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# Target Talk

Newsletter of the Long Beach Casting Club, Established 1925

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## Leader's Line ...

## The Year in Review

**BILL BOEHLERT, PRESIDENT**

**T**he year sure flies by when you are having fun! With all the events happening here at LBCC there is never a dull moment. It is not until you are in charge of the calendar that you realize the full spectrum of activities going on at our club. Literally, there very few days when nothing is going on. The following are a few of the highlights in another wonderful year.

The ACA National Casting Tournament came here in August. We host this annual event every six years or so, and it is a blockbuster. Watching Steve Rajeff or Chris Korich or Henry Mittel cast is an education. Seeing our own members step up and duel with them is a real source of pride. Kudos to Mark Tsunawaki and Bob Middo for running the tournament so flawlessly.

Club trips continued to bring out new members and old. The traditional trips to the Lower Owens, Green River, Little Lakes Valley and Huntington Harbor (home of posole riquísimo) were the most popular, as usual, but Eddie Madrid put together other notable jaunts as well. Jim Thomason's flotilla group has added a second monthly trip for those able to bob and fish at the same time. Trips to Laguna Niguel, Irvine, Corona, and Tejon are proving ever more attractive.

The Southwest Tournament went off without a hitch, thanks to the efforts of Mark Tsunawaki, Frank Kropacek and a host of LBCC volunteers. Our annual tournament is really a lot of fun, and I hope to see more of our members participate next year.

Several groups put on wonderful events at our clubhouse that were open to our membership. The FFF FlyBuy, the Double Haul Ball, the Beyond the Breakers Saltwater Clinic, the Simon Gawesworth Spey clinic and Maggie Merriman's Entomology workshop attracted scores of anglers and introduced them to our club.

Our own classes continue to provide tremendous fly fishing education to our members and the general public. Fly casting, fly tying, and rod building classes attract new members as well as teaching old ones. We owe so much to Gary Charles, Doug Smith, and Al Ross for running such wonderful programs.

The "nooner" crew continued to provide education, entertainment and great lunches to an increasing number of fishermen who can get to the clubhouse during the day. Led by George Seward and Dale Day, they have vastly increased the hours, opportunities, and interest in our club.

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LBCC's Endowment Fund is now a reality, thanks to the efforts of Howard Uller and the Endowment Committee. Donations continue to come in, and eventually we hope to have enough capital to provide a substantial monthly benefit to offset our constantly rising costs.

We have a new conservation committee headed up by Steve Blair. This enthusiastic and knowledgeable gent is harnessing our collective energy to help preserve our piscine treasures and their watery world. The countless and often surreptitious attacks on our rivers and coastline can only be countered by informed and active citizens.

It is impossible to list all our events and activities here, or to properly thank all the people that make them a reality. But as my year in office draws to a close, I sincerely thank all our members who work so hard to make LBCC the great club it is.



## Notes from the Pond

**JEFF GROSS, CAPTAIN**

**H**ello Campers, the pond looks great, casting games are on hiatus, the fish are jumping...life is good.

I would like to acknowledge some members for their help with clubhouse chores. Let me start with Elwood Graham who has put a whole lot of time into researching the enzyme product we are using in the pond. Norm Riggs is always helping, from fixing the driveway gate to novel ways of vacuuming the pond. Yash Iseda, John Lincoln and John Van Derhoof worked on the sprinkler system. George Siewerd regularly has the clubhouse looking good. Then there is Dale Day; I don't know what he does. Oh yeah, Dale is the Chairman of the Hub Bub committee.

There are other members not mentioned here doing good things in and around the clubhouse and I salute you.

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# It's That Time of Year Again!

**JIM THOMASON, 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT**

If you're like me, April is the month you look forward to all year (although not as much so now that Hot Creek and the Owens are open year round). It's a time for new beginnings like a spring creek bubbling out of the ground. It's a time when anything is possible and new ideas flow like a mighty river during run-off.

