



SALINAS VALLEY FLY FISHERS

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FLY TIMES

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“President’s Message”

Tracy “Decoy” da Silva

Welcome to August everyone,. I hope you have all enjoyed your summer so far. As for me, I am just getting over a well needed road trip. This year it was off to Colorado. Tagging along behind the Micheli’s Airstream trailer, I saw some amazing country. We did a lot of fishing and a lot touring too. I had a great time, and even managed made it back to California in time to join up with Mike Gilroy for a float on the American.

Back in a California mindset, I hear that the Kings River has been looking good late. Grasshoppers are likely to be everywhere this time of year, and can make for some great fishing on just about any water. I’ve seen pictures of some nice salmon being caught on the Lower Sac. and, I would imagine that the surf will be kicking out some striper anytime now. Rumor has it that some of our members even did a quick trip to the surf zone. We’ll have to keep our

ears open at the next meeting for the fishing reports.

Unfortunately, it looks like our Editor, Raffle Manager and longtime board contributor, Rick McCombs is finally making good on his threat to move from the Salinas Valley to Sutter Creek. I’d like to thank Rick for his help with my time on the board and all that he contributes to the club. With his move comes more responsibilities flying around, and we would really like to see some extra member support and contributions if you can muster it. Once we figure out who, and how we will deal with the newsletter duties, any content you’d like to see in the newsletter: stories, pictures, maps , etc. please let us know. Also regarding the raffle, any items that you think will be good for the raffle, or any hot sale items that you see, please let me know about that too. With that said, let’s go fishing.

See you all at the meeting –deCoy :

It’s time to get knotty

Yes indeed. It’s time for the new and improved *clincher* of a program. It might take a *surgeon’s loop* to bring this program to *perfection* but your *uni* will thank your *truckers knot* for the *non slip mono* solution to your *arbor*. And a *bimini twist* to you all. So plan to be there this Wednesday evening.....In addition to whatever that was about. You can expect a fine meal, if you arrive early and fish tales, fellowship, a raffle and lots of talk about upcoming outing. Oh, and Tracy, don’t forget the Popcorn. I’ll bring the salt. ed.

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



Fly of the Month

Teal Baetis Nymph

Materials:

Hook: Size 14-20 Scud hook

Thread: 6/0 Olive thread

Weight: Silver or clear glass bead

Rib: Fine silver wire

Abdomen: Teal flank feathers

Hackle: Dun hen or Partridge



Foam body Bumblebee:

This month in addition to the "Real fly of the month, Jay J. will be demoing his easy version of the Foam Body Bumblebee. You'll have to show up at fly tying Wednesday night, August 20th. To see if it looks anything like the picture on the left. I'm not sure, but I'm betting against it. Whichever fly you choose to tie, Bill and Jay will be there with the instructions and materials, so plan to join in...

Baetis Nymph Behavior

Baetis nymphs are normally outstanding swimmers, but they are reported to lose this ability when they emerge. They get to the surface by dead-drifting, buoyed by gas bubbles, or by crawling to the surface on some object and letting go to drift along in the film (rather than crawling out). They have trouble breaking through the surface film, escaping their shucks, and drying their wings to take flight, which means that almost any type of surface fly has its uses. Anglers may need to use deep nymphs, floating nymphs, emergers, cripples, or dun patterns during this emergence. Common wisdom says floating nymph and emerger patterns are the most useful. Dismal weather invites the best hatches of *Baetis* mayflies; look for them on overcast, rainy days, as long as the water temperature is above 40°F. .

Bumblebee Behaviors

Bumblebees on the other hand, don't swim worth a damn. They don't emerge from the water. They most likely hatch out in a hive somewhere in the back corner of Chuck Humphrey's old garage. Bumblebees come in many color as long as it's black or yellow. At last report they don't like water much except for drinking. There are numerous foam patterns to imitate Bumblebees, but none of them actually catch fish, except for very small bass, who apparently think them to be baby sparrows. If you tie up some of these flies, it's best to put them on your hat and leave them there. ed.

Salinas Valley Flyfishers2014 Outing Schedule and Programs**

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| Aug. 14th. | General meeting | Landing Zone @ the airport | Knots, knots and more knots | Tracy da Silva | 229-9568 |
| Aug 16th-17th | Monthly outing | To be determined | | | |
| Aug. 19th. | Fly Tying | Airport Board room | Teal Baetis Nymph | Bill Pshide | 424-3063 |
| Aug. 26th. | Board meeting | Landing Zone @ the airport | | Tracy da Silva | 229-9568 |
| October 10th.-12th. | Sacramento River outing | Redding | Sac. River R.V. Park | Dottie | (530) 365-6402 |
| Sept. 10 | General meeting | Landing Zone @ the airport | | Tracy da Silva | 229-9568 |

Thoughts for the fall season:

