will share their time tested fly fishing methods which are targeted for those new to fishing, but will be helpful to all who attend. Hope to see you there.

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

2012 TRIPS:

TRIP DATE	TRIP & LEADER
March 10-11	Owens River #3, with John Lincoln (Pre-Trip is Feb. 29)
April 7	Newport Bay Bass Tourney with Jeff Sadler (Pre-Trip is March 28)
April 25-30	Green River, Utah with Jeff Sadler (Pre-Trip Apr. 18), contact Bob Marriott's for reservations.
May TBD	Deep Creek, with Paul Burgner (Pre-Trip TBD)

The Largest Salmon Kill in California History

DALE DAY, MEMBER

Early October of 2002 news began to spread about a massive fish kill in the Klamath River. The estimates were that 60,000 adult Chinook, Coho Salmon and Steelhead perished. This event made it the largest salmon kill in California history.

The Klamath River was the third largest salmon fishery in the Western United States. Its origins begin in the pristine waters of Crater Lake National Park and in the Cascade Range of Southern Oregon. Spring feed creeks form the Wood and Williamson Rivers that flow into Agency and Klamath Lakes. The Klamath Basin has extensive marsh lands that are home to six Klamath Tule Lake Wildlife Refuges. These refuges are host to eighty percent of the migratory birds on the Pacific Flyway and more than a thousand Bald Eagles winter in the area.

The Klamath River flows out of the basin and turns west into the Siskiyou Mountains that form the border between Oregon and California. The river is impounded four times by the dams in Oregon and California that block salmon and steelhead from migrating to their traditional spawning grounds. John C. Boyle, COPCO 1, COPCO 2 and Iron Gate Dams are scheduled to be removed by the year 2020. This is certainly a cause for celebration. Unfortunately dam removal will not restore the flows that are needed for fish migration into the upper river and Klamath Basin.

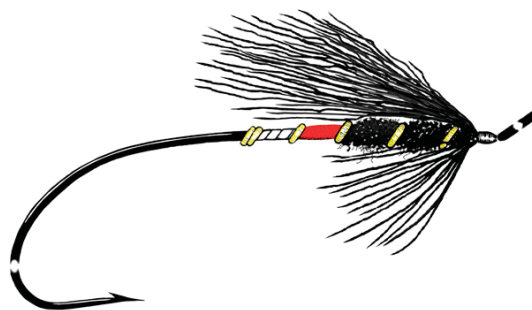
John Wesley Powell's book "Beyond the 100th Meridian" divides the United States into the humid east and the arid west. The west is dependent on winter snows that feed spring runoff into the rivers that would supply water to future settlements. Western water law is based on who established first use of water has priority in times of drought.

The winter of 2001 and the spring of 2002 brought

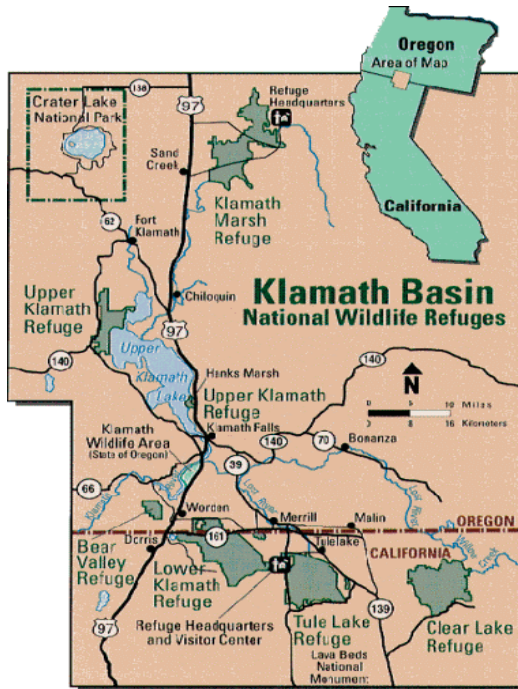
minimal snowpack to the mountains and scarce rain to the basin which sowed the seeds for drought and an epic battle over water. The Bureau of Reclamation Irrigation Project distributes water through a series of canals to water users including the most southern Klamath Tule Lake Wildlife Refuges. There was never enough water for all agriculture users, the wildlife refuges and to maintain minimum stream flow and water quality in the Klamath River. The low priority users would not receive water.

