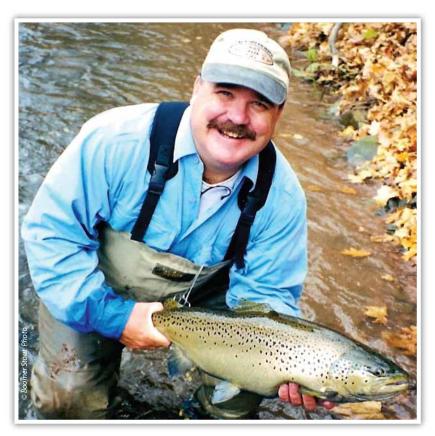
. . . featured presentation for the February meeting

The Green River In Utah



One of the most renowned tailwaters in the West!

Presented by Carl "Boomer" Stout

arl "Boomer" Stout has been involved in the flyfishing industry for over 27 years. He first started guiding in Colorado in 1984 and then went on from there to guiding in Alaska at the Katmai Lodge for four years.

In the 80's, Boomer started writing articles with the late Bill Logan who was the outdoor sportswriter for the Rocky Mountain News. He has co-written numerous articles with other writers for magazines such as Flyfisherman.

After becoming a member of the G. Loomis Rod Co., he made many appearances in the International Sportmans' Expo Shows in the

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Goodies for the February Club Meeting

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Master Tying Theater. He also made appearances as a fly-casting instructor and demonstrator. This has led to appearances on TV shows such as the ever popular Outdoorsman.

Boomer started working for Denny Breer at Trout Creek Flies on the Green River in 1990. He went on to become head guide and has loved being on the Green River ever since. After Denny passed away in 2008, he helped Grace Breer by creating a PowerPoint presentation to promote not only the Green River but also Trout Creek Flies/Green River Outfitters.

Boomer is well known in the fly-tying industry as an innovative fly designer. He's credited with designing many popular and successful flies for the Green River and many Alaska destinations. He is currently a Royalty Fly designer for Umpqua Feather Merchants. Some of the popular patterns Boomer has designed specifically for fishing the Green River are Carl's Cicada, WD-50, Parachute Cricket and the Foam Flying Ant.

Boomer spends part of the off-season instructing classes in the art of tying the classic full-dress feather-wing atlantic salmon fly. His other passion is music, where he received the nickname "Boomer" from playing the electric bass guitar. He has been a bass guitar and harmonica player all of his life!

Please join us for this informative PowerPoint presentation that will take you on a journey of the Green River and the surrounding Flaming Gorge area. Boomer starts at the top of the "A" section, right below the dam, and then travels downriver seeing all three sections. At the end of the program, he will go into detail on the aquatic and terrestrial hatches, when they occur, and what flies to use. Detailed handouts will be

provided with directions on getting there, available facilities, and the proper gear needed for a great fishing experience.

See you all there!!!

Up Around The Bend

Allen Bell, Programs

Our tentative schedule for upcoming general meeting speakers and events is listed below.

March 2012 Tim Tollett

Frontier Anglers Dillon, Montana

April 2012 Phil Pister

Golden Trout Restoration

May 2012 Bruce Ivy

Friends of the Mt. Whitney

Fish Hatchery

March 2013 Gary Borger

As new speaker engagements are finalized, we'll add them to our schedule. Our club, in conjunction with several other clubs within the Southwest Council FFF, are working together to bring new speakers in on a "rotating schedule". This will help clubs share in the overall cost, especially if these speakers travel long distances.

If you have suggestions for future speakers or you would like to do a club presentation yourself, please drop me a line and we'll discuss what we can do.

You can contact me, Allen Bell, at (760) 371-1133 or email me at Fly_Addict@hotmail.com



The Leader's Line

Hardy Tyson, President

lub presidents from all the Southwest Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers (SWCFFF) affiliated clubs, met for a round table discussion at the annual meeting on January 21st in Riverside.

One of the brainstorms I had during the discussion was an approach to run the club outings a little differently than in the past. The plan is to have a club outing on the second Saturday of each month starting

in May and ending November. Most of the outings will be day trips except September's, which will be a weekend camping trip to one of the June Lake Loop campgrounds, probably Silver Lake Campground. The meeting place for the day trips will be Starbucks on China Lake Blvd. at 6:00 am. Below is a summary of the outings planned (subject to change if needed).