Chances are that the annual Merced outing will be a bust, so what are the alternatives. How about Heenan Lake. We haven't done that one in a few years. Heenan is under special regulations. It opens the Friday of Labor day weekend and remains open just through the last Saturday of October. In the same neck of the woods is Indian Creek Reservoir off Hwy 89 near Markleeville. For some reason this lake has lots of water this year. Go figure. The fishing in Indian Creek seems to be up and down this season. DFG planted a bunch of Cutthroat in the lake last year and those fish should be getting pretty good size by now. On your way over Carson Pass, you'll drive right past Red Lake. Red Lake has a respectable population of Cutthroats, Rainbow and Brook Trout. Just down the hill from Red lake, you pass the turnoff for Hope Valley. There are several nice campgrounds and lakes to fish in the Blue Lakes area. Other fishable lakes including Tamarack lake and the various lakes of Indian Valley. Because this area is a higher elevation, you can expect cooler weather, which might be exactly what you're looking for right now.

For all the latest info. in what's happening in the wide world of fishing, go to:
salinasvalleyflyfishers.org

Special thanks to **Geoff Malloway** for his ongoing support of the Salinas Valley Fly Fishers and for his many efforts on behalf of stream habitat and the preservation of the fish that we all seek to catch. Next time you're out his way, stop by and say hi .If Geoff doesn't have exactly what you're looking for in stock he'll be happy to order it. Geoff can also help you outing with you casting.

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

Potpourri

Sacramento River Outing

If you interested in attending this outing (October 10th.-12th.) Contact Dottie at the Sacramento River R.V. Park. Call: (209) 365-6402. Be sure to tell her that you're with the Salinas Valley Fly Fishers. There are both R.V. sites and tent sites. More information will be available at the August meeting

Knots, Knots and More Knots

This month's meeting features fishing knots of all persuasions. If there are any specific knots that you're interested in, pass the word on to Tracy. But, if anybody wants to see a Bimini Twist, we'll have to lure Jay Murakoshi over from Fresno to tie that one.

Blue Lakes Campgrounds

All the campgrounds at Blue Lakes are usually open early summer to mid-October, depending on snow-fall. They are operated by PG&E. For more complete camping information, see [Blue Lakes Camping](#).

Reservations: None

Fees: \$23 per night at every Blue Lakes campground

Lower Blue Lakes Campground

- 16 camp sites for tents, trailers, and RVs.
- Vault toilets, piped water, picnic tables, grills, fire rings, bear boxes
- Boating, fishing, swimming at Lower Blue Lake

Middle Creek Campground

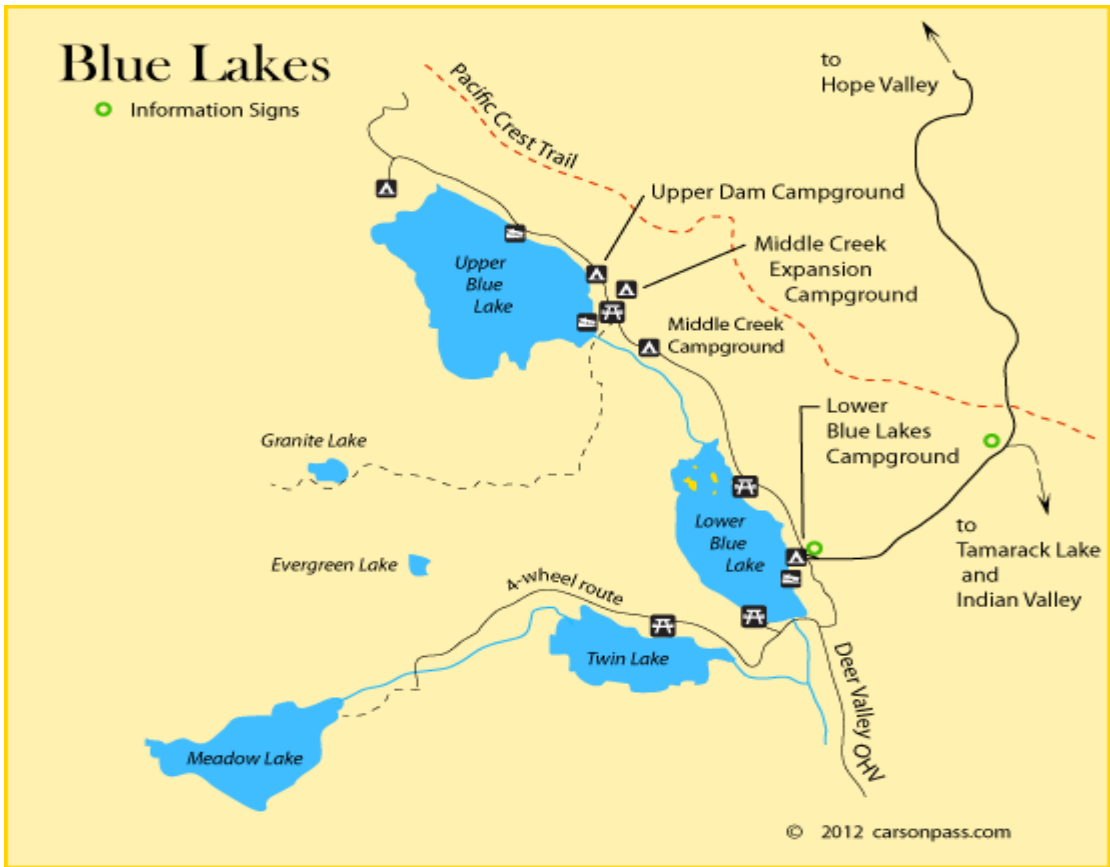
- 5 popular camp sites along the creek for tents, trailers or RVs
- Vault toilets, piped water, picnic tables, grills, fire rings, bear boxes
- Swimming, boating, fishing, picnicking, hiking

