



# CONEJO VALLEY FLY FISHERS

Newsletter for SEPTEMBER 2021

Established 1983



## MEETING/PRESENTATION

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 | 6:30pm  
"A BOB KIELING PRODUCTION FEATURING"

## "SPATSIZI RIVER IN BRITISH COLUMBIA"

### MEETING ADDRESS:

John Ardy's Home / Check your roster or email the club

Pre-meeting food & drinks

Social time | Fly tying | MAIN PRESENTATION

Any questions? Email: [conejovalleyflyfishers@gmail.com](mailto:conejovalleyflyfishers@gmail.com)

*The Conejo Valley Fly Fishers generally meet on  
the Wednesday after the first Thursday of every month.*

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DEAR MEMBERS

IN REGARDS TO INDOOR MEETINGS,  
WE ARE COMPLYING WITH VENTURA  
COUNTY HEALTH PROTOCOLS.

Thank you for understanding.  
CVFF Board of Directors

\* if you forget your mask, we will have some available.

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED**  
**in all public indoor spaces**  
**REGARDLESS of**  
**vaccination status.**

THIS INCLUDES PLACES SUCH AS:



GROCERY STORES



WORKPLACES



RETAIL STORES



RESTAURANTS



THEATERS



COUNTY of VENTURA

[www.vcrecovers.org](http://www.vcrecovers.org)



While there are no fires currently burning in Mono County, dangerous fire conditions exist with extremely limited firefighting resources. There are [fire restrictions](#) in place on all public and private lands in Mono County. | Thanks to Kerry Murphree bringing it to our attention.



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Where is the Inyo National Forest in Mono County?

Inyo National Forest land in Mono County stretches from the southern end of the County to roughly Lundy Lake and Conway Summit, just north of Lee Vining. Areas include Rock Creek, McGee Creek, Convict Lake, Mammoth Lakes, June Lake, Mono Lake, Tioga Pass, Lee Vining, and Lundy Lake. See a map [here](#).

### Where is the Bridgeport Ranger District of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest in Mono County?

The Bridgeport Ranger District begins at about Conway Summit and stretches north to Topaz and the Nevada State Line. Areas include Virginia Lakes, Green Creek, Twin Lakes (Bridgeport), Sonora Pass, Walker River canyon, Walker, Coleville, and Topaz. See a map [here](#).

## WHAT'S OPEN IN MONO COUNTY?

- SR 120 Tioga Pass with access to Yosemite National Park (reservations required to enter the park, unless driving through with no stopping)
- Bodie State Historic Park
- Mono Lake Old Marina (South Tufa and Navy Beach access points are closed)
- Mono County parks
- Shady Rest Park
- Snowcreek and Sierra Star Golf Courses
- Mammoth Mountain Adventure Center (bike park, gondola closed)
- All privately owned and operated businesses not on Inyo National Forest leased land
- State and County roads
- BLM land - at this time, BLM land and campgrounds are open with fire restrictions

## OPEN FISHING LOCATIONS:

- Crowley Lake (Only locations on LADWP Land)
- Upper Owens River (Only locations on LADWP Land)
- Virginia Lakes (Upper, Lower and Trumbull Lakes)
- Virginia Creek
- Green Creek
- Bridgeport Reservoir
- Upper and Lower Twin Lakes - Bridgeport
- Robinson Creek
- Little Walker River
- West Walker River
- Topaz Lake

## CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE FIRE SUMMARY AUGUST 29, 2021

Today, nearly 16,000 firefighters remain on the frontlines of 15 major wildfires and two extended attack wildfires burning across California. Yesterday, crews continued their progress towards containment. Although 38 new initial attack wildfires were sparked yesterday, crews were able to contain most of them quickly though two, the Chaparral Fire and Roadside Fire, have grown to large wildfires.

Since the beginning of the year, wildfires have burned more than 1.7 million acres in California. While firefighters continue their battle on the current major wildfires, CAL FIRE and fire departments across the State remain prepared for potential more significant wildfires due to critical fire weather. | [READ THE WHOLE REPORT](#)

## STAGE II FIRE RESTRICTIONS | FISHING AREAS

Sierra Bright Dot Fly Fishing Report 08-27-2021  
Stage II Fire Restrictions  
Sierra Bright Dot Fly Fishing Guide Service  
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All Forests in California that are not already closed will close August 31 at midnight through midnight on September 17. Closure notice for Inyo National Forest may be found here: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/inyo/>

Waters on BLM land, City of Los Angeles land, and private land continue to be open. Waters open would include Owens River, Crowley Lake, Bishop Creek in the Owens Valley, and Bishop Creek Canal.

