

JULY

2017

CLUB MEETING

**THERE IS NO MEETING IN JULY!
ENJOY A SAFE AND SANE
INDEPENDENCE DAY!**



See you at the August 2nd Barbecue
Have a great summer!

GEARING UP

July Surf Fishout – Saturday, July 8th
Fishmaster: TBA



The July Surf Fishout will be at Palm Beach, AKA Pajaro Dunes. The fishmaster is tentatively Mark Traugott, but if he is not able to be there, don't let that stop you. Plan to arrive around 6:00 AM to 6:30 AM.

If you haven't tried this great local resource, you really should. Everything you need to know about getting started is on our website. Hope to see you there.

Directions: Take West Beach Street out of Watsonville all the way until it dead-ends at the State Park, parking is on the right.

FLY TYING CLASS

Date: Wednesday, July 12th
Time: Open – 6:45 PM
Class – 7:00 PM
Place: Aptos Grange, 2555 Mar Vista Dr., Aptos

The Smidget

Instructor: Tom Eckert 818-3798 or 818-3801



This could replace your favorite Humpy pattern and is much easier to tie! This has a unique method of tying, but is easy to learn. Please bring 8/0 olive, yellow, and/or black thread, your vise, tools, light, magnification and glasses as needed. All materials, instructions, helpful assistance, and demonstration will be provided. Beginners are always welcome, and some equipment is available for their use.

Please sign-up at the club meeting, or by calling Tom at least 24 hours in advance. If you sign-up and later find you are unable to attend, notice of cancellation is appreciated.

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President's Line

High Water Year

By President Jim Black

Having been through the massive winter rain, we now have the snow melt impacting the rivers we love to fish, with the exception of the Lower Sacramento, which is fishing well for trout, and currently for shad and stripers, if you can find them.

Some observations: Our planned overnight Fishout, below the dam in July on the Yuba River Shad trip was cancelled because it was too dangerous to fish from a boat and our campsite was and probably still is underwater. However, the high water did not stop the shad from migrating into the American, the Yuba and the Feather Rivers as they have done for a number of years. Both the shad and the stripers begin their return to the salt in June and July, so if the water is too dangerous for a boat, it does not change their migration patterns. In fact, guides have told me the shad, in particular will probably migrate in much larger numbers this year than in the past years of the drought.

I try to float tube fish Henderson Springs once or twice a year for Trout. His ponds are spring fed and receive run-off

as well. During the drought, Henderson fished well. However, with all the rainwater, Henderson experienced a really different phenomena, in all his four lakes, and one in particular. The lower lake was overwhelmed with thousands of minnows! While I was there recently, Henderson experienced an evening hex hatch. The minnows would voraciously attack the hatching hex flies, in large numbers similar to piraña. If the freshly hatched hex fly stayed on the surface of the lake for more than 10 seconds, it would be devoured by the minnows. It also seemed the trout were not eating the minnows. We tried several different patterns, including streamers, with little success. Henderson Springs is consulting with Fish and Wildlife as well as University of California at Davis to identify the minnows, their source and a method of controlling or eliminating them.

There are still no answers as of June 15. I am interested to learn if the minnows can be identified and controlled.

Good fishing to everyone.



Fishy Tales

* June Ramblings - John and Elaine Cook

Can you believe this? And he really enjoyed himself, too, when we used our discounted trip to Swart's Pond up near the Redding Fly Shop.

This is a very different year for fishing. It's way more challenging with the big winter everyone had. All the mountain ranges we have passed are covered with snow. The water is high everywhere.



We tried the Metolius in Oregon, which is a spring creek and has a reputation for being very hard to catch fish. We felt very accomplished by having a number of bites and each of us catching one beautiful and strong red side rainbow. Now we're on to West Yellowstone.

* Mid-June - Lake Davis - Steve Rudzinski

A few of us drove up to Lake Davis for a few days fishing this beautiful body of water, being at 106% full there was a lot more shoreline to cover and after the second day realized that landing even one fish was an all day challenge.

I got there first and set up my tent and kitchen and off to fish Camp 5 area near the launch ramp. It was windy and very cold as it rained and snow flurries in the early hours of the drive east.

