



SALINAS VALLEY FLY FISHERS

February 2012

FLY TIMES

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"Why the Artichoke Went Fishing by: Club Prez.. Jay Jefferson

I'd first like to start by thanking "Saw Dust" Micheli for his leadership in 2011, and to Deb a "Way Cool" for a great job on setting up the annual dinner and your work on the web-site. The raffle guys put together an "Out of This World" raffle for the annual dinner with something for everyone. Thanks to Dave Bill and Rick. And thanks to everyone who came out for the event.

With our new year comes a new board, or at least half of them are new. Joining returning members: Me, Mick Micheli, Dan Balma and Richard Wilson will be Roger Caton, Tracy DeSilva and Rod Sanchez. In addition to these folks who were elected at the December meeting, I've asked Sonny Wun to come on the board to serve as Vice President. Sonny will be filling in for Tracy who was elected as Vice President but decided that he'd like a little more experience on the board before he stepped into the "Executive branch". Our first board meeting of the year produced plenty of new ideas. We're going to try to set aside time at each general

meeting to include special interest topic on "safety", "fishing tips" and "what's new in the world of fly fishing". With the input from the board and the information that all of you provided, we have some new places to go, including local, in state and out of state options. You'll be hearing more about all this at the meeting and in the newsletter..Please remember that we're trying to schedule an outing each month on the first weekend following the general meeting. So if you want to make sure that you don't miss anything, go to your calendar and mark every 2nd Wednesday in 2012, then circle every weekend after the meeting, and you'll be in! This all starts off with the Kings River on February 11th and 12th. Hope you can make it!

A couple of reminders before I close, If you haven't done it already you need to send in you 2011 steel-head report card, and in the event we get some rain and you want to try fishing the Carmel River the number to find out if it is open is: (831) 649-2886..... t'll then

"Ugly flies catch fish." J.J.

2012 Board Members

Jay Jefferson	809-0290
President	
Sonny Wun	757-3576
Vice President	
Tracy DaSilva	484-0413
Secretary	
Richard Wilson	758-5313
Treasure	
Dan Balma	653-9628
Member	
Rod Sanchez	424-5426
Member	
Mick Micheli	455-1007
Member	
Rick McCombs	385-4278
Newsletter editor	

February Meeting

Please come and join us at the Wednesday night meeting. Along with the usual: snacks, fish reports, comradery and B.S., We'll be laying out plans for fishing trips and activities for the rest of the year. In addition, there will be a white ticket drawing for a Reddington 5wt. Fly Rod..For all those planning to go to the Kings River outing, come and get directions and answers to any questions.

What's going on in the world of fly fishing and tying?



Editorial

I was at the board meeting last week and all the discussions and planning got me thinking about our club. In particular, the activities and the history. The club isn't quite as big as it once was. In the old days, the by-laws restricted the number to no more than 50 regular members. Roger just sent out a membership list and if my memory serves me, we have 34 paid members currently. In addition, there are 3 or 4 folks who attend once in a while and will probably get around to paying their dues. So that's about a 25% reduction in membership over the past 20 years or so. On the positive side, the attendance at Board meeting is strong with 6-8 folks at every meeting. And since Jay got us set up at the airport, the monthly fly tying has a pretty devoted group of a half a dozen or so, with a few non-tyers dropping in from time to time. The general meeting usually brings out at least half the membership, which I think is quite respectable compared to other clubs. Moving our meeting to the Fire house has been a shift that most members applaud. I know that I certainly like the homey environment and don't miss of the noise and hassles that we used to have at the Community Center one iota. So personally, I think we're doing just fine and I invite all of you to continue to participate in just the way that works for you. I know that there will always be a core of folks who take it all more seriously than you do, who will keep trying to get you to be more actively involved, but please remember that we're all in this together. Nobody's the boss of you. And nobody needs to be telling you what you're supposed to be doing...*But*, please let us know what you'd like to be doing because your *involvement* does make a difference, and it makes the Salinas Valley Fly Fishers a better gig for everyone.. - ed.

Check out this web-site for real pictures of the real bugs that you're trying to tie Flycraftangler:

<http://flycraftangling.com/index.asp?p=117>

Fly of the month: Crawdad



Join Bill and the boys at the airport next Wednesday to tie the Crawdad

Crawdad Pattern:

Hook: #4.tmc 5263

Antenna: Tan loco legs

Body: Rust dub

Claws: Orange bunny strips

Back: Swiss straw

Note: Tying information for this and a variety of other information can be found on Steve Ojai's website The website is also a great source for California fishing info.

