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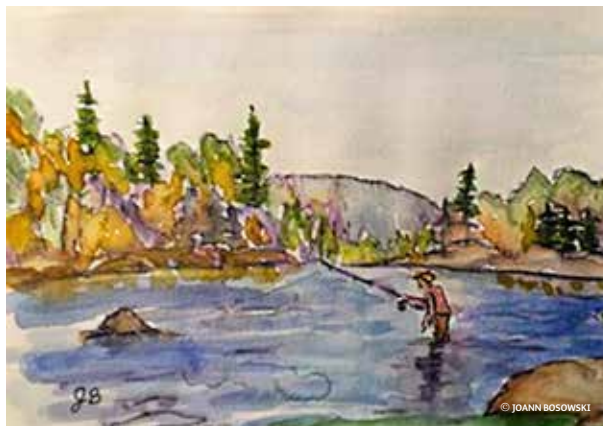
Leader's Line...

Just How do you Get Involved?

BOB MAYFIELD, PRESIDENT

On April 6, the Long Beach Casting Club elected a new Board of Directors for 2023-2024. Each year the President forms a committee to secure names for the Board for the upcoming year. Every year we have one or more positions to fill, and we're always looking for Club members who are willing to step up and serve. Congratulations to new Board members Tony Daus, who will be running our monthly Club meetings in the position of First Vice President, and Shawn Fife, who will serve as Membership Secretary. I would also like to thank all the returning Board members who have committed to serving another year. This is no small commitment, and their service is appreciated.

The Board of Directors operates under our Constitution and Bylaws and is the governing body for the Club. Currently we have eleven members on the Board of Directors, with all past presidents being on the Advisory Committee. The LBCC Board strives to be open to suggestions and input from all members.



Along with the Board we have over thirty committees in the Club. These committees range from Technology to Youth Involvement. In the coming months, I'll highlight these committees and their members so you have a better idea of the scope of work the Club is involved in. I hope that by doing this you'll see a place where you might be able to get involved.

All the Board Members' names, phone numbers and roles are printed in the Roster each year, as well as in Target Talk every month. If you have a question or an idea for how to make the Club better, please reach out to any of us. All members are also welcome to attend and comment at our Board meetings, which are announced in advance each month.

Finally, in closing, I would like to say "Thank you!" for the privilege of serving as President of the Long Beach Casting Club. Being President has allowed me to see firsthand all the hard work and commitment we receive from our members. It takes this kind of dedication from the membership to keep the Club healthy and growing.

Club Trips for 2023

STEVE TIMM, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

TRIP DATE	TRIP & LEADER
April 30–May 5	Green River w/John Lincoln Pre-Trip April 22, 9:00 am
May 7–12	Green River w/Colin Kumabe Pre-Trip April 22, 9:00 am
May 14–19	Green River w/Keith O'Donnell Pre-Trip April 22, 9:00 am
May 30–June 3	Fall River w/Marc Bonvouloir Pre-Trip May 20, 9:00 am
July 14–16	Brookie Bash w/Nobuo Masuya Pre-Trip July 8, 9:00 am
July 14	Tenkara event at Brookie Bash w/ Cecil O'Dell
July 15	Brookie Bash Day
Aug 17–21	Big McGee Lake w/Jim Garvey Pre-Trip Aug 2, 7:00 pm
Sept 2	Yards and Inches w/Mick Woodbury Pre-Trip Aug 26, 9:00 am
Sept 21–24	Twenty Lakes Basin w/Jim Garvey Pre-Trip Sept 13, 7:00 pm
Oct 4–8	Crowley Lake w/Steve Timm Pre-Trip Sept 30, 9:00 am

Trip locations, dates and pre-trips change, so monitor Target Talk or the Club's Web Calendar for the latest information. Deposits for trips which are "double occupancy", and require deposits in advance, are non-refundable. Should you cancel, your deposit will only be refunded if a Club member replaces you.

If you'd like to be a Streamkeeper and need help organizing a Club trip, email me and let me know. Feel free to contact Steve Timm if you have suggestions for a trip or any questions at: srtimm@hotmail.com.



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May Meeting: Rob and Ryan Buhler

**Kern River Fly Shop Guides present
"Seasons of the Kern"**

MARC BONVOULOIR, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Rob and Ryan have been fly fishing the Sierras for around 25 years now, and they have a special love for the Kern and its amazing Kern River rainbow. They also have a passion for Southern California saltwater fishing.



THIS GUY IS RYAN BUHLER...

