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NEWSLETTER OF THE LONG BEACH CASTING CLUB, ESTABLISHED 1925

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Leader's Line...

Game Changer? What Will They Think of Next...

STEVE JONES, PRESIDENT

Hello Casting Club members. I was having a hard time coming up with something interesting to write about...I came across this strange contraption, so I thought I would share it with you. I'm going to Chile for 19 days to fish in Patagonia, so my next topic will be to share my experience fishing in that area.

The other day I was surfing the Internet and I landed on Amazon. I came across this product, which seemed interesting, so I thought I would share it with the Club: **Yoctosun**. When I first looked at it, it almost looked like a small drone. This could be a **game changer!** It has glasses with magnifiers, adjusts every which way, has its own LED lights, five different magnifiers (easily swapped out) and it can be worn with or without your regular glasses—it has adjustments everywhere.

QUESTIONS:

1. Where did you get this?
2. How much does it cost?
3. How many of the lenses does it have?
4. How many LED lights does it have?
5. Is it comfortable to wear this for extended time periods?



ANSWERS:

1. Amazon (should have guessed).
2. From \$13 to \$20 on Amazon.
3. Five (some of the brands have fewer than that).
4. Two: can be off, or one or both on.
5. With all of the adjustments, the fit can be customized.

Club Trips for 2022

MARC BONVOULOIR, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

TRIP DATE	TRIP & LEADER
Feb. 4-6	Owens River Trip #2 with J. Lincoln/D. Rivett, Pre-Trip January 29, 9:00 AM CANCELLED
Mar. 4-6	Owens River Trip #3 with J. Lincoln/D. Rivett, Pre-Trip February 26, 9:00 AM
Mar. 15-18	Pyramid Lake Trip with P. Nakamura, Pre-trip March 3, 7:00 PM
April 15-17	Kelsey Bass Ranch w/M. Woodbury (Pending approval of new ranch ownership)
April 24-29	Green River Trip #1 w/ J. Lincoln, Pre-Trip April 16, 9:00 AM
May 1-6	Green River Trip #2 w/C. Kumabe, Pre-Trip April 16, 9:00 AM
May 8-13	Green River Trip #3 w/K. O'Donnell, Pre-Trip April 16, 9:00 AM
May 31-Jun 4	Fall River w/ M. Bonvouloir, Pre-Trip May 21, 9:00 AM
July 21-25	Brookie Bash with A. Palomares, Pre-Trip TBD

Trip locations, dates and pre-trips may change, so monitor Target Talk or the Web Calendar for the latest information.

Trip deposits for trips which are "double occupancy", and require deposits in advance, are non-refundable. Should you need to cancel your reservation, your deposit money will only be refunded if another Club member replaces you. If you would like to be a Streamkeeper and need help organizing a Club trip, let me know.

Please contact Marc Bonvouloir if you have any suggestions for a trip or any questions at: mrmlb21@gmail.com.



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Greetings, Earthlings! Glenn Ueda Tells Us About "Planet Carp"

BOB MAYFIELD, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Glenn is no stranger to the Long Beach Casting Club. He is best known as the **go-to source and guide for Southern California corbina**. A native of Southern California, Glenn was introduced to surf fishing as a child by his father. He learned basic fly casting and tying right here at our club when he was ten years of age.

Loving all things fishing, Glenn also enjoys sharing and teaching about his passion for our sport. He has a real affinity for sight fishing and has ventured abroad for exotic species such as Baja Mexico roosterfish, dorado and tuna, Belizean permit tarpon and bonefish, Christmas Island giant trevally, triggerfish and milkfish, Amazon peacock bass, wolf fish and arowana and Argentinian golden dorado, pacu and pira pita.

Having landed 123 species on the fly to date during his international and domestic travels, he is most proud of his **IGFA Fly Rod World Records** for California corbina on 4#, 12# and 16# tippet, all captured and released on his local beaches. Glenn figures he spends over 200 days annually on the water.

Glenn also enjoys the challenge of stalking/sighting finicky hard-fighting carp, from the Los Angeles River to massive Montana impoundments to the narrow canals of Japan. In pursuit of these Golden Bones, Glenn has developed his extremely popular **Loco Moco carp fly**. This fly has followers in every state that contains carp as well throughout Asia, Europe and Australia. Part of Glenn's presentation will be to show us how to tie the Loco Moco.

When not fishing, Glenn and his wife of 36 years, Mona, enjoy traveling to Japan to visit their son



Randy and family, spending time outdoors with their two dogs Kai and Mac and strolling the sand near their coastal home in Huntington Beach.

Meeting will be live in Clubhouse and live via Zoom.

TOPIC: Glen Ueda "Planet Carp"

TIME: Feb 24, 2022 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

TO JOIN ZOOM MEETING

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86074460094?pwd=RfkwQlJRcjFFS3E3WnBwSkV3dVc3QT09>

MEETING ID: 860 7446 0094

PASSCODE: 393253



Our Zoom Fly Tying Continues...

WAYNE SAKAGUCHI, MEMBER

Happy New Year! We are in Week Eight of fly tying. All the new tiers have been doing an excellent job of following the video instructions. Either the patterns and techniques are getting easier or the tiers are getting more proficient....I think the latter. The quality of the flies tied now are harder to critique so now it's just nit picky comments.

Again, LBCC would like Dan Oliver for doing the videos, John and Joe for their expert advice, JoAnn Bosowski for her artwork and all the volunteers who make this a success. Here are the photos:



In appreciation for the many years of support,

Bob Marriott's is pleased to give 2% of all Long Beach Casting Club member purchases back to the club. This store credit can be used by the club for raffle prizes or toward other product purchases that will help enhance and benefit club activities. When purchasing from Bob Marriott's, please be sure to mention that you are a LBCC member to help ensure that a percentage of your sale goes back to the club.



