



The

Angler's Line

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TRUCKEE RIVER FLYFISHERS

March 2008

Let me start with a quick review of the Hinkson Fish Out. We had around a dozen people come out for a tough day of fishing. Who knew Hinkson could provide such a challenge... It should pick up with the warmer days to come! Thank you to Ryan for cooking and to everyone who attended!

The Fly Tiers Round Table by Elliot Gritton was fantastic! He told some great stories and tied six awesome flies!!! It was definitely a great experience for all who attended. Thanks to Elliot for tying and to Bud for organizing the event. Make sure to make the next round table... it should be a good one!

We have our Annual Banquet coming up March 15th. Kate Blubaugh is our keynote speaker and should provide a great night of entertainment and information! Make sure to get your tickets (at the Reno Fly Shop, the Gilly, or Orvis) and renew your annual membership! It should be a great evening.

Things You Dread Hearing from a Fly Fisherman...

Hey, honey... the fly shop is offering a three day clinic on spring creek tactics.

Hey, honey... I have three receipts from the fly shop for

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.

today.

Hey, honey... I really need a new *fill in the blank*.

Hey, honey... can you bake something for the fish out, just this once!

Hey, honey... when is the last weekend I can go fishing before the baby comes?

Hey, honey... do you mind if I watch this *short* DVD?

Hey, honey... do cell phones dry out?

Hey, honey... my new net; it doesn't float very well, actually not at all.

Hey, honey... did you see that fish jump (as we are driving 80 mph down the highway)?

A slamming tailgate followed by swearing followed by a very expensive trip to replace the broken rod.

Hey, honey... the club needs a president!

Speaking of being club president, I can't believe it has been a year already... Time sure does fly when you are pregnant! I want to take a moment to thank everyone for making my presidency a great experience and for all of your support and encouragement. Thank you!

Keep those lines tight!

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Fish Prospects

By Wes Ong

Truckee River: Look for the slower water on the California side to hold fish. Mid-day should see the best bite with a possible Beatis hatch. Little Truckee should actually be warmer due to the tail water of Stampede, 45 degrees, only problem is getting in. It will take a lot of warmer weather to melt off the road in to the river. High flows than normal this year in the lower river due to the canal flood.

Hinkson Slough: Cold water temperatures hampered the February fish outing. The opening day was not any better. A variety of thinks worked, Ryan did ok on his mallard flank and copper. I used a cromie and Mike Sevon had one on an indicator and tried to conceal it! Nice try Mike! Look for some warmer weather and this fishery should cut loose. I saw several water boatmen in the slough.

Squaw Creek Res. Fish outing this month and it should be a good one. If we get some sunny weather catch rates should be in the double digits. All types of presentation will work, indicator, sinking line, or floating line in the shallow water. Small light colored water boatman has done well in the past.

Pyramid Lake: This is the month to catch a big one before the spawn starts. South end of the lake may be a good alternative when the Nets get to crowded or close. Could be a good time to go to the other side of the lake. Some out of state guys have had some success with an indicator and a really big gaudy nymph. The end of this month will be a good time to use the floating line with a hand twist and a couple of nymphs instead of the indicator. Kind of like how we fish other still waters.

East Walker River: The River is icing in the channel and the flows have only been 20 cfs. Hopefully the flows will increase with the good snow pack and move so of the ice out and off the channel. This month there should be a stonefly hatch toward the end of the month. Use a golden stone nymph or fish the dries with a Stimulator. If that doesn't work there should be some good beatis action in the afternoons. I think the better holding water for this part of the year is on the Nevada side and it generally has warmer temperatures than up stream on the California side. Liz and Don at the Anglers Edge are up to date on what happens on this water.

Other Waters to Consider Baum Lake, Tim did well here on his trip in February two years ago. Lake Amador, by Ione Calif. Rudy Marshes if you have the gas, time and stamina to fish in the cold. American River for steelhead, combat fishing if you go on a week-end. And I understand that the upper Sac is open all year now, best check the reg. because I not positively certain. Also the Trinity on the other side of Weaverville.

New License Year for Nevada



Wanted Buy or Trade

Silk Fly Lines—
 Look around in your old tackle boxes or your Dad's or Grandad's stuff. It may be coiled up and secured with pieces of pipe cleaner or on a reel. It will most likely be olive or dark green or possibly tannish-yellow. The surface will appear woven and probably sticky, and have a varnish-like smell. If it looks like an enamel or shiny finish, it aint silk. But I'd like to see it.

Are you looking for something or have something to sell? Call
 Tim Huckaby, 746-3133 or timhuckaby@yahoo.com

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First Hand Report from the Sacramento by Elliott Gritton as told by Bud Johnson

Elliott and a buddy floated the Sac for two days last midweek with a fly shop guide. There were rigged with three flies: a #6 bugger with two additional droppers and rubber balloon indicators. There was no hope for top fly action (there should have been Mother's Day Caddis) but between them they landed sixteen rainbows, the smallest 16" to 20". They lost quite a few. The days were seven hours long but worth it.