Here's to accurate casts, explosive rises and tight lines!

><((((('> Hardy <")))))><

| DATE | PLACE | LEVEL OF EFFORT | WHAT TO EXPECT | |
|-------------|--|------------------|----------------------------|--|
| MAY 12TH | MAY 12TH TROY MEADOWS MINIMAL WALKING | | GOLDEN TROUT | |
| JUNE 9TH | MAIN FORK OF THE KERN RIVER ABOVE THE JOHNSONDALE BRIDGE | A LITTLE WALKING | RAINBOW TROUT | |
| JULY 14TH | COTTONWOOD LAKES | SERIOUS HIKING | GOLDEN TROUT | |
| AUGUST 11TH | ONION VALLEY LAKES | STRENUOUS HIKING | BROOK AND RAINBOW TROUT | |

SEPTEMBER 14TH - 16TH WEEKEND CAMPING TRIP TO JUNE LAKE LOOP [NOTE: THIS IS THE 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH, A FLEX WEEKEND]

| SEPTEMBER 14TH | RUSH CREEK BELOW THE DAM | A LITTLE WALKING | BROWN AND RAINBOW TROUT | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| SEPTEMBER 15TH | FERN LAKE | SHORT BUT STRENUOUS HIKING | BROOK TROUT | |
| SEPTEMBER 16TH | PARKER LAKE | MODERATE HIKING | BROOK AND RAINBOW TROUT | |
| OCTOBER 13TH | SOUTH FORK OF THE KERN RIVER | A LITTLE WALKING | BROOK, GOLDEN, & RAINBOW TROUT | |
| NOVEMBER 10TH | OWENS RIVER | MINIMAL WALKING | BROWN AND RAINBOW TROUT | |

[&]quot;The angler forgets most of the fish he catches, but he does not forget the streams and lakes in which they are caught." – Charles K. Fox

Hooked on Fly Fishing

Chuck Newmyer, Education

e are still on our winter break but will soon be setting up classes for the spring. The earliest will be in March when we could have a fly-tying class and/or a fly-rod building class. We will wait for the warmer weather before we have a fly-fishing class.

We are starting with a "clean slate". If you signed up for a class in 2011 but couldn't make any of the classes, you need to sign up again for 2012.

There will be sign up sheets at the monthly meetings or you can contact Chuck at (760)375-1126 or hisifly@iwvisp.com.



Club Library

Fred Frieberg, Club Librarian

s many of you know, our club has a very extensive club library with over 350 books, periodicals, VHS tapes and DVDs covering anything and everything related to fly-fishing, fly-tying, and rod building. Many of these items are very valuable and irreplaceable as they are now out of print. As Aguabonita Club members, we have the privilege of being able to check-out these items for "short periods of time."

While recently updating our library cataloging system, we discovered that several items are missing.

Benchside Introduction Ted Lesson and to Fly Tying Jim Schollmeyer

Anatomy of a Trout Stream Rick Hafele

Fishing Damsels and Dragons Gary Borger

The Art of Fly Tying Cy DeCosse

Improve Your Fly Casting Jack Dennis

Club members are no longer able to take advantage of these valuable resources because these items were not returned.

I encourage everyone to please search your bookshelves and DVD/VHS cabinets for any club items and return them as soon as possible. Let's get these items back on the shelves so that all club members can benefit from them.

Thank You!!!

Tippets from the Fly Addict

Allen Bell, Vice-President

arpin' Illinois...Adventures as Life Goes On

Well, it's January. In the life of an addict, that either means fishing is hot in cold weather or the fishing isn't so good or the Addict is on a diet and fishing is put off for a while. This year, it's the last two. Since bad fishing makes for poor fish stories, and I'm guessing you really don't want to hear how my diet is going, I have a nice fish story for you.

A few years ago, my dad fell ill to cancer. He had a while to live and my wife, daughter and I went home to spend some time with him. While I was there, I drove all the little country roads around my home town with my daughter, showing her where I lived and telling her stories about the places and people of my youth. She never believed that corn is 16' tall, she does now. We went to very beautiful places and saw many things. Mainly corn and beans, but we found other things to look at. Really cool tree covered roads and pretty fields in the river bottoms.



