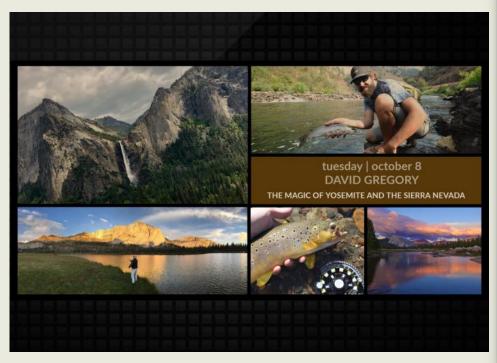


# Conejo Valley Fly Fishers

Newsletter for October 2019

Established 1983





# TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019

# DAVID GREGORY

THE MAGIC OF YOSEMITE & THE SIERRA NEVADA more info - click here

LOCATION | Rich & Judy Bollinger's Home Email Cece for address at: <a href="mailto:cwr.music@gmail.com">cwr.music@gmail.com</a> \* this will be an "in club meeting only"

### **CLUB MEETING | SCHEDULE**

6:45 - 7:30 pm

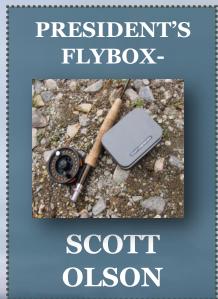
Meet & Greet | Fishing Reports | Club Announcements

**7:30 – 9:00 pm** Speaker Presentation / Program

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## STALKING THE BIG BOYS

**Trout fishing can be deceptive**, especially for the fly fisherman who mainly pursues them in our beautiful, but mostly small, Sierra streams. Although the fish in those small runs and riffles tend to be on the petite side they still fight like the dickens when they are hooked and with a properly sized rod they can give one quite a ride.

**With that said the stalking of larger fish** in more challenging environments should not be ignored or passed over lightly. Hooking, fighting and landing a 22" plus brown or rainbow trout on a medium sized river running at 250 CFS with a 5 wt. rod with 6x tippet and a size 20 nymph is a thrill and a challenge combined although not always easily achieved.

**That is the situation** that I and fellow members Joe Callewaert, Mike Bereny and Charley Beals found ourselves confronted with recently when we fished the Owyhee River in eastern Oregon. For those of you not familiar with the Owyhee it is a tail water fishery that receives its flows from the Owyhee reservoir and generally runs around 130 CFS or so in September when we make our annual trek there, so it was slightly disconcerting when we arrived this year to flows over 260 CFS (we had been informed that the flow was supposed to have been reduced to 118 CFS).

**The Owyhee under normal circumstances** is a challenging river to wade with poor water clarity and lots of odd sized rocks and boulders to negotiate and along with 260 CFS flows is can be downright dangerous to life and limb. You have to pick your spots carefully and then plan and execute your wading and stalking accordingly, if not you may take an unexpected and very cold bath.

**But the payoffs can be extraordinary.** We consider a small fish on the Owyhee to be around 15 inches with most fish in the 18" to 22" range and 4 to 5 pounds. These fish are expert at using their weight and the current against you and the fact that they mostly feed on mayfly nymphs in sizes 18 to 24 makes it that much more difficult to fight and land them. But oh when you do hook and land one the payoff is worth the wait. It is not unusual to have to fight a fish for 10 to 15 minutes before they are worn out enough to net and don't make the mistake (like I did my first year) of taking your normal small stream trout net as these fish will not fit in them. I've lost more than one trophy that way.

**This year was tough fishing** with our first two days very disappointing, although everyone caught fish, however the third day made up for all with everyone having a banner day especially in the late afternoon when each of us caught several very large fish. I highly recommend trying the Owyhee River or other rivers like the Madison in Montana for a larger trout fishing experience.

Tight lines and fighting fish to all!

Scott Olson, Conejo Valley Fly Fishers, President



#### YOSEMITE IS A CROWN JEWEL OF AMERICA'S NATIONAL PARKS.

Its iconic waterfalls and rock landscapes captivate millions of visitors a year. The majority of these tourists barely scratch the surface.

**ASTUTE ANGLERS** will find some 250 fish bearing lakes and countless miles of rivers and creeks to explore. Approximately 95% of the parks 1200 square miles are pristine wilderness and a must-fish for any California angler. The area gets less attention, and less fishing pressure than the better know Eastern Sierra.

**OUR OCTOBER PRESENTER, DAVID GREGORY** has for the past decade formed a deep connection to Yosemite and the cool crystal waters of the Merced River. A classic trout stream of extreme beauty that will leave you feeling hooked. His program will take you on an aquatic adventure on the Gold Country Rivers - the Merced, Tuolumne and the Stanislaus The West Slope of the Sierra Nevada offers solitude, scenery, and year-round fishing. A five hour drive from Los Angeles will take you to the banks of the mighty Merced River. There is a reverence and irrevocable history in this section of the Merced River.