A group of men, including the Klamath County Sheriff, broke into the Bureau of Reclamation Irrigation Project and opened the head gates that allowed water to flow to all the basins water users and effectively lowered the Klamath River flow causing the largest salmon kill in California history.

The Klamath Basin receives an average of twelve inches of rainfall a year similar amount to that of the Los Angeles Basin. There has never been enough water to support the Bureau of Reclamation Irrigation Project and they do not have the earliest water rights. Those water rights belong to the Klamath Tribes.



The Tule Lake and Lower Klamath Wildlife Refuges are unique among the 500 wildlife refuges in the National Wildlife Refuge System that are administered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service because they allow large scale commercial agriculture that provides little benefit to wildlife. These twenty-six thousand seven hundred acres of farming demand sixty thousand acre feet of water a year. Potatoes, onions, alfalfa, and grain are produced on the refuge lands. These crops are of little nutritional value to the migrating wildlife and provide minimal winter



habitat. These farms in the summer pump water out of the marshland, while paying 1917 electric rates, de-watering the lower wildlife refuges.

Migrating Bird populations have dropped eighty percent in the last sixty years. The Klamath River Coho Salmon is on the edge of extinction and only a captive breeding program can save the specie. The summer run Steelhead is also listed as endangered. The fall Chinook salmon is now listed on the Endangered Species List as a direct result of the actions of a few individuals in the Klamath Basin in the summer of 2002. Commercial salmon fishing on the Northern California and Southern Oregon is closed. The people of the communities along the river and the coast have suffered severe culture and economic damages.

Restoration of the Klamath Basin marshes and wetlands so they can store more water, stop farming on the Klamath Tule Lake Wildlife Refuges and buy back water rights from farmers and retire them would insure the survival of the migrating waterfowl, fish and the communities along the Klamath River and the Coast of Northern California and Southern Oregon.

You can help in the restoration of the of the Klamath River system by contacting me at daleday@msn.com.

Relax, Relax Already...

JEFF SADLER, PAST PRESIDENT

The Green River in Utah just keeps on rolling by and you should be there, April 25-29.

- ❖ 5 nights at the beautiful Red Canyon Lodge.
- ❖ 2 Guided days with Trout Creek Flies (lunch and flies included).
- ❖ 2 days walk and wade fishing on the 7 mile river side trail.
- ❖ All for approximately \$760 (Does not include transportation, meals, licenses, tips, etc.)

For more information call Jeff Sadler at 310-377-3868 or by email at fotofish@verizon.net. For reservations contact Brandt at Marriott's at 800-543-0282.

So relax already...

Maggie Merriman's Entomology Workshop

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, EDITOR

On Saturday, March 24, 2011 join Maggie Merriman from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM at the Long Beach Casting Club for her 15th Annual Basic Entomology Workshop for fly fishers.

You will learn how to "Match the Hatch" and Maggie stresses the use of common English names and not the biological "Latin" names many associate with entomology, so you can leave your *Acroneuria californica*s at home.

The cost for the workshop is \$50.00 and you must Pre-Register for the workshop by March 17, 2011 by mailing the fee to: Maggie Merriman, 19791 Coastline Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92648, or you can call her at 714-969-5829.

March Lower Owens Trip Workshop

JOHN LINCOLN, CHEF EXTRAORDINAIRE &
JEFF SADLER, PAST PRESIDENT

Back by popular demand, an extended Pre-Trip Instructional Workshop for beginners attending the March Lower Owens trip in Bishop, will be held on Saturday, March 3 from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM. Dan Rivett and Yash Iseda, sponsors of the Jan/Feb Lower Owens trip put on a Saturday beginners class in January specific to that trip on that river. They will return for this Workshop along with John and Thea Lincoln.

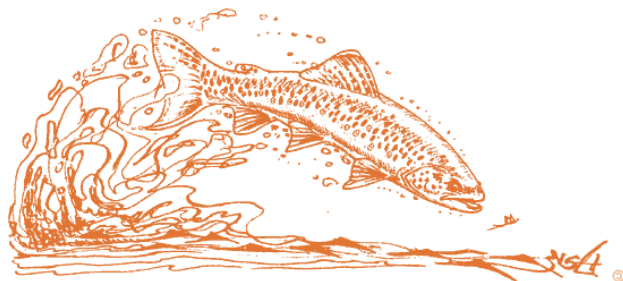
Oh, and they roped the big doofus (me/Jeff) into helping also.