Rob and Ryan guide for the Kern River Fly Shop and teach at the Guy Jeans School of Fly Fishing. Being on the river for countless days a year guiding and fishing, they have a wealth of knowledge that few possess. They are also professional fly tiers, with many patterns created for the Kern river.



...AND THAT WOULD MAKE THIS GUY ROB

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Join us Thursday, May 25, at 7:00 pm, at the Clubhouse or by Zoom.

JOIN ZOOM MEETING

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86136715649?pwd=RKhSbGVld0lFeDA1Tzd2di9DZDFZQT09>

MEETING ID: 861 3671 5649

PASSCODE: 664894

Long Beach Casting Club New Members

**MARK ANGELO,
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY**

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

- ❖ Michael Clinton of Westminster, CA
- ❖ Michael Dolan of Laguna Woods, CA
- ❖ Joe Titterud of Tustin, CA
- ❖ Stephen Fiduk of Fountain Valley, 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!

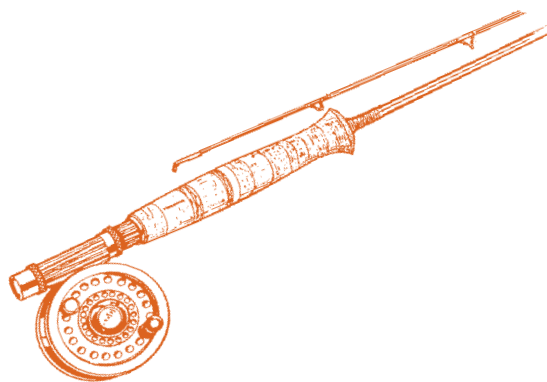
Rod Building Coming!

Rod Building Class Starts Monday, May 9, 2023, at 7:00 pm

EDDIE MADRID, ROD BUILDING CHAIR

Learn the steps needed to build your own fly rod. This class covers the basics of component selection and techniques needed to make your own rod. While instruction focuses on fly rods, the techniques covered are applicable to regular fresh and saltwater rods too.

In addition to instruction, class participants have access to specialized building tools to help you build that special heirloom flyrod. No tools will be needed for the orientation class.



There will be a small fee for the Rod Building Manual. Class is free and open to all. This class begins May 9, 2023 and runs for a total of six sessions over a seven-week period (ends on June 20, 2023).

For questions, contact **Eddie Madrid** (562-537-9618 or netboy3@verizon.net)

15% Discount from Aventik

PAUL BURGNER, MEMBER

Chao Hang of Aventik is offering LBCC members a **15% discount** on the below products. Go to the club page and click on "Sponsors", then "Aventik". The Aventik (Amazon) page will come up. Type the ASIN # in the search area (example: ASIN B079NBK9L4). The product will come up.
Or: just click on the item description below.

Use code **7GL9S4VK** for the discount. The list and code change monthly, so keep watching here.

ITEMS FOR THIS MONTH:

- ❖ [Tungsten Beads 12pc ASIN: B0B93HT551](#)
- ❖ [Squirmy Wormies ASIN: B087CGFM14](#)
- ❖ [Kayak fishing net ASIN: B083NSL2B3](#)
- ❖ [Aventik Fly Tippet ASIN: B0B49ZWV4V](#)
- ❖ [Silicone Bead Pad ASIN: B0863DMT6S](#)

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.



Fly Tying Forum: May

MATT MURDOUGH, NEWBIE

The LBCC Fly Tying Forum has six tying sessions in store for the month of May. Joe Libeu will provide a special treat: a Saturday session on May 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. In this extended class, he will cover a variety of specialized techniques for tying with Cul de Canard (CDC), translated literally as “butt of the duck”.

These feathers, taken from the rump area of the duck near the preening gland, have unique flotation and bubble-trapping properties. Joe will show how CDC is used in a variety of patterns including midges, emergers, and caddisflies. He will also demonstrate how to use the Petitjean tools designed specifically for working the CDC.



Dan Oliver returns with two more classes on Euro-style flies and fishing techniques. His first session will cover a soft-hackle nymph, using multi-colored CDC in a dubbing loop. His second class will present Lance Egan's Front-End Loader Caddis, a dry fly that doubles as a strike indicator for a moderately weighted nymph.



Jun Watanabe continues the soft-hackle theme, demonstrating a selection of soft-hackle trout flies for the Owens River. Then John Barnett will present an attractor-style mayfly nymph, the Bloody Mary. The Bloody Mary combines a floss body, peacock herl, and soft hackle to create a beautiful and effective pattern.



Jeff Gross wraps up the month with a set of embroidery-thread Tenkara patterns. Originated in Japan, Tenkara uses a long rod with the line attached directly to the rod tip. Tenkara flies were developed to match this “reel-less” method of traditional Japanese fishing.