Within the first hour wading and using the nymphing technique under an indicator with two flies I looked away briefly and looked back to see nothing like a yellow bobber on the surface, a fast slash of the 5 weight St. Croix and something big

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pulled back. It was a supremely magnificent fish leaping in front of me that took the bead head black nymph that was only a few feet below the surface. No camera in hand or pocket I can only estimate at 24-25" and at least four pounds.

This would be the first and only fish any of the three of us would hook in the three days on the water at Lake Davis, (Jeff and Jim had a guide, Bill Forward on Tuesday with a boat and they had a goose egg for the day). Turns out that trout planting there is not happening much or at all according to the local guys who have figured out how to catch some of the few remaining fish, all big and smart.

We went to Frenchman's Lake about an hour east on Wednesday, June 14th, and we found 10 fish that day as Jeff had the right spot and color and sized flies. This is a beautiful lake and many of the local fishermen are going there instead of Davis to catch fish in the numbers - most smaller but very scrappy. The wind howled at times and it was tough float tubing for sure.

Our last morning we fished Davis again and went to the Cow Creek area where we waded and looked for rising fish looking for damsel flies emerging. I saw 3 rise right in front of me but none grabbed my fly when I cast in the direction I guessed they were going. One local landed about four fish that morning.

Next trip at the end of this month we are headed to Lake Manzanita and Lake Almanor for the Hex hatch.

Worst part of the trip was the drive back through the east bay and into Santa Cruz.



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Board Meeting: The board meeting is usually held on the third Wednesday of the month at the home of John and Pat Steele, 331 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Cruz, at 7 PM. Club members will be notified of any changes of meeting dates and locations. Club members are all welcome and need to submit any agenda items to the President ahead of time

News: Members are encouraged to contribute news items. Submit copy to the editor, Kirk Mathew, 724-5611, k4mathew@sbcglobal.net. Please see calendar for the deadline each month.

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Fishout Schedule

Date	Location	Target species	Fishmaster
July 8	Palm Beach	Surf Fishout	Sam Bishop (831) 476-6451
July 8 - 15	Green River, UT	Trout	John Steele (831) 476-0648
August 5	Rio Del Mar Beach	Surf Fishout	Mark Traugott (831) 338-6056
August 6-10	Loreto Baja Sur	Dorado, saltwater species	Rich Hughett (831) 757-5709
August 18-20	Yuba River	Trout	Mark Traugott (831) 338-6056
August TBA	Sierra Backpack Trip	Trout	George Pike (831) 239-4863
Sept. 9	Manresa Beach	Surf Fishout	Sam Bishop (831) 476-6451
Sept. 23 - 30 (wk.#1)	Mammoth Lakes	Trout	John Cook (831) 688-1561
Sept. 30 - Oct. 7 (wk.#2)	Mammoth Lakes	Trout	John Cook (831) 688-1561
October 7	Beer Can Beach	Surf Fishout	TBA
October TBA	Lake Almanor	Large Browns	Tim Loomis (831) 426-4683
Oct. 19-22	O'Neill Forebay	Stripers	Steve Rudzinski (831) 462-4532

If you have any questions about Fishouts either call the person listed or you can call John Cook, 688-1561. Fishouts are a great way to meet people in the club and learn new techniques and places to fish.

Bait for Thought Can't Afford It

Scholars have long known that fishing eventually turns men into philosophers. Unfortunately, it is almost impossible to buy decent tackle on a philosopher's salary. ~Patrick F. McManus

Catchy Releases

Fish Planting Schedule

<https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FishPlants>

The Fish Planting Schedule is updated in real time, directly by CDFW Hatchery staff. Although it contains current information, all fish plants are subject to change depending on road, water, weather and operational conditions. Conditions permitting, the waters listed here will be restocked with catchable-size fish from CDFW hatcheries, according to this schedule. More specific dates are not given to avoid focusing excess fishing activity immediately after a plant.

If you have questions about Fish Planting activities, please call the Regional Office that covers the area in question. Annual Provisional Stocking Document. This document contains the “provisional” or “conditional” plans for fish stocking for the

current calendar year. Listed information: CDFW Region, County, Water Name, Species of Fish, Fish Size at Release, Release Program, Historical Months for Stocking Specified Water, and the Last Date the Specified Water was Stocked (as of date published). While these are the intended fish stocking plans for the year, they will not be guaranteed due to unforeseen circumstances or acts of nature (for example, droughts, fires, or floods).

