

CONEJO VALLEY FLY FISHERS

Newsletter for February 2019

Established 1983



Tuesday, February 12, 2019

JIM COX

Fly Fishing Oregon's wild and scenic John Day River

more info - click here

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2525 E Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

CLUB MEETING:

6:45 – 7:30 pm

Meet & Greet | Fishing Reports | Club Announcements

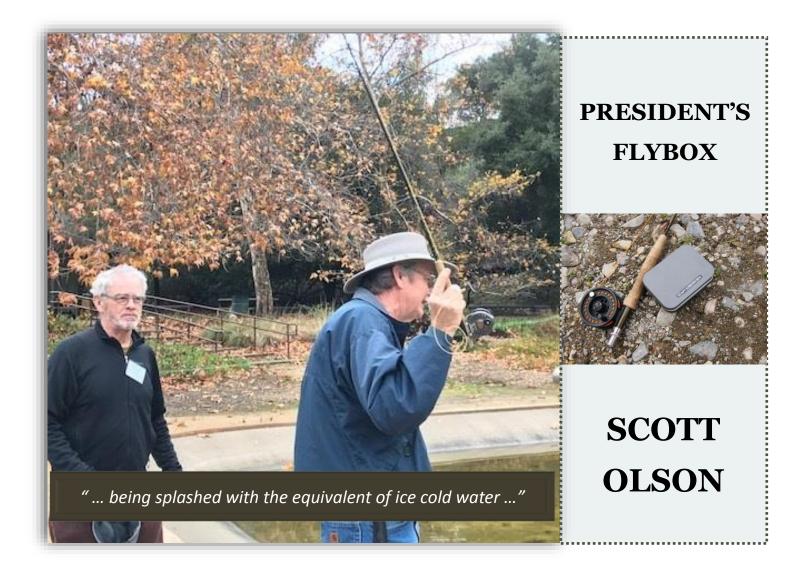
7:30 – 9:00 pm

Speaker Presentation / Program



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GETTING LOOPY

I've been fly fishing for decades now and consider myself relatively proficient at the sport. Recently, however, I was fortunate to attend a clinic on intermediate fly casting hosted by the Pasadena club where I was disabused of some of my preconceived notions on my abilities.

There is nothing so shocking than being splashed with the equivalent of ice cold water by a casting expert. I've always considered myself above average with the old graphite stick, but I was quickly set straight by the firm, yet friendly, instruction of my betters. In my case it's the overpowering of the stroke on my forward cast. A "skill" it took decades to master and it appears may take just as long to break. I'm invoking the "old dog" maxim here.

For those of us who have been at this awhile it can always be valuable to have an independent observer, who is only interested in your improvement, try to iron out some of the kinks in our strokes. And for those of you just entering in to our august sport I highly recommend not only seeking out professionals to enhance your skills, but to also practice them religiously until they become second nature. You will certainly see and experience the benefits each time you go fishing.

Tight lines and fighting fish to all!

Scott Olson. Conejo Valley Fly Fishers. President



Membership dues for 2019 are up for renewal!

- > Annual dues are \$50 per family / same address.
- > Membership is per calendar year.
- > New members joining in the last quarter have their membership extended through the following year.
- > There is a one-time additional \$10 fee for each name badge.
- > Please indicate if you would like additional name badges for family members and include \$10 for each.
- > Student (under 18) dues are \$10.

Please see KIT KORF to make payment in person or mail a check to: Conejo Valley Fly Fishers 2970 Diana Court Newbury Park, CA 91320-3115

HERE'S WHAT YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES DID FOR YOU IN 2018!

GREAT GUEST SPEAKERS, INSTRUCTORS, TEACHERS, OUTINGS:

Fly Tying with Gary Scott & Mike Weigand Gary Bulla / Salt Water Fly Fishing Bob Kieling's "One and Done!" Greg Vinci / Tailwater in Central CA Lake Sherwood BBQ & Fly Fishing Joe Contaldi / Pyramid Lake Sam Sedillo / Trout Unlimited Glen Ueda / "Corbina in the Surf!" Nicolas Blixt / Mako Fly Fishing Outings to Bishop & Mammoth Areas

MEMBERSHIP WITH PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:

- Fly Fishers International
- Cal Trout
- Trout Unlimited
- Southwest Council of The Fly fishers International (SWC-FFI)
- Trout in the classroom
- Casting for Recovery

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS THAT ARE NOT REALLY "MISCELLANEOUS"

• Meeting room rentals, website hosting/domain name, club brochures, insurance.

WHAT IS INCLUDED BUT COSTS NOTHING!

- The time and energy of your knowledgeable board members, access to our website, newsletters, outings organizer, hosted parties, monthly club and fly tying meetings.
- The friendship and the sharing of ideas on how to become a better fly fisher!