JOHN MUIR ONCE WROTE OF THE AREA "The place seemed holy, where one might hope to see God." When needing to escape, contemplate, or feel a deep connection to the natural world, head to the cool crystal waters of the Merced River. For the non-angler, the area includes the John Muir Trail, often called "America's most famous trail". It meanders through the second largest roadless area in the lower 48 and provides some of the best Alpine scenery this country has to offer.

#### NOT TO MENTION, DAILY OPPORTUNITIES TO CATCH WILD TROUT.

The trail's jaw dropping views and colossal mountains will leave you with a newfound appreciation for the Sierra Nevada.

David has a B.S. in Parks and Recreation Management and is a graduate of Clearwater Guide School. He is enthusiastically devoted to sharing his love of fly fishing and works as a fulltime guide with Yosemite Fly Fishers.



starting in november

new meeting location

# THE ELKS LODGE

THOUSAND OAKS | CLICK HERE



158 N Conejo School Rd, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362



# **Conejo Valley Fly Fishers Fly Fishing 2019 Outings:**

\*\* ALL EVENTS ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

#### **EVENT ORGANIZERS:**

CHARLEY BEALS | GARY SCOTT | BOB KIELING

- > CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR FUTURE OUTINGS
  - > OR PLAN AN OUTING WITH THE HELP OF CHARLEY BEALS & GARY SCOTT
    - > Check back for new outings listed according to fishing conditions and weather.





## SOUTHWEST COUNCIL



**FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL** 

**INFORMATION | CLICK HERE** 

National Property



CLICK HERE FOR THE SWCFFI'S FLY FISHING FAIRE PROGRAM



## SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AND PRESENTATIONS

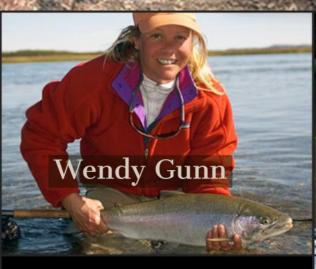
- Schedule of events can be downloaded here
- Schedule of women's events can be downloaded here
- Schedule of casting classes can be downloaded here
  - Schedule of Fly Tyers can be downloaded here
  - If you would like to volunteer please click here
- For general faire info call (818) 601-9702 or send an email here



#### WOMEN'S FLY FISHING EVENTS AT THE FAIRE

- CLICK ON IMAGES FOR MORE INFO -





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# SWCFFI FAIRE WOMEN CONNECT EVENTS

1/2 Day Fly Fishing Workshop
Seminars/Presentations
Orvis Fashion Show
Tapas & Brew evening social
and MORE!



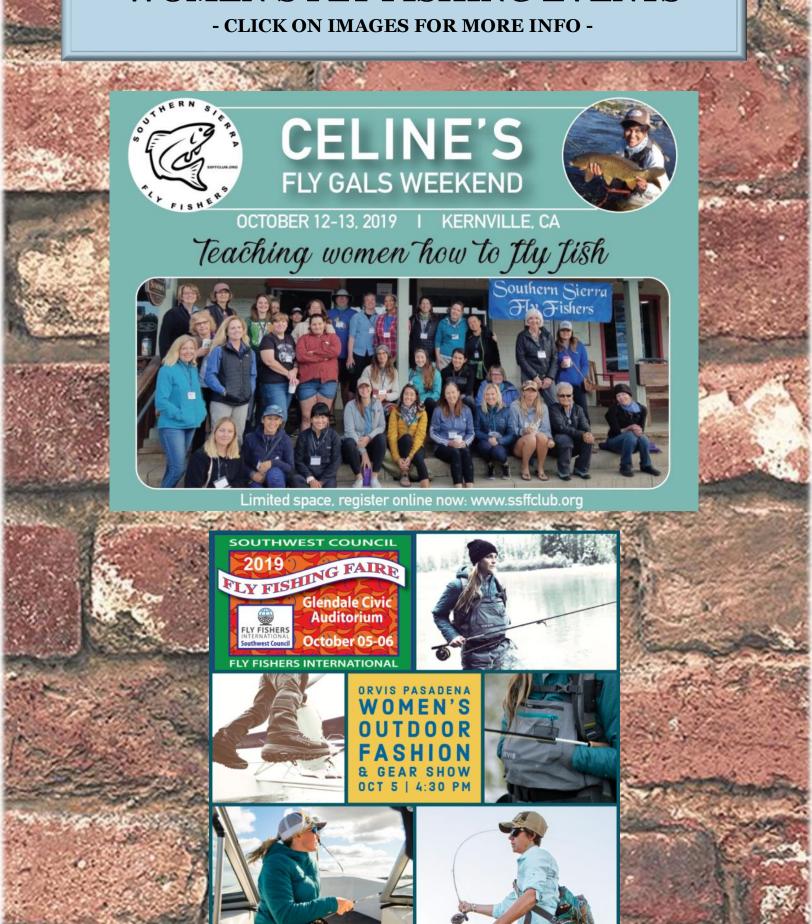
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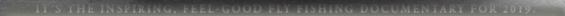


## **WOMEN'S FLY FISHING EVENTS**

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National Division



# JOE-BROOKS

A 90 MINUTE FEATURE LENGTH DOCUMENTARY

TWO BROTHERS IN A
QUEST FOR THE LEGACY
OF THEIR GREAT UNCLE.
A MAN WHO WAS ONCE
SPIRALING DOWNWARD
INTO THE TRAGIC DEPTHS
OF ADDICTION BUT THEN
FOUND HIS LIFE'S PASSION
AND TRANSFORMED
HIMSELF AS WELL AS AN
ENTIRE SPORT.