Anyone who would like to join our regular sessions at 7:00 pm every Wednesday, please email Shirley Sakaguchi (sakagusc@gmail.com) to get added to the Forum email list. We will send out pattern sheets for all the flies covered in the coming month.

Anyone interested in leading a tying session should reach out to Matt Murdough (mmroaringbrook@gmail.com) to get onto the schedule. If you have a pattern or genre of fly you'd like to learn how to tie, please let us know; we likely have someone in the Club who can demonstrate it for us. Looking forward to seeing some new faces at the Forum!

DATE	GENRE: PATTERN	INSTRUCTOR
5/03/23	Euro-Nymphing III: Soft Hackles	Dan Oliver
5/10/23	Soft Hackle Patterns for Trout	Jun Watanabe
5/17/23	Euro-Nymphing IV: Euro-Style Dry Flies	Dan Oliver
5/20/23	SATURDAY: Cul du Canard (CDC) Techniques	Joe Libeu
5/24/23	Mayfly Nymphs: Bloody Mary	John Barnett
5/31/23	Tenkara Flies: Embroidery Thread Patterns	Jeff Gross



2023 FLYBUY

May 06 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**West Coast's Largest Garage Sale
Casting Lessons and Demonstrations**

20+ Fly Tying Experts

Long Beach Casting Club

Recreation Park, Long Beach

Admission - \$25.00 and includes lunch and soft drinks

Kids under 16, Veterans and Casting For Recovery Participants get in free!

**Donate new or lightly used fly fishing related items with retail 40.00 or more
and get in FREE!**

Raffles and silent auctions

**Private casting lessons (\$1.00/minute with
20 minute minimum) with money back GUARANTEE.**

Learn something new or pay nothing!!

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and much more!**

Women's Program Update

KATHY KIM, MEMBER

Although the Lower Owens outing had to be cancelled due to high water, the Women's Program has been hosting programs to keep women engaged. There are ongoing programs as well as special projects coming up:

FIRST SUNDAY CASTING CLINIC

Kathy Kim has been hosting a casting clinic for the Women's Program the first Sunday of the month, from 10:00 am until noon at LBCC. The clinic is open to beginning as well as intermediate fly casters on an "on-demand" basis, which means the instructors only work with you if you ask for coaching. Starting in May, Kathy plans to incorporate the "FFI Skills Challenge Program" during the First Sunday Casting Clinic, beginning with the Bronze Skills Challenge.

LOCAL SMALL LAKE/POND FISHING

The Women's Program is planning a half-day outing to a local lake or a pond for the ladies who took the On the River Clinic classroom session on February 11. Date, time and location will be announced shortly.

FLY FISHING OUTING: AUGUST 25-28

This trip is limited to 10 participants, with priority given to ladies who participated in the On the River Clinic classroom session. This is an opportunity to apply skills learned during the classroom session, as well as acquiring on-the-water practical skills. Please inquire with Kathy about details.

In addition, Tina Montemer and Anissa Iseda volunteered at the Bart Hall Show on April 2, promoting the Women's Program. Kathy Kim also volunteered as a casting instructor at the show. Please inquire with Anissa Iseda, LBCC Women's Program Liaison, or Tina Montemer, Social Media Coordinator, if you are interested in joining the Women's Program.

Women's Fly Fishing Group of FFCOC & LBCC



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FIRST SUNDAY CASTING CLINIC AT THE POND



TINA (LEFT) AND ANISSA: BART HALL SHOW

Fall River, June 2023

MARC BONVOULOIR, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

For the third year, LBCC will be fishing the largest spring creek west of the Rockies—Fall River. More like a river than a creek, this spectacular water is located an hour northeast of Redding in the shadow of beautiful Mount Shasta. The Fall River is a 21-mile-long tributary to the Pit River. It is a designated Heritage and Wild Trout Stream. The cool clear waters of this world-class spring creek are fished from boats casting 30-40 feet downstream with big dries or nymph rigs tempting large rainbows along the bottom.

WHEN: May 30–June 3 Arrive Tuesday depart Saturday. 4 nights



WHERE: Circle 7 Ranch. Visit <https://www.theflyshop.com/adventures/circle7.html> to see this incredible location on the river. There are five homes on the ranch. We will have the entire White House, set up for eight members. A virtual tour online of White House is a must, to note the beauty of this home.