### **THIS IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST OF WATERS NOT EFFECTED BY THE FOREST SERVICE CLOSURE.**

- Lower Owens River Wild Trout Section: Open to fishing. No restrictions.
- Hot Creek / Interpretive Site: Closed to fishing per Inyo National Forest closure.
- Hot Creek Ranch: Open to fishing. No restrictions.
- Hot Creek Canyon Section: Closed to fishing per Inyo National Forest closure.
- Upper Owens River / Big Springs: Closed to fishing per Inyo National Forest closure.
- Upper Owens River / Above and Below Benton Crossing Bridge: Open to fishing. No restrictions.
- Bishop Creek Canal Behind the Ford Dealer: Open to fishing. No restrictions.
- San Joaquin River: Closed to fishing per Inyo National Forest closure.





**PRESIDENT'S  
MESSAGE  
GARY  
SCOTT**

## SEPTEMBER MESSAGE

### **CREATIVE FISHING**

Hello all, I hope this message finds you all healthy and sane during these dog days of summer. In the Sierras' the weather has been hot and the water has been thin all over due to the drought conditions. So, you will need creative and selective about where you fish.

### **VICARIOUSLY FISHING WHILE HEALING UP**

Of course there is always the big blue sea for a creative alternative teaming with Calicos and Yellows. Locally, the surf is loaded with Corbina and some Perch. As for me, I'm still dreaming at home while recuperating with my broken leg...So, I'm relying on all of you to share with me your big fish stories!

### **WHAT'S COMING!**

Our next meeting is on September 8th, Wednesday night at 6 PM. I hope to see you there to share in the once in a lifetime experience that Bob Keiling will share.

### **THE MAIN COURSE**

If money were no object, and you were available without any time constraints and you had friends in high places, where would you visit to fish??? Bob has been blessed with those conditions and been able to fish all over the world...He was able to visit twice to fish for wild Trout, Steelhead, Char, and Grayling with the Spatsizi River Outfitters in British Columbia, Canada. You will not want to miss this presentation.

### **MEETING STARTER/APPETIZER**

Prior to Bob's presentation, I will be showing a knot tying presentation showing how to tie a dry / dropper fly rig.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

*President's message—continued*

### **SUNSET DINNER FUNDRAISER**

On the night of October 13th our club will be hosting our annual Dinner/ Auction at the Bollinger's residence in Thousand Oaks. The details are posted later in the newsletter. We want to see all of you to participate in this event. Many of you have already been giving items for this auction to be a success and help promote our club for the future. [LINK](#)

### **FFI EXPO 2021, VIRTUAL**

I also want to make you aware of some excellent options for you all to improve your flyfishing skills and experiences. The Federation of Flyfishers International is hosting a virtual flyfishing expo that you should take a look at, November 5th.

### **SWCFFI FLY BUY, NOVEMBER 13**

Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International will be holding their yearly "FLYBUY" to be held at the Long Beach Casting Club. There you can check out gear, taking fly casting & fly tying lessons and meet a group of people with the shared passion for fly fishing! [MORE INFO](#)

**Gary Scott, Conejo Valley Fly Fishers President**

### **MESSAGE FROM RICK FERRANTE, FUNDRAISING CHAIR:**

The CVFF is looking to raise money to pay for a great 2022 for the club! Our goal is to raise funds to pay for:

- Keeping our annual dues as low as possible
- Speakers at our monthly meetings
- Food, drinks and supplies for our monthly meetings
- Promoting the club to generate new members
- And to help cover the cost of insurance and other administrative requirements of the club

This is a 100% volunteer organization so 100% of the money we raise will go towards the budget to benefit the club and its members. Please consider attending and donating so we can help make 2022 a great success for everyone in the CVFF.





## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 8th at 6:00pm BOB KIELINGS' SPATSIZI ADVENTURE

**BOB HAS FISHED ALL OVER THE WORLD AND AT THIS MEETING HE WILL  
PRESENT: FLY FISHING THE SPATSIZI RIVER IN BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA!**

Bob Kielsing is an avid fly fisher, hunter, rod builder and family man! Focusing on Bob's first hand knowledge of fly fishing all over the world – he will focus on fly fishing the Spatsizi River on September 8th, 2021.