ONLINE LINK TO MEMBERSHIP FORMS—click here

Confessions of Fly Fishing Junkie

Maybe five years ago I concluded that my nymphing technique needed some work, if not a complete overhaul. I committed to being a student of the style we call "Nymphing".

I have found it to be extremely effective but have made some changes to the gear I carry. All this reconstruction has led me to re think my fly box too. I have this theory that if we can present effectively a fly that is close to the hatch of the day, but different enough than anything the resident and pressured trout have seen then the fish will commit to the strike.

I've been fishing some unfamiliar water the last two years. One of the first steps I take when in unfamiliar water, and is to turn over rocks. I am finding that most of the flies I have in my boxes look nothing like what's under the rocks. There is a time and place for attractor patterns but for me, but for my journey I am trying to simplify my offerings and really put the effort into the actual presentation.

My goal, by no means complete is to fish simple patterns at an expert level. Here is a pattern that's simple to tie and easy to configure to imitate several species if insects.



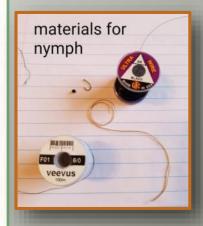


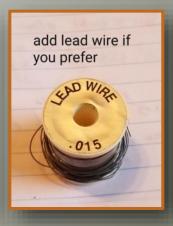




This fly is a hook, a bead, black thread, black wire, optional lead wire and some spanfelx. Spanfelx is stretchy thin leg material made by Wapsi.

I like this pattern because I can simply change the Spanflex colors from tan to brown to black to green and reasonably imitate most of the critters I am finding under rocks. You could probably tie up several of these in tan and just carry felt tip markers in black, brown and green to match what you are seeing under the rocks. *(continued, next page)*









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I like the Masu K3 hooks in a 16, they are without barb and have an extra wide gap between the shank and tip. They are plenty sharp out of the bag but I carry a small whetstone and use it frequently. For beads I like the tungsten.

Here's a step by step of how I created this particular fly. Next time you see me, ask how this is working out as I am sure there will be various evolutions.

Hope to see you soon,

Charley Beals CVFF Outings, Casting & Speaker Chair





CLUB MEMBERS ONLY BISHOP FLY FISHING OUTING



OUTING TO BISHOP AND BEYOND:
FEBRUARY 8-10, 2019
MORE INFO & RSVP - CLICK HERE



Conejo Valley Fly Fishers Fly Fishing 2019 Outings:

** ALL EVENTS ARE TENTATIVE AND ARE IN THE PLANNING STAGES:

EVENT ORGANIZERS:

CHARLEY BEALS & GARY SCOTT

- > **FEBRUARY 8-10:** Bishop Area
- > LATE FEBRUARY / EARLY MARCH: Pyramid Lake
 - > EARLY JUNE: Monache Meadows
 - > JUNE/JULY: San Joaquin/Red Meadows
 - > AUGUST: McGee Mule Pack to Fish Creek area
 - > Details will be announced soon!
 - > All dates & events are tentative.



SOUTHWEST COUNCIL RECOMMENDED EVENTS FOR 2019!



Saturday, February 9
"Owens River
Annual Clean-Up"

* Tenkara Clinic right after!

More info - click here

February 16 & 17, 2019

Lower Owens River Winter | 2019 Tenkara Clinics
On the H20 Guided Tenkara Fly Fishing Clinic
Chris Leonard & Luong Tam – Bishop, California

More info - click here



Saturday, May 2
"Riptide Rendezvous"

More info - click here





TENKARA Tanuki Rods



ESSENCE OF TENKARA FISHING WORKSHOP

Public · Hosted by Tenkara Tanuki Rods Saturday, March 31, 2018 9 AM – 5:30 PM

Long Beach Casting Club 5201 E 7th St, Long Beach, California 90804

Space is limited, please contact LBCC register.

Intensive 3.5 hours of seminar and workshop on Japanese Tenkara.

Fishing Students will have opportunities try out different tenkara rod brands, lengths, lines and casting techniques.



LEARNING TO FLY FISH



Saturday, February 23, 2019 Sierra Pacific Fly Fishers

If you have ever wanted to learn to fly fish, here is your chance - SPFF's classes will take you step by step from your first cast to landing a beautiful trout on the Owens River. The classroom sessions at the ONE GENERATION CENTER cover everything from knot tying to choosing the correct flies.

