



The

Angler's Line

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TRUCKEE RIVER FLYFISHERS

June 2008

Hi Truckee River Flyfishers,

We are only half way through May, but I have to get my monthly Presidents message to Tim for posting. I hope everyone is getting out and enjoying the warmer weather.

We had a good turnout at the Lahontan Reservoir fishout held on May 17. This is the first time we have had a fishout with another local flyclub. The High Sierra Flycasters came down for the day, led by their fishmaster, Mike Phillips. Although only several of them made the trip, we had a nice time visiting with them and they have extended an invitation for us to join them on the East Walker in September or October. Our club had around 15 members and family who came to fish for the warm water fish of Lahontan. The action was a lot slower than last year's fishout, but most everyone caught a white bass or two. Lucky was the only angler to actually catch a double. Wesley caught a 10 pound carp and even admitted that it fought harder than the 10 pound cutthroat he has been catching at Pyramid Lake. Tom Smith spent a lot of time teaching his granddaughter how to

sisting me in preparing the hotdogs and fixings. Mike Phillips provided the salads and drinks on behalf of the High Sierra Flycasters.

Tom Smith ordered new nametags for the members and we are getting everyone set up with nametags. At future club functions, any member wearing their nametag or an article of clothing with the club logo will get a free raffle ticket for the next club raffle.

By the time you receive this newsletter we will have had our May General meeting at the NDOW office on May 28. We had popcorn and coke and watched Ralph Cutter's video on, Aquatic Insects.

For June don't forget our fish out at Davis Lake on Sunday June 22. Stay tuned to our website for further details.

Good luck on the water,

Tillie

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.

cast a flyrod and she successfully landed two white bass.

After fishing all winter dressed in neoprene waders, it was great to be able to wet wade the sandy beaches of Lahontan. I would like to thank fishmaster, Sevon for setting up the fishout and as-

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Fish Prospects

By Wes Ong

Truckee River: The water levels may start to drop but it may be a longer than normal run-off because of the cool spring. If you are going to fish the high water use a big fly, Golden Stone or Green Drake on the California side. Caddis, Mayflies, and Little Yellow Stones should start hatching on the Nevada side when the weather warms up.

Little Truckee: Right now there is an afternoon Blue Wing Olive hatch. 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!

Lake Davis: The Damsel migration will start so keep tabs on the beginning by checking the RGJ report given by Dollard's Market. According to a biological source, all the insect life should not have died in the recent Pike eradication event. In my opinion, if the invertebrates do not come back then there should be a whole lot of hungry fish in the lake that will not be so selective!

Lake Almanor: Hex hatch starts here about the 20th of June but may be a week or so late. Stay on the nymphs 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, when a few of us fished it last fall we didn't get much and the lake was way down. A dragon fly pattern pitched into the tules always seems to work, a big one #6 in 3x long. Last fall the tules were way out of the water.

Knot Creek: Opens the 14th of June. Midges mostly because I think that it will still be cool up there unless we get some really hot weather. 20 inch plus fish, need I say more? Forget Onion it was dewater last year by the landowner. Too bad last year it had some really high catch rates.

Comins Lake: Forget it and go to Illapah. Catch rate should be 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: Swoinger Res. if there is access to the public, or Blue Lake in the Warner Mountains, and Krumbo in Oregon north of Denio Junction.

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EASY BIOTS - Bud J.

While in the Reno Fly Shop one day, I was talking to Bill Morgan and Richard Dickerson about Dr. John Barr's fantastic Copper John and that old standby, the Prince Nymph. We agreed that the placement of the goose biots representing the tails and wings on these flies can become a bit of a problem, especially in the smaller sizes. They slip, they slide or lean off center.

Richard sez, hey, no problemo, try this . . . When on either pattern it becomes time for the twin tails, select the proper color of round rubber leg material, cut off enough to double around the tying thread, criss-cross, tie it in, pull both legs to the rear and make a couple more wraps to cover the bump, then pull on each leg to get the desired spread. The wings can be done in the same manner. I'm sure someone will say, "Gee, biots are nice and pointy, but these are "blunt" and I'll say, "Hey, go back to the old biots". Question: Do trout really care? Thanks, Richard -- way to go.

A Float-N-Fool Multi Color By Bud Johnson

This is another of the many innovative patterns from the late Wayne "Buz" Buszek of Visalia, California. He was a prominent member of the Western Sierra group of early pioneers such as Prince, Zug, Lindgren, Schroeder, etc.