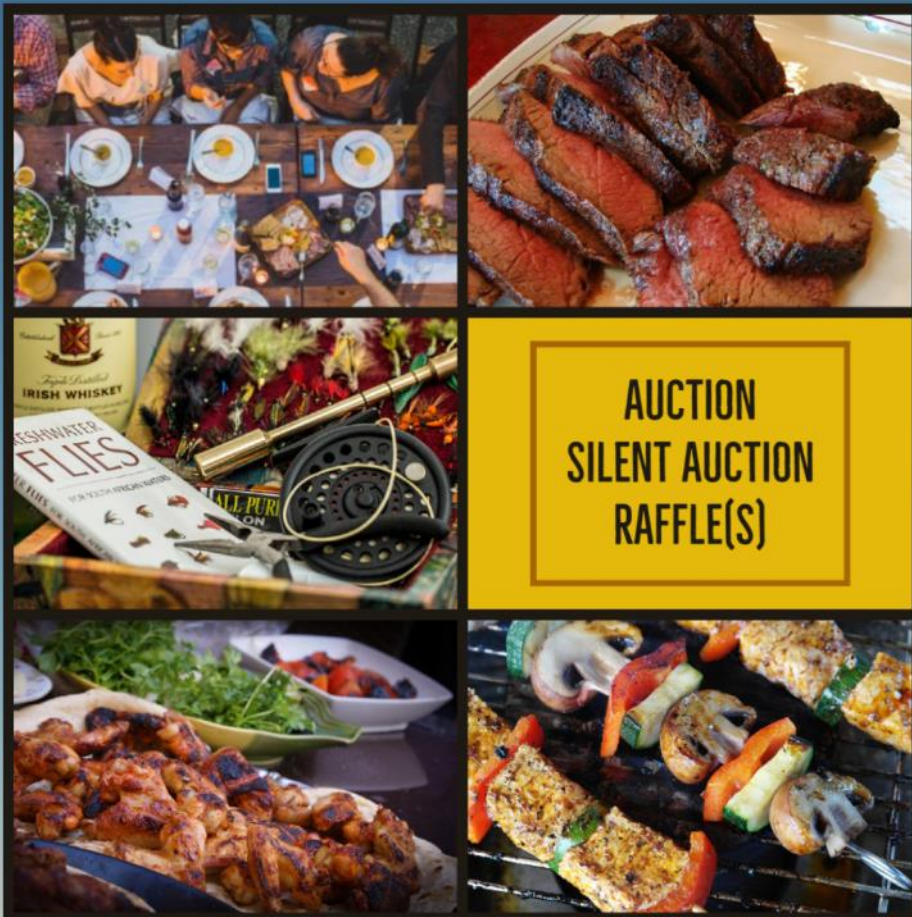
- Seven trips to Alaska.
- Three trips to Christmas Island.
- Six trips to Canada British Columbia.
- Eight trips to Michigan's Au Sable and Manistee Rivers.
- One trip to Argentina.
- Five trips to Florida Biscayne Bay.
- Three trips to Key West Florida.
- 35 years Montana.
- Three trips Lees ferry in Arizona.
- England and Scotland.
- 30 trips to Colorado.
- 3 trips to high Sierra via packhorse trips

### ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS MEETING:

- \* Food & non-alcoholic beverages provided by the club.
- \* Fly tying or Knot demonstrations.
- \* Short BOD presentations.
- \* PLEASE bring your own chair (camping folding chair is a good suggestion).
- BYOB (alcoholic beverages to share).
- \* If you would like to be a guest to our meeting, please email the meeting director at:  
[coneioalleyflyfishers@gmail.com](mailto:coneioalleyflyfishers@gmail.com)



CVFF  
**SUNSET DINNER  
FUNDRAISER**  
*6pm-9pm*



- Dinner will be an elevated BBQ with side dishes.
- MENU to be posted soon.
- Non-alcoholic beverages.
- Members are free to BYOB adult beverages.
- \$25 per person / \$45 per couple.
- LEARN MORE > [LINK](#)





CONEJO VALLEY FLY FISHERS  
2021 FUNDRAISER  
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 13

## CLUB PRESIDENT'S REQUEST TO CVFF MEMBERS

I need all of you to be thinking about our upcoming fundraiser/auction/dinner that will take place on Wednesday, October 13, 2021.

### WOULD EACH OF YOU CONTRIBUTE ONE ITEM TO SELL AT OUR EVENT?

- No white elephant gifts or regifted articles please.
- It also doesn't have to be flyfishing related.
- It can be a gift card to one of your favorite restaurants, a bottle of wine or Scotch, or even a flowering plant.
- The easy-peasy way is ordering an item on Amazon, Costco, Target, Home Depot and have it shipped to Rick Ferrante, the club's fundraising co-chairman. See the newsletter for his address or check the roster that Kit sends out.
- Making a straight donation to the club in check or cash is also a "no-brainer" gift you can share!
- Either way—someone from the club will be more than happy to drive to your home and pick it up in person!