- February 23, March 2 & 9 One Generation and Reseda Park Pond
- March 16 LA River: start time to be announced.
- March 29 & 30 Bishop, CA
- More info click here

Introduction to Fly Fishing Conejo Adult School Saturdays, March 23, 30 & April 6, 2019

Go from classroom instruction to hands on experience in three weeks! The first session will include instruction on gear, knots, fly selection and fishing location. The second session covers rigging your gear, casting techniques and learning to cast a fly. The final session will find you casting at Lake Casitas and nymph and dry fly fishing at a local stream.

Instructors: <u>Randy Weir</u> and <u>Earl Arnold</u> have over 50 years of fly fishing experience and enjoy teaching others. Both instructors are members of <u>Sespe Flyfishers</u>, and Randy has been guiding on the streams of Ventura County since 1994. **More info - <u>click here</u>**.





CA SPORTFISHING LEAGUE

Protect Pier Fishing – Report Unlawful Local Regulations!

Today, California ranks dead last in fishing participation, despite its vast coastline and thousands of lakes and rivers. This is unacceptable, and illegal regulations are a contributing factor! lease report local abuse by providing us the name of the municipality that is limiting access, gear and manner of take, and provide copies of the regulations or ordinances to info@savefishing.com.

Like the City of Manhattan Beach, local government has been known to limit fishing gear and manner of take, or have imposed outright fishing bans! Together, we can grow access and increase participation in one of California's favorite pastimes, recreational fishing. Thank you for your assistance.READ MORE



Solving complex resource issues while balancing the needs of wild fish and people.

"Dams are not America's answer to the pyramids of Egypt. We did not build them for religious purposes and they do not consecrate our values... Dams do, in fact, outlive their function. When they do, some should go."

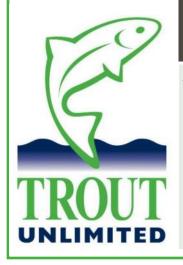
- Former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt

TOP 5 CALIFORNIA DAMS OUT. - CalTrout's report highlights five dams that are ripe for removal and that must, for the health of the ecosystem and communities around them, come out.

THE RECONNECT HABITAT INITIATIVE - Reconnecting Habitat is one of CalTrout's key initiatives in its effort to return native fish to resilience. Removing barriers to fish passage and getting obsolete dams out are the key objectives. Read more

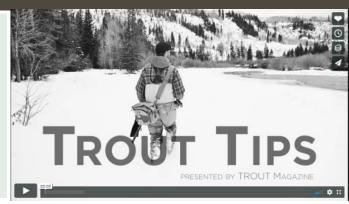
Please "Like" Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's FACEBOOK





☑ Trout Tips: The ABCs of winter trout fishing

As Umpqua's **Russ Miller** points out below, there are different holding lies for trout in the dead of winter. Trout aren't likely to spend as much time moving about and chasing food as they are in secure, deeper waters where food is essentially delivered to them by the current. - **Vimeo Video**





Please visit the Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's calendar online at:



http://www.conejovalleyflyfishers.com/mark-your-calendar/





COASTAL CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA (CCA)

The CCA chapter of Santa Barbara is our newest addition to a very strong base in Southern California. The chapter was officially started in January 2019 with an amazing turnout of close to 40 saltwater anglers from all walks of life.

Read more

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SO CAL FLY FISHING CLUB CONSORTIUM











SPEAKER / MEETINGS:

Jim Cox | Western Rivers Conservancy and Smallmouth on the John Day

- Pasadena Casting Club <u>February 14, 2019</u>
- Golden State Flycasters February none listed
- Wilderness Fly Fishers Febrary 19, 2019
- Sespe Fly Fishers February 20, 2019
- Sierra Pacific Fly Fishers February 21, 2019







FLY CLUBS HOSTING CASTING CLINICS:

PASADENA CASTING CLUB - INFO LINK

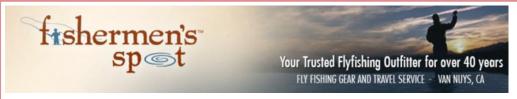
LONG BEACH CASTING CLUB - INFO LINK

SIERRA PACIFIC FLY FISHERS - INFO LINK / DATES

SESPE FLY FISHERS - INFO LINK

Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's Newsletter ARCHIVES at:

http://www.conejovalleyflyfishers.com/newsletter/



MANY UPCOMING
EVENTS!!
CLICK HERE

FREE! FLY TYING SUNDAYS @ THE SPOT!

WE HAVE LINED UP SOME OF THE FINEST LOCAL TYERS WHO WILL BE SHARING THE EXPERTISE ON A WIDE VARIETY OF FLIES. DON'T MISS THE CHANCE TO LEARN FROM THESE EXPERTS FOR FREE AT THESE EVENTS.

