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# *Angler's Line*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TRUCKEE RIVER FLYFISHERS

June 2007

Let me start off with a quick review of the Lake Lahontan fish out... About 17 members and two future members (hopefully) enjoyed a **fantastic** day of fishing. We were catching White Bass, Walleye, and Carp. The weather was beautiful, the fishing was on fire, the company was stellar, Mike Sevon is quite a cook, and Tillie makes a killer red velvet cake! Thanks to everyone who attended and to Mike and Tillie for organizing the fish out. I am looking forward to the Prosser fish out on June 16<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see everyone there!

TRF said goodbye to Jason Graham at the Lahontan fish out. Jason, Pam, Molly and Madden have moved back to Wisconsin. They will be greatly missed!

I want to thank Doug Ouellette for a great presentation at the April General Meeting and Steve Bamberger for his informative Fish Master presentation at the May General Meeting.

In attending General Meetings, Round Tables and listening to many discussions, I have begun to wonder about the amount of fly fishing information that is available and necessary...

So, being of my generation, the first place I decided to look was on the internet. I went to Google and began my search:

Search Results for...

Fly fishing: 3,530,000

Fly fishing websites: 122,000

Fly fishing schools: 72,400

Fly fishing clubs: 54,200

Fly fishing therapy: 788

Fly fishing how to: 627

Once I finished my Google search, I went to Amazon.com to find books, DVDs, etc.

Fly fishing books: 8,795

Fly fishing videos/DVDs: 336

Fly fishing magazines: 10

Fly fishing video games: 5

Fly fishing toilet seat: 1 (only \$81)

Now that I had found a fly fishing toilet seat, I realized my internet search was definitely limited in its usefulness. Then I began to think about the information that I really do need to know. Then it hit me right upside the head. There

is an overwhelming amount of information to learn about fly fishing...

**Rods, Reels and Lines:** When do I use which rod? And what line do I use? And which reel should that line be on? Now the leader length, size and depth... Holy cow! Who knew there would be so many questions already? What do you mean I still have to select a fly?

**Entomology:** Bug life cycle, imitation, fish diet, aquatic vegetation, identifying and matching the hatch... This may be where I rely on Ryan or whoever is near to tell me what to use.

**Knots:** Oh my! I suppose I should learn how to tie my leader to the line, my tippet to the fly, and don't forget droppers.

**Casting:** How the heck do I get the line to go straight and with any sort of distance, let alone learn how to or when to use a slack line, straight line pull-back, reach, hi-low, roll, donut, slam dunk, water-haul, double haul, single haul, and so on?

**Presentation:** Now that I finally get to try those casts, I need to figure out presentation for dry-flies, nymphs, streamers, and so on... I don't suppose my current skill of slapping the water with my entire line counts as "presentation" or at least any sort of good presentation.

**Fish Behavior:** Feeding, spawning, hierarchy... I don't think I even have the energy to go there at this moment!

I think this is where I whole-heartedly admit, I am in way over my head and the water has successfully filled my waders. So, where do I go from here? I guess I join a fly fishing club! Just imagine what a \$25 membership can buy... Unlimited access to years of fly fishing knowledge and expertise, General Meetings and Fly Tiers' Round Tables, not to mention the fun and camaraderie.

I am very fortunate that the members of the Truckee River Fly Fishers are incredibly knowledgeable and willing to help... Thanks!

Keep those lines tight!

Lisa Shea

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## Fish Prospects

By Wes Ong

**Truckee River:** The water levels may start to drop by early this month due to a small run-off season. Caddis, Mayflies, and Little Yellow Stones should start hatching.

**Little Truckee:** The bite should pick-up in mid June when the water drops. Pale Evening Duns and spinners in PMD colors will produce at the mouth of Boca. Small stones in the evening about a #10 in salmon color will produce. This water gets a lot of pressure from the Valley Folks so best times are when they aren't there! Unreliable source says a gun was brandished and the person was arrested for it!