Lower Owens 2022!

COLIN KUMABE, PAST PRESIDENT

After the official cancellation of this year's first Lower Owens trip due to COVID concerns, several determined Club members still headed to Bishop. As with most fishing trips on cold winter days, fishing was great, but catching was tough.

When fishing is tough, review the basic variables affecting catch rates:

- ❖ **RIVER FLOW RATE:** rather constant at about 100 cubic feet per second, considered good flow rate for fishing the Lower Owens River (other rivers may fish "good" at different flow rates).
- ❖ **AIR TEMPERATURE:** early mornings 30 degrees and midday 48 to 55 degrees, very cold.



PROFESSIONAL FISHERMAN

- ❖ **WATER TEMPERATURE:** 40 to 44 degrees, warmer water found closer to the Pleasant Valley Dam outlet (literature indicates trout commonly will not eat much below 40 degrees).
- ❖ **CLOUD COVER:** three days clear and sunny plus one day with cloud cover (all very good for fishing).
- ❖ **FLYING INSECTS:** from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm tiny midges (size 24 and smaller), and from 10:00 until 1:00 very, very few mayflies (size 18 to 20) and **no** caddis flies observed.
- ❖ **BUGS ON ROCKS:** midges, mayflies, cased caddis and rock worms (typical of the Lower Owens).



Trout prefer not to move much when eating in very low water temperatures (around 40 degrees). This past weekend, water temperatures were 40 to 42 degrees in the river from "Turnout #3" and beyond. For that reason, nymph fishing required extra passes to put flies very close to the fish, before moving to the next hole.

A quick look at the streamside rocks and sticks revealed many, many cased caddis and rock worms... time to switch flies! Many fish were caught using a caddis worm (Green Rock Worm pattern) or cased caddis fly pattern. There weren't any adult caddis flies flying along the river, yet the fish were eating the rock worms and cased caddis fly patterns.

This trip, we learned how air temperature, water temperature, and sunlight/cloud cover change the trout activity and feeding. Once an angler gets home, preparation for the next trip starts with casting at the Club Pond.

See you at the Pond!



Save Southern California Steelhead!

REPRINTED FROM CAL TROUT WEBSITE

California Trout is leading the effort to have Southern California steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) listed as endangered under the California Endangered Species Act.

CalTrout used the best-science available to support our petition. Listing this species as endangered will be the first step that California state agencies use to inform future management decisions. It will allow agencies to prioritize funding for restoration and ensure any projects in the fish's range avoid adverse impacts to the population. Moreover, the listing provides acknowledgement of the species' fundamental importance and their dire situation. We drew upon the drive and immense work of our partners in conservation and the innate desire of this state's citizens to protect the amazing natural diversity of the landscapes we inhabit as the impetus to take this step. We need your help. The Fish and Game Commission needs to hear that allowing this species to disappear is not acceptable [Editor's Note: to sign the below petition, go to https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/save-the-southern-california-steelhead?source=direct_link&—Rob].

To: California Fish and Game Commission
From: [Your Name]

Dear President Silva and Commissioners:

As a California resident, I write in support of designating the Southern California steelhead as endangered under California's Endangered Species Act.

Southern California steelhead are an iconic native species. These fish are one of the best indicators of the greater health of the whole watershed. Southern California watersheds provide countless societal and economic benefit for our entire state, and we prosper when rivers and waterways in key locations are thriving.

However, Southern California steelhead populations are in danger of extinction within the next 25-50 years due to anthropogenic and environmental impacts threatening their recovery. Since its listing as an endangered species in 1997, Southern California steelhead abundance has continued to decline to precariously low levels. Allowing this species to disappear is not acceptable.

California Trout is recommending that Southern California steelhead be listed as endangered in all waterways within historic range below natural or man-made barriers. CalTrout chose this delineation specifically so that fishing for rainbow trout, the freshwater form of this amazing species, would still be possible above these barriers.

It's not too late to save the Southern California steelhead from becoming extinct. Please make protection of these amazing fish a conservation priority by listing them as Endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act.

Sincerely,
California Resident

LBCC Special Club Meeting - Monday, January 31, 2022 at 7:00 pm at Clubhouse

LONG BEACH CASTING CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In accordance with the Club's Bylaws, a Special Meeting will be held to vote on the revised **Bylaws, Article III: Dues and Fees**. The meeting will be held on January 31, 2022, in the Clubhouse, starting at 7:00 pm. The revised Article III was endorsed by the Board of Directors and is required to be voted on by the members present at the Special Meeting on January 31, 2022. If you have any questions and/or comments, please contact any Club Board member.

The revised Article III is shown below:

Red strikethrough indicates removed – **text removed**

Blue text indicates added text – **added text**

Green text indicates justification of proposed change – **justification of proposed change**

ARTICLE III: DUES & FEES

1. **The initiation fee of the club shall be \$10.00 and shall be forwarded to the Membership Secretary with the application, such fee to be returned if for any reason the applicant is not accepted. The Board of Directors approves fees and dues. Justification: Initiation fees being removed from the bylaws. To add a statement that the Board approves the fees and dues, no statement currently exists in these bylaws.**

2. The annual dues of active members shall be payable in advance of the first day of March of each year. The dues of any person, who joins on or after the first day of October of the prior year, shall be considered as payment in full for membership during that year and until the first day of March in the following year.

3. Active Member Family membership. One or two adults and any number of children under the age of eighteen all residing at the same address may join the Long Beach Casting Club **for an additional fee of ten dollars over the standard dues. Initiation for new family members is \$10 for the first person and \$5 for each additional person. Justification: Initiation fees being removed from the bylaws.** Each adult member will be an active or life member and have all rights and obligations as specified in Article II. All family members under 18 years of age will be junior members and have all rights and obligations as specified in Article III. One adult will be chosen to receive all club mail and be listed in the Roster. All other family members will be listed in the Roster under the chosen adult's entry. This class is not available to honorary or associate members.