They will be tying in the shop on select **Sundays from 11am – 2pm**. Call ahead to confirm

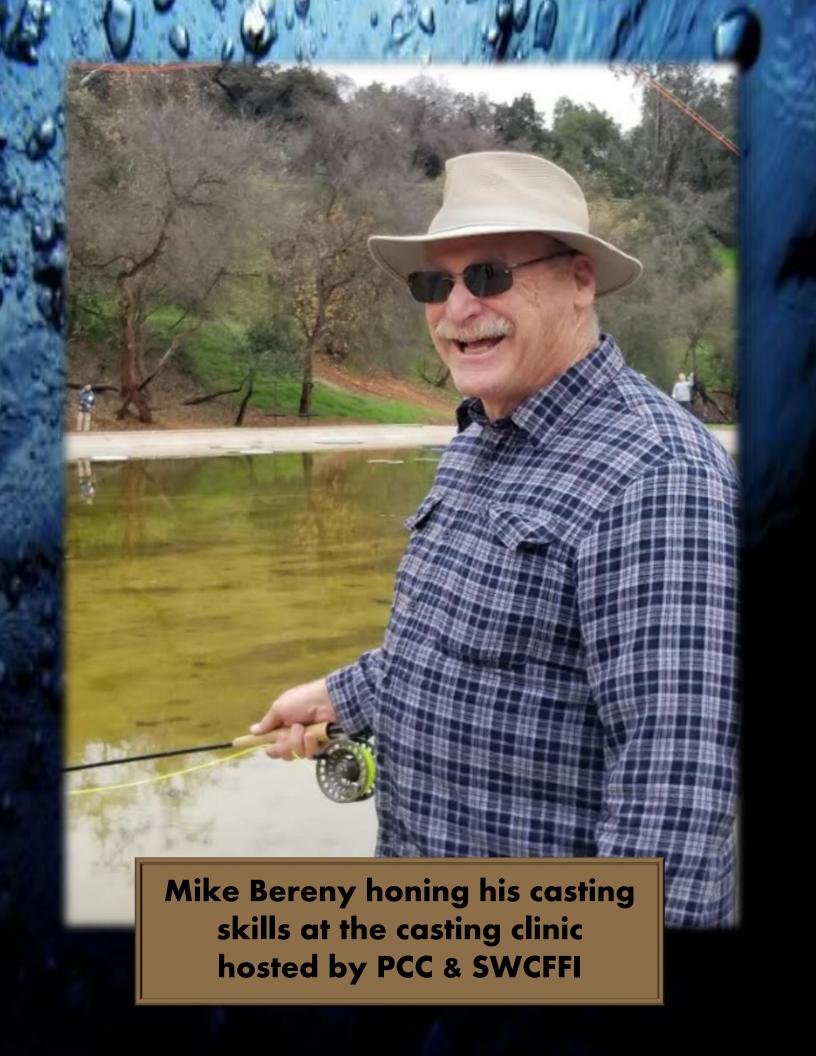


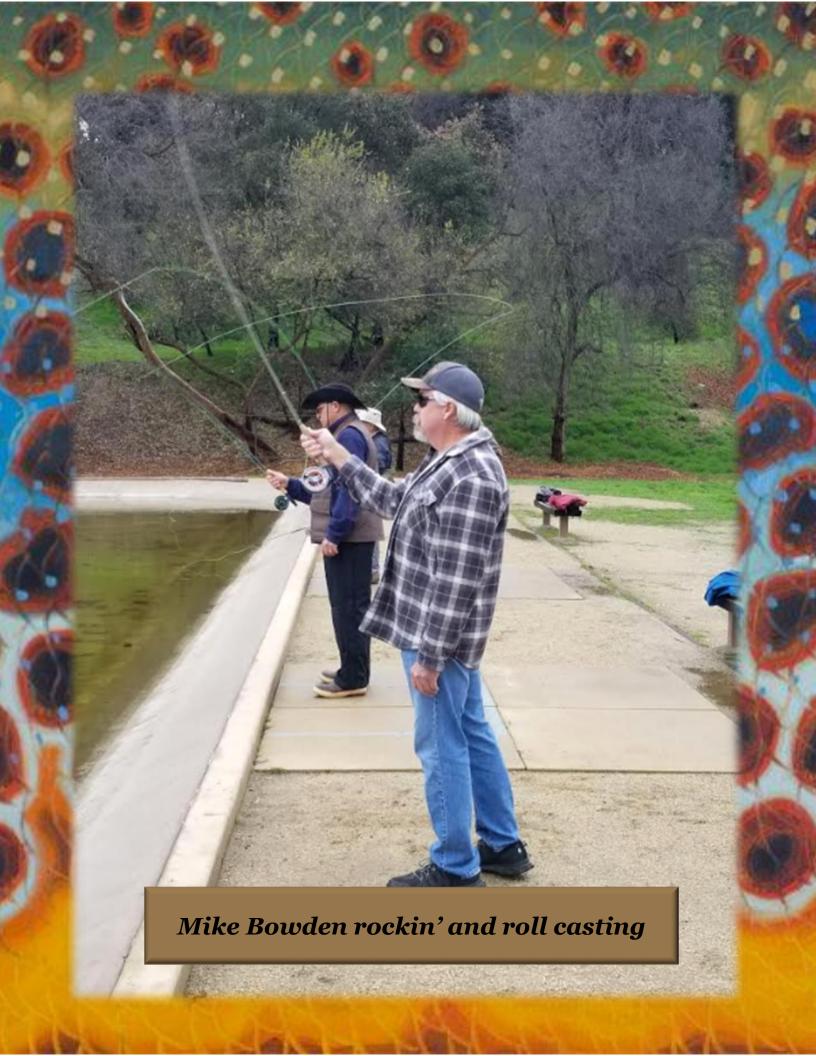






PCC & SWCFFI's Casting Clinic







Is also a perdigon fly with a dubbed and trimmed collar.