Cactus Head Buzzer

By Mike Hoffman

I was probably about five the first time my dad took us trout fishing in the Sierras and that was it "Hooked for life". In 1968 I purchased my first fly rod and reel and began fly fishing anywhere I could in Southern California. Soon we began venturing into the many streams and lakes of the Eastern Sierra armed with dry flies, a few wet flies, and only a floating line. In 1995, shortly after moving to Reno I started tying my own flies in order save money as my fishing days and fly losses drastically increased. Looking back it might have been cheaper to just pay for my bugs but then again there is just something very special about hooking trout with a fly that you have created.

It is Pyramid time and this fly has been one of my go to bugs for the last few years. I will also tie a few other local trout getters for the river and local lakes

Cactus Head Buzzer	
Hook	Musta d3906B #4 or #6
Thread	6/0 Black Uni
Tail	Black Marabou
Body—Back	Rear 2/3 Opalescent black estaz chenille
Body—Front	Front 1/3 Chartreuse Cactus chenille
Hackle	Two black saddles, palmered over rear 2/3 of body



Catch & Release: Keep 'em in the water by Mike Hoffman (first printed in the Angler's Line May 2001)

It seems that more and more fisherman are practicing catch and execute prior to releasing the trout they so highly prize. Here are a few facts that will help improve your methods of catch and release and at the same time help out fish population.

- ◇ "Keep 'em in the water", studies show that fish begin to suffocate immediately upon being removed from the water.
- ◇ Try and land the fish as fast as you can, long fights will cause a build up of lactic acid in the bloodstream and make reviving the fish difficult.
- ◇ Use a soft non-abrasive net and always wet your hands before handling the fish. Dry hands will remove the fish's protective mucous film that could lead to infection.
- ◇ Barbless hook, they actually enable the fisherman to spend more time fishing and less time handling the fish and your gear.
- ◇ Make sure the fish is strong enough when released
- ◇ and swims away under it's own power.
- ◇ Hold your breath while the fish is out of the water this will give you an idea of what the fish is going through, as it is high and dry during a long photo shoot.
- ◇ If you are taking pictures keep the fish submerged until the last possible second and then return the fish to the water immediately.
- ◇ Catch and release is one the great ways we can give back to our sport. These fish are too precious to only be caught once.
- ◇ Remember "Keep 'em wet and keep 'em wild!"

March 22nd Fishout by Wes Ong

This Outing, which was cancelled in January for the North Nets at Pyramid, will again have a plan B. This time the plan B will be Pyramid at Separator.

The usual meeting time and place at Bruno's Country Club at 8am. Fishing can be done from shore but most use a float tube, pontoon, or pram. Lots of methods and presentations work here. Standard sink line with bugger or attractor nymph, floating line with nymph or midge, or the same with an indicator. Of late the fish seem to shy away from the larger flies, partly because these are not big fish. #12 or smaller flies seem to do better; even then sometimes the #12 sheep buggers are too large. Ryan's favorite, the zebra midge under an indicator seems to be the preferred presentation. I only fish with one fly because in the past double hook-ups were common so this makes fishing a little less complicated. Three weight to five weight is more than enough rod. Mike Hoffman will be the Fishmaster. Lunch by Bill and Bud..

2008 Membership Form

Name _____		Date _____	
Address _____			
City _____		State _____	Zip _____
Home Phone _____		Work Phone _____	
Email _____		Occupation _____	
Experience	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced
Fishing Interests _____			
Projects and Activities Interests _____			
Are you willing to volunteer at club events?	Yes	No	
Payment Method—Circle One	Check	# _____	Cash _____
Circle One	Individual = \$25	Family = \$30	Student = \$10
Circle One	New Member	Renewal	

Oregon's Papatator

By Bud Johnson

While bumbling around on the Internet, I came across this rather unusual creation by an Oregon tyer. I can't recall his name of the site but I was intrigued so I whipped up a few in anticipation of a coming warmer time when I will give it a go.

Add bead, build thread wraps against it then wrap back and down to the bend. Mount the tails divided. Tie in the tinsel, dub a tapered body of black ice-dub to within 1/8" of the bead. Spiral the rib tie off then trim. Erect two biots to the sit vertically, then dub the peacock ice dub thorax whip it and clip it. Give it a try.

Oregon's Papatator	
Hook	TMC 2487 #8—#14
Thread	Black 6/0 Waxed
Tail(s)	Black goose biots
Rib	Small gold oval
Body	Black Ice Dub
Hackle	Lt partridge over dun CDC
Antennae	Black goose biot
Thorax	Peacock Ice-Dub
Bead	Gold Tungsten



Events Calendar

March 2008

- Thu 13th Fly Tier's Round Table
 Dan Lecount
- Sat 15th Annual Banquet
- Sat 22nd Fish Out Squaw Creek Res

April 2008

- Thu 10th Fly Tier's Round Table
 Mark Warren
- Sat 15th Annual Banquet

Local Supporters—

Support them, they support us!

- The Gilly 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
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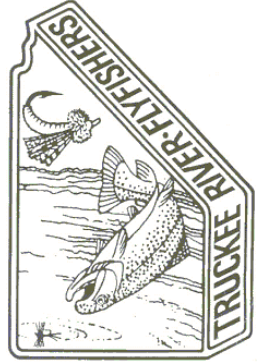
NOTE:

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



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13 FTR	14	15 Banquet
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