See Fish Plants on a Map in our Fishing Guide

NOTE: The “Map It” links and resulting map markers do not indicate the exact or only planting locations, but rather the general location of the waters being planted.

Sacramento River Between Keswick Dam and the Highway 44 Bridge Closed to Fishing

<https://cdfgnews.wordpress.com>

June 1, 2017

Regulations went into effect as of May 26, 2017 to close a 5.5 mile stretch of the Sacramento River to all fishing, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) announced. An emergency regulation had expired on Mar. 30, 2017, but was made permanent upon adoption of the Fish and Game Commission and filing with the Secretary of State.

The Sacramento River winter-run Chinook salmon population suffered an estimated 95 percent loss of juvenile natural production for the years 2014 and 2015 due to low reservoir storage and elevated water temperatures caused by the pervasive drought. Winter-run Chinook return to their natal rivers and streams every year to spawn.

“The prolonged drought that ended in 2017 has had a dramatic impact on winter-run, including the 2014 brood year, which will return as adults to spawn this year,” said CDFW Fisheries Branch Chief Kevin Shaffer. “It is vital to protect this year’s predicted small return of spawning adults and their young, and, over the next few years, to rebuild the stock and prevent extinction of winter-run Chinook.”

Maximizing adult spawning numbers is critical to the population. CDFW fisheries staff have evaluated recent winter-run Chinook spawning locations and have concluded that the majority of spawning occurs in the recently closed section above the Highway 44 bridge to Keswick Dam.

Although fishing for winter-run Chinook in this reach of



the Sacramento River is not allowed under current regulations, incidental by-catch by anglers who are not targeting salmon has been documented and is significant, especially during low flow periods. Even if returned to the water, incidental by-catch stresses the fish, resulting in the potential loss of adults before spawning.

A total fishing closure in the holding and spawning areas of winter-run Chinook is necessary to ensure this endangered fish population has the highest chance of survival.

As adopted by the Fish and Game Commission and in effect as of May 26, 2017:

Sacramento River below Keswick Dam, subsection 7.50(b)(156.5)

(B) From 650 feet below Keswick Dam to Deschutes Road bridge.

From 650 feet below Keswick Dam to the Highway 44 bridge.

January 1 through March 31 with a bag limit of two hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead and four hatchery

trout or hatchery steelhead in possession.

Closed to all fishing from April 1 to July 31.

Open from August 1 through December 31 with a bag limit of two hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead and four hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead in possession.

From the Highway 44 bridge to the Deschutes Road bridge.

All year with a bag limit of two hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead and four hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead in possession.

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Be ‘Bear Aware’ this Spring and Summer

<https://cdfgnews.wordpress.com>

June 1, 2017

As spring and summer beckon people outdoors, California’s black bears are also active after a long winter hibernation. The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) takes this opportunity to highlight the native black bear – one of most adaptable animals in the state – and encourages citizens to help reduce nuisance encounters with this iconic mammal by being “bear aware,” which means taking responsible actions that

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promote responsible behavior while living and recreating in bear country.

California has a healthy population of black bears that typically prefer remote mountainous areas. But as more people frequent parks and wilderness areas and choose to live in or near bear habitat, bears become more accustomed to the presence of people and as a result display less shy and elusive behavior.

“Over the years, we have seen bear behavior patterns

...*Catchy Releases - cont'd. from p. 4* change significantly”, said Marc Kenyon, manager of CDFW’s human/wildlife conflict program. “Each spring and summer we receive hundreds of calls from the public reporting anything from bears raiding food in campgrounds to bears taking dips in residential swimming pools. Bears have also been known to break into homes and cabins and steal food right off of the kitchen counter – sometimes while the occupants are home.”

Kenyon notes that bears have a highly specialized sense of smell. According to Kenyon, a bear can smell bacon frying from about three miles away, given the right conditions. An animal that is specialized at finding food sources coupled with greater numbers of people at its doorstep, can create a storm of human/wildlife conflicts. However, nuisance-bear behavior may be significantly reduced – or even eliminated, if people change their behavior.