4. The annual dues of associate members shall be 50% of the dues for active members payable in like manner as the dues of active members.

5. Legacy members who were previously granted Project Healing Waters memberships are not required to pay dues.

6. Honorary members are not required to pay dues.

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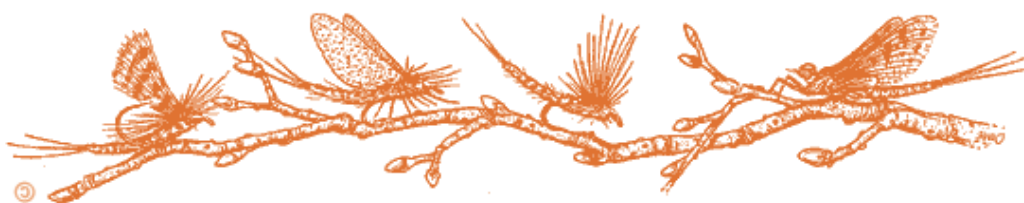
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7. Life members are not required to pay dues.

8. Dues will be billed by January 15. Any member whose dues shall remain unpaid for a period of 1 month after the due date may be suspended by a two thirds vote of the members present at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

9. Junior members, when proposed for membership by a senior member, and approved by the Board of Directors, shall be eligible for junior membership up to and including the age of 17, **and the initiation fee and year's dues shall be \$8.00. Justification: All fees and dues are being removed from the bylaws.**

10. The club's newsletter, Target Talk, which shall be published monthly if possible, but not less than ten times per year, is available on the club's web site. A hard copy can be subscribed for a fee.



CATCH AND RELEASE FISHING COMPETITION
FLY OR SPIN FOR THE WIN

Salmon/ Steelhead Harvest Report!

COLIN KUMABE, PAST PRESIDENT

Salmon and steelhead harvest reports can be done online via the [CDFW web page](#). Harvest reporting for 2021 is open from January 1 to April 1, 2022. You have to report even if you released all your fish or didn't catch any.

Coming Soon! Beginning Fly Casting

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, PAST PRESIDENT, AND BOB MIDDO, MEMBER

The Club's 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 requiring a refresher or fine-tuning in the basics. Typically, students vary widely in experience. All are welcome.

Orientation will take place in the Clubhouse on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 7:00 pm. Enrollment, rod/reel/line selection advice and practical tips will be addressed during the session. This is a short (45 minutes +/-) classroom presentation only. There is no need to bring a rod and reel to this presentation.

Actual casting on the pond will run for four consecutive weeks, beginning Tuesday, March 15, 2022 and concluding April 5, 2022. All classes are on Tuesdays and run from 7:00 pm to about 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 basic skills. We look forward to this year's clinic and hope to see you there.

Instructors: John Van Derhoof and Bob Middo

Lower Owens #2 Workshop: 1/29/2022 at 9:00 am for February 2022 Trip

SHIRLEY SAKAGUCHI, MEMBER

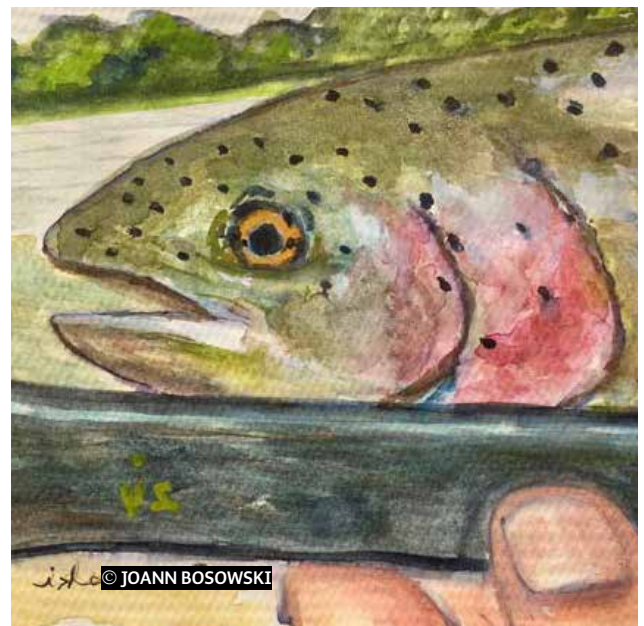
The Lower Owens Trip #2 Workshop is coming up. Here are the particulars:

- ❖ Topic: Lower Owens #2 Workshop for February 2022 Trip
- ❖ Date: Saturday January 29, 2022
- ❖ Time: 9:00 am-11:00 am
- ❖ Location: Long Beach Casting Club
- ❖ Instructors: Dan Rivett and John Lincoln

Class is open to everyone. Click [here](#) for Workshop Handout.

Dates for the February Lower Owens #2 Trip:
February: 2/4/2022 - 2/6/2022

If you are planning to join us on the Lower Owens Trip, please inform Dan Rivett or John Lincoln. This will give them an idea of the headcounts for planning meals.



LONG BEACH CASTING CLUB

Come and Fish the Bighorn River!



Come along with the club for a unique fly-fishing experience

ADDRESS: Bighorn River
Fort Smith, Montana

STREAMKEEPER: Joe Libeu
Fishlgrf@ix.netcom.com
310-749-6771

DETAILS:

Dates are September 4–9, 2022. 5 nights 4 days fishing the famous Bighorn River with Joe Libeu. Joe has been fortunate to fish this river for over 20 years and finds it to be one of the best rivers in the western U.S. The trip is limited to 12 members. The first two days will be guided float trips to different portions of the river. The next two days will be on your own wading the river. Good wading skills are required for this trip. There is an option to rent drift boats but you must have experience rowing. Guides will provide all flies while floating. Lunch provided on guided floats.