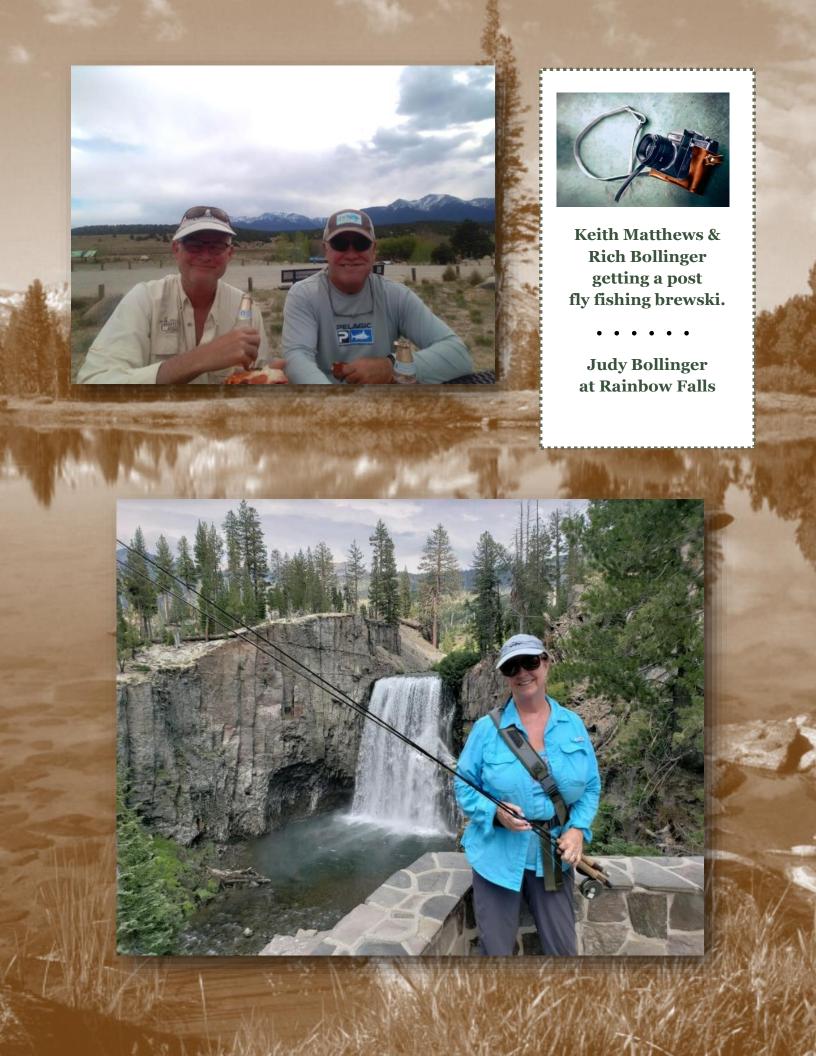


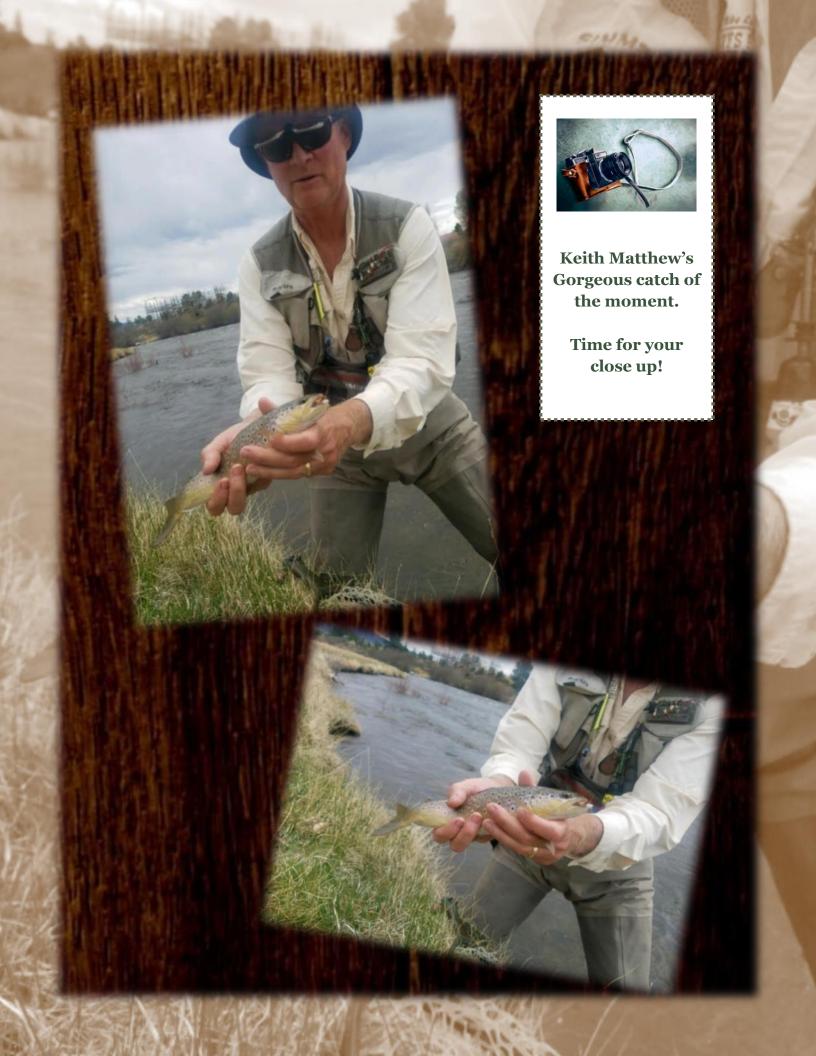