WHAT: With four bedrooms and 2.5 baths, the White House has ample room for eight members to spread out and fish as much as we want. Amenities include Satellite TV, Wi-fi, central air and a sundeck with a barbecue. Rental boats are available each day. We will be guided the first day (Wednesday) on the nuances of fishing from boats on a spring creek. The Fly Shop in Redding will supply four guides. Early June has major hatches of mayflies and, if we're lucky, the largest mayfly hatch, the Hexagenia, will have us casting



Size-8 dries to ravenous fish!

PACKAGE: \$848.18 per member includes four nights accommodations, shared guide for full day on Wednesday, shared rental boat for two days Thursday and Friday. \$484.93 is due on March 15, payable to The Fly Shop in Redding. \$263.25 is due April 20, payable to The Fly Shop, and the last \$100 is due to me by May 15 for a rental boat for two days.

DINNERS: Each member will have a partner to fish with as well as to cook for the group of eight. At the pre-trip meeting, we will determine the meal each twosome will cook on each night. Groceries may be bought at Safeway in the town of Burney, about 20 miles before getting to the ranch. Lunch on Wednesday will be provided by the guide. Breakfast and lunch are on your own.

NOTES: Drive time from Los Angeles is 9.5 hours. Other locations to fish include Hat Creek, Pit River, Baum Lake and McCloud River.

[Editor's Note: the picture of the anglers with Shasta in the background is by Val Atkinson. Val is the photographer for the Golden Gate Angling & Casting Club. Just click on the picture to go to his website, and go to "Order Prints" for, in Val's words, a "memory to last a lifetime"—Rob]

The Fly Shop

2023 Long Beach Casting Club Pyramid Lake Trip

PAUL NAKAMURA, MEMBER

Most of our group of 10 anglers arrived in Sparks, Nevada on Tuesday, March 14, with plans to fish the next three days. The weather was forecast to be cold with some wind, and the forecast turned out to be exactly right.

We fished all three days in various locations in **Windless Bay**, which is on the west side of the lake, a few miles north of Sutcliffe, the only town on the lake. Our ladders and chair ladders had been placed by the guides when we arrived at 6:00 each morning.

Unfortunately, I must say that fishing was definitely slow for all three days. I don't have the exact count on the fish, but it was disappointing—nothing like it usually is at Pyramid. I think the main reason is that the water temperature was eight degrees colder than usual at this time of the year, affecting the spawn which usually starts in March.

Most of the fish we caught were from the **Lahontan Summit Peak strain**: a smaller variety of cutthroat, but colorful and beautiful. We did manage some nice Lahontan Pilot Peak strain, which usually are the predominant fish caught in March. The photos will at least attest to some nice fish that were caught.

Richard Kobayashi was the hot stick. Most of Richard's fish were caught by stripping black streamers; he also caught some nice fish on white and chartreuse **Popcorn Beetles**.

The whole lake seemed to be slower than usual, even for the boaters. Our trip was preceded by a group of guys from the **Fly Fishers Club of Orange County** and their trip was preceded by the **Sespe Fly Fishers Club** from Ventura. These clubs didn't do much better than we did.

Enjoy some pictures of the nice fish that Pyramid Lake can offer up. Hopefully next year these fish will be more cooperative.





Fisheries Resource Volunteer Corps

Fisheries Resource Volunteer Corps has been a Forest Service Volunteer Partner for the past 28 years in the San Bernardino and Angeles National Forests. Each year we assist both the US Forest Service and the Department of Fish and Wildlife in many types of conservation projects.

Some of the more interesting projects include stream surveys, documenting damage to resources, stream rehabilitation, water quality monitoring, electro-fishing and stream temperature monitoring.



In addition, we conduct bi-monthly stream patrols on 19 different streams located in the two forest, where we interact with and assist forest visitors, while removing graffiti, illegal fire rings, recreational dams and trash from the streams and along the trails.



FRVC is looking for more folks that have a love and respect for our forest and would like to help protect our local streams. If you are interested in learning more about us, please look for us at www.frv.net or contact Dave Baumgartner directly at dabaumgartner@aol.com.

LBCC Backpack Trips!

JIM GARVEY, MEMBER

TRIP #1: [McGee Pass Trail to Big McGee Lake](#), out and back, August 16-21. Four nights out.

Back to Big McGee Lake and beyond. Drive to McGee Pass Trailhead and car-camp on Wednesday, August 16, to acclimatize and prepare for an early start to hike in the next day. The seven-mile trail to Big McGee Lake is strenuous, with 2,500 feet of elevation gain and steep sections, but it is well worth the effort. Fishing in and around Big McGee Lake is excellent, with great views of the Sierra Crest. On this trip the lake will our basecamp.