To tell in vivid detail the exceptional life of the little known icon of American fly fishing.

In his 71 years Joe Brooks lived three lifetimes. From his privileged youth to a broken alcoholic to one of the most revered sportsmen of his time, Joe's life is as complex as it is inspirational.

Few people manage to change themselves in any meaningful way.

But Joe did and, in doing so, he changed the world of fly fishing.

CLICK HERE FOR PREVIEW | Official Website



#### CA SPORTFISHING LEAGUE

#### **ACTION ALERT: CALL YOUR STATE SENATOR TODAY**

AB 1387 (authored by Assemblyman Wood) passed the State Assembly and is now being considered by the State Senate. **CLICK HERE** to call your State Senator today!

Encourage the State Legislature to Establish a 365-Day Fishing License. Click Here to Sign the Petition!



# CALIFORNIA TROUT

**Eel River sonar system** reveals salmon and steelhead status to scientists, anglers, and agencies

Field Notes, Sept. 10, 2019

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



Spawning coho salmon. Photo: Mike Wier

Please "Like" Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's FACEBOOK





#### **Happy Public Lands Month!**

Trout Unlimited is devoting the month of September to celebrating public lands and the agencies dedicated to upholding America's public land heritage

**READ MORE** 





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



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











## **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.

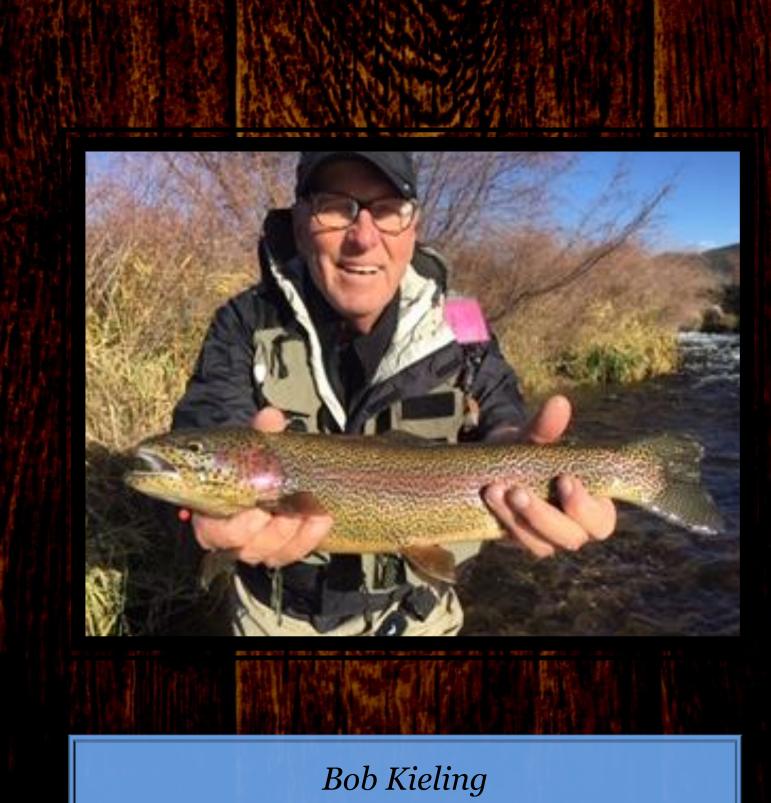
They will be tying in the shop on select **Sundays from 11am – 2pm**. Call ahead to confirm