Whatever you choose to donate, please notify us of your auction item by filling out this google online form. [CLICK HERE](#)

Thank you! ~ Gary Scott, President





**MEETING: 6:00 to 8:30pm**

➤ **BOB KIELING FLY FISHING SPATSIZI**

➤ **more info** | [click here](#)

\* please bring a folding or camping chair

\* food & non-alcoholic drinks provided. BYOB

**MEETING LOCATION:** John Ardy's Home

1574 La Jolla Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA. 91362 — [map](#)

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

\* subject to change

**OCTOBER 13 - CLUB FUNDRAISER**

**NOVEMBER 10 - CHANNEL ISLAND FLY FISHING**

**DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY PARTY**

**JANUARY - TO BE DETERMINED**



# CONEJO VALLEY FLY FISHERS

## 2021 OUTINGS

OUTING DIRECTOR | [RICK FERRANTE](#)

DATES & OUTING LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE  
CANCELLATION DUE TO HAZARDOUS WEATHER  
AND/OR ROAD CLOSURES OR TRAVEL CONDITIONS.

### OUTINGS FOR THE YEAR 2021

2021 CALIFORNIA FLY FISHING OPEN | Kernville, CA

Saturday Oct 5, 2021 | CVFF Team or individuals | email: [Cece](#)

**SURF FISHING** | email: [Rick Ferrante](#)

**TENKARA** with Pat Jaegar in Mammoth \*

- You do not need to own a Tenkara
- Date to be determined. Let's plan it! | email [Cece](#)

### SUGGEST AN OUTING!

Let's talk and plan!

email: [Rick Ferrante](#) or [Cece](#)

### OUTINGS FOR THE YEAR 2022

- February | Pleasant Valley to Hot Creek! | email: [Rich Bollinger](#)
- June/July | The Bollinger's Mammoth Adventure | email: [Rich Bollinger](#)  
\* includes outing to Lyell Creek, Yosemite National Park
- PACKTRIP 2022 > [Golden Trout Pack Station](#)
- Fall Colors in the Eastern Sierra & Fly Fishing | email: [Cece](#)
  - Fall Color Guide | [LINK](#)
  - Trip planned for the last week in September through the month of October

\* Tenkara outing might be cross posted with other fly fishing clubs.





MONTHLY MISSIVE  
SCOTT OLSON  
Former President

## **DROUGHT DOLDRUMS**

One advantage of growing older (not old, older) is that it has tended to imbue in me a little more patience than I had when I was a younger man (my wife might disagree). With "age comes wisdom" it is often said, and part of wising up is realizing that it is often better not to "sweat the little things."

Over the past year we have all had to deal with a lot, mostly in regards to the effects of COVID 19, not only has it affected how we relate to each other, but in many cases it has limited the time and access that we've had to our favorite fishing haunts. Tragic and unnecessary in many ways.


Outside of the effects of COVID there are other things that can intrude into, and change, our lives. In the past year I've had friends who have had to deal with cancer, loved ones with dementia, broken bones (you know who you are) and even the threat of blindness.

What have these issues to do with fishing you might be asking at this point? Well, it drives home that all of us have other obligations to attend to at different times and they can, and do, intrude on our fishing schedules. The advantage to getting older in many ways is that we have more flexibility with our schedules. Many of us are retired or working sporadically which allows for changes on the fly if an unexpected malady or doctor's appointment rears its ugly head.

So take a deep breath, relax and take that fly rod out of the rack because there is no better therapy than tightening up on a sipping trout.

*Tight lines and fighting fish to all.—Scott Olson*





**FLY TYING SOCIAL  
STEVE ANDERSON'S HOME  
3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 6:00PM  
CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR CONFIRMATION**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021**

**BRING A SNACK & YOUR BEVERAGE OF CHOICE.  
FOLDING CHAIR, CAMPING CHAIR.  
IF YOU'RE TYING A FLY, BRING YOUR STUFF. OTHERWISE  
IT'S A CASUAL HANG.  
ONLY ATTEND IF YOU ARE FEELING WELL.  
THOSE WITH UNDERLYING HEALTH ISSUES TO PLEASE  
CONSIDER WHETHER TO ATTEND.  
THIS MEETING IS CONSIDERED "OUTDOORS" IN AN OPEN  
GARAGE.**



# CHARLEY BEALS

## ON THE OWYHEE







# CHARLEY BEALS

"THE TUG IS THE DRUG" - ON THE OWYHEE







**KEITH MATTHEWS'**

**"SILVER BULLET"**

Haypress Lakes MT







# CHIAKI HARAMI

UPPER BEAVERHEAD RIVER, MONTANA







# CHIAKI HARAMI

VISITNG THE WINSTON ROD COMPANY







## Member Photos

# MATT RUBIN & FFI CERTIFIED CASTING INSTRUCTOR ERIC CALLOW

Walking the paces for the FFI Bronze







## Member Photos

# JODY MARTIN, FFI CASTING INSTRUCTOR

EXPLAINING THE CASTING SKILLS CHALLENGE  
COURSE TO EVENT ATTENDEES IN PASADENA







Member  
Photos

JIM KOTTRA'S ROOSTER ON THE FLY  
Baja, Mexico







## Member Photos

# SKIPJACK CAUGHT ON THE FLY BY JIM KOTTRA.

BOAT SKIPPER IS PHOTOGRAPHED WITH THE FISH.