**Lake Davis:** The Damsel migration will start so keep tabs on the beginning by checking the RGJ report given by Dollard's Market. I'm not sure that there are that many fish left here but I have heard a few good reports this year. DFG will drain and poison in August.

**Lake Almanor:** Hex hatch starts here about the 20<sup>th</sup> of June but may be a week or so early. Stay on the nymph and sinking line. Besides, by the time the dries get to the top most of the feeding has already taken place and it's too dark to change lines and flies. This bug always seems to come off in at least 20 feet of water.

**Eagle Lake:** I'm not sure what to expect, Jay Fair only fishes the first three weeks of the season here, then resumes in September. A dragon fly pattern pitched into the tules always seems to work, a big one #6 in 3x long. There was a lot of talk about this lake on the Blanton web page about its condition, which I'm guessing is not so great. Several of us did make a trip there in the fall and it seemed ok?

**Knot Creek:** Opens the 9<sup>th</sup> of June. Damsels and midges, 20 inch plus fish, need I say more? Onion has carry-over fish that could exceed 16 inches and should be full. I have already heard a report from Ron R. that he caught 40 fish in two hours.

**Comins Lake:** Tom and Ben fished this early and were disappointed; spin fishermen are catching large pike to twenty pounds with small rainbow imitations. There may not be any decent fish left in this lake. **Illpah** fished much better and is full. Catch rate was very high with about every fifth fish a good sixteen inches.

**Milton Res.** Go now before all the Valley Folk educate the fish again. Real big, (Dragonfly nymph) or real small, (18 midge), water will be cold.

Wilson, Wild Horse, Sheep Creek, Wilson, Billy Shaw, the Ruby's, Adams-McGill so many places!!!! Lahontan should be good until it gets really hot.

**The Sleeper:** Sweinger Res. if there is access to the public, or Blue Lake in the Warner Mountains, and Krumbo in Oregon north of Denio Junction.

### Special Notice:

Please visit our website to see get the latest news about upcoming events and additional news regarding our club and other area clubs.



### Wanted Buy or Trade

A white or clear crystal-like multi-stranded material the commercial name is "Banlon". It was used in polo shirt manufacturing and was found in parachute shroud lines. If you have some, or know of some please let me known...Thanks Bud J 345 0458 or jonce77@aol.com

### Prosser Reservoir Fish out

#### Fishing:

We will be fishing for smallies. Bring your floating line with a 10 foot leader and jig flies in chartreuse, white, burgandy, brown, etc. Steve Bamberger will be our fish master and will have lots of tips for us!

#### Directions:

Take Interstate 80 West to 89 North and follow the sign to Prosser Creek Dam. Do not cross the dam we will meet right there, look for the banner. Meeting time will be 8:00 a.m. Lunch will be at noon. There is also access up at the camp ground to get to where Prosser Creek comes in if you want to fish for trout. Also the Hobart Mills road will take you to the Sage Hen Creek arm of Stampede

### What's happening around Northern Nevada this month NOT sponsored by TRF

- June 4th—Carson City Fly Fishing Club begins its beginner fly fishing class (our website for details or call Stan Zuber 882-9027)
- June 9th—Nevada free fishing day (kid's event at Sparks Marina)
- June 22nd—NDOW Free Fishing
- June 23rd—Carson City Fly Fishing Club Annual Casting Clinic call Jackie Baily to confirm your attendance (see our website for details)

## From a few years back (November 2005) —E/C Caddis By Bud Johnson

Our November Luminary will be the ever-popular Steve Bamberger, long-time club member, past chairman for the Trout in the Classroom Program and member of the Board of Directors. Steve began fly fishing at the tender age of three. He taught himself to tie flies at fifteen years.

Recently, he became impressed with the E/C Caddis as created by Ralph Cutter and after some use and experimentation, he has modified it into his "Improved Model" (see picture above).

Be here at the Verdi Library and Nature Center, Dog Valley Road, just beyond the Verdi Elementary School. We start at 6:30 p.m. -- Thursday, November 10th.