Tips for Bear-proofing your Home, Rental or Timeshare:

In settled areas close to bear habitat, bears may venture in searching for food. The best defense against bear break-ins and bears in your yard is to eliminate attractants to your property by following these tips:

- * Purchase and properly use a bear-proof garbage container.
- * Wait to put trash out until the morning of collection day. (Do not leave trash, groceries or pet food in your car.
- * Keep garbage cans clean and deodorize them with bleach or ammonia.
- * Keep barbecue grills clean and stored in a garage or shed when not in use.
- * Only provide bird feeders during November through March and make them inaccessible to bears.
- * Do not leave any scented products outside, even non-food items such as suntan lotion, insect repellent, soap or candles.
- * Keep doors and windows closed and locked.
- * Consider installing motion-detector alarms and/or electric fencing.
- * Harvest fruit off trees as soon as it is ripe, and promptly collect fruit that falls.
- * Bring pets in at night. Provide safe and secure quarters for livestock at night.

- Consider composting bins as opposed to open composting.
- * Securely block access to potential hibernation sites such as crawl spaces under decks and buildings.
 - * Do not spray bear spray around property – when it dries, it can serve as an attractant.
 - * Do not feed deer or other wildlife – not only can it be unlawful, it will attract bears to your property.

Tips for Bear-proofing your Campsite:

Maintaining a clean campsite is the responsible and safe thing to do when visiting bear country. Here are a few tips for bear proofing your campsite:

- * Haul garbage out of camp regularly – check with camp host or other camp personnel about safe garbage storage. Use bear lockers if available.
- * Store food (including pet food) and toiletries in bear-proof containers or in an airtight container in the trunk of your vehicle if bear lockers are not available. In some areas, food storage in the trunk is not advisable. Check with camp or park personnel.
- * Clean dishes and store food and garbage immediately after



- meals.
 - * Clean your grill after each use.
 - * Never keep food or toiletries in your tent.
 - * Change out of clothes you cooked in before going to bed.
 - * Do not clean fish in camp.
 - * Do not leave pets unattended in camp or sleeping outside.
- Tips for Hiking in Bear Country:**
- Bears may react defensively if your presence is not known – make noise while hiking. Talk loudly or whistle.
- * If possible, travel with a group of people.
 - * Avoid thick brush and walk with the wind at your back so your scent is ahead of you.
 - * Watch for bear sign along trails – scat, tracks and stripped bark off trees.

- * Avoid sites where dead animal carcasses are observed.
- * If you see a bear, avoid it and give it the opportunity to avoid you.
- * Leash dogs while hiking in bear country – dogs can surprise and aggravate bears – bringing the bear back to you when the dog flees from the bear.

Black bears are the only bear species found in California. They range in color from blonde to black, with cinnamon brown being the most common. There are an estimated 35,000

bears in California. Males are much larger than females and can weigh up to 500 pounds, although average weight is about 300 pounds. Black bears can sprint up to 35 mph and they are strong swimmers and great tree climbers.

Bears are omnivorous eating foods ranging from berries, plants, nuts and roots to honey, honeycomb, insects, larvae, carrion and small mammals.

Bears typically mate in June and July. As winter approaches, bears will forage for food up to 20 hours a day, storing enough fat to sustain them through hibernation. Bears often hibernate in large hollow trees 40 to 60 feet off the ground.

Bear cubs are born in winter dens in January and February and are hairless, deaf and blind.

Black bear attacks are rare in California and typically are defensive in nature because the bear is surprised or defending cubs; however, bears accustomed to people may become too bold and act aggressively.

Female black bears will often send cubs up a tree and leave the area in response to a perceived threat. Do not remain in the area – when you leave, she will come back for her cubs.

For more information about black bear biology, please visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Mammals/Black-Bear/Biology.

For information about bear-proof containers and where to buy them, please visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Keep-Me-Wild/Products. Media Contact:

Lesla Johnston, CDFW Education and Outreach, (916) 322-8933

GEARING UP

2017 Loreto Fishout - August 6th through August 10th - Fishmaster: Rich Hughett – 757-5709

Experience a new HIGH! Catch Dorado and many other saltwater fish (Roosters, Sailfish, Yellowtail, bonita) on a fly! Join the group of Santa Cruz Fly Fishermen going to Loreto in Baja and fishing from Friday, August 4th through Tuesday, August 8, 2017. The cost is \$750.00 per person (double occupancy, no deposits up front) and includes:

*Four nights at the beautiful Hotel La Mision, on the waterfront next to Loreto Harbor.