Baja, Mexico







## CECE RUBIN WORKING ON HER CORBINA SPOTTING SKILLS







## MATT RUBIN'S CATCH & RELEASE CONVENTIONALLY ON THE SURF







## Member Photos

# MATT RUBIN FISHING THE JETTIES WITH DOUG DAVIS & GUY JEANS IN VENTURA







Member  
Photos

RICH BOLLINGER & CECE RUBIN  
GOING CONVENTIONAL ON THE ISLAND TAK







Member  
Photos

MATT & CECE RUBIN  
PLAYIN' HOOKY ON THE ISLAND TAK!







Member  
Photos

RICH BOLLINGER

LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO MY LITTLE FRIEND!





# CECE RUBIN WITH A FEW KEEPERS

OPAL EYE & WHITEFISH





# CECE RUBIN FLY FISHING CRYSTAL CRAG LAKE

WITH HER "SIERRA CLASSIC" 3-WEIGHT | MAMMOTH LAKES, CA







SCOTT OLSON'S 1-WEIGHT ROD BENDER ON HOT CREEK WITH MIKE BERENY





# STREAM WITH A VIEW, HOT CREEK

SCOTT OLSON, MIKE BERENY & JOE CALLEWAERT





# AUCTION ITEMS PREVIEW

View the latest updates of the  
auction catalog online:

[click here](#)



# CHARLEY'S SMILIN' CUSTOM TIKIS

## FUNDRASIER ITEM







## Member Photos

**AUCTION ITEM:** Maine artist Karen Talbot illustrates fish species  
2 sets of 4 will be up for auction. Item is carried by ORVIS STORES

## ANGLER'S PINT GLASS







Member  
Photos

# CHUCK'S CREATION

EXAMPLE OF AN **AUCTION ITEM**

CREATED BY CHUCK HIATT

"BOWL MADE WITH LATHE"





# AUCTION ITEM: THE ANGLER'S DREAM

## TENKARA ROD & ACCESSORIES

DONATED BY: Leesa McBurnie & Kerry Murphree





# SHARPER IMAGE - MINI STEP & FLEX 2.0

Donated by Kit & Betty Korf



## SHARPER IMAGE MINI STEP & FLEX 2.0 STAIR STEPPER DONATED BY KIT & BETTY KORF

LCD TRACKS TIME, NUMBER OF STEPS, STRIDES PER MINUTE AND CALORIES BURNED.

EXTRA-WIDE FOOT PADS WITH AN 11-INCH RANGE OF MOTION. NON-SLIP BASE. MEASURES 17" X 13 3/4" X 7 7/8" AND WEIGHS 16 3/4 LBS. COMPUTER RUNS ON 1 AAA BATTERY (INCLUDED). MAXIMUM WEIGHT CAPACITY RECOMMENDED IS 200 LBS



## FLY BOX & HOT CREEK PRODUCTIVE FLIES | DONATED & TIED BY MIKE WEIGAND

\* box pictured might not be exact box.



**“Hot Creek”  
Fly Box  
with flies tied by  
by Mike Weigand**





# AUCTION ITEM: MICRO-BOX OF FLIES

DONATED BY: BOB KIELING



**BOX #1  
MICRO  
FLIES**

**DONATED BY  
BOB KIELING**



# AUCTION ITEM: FISHPOND TACKLE BAG

DONATED BY: BOB KIELING



FISHPOND TACKLE BAG (PREOWNED)





# AUCTION ITEM: NORTHFACE ANGSTROM 25 LITER

DONATED BY: BOB KIELING



## NORTHFACE BACKPACK (PREOWNED)



# AUCTION ITEM: SEAFOOD SOUP STEAMER & POACHER SET

DONATED BY: BOB KIELING



SEAFOOD SOUP STEAMER  
POACHER POTS(2).  
STAINLESS STEEL





# AUCTION ITEM: FLY BOX FILLED WITH DRY/DROPPERS

TIED & DONATED BY: GARY SCOTT

DRY/ DROPPER FLY BOX SELECTION  
FOR THE SIERRAS TIED BY G. R. SCOTT





# AUCTION ITEM: CUSTOM FLY ROD

CRAFTED BY: GARY SCOTT

CUSTOM BUILT FLY ROD BY G.R. SCOTT





# **AUCTION ITEM: FLY FISHING OUTING ON WESTLAKE**

**WITH GARY SCOTT**



**FLY FISHING WITH GARY SCOTT ON  
LOCAL WATER LAKE/ WESTLAKE**





MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:  
CONEJO VALLEY  
FLY FISHERS