I recall reading an article where he believed that the contrast between the green and copperish tone of the peacock herl and the white calf tail was "something different". It fooled trout. Note that the hackle on his parachute flies are a bit short, as well as the wing; it was merely a post to tie the hackle around.

After securing the hook, cement the shank and add thread wraps to the bend. Cut, clean and stack some good quality calf tail. Remember to select this hair to be long

enough to create a shank length tail, an underbody to a point 1/3 back from the eye and still have enough to erect a post. (Helpful hint: after removing the loose "stuff", **(continued on page 4)**)

Float-N-Fool (Multi Color)

Hook TMC 100 or M94840 #12-16

Thread Black Danville 6/0

Wing / Tail White Calf tail

Body Peacock tail

Hackle Brown and Grizzly



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hold the coarser end of the bundle of hair and with the other hand stroke the small end hair several times, then load your stacker and pound away. Note: Girly-men may substitute calf body or kid goat -- I have.)

Now, measure the normal tail length then make an initial wrap at the bend loosely so as not to flair the hair then wrap forward, tightening as you go to about the point 1/3 behind the eye. Gather the hair and pull up while building a slope of thread in front of the hair. Return the thread toward the bend, then secure 5 or 6 herls, bind over these to the bend, closely wind the thread forward to the eye. Twist the herl into a rope and wind forward to the eye. Tie it off and cut the scrap.

Select one grizzly and one brown saddle hackle one size under your hook size. Tie in both bare stems up the post. Return the thread to the bottom then wind the hackles down and secure then cut the scrap. Cut the post down near the hackle, then add a drop or two of cement to it.

Something to think about—Bud Johnson

When you keep getting taps, sometimes called "short strikes", sharpen your hooks.

Make a poor cast? Fish it out. There might be one out there who will eat it.

There are all kinds of fly patterns but no many trout will ignore an Elk Hair Caddis, Pheasant Tail Nymph or a black shaggy Wooly Bugger when presented correctly.

When you are through fishing, put your rod across the windshield and underneath the wipers, then ... "get a beer and remove waders."

Be sure to change your tippet after you release a strong trout because the next one could be 'Old Moe'

Do not use your hook keeper ring, instead run your leader around the reel and up to one of the middle guides. This will keep the leader / line connection out of the tip top.

2008 Membership Form

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City	_____	State	_____	Zip	_____
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Experience	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced		
Fishing Interests	_____				
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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			

Learn to fish Crowley Lake with Chris Wharton

Chris Wharton, Owner of Stillwater Guide Service, will be hosting his annual Crowley Lake Clinics on July 16th and September 11th, 2008. Chris grew up on this premier fishery in the Mammoth Lakes area. He quotes "These are the hardest pulling 16"-22" Rainbows, Browns & Cutts I have fought anywhere"! Participants from our area fly fishing clubs who attended the clinic last year can definitely vouch for this! If it's been awhile since you've seen your backing, you might want to sign up for this one!

There will be a instructional evening at Chris Wharton's home the week prior to each clinic so no time will be lost on the water. Covered items will include Midge, Damsel and Perch Fry patterns and presentations, as well as discussion on rigging up lines, leaders and equipment. Because Crowley is such a large body of water, Chris will break it down into sections for discussion purposes, and maps will be provided. This is a great 2-day trip as camping is right on the lake! Participants may stay and fish on their own after the clinic.

Cost for the Clinic will be \$130.00 and includes one day of fishing, snacks and drinks. Each participant will need a valid California fishing license. Sign up is on a first-come basis.

If interested, you may contact Chris at (775) 851-1558 or email him at chris@out4trout.com.



Events Calendar

June 2008

Wed 18th

Sun 22nd

Tues 24th

Wed 25th

Full Moon

Davis Lake Fishout

BOD Meeting

General Meeting—Evening Rise
at Sparks Marina (watch website for
updates)

July 2008

Wed 18th

Sat 19th

Wed 23

Tue 29

Full Moon

Truckee River Clean-up in Verdi with BBQ

General Meeting Evening Rise Little Truckee River/Boca/Stampede

BOD meeting at NDOW

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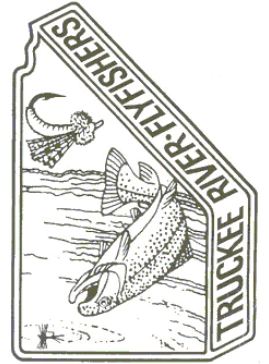
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NOTE:


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
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 	19	20	21
22 Davis Lake Fish out	23	24 BOD Mtg	25 General Mtg	26	27	28
29	30					