Why the class? Well we always meet at the bridge in the campground at 9:00 AM on Saturday of the trip and take beginners out to help them learn fly fishing and the river. We have learned that many are, how do I say this politely, clueless on set-up and basic equipment.

So, we have developed a short meeting telling what we use and why. You will be amazed at how similar experienced fly fishers are and then shocked by some of the differences between us. All we are doing is telling you what each of us do, in all fishing situations it is up to you to learn as much as you can and select the method that suits you best.

This is not at all as comprehensive as Joe Libeu's ON-THE-RIVER CLINIC as we don't go into casting, entomology, reading the water and several other issues—just the most basic stuff.

This is also not a Pre-Trip meeting where locations, times, food, flies, etc. are covered. John Lincoln will be sponsoring this trip so he will cover all of that at the normal Pre-Trip Meeting which be held on Wednesday, February 29 at 7:00 PM.



Newport Bay Bass Tournament

JEFF SADLER, PAST PRESIDENT

The most traditional Long Beach Casting Club fishing trip and the only one with a perpetual trophy with the winner's names.

Where: Newport Bay; we generally rent skiffs at Davy's Locker for a half day or bring your own or kayaks or float tubes.

When: Saturday, April 7; generally starts at dawn or around 6:00 AM. Ends at noon or whenever the boat renters tell us we have to be in.

Pre-Trip: Will be Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 7:00 PM

Rules: Must be at weigh-in dock by noon. Longest bass wins. No bait, artificials only; 6 pound test maximum. Most of us use light spinning or conventional rods and reels and some form of rubber worms. Spinners, troll lures, flies are also used. You certainly can use fly equipment and some have.

Prize: Extreme bragging rights and YOUR name on the Howard T. Isley Perpetual trophy.

This trip is a lot of fun and is only for a half day so you can fish and still get home in time for your chores.

February Lower Owens Trip

YASH ISEDA, MEMBER

The month of February has typically been a very good month for dry fly action on the Lower Owens. February 2012 was no exception. We had an intense midge hatch throughout the day all weekend long. As a bonus, each day about 10:00 AM the Blue-Winged Olives (BWOs) would kick in and emerge off and on for the remainder of the day.

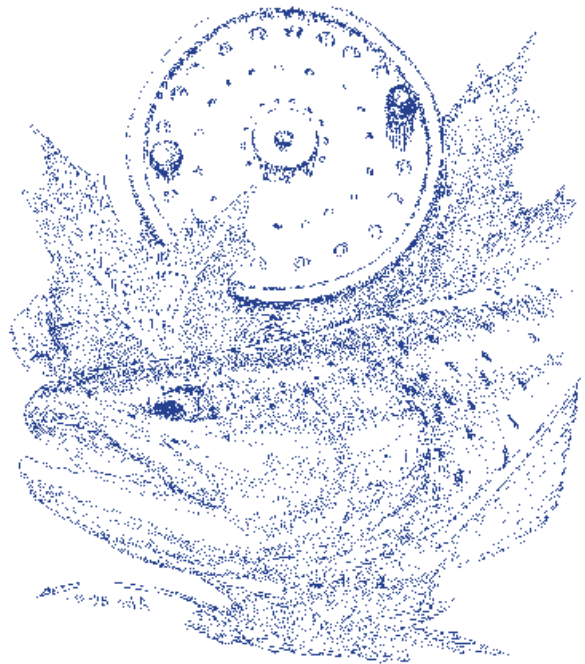
Several different Blue-Winged Olives patterns all seemed to work in sizes 18 to 20. While talking to the owner of Yamatani, where the group had its dinner on Friday night, I discovered that he uses a size 14 Blue-Winged Olive with great success.

Coming around the bend of the river, the sounds of moans and groans could be heard from our very own Jeff Sadler as he caught and missed fish all day long. Jeff did have a great weekend on dries. Most all club members caught fish, some caught dozens each day.

On Saturday night we all met at the Pizza Factory for a pizza dinner. There were over 30 members present at this event. All were talking about the beautiful weather and great fishing.

Super Bowl weekend, high water flows and high winds should not discourage you from making the February trip one of your favorite months on the Owens. Hopefully, we will see you on the Lower Owens on the March club trip.