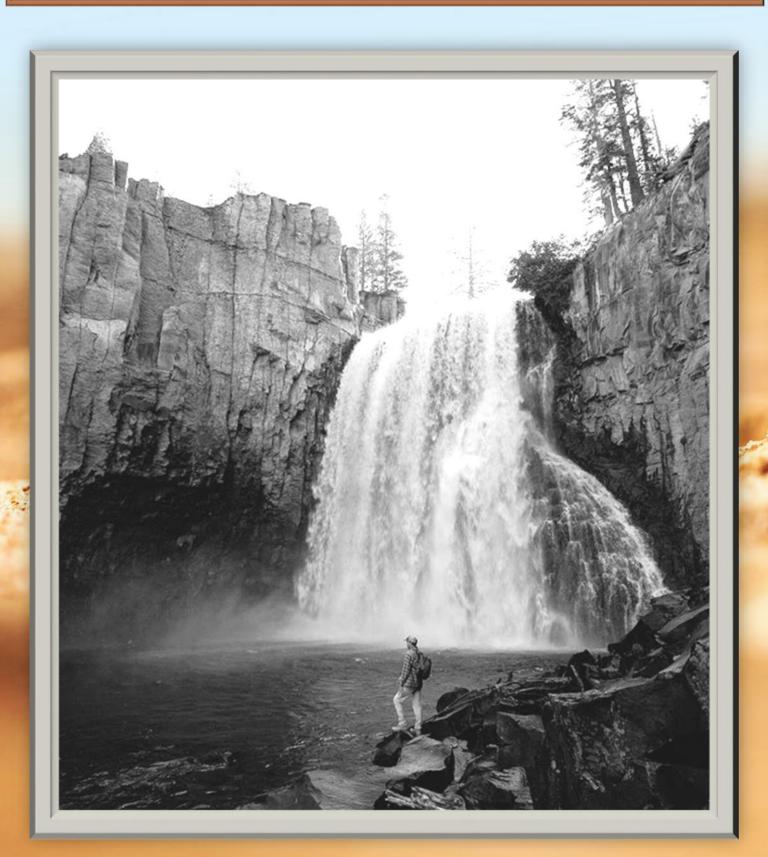
Joe Callewaert with a big brown on the Owyhee River.

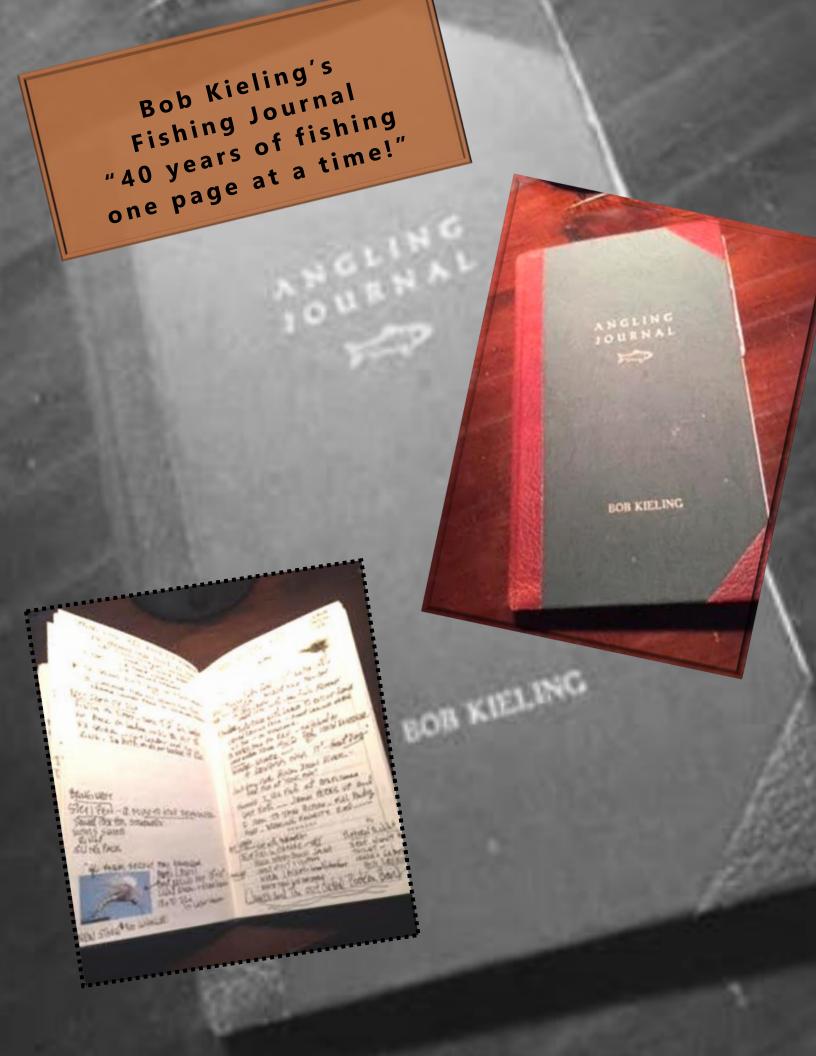
Photo: Scott Olson



"Very beautiful rainbow from Colorado on slip egg....
.. eggs in the fall, eggs in the spring!"

# Nik Nikchevich | Rainbow Falls







## **GOT FLIES?**

Eeny, Meeny, Miney, Mo, catch a salmon stonefly by the toe, if it hollers let it go, eeny meeny miney, mo......