LODGING:

A large house overlooking the river will be HQ for this trip. With 5 bedrooms, 3 and a half bathrooms and two kitchens, the plan is to accommodate 12 members very comfortably.

MEALS:

The Bighorn is on an Indian reservation and there is only one restaurant at the Trout Shop, thus we will be cooking our own meals. Joe will create a dinner menu that is agreeable to all and will set up teams of two members to cook a meal for everyone. Since there will be 12 members, 5 teams of two will cook dinner for all and two members will handle dessert. Dinners are included in base price, breakfast and lunch on days we are not floating will be on your own. Spirits may be purchased in Billings or Hardin. The Crow reservation is dry.

COST AND DEPOSIT SCHEDULE:

The cost of the outing is **\$1,015** per person. 50% will be due upon signup and 50% due 45 days before the trip. As everyone is aware, the trip is based on 12 individuals. If, for some reason, you cancel you will be responsible for a replacement. Joe will help coordinate. All payments will be handled through the club. Price does not include transportation.

Calling all Streamkeepers!

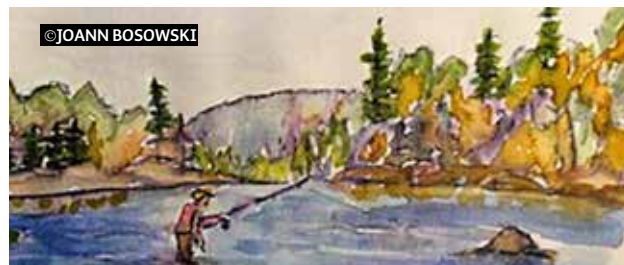
MARC BONVOULOIR, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

LBCC has a proud history of streamkeeper volunteerism—those members who take it upon themselves to organize amazing fishing trips for members of the Club. The first Club trip I attended was the Brookie Bash, organized by Club member extraordinaire Jeff Sadler. The condo was spacious and comfortable—one of two that were rented. Meeting and talking with other members was so much fun. “Where are you fishing today to get the Slam?” was a question everyone asked.

Jeff did his best to help old and new members equally, but it wasn’t until Saturday morning at Mosquito Flats that my jaw dropped. The hike to Little Lakes Valley, although popular, was stunning. Stream, lake, stream, lake and on and on rolled the trail. I had never seen anything so beautiful and it was all because of the work of a streamkeeper with the Long Beach Casting Club. Since then I have attended many trips which have elicited the same sentiment—awe.

Eastern Sierra, Pyramid Lake, Southern Utah, Green River, Lees Ferry, Northern California, Colorado, Montana and many more places in between, the Club has done an amazing job of expanding our piscatorial adventures. But guess what? We haven’t scratched the surface. There are sooooo many more places to throw a fly. This is where you come in. With over 450 Club members there are a number of you who have fished some incredible locations which the Club has not seen. I ask you to step up and help us fish new lakes, rivers and oceans. Trout fishing, bass fishing, carp fishing, salt water, fresh water, whatever!

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a curse on us all, including the Club. I hope we are in the stretch drive to eventual vaccine freedom to fish new waters in the very near future. Captain Obvious says we are not getting any younger. Isn’t it time we get out of safe zones and



experience brand new water? Call me, text me or email me and I will help you to organize a great members' trip. I have a couple of trips that need streamkeepers right now.

I would like to acknowledge and thank a number of current streamkeepers who have shared their time and knowledge with our many members. These include Dan Rivett, Mark Flo, John Lincoln, Mick Woodbury, Colin Kumabe, Art Strauss, Art Daily, Terry Komisak, Paul Nakamura, Cecil O'Dell, Jim Garvey, Paul Burgner, Kevin Green, Craig Bond, Keith O'Donnell. Apologies to anyone I missed.

Please join these important volunteers in helping us all to experience some amazing fly fishing destinations in the future. Tight lines and stay safe out there

New Club Members

MARK ANGELO,
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

The Board of Directors approved these new members at the last Board Meeting:

- ❖ Seth Allyn of Irvine, CA
- ❖ Mary Kay Holman-Romero of Tustin, CA
- ❖ Gerhard and Berenice Tratter of Desert Hot Springs, CA

Please greet and welcome all our new members at the Club's next monthly meeting. Here's wishing them a lifetime of healthy hatches and tight lines.

Members: if you see visitors at Club meetings, let's make them feel welcome and inform them of the activities we have to offer!

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CDFW Saves 2 Million Baby Chinook Salmon!

CDFW PRESS RELEASE

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) **has begun releasing juvenile fall-run Chinook salmon into the Klamath River** now that river conditions have improved with cooler temperatures and increased flows that give the young salmon their best chance at survival and reaching the Pacific Ocean.

More than 2 million baby Chinook salmon that were hatched in early 2021 at CDFW's Iron Gate Fish Hatchery in Siskiyou County were held over the summer at three different CDFW facilities, including 1 million fish trucked to the Trinity River Hatchery through Redding in triple-digit heat. All three groups of fish did exceptionally well over the summer and thrived despite challenging circumstances.

Drought conditions impacting the Klamath River – including a disease outbreak – would have killed about 90 percent of the young fish according to scientific projections, had those fish been released this past spring as is the standard practice.

CDFW so far has released into the Klamath River the 1.1 million juvenile Chinook salmon held over the summer at the Iron Gate Fish Hatchery and at a nearby satellite facility at Fall Creek. Those releases provide room and sufficient water quality for the 1 million fish relocated to the Trinity River Hatchery to return to Iron Gate. This group has spent several weeks at Iron Gate to reacclimate to the Klamath River and will be released later this month.

“Dozens of CDFW staff worked diligently over several months at the three locations in a united effort to save these fish that would have otherwise perished,” said Dr. Mark Clifford, hatchery senior environmental scientist for CDFW's Northern Region. “Over 2 million healthy Chinook salmon are on their

way to the Pacific Ocean that will ultimately benefit commercial, tribal and recreational fisheries and will retain the intrinsic value of these fish and their genetics for the Klamath River population.”