A WORKSHOP will be held at the pond on Saturday, March 3 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM for all of those people who need help in preparing for the March trip that will be hosted by John Lincoln. Take a look at John Lincoln's and Jeff Sadler's article in this edition of Target Talk.



Welcome Our New Members

**NANI BLYLEVEN,
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY**

The Board of Directors in February 2012 unanimously accepted the following applications for membership:

- ❖ Ron Bushman, La Habra
- ❖ Jerry Heimowitz, Stanton
- ❖ Pete Dambski, Seal Beach
- ❖ Bob Steffano, Palmdale

Please welcome all our new members at LBCC functions. Encourage them to volunteer with many of our activities throughout the year.

Please note that, in order to receive your Membership Packet with your Badge, Roster and other LBCC items; you must attend a monthly meeting.

The Dean of LBCC

OR...How to Fish and Win the Newport Bay Bass tournament

AND...be remembered FOREVER with your name on the Howard T. Isley Perpetual Trophy

JEFF SADLER, PAST PRESIDENT

So who exactly is the Dean Of LBCC? Why Dean Rickerd of course. I know many newer members don't know Dean but he was President when I joined in 1986 and so I thought he was a great person. It was only after fishing with Dean that I realize how truly great he is. Never, and I mean never ask to see pictures of his grandkids. He will gladly haul out a 25 page photo album with 24 pages of the most bodacious fish he and his son Matt and his grandson Mitch have caught. He has one snapshot in the back of his grandkids.

He is the only person I know who keeps a daily record of fishing conditions, fish caught by species and size, flies used and pictures of the pretty ones. If you get the chance to fish with Dean as I have for the past few years in the Yellowstone area where he lives in the summer he has years of history to lean on to find us a good spot. He is a sharing man with advice and secret spots and seems to always put me in the better run.

Well why am I talking about a guy you've never met? Because Dean won last year's Newport Bay Bass Tournament. Big deal, you say, some Rickerd always wins it. Yup, mostly Matt, Dean once in a while and, even Mitch as a youngster once. Mark Tsunawaki's won three times and even I've won twice. The announcement for the tournament follows. The rules are simple, six pound line max, artificial lures only.

Last year Dean won with a FLY, maybe the only fly to win in a world of rubber worms. The fly was a heavily weighted version of Dean's LDR fly. Now we all know what we think LDR stands for until you know that the man's full name is Leslie Dean Rickerd. He let me fish one once but I had to put a bag over my head when he tied it on so I couldn't copy it.



When I was President I challenged the members to tie an LBCC fly, the only restriction is it had to have blue (the unofficial LBCC color) in it. Several great entries but the winner as I recall was a delicate blue soft hackle. But Dean's entry puzzled me until he told me its name: the Score Perfect which is what you want to hear at casting competitions. An almost Salmon Fly design with 5 distinct body segments wrapped with the colors of the casting targets in order. For some reason this is the only fly I kept; probably fished the others.

There is a possibility if you show up at the Newport Bay Tournament you can meet Dean, a fly inventor, a National level competitive caster, Past President, and grandfather.

Notes from the Pond

JEFF GROSS, CAPTAIN

Hello Campers, "Come on over baby, we got a whole lot of THANK'N goin' on!" So thank you to every one who helped clean the pond. It really looks fantastic! Also, a huge thank you to all the volunteers who pitched in to make the Southwestern Tournament a success.

We're changing things up for the Director's Handicap cast on Sunday, March 18 so be sure to read Bill Boelhert's Leader's Line article. Your Board of Directors will be the chefs for breakfast starting at 8:00 AM and casting at 9:00 AM.

See you at the pond.

Casting Instructor's Workshop

GARY CHARLES, MEMBER

Master Certified Casting Instructor, Tim Lawson, is leading the club's annual Casting Instructor's Workshop. Tim is working to rejuvenate the program with a renewed emphasis on developing instructor skills. Among the workshop objectives is assurance that all instructors provide consistent guidance to students during the course of the club's Beginning Casting Clinic.

This year, we anticipate an increase of first-time instructors, many of whom are members of other clubs and may not be familiar with the western style of fly casting taught by our club. The foregoing is occasioned by an increased need to draw upon the expertise of Certified Casting Instructors (CCI's), CCI

Candidates, and club members with prior Workshop experience, to meet the demand for increased program leadership. As a result, a special appeal is hereby made for Workshop participation by all individuals with such instructional expertise.