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<http://stevenojai.tripod.com/fishdist.htm>

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Salinas Valley Flyfishers2012 Outing Schedule and Programs**

February 8th.	General meeting	Spreckles Fire Hall	What's new in 2012	Jay Jefferson	809-0290
February 11th.-12th.	Club Outing	King River	Trout	Jay Jefferson	809-0290
February 15th.	Fly Tying	Airport Board Room	Elk Hair Variations	Bill Pshide / Rick Mc	424-3063 385-4778
February 22nd	Board meeting	Airport Restaurant	Business meeting Members welcome	Jay Jefferson	809-0290
February 24th.-26th.	Fly Fishing Show	Pleasanton Co. Fairgrounds	One day admission \$15	Flyfishing-show.com	For more info.
March 14th.	General meeting	Spreckles Fire Hall	Mark Control	Seirra trout fishing	809-0290
March 17th.-18th.	Club Outing	Pyramid Lake	Cutthroat Trout	Rod Sanchez	424-5426

Rock Creek and Lake Christine (June 24th-29th.)

This looks like it's going to be a dynamite outing. A chance to fish for really big native Rainbows and Browns in a beautiful natural setting and have it all to ourselves.. We'll be fishing on two lakes on adjacent properties. We have reserved five days and arranged for space for two RV's: along with a cottage that sleeps 4. All together, we have room for a maximum 7 people each day. That gives us 35 slots and each slot will cost about \$140 which should cover shared food cost. Keep in mind that each "slot" starts at 2:00 p.m. and ends at 12:00 noon. More detail? Contact: Rick-(385-4778 / rickmcfly@sbcglobal.net)

Rooster Comb 2012

Well folks, I am looking for interest in another outing up at Rooster Comb Ranch this year. I need at least 10 for this. The price is the same as of this date. \$ 150.00 each plus food. Food was \$45.00 last year. We usually do this in May but with the low water this year we may go earlier. I will let you know. Please call me ASAP @ 424-5582. I need to let Scott know soon and set a date. Thanks -Mick.
(Contact Mick @ 455-1007 or 595-5315.)

For all the latest info. in what's happening in the wide world of fishing and for club activities, Go to:
salinasvalleyflyfishers.org

Special thanks for the support of:

**Geoff Malloway
Central Coast Fly Fishing
7172 Carmel Valley Rd.
Carmel, CA
(626-6586)**

News Notes and Ads

Important Notice For San Luis Reservoir

All those who plan to attend the outing at San Luis Forebay should be aware that the state has implemented the following:

San Luis Res. Vessel Inspection for Quagga and Zebra Mussels is now in effect.

All Boats This includes float tubes and Pontoons must be inspected.

Your boat must be dry with no moisture on any boots, waders. Anything brought into the lake with your vessel must be clean, dry. There will be inspection stations set up all entrances to the park.

Inspections are free.

Inspection stations will open at 6:00 a.m and close at 8:00 p.m.

SRA Information #: (209)826-1197

Also check out "windfinder" for San Luis wind forecast.

Rock Creek / Lake Christine

If you'd like to know more about these lakes, check out the Fly Shop website..

Just Google "The Fly Shop" Then click on their "private waters" section and you'll get a better feel for what they're like. They're separate properties., but what it doesn't tell you is that they are both lakes on the same creek and only about 200 yards apart. We plan to have full use of both simultaneously.

Thanks

To the Raffle Committee: Dave Hilbert, Bill Pshide and Rick McCombs for all there great work. Also, thanks to Geoff Malloway for showing up for the annual dinner and for his generous support throughout the year. (it's amazing what a frontal lobotomy will do for a persons deposition) Thanks to Bill Pshide for leading the Fly Tying. And thanks to *me* for a decade of putting this rag together.

Buy, Sell, give away and get the word out

Spey Rod For Sale

Cortland 13 ft., 5 piece, 6 weight Spey rod.
Pristine condition \$200 to Club Member
Call: Jay @ 809-0290

Got something to sell or give away to a better home..

List it here.

Call Rick (385-4778)
rickmcfly@sbcglobal.net

Four Wheel Pop-Up Camper for compact pick-up.