As we crossed the little river I grew up on, I happened to stop on a bridge to tell Donna a fish story from long ago, when I saw something in the water. What is that??? Is that what I think it is??? Yes, it is!!! It's a carp, but not just any carp, a big carp. Really big,

nearly 20lbs!! A kind of boring trip just got interesting folks. So, tour over, we raced to the nearest bait shop for a temporary fishing license. After being told it's too hot, no fish are biting, I got my license and assured the man that the carps would be biting like a pit bull in a mailman convention!!

Next morning I was up early and out fast. I had to cast off a 15' high bridge. If you stepped a little too hard you spooked all the carps. I parked 100' from the bridge and spooked all of them when I shut the car door. They came back and I figured out how to get the fly where it needed to be. These carps had never seen a fly. They were also hungry and feeding in a big way. HEAVEN!!! Needless to say, I educated a bunch of carp that morning. My biggest catch was around 29" but most were over 25". Really fun!!

Landing them was a trick. I had to back my flyline all the way off the bridge and reel it back in. I waded through the horse weeds and poison ivy that was over my head to the edge of the river. I landed my fish, harvested the porn and snuck back up to wait for the rest to come back.



Nice Carp, around 26

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"Smoked carp tastes just as good as smoked salmon when you ain't got no smoked salmon."

- Patrick F. McManus



Heavy shouldered fish, around 7/65.

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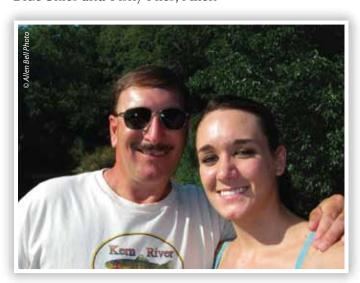
If you have never caught a carp on a fly rod, they pull like a freight train and fight for a really long time. Great fun and the most challenging fish to try and catch on a fly rod that I have ever found.



The Little Okaw River, home to big carps

So as time ran out on our vacation, the memories of home and family flooded back. It ended up being a great trip. Full of love and laughter.....and a few really big Carps!!!!!!

Blue Skies and Fishy Flies, Allen



Donna and I enjoying the woods

Tale of the Fly

Hardy Tyson, President

In the June 2011 issue of *The Flyline*, I told a story about catching a one-eyed fish using a Royal Trude. I won't repeat the tying formula here [reference to June 2011 issue if you want to tie some]. What I didn't tell you ... the Royal Trude was the only fly I used all season. Not only was it the only pattern I used, but also only one size, a 14. There are probably worst flies to pick or better flies to pick for a one-fly-for-a-season challeng if you choose to fish only one fly. I decided to try fishing only one fly because I overheard Chuck mention fishing only one fly in the High Sierra Flyfisher fly shop one day. I also figured that if I wasn't worried about flies, I could work on presentation, drag free drift and the myriad of casting techniques I wanted to learn.

What I like about the Royal Trude and the reason I picked it is that it's an attractor pattern. It mimics aspects of many different insects. It's flashy the way I tie it with the fluorescent pink and crystal flash and gets the fishes attention. I didn't keep track, but I think I caught just as many fish that year as any other year. I don't think I got skunked once that year. Of course I like to fish where the fish are hungry so what pattern you use isn't as much of a factor.

I wouldn't necessarily recommend you try only a single pattern for a year, but if you share your experience at a club meeting. Most of all have fun fishing.



News from CalTrout

CalTrout Looks Back on 2011

While many conservation groups struggled financially in 2011, CalTrout finished the year in excellent shape. More importantly, we're succeeding in our fight to protect and restore California's native trout, steelhead and salmon populations. Here are a few key accomplishments in 2011.

- CalTrout helped drive the McCloud Dam hydropower relicensing process for the benefit of fly fishermen; we safeguarded existing summer flows and dramatically improved winter and spring flows for the benefit of McCloud spawning trout.
- The Klamath River was once a hugely productive salmon and steelhead river, and CalTrout has worked for more than a decade to restore the Klamath's runs ~ both now a fraction of the historic numbers. With a decision about dam removal due in March of 2012, we're hopeful about the Klamath's future.
- For the last ten years, ever since Trout Unlimited filed a petition for listing the golden trout in 2001, private groups like TU, CalTrout, the Federation of Fly Fishers, Orvis and others have worked with government agencies to remove threats to the California Golden Trout. These threats include overgrazing, hybridization and competition from stocked trout. Many of these threats have been (or are in the process of being) eliminated. We're not taking the California Golden Trout's future for granted. A collaborative approach to Golden Trout recovery is working, and while we're not yet out of the woods, we're seeing real progress. [Excerpt from the January 2012 CalTrout monthly e-newsletter and from the CalTrout website, further information visit them http://www.caltrout.org/







Another Kind of Fish

Mike Mumford

Several months ago, my wife Jerry and I attended the Western States Blacksmithing Conference. This event was held at the Timberline Lodge, a famous WPA-built lodge, located near Government Camp, on the slopes of Mt. Hood in Oregon.