For those who choose to participate, there is an option for a one-or-two-night 5.5-mile backpack over McGee Pass (1,450 foot elevation gain) to fish remote Tully Lake, at the headwaters of Fish Creek, and a chance to visit Tully Hole. We will hike out and be back at the cars on Monday, August 21.

There's plenty of time to start conditioning, to make the trip more enjoyable. The pre-meeting is 7:00 pm on Wednesday, August 2, at the Clubhouse. Trip size is limited; please contact either Jim Garvey, **310-985-9761**, jim.garvey@sbcglobal.net or Colin Kumabe,



562-221-9418, ctkumabe@gmail.com to reserve a spot, get on a waiting list or for additional info.

TRIP #2: [Twenty Lakes Basin Loop](#), September 20-24. Three nights out.

This is a moderate four-day/three-night ten-mile loop through 20 Lakes Basin in the Hoover Wilderness by Saddlebag Lake, a little north of Tioga Pass. It's perfect for those new to backpacking and/or backcountry fly fishing. This scenic area at 10,000 feet is below the majestic Sierra Crest.

Topography includes lakes, meadows, interconnecting streams and interface of different geologic processes. Elevation gain and loss is relatively minimal. Participants should be prepared for quickly changing weather: sunny and warm to wind, rain and snow.

On Wednesday, Sept. 20 drive to the [USFS Saddlebag Lake Campground](#). It's about a seven-hour drive to Saddlebag Lake, and participants are requested to arrive by 6:00 pm for the group potluck dinner and to ensure they will be somewhat acclimatized to the elevation and have their kit organized for the next day. We will hike in on Thursday, Aug. 21 and hike out and drive home on Sunday, Aug. 24, for three nights out.

The pre-meeting and discussion of lightweight backpacking equipment and techniques will be 7:00 pm, Wednesday, Sept. 13, at the Clubhouse. To sign up or for more information contact Jim Garvey, **310-985-9761**, jim.garvey@sbcglobal.net or Colin Kumabe, **562-221-9418**, ctkumabe@gmail.com.

Openings for Green River Trip, 2023

COLIN KUMABE, PAST PRESIDENT
JOHN LINCOLN, MEMBER

There are a few spots available in each of the first two Green River trips. To reserve your spot, please contact the Streamkeepers.

- ❖ Week of April 30 through May 5: John Lincoln (jlincoln1@yahoo.com)
- ❖ Week of May 7 through 12 (two spots left): Colin Kumabe (ctkumabe@gmail.com)

Fly of the Month: Green River Recap!

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, PAST PREZ

Folks, most of you know that I do this recap of my annual trip to the Green River and tie it into a Fly of the Month article. This year is no exception but wow, what a trip and I ain't necessarily talking about fishing. I drove to Idaho Falls for two days of tying at the East Idaho Fly Tying Expo, and then off to the Green River to fish; the single element that blanketed all of it was white—white meaning snow!

My drive north was 70% in snow, 5% rain, 5% sun and 20% threatening snow. In Cedar City (I think they must all be former Angelenos), in near-whiteout conditions, I saw three different accidents on the surface streets and typical “LA” backups trying to get around the problem areas, including backing up onto I-15 trying to get off. All of this while tiptoeing at 40 mph on I-15. About 14 hours after I left home I arrived at Idaho Falls, wearing shorts in 25° weather with 20 mph winds, looking every bit the fool from Southern California. I had a great time, tying and reconnecting with a lot of tying friends that I have not seen in three years due to COVID, and making several new friends along the way. If you ever have a chance to attend this event you will discover one of the most enjoyable and best-run I have ever been involved with, and some of the best tiers on the planet—present company excepted...

Off to Utah and more snow, more traffic delays and finally arriving at Flaming Gorge Resort. Nope, not wearing shorts this time! Too late and too windy to hit the river, so it was dinner-and-set-up-my-stuff time. Once I got to the river the next day for a bit of wade fishing, I noticed immediately that something was different, and not for the better. The river was lower than I had ever seen it. I fished, but there were very few fish in their normal locations. Sure, rivers change and fish move, but this was different. The river was low enough that no semi-intelligent creature would be in the spots they used to be. Bear in mind that the minimum flow for the river is 800 cfs and the previous two years the flow has been around



A GREEN BROWN THAT JUMPED LIKE CRAZY

860 cfs. Later I found out that the river was bouncing between 740 and 775 cfs. While I did manage a few, I was concerned by what I ran into out there.