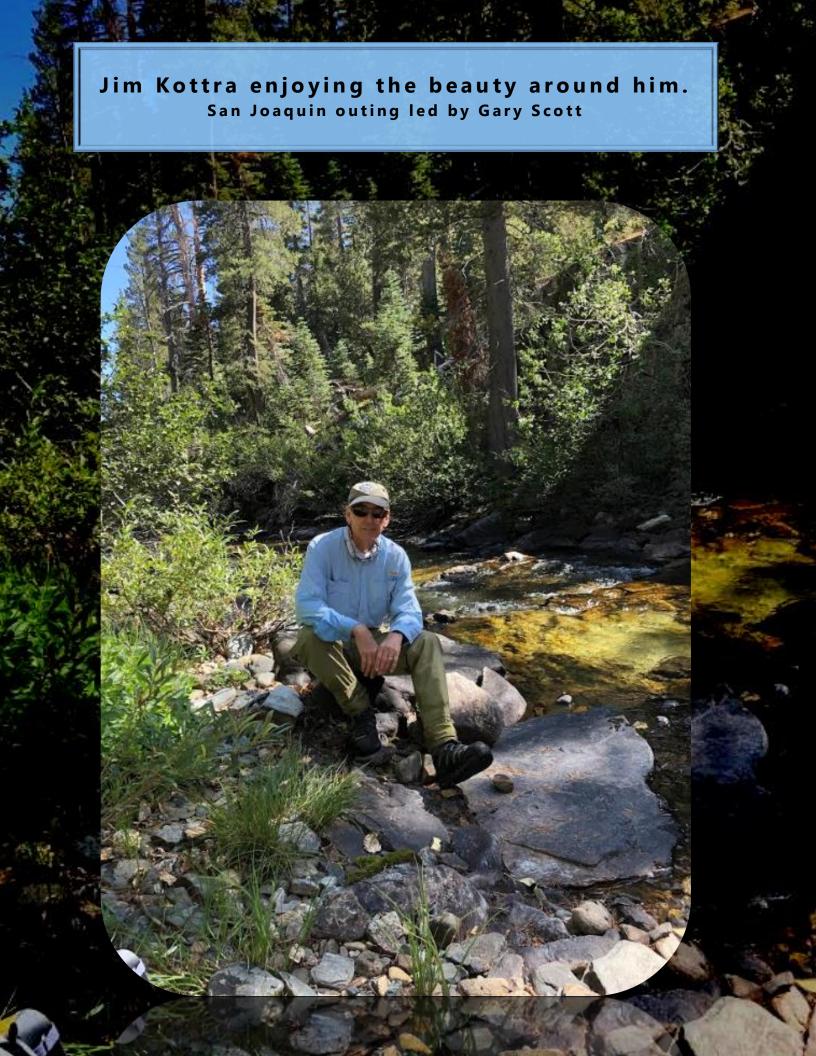
- Bob Kieling -

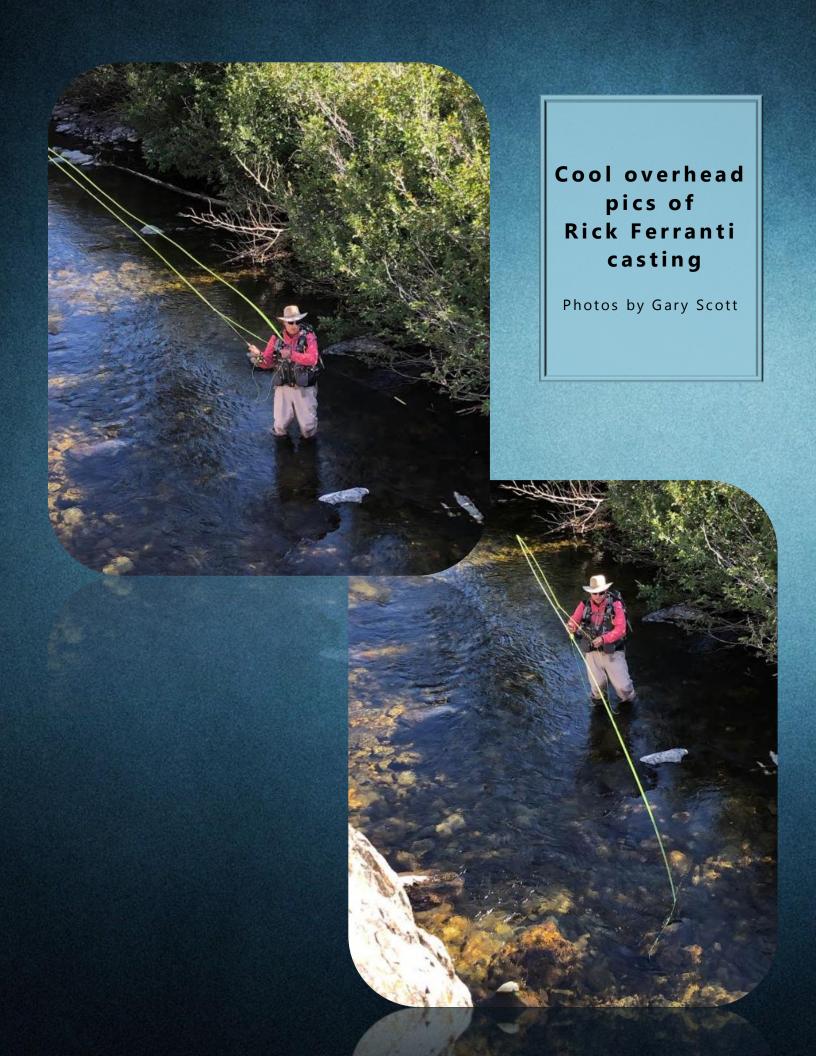


Rick Ferenti - from latest camping trip to the San Joaquin

Lots of wild fish caught for the last hooray as
the park officials are closing down the canyon to all
access with inclement weather approaching. Photos: Gary Scott

