

Fly Times

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President’s Message

Well, it’s been a great month, as I’ve been on the road for the past 30 days. I was bummed again as the state of Washington closed the salmon fishing on the Skagit River for the second year in a row. The locals, that depend on the fisherman in late summer and early fall, are really struggling to make a living. My wife keeps telling me that I should quit looking to buy property up there since the closures will probably continue in the future. I fished opening week at Pyramid Lake during our stay in Reno. The weather felt more like winter with a cold wind blowing 10-20 mph. I didn’t see any fish caught, but talked to people who said they caught one or two. One of Doug’s clients lost a couple big ones. So, the Lahontan Cutthroat once again eluded me. But, to my surprise I did catch four Tui Chubs on a white Popcorn Beetle. Be sure to put Pyramid on your fishing list, as the fishing will only get better as the weather gets colder.

The club outing last month was on the Merced River Jay and Rick were the only members in attendance. Jay reported that fishing was tough with high water and warm weather. Jay did mention that every time they fished apart, Rick caught fish. Rick also caught the biggest, ugliest sucker in the river.

By: Richard Higgins

Dave Gambetta did a great presentation last month on fishing northern California lakes. He cover fly rod selection, floaties and fly selection. Dave is the fishmaster for the club’s October outing. Member will be fishing Crater, Baum and Silver Lakes.

The White Ticket drawing, which will be held at the October meeting, will be good for a 9 wt. 2 pc. TFO fly rod. The rod is very lightly used and in great shape, so if you need a another fly rod come by and get in on the raffle.

Our guest speaker for the October meeting is Howard Power. Howard will be sharing fishing opportunities, equipment and fly selection for the Trinity River. Please come by and say hi to Howard and hear what he has to say.

The Monterey Bay Steelhead Association’s Albacore feed is coming on November 11th. Please save the date and plan to attend this worthy event.

Also coming up on November 26th is the clean-up on the Salinas River. We’ll meet at the twin bridges parking area at: 9-10 am. Bring gloves and work cloth. We’ll be picking up trash and doing some painting.

Until next month, keep you rod tips up and your line tight.

Richard

- **Upcoming Outings:**
- Nov 11th Albacore Dinner in Castroville
- Nov 26th “Salinas River Clean-up” Contact Jay J or meet at the Bridge 9am
- Oct N Cal Lakes with Dave G. As Fish Master. 5th-9th meet at Rancheria RV on Hwy 89

Fly Tyer's Corner with Bill Pshide

October's fly of the month:
Peacock Caddis



This fly is about as easy as they come to tie and likely every beginners fly tying kit on the market will contain the materials to make it.

Materials:

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Peacock herl, Brown hackle, Deer hair, Hook size 12-14

Steps:

Wrap the hook from back to front with peacock herl, lay the deer hair wings across the back and tie in, then Finish by wrapping the front with brown or grey hackle and do a whip finish.

October Activities

October Outing
Nor Cal Lakes
October 5th-9th

SVFF Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 25th.
@
The Fling Artichoke

Fly Tying
@ the Airport Board Room
October 18th.
Peacock Caddis

October Club Meeting
Wednesday, Oct. 11th
6:00 for Dinner / 7:00 for Meeting
Guest Howard Power