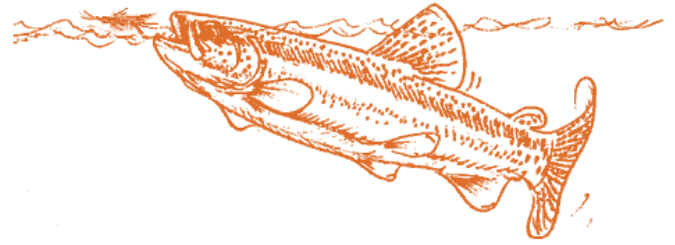
It's time to try something different this year, adding a new dimension to our already multi-faceted sport. It's time to get everything cleaned up and in order so things will run smoothly. It's time to get off the couch, put your favorite vice away and get those casting muscles in shape.

Yes, you guessed it. It's time for the Long Beach Casting Club Annual General Meeting where you can cast your vote for your new Board of Directors (OK, maybe you're really not like me and you prefer the Season Opener). This is your opportunity to become enfranchised and voice your approval for the candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee or to propose additional candidates (see Article VIII in the Constitution & Bylaws located in your Roster). The meeting is generally short (no program, no speakers) but its importance is great. The meeting will be held Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM at the clubhouse.

The newly approved board members will be formally installed at the Installation Dinner on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. The details of the banquet can be found elsewhere in this issue.

Don't miss it—Mick Woodbury will once again be serving his famous fajitas!

Remember, there will be no meeting on the last Thursday of the month!



## Awards & Installation Dinner

**BILL BOEHLERT, PRESIDENT**

April is here and it is time for our annual Awards and Installation Dinner. This event will take place on Sunday, April 15, at 5:00 PM.

If you have never attended this dinner, you should give it a try. You will gain a lot of insight into the club. On this occasion awards are given for the casting games and also for service to the club. The most enjoyable recognition is the JA award, which the Sunshine Committee bestows on the individual who unintentionally committed the most egregious deed of the year. Who knows—you might even be a nominee!

Also at the dinner the outgoing Board of Directors is honored for their service and the new members are installed.

Back by popular acclaim, past president Mick Woodbury will be cooking his world famous chicken fajitas. He will be aided and abetted by another past president, Rich Garrett, in preparing a fine feast with all the fixin's. The cost will be \$10 per person. We welcome you to come and enjoy the fiesta.

Be sure to reserve your space as soon as possible by filling out the reservation form following this article.

# Hatchery vs. Wild

SUMMARY FROM THE NATIVE FISH SOCIETY  
MARCH 2012

**B**oulin 2009 “The implication is that hatchery Salmonids (salmon, steelhead and trout)—many of which do survive to reproduce in the wild—could be gradually reducing the fitness of wild populations with which they interbreed. Those hatchery fish provide one more hurdle to overcome in the goal of sustaining wild runs, along with problems caused by dams, loss or degradation of habitat, pollution, overfishing and other causes. Aside from the weakening the wild gene pool, the release of captive-breed fish also raises the risk of introducing diseases and increasing competition for limited resources.”

The goal of this article is to raise the awareness of club members and to ask that hatcheries and fishery managers be financially and environmentally responsible in the operation of hatchery and fishery policies.

## ELEMENTS OF A MORE SUSTAINABLE HATCHERY MANAGEMENT POLICY:

- ❖ Keep wild and hatchery spawners separated.
- ❖ Set specific ecological impact criteria for each hatchery on wild fish.
- ❖ Establish selective harvest on hatchery fish that result in the least harm to wild fish.
- ❖ Establish spawner abundance objectives by species in each watershed for wild fish.
- ❖ Establish nutrient enrichment targets for each watershed.
- ❖ Design wild salmonid management plan for each watershed.
- ❖ Evaluate the cost/benefit and cost effectiveness annually of each hatchery.
- ❖ Determine the cost to catch for each hatchery program.
- ❖ Require public agencies to complete an economic review for all hatchery programs, including the cost to



produce a harvest of adult fish.