New day and a new chance to redeem myself, with Doug Roberts on the oars. Doug and his wife Michelle, for those who don't know, are the owners of Old Moe Guide Service—the service that the Club uses when they go up for three separate trips. For several reasons, we were to float the ‘A’ section. The reasons were multitudinous, but primarily Red Creek had blown out the lower river and a very recent rock fall had modified Red Creek Rapids. Doug had not scouted it, and was not comfortable running it in low flows without investigating first. At the ramp that morning we noticed lower conditions than I had seen the previous day, and the water was only just creeping up the bottom of the concrete ramp. Air temp was a balmy, summerish 20°, with a benign 10-mph wind. That works out to about 8° with wind chill figured in.

We started with nymphs, picking up a couple of fish (all on the bottom), and then we started to see rises. Defying logic and in spite of really cold, breezy conditions, suicidal midges were emerging, and fish started to take advantage of the situation. Wow, this was really cool, as we picked off several fish on dries and it was barely 10:00 in the morning. Then the wind arrived...Holy crap!

It was only a gentle 30 mph sustained zephyr. The gusts, a paltry 40–50 mph. Nothing to cause any problems. Casting was a piece of cake. Maneuvering

the boat (poor Doug) was **kinderspiel** [child's play] and then, to make it more interesting, we noticed that the river flow was lower than we started. Wow, how much stranger can this day get? Fishing still managed to be fairly good, considering all the weirdness happening, and about 25 fish were safely released back to the river. Nothing huge; a few in the 20" range and mostly browns—thank the heavens. Rainbows on this river are notorious for **NOT** jumping (the browns do) and for spinning in the net destroying your rig. I'd rather catch a whitefish...

Day Two on the boat was much nicer: warmer (I was told it even hit 50°), and much less wind, but again, the river looked even lower than the previous day. And it was. In fact the flow on the river got as low as 576 cfs, but was mostly around 700 cfs. We found rocks we had never seen before, and scraped the bottom of Doug's new Clacka' multiple times, in parts of the river where he had never scraped bottom before. We also threw the kitchen sink at the fish. Nymphs. Midge dries. Blue-wing dries. Streamers. Cicada Chernobyl dry/nymph dropper (a wonderful image of a brown trout jumping 18" out of the water and pile-driving the cicada). Fishing was better than the previous day by a little bit. Again, nothing huge but there were a lot more BWO-feeding trout to tempt us and keep us entertained. This provided most of our afternoon attention until the hatch faded.

Thursday, the last day of fishing (the actual last day



was cancelled due to 40 mph winds and horizontal snow) started with a gentle snowfall. The snow continued and your lazy, comfort-seeking, less-than-intrepid angler decided to stay indoors until about noonish. Eventually I pulled on waders and headed down to the river, with nothing but my dry fly rig. I stood and watched until I saw a few noses. Very few noses, but I managed to hook two of them, until the excitement ended and I scurried back to the comfort of a warm hotel room.

So what did I learn, this trip? A lot! I learned that I can fish in idiotically cold weather with high winds and, with a good guide, actually land fish. I found that the flies needed are a lot smaller in cold weather, by at least one or two sizes. We were catching most of our fish on very small (#20 and #22) Baetis and Perdigon-style nymphs. This year copper beads seemed to be the winner in the nymphing category. When it came to dry flies, small hackle stackers and Klinkhåmer-style parachutes in both Baetis and midge insect imitations were the winners. How small: #20, #22 and #24! I also noticed that, in order to see said tiny dries in a snowstorm, you need a larger dry (size #18 or #16) to act as an indicator, as you can't even begin to see the actual dry you're using.

All these years now, and this trip never wants for change and adapting to whatever conditions are thrown at you! Can't wait to see what next year brings.



THE "HAUL" FROM THE 2019 OWENS CLEANUP

Owens River Clean Up Re-Scheduled

New Date: November 4, 2023

Due to the potential for dangerously high river water flows from snowmelt runoff, the **9th Annual Owens River Clean Up** is being postponed until Saturday, November 4, 2023. Your safety is the utmost priority. It is not appropriate to hold the event in April.

Chris Leonard, event organizer, will still gladly take any swag for the raffle for the event between now and then.

See you the first Saturday of November (11/4) at the Pleasant Valley Campground! Water flows and air temps the start of November should be perfect for a weekend of cleaning up the river, and recreating in Bishop!

Recordings of LBCC Monthly Speakers

ROB PETERSON, TARGET TALK EDITOR

In 2021, the Club began recording our monthly speakers (see [February 2022 Target Talk](#), p. 17, for 2021 presentations). Below is the info for 2022 and 2023. Just click on one of the links, and copy and paste the password at the prompt:

JANUARY: Steph Albano of [Finatical Flyfishing](#). Topic: "Global Guide Service for Women, Run by Women". Length: 37 minutes.