Four Klamath River dams are slated for removal in coming years, the largest dam removal undertaking in U.S. history. The removal is expected to restore fish access to historic salmon habitat in several rivers and tributaries connected to the upper Klamath River above the dams. The juvenile fish being released this year could be the first salmon to return to a new Klamath River after their life in the ocean and find miles of additional spawning habitat and contribute to future generations of wild fish.

CDFW thanks its partners for their time and expertise in working through this difficult and unprecedented situation. These partners include the Karuk Tribe, the Yurok Tribe, the Hoopa Valley Tribe, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Klamath Tribes, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and NOAA Fisheries.

Potter Valley Update

CAL TROUT PRESS RELEASE

In response to **a recent decision from federal regulators**, California Trout sees a clear path towards the removal of Scott Dam and the historic restoration of the upper Eel River watershed in Northern California. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) rejected a recent request from the Two-Basin Partnership asking for additional time to complete critical studies and determine the appropriate strategy in developing a system for ongoing water transfers and fisheries restoration on the Eel and Russian Rivers. CalTrout will now shift its focus to working with PG&E and stakeholders to negotiate the company's plans to remove Scott Dam, effectively opening up the 288 linear river miles of spawning and rearing habitat for salmon and steelhead that's located up-river of the facilities.

Long Beach Casting Club

Pyramid Lake Ladder Fishing Trip

w/Rob Anderson & Pyramid Lake Fly Fishing Guide Service
March 16–18, 2022



A Chance to Catch the Trout of Your Life!!!

DATES – Fishing three full days - Wednesday, March 16 through Friday, March 18. Arrive Tuesday, March 15 and depart Saturday, March 19.

GUIDE ASSISTANCE – Provided by Rob Anderson and two guides from Pyramid Lake Fly Fishing Guide Service (PLFFGS). Website: www.pyramidlakeflyfishing.com. Phone: **775-742-1754**

COST – **\$480.00** based on 10 participants with 3 guides, but may be higher or lower if we do not get 10 commitments (12 maximum). This includes light breakfast, hot lunch, drinks on fishing days and guide assistance.

LODGING PLANS – Hotel in Sparks, NV, the [Western Village Inn & Casino](#). Cost is TBD, working to secure a block of rooms and secure best price. An option is to stay at [Pyramid Lodge in Sutcliffe, NV](#). Info forthcoming, but you will make your own reservations.

WHAT YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR – Your transportation, hotel, meals (other than breakfast and lunch on fishing days at the lake), guide tips, fishing permit (from Paiute Indian Tribe).

FISHING GEAR – Rods/reels: 9' 8- or 9-wt. or 11' switch rod, with floating line for indicator fishing or fast sinking or shooting head line for stripping. Tackle: flies, adjustable indicators, 10-15-lb. leader/tippet. PLFFGS will provide the ladders and flies.

MORE INFO:

- Deposit of **\$240.00** due ASAP after signing up.
- **Final payment of \$240.00** due no later than January 15, 2022. Make checks payable to the 'Long Beach Casting Club', and send to LBCC, PO Box 90035, Long Beach CA 90809.
- Contact Paul Nakamura for details and to get on the Trip List at pnaka1946@gmail.com or **310-487-3367**.
- A Zoom meeting will be planned with Rob to get you acquainted with fly fishing at Pyramid Lake. Tentative date will be in November after we get a Club distribution developed.
- A Pre-Trip Meeting will be scheduled prior to the trip and more details will be sent to members who have signed up.

Sad News Regarding Ed Foster

SHIRLEY SAKAGUCHI, MEMBER

Sad to report that member Ed Foster has passed away on January 4, 2022 at the age of 82.

Ed was a member of the Long Beach Casting Club since 2010. He was always willing to help out at the Clubhouse and especially with the casting clinics. We will all miss him.

Here is his obituary and information regarding memorial services:

<https://www.shannonfamilymortuary.com/obituary/Edward-Foster>

ROSARY/VIGIL

Wednesday

January 19, 2022

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

St Columban Catholic Church

10801 Stanford Ave

Garden Grove, California 92840

FUNERAL MASS

Thursday

January 20, 2022

10:00 AM

St Columban Catholic Church

10801 Stanford Ave

Garden Grove, California 92840

GRAVESIDE SERVICE

Thursday

January 20, 2022

1:00 PM

Good Shepherd Cemetery

8301 Talbert Ave

Huntington Beach, California 92646



Long Beach Casting Club Wants You!

MICK WOODBURY, PAST PRESIDENT

Wanted: vigilant and enthusiastic Club members to serve on the Board or otherwise get involved.

The Nominating Committee is on the lookout for a few competent men or women who would like to lend their talents and abilities to serve the Club in the coming year. This is a great chance to learn how the Club operates, while teaming with other service-minded leaders to help us reach our goals. If a Board position seems a little too much for a first step, there are also committees that can use your skills.

If you're looking for a way to get involved, this is a good opportunity. Or perhaps you can suggest someone who is capable? Please contact anyone on the Nominating Committee. We're in the Long Beach Casting Club Roster.

- ❖ Paul Burgner
- ❖ Rick Hilles
- ❖ Terry Komisak
- ❖ Joe Libeu
- ❖ Mick Woodbury



It's Winter!

IN THE EASTERN SIERRA...

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FALL

2022

POSTPONED
UNTIL MAY 21
SATURDAY
JANUARY 22, 2022
9:00AM - 5:00PM
LONG BEACH, CA

Recordings of LBCC Monthly Speakers

ROB PETERSON, TARGET TALK EDITOR

This year, the Club began recording our monthly meeting presentations. Here is the information for the presentations we recorded this year; to access them, click on the below links, and copy and paste the password information at the prompt:

JANUARY: John McMillan, the Science Director for [Trout Unlimited's Wild Steelhead Initiative](#). The topic was "How Diversity is Key to Steelhead Resurgence". Length of presentation 36 minutes.