- ❖ Develop and implement a wild salmonid management plan for each watershed with measurable criteria for diversity, distribution, productivity, viability, and abundance.
- ❖ Evaluate hatcheries on their contribution to fisheries and establish a minimum contribution rate for hatchery fish that optimizes funding investment while protecting wild fish from hatchery and harvest impacts.
- ❖ Require all hatchery fish to be externally marked and provide an internal tag to identify the hatchery of origin.
- ❖ Establish a basin wide stock transfer policy to regulate the movement of fish and eggs among populations.
- ❖ Require all hatchery origin fish be kept in sport fisheries.
- ❖ Fully integrate agency management structure on harvest, hatchery and wild salmonids management.
- ❖ Restructure management so that harvest and hatchery programs support natural production objectives.
- ❖ Require barbless hooks in all recreational fisheries to reduce harm to wild juvenile and adult salmonids in mixed stock fisheries.
- ❖ Develop new methods in selective fisheries to maximize harvest of hatchery fish and minimize harm to wild fish in mixed stock commercial and recreational fisheries
- ❖ Operate hatcheries so that the hatchery effluent is regulated by the Clean Water Act.
- ❖ Reduce hatchery production to levels that support the recovery of fish listed under the Endangered Species Act.
- ❖ Evaluate stray rates of hatchery fish and implement measures to reduce strays in order to improve the reproductive success of the wild populations.

# On the River Clinic 2012

JOE LIBEU, PAST PRESIDENT

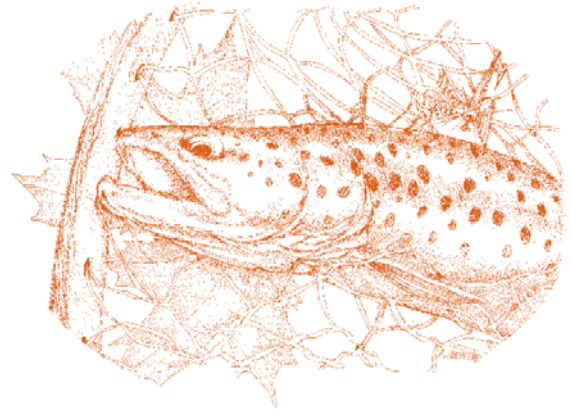
Over a four week period we have had a series of classroom sessions on learning the art of fly fishing. We concluded the 4 week's worth of classes with a weekend getaway to Bishop and the Lower Owens. We had a weekend of clear skies with moderate temperatures on Saturday and Sunday. The fishing seemed to be better on Saturday; falling off on Sunday.

During the classroom session we covered reading the water, insects, equipment and various techniques in nymphing, wet fly, dry fly and streamer fishing and a lot more. Once on the river, we once again reviewed these aspects of fly fishing tying the indoor theory with outdoor reality.

We had about 22 members on the outing and everyone seems to have had a good time. I know I did and I look forward to teaching the class again next year. I want to thank all the students for attending the class and the weekend get away.

I also want to thank the following instructors that took the time to join us and help with the instructions at their own expense. Without this outflow of gracious attention the students would have been left to many frustrations and needs. The instructors were: Jim Thomason, Joe Austin, John Lincoln, Al and Mike from Bishop, Gary Runnells Jr. and Sr., Ed Madrid, Mark Allen and Mark Flo. Thanks gentleman, I could not have done this without you.

I sincerely hope that I did not forget thank someone and if I did it is the CRS we all go through.



## Club Trips for 2012

EDDIE MADRID, 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT

There will be two April outings: the Newport Bay Bass Tourney and the Green River Trip; both of which are hosted by Jeff Sadler.

### PRE-TRIP ACTIVITIES:

Be sure to attend the Pre-Trip Meetings in advance of the up-coming trips. They provide vital information about the specific trip and a lot of excellent tips on fishing that will serve you well on other fishing excursions in the future. It should be noted that this year's Green River Trip is full.

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
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)



# Project Healing Waters

CAROLE KATZ, NATIONAL TRUSTEE

We began the year with PHWFF's national rod building program. Fifteen veterans, five of whom are new to our group, made rods. Al Ross was the lead rod building instructor this year, having taken over because of Stan's illness. We are fortunate to have the additional expertise of four new volunteers, all of whom are great rod builders themselves: Elwood Graham, Bob Guenther, John Jones and Norm Riggs.

The finished products this year are quite extraordinary. Even the beginners made fine rods with elegant trim. Joe Richter took it upon himself to learn advanced weaving and wrapping techniques, which he then taught our more experienced rod builder veterans. Some veterans wove a variety of images in thread: a trout, the American flag, the PHWFF logo. Machines were not used for this—they were done by hand using a very tedious process.