*Three days of fishing on 22 foot Super Pangas.

*Ground transfers.

It does not include airfare*, fishing license and meals, because there are some nice restaurants (A lot of fresh seafood!) in town or if you prefer, eat at the hotel, where they will also cook your catch!

The fishing day starts around 6:00 a.m. and we usually get back

to the harbor between 1:00 and 2:00 p.m. Spend the rest of the afternoon fishing from the beach, having a cool drink in the pool, exploring Loreto and the area, or just sitting around telling some tall fish stories. And, you will have many exciting moments on the Sea of Cortez to talk about.

Rich Hughett will meet with those going prior to the trip to discuss which rods, reels and flies to bring, the various types of fish in the Loreto area and to answer questions.

Interested? Please contact Rich at 831-757-5709, now for all the details. We need to book airline flights, hotel rooms and pangas as soon as possible.

*For the best deal, check Southwest Airlines out of San Jose and Alaska Airlines from Los Angeles to Loreto. Rich will help with your airline reservations.

Yuba River – August 18-20, 2017 - Fishmaster: Mark Traugott – 831-338-6056

As many of you are aware, an annual lottery had assigned our club a mid-April date to fish the otherwise inaccessible stretch of the Lower Yuba River that adjoins the University of California's Sierra Foothills Research Station. That fishout had to be canceled because the river was flowing at more than 4,000 cfs (far in excess of the 1,000 cfs that would normally define the upper limit of fishability.) We have, however, been able to secure an alternate date and have rescheduled the Lower Yuba River fishout to August 18-20. At that time of year, conditions should be very hot and dry, and we will likely be using caddis, hopper and possibly mayfly imitations to tempt the resident rainbow trout.

Because none of us are familiar with this venue and how many fishermen it can support, our first outing to this location has been limited to eight rods. First preference will be given to those who signed up for the April fishout, but some of them may be unable to take part in August, so there should be at least a few spots open. If you are interested, please call Mark Traugott at (831) 338-6056. I am

including below an edited version of the information previously published regarding this expedition:

This is a brand-new fishout that will provide access to a stretch of the Lower Yuba River that few people have had an opportunity to fish. The Sierra Foothills Research Center is a 5,700-acre tract of land owned by the University of California. It includes more than a mile of river frontage along Timbuctoo Bend (halfway between Englebright Dam and the Highway 20 bridge at Parks Bar.) U.C. allows access to California fly fishing clubs via an annual lottery and we are participating for the first time in 2017.

Members who sign up for this fishout will need to arrive on Friday, August 18th, as we will be proceeding as a group through a locked gate early on Saturday morning. Because of the long drive involved (about four hours from Santa Cruz), I am assuming that most participants will want to fish a different stretch of the Lower Yuba (or any other nearby stream) on Sunday.

Participants must possess a valid license with a steelhead card. The regulations specify barbless hooks, catch-and-release. The Lower Yuba presents a rather unusual profile, with thirty-foot

high piles of tailings along the banks in some places and rock outcrops in others, but despite its history of upstream hydraulic mining, it runs crystal clear at low flows. The ideal volume for this stretch is probably 600 cfs. Above 800 cfs, the river can no longer be crossed, and wading becomes treacherous. The river is dam controlled (mainly by New Bullards Bar Dam, as Englebright Reservoir is largely silted in) so summer flows are mainly determined by agricultural releases and tend to be very fishable-but in this crazy water year, who knows?

I have reserved Group Site D at Sycamore Ranch, located

several miles downstream on the Yuba River, which is where we will meet. My current thinking is that everyone will be responsible for their own meals. We might have to bring our own BBQ, but the campsite does have a firepit, so a communal meal on Saturday night or even a potluck is a possibility if that is what participants prefer. Other than meals, the costs include U.C.'s compulsory toilet pumping fee and the campsite fees, which come to \$25 per person, due upon sign-up.