John Graham, an amateur blacksmith from Sacramento, California, took these images while traveling along US Hwy 26 near Government Camp.





Tip of the Month

Hardy Tyson

In last month's *The Flyline*, I addressed improving you flies by using a quality vise. This month I'm going to talk about quality materials. As some of you know, I turn to many different sources for material to use in tying. Road kill is a good source of material, if you don't mind doing a little bit of skinning and preserving yourself. However, I noticed a big improvement to my flies when I bought quality materials. For dry flies, a good first-rate grade A hackle is a must. It took me a long time to discover and admit this because I am basically cheap. I didn't want to spend the money on one of those expensive





saddles! I discovered the error of my ways when they started carrying ¼ saddles for about \$20 bucks. And honestly a ¼ saddle will last you a long time. Mine have lasted for years!

I've picked up plenty of dead rabbits, both cottontails and jacks, but the improvement in my nymphs was noticeable when I bought a quality hare's mask. My nymphs just looked buggier. This wasn't even an issue of cost. A good quality hare's mask is \$2.50.

So go ahead and be cheap; but don't skimp on quality materials!

Staying in Touch

it's been about a million years, but....

Dear Jay and Chuck,

It's been a long time, but I've gotten back into the fly-fishing game a little bit lately. I was looking at some trout conservation info on the web and ran across a link to the Aguabonita website. It brought back memories of casting practice at the park, fly-tying classes at Mesquite High School with dad and Bob Cherry, and trips to Lake Isabella.

I'm now living in Sacramento, and have gotten up to the northern Sierras (around Lake Tahoe) a bit over the last year. I managed to convince dad (Ron to you two) to come down to California for a float trip on the Lower Sacramento River right before Thanksgiving. It was pretty much indicator-nymphing all the way, a little different from the dry fly fishing that dad taught me. Very productive, though.

After we did a little practice casting, dad's first cast on the river picked up this bad boy just a few hundred yards upstream from the Sundial Bridge near downtown Redding.

Hope you are doing well, Mark Erickson



News from SWCFFF

Basic Entomology Workshop for Fly Fishers!!

Take the mystery out of which bug is hatching and which fly to use for trout fishing. This is a great workshop teaching you to identify mayflies, caddis, stone-flies, midges and other trout food. This class will help you become a better trout fisher or fly tyer. You will learn to identify bugs, how to "match the hatch" and how to select the correct fly. Bring a snack, drink, note pad and some fly boxes to look at and compare against the real bugs.

Instructor: Maggie Merriman Time: 9:00am - 1:00pm

Date: Saturday, March 24, 2012 Location: Long Beach Casting Club 7th and Federation Drive

Long Beach, CA

Workshop Fee: \$50.00

Pre-registration is required by March 17, 2012. Class size is limited so register early.

To register, mail workshop fee to: Maggie Merryman 19791 Coastline Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92648



Aguabonita Flyfishers 33rd Annual Banquet February 25th, 2012

B.P.O. ELKS Lodge, 201 East Church Street, Ridgecrest, CA.

5:00pm Wet Fly 6:30pm Dinner 7:30pm Auction

Tickets for the banquet and auction are \$35.00 per person (including tip) and will be available at the January and February general meetings from John and Barbara Linder. You can contact John or Barbara at (760) 377-5750 or by email at drjlinder@outdrs.net. Mail in request can be sent to:

Aguabonita Flyfishers

Attn: John Linder, Banquet Tickets
P.O. Box 2059
Ridgecrest, CA. 93555
Make your checks payable to **Aguabonita**Reservations due by February 15th, 2012.

The buffet dinner, catered by Farris' includes: Caesar Salad, Waldorf Salad, baked Breast of Chicken, Burgandy Beef with Mushrooms, Potatoes au Gratin, Rice Pilaf, Vegetable, Dinner Roll, coffee and tea. Finally, the meal will be topped off with our traditional dessert auction!