As in the past, participation in the Workshop is mandatory for all Beginning Casting Clinic instructors. The club will conduct the Workshop on five (5) consecutive Tuesdays, beginning March 20, 2012. Each session begins at 7:00 PM, and run to 8:30 or 9:00 PM

No prior registration is necessary. Workshop participant merely need to show up at the first class. Please contact Gary Charles with any questions or concerns.



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Grand Slam Opportunity! Pesca Maya, Ascension Bay - May 25-31, 2012

Sierra Pacific Fishing Adventures is pleased to host a new salt-water destination for 2012: Pesca Maya in Ascension Bay offers a rare opportunity for you to target Permit, Tarpon, Bonefish & Snook all in the same week. Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula is undoubtedly one of the best permit destinations worldwide. The fish population is probably second to none. The expansive flats from Boca Paila to Ascension Bay hold tremendous numbers of permit, and it is not uncommon to see dozens of them in a single day's angling.

Ascension Bay is relatively close and easy to get to and Pesca Maya is a beautiful resort with spacious, well-appointed rooms and is situated on a remote private beach-offering breathtaking views and spectacular sunsets. Additionally, Pesca Maya has a team of very experienced and professional fly fishing guides.



\$3,065 per person based on double occupancy

Trip includes 6 nights & 5 days of fishing; Spacious oceanfront accommodations with A/C; Private boat with experienced guide; All meals and beverages; Ground transportation. Not included: Air transportation to & from Cancun, Mexico and gratuities for guide and staff. Space is limited to 10 anglers so reserve your spot now!



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Fly of the Month: Solly Clouser

AL QUATTROCCHI & JIM SOLOMON

This month I would like to present a great surf pattern submitted by my friends Al Quattrocchi and Jim Solomon. These two guys are diehard, fanatic surf fishers and they practice their passion on a regular basis. They are both outstanding and talented fly fishers and fly tiers.

This fly has been very successful for them on a wide variety of species in the surf and I have it of good authority that this pattern is also dynamite in freshwater as well.

If you have a hankering for a local salty tug, give the Solly Clouser a try and I am sure it will prove successful for you as well. (—ed.)

Materials for tying the Solly Clouser :

Hook: Gamakatsu B10S stinger #4
 Thread: Monofilament
 Eyes: 5/32 Dazl-Eyes or bead chain
 Tail: Squirrel Tail
 Legs: Oil color Rubber legs tied in 'V' style
 Tail Flash: Orange Krystal Flash
 Body: Grizzly Variant Schlappen Orange
 Body Flash: One turn of Dyed UV Polar chenille
 Head: flat Diamond Braid

Instructions for tying the Solly Clouser :

Tie in eyes a distance of approximately 1/3 length of hook shank behind eye of hook. Figure eight eye and then post eye with approximately 5 tight wraps of thread. Then glue underside of thread to eye.

Wrap thread to just behind eye of hook and tie in one sparse clump of squirrel tail approximately 3 times the length of hook shank or however long you want the tail. Make sure you put a small amount of super

glue on the top of hook shank. Pull hair over top of eyes. Wrap thread tightly at eye of hook then jump thread to just behind the eyes. You want the head of fly to taper nicely. Tie hair down to just before bend of hook.

Tie in rubber legs "V" style starting behind eyes to just short of bend. Make sure legs are divided to each side of hook. Tie in sparse clump of orange Krystal Flash "V" style. Apply super glue to top of the shank and tie in sparse clump of squirrel tail starting at behind the eyes. Now you have sandwiched the rubber legs and flash which should prevent the legs from wrapping around the shank when fishing.

The body is made from one long and large variant schlappen hackle that is tied in wet fly style. Make sure each wrap is pulled back before making the next wrap. You want the hackle tips to lay back. Tie in on wrap of dyed UV Polar chenille wet fly style. Wrap thread back towards bend of the hook while you hold the hackle and chenille in the position of a wet fly. Next tie in about a 3" length of flat diamond braid and wrap sparsely around eyes and to just behind eye of hook. Whip finish and then apply Tuffleye to head.

This fly really pulsates in the water so let it drop during your strips. A remember to always vary the stripping pattern until you find the right Mojo.