On Sunday, the most obvious fishing opportunity is the stretch of the Lower Yuba immediately below the Parks Bar bridge at Highway 20. There is (usually) automobile access from a rough dirt road along the river-left bank of the Yuba. It is also possible to walk the river-right bank, but the best water is a good ways downstream. At ideal river flows (600 cfs or less), this class 2 stretch of river can also be floated in a kayak or possibly a pontoon boat, with a put-in at the bridge and a take-out right at our campground, but there is always the possibility of brush and sweepers and the viability of the river is obviously highly dependent on the water level. Other fishing possibilities include the Lower Yuba at Hallwood (a few miles further downstream) where there is good access on foot; or, at a somewhat greater distance to the northeast (at least a half hour), the South Fork of the Yuba at Bridgeport. Putah Creek is further afield, but arguably on the way home.

Fun fact: Jim Tolonen has pointed out that a partial solar eclipse (about 80% at that latitude) will take place from about 9 AM to noon on August 21, so some people might want to extend their stay and see if we get an extra morning and evening rise out of it.



Mammoth Lakes Fishout - Sept. 23rd-30th and Sept. 30th-Oct. 7th Fishmaster: John Cook - 688-1561

This fishout will take place over two consecutive one-week periods, Sept. 23rd through Sept 30th, and Sept. 30th-7th. You may sign up for one of these two periods, or both.

Location: Mammoth Lakes is on the eastern side of the Sierras, six to seven hours' drive from Santa Cruz. There are many lakes and streams in the area for us to fish. We will be staying in condominiums in the town of Mammoth Lakes. There will be 2 people per bedroom. If you would like to have your own bedroom, it will be \$540 per week.

Cost: \$310 per person per week. This covers seven nights' lodging with three meals per day. Sign up for either week, for \$310, or both

weeks for \$620.

Meal Preparation: Each person will be assigned to a group for a Kitchen Day. The group will set out breakfast and lunch foods, store unused food, prepare the evening meal, and clean up on the day designated.

Sign Up: Sign ups are currently closed, but if you want to take a chance on cancellations, let the Fishmaster know, also let him know which week you are interested in, as he will be keeping a waiting list and will notify you by telephone if space becomes available.

Unused Funds: Any funds received but not spent on the fishout will be used for prizes for our annual fund raiser.

Reel News

* Special Joint Surf Fishout with the Amador Flyfishers

Wednesday and Thursday - August 23-24

Amador Flyfishers wrote us and wanted to let us know that they had such a positive experience fishing the surf last year that they are going to do it again. Their outing is scheduled for August 23 and 24.

They will start at Manresa Beach. Low tide that day is supposed to be at 6:08AM, so they will be on the water early. It would be their pleasure, if any of our members cared to join them.

Contact Gary Slade at gslade@sullygroup.com for more information.



GONE FISHING

A small group of SCFF members met outside the state lot at Manresa Beach to ply the waters of the Pacific Ocean. It was yet another success; we said we were going fishing and we did! Please note that I didn't say we were going "catching". We did our part; the fish failed in theirs. Nonetheless, a good time was had by Kirk, Robert, David, George, Tamara, and Jeff, all of whom enjoyed an exceptionally pleasant morning on the beach. Come join us.



L-R.: Robert Eberle, David Marks, George Tate, Tamara Frank (not pictured: Kirk Mathew, Jeff Gose)

LifeLines

High Water River Safety - From various online and written sources

Rivers can be dangerous. With each high water, flood, or summer melt, trees, branches, and debris are moved around in the river, creating snags and strainers. A person caught in a snag (single tree or root ball) or strainer (multiple trees and branches) will be pinned by the force of the river current. River channels may change with the season, becoming more powerful in some areas.

Knowing River Dangers:

Moving water presents many dangers, some hidden.

Currents – even a mild current is extremely powerful. The force of moving water can pin a person's leg against a rock in mid stream, leaving them stranded.

Snags – these are single trees or root balls in the river.

Strainers – a strainer is just that – trees, branches, and debris that has current moving through them. The water can pass through, but large objects, people, cannot. A raft, kayak, or person will be pinned against the strainer and stay there.

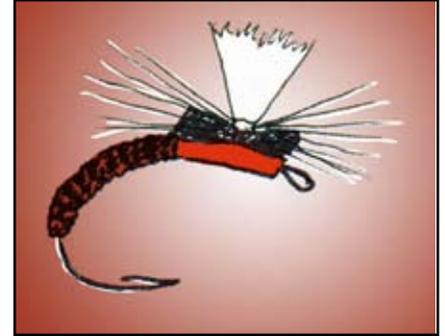


FLY OF THE MONTH

Red Thorax Parachute Submitted by Elaine Cook

This emerger pattern is tied on a scud hook and fishes so that the body hangs down in the water, the thorax is in the surface film, and hackle and wing are above the surface. Apply floatant to all but the body.