[John McMillan Presentation January 28, 2021](#)
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FEBRUARY: Brandon Worthington of [Worthington Flyfishing](#), Ashland Oregon. The topic was "A Guides Perspective on the Upper Klamath Dam Removal Project". Length of presentation 53 minutes.

[Brandon Worthington Presentation Feb. 25, 2021](#)
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MARCH: James Monteith, Founding Chairman of [Eastern Oregon Legacy Lands](#). The topic of the presentation was "Reintroducing Sockeye Salmon to the Wallowa River". Presentation was 90 minutes.

[James Monteith Presentation March 25, 2021](#)
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APRIL: no monthly meeting (replaced by General Annual Meeting).

MAY: Doug Rodricks, owner of [Sierra Drifters Guide Service](#) in Mammoth Lakes, California. The topic was "Fishing the Sierra". Length of presentation 60 minutes.

[Doug Rodricks Presentation May 27, 2021](#)
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JUNE: Chris King, [The Fly Shop](#). The topic was "Fishing Opportunities in and around Redding CA". Length of presentation 59 minutes.

[Chris King Presentation June 24, 2021](#)
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JULY: [Dave and Emily Whitlock](#). The topic was: "[An Expert's Strategy for Fishing Wet Flies at all Depths](#)". The length of Dave and Emily's presentation was 109 minutes.

[Whitlock Presentation, July 29, 2021](#)
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AUGUST: the August presentation, Paul Newman on fishing the North Platte River in Wyoming, was not recorded.

SEPTEMBER: Todd Pond. The topic was "Fishing the East Walker". The length of Todd's presentation was 62 minutes.

[Todd Pond Presentation September 30th, 2021](#)
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OCTOBER: John Van Derhoof of LBCC. The topic was "Managing the Stacked Hackle". Length of presentation 62 minutes.

[John Van Derhoof Presentation October 28th, 2021](#)
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NOVEMBER: Jennifer LaFollette, [Reelflygal007@gmail.com](#). The topic was: "History of Hardy Reels": Length of presentation 76 minutes.

[Jennifer La Follette Presentation, November 18th, 2021](#)
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DECEMBER: no monthly meeting (replaced by Venison Stag).

Thanks to Bob Mayfield, our First Vice President, for recording these presentations. Check them out!

Fly of the Month: Halo & How to Use it!

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, PAST PRESIDENT

Here is a pattern that I wish I could lay claim to, but I can't. It was described to me 30 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. Nonetheless this pattern, a Pheasant Tail variation, has replaced all of my "go to" nymphs for most fishing applications.

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 a 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. Another combination is the Halo on the bottom with an 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 that the distance between the flies may need to be increased according to the depth of the water. As a dropper in a "Dry-Dropper" rig is also a great choice.

The Halo is a variation of the Pheasant Tail nymph. No more; no less. The pale yellow/cream/primrose thread that I use is to counter the effect of the dark hook changing and/or darkening the color of the Krystal Flash underbody. That being said, the name "Halo" could also apply to a type of fly or flies that use the same technique to create the body, and is not restricted to pheasant tail as the over-body. The over-body could, just as easily, be thread or dubbing, and I regularly tie a "halo" version of a WD-40, using light olive UV Ice Dubbing.

The idea of adding the flash underneath the traditional Pheasant Tail body is to add a sparkle to it—to make it look alive. The pheasant tail body material is wrapped flat, with a space between the fibers, to allow that flash to peak through. The same effect cannot be achieved by just wrapping a Krystal Flash rib; it's not even close.

Adding the flash in the thorax does the same thing, and makes the fly look like it is in that stage of a mayfly's life when the thorax is beginning to split to allow the new form of the insect to emerge. Now on to the fly...

MATERIALS FOR TYING THE HALO:

- HOOK:** Any standard nymph hook size #12–20.
- THREAD:** I use Veevus 12/0 Pale Yellow (often called Primrose or Light Cahill).
- TAIL & BODY:** Pheasant tail (can change colors, like dyed olive or black).
- UNDERBODY:** Pearl Krystal Flash (use fl. Green with olive and orange with black).
- THORAX:** Peacock herl (I also use Peacock or Black Peacock Ice Dubbing or even beads).
- WING CASE:** Pheasant tail (or, try Krystal Flash or pearl mylar tinsel for a flashback, then add UV glue to make it look like a split back).



INSTRUCTIONS FOR TYING THE HALO:

1. Place a hook in your vise and attach your thread. Wind back to the bend of the hook and tie in 3 or 4 pheasant tail fibers (the larger the fly, the more fibers). Do not cut off the butt ends but fold them back to be used in Step 3 for the body. Wind your thread forward smoothly to the starting point of the thorax (about one-half the length of the shank). Tie in 2 strands of Pearl Krystal Flash.
2. Wind the Krystal Flash smoothly and evenly towards the tail and then back to near the start of the thorax. By winding down and back you will achieve a smooth underbody, with a consistent thickness and degree of flash.
3. Gently hold the butt end strands of pheasant tail. Make sure they're flat like a ribbon and not twisted in your fingers. Wind them forward keeping them flat and allow hints of the Krystal Flash to peek through. This is the toughest part of the fly so take your time and be patient. Leave the butts as you'll use these for the wing case, after adding more strands in Step 4.
4. Select about 8 to 10 strands of Krystal Flash and tie them onto the shank of the hook in the thorax area. Tie them in horizontally just like you would tie in the wing on a spinner-winged mayfly. Leave them so that they are about $\frac{1}{4}$ " long on each side of the hook. You will shorten them in Step 5. Add a half-dozen or so strands of pheasant tail, to fill out the size and thickness of the wing case. Now, tie in a strand of peacock herl and wind forward creating the thorax. Be sure to make one full wrap diagonally (back to front to back) over the Krystal Flash "wings". If you don't, you'll have a hole with no peacock herl on the underside of your thorax.
5. Almost done. Pull the butt ends of the pheasant tail forward, forming a wing case, then tie them off. Whip finish the fly and remove the thread. If you wish, you can color the pale yellow thread head with a marking pen like a Sharpie. Finally, trim the Krystal Flash "wings" so they barely protrude out beyond the thorax. The fly is now complete.