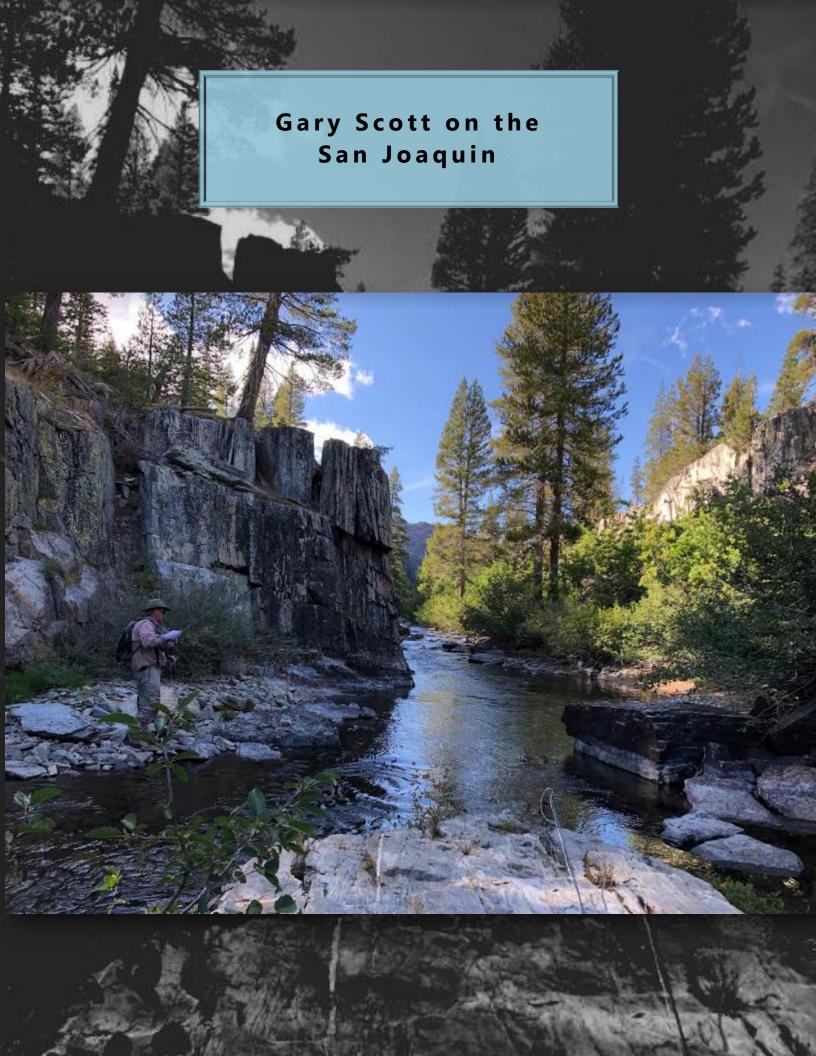






## San Joaquin Brook Trout - Gary Scott -



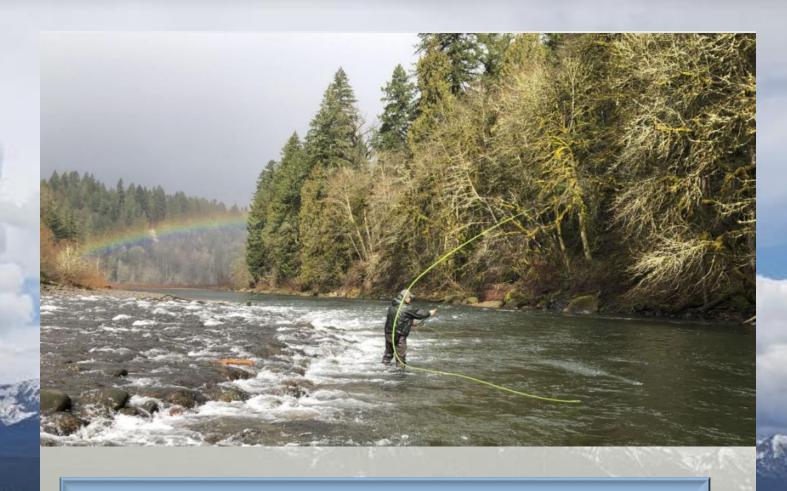


OLD GUYS RULE . . . while trouting!