Middle Creek Expansion Campground

- 34 sites at the Expansion Campground across the road Vault toilets, piped water, picnic tables, grills, fire rings, bear boxes
- Swimming, boating, fishing, picnicking, hiking,

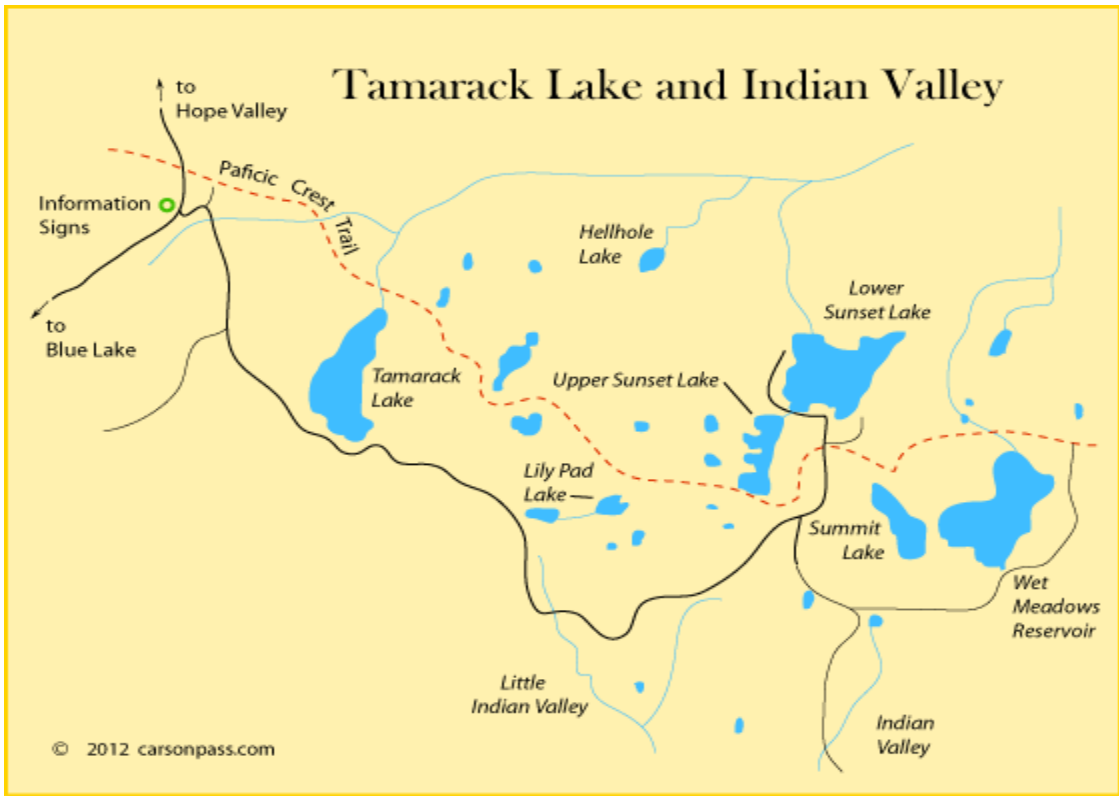
Note from ed.

As Tracy has well informed you all, Carolyn and I have moved to Sutter Creek. I'll still be coming back and forth for a while and plan to make meeting when I'm in the area. None-the-less, it seems appropriate to take a moment and thank all of you who have made my involvement with the club such a special part of our time in the Salinas Valley. For better or worse everything I know about fly fishing is your fault. And remember, the welcome mat will always be out for you, when you pass our way.Rick (ed.)



Blue Lakes;
 Located off Hwy 88
 On the eastern side
 of Carson Pass

Tamarack Lake and
 Indian Valley:
 Located below
 Lower Blue Lake



***Outing
October 17-19th.
Lower Sacramento***

**General meeting
Dinner @ 6:00
Meeting @ 7:00
Aug. 13th.**

**Fly Tying
Wedn. Aug 20th.**

**Airport board room
6:00 p.m.**

**Board of Directors
Meeting
at the Landing Zone
6:00, Aug. 27th.**

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