Mail checks to:  
2970 Diana Court  
Newbury Park, CA. 91320-3115

2021



*Renew your club  
membership today!*

*Annual dues are \$50  
per family living at  
the same address.*

*[click here to renew](#)*





## **SOUTHWEST COUNCIL'S SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER > [CLICK HERE](#)**

**PRESIDENT LEIGH ANN SWANSON | [president@swcffi.org](mailto:president@swcffi.org)**

**GOOD BOOKS ARE LIKE SWIMSUITS-YOU NEVER WANT TO LEAVE FOR AN ADVENTURE WITHOUT AT LEAST ONE IN YOUR BAG."**

**-- *WESTERN RIVER CONSERVANCY***

Books can transport us, inspire us, educate us, and sometimes, they remind us of the things we cherish. If you are looking for a good book for your next fly fishing adventure, look no further. Western Rivers Conservancy has compiled a list of river books for those who love and care about rivers, hoping to provide anglers with a greater sense of wonder and connection to the rivers they revere. To check out their 14 best books about rivers, follow this link: <https://www.westernrivers.org/discover/blog/essential-summer-reading>

### **THE AMAZING FALL FLYBUY**

Drum roll please... it is our great, great, great pleasure to announce our amazing Fall FlyBuy. This year we will be hosting our first Fall Flybuy on Saturday - November 13, 2021, at the Long Beach Casting Club. This event will be full of all kinds of fun and activities. There will be fantastic fly tying demonstrations by remarkable fly tiers, fun casting games, casting lessons, raffles, and plenty of food. In addition, you won't want to miss one of the biggest yard sales in SWC history. There might even be a shark wandering around! So, mark your calendars. You won't want to miss this event. |

[MORE INFO](#)

### **SOMETHING TO "SMILE" ABOUT**

Did you know that you can donate to the SWC while you shop at Amazon - and at no charge to you! You shop. They donate. If you would like to support the SWC as you shop, our charity name is Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International. Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) on your web browser and sign in with your Amazon.com credentials. Choose Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International as the charitable organization to receive donations and start shopping! It's that simple - just remember to go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) rather than [amazon.com](https://amazon.com) whenever you shop. It's the same Amazon, but only purchases at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) will receive a donation from Amazon. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases at no cost to you.

### **FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL EXPO | NOVEMBER 5-7**

Registration for the inaugural FFI Virtual Expo is now open! The inaugural FFI Virtual Expo is from November 5-7, with some classes starting as early as September 6. At the Expo, you will have the opportunity to learn from some of the best instructors, presenters, and fly fishing personalities in the sport, and you don't even have to leave your home! This is going to be a one-of-a-kind event focused on education and fun. Tickets are limited to 1500 and going fast, so grab your ticket before they sell out. To view details of workshop, seminars, and demos before purchase, please visit the FFI website at <https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Virtual-Expo/Activities>

Thank you for supporting the Southwest Council and as always, if you have any questions or ideas on how we can better support your club please reach out.

Leigh Ann Swanson | PRESIDENT of the Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International





**FLY FISHERS**  
INTERNATIONAL  
**Southwest Council**



**CHANNEL ISLAND FISHING > MORE INFORMATION > [CLICK HERE](#)**

**SWC'S FALL FLY BUY > [MORE INFO](#)**



**FFI WOMEN CONNECT**

<https://www.facebook.com/ffiwomenconnect>

**UNITED WOMEN ON THE FLY**

MANY ONLINE EVENTS ON [FACEBOOK](#)!



# FISHING news



## SWCFFI | CONSERVATION

DEBBIE SHARPTON | [conservation@swcffi.org](mailto:conservation@swcffi.org)

August 9, 2021

The Honorable Michael Regan

Administrator

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Administrator Regan:

One year ago, President Biden promised to protect Bristol Bay, Alaska from the destructive Pebble Mine. On behalf of the undersigned organizations, representing tens of millions of members across the country, we write with a simple request: honor that promise and take immediate action under Section 404(c) of the Clean Water Act to protect Bristol Bay and stop the Pebble Mine. Our request echoes and supports the requests made to you on July 27, 2021 by United Tribes of Bristol Bay and on August 3, 2021 by Bristol Bay Native Association, Bristol Bay Native Corporation, and Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation.

You have pledged to lead the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in a way that places climate change, clean water, environmental justice, Tribal sovereignty, and science at the center of its decision-making process.

Protecting Bristol Bay's clean water and wild salmon from the existential threat posed by the Pebble Mine perfectly aligns with those objectives. Bristol Bay is home to the world's greatest wild salmon fishery, generating \$2.2 billion annually, supporting 15,000 jobs, providing 57 percent of the world's sockeye salmon, and sustaining indigenous communities.