Goodbye My Dear Friend

BOB ALLEN, FRIEND AND MEMBER

I distinctly remember the first time I met Bob Graham. It was on an early spring morning in the cool crisp air at the Red Canyon Lodge at Flaming Gorge, Utah. He had driven solo from Orange County for his first experience on the Green River. We spent the next few days “talking story” and forming what was to become an amazing and rewarding ten year close friendship.

Over the years Bob’s infectious personality drew many others into his sphere of friendship. His fishing adventures, too numerous to mention, were a constant joy to those that were fortunate to spend quality time with him on the water. He was always the first to share his experiences and skills to all those willing to learn. Bob was not only a fisherman but a remarkable teacher as well.

We have all been blessed with Bob’s numerous, insightful and often humorous articles in Target Talk. There was a time when our publication grew to twenty pages or more each month due in part to his authorship, and we still wanted more! Often his articles would be laced with personal follies that often became the focus of many an episode of good natured razing. I often thought he was the only man with a target on his back. Actually it seemed that this razing was much enjoyed by him as he often spoke fondly of it. One year he was the recipient of the club’s annual “JACK ASS” award that he cherished as though it was his personal “Oscar”. Bob indeed possessed a remarkable sense of humor that often was illustrated by that boisterous laugh of his.

In speaking to several of you these past few days there has been overwhelming sense of sadness upon his passing along with the blessings we experienced by knowing and spending time with him. Several have mentioned the meals that were shared with great helpings of joy and laughter along with those serious conversations as well. Bob was considered



a determined fisherman best illustrated by the following story.

Four of us were in the Jackson Hole area when we traveled up to the Grey River. Three of us took off on ATV’s upstream while Bob elected to stay and fish the downstream pools. When the three of us returned some hours later we found Bob still standing in the same pool where we had left him. His explanation was that he had been fishing a dry & dropper when he foul hooked a smaller fish on the dropper. Next thing Bob knew, a huge fish which Bob later described as a “ravenous freight train” dashed out from under the log to chow down on the fish that he had on his line.

Bob spent the rest of the afternoon trying to again lure that “freight train” out from under the log. We had to pry him away from the pool with promises of steak and cabernet.

Bob was nothing if not a determined angler.

As we all look ahead to the days without Bob, let us rejoice in wonderful memories of the time spent with this quality man. I feel my life has been truly enriched by my good friend, much the same as many of you. In closing, I am positive you all join me and wishing him “tight lines” wherever you are fishing.

Calendar of Events

March

3-4	Weekend		Pasadena Fly Fishing Show
5	Monday	8:30 AM	PHW Rod Building
		7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
6	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying: 2nd Session: 2 nd Night
7-11	Week		Fred Hall Show
9-11	Weekend		Club Trip: Lower Owens #3 with John Lincoln
12	Monday	8:30 AM	PHW Rod Building
13	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying: 2nd Session: 3 rd Night
14	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
17	Saturday	9:00 AM	FFCOC Double Haul Ball
18	Sunday	8:00 AM	Breakfast
		9:00 AM	Director's Handicap NEW FORMAT and a lot of fun!
19	Monday	8:30 AM	PHW Rod Building
20	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Instructor's Clinic
24	Saturday	9:00 AM	Maggie Merriman's Entomology Class
26	Monday	8:30 AM	PHW Rod Building
27	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Instructor's Clinic
28	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre-Trip Meeting: Newport Bay Bass Tournament
29	Thursday	7:00 PM	White Elephant Sale and Auction

April

2	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
3	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Instructor's Clinic
5	Thursday	7:00 PM	Annual General Meeting
7	Saturday	6:00 AM	Newport Bay Bass Tournament
10	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Instructor's Clinic
11	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
14-15	Weekend	8:30 AM	FFF Casting Certification
15	Sunday	6:00 PM	Awards & Installation Dinner
17	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Instructor's Clinic
18	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre-Trip Meeting: Green River Trip with Jeff Sadler
24	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: Orientation
26-30	Weekend		Club Trip: Green River with Jeff Sadler

May

1	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 1 st Night
7	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
8	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 2 nd Night
9	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
		7:00 PM	On the River Clinic - 1 st Class
15	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 3 rd Night
22	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 4 th Night
22	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 5 th Night
29	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying - 2nd Session: 1 st Night
31	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: to be announced



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