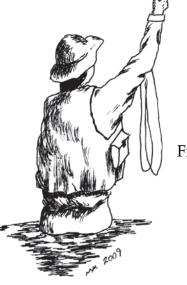
General raffle items and special awards will be presented throughout the evening. Raffle tickets for the drawings will be sold at the start of dinner at \$1.00 each. There will be special raffles again this year. This year's items include a custom-built fly rod by Chuck Newmyer. [8'-6", 3-weight, 4-piece fly rod built on a Sage ZXL Series blank.]

This will be a "card raffle" with cards going on sale at the January and February general meetings.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!

Special Raffles for custom built rods and reels.

COME EARLY — HAVE FUN!!



Raffles and Auctions:

Dessert Raffle TIC Ticket Shooter Bucket Raffle Regular Raffle Special "Card Raffle" Auction

Nominations for Club Awards

Dave Calvert, Club Secretary

E ach year, at our annual banquet, individuals are recognized for their contributions to the club. These individuals have unselfishly demonstrated attitudes and performance beyond what is expected of them. The club board of directors is soliciting nominations for 2011, to be awarded at the banquet in February.

If you would like to nominate someone for an award, please contact Dave Calvert at (760) 793-8026 or email at: dave.calvert.ii@gmail.com

The Tommy Chapman Award

Presented by the Aguabonita Flyfishers Established in 1984

The 'Tommy Chapman Award' was established to remember and honor Tommy who believed so deeply in preserving and protecting our fish, waters, and the watershed. As a charter member of our club, he was instrumental in establishing and promoting a conservation ethic. His legacy of conservation is honored by this award.

This award is periodically presented to an individual whose contributions emulate the characteristics of Tommy Chapman. It is through the dedication and contributions of these individuals that our club lives, and provides the opportunity for others to enjoy our sport.

The Mel Smith Award

Presented by the Aguabonita Flyfishers Established in 2002

The 'Mel Smith Award' was established to remember and honor Mel who gave so freely of his time and talent to support the sport of flyfishing. An active member of club, he could always be counted on to support conservation projects, fund-raising events, fishery habitat improvements and outings. His legacy is honored by this award.

This award is periodically presented to an individual whose contributions to our club emulate the characteristics of Mel Smith. It is through the dedication and contributions of these individuals that our club lives, and provides the opportunity for others to enjoy our sport.

The Art Craddock Award

Presented by the Aguabonita Flyfishers Established in 2002

The 'Art Craddock Award' was established to remember Art. An expert fly tier and nymph fisherman, he shared his knowledge freely. Our club has been enriched by the legacy of fly-tying skills that he taught, and the one-on-one fishing instructions he gave. His legacy of mentoring and generosity are honored by this award.

This award is periodically presented to an individual whose contributions emulate the characteristics of Art Craddock. It is through the generosity and knowledge of these individuals that the fly-fishing skills and lives of our club members are continuously enriched.

The Bob Cherry Award

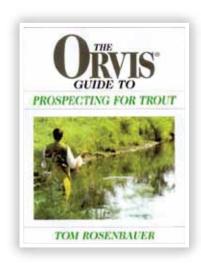
Presented by the Aguabonita Flyfishers
Established in 2010

The 'Bob Cherry Award' was established to remember and honor Bob who was one of the founding fathers of the Aguabonita Flyfishers. Bob loved fly fishing and readily shared his knowledge with others. His legacy lives through the continuing educational classes and the establishment of annual banquets which remain as cornerstones of our club today. Those fortunate to have fished with Bob remember him as an excellent fly fisher, fly tier, knowledgeable mentor, and a man who just loved to have fun.

This award is periodically presented to an individual whose contributions emulate the characteristics of Bob Cherry. It is through the dedication and contributions of these individuals that our club lives, and provides the opportunity for others to enjoy our sport.

Book of the Month

"Silent Auction"



The Book-of-the-Month for February is "Prospecting for Trout" by Tom Rosenbauer.

In this comprehensive and readable guide, Tom shares his vast knowledge of fly-fishing when there is no hatch. Written for both the novice and the seasoned angler, this book explores how trout live and feed, and how to make them strike. He provides advice on how to fish with dry flies, wet flies, nymphs, and streamers.

Minimum bid: \$9

Other Club News!!!