[COMPLETE LETTER AS A PDF](#)

**EMERGENCY FISHING CLOSURES IN DESCHUTES,  
OTHER MID-COLUMBIA TRIBUTARIES BEGIN  
SEPTEMBER 1ST DUE TO LOW STEELHEAD RETURNS.**



**SALEM, Ore.**—In response to extremely low returns to date of Columbia Basin upriver summer steelhead, ODFW is adopting additional emergency rules to increase protections for wild summer steelhead in certain Oregon Columbia River tributaries.

**Effective Sept. 1 the following emergency regulations are in place:**

### **DESCHUTES RIVER**

- From markers at lower end of Moody Rapids upstream to Sherars Falls, closed to angling for steelhead from Sept. 1-30.
- From markers at lower end of Moody Rapids downstream to the mouth at Interstate 84 Bridge closed to angling (all species) from Sept. 1-30.
- Managers will monitor the return and consider whether the fishery can reopen in October or whether further restrictions are needed.

### **UMATILLA RIVER**

- From Hwy 730 Bridge upstream to Threemile Dam, closed to retention of steelhead Sept. 1-Dec. 31.

### **JOHN DAY RIVER**

- Upstream of Tumwater Falls, closed to angling for steelhead from Sept. 1-Dec. 31.

### **WALLA WALLA RIVER**

- Upstream of the Oregon/Washington state line, closed to retention of steelhead Sept. 1-Dec. 31.

[\*\*READ MORE\*\*](#)





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No restrictions.

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**FISHING REPORT – KERN RIVER,  
OWENS RIVER AND LAKE CROWLEY.  
FLY FISHING REPORTS, VIDEO REPORTS,  
FLY TYING VIDEOS AND MORE!**

Even though the forest service has shut down all National Forests the Kern River Fly Shop guides continue to fish and guide on non federal lands including the Lower Kern river for small mouth bass and Lake Crowley for trout. Book a guided trip here | [LINK](#)





## HOW THE COURTS ARE KEEPING SALMON ALIVE

SALMON & STEELHEAD RUNS | PARTNER EARTHJUSTICE

With endangered salmon and steelhead in the Columbia and Snake rivers staring down the barrel of extinction, Earthjustice went to court in July 2021 on behalf of 11 fishing and conservation groups seeking an order to afford these fish a better chance of survival.

Salmon and steelhead must navigate a series of eight dams as they travel from the cold, mountain streams of their birth out to the Pacific Ocean, and then back again — 16 dam passages in total over the perilous journey that can be as long as 1,600 miles round-trip. Fish used to make this journey in one direction over a period of days. Now, impeded by the dams and the stagnant reservoirs they create, it takes weeks — if they make it at all — exposing the fish to heat, predators, and disease, not to mention the risks associated with just getting past each dam. | [READ MORE](#)

## FLY CLUBS HOSTING CASTING CLINICS:

PASADENA CASTING CLUB - [INFO LINK](#)

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SIERRA PACIFIC FLY FISHERS - [INFO LINK](#) / [DATES](#)

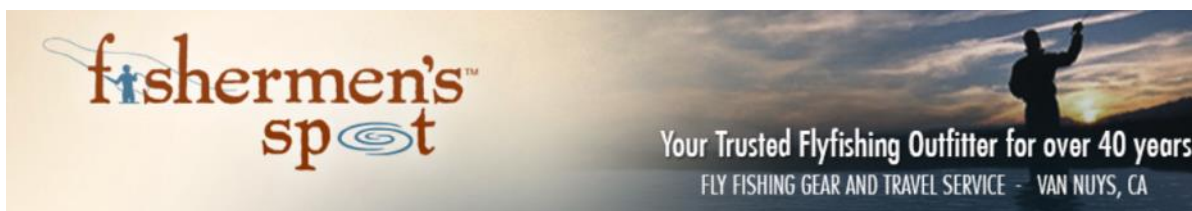
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**Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's Newsletter ARCHIVES at:**

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

**MANY UPCOMING EVENTS > [CLICK HERE](#)**







## **LINKS FOR ALL THINGS FLY FISHING!**

**CONEJO VALLEY FF WEBSITE > [LINK](#)**

**CROWLEY LAKE CAMERA > [LINK](#)**

**TROUTFITTER | FISH REPORTS > [LINK](#)**

**SIERRA BRIGHT DOT | FISH REPORTS > [LINK](#)**

### **WATER FLOWS:**

➤ **UPPER OWENS RIVER > [LINK](#)**

➤ **LOWER OWENS RIVER > [LINK](#)**

➤ **EAST WALKER RIVER > [LINK](#)**

➤ **HOT CREEK > [LINK](#)**

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**MAGIC SEAWEED SURF REPORT > [LINK](#)**



# JAMES

## GARRETTSON'S

### SEPTEMBER AVAILABILITY:

6,9,16,20,25

The YouTube logo, featuring the word "You" in black and "Tube" in white inside a red rounded rectangle.

## HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO MATT M. WHO LANDED THIS TROUT OF A LIFETIME ON A DRY FLY!

This past August was a mixed bag of flows and we needed to keep changing throughout the day and month to dial in the fish. With that being said, it was an incredibly productive month on both float and wade trips. Typical midge offerings, dry flies, streamers, and euro tactics got the job done day in and day out. I currently have five available days in September and can't wait for the cooler weather and more stable flows. The early morning streamer fishing has been getting good and should become more consistent as we slide into Fall. Thank you to everyone who has trusted your day on the water with About Trout. Let's get out there!

THE VERY BEST,  
JAMES GARRETTSON



## **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](mailto:R5CAEP@wildlife.ca.gov)

[More information, click here.](#)







## Trout in the Classroom — Connecting Students to their Watersheds



Be sure to explore

[www.troutintheclassroom.org](http://www.troutintheclassroom.org)

### TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM

TU's mission is to conserve, protect and restore North America's coldwater 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 Member: Rich Bollinger



### TIC tank Peach Hill School video on YouTube!





## Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's

OUTINGS DIRECTOR

Rick Ferrante

If you have any suggestions for outings— please let me know via email:

[rick@sierracrestmarketing.com](mailto:rick@sierracrestmarketing.com)



## CONEJO VALLEY FLY FISHER'S MISSION STATEMENT

- We are a group of men and women dedicated to promoting the sport and art of fly-fishing through education, practice, fly tying, casting, and outings.
- We have an emphasis to teach young people the resources of wild trout and stream preservation through a long-standing program called Trout in the Classroom.
- We advocate membership with the Federation of Flyfishers International, Trout Unlimited, and Cal Trout, whom advance the sport and conservation of waters across our nation.
- Through membership we want to help make your fly-fishing experience excel into memories worth passing on to future generations.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

### The Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's

meetings can fall  
on any certain  
day of the month.

Please check this  
[LINK](#) for updated  
meeting info.



### MEETING LOCATION

John & Jennifer Ardy's Home

Address will be emailed to club members

For more information, please call 805-498-2944 (Kit Korf)

### SCHEDULE

6:00-8:30 pm

- \* Includes food & non-alcoholic beverages.
- \* Social time. Fly Tying. BOD reports (short presentations).
- \* MAIN PRESENTATION

### 2021 MEETINGS | SUBJECT TO CHANGE:

- ◆ SEPTEMBER 8 - "SPATSIZI ADVENTURE" - BOB KIELING
- ◆ OCTOBER 13 - SUNSET DINNER CLUB FUNDRAISER
- ◆ NOVEMBER 10 - CHANNEL ISLAND FLY FISHING
- ◆ DECEMBER - HOLIDAY PARTY

### 2022 MEETINGS | SUBJECT TO CHANGE:

- ◆ JANUARY— PRESENTATION TO BE DETERMINED





**CONEJO  
VALLEY  
FLY FISHERS  
BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS**

**President: Gary Scott**

**Secretary: Bob Kieling**

**Treasurer / Membership: Kit Korf | (805) 498-2944**

**Trout in the Classroom: Rich & Judy Bollinger**

**Club Outings: Rick Ferrante**

**Fundraiser Chairman: Rick Ferrante & Peter Sumner**

**Club Ambassador: Rich Bollinger**

**Newsletter/Website/Programs: Cece Rubin**

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

- **NEW members** **MUST** print, fill out and mail waiver | [click here](#)
- **NEW member** application form online | [click here](#)

Send checks and forms to: [Conejo Valley Fly Fishers](#), 2970 Diana Court, Newbury Park, CA 91320-3115

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Other family members' names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell/Text: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- Annual dues are \$50 per family living at the 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.

**FEE(S) ENCLOSED:**

Family Membership \$50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
New Member badge \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Membership \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Donation to CalTrout \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Lifetime Membership \$500 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**I WISH TO HELP WITH  
THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Trout in the classroom  
\_\_\_\_\_ Membership  
\_\_\_\_\_ Conservation  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fundraiser  
\_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter  
\_\_\_\_\_ Trips/Outings  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other



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[Cameron Cipponeri](#) | Frying Pan, Colorado

[Sam Vasily](#) | Sierra Troutsdoorman

[Ernie Gulley](#) | Crowley Lake

[Mickey Baron](#) | Crowley Lake

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[Jim Stimson](#) | Mammoth & the Sierra

[Glen Ueda](#) | So Cal Flats Fishing Guide Service

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California Department of  
Fish and Wildlife



**PLEASE VISIT: Conejo Valley Fly Fishers Calendar**

<http://www.conejovalleflyfishers.com/cvff-calendar/>



# CONVICT LAKE RESORT

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## 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](mailto:info@convictlake.com)