



October 2017 Presidents Message

Well it's been a great month as I have been on the road for the past thirty days. I was bummed again as the State of Washington closed the salmon fishing in the Skagit River region for a second year in a row. Low numbers on returning salmon is the reason for the closure. The locals, that depend on the fisherman, in late summer and early fall are struggling to make a living. My wife keeps telling me that I should quit looking for property in that area as the closures could continue. I fished the opening week at Pyramid Lake during my stay in Reno. The weather seemed more like winter with the temperatures cold and the wind blowing 10 – 20 mph. I didn't see very many fish caught, but I talked to several people that managed to land one or two and one of Doug's client that lost two big ones. The Lahontan Cutthroat Trout once again eluded me, but to my surprise I had caught four large Tui Chubs on a white popcorn beetle. I think I caught more fish than most that day. Put Pyramid on your fishing list as fishing will only get better as the weather gets colder.

The club outing last month to the Merced River was attended by Jay and Rick. Fishing was tough with high water levels and hot weather. Jay did mention that every time they fished apart, Rick caught fish. Rick did catch the biggest, ugliest, sucker fish in the river.

Dave gave a great presentation on fishing Northern Sierra Lakes. Covering the fly rod selections, floaties and fly choices. Dave is the fish-master for the October club outing on October 5 – 9, were the club will be fishing Crater, Baum and Silver Lakes.

The White Ticket Drawing for the third quarter/October, is a 9wt, 2pc, TFO fly rod. The rod is used and in good condition. If you need a 9wt, come by and get your white tickets.

Our guest speaker for October is Howard Powers. Howard will be discussing fishing opportunities, equipment and fly selection for fishing the Trinity River. Come by and say hi to Howard if you get a chance.

Albacore Feed benefiting the Monterey Bay Steelhead Association is November 11. Details to follow, so save the date and check your e mail.

Plan on attending the clubs next cleanup of the Salinas River. We will be meeting on November 26 at the Hwy 1 parking area at the twin bridges, 9 – 10 am. Bring gloves and proper attire for condition of the day. The club will be picking up trash and painting a few roadway pillars.

The fly for the month of October is the Peacock Caddis. Jay will lead the pack as Bill will be on vacation. Come out and support fly tying and learn or tie a few flies.

We are still looking for volunteers to fill the Vice president and secretary positions for next year. Let us know if you are interested.

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

Richard