Hot Creek Kiosk Update

In the spring, we will be having work parties at the Hot Creek Kiosk. There will be painting, fence repair, weeding, etc. The big news is that we will be putting up some of the new artwork. If you are interested in helping, there will be a sign-up sheet at the monthly meetings or you can contact Chuck Newmyer at hisifly@iwvisp.com

2012 Trout in the Classroom (TIC)

We will be having a Trout-In-the-Classroom (TIC) workshop on Saturday, February 4th. If you are interested in helping out with this program, you should make it a point to attend. If you know of any teachers that might be interested, let us know and we will get detailed information to them. If you are already a volunteer for TIC we would encourage you to sit in on the workshop.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the monthly meetings or you can contact:

Jay Crawford at jay_crawford@verizon.net or Chuck Newmyer at hisifly@iwvisp.com



Alaska Trip to Saltery Lodge

We have reserved the lodge at Saltery Lake again for September 16–22, 2012. The cost is \$2550 and includes lodging, three excellent meals per day, and guide service. The cost of airfare to Kodiak IS NOT included.

We will be fishing primarily for Silver Salmon. Our club has been going to Saltery for a number of years and have had great times.

We need to confirm our reservations by the middle of February. This will require a 50% deposit (\$1275) from each person planning on going. This is a very popular time of the year at the lodge so we need to firm up our reservation early.

Please contact Chuck at (760)375-1126 or email at hisifly@iwvisp.com



On the Hook

Oscar Felsen, Weekend Fly-Tying

The next fly-tying session will be Saturday, February 18th from 9:30am to noon at the Aquabonita's classroom, 145B Panament Street.

The format for future fly-tying sessions has also been changed. There will no longer be a "suggested pattern" for everyone to tie. Participants can tie the pattern(s) they prefer and need to fill their fly boxes. If you need help to solve a tying problem, assistance will be available.

As always, these fly-tying sessions are open to all. You don't have to tie flies either, just come on in and kibitz or listen to the fish stories; maybe swap a few of your own.

This is also an opportunity for you to have access to the club's library.

For further questions, contact: Oscar Felsen at (760) 446-7103 or email felsenjo@verizon.net



Aguabonita Flyfishers Rod & Reel Inventory

FLY RODS:

| 1. | G. Loomis | 7'9" | 2wt |
|-----|-----------|------|-------|
| 2. | Fisher | 8'6" | 3/4wt |
| 3. | Sage | 9'0" | 4wt |
| 4. | Fisher | 9'0" | 6wt |
| 5. | Fisher | 8'6" | 5/6wt |
| 6. | Fisher | 8'0" | 6/7wt |
| 7. | Fisher | 9'6" | 7/8wt |
| 8. | Fisher | 9'0" | 10wt |
| 9. | Sage | 9'0" | 5wt |
| 10. | G. Loomis | 8'0" | 3wt |
| 11. | Winston | 8'6" | 6wt |
| 12. | Cortland | 8"0" | 5/6wt |
| 13. | Powell | 9'0" | 5/6wt |
| 14. | St. Croix | 9'0" | 6/7wt |
| 15. | St. Croix | 9'0" | 3wt |

FLY REELS & LINE:

| 1. | Berkley | DT2F |
|----|----------|--------|
| 1. | , | |
| 2. | Cortland | DT3F |
| 3. | Cortland | DT4F |
| 4. | Cortland | DT5F |
| 5. | Cortland | DT6F |
| 6. | Cortland | WF7F |
| 7. | Cortland | WF9F |
| 8 | STH | 10 F/S |

WADERS:

| 1. | 2-pair | Size-10 | |
|----|--------|---------|--|
| 2. | 1-pair | Size-14 | |

Presently, all rods and reels are located at the club classroom, 145B Panament Street. To check out a rod or reel, call Lew Albright at (760) 375-8725. The club requires a nominal fee of \$5.00. The money will be used for maintenance of the equipment.

When you check out a rod or reel, please return the item as soon as possible so other club members may use them too. If you break a rod or reel, let Lew know so that it can be repaired.

Monthly Club Meeting

General membership meetings are held at 7:30pm on the first Tuesday of each month at the Ridgecrest United Methodist Church (RUMC) Fellowship Hall (639 N. Norma St., Ridgecrest, CA). Everyone is welcome to attend! Our meetings feature guest speaker presentations, brief club news, refreshments, a raffle and a silent book auction.