...see page 20 for rigging instructions!

Fly Tying Tip: Pinching Your Barbs

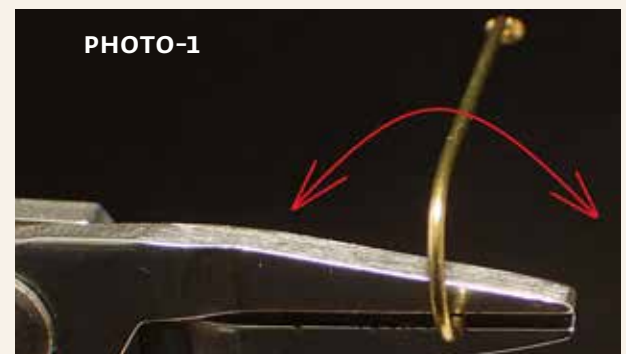
DAVE BOYER, MEMBER

Fishing barbless is the best way to practice "catch and release", especially with trout or less hardy fish. In many places you are required by the local authorities to use barbless hooks. More manufacturers are producing barbless, but if you have a huge stash of barbed hooks, or you have hooks that aren't produced in barbless, or you buy flies with barbs, you'll need to bend them down.

You'll have to be careful how, and when, you do it. If the fly is complete and you bend the barb, you may accidentally break off the hook point, rendering your fly useless (except for practice at the Pond). There are high-strength steels used in hooks, but they are more brittle than the older bronze or steel hooks.

You have to bend carefully, and generally do it before you tie all your materials on. Using a set of pliers, a hemostat or the jaws of your vise will work, but just clamping straight down may not be good enough.

We've all had the game warden put a hook into his shirt to see if the barb is really bent, and at times, to our dismay, it may not be. I have found that if you rotate the point of the hook in your clamping device (**PHOTO-1**), the barb lays down better, as you're also pushing the sides of the barb onto the curved portion of the hook shaft at the tip.

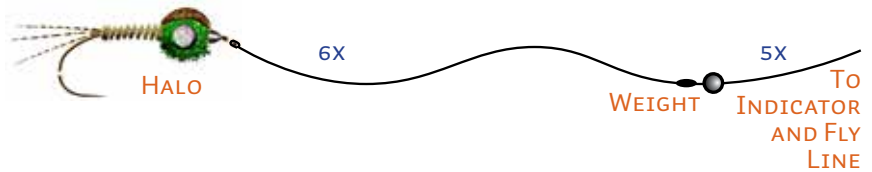


The Halo System... HOW TO FISH THE HALO!

SINGLE FLY:

Attach the Halo (#16–#22) to the terminus of a 14' to 19' leader. Fished like a dry, I start with a 9' or 12' mono leader that tapers to 3x or 4x and then I add the tippet. The tippet should be 2' of 6x flouro and 4' to 5' of a 5x flouro transition. Where the 5x is attached to the 6x, add a #8 or #10 split shot.

The Halo is un-weighted and free to move while the weight pulls it below the surface.

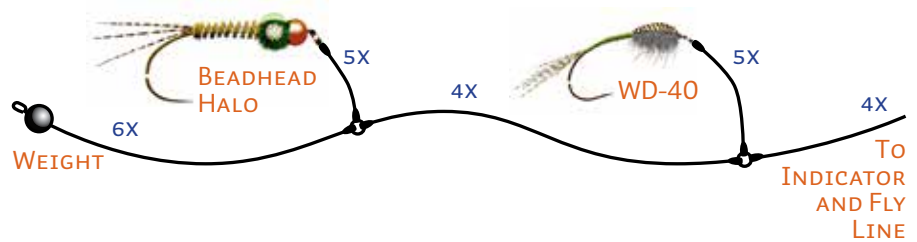


2-FLY NYMPH - NORMAL WATER:

Top Fly - Light Beadhead or un-weighted Halo or WD-40

Bottom Fly - Beadhead Halo (normal or Tungsten)

Notes: If you use a weight on top rig invert the flies—the heaviest or "deepest" will always be the closest to the weight. If you want the rig to run horizontally through suspended fish, add a small weight 12" above the top fly.

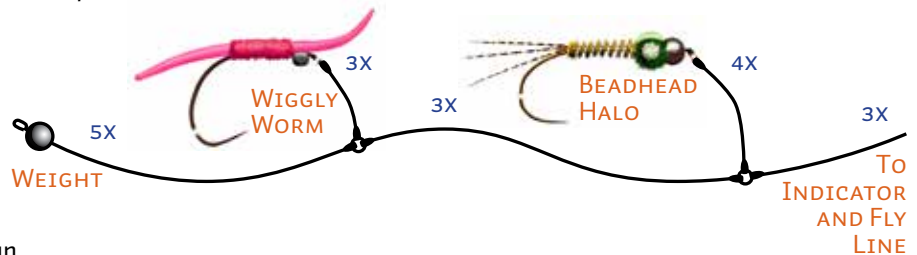


2-FLY NYMPH - HIGH WATER:

Top Fly - Beadhead or un-weighted Halo or WD-40

Bottom Fly - Beadhead Halo (Tungsten) or Worm pattern

Notes: If you use a weight on top rig invert the flies—the heaviest or "deepest" will always be the closest to the weight.