Noted custom rod builder Doc Ski "adopted" our group and came to help teach quite a few times. He also secured the donation of a dozen Batson rod blanks and arranged the World Rod Raffle to benefit our program. This rod was raffled at the Texas Rod Building Convention in February and netted \$1700 for our program. We are so indebted to Joe Richter, Alan Ross and Doc Ski for their valuable expertise.



Completed rods are sent to Pennsylvania for judging in April to determine the top three winners in each of three categories. In the last three years, we have won more top prizes than any other PHWFF program in the country, but the competition is fierce this year with 225 rods under construction nationwide.



We had a PHWFF booth at the fly fishing shows in Pasadena and Long Beach. One of the vets donated the rod he made last year and which won second place in the national rod building contest; this was raffled for \$490. Jim Wilcox made three beautiful rod building jigs of rare woods and lanyards which were also sold during the show. Bob Guenther wrapped a saltwater Sabre rod and Joe Richter wove the PHWFF logo on two Sage rods which also sold. Boxes of flies tied by volunteers were also raffled. Veterans and volunteers did a great job of staffing both booths and helping to promote PHWFF as well as solicit donations. I want to extend a big thank you to each of those who helped with this effort.

Starting in April, we'll have casting classes in anticipation of our fishing outings planned for the San Gabriel in April, Bishop in May and the Big Horn in July.

# Beginning Casting Clinic

GARY CHARLES, MEMBER

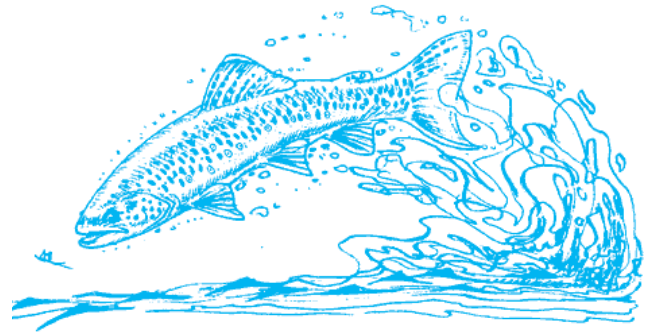
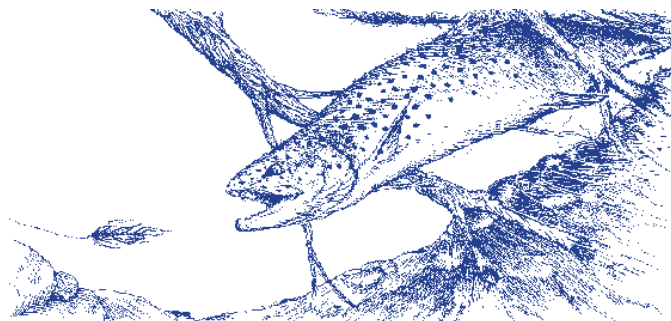
**O**ur Beginning Casting Clinic is open to the public, and is free. Though designed for beginning fly casters, the course will also meet the needs of those needing a refresher or fine tuning in the basics. Typically, students run the gamut in experience and all are welcome.

Orientation will take place in the clubhouse on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at 7:00 PM. Enrollment, rod/reel/line selection advice, and practical tips will be addressed during the session. This is a classroom presentation only. Unless you have a question regarding equipment you need examined, there is no need to bring a rod and reel to this presentation.

During the first night on the pond, May 1, 2012, club members will be available to provide a hand with spooling reels. Those needing assistance with gear should arrive by 6:00 PM. Students are responsible for obtaining all equipment and materials needed for the course.

Casting lessons on the pond will run for five consecutive weeks, beginning May 1, 2012, and concluding May 29, 2012. All classes are on Tuesdays, and run from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

This is the perfect introduction to fly casting; and for those with a bit of experience, a great opportunity to sharpen their skills. We are looking forward to this year's clinic. We hope to see you there.



## Welcome Our New Members

NANI BLYLEVEN,  
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

**T**he Board of Directors in February 2012 unanimously accepted the following applications for membership:

- ❖ Craig Belden, Lakewood
- ❖ Phil Brown, Huntington Beach
- ❖ Shawn Fife, Los Alamitos
- ❖ Tim Lawson, Pasadena
- ❖ Walton McGarrigle, Huntington Beach
- ❖ Ron Raygoza, Rowland Heights

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

Thank you to all who have sent in your renewals and donations in time! March 31 is the deadline for the 2012–2013 membership year. If you mailed your renewal after March 23, please email me so I can include you in the roster in case I don't receive your renewal in time.