Joe Callewaert, Mike Bereny, Scott Olson

Photo: Charley Beals





## CAL TROUT PHOTO CONTEST SUBMISSIONS





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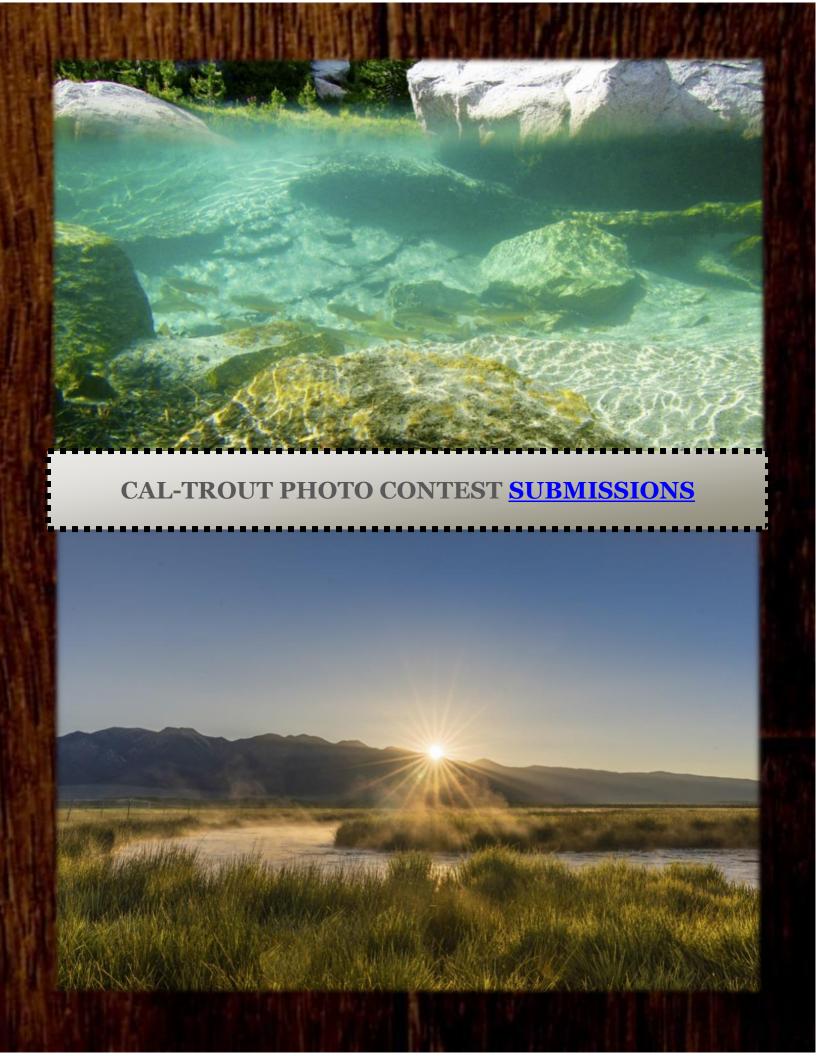