Annual Cost for Membership

| General membership | \$20.00 | | |
|-------------------------|---------|--|--|
| Associate membership | \$ 5.00 | | |
| Youth membership | \$ 5.00 | | |
| One time initiation fee | \$10.00 | | |

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors usually meet at 7:00pm on the last Tuesday of each month. The board meetings are held at the club classroom located at 145B Panament Street and are open to anyone with agenda items to share. To be placed on the next meeting's agenda, please send your request to Dave Calvert at dave.calvert.ii@gmail.com

"Be sure to take a boy fishing, not once a year, but several times. It's an experience you will never forget. Tell him about fishing. Teach him sportsmanship; tell him about conservation. Show him, by example, how he should conduct himself while in the out-of-doors." - Ioe Brooks



Board of Directors and other Club Officers

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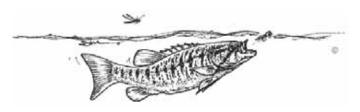
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 | 2 | ന | 4 TIC Workshop 9:30am - 3:30pm |
| 5 | 6 | 7 Monthly Club Meeting 7:30pm - 9:00pm O Full Moon | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 "Ties & Lies" Fly-tying Session 9:30am - Noon |
| 19 | Presidents Day Deadline for March Newsletter!!! | 21 New Moon | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Aguabonita Flyfishers 33rd Annual Banquet 5:00pm - 9:00pm |
| Denali National Park Created 1917 | 27 | 28 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00pm | 29 First Quarter | | | |

Upcoming Events

The Fly Fishing Show – This event will be held at the Pasadena Convention Center, Pasadena, CA March 3rd and 4th. For additional info: http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Pasadena.html

The Fred Hall Show – This event will be held at the Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, CA March 7th through the 11th. For additional info: http://www.fredhall.com/pages/long_beach/lbexhibitor.php#



Bass Pro Shop Fly Fishing Fling - This event will be held at the Bass Pro Shop in Rancho Cucamonga. February 25th and 26th from 9am - 5pm SWC FFF Clubs: Fly Fishers of Orange County, Deep Creek Fly Fishers, Streamborn & Hi-Desert Fly Fishers will have tying and casting demos as well as seminars. Come support your fellow member clubs!

Eastern Sierra Fly Fishing Festival – Mark your calendars for this SWC FFF event planned for September 13th - 16th. This event will be held in beautiful Mammoth Lakes, CA. Keep on the lookout for additional information over the next several months.

The Editor's Spool

Neal Barry

hat's on your radar screen???

I don't know about you but I'm excited that the new year is here. One of the things I really look forward to in the new year is receiving a new batch of catalogs. You name it; fly fishing, outdoors, boating, hunting, fly tying, electronics, clothing (oops, that's my wife's), ahh, and more fly-fishing and fly-tying catalogs.

Every year I look forward to receiving my new Feather-Craft, Orvis, Cabelas, Bass Pro, and Hook & Hackle catalogs among others. Some of these catalogs arrive via snail mail and are usually my bed time reading material. Sometimes they even get stuffed in my notebook at work as much needed "rescue material" during those dry meetings.

There are other catalogs that I can download to my computer to view at my leisure. These e-catalogs can be just as good as the printed catalog with one exception, their file sizes can be really huge and take awhile

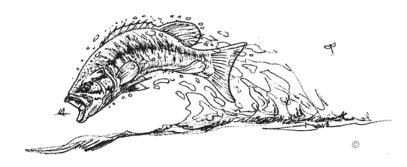
to download. But hey, we're talking fly-fishing here so the wait to download them is worth it!!!

Then there are the "view online only" catalogs that are okay too, especially if I want to order something right then and there. Woohoo, instant gratification, got to have it tomorrow, click the "next-day delivery" button and send!!!

We've come a long way since the days of monsterously thick Sears & Roebuck and JC Penny catalogs. I'm not sure what my mother would have done if she didn't have a few of those thick catalogs boosting me up so she could cut my hair. We had a lot of other uses for those catalogs too, like doorstops.

Well, keep sending in your pictures and articles for the newsletter.

Thank You and tight lines!!! Neal



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To promote and work for the betterment of fishing waters

To provide assistance to club members to help them become more effective fly fishermen and to promote the fellowship of the membership

To encourage and assist others to become fly fishermen and true sportsmen

To encourage and advocate conservation of fisheries, waters, and watersheds











