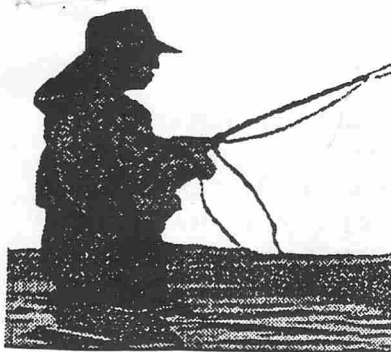


# The Conejo Valley Flyfisher



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## The Green River

We've all heard of the Green River, but how many of us know where it is. If you join us at this month's meeting you will know exactly where it is and how to get there, when the best time is and what to use. The CVFF is proud to have as this month's guest speaker Dennis Breer, owner of Trout Creek Flies, located in the Flaming Gorge area of Utah.

The Green River is a phenomenal piece of trout water. With year round temperatures between 45 and 54, growth rates for trout average 1 to 2 inches per month. Trout populations are estimated to be between 8000 and 20,000 fish per mile. Now that's a lot of fish. These factors, coupled with an enlightened fishing policy of artificial flies and lures, make the Green a wonderful year round fishery.

Dennis Breer has been president of the *Green River Outfitters and Guide Association* since 1974. Dennis has also been featured in Sex, Death & Flyfishing by John Gierach as well as Flyfishing Tailwater Fisheries by Ed Engle.

This month's presentation will include discussion of the river, seasons, how to avoid crowds, the state of the fishery, flow projections, and changes for 1992. If you've ever wanted to make a trip to the Green River, don't miss this show.

### This Month's Meeting

Date: November 12, 1991

Time: 7:30 P.M. - Fly Tying at 6:00 P.M.

Where: The Oaks Mall Community Room  
upstairs next to McDonalds.

Dennis Breer will tie flies with us starting at 6:00 P.M. All are invited to attend. So bring your tying tools and join us. If you are new to fly tying or just want to learn, you are especially invited. Tools are provided for your use.

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## Backcast

For those of you who attended October's meeting, wasn't Jack Gartside an interesting speaker? Flyfishing has all kinds of people and you can learn something from almost every fisherman you meet. Some of the strangest people I meet on the river are the best fishermen around. A case in point was this last weekend when I was up at the lower Owens near Bishop. If you have fished there during the last year or so you may have seen a beat up old Toyota camper with a hand painted sign about "local flies". The owner and local tyer is a man named Cody and at first glance he appears a bit strange. But if you talk to him you find that he knows more about the river than anybody that has fished it. I bought several Pale Morning Dun flies from him and they turned out to be trout killers. They were tied sparsely but looked great on the water. And they caught fish. So you can't always tell about people from their looks.

Unfortunately I missed last month's meeting; but I have a good excuse. I was fishing. I spent nine days fishing in the Yellowstone, so I hope I'm forgiven. The fishing was not quite as good as last year, due to the unseasonably warm weather they were experiencing.

Temperatures were running in the mid 60's with a bright, high sky. This type of weather is not conducive to catching the browns coming out of Hebgen. Places that were productive last year were devoid of fish this year. But I caught a goodly amount of fish in other areas. And it also gave me a chance to do some fall color sightseeing. Fall is a wonderful time to go fishing. No crowds, plenty of fish and lots of solitude.

## Fly Tying Classes at Malibu Fish'n Tackle

Malibu Fish'n Tackle is holding a fly tying class starting Wednesday November 20, at 7:00PM. The cost of the class is \$60.00 and includes tying materials. Running for four weeks, this class will provide you with a sound basis from which you can analyze and construct almost any fly you can fish. Fly tying is an enjoyable and relaxing means to learn more about the sport we love. If you have any questions about this class, contact Wayne Caywood at Malibu Fish'n Tackle at (805)496-7332.

## Lee's Ferry Trip Planned

You've probably heard about it, read about it and thought about. Now here's a chance to do something about it. Make plans to fish Lee's Ferry. Malibu Fish'n Tackle has a trip set to fish Lee's Ferry on January 9 - 11th of 1992. This time is chosen to coincide with the height of spawning for the large rainbows that inhabit the river. The unmatched beauty of the river provides the setting for a wonderful fishing experience. If you've never been there and wish to join Wayne at Lee's Ferry, give him a call at (805)496-7332.

## Rod Building Class Set

I am conducting another fly rod building class starting February 24, 1992. The class generally runs 5 weeks, depending on the class and the type of rods that are being built. If you have a desire to personalize your fly fishing by using a hand crafted rod you've built, check out this class. If you have any questions concerning this class, contact me, Tom Robison, at (805)496-9371, and I'll be glad to answer your questions.

## Conundrums

I've been pondering some of the imponderables of life lately and have decided to put a few down on paper. Pardon my ramblings but here goes. (If you wish to contribute for future issues, drop me a line)

1. Empty pop and beer cans must weigh more than full ones. Why else are there so many left to litter our favorite fishing spots.

2. Why is the fishing always better the day before I arrive or the day after I leave?

3. If a trout is really a dumb animal, why does an intelligent human being have such a hard time catching them?

4. Have you ever noticed that when you tell fly fishermen about a large fish you caught they ask how long it was.

But if you tell meat fishermen about the same fish they will ask you how many pounds it weighed. (Thanks to Bryan Fujii, DDS. for this one.)

## I Get More Water From My Hose

I've listened to the hoopla about the Owens Gorge being re-watered so I decided to see how much water was coming down the old channel. Now most people, myself included have no concept of how much 16cfs really is. I had visions of brown trout leaping up the torrents of water on their way to ancestral spawning beds. What a disappointment. There is barely a discernable amount of water coming down the gorge. Meanwhile the power plants are humming away with water coming down the restored pipe. If you survey the hillside where the old parking area used to be you will see tremendous water erosion, evidence to the large amount of water carried by the conduit. I wonder if the DWP needs the full amount water in that pipe to turn the turbines. Those turbines, probably placed in the mid fifties could be updated and use much less water. More water could then be carried down the gorge. This probably won't happen without litigation. Keep you posted on what's happening.

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