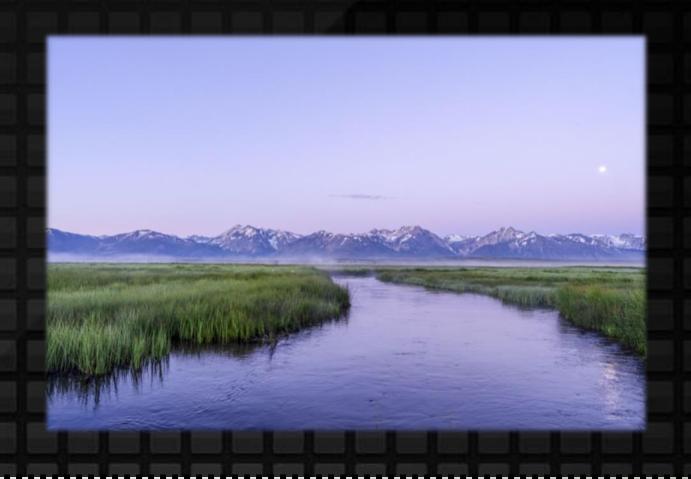




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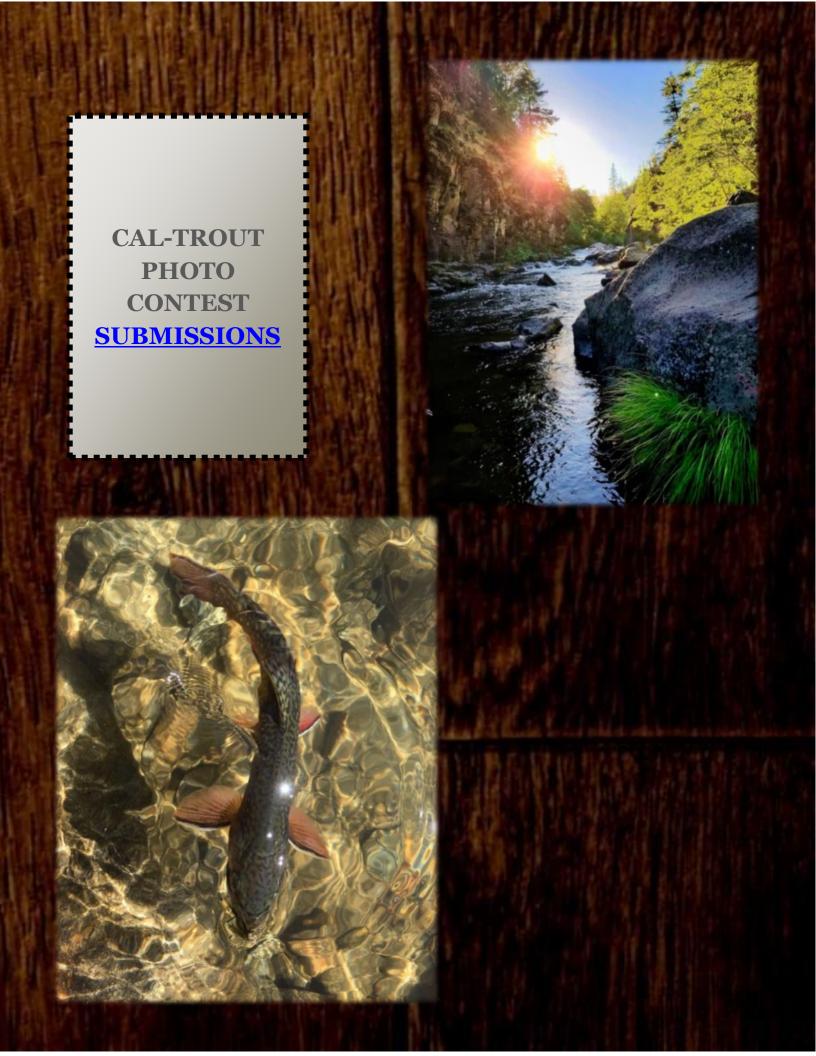






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# FOR SALE BY CLUB MEMBERS

Click on photos to learn more about each item.



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

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

Bob Kieling bkieling@aol.com

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# \$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 bkieling@aol.com







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## 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.

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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!

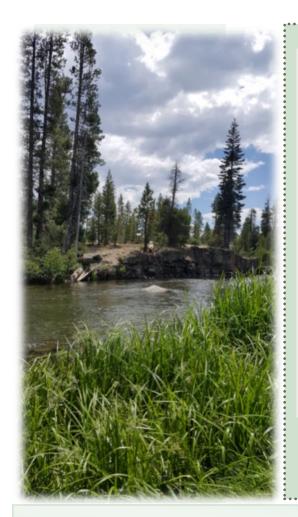
### **South Coast Region CAEP Coordinators**

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Jennifer.Obrien@wildlife.ca.gov

#### **Dwayne Maxwell:**

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# 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



### **MEETING LOCATION | The Elks Lodge**

158 N Conejo School Rd, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 For more information, please call 805-498-2944 (Kit Korf)

#### **SCHEDULE:**

5:00 - 6:30 Pre-meeting dinner at:
BJ'S BREWHOUSE, 3955 Thousand Oaks Boulevard, WLV
6:30 Club business
7:30 - 9:30 Program

### 2019 Meetings | Subject to Change

- ♦ October 9 : David Gregory\* "Fishing the Yosemite area"
- ♦ November 13: John Baiocchi\* "Northern California"
- ♦ December Annual Christmas-Holiday party | TBD

<sup>\*</sup> consortium circuit



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Club Outings: Charley Beals / Charley@bealsagency.com

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Check one): New \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Name:		
Other family members' names:		
Home phone:		
Cell/Text:	Email:	
Annual dues are \$50 per family living at the s	same address.	
• Membership is per calendar year.		
• New members joining in the last quarter have	e their membership extended through the following year.	
• There is a one-time additional \$10 fee for each	ch name badge.	
·	ame badges for family members and include \$10 for each.	
• Student (under 18) dues are \$10.		
<ul> <li>Make checks payable &amp; mail to: Conejo Valley Fly Fishers, 2970 Diana Court, Newbury Park, CA 91320</li> </ul>		
FEE(S) ENCLOSED:	I WISH TO HELP WITH	
Family Membership \$50 \$	THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:	
New Member badge \$10 \$	Trout in the classroom	
Student Membership \$10 \$	Membership Conservation	
Donation to CalTrout \$	Fundraiser	
•	Newsletter	
Lifetime Membership \$500 \$	Trips/Outings	
Total Enclosed \$	: Other	

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Sierra Classica Fly Rods by ROK

http://www.fishpo.com/fishing-profile.php?id=3064







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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