### E/C Caddis

You will have to ask Steve at Prosser for the

Material list





# Events Calendar

**Local Supporters—**  
 Support them, they support us!

The Gilley Fishing Store— 1111 Rock Blvd  
 775-358-6113

Reno Fly Shop— 294 E. Moana Lane # 14  
 775-825-3474

The Orvis Store—13945 S. Virginia St. # 640  
 775-850-2272

**June 2007**

<i>Fri 1st</i>	<i>Full Moon</i>
Sat 2nd	NDOW Kid's Carp Clinic
Sat 16th	Prosser Fish Out
Tue 26th	Board Meeting
Wed 27th	General Meeting
<i>Sat 30th</i>	<i>Full Moon</i>

**July 2007**

Wed 25th	General Meeting
Tue 31st	Board Meeting
<i>Mon 30th</i>	<i>Full Moon</i>

**NOTE:**

*All meetings are held at the NDOW Headquarters at 1100 Valley Road—unless otherwise noted.*  
*General Meetings start at 6:30, BOD meetings start at 6:00*



<u>2007 Membership Form</u>			
Name	<input type="text"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>		
City	State	Zip	<input type="text"/>
Home Fone	Work Fone	<input type="text"/>	
Email	Occupation	<input type="text"/>	
Experience	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced
Fishing Interests	<input type="text"/>		
Projects and Activities Interests	<input type="text"/>		
Are you willing to volunteer at club events?	Yes	No	
Circle One	Individual = \$25	Family = \$30	Student = \$10
Circle One	New Member	Renewal	

## TIPS AND TRICKS by Bud Johnson

Due to our high and dry climate, hair, feathers, natural materials and quite a few man-made items suffer from the loss of moisture, and as a result become somewhat unmanageable, matted, deformed and difficult to work with. What we need is water and steam and a bit of help from the old hair salon.

Chenille becomes matted after a time on the card. Remove the amount you will use and run it back and forth over the steam from a tea kettle. Last summer's matted dry flies held in a sieve over the steam will perk up as good as new.

Place dry hair pieces, necks and saddles in warm water rinses, lay out between paper, then later fluffed with a gentle setting of a hair dryer, stubborn hair (just like ours) will respond beautifully to an application of hair conditioner. You would be surprised at what this conditioner does for wild and kinky calf tail.

Here is one more thought on the use of steam. Bird wings, some tails, shoulder and flank feathers come with unwelcome curves. This curving prevents folding or marrying of wings. Using a steam iron and starting with a "low heat" setting, place the material between two pieces of light cloth or paper towel slightly dampened and apply the iron gently, then check the material for straightness.

It works for me.

## THE MISSION STATEMENT

*We are dedicated to: Improving and promoting the sport of fly fishing in Nevada. Promote and encourage the conservation of game fish, especially wild trout, through the betterment of the streams and lakes everywhere. Encourage and assist our youth to become fly fishers and true sportspersons.*

## Volunteer Opportunities with Nevada Department of Wildlife

Assist NDOW with beginning fishing clinics, fly tying, fly fishing, and kids clinics.

Contact Chris Vasey 775-688-1622

Assist NDOW in taking eggs and milt from several species of fish at Marlette Lake. Marlette is located above Lake Tahoe around 8,000 feet in elevation. Volunteers are needed seven days a week throughout the course of the project.

Contact Kim Toulouse 775-688-1893

Construct a fish barrier in remote Wall Canyon Creek in northern Washoe County

Contact Kim Toulouse 775-688-1893

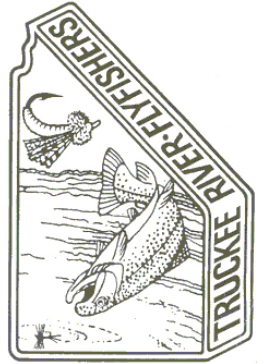
Visit NDOW's website for all the current opportunities throughout the state.

<http://www.ndow.org/learn/vol/recruiter/index.shtm>






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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Prosser Fish Out
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Board Meeting	27 General Meeting	28	29	30 