NYMPH & DRY/DROPPER RIG:

Dropper - Parachute or Hair-Winged Dun

Point Fly - Beadhead Halo (normal or Tungsten)

Notes: I often add a tippet ring between the Point Fly and the Dropper as this allows me to quickly change my options or add another fly.



SWINGING SETS:

- #1 Two Flies: Point - Halo Soft Hackle; Upper - Halo Wet Fly
- #2 Two Flies: Point - Halo Nymph (Beadhead); Upper - Halo Soft Hackle
- #3 "THE TRIFECTA": Point - Halo Nymph (Beadhead); Middle - Halo Soft Hackle; Upper - Halo Wet Fly



It's Not too Early to Pay Your Dues!

MARK ANGELO, MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Dear Long Beach Casting Club Members,

It's that time of the year again for Membership Renewal. The Club looks forward to your membership renewal and appreciates your support. If circumstances have changed and you no longer wish to be a member, please let me know. Those of you who had already renewed, thank you in advance, and if you who are not sure of your status please email me.

Please mail your renewal form (https://longbeachcastingclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/LBCC_Membership_Application_Rev_Nov_2016_Fillable.pdf) and check to the Club address:

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or pay by Paypal/credit card at:

<https://longbeachcastingclub.org/membership/>

Please take action by March 31, 2022. If not, you will be removed from our Roster and not be able to vote at our Annual General Meeting in April. Again, thank you for your past support. Don't hesitate to reach out to me with questions about renewal: angelo.mark64@gmail.com.



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SIERRA PACIFIC FISHING ADVENTURES *for 2022*

SPFA Hosted-Trip Calendar 2022

DATE	DURATION	DESTINATION	LODGE	TARGET SPECIES / HATCH	COST	SPOTS REMAINING
4/8-14	6 nights/5 days of fishing	Missoula, MT: Clark Fork, Bitterroot, Blackfoot Rivers	Dry Fly Apt	Trout/Skwaha Hatch	\$2,324 (breakfast & dinner not included)	6
5/18-23	5 nights/4 days of fishing	Craig, MT: Missouri River	Hidden Canyon Lodge	Trout	\$2,960	3
6/14-23	7 nights/6 days of Fishing	Japan	Hokkaido and Tohoku	Trout, White Spotted Chars	\$5,100 /angler \$5,000/nonangler	0
7/6-13	7 nights/6 days of fishing	Belize	El Pescador	Bonefish, Permit, Tarpon	\$4,150	1
8/14-20	6 nights/5 days of fishing	Bighorn River	Kingfisher Lodge	Trout/PMD, Caddis, Yellow Sally, Tricos	\$2,980	1
8/21-27	6 nights/5 days of fishing	Bighorn River	Kingfisher Lodge	Trout/PMD, Caddis, Yellow Sally, Tricos	\$2,980	0

SPFA On The River Clinic Schedule 2022

DATES	DESCRIPTION	TUITION	MAX
2/26-27	Two-day Beginning/intermediate on the stream clinic to gain practical experience on knots, insects, reading the water as well as dry-fly, nymphing and other techniques	\$350	6 students
3/5-6	Two-day Beginning/intermediate on the stream clinic to gain practical experience on knots, insects, reading the water as well as dry-fly, nymphing and other techniques	\$350	6 students

Please inquire about any of the trips listed above to:

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Calendar of Events

February

1	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying Zoom Presentation
2	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
4-6	Weekend		Lower Owens #2 with John Lincoln & Dan Rivett Cancelled
6	Sunday	9:00 AM	Club Cast
7	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
8	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying Zoom Presentation
9	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
15	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying Zoom Presentation
16	Wednesday	12:00 PM	Nooner Lunch
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
19-20	Weekend		Southwestern Casting Tournament
22	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying Zoom Presentation
23	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
24	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Glenn Ueda
26	Saturday	9:00 AM	Lower Owens #3 Pre-Trip w/ Dan Rivett, John Lincoln
27	Sunday	9:00 AM	Club Cast

March

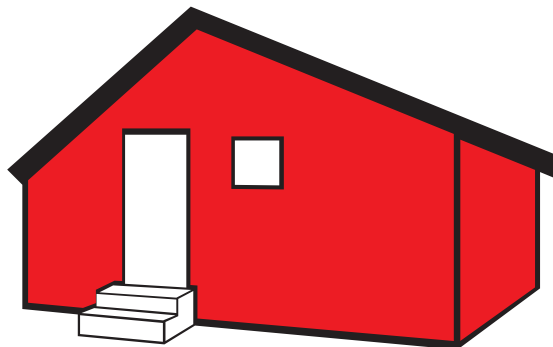
1	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Tying Zoom Presentation
2	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
3	Thursday	7:00 PM	Pyramid Lake Pre-Trip w/ Paul Nakamura
4-6	Weekend		Lower Owens #3 with John Lincoln & Dan Rivett
6	Sunday	9:00 AM	Club Cast
7	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
8	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Casting Orientation
9	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
15	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Casting
15-18	Week		Pyramid Lake Trip with Paul Nakamura
16	Wednesday	12:00 PM	Nooner Lunch
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
20	Sunday	9:00 AM	Club Cast
			Directors' Handicap
22	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Casting
23	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
24	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Ernie Gulley
29	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Casting
30	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum

April

4	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
5	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Casting
6	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
7	Thursday	7:00 PM	Annual General Meeting
13	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
15-17	Weekend		Kelsey Bass Ranch with Mick Woodbury
16	Saturday	9:00 AM	Pre-Trip: Green River Trip
		7:00 PM	Awards & Installation Dinner
20	Wednesday	12:00 PM	Nooner Lunch
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
24-29	Week		Green River #1 with John Lincoln
27	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum



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