[Steph Albano Presentation Jan. 27, 2022](#)

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FEBRUARY: Glenn Ueda, [So Cal Fishing Guide](#). Topic: "Planet Carp". Length: 110 minutes.

[Glenn Ueda Presentation February 24, 2022](#)

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MARCH: Ernie Gulley, [Ernie Gulley Flyfishing](#). Topic: "Stillwater Tactics". Length: 81 minutes.

[Ernie Gulley Presentation March 31, 2022](#)

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April-September 2021 speakers not recorded.

OCTOBER: Lance Egan, Topic: "Newfangled Nymphing". Length: 123 minutes.

[Lance Egan Presentation October 27, 2022](#)

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NOVEMBER: Charlie Craven, Topic: Fly Tying Demonstration. Length: 126 minutes.

[Charlie Craven Presentation Nov. 17, 2022](#)

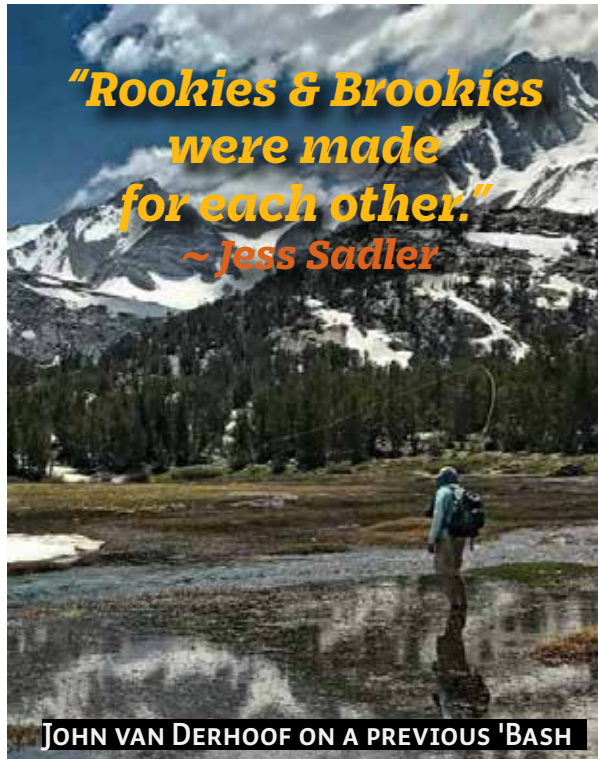
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December 2022-January 2023 not recorded.

FEBRUARY: Steve Schalla, Topic: "Origins of Golden Trout". Length: 75 minutes.

[Steve Schalla Presentation February 23, 2023](#)

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Brookie Bash is Coming!

STEVE TIMM, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

Dates for the Brookie Bash & Brookie Bash Tenkara events are July 14-16. This is your chance to obtain the special "Sadler Slam" pin. Remember that you must catch all five species of trout during the Brookie Bash: brookie, brown, rainbow, cutthroat and golden, to earn the pin.

For those of you who would like to try your hand at Tenkara, Cecil O'Dell will be heading the Brookie Bash Tenkara Event on Friday, July 14. Saturday will be the Rock Creek/Mosquito Flats outing, in Little Lakes Valley, to catch the brook trout.

If you are interested in a bed at the condo, it's first come, first served. It is at a reduced rate and is a great deal; thanks to Steve Jones! Pre-trip and lodging details will be announced at a later date. If you have any questions, contact Steve Timm:

srtimm@hotmail.com.

Thanks! Hope to see you there!

Fly Tying Tip: Bead & Lead Size

DAVE BOYER, MEMBER

When you go to buy or use beads, lead or lead-free wire, are you a bit confused as to what size you should get/use? Looking through your stash, finding lead (or lead-free) and not sure if you should use 0.020 or whatever on your hook? Here is a chart to give you some guidelines. Beads can be used on more than one hook, depending if you want a little more or less weight. Here in the White River with our "normal" high flows, maybe you want a little more, but if you have a slower or shallower stream, maybe a little less.

Also, consider that tungsten is heavier than brass, so if you really need to get down, use a larger diameter tungsten bead, while for shallower streams a smaller diameter brass bead may work. For lead, the general rule of thumb is to use wire diameter about the same as your hook shank diameter. Again, a guideline, as you can always build up bulk for a nymph with multiple layers in the thorax region, if so desired. I have printed out each of these and keep copies in my tying kit, so I do not have to think about it (as we get older we all suffer from the CRS thing).