Are all of you getting email from us? If not, let me have your current email address; you can email me at: [nablyle@aol.com](mailto:nablyle@aol.com)

# Fly of the Month: The Halo

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, EDITOR

Here is a pattern that I wish I could lay claim to, but I can't. It was described to me 25 years ago by two friends who had just returned from the Green River. They were given the fly by their guide, who got it from another guide, and so on—a rather protracted lineage, right? Nonetheless this pattern, a Pheasant Tail variation, has replaced all three of my “go to” nymphs (Hare's Ear, Pheasant Tail, and the Prince Nymph) for most fishing applications.

Since doing a fly tying Monthly Meeting presentation for the Downey Fly Fishers, this year's FFF FlyBuy and the recent Second Session fly tying class here at Long Beach I have had several requests for this pattern. Since our Target Talk archive only goes back to 2006 (the 'Beaded' version is offered in January of that year) only members who have saved copies prior to that have had access to the original pattern.

It is particularly effective on those maddening trout rising sporadically to something very, very small and undeterminable. For these fish, a size 18 or 20 Halo with a fine tippet, an 8 or 10 split shot, a strike indicator and a long drag free dead drift float may be your key to success. It also works great in combination with WD-40 as the bottom fly in a two-fly rig. Or, use it as the top fly with a San Juan Worm especially during high water conditions like my daughter Nicole and I ran into on the Green River this last summer. A final combination is the Halo on the bottom with a RS-2 as the top fly. In this instance be sure to try and keep the RS-2 closer to the surface than normal which may mean the distance between the flies may need to be increased according to the depth of the water.

This pattern is so versatile it will replace your favorite nymph pattern as well!

## Materials for tying the Halo:

- Hook:** Mustad 3906B or equivalent, size 14, 16, 18 or 20
- Thread:** Primrose (pale yellow) 8/0 (the light color and pigment will keep the hook color from darkening the Krystal Flash)
- Wing:** 10 to 15 strands of Krystal Flash tied in as a spinner wing or substitute with a small pearlescent bead
- Tail:** Ringneck pheasant tail fibers
- Body:** Pearl Krystal Flash underbody, with pheasant tail fibers spiraled forward over the top, letting the Krystal Flash peek through
- Wing Case:** Ringneck pheasant tail fibers or Krystal flash or a 50/50 combination of both





## Instructions for tying the Halo:

- 1 Attach the thread to the hook and wind the thread down to the bend of the shank and tie in 3-6 strands of ringneck pheasant tail fibers but do not trim off the butt ends; fold them back and out of the way.
- 2 Wind back to the thorax and tie in 2-3 strands of Krystal Flash and smoothly wind them down to the bend of the hook and back. Wind the butt ends of the tail wide-spaced up the shank to the thorax letting the Krystal Flash peek through and tie them off. Save the butts to be used for the wing case.
- 3 In the middle of the thorax tie in 10-15 strands of Krystal Flash perpendicular to the hook shank spinner wing fashion. If there are insufficient pheasant tail butts to left to use for the wing case or if you want to use Krystal Flash then tie them in now. Tie in 1 or 2 strands of peacock herl and wind 2 turns behind the wing, the remainder in front and tie them off just short of the headspace. To avoid



BEADED HALO WITH  
PEARLESCENT BEAD

- a 'hole' below the wing make the transition from behind the wing to the front by wrapping under the wing instead of over it. There will be 'hole' on top but it will be covered by the wing case. Don't want any hole, then make one complete turn to the front then back behind the wing and then in front again.
- 4 Pull the wing case forward giving the strands a slight twist to help keep them together and tie them down at the headspace. Form a small, neat head and whip finish. Touch the head with a permanent black felt marker and apply a drop of lacquer. Finally, trim the wings so that they just barely peek out beyond the peacock herl thorax.