Hook:	TMC or TFS 2487, size 14-16
Thread for Body:	Black 6/0
Body:	Black superfine dubbing
Thorax Thread:	Red 14/0, 12/0 or 8/0
Foam:	Black 2 mm closed cell foam
Wing:	Float Vis or high vis white
Hackle:	Jay Fair's golden olive or grizzle dyed pumpkin, cree or ginger



1. Crimp barb.
2. Attach black thread mid shank, wrap to halfway around bend.
3. Dub non-tapered body to mid-shank. Make spaced thread wraps over dubbing to rear of body then forward to tie-in. Tie off, cut excess.
4. Attach red thread in front of body.
5. Tie in floss. Advance thread to mid thorax. Wrap floss forward and backward forming thorax. Tie off, cut excess.
6. Cut foam (see diagram). Attach to top of thorax with thread wraps covering center 1/3 of foam.
7. Tie in the center of one inch piece of wing on top of foam. Raise ends upright, make several thread wraps around base.
8. Select hackle with barbs equal to 1 1/2 hook gap. Prepare butt end by cutting 5-6 barbs short on each side of stem (crew-cut). Tie crew cut in at base of wing. Position thread in front of wing and hanging on your side of hook. Wrap hackle around base of wing 3 times. Hold hackle down on your side of hook and behind hanging thread. Bring thread to shank then around post 3 times. Half hitch behind eye.
9. Cut thread and excess hackle. Trim wing.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Easy 20 Minute Oven Baked Trout From <http://www.inspiredtaste.net>

Baking rainbow trout in foil packets helps the fish cook perfectly. While they bake, juices form at the bottom of the packet. This is delicious when spooned over the cooked trout when serving. Other ingredients to consider adding to the middle of the fish are thinly sliced garlic, onion, or greens (like spinach).

Ingredients:

Olive oil
2 small rainbow trout, cleaned and butterflied (opened up with the halves still attached)
1 lemon, sliced
4 fresh parsley or dill sprigs
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Directions:

Heat the oven to 400 degrees F. Cut two sheets of heavy duty aluminum foil that are larger than your fish.
Place trout, skin side down, on each piece of foil. Lightly oil both sides with oil. Season both sides, inside and out, with salt and pepper. Place two parsley (or dill) sprigs and two lemon slices down the middle of each fish. Fold up the foil by grabbing at the edges and crimping together to make a packet. Place packets of fish onto a baking sheet. Bake for 10 to 15 minutes, checking one packet after 10 minutes. The flesh should pull apart easily with a fork.

Place each packet on a plate. Carefully open the foil packets - take care not to let the steam burn you. Slide the fish away from the packet and onto the plate and pour juices over it. Serve with more fresh herbs and lemon slices.

Tips:

* If you do not have heavy duty foil, use two sheets of regular foil to make each packet.

* On the Grill: Follow the directions in the recipe above to make each packet. Heat grill to medium-high heat. Place the packets over indirect heat. Grill 10 to 15 minutes, or until cooked through.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 1st Qtr. ☾
2	3	4 Independence Day	5 NO CLUB MEETING	6	7 Full Moon ☀	8 Surf Fishout Palm Beach Green River Fishout ←
9	10 Green River	11 Fishout	12 Fly Tying Class Aptos Grange 7 PM	13	14	15 Last Qtr. ☾ Green River Fishout →
16	17	18	19 Board Meeting Steele home 7 PM	20	21	22 New Moon ●
23 Newsletter Deadline 1st Qtr. ☾ 30	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Club BBQ Aptos Grange 7 PM	3	4	5 Surf Fishout RioDelMar Beach
6 ← Loreto	7 Full Moon ☀ Baja Sur Fishout	8	9 Fly Tying Class Aptos Grange 7 PM	10	11	12
13	14	15 Last Qtr. ☾	16 Board Meeting Steele home 7 PM	17	18 ← Yuba River	19 Fishout →
20 Newsletter Deadline Yuba River Fishout →	21 New Moon ●	22	23 Amador Fly Fishers Surf Fishout ←	24 Manresa Beach 6 AM →	25	26
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