Bead/Hook Sizing		
DIA. (INCH)	DIA. (MM)	HOOK RANGE
1/16	1.5	18, 20, 22
5/64	2	16, 18, 20
3/32	2.4	14, 16, 18
7/64	2.8	12, 14, 16
1/8	3.2	10, 12, 14
5/32	4	8, 10, 12
3/16	4.8	6, 8, 10
1/4	6	4, 6, 8
Lead/Hook Sizing		
DIA. (INCH)	DIA. (MM)	HOOK RANGE
0.010	0.254	18 & smaller
0.015	0.381	14, 16
0.020	0.508	12, 14
0.025	0.635	6, 8, 10
0.030	0.762	4, 6
0.035	0.889	4 & larger

Calendar of Events

May

1	Monday	6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
2	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Casting Class
3	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
6	Saturday	7:30 AM	Southwest Council Fly Buy
7-12	Week		Green River #2 with Colin Kumabe
9	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Session #1 Tuesday Night Club Cast
10	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
13	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
14	Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday Club Cast
14-19	Week		Green River #3 with Keith O'Donnell
16	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
17	Wednesday	12:00 PM	Nooner Lunch
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
20	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
		9:00 AM	Saturday Special Guest Fly Tier: Joe Libeu
21	Sunday	9:00 AM	Pre-Trip: Fall River w/ Marc Bonvouloir Sunday Club Cast
23	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Session #2 Tuesday Night Club Cast
24	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
25	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Buhler Brothers on the Kern River
27	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
28	Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday Club Cast
30	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Session #3 Tuesday Night Club Cast
30-6/3	Week		Fall River Trip w/ Marc Bonvouloir
31	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum

June

3	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
4	Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday Club Cast
5	Monday	6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
6	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Session #4 Tuesday Night Club Cast
7	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
10	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
11	Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday Club Cast
13	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Session #5 Tuesday Night Club Cast
14	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
17	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
18	Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday Club Cast
20	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Rod Building Session #6 Tuesday Night Club Cast
21	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
24	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
		9:00 AM	Riptide Rendezvous FFI
25	Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday Club Cast
27	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
28	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
29	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Dave Smith "DIY New Zealand Fly Fishing"

Calendar of Events Continued...

July

1	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
3	Monday	6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
5	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
6	Thursday	7:00 PM	Annual General Meeting
8	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
		9:00 AM	Pre-Trip: Brookie Bash & Brookie Bash T3nkara Event
11	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Beginning Fly Casting Class
12	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
14-16	Weekend		Brookie Bash
14	Friday		Brookie Bash Tenkara Event
15	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
18	Tuesday	8:00 AM	Boy Scouts
19	Wednesday	8:00 AM	Boy Scouts
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
22	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
26	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
27	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Howard Uller "Heritage Trout Challenge"
29	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast

SIERRA PACIFIC FISHING ADVENTURES *for 2023-2024*

SPFA Hosted-Trip Calendar 2023-2024

DATE	DURATION	DESTINATION	TARGET SPECIES / HATCH	SPOTS REMAINING
1/7-13	6 nights 5 days fishing	Argentina	Dorado	Full
1/14-21	7 nights 6 days fishing	Argentina	Rainbow, Brown, Brook	Full
6/14-23	6 days fishing with Days of cultural experience	Japan	Rainbows, Char, and Cherry Salmon	2 Spots
9/3-9	7 nights 6 days fishing	Bighorn River	Rainbow, Browns	10 Spots
9/9-15	7 nights 6 days fishing	Bighorn River	Rainbows, Browns	10 Spots

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1/13-20	7 nights 6 days fishing	Chile, Cinco Rios	Rainbows, Browns	10 Spots
6/4-11	7 nights 6 days fishing	Christmas Island	Bonefish, GTs	10 Spots

SPFA On The River Clinic Schedule 2023-2024

Casting Instruction, Call for lesson.

Lower Owens, Call for dates

Please contact, Joe Libeu 310-749-6771 or Kathy Kim 714-475-4529 for more information on Trips and Classes.

Please inquire about any of the trips listed above to:

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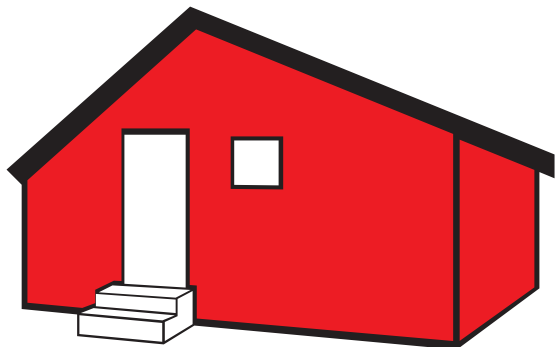
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