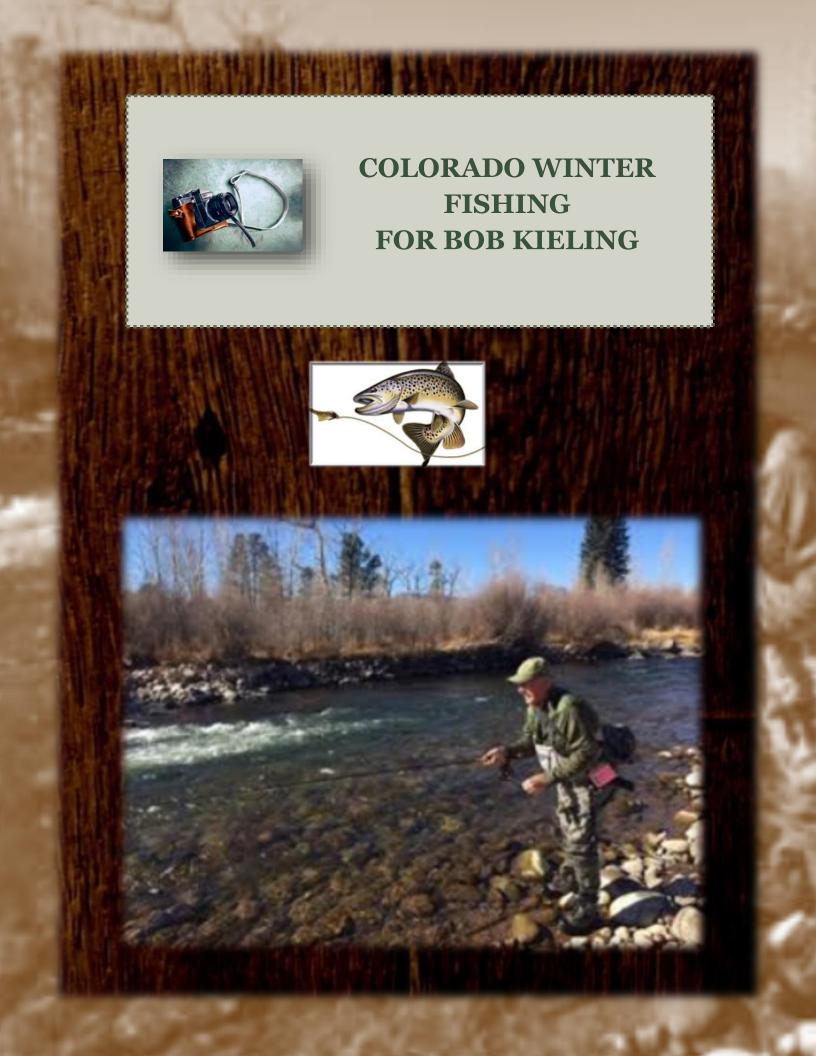
Judy Bollinger's

Owyhee Troutie!