Call Rick and make offer: 385-4778

Adopt-A-Highway

If you club or business is interested in adopting a section of Hwy101

Contact:

Jeanette Green, Adopt-a-highway Coordinator
831-372-1132

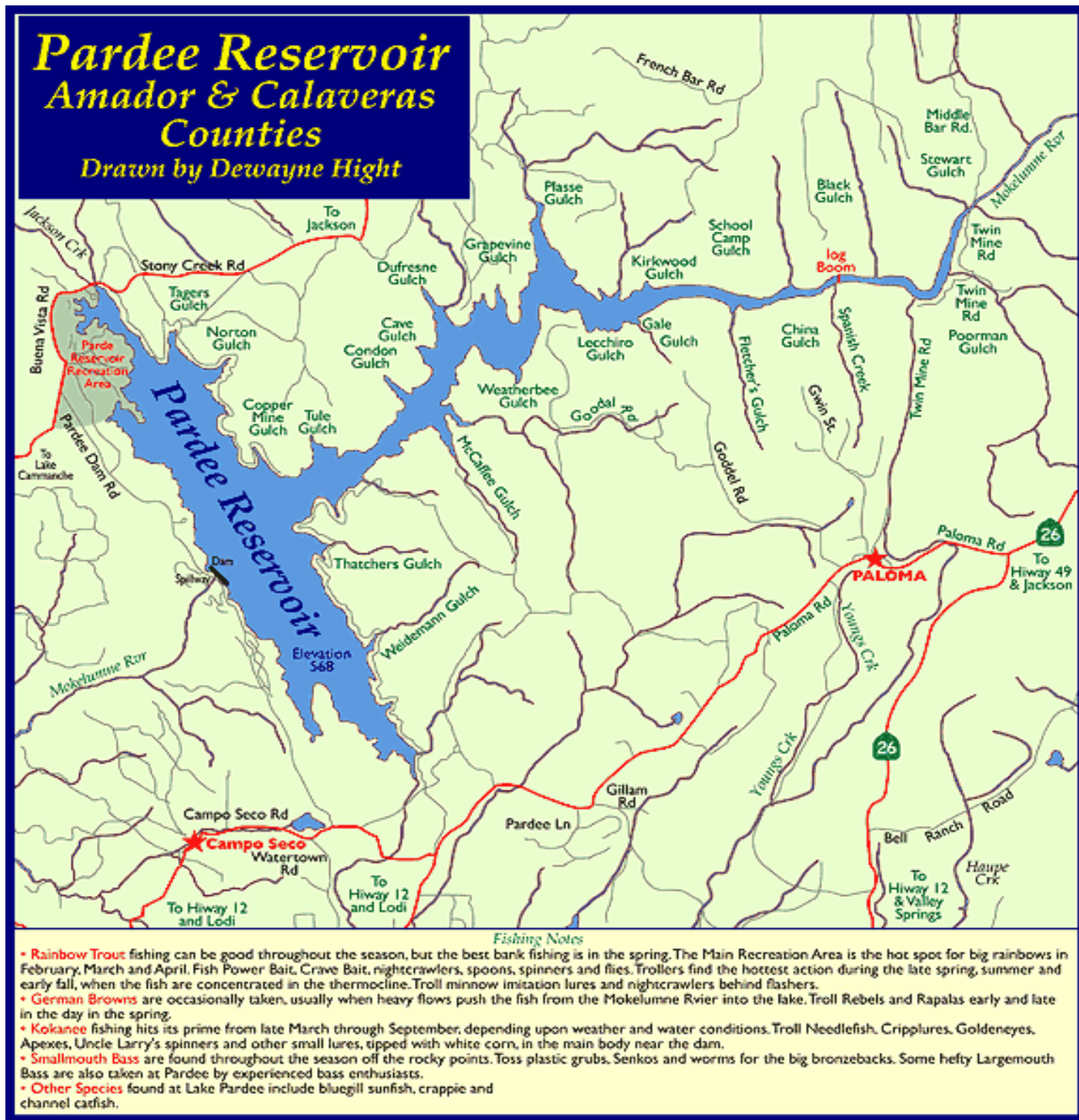
Old guys!!! For those 62 and older, did you know that for \$10 you can get a National Parks and Rec. Pass. This is good for life. Not that that will be long. This pass gets you 1/2 off camping and free through Yosemite and other national parks

Fly of the Month:

Bill's Crawdad



Pardee Reservoir “Nice Winter time trout fishery”



This map is from the Fish Sniffer web-site. While the site is not specifically dedicated to fly fishing, it does have lots of great information and we encourage you to check it out..

Board of Directors Meeting
Airport / Landing Zone
@ 6:00
February 22nd.

Fly Tying
Wedn. 15th.
Airport Board Room
6:00 pm

General Meeting
Spreckles Fire House
Wednesday Feb. 8th.
@ 7:00

February Outing
Kings River
Feb. 11th-12th.

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