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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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# Calendar of Events

## April

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 <sup>st</sup> Night
2	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Pre-Trip Meeting: Deep Creek Trip with Paul Burgner
7	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
8	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Night
9	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
12	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Trip: Deep Creek with Paul Burgner
15	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Night
19	Saturday	9:00 AM	Clubhouse Rental: Sierra Pacific Adventures
22	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 4 <sup>th</sup> Night
29	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Casting Clinic: 5 <sup>th</sup> Night
31	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: to be announced

## June

4	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Director's Meeting
5	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Games
12	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Games
13	Wednesday	9:00 AM	Conservation Team at San Gabriel
19	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Games
26	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Casting Games
28	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: to be announced

# Letter

## SOLUNAR THEORY

I read John Johnson's article in the Spring-Summer 2009 issue of FLYFISHER. As a retired engineer, I was impressed by the scientific analysis he presented regarding "the best times to catch big smallmouth bass".

On of my best friends, Frank Messersmith, now deceased, would agree with your conclusion full-heartedly. Frank was a Long Beach, California casting club member, officer and instructor. He was also my longtime fishing partner.

Frank was a B17 navigator during World War II, was shot down, then spent the rest of the war in a German prison camp. After the war, we worked together for a California utility and spent many days together, camping and fly fishing in the Sierras.

Frank became a victim of Alzheimer's disease. Near the end of his days, at his wife Ruby's request, I took Frank on his last fishing trip to the Owens River. I literally took him by the hand, led him downstream, and placed him in the water facing upstream. He stripped out line, and laid out his dry fly on the water as beautifully as ever!

Frank had a set the fishing rules, one of which was, "The best time to go fishing is when you can". I would submit that Johnson's extensive study and conclusion would confirm Frank's most important rule.

Charles A. Sweningsen  
Via email

*This article about one of our own, Frank Messersmith, was sent to me by Jeff Sadler which he found in a recent edition of the Federation of Fly Fishers Flyfisher magazine. I have always heard great things about Frank but I never really knew him. By the time I met him Alzheimer's had taken its toll but I would like to pass along one more of Frank's favorite quotes... "just one more cast." —ed.*



## AWARDS & INSTALLATION DINNER

❖ Sunday, April 15, 2012 ❖ 5:00 PM at Long Beach Casting Club ❖

Price for Dinner is \$10.00 per person

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people including myself: \_\_\_\_\_ Check enclosed for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to help out with preparation, or serving, or cleanup: \_\_\_\_\_

You must make reservations. Send this form and your payment to Bill Boehlert c/o LBCC, PO Box 90035,  
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Reservations must be received by Friday, April 13, 2012



# Join Us in Celebrating the OPENING of TROUT SEASON at The Fly Shop®

photo: Marcel Stiegle

FRIDAY APRIL 27TH 2012  
THE FLY SHOP  
10:30 AM TO 4:30 PM

## 2012 TROUT SEASON OPENING DAY PARTY & CELEBRATION

**The Fly Shop®** is excited to host our annual fun and informative event to get the opening date of trout season off on the right foot. Just outside our front door, the **Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers** will be preparing all the hamburgers and hot dogs you can eat with all the trimmings, including chili beans, cole slaw, relishes, potato chips, and your favorite soft drinks. The **Shasta Mayflies** have also graciously agreed to bake some of their finest cookies for all to enjoy.

Anywhere you plan to fish in our region – Pit River, Upper & Lower Sacramento, McCloud River, Hat Creek, or Fall River – there is always a staff member on hand intimately acquainted with the fishery and happy to share their in shop knowledge of the fishery with you.

We are very proud to announce that the extraordinary **Skip Morris**, fly tier and author of many best selling books and videos will be here to share his passion and answer any questions you might have. This is an opportunity to get up close and personal with

one of our industry's great ones! And, we have invited all of the representatives from our vendors to be on hand for product demos and to answer any questions you might have.

Come out and cast the newest rods for 2012. Be sure to enter our **casting contest**, and win a new fly rod or reel. See some of the newest materials in fly tying, and the best of what's new in fly fishing for 2012!

We are very lucky to have some of the industry's finest fly tiers working right here in our shop. There are no bigger names than **Mike Mercer, Tim Fox, Justin Miller, and Zack Thurman**. They have each enthusiastically agreed to donate their time for personal **fly tying demonstrations**.

Clearly, there will be no better place to be, to get all the food and information that is required to make your opening day excursion successful and enjoyable.



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