Leesa McBurnie's fly fishing spots for summer 2019!

#1 - North Fork Flathead River, on the road to GlacierNational park outside Columbia Falls# 2 - Flathead River - in Columbia Falls, MT



FOR SALE BY CLUB MEMBERS

Click on photos to learn more about each item.

\$1200 - Abel SUPER 11-12N Reel | NEW!

- Special DORADO finish
- Abel Arm
- · Pre-loaded with 30# backing
- WF12F SHARK Skin fly line

Bob Kieling

bkieling@aol.com



\$90.00 - PISICIFUN FLY FISHING REEL PACKAGE DEAL

- FLYLINE
- BACKING LINE
- LEADER ALL INSTALLED
- READY TO FISH.



\$356 - CUSTOM FLY ROD (LIFETIME GUARANTEE)
THE ROD IS A MODERATE FAST ACTION ROD
WHICH IS A PLEASURE TO CAST IN ANY FRESH
WATER APPLICATION.

- 9' X 5 WT. X 4PC. HOOK N HACKLE I M-7 ROD BLANK KIT
- CORDURA CLOTH 4 PC. ROD TUBE
- PISCIFUN "SWORD" 5/6- CNC MACHINED FLY REEL
- PISCIFUN "SWORD" 6 WT. WF FLY LINE AND 100' FLY LINE BACKING AND LEADER





FOR SALE BY CLUB MEMBERS

Click on photos to learn more about each item.

\$300 - LIGHTWEIGHT | BACKPACKING ROD FOR FISHING THE SIERRA

- 7 1/2 foot
- 5 piece
- 3 weight fly rod
- Includes | Classic 3 weight reel
- Includes | BLACK 5 piece case with internal dividers.

Bob Kieling

<u>bkieling@aol.com</u>







FOR SALE BY CLUB MEMBERS ONLY

TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM

South Coast Region CAEP: Classroom Aquarium Education Program

Serving Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Santa Barbara and Ventura counties

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Teachers: The first step in getting started is to attend a free workshop. The workshop is required for participation in the program. Many teachers obtain grant money or funding through other sources for the equipment needed.

Volunteers: Help is needed in a variety of ways including delivering eggs to schools, classroom presentations, and assisting with field trips. Angling Clubs and other organizations may donate their time and/or resources.

For more information about how to get started in the program, please contact South Coast Region CAEP Coordinators: Jennifer O'Brien and Dwayne Maxwell

R5CAEP@wildlife.ca.gov

More information, click here.



TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM VIDEO

Click on **YouTube** image below:





TROUT in the CLASSROOM

Connecting Students with their Watersheds

TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM

TU's mission is to conserve, protect and restore North America's cold-water fisheries and their watersheds.

TU encourages trout and salmon anglers to voluntarily practice catch and release because of its proven benefits to trout and salmon populations. TU, and its local chapters and state councils, often...

There are many wonderful benefits to being a member of Trout Unlimited such as membership in your local chapter - get involved and make a difference.

TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM

CVFF Members: Rich & Judy Bollinger

Waiting for upcoming dates!

Location:

Address:

Time:

Free Workshop!

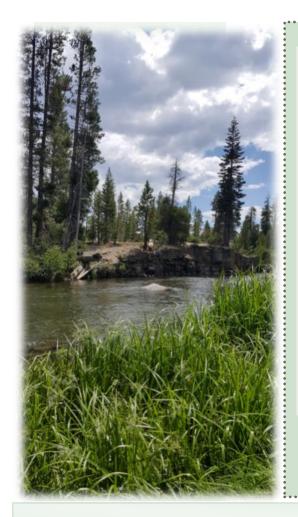
South Coast Region CAEP Coordinators

Jennifer O'Brien:

Jennifer.Obrien@wildlife.ca.gov

Dwayne Maxwell:

Dwayne.Maxwell@wildlife.ca.gov



Trout in the Classroom — Connecting Students to their Watersheds



Be sure to explore www.troutintheclassroom.org to learn more.

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TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM CVFF Member: Rich Bollinger



TIC tank Peach Hill School video on YouTube!



Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's

Charley Beals

If you have any suggestions for outings— please let me know via email: charley@bealsagency.com



CVFF EVENT OUTINGS

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO



MONTHLY MEETINGS

The Conejo Valley Fly Fishers

generally meet on the Wednesday after the first Thursday of every month



LOCATION:

Church of Christ, 2525 E Hillcrest Dr, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 For more information, please call 805-498-2944 (Kit Korf)

SCHEDULE:

5:00 - 6:30 Dinner at:

- BJ'S BREWHOUSE—3955 Thousand Oaks Boulevard (WLV)

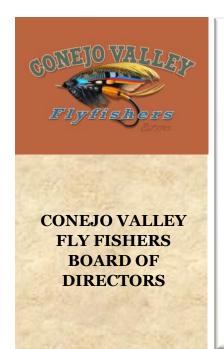
6:30 - 7:00 Fly Tying / "Fly of the Month" - Gary Scott

7:00 - 7:30 Club business

7:30 - 9:30 Program

2019 Tentative Meetings

- ♦ February 12: Jim Cox* "Western Rivers"
- ♦ March 13: Steve Day Golden Trout Wilderness Pack Station
- ♦ Monday, April 1st: Alex Ramirez / Rio Sales Rep / Specialty Products
- ♦ May TBD: Sherwood Picnic / Fishing & Potluck / Members Only
- ♦ June TBD: Fundraiser
- ♦ July 10: Kesley Gallagher* "Introduction to flats fishing"
- ♦ August No meeting / Go Fish!
- ♦ September 11: Charley Beals "Sitka fly fishing"
- ♦ October 9 : David Gregory* "Fishing the Yosemite area"
- November 13: John Baiocchi* "Northern California" * consortium circuit



President: Scott Olson

Secretary: Bob Kieling

Treasurer / Membership: Kit Korf

Trout in the Classroom:

Rich Bollinger Judy Bollinger

Program Coordinator: OPEN / Interim: Charley Beals

Fundraiser Chairman: Peter Sumner

Raffle Chairman: Rich Bollinger

Newsletter/Website: Cece Rubin

Club Outings: Charley Beals

Date: ______ (Check one): New _____ Renewal _____

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name:	
Other family members' names:	
Address:	
Home phone:	Work:
Cell/Text:	Email:
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	lley Fly Fishers, 2970 Diana Court, Newbury Park, CA 91320
FEE(S) ENCLOSED:	
Family Membership \$50 \$	THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:
New Member badge \$10 \$	Trout in the classroom
Student Membership \$10 \$	Membership
•	Conservation Fundraiser
Donation to CalTrout \$	Newsletter
Lifetime Membership \$500 \$	Trips/Outings
* Total Enclosed \$	Other

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Sierra Classica Fly Rods by ROK

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Beryl Rae | Bishop and Lower Owens

Cameron Cipponeri | Frying Pan, Co

Sam Vasily | Sierra Troutsdoorman

Ernie Gulley | Crowley Lake

Mickey Baron | Crowley Lake

Gary Bulla | Saltwater Fly Fishing

Joe Contaldi | Bishop to Bridgeport & Pyramid Lake

Jim Stimson | Mammoth & the Sierra

Glen Ueda | So Cal Flats Fishing Guide Service



PLEASE VISIT: Conejo Valley Fly Fishers Calendar http://www.conejovalleyflyfishers.com/cvff-calendar/

CONVICT LAKE RESORT

Convict Lake Cozy Mountain Cabins Near Mammoth Lakes!



We have 28 cozy mountain cabins and 3 lodges that can accommodate from 2 to 34 people. All cabins are pet-friendly, fully furnished, warmly heated with forced air and/or wall heaters, have free Wi-Fi, propane grills, DirectTV, fully equipped kitchens, paper products, towels, and bedding.

Click here for Resort Wide Lodging Availability Calendar

If you cannot find the dates or the cabin that you want... call the reservation department at 760-934-3800

- ♦ Nestled in the aspens of Convict Canyon, below the towering peak of Mount Morrison and adjacent to a 170 acre crystal clear lake, Convict Lake Resort provides the perfect setting for a romantic getaway, family vacation, special occasion, stop on your annual road trip or base camp for your favorite Eastern Sierra adventure.
- Relax in one of our cozy cabins or deluxe lodges.
- Dine in casual elegance at The Restaurant at Convict Lake.
- ♦ Escape in the majesty of the scenery, wildflowers and fall colors.
- ♦ Fish in our lakes and streams.
- ♦ Explore trails on foot, horseback, skis, snowshoes or snowmobile.
- ♦ Revel in the history and geological significance of our region.
- ♦ If you cannot find what you are looking for and would like assistance in making a reservation or to book lodging specials, 1 night or weekly stays, please contact our reservation department directly at 760-934-3800 X 1 info@convictlake.com