



CONEJO VALLEY FLY FISHERS

Newsletter for OCTOBER 2021

Established 1983



SUNSET DINNER FUNDRAISER

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13 at 6:00PM

RICH & JUDY BOLLINGER'S HOME

Check your club roster for the Bollinger's Address

Any questions? Email: conejovalleyflyfishers@gmail.com

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

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Please join us on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 for the Conejo Valley Fly Fisher's annual Dinner/ Auction at the home of Rich & Judy Bollinger's residence in Thousand Oaks. Event time will be 6:00pm to 9:00pm.

- Dinner will be an elevated BBQ with side dishes. MENU to be posted soon.
- Vegetarians can enjoy veggie kabobs with side dishes.
- Non-alcoholic beverages included.
- We request those who want to imbibe in adult beverages to feel free to bring your favorite along.
- Tickets for the event are \$25 per person / \$45 per couple.
- Dress warm as this will be in October and the seasonal temperatures may change.

We hope all members will donate at least ONE item for auction, even something as simple as an unused gift card, bottle of wine or craft alcohol or services!

To donate an item, please email Rick Ferrante: rick@sierracrestmarketing.com

CATALOG OF ITEMS UP FOR AUCTION: [LINK](#)

Please RSVP for this special event to Rick Ferrate at: rick@sierracrestmarketing.com

- Let Rick know the number of persons in your party.
- How you would like to pay (you can pay at the event).

Thank you very much and hope to see you there!
The Conejo Valley Fly Fishers' Board of Directors

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:

- 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 Conejo Valley Fly Fishing Club.

DEAR MEMBERS

**Our fundraiser dinner is considered
a private event and
primarily an outdoor event.**

- **Guests are allowed by member invite only.**

Visit the event page, [click here.](#)



**FORGET
VEGAS!**
BRING SOME COLD
HARD CASH
TO POTENTIALLY

WIN
MORE MONEY
WITH OUR
FUNDRAISING GAMES!





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE GARY SCOTT

OCTOBER'S MESSAGE

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A DEAL?

Then I have the answer for you. Come and join us for some great deals at our upcoming dinner and fundraiser on Wednesday night, October 13, 2021 from 6 PM till 9 PM. There will be hors d'oeuvres, games, food, drinks, silent and live auctions and fun to be had. So please come and be prepared to finance our clubs future. We are hoping for the ability to provide a great season of our clubs activities and events by creating great memories of flyfishing. I know all of you are ready to get outside in search of that elusive trophy catch.

THE ROAD TO HEALING WITH A GOAL IN MIND.

It has been three months since my fall and injury to my leg while fishing on Bear Creek just off the JMT trail in the Sierras. While I'm progressing with my recovery (off of crutches, into PT, and limping along) I'm remembering something I left behind on that journey. There was one particular trout that I left behind, unable to coerce into a catch. It was large in comparison to the rest of the fish we were catching (8-10" range) maybe in the 16" range. It was obvious the fish was of that size while nestled in a holding spot below a shadowy crag of rocks above.

"I was at least 50-60 ft away and on a high overlook of the stream below. "

A CHALLENGE WAS IN STORE . . .

as I watched this fish working the feeding lane of the current below. I looked behind me for any obstructions to my cast and then the placement of the fly drifting easily across the fish's vision and the transitional seam of the shadow below the rocks. I had one chance to entice this fish for a bite of my flying ant pattern or so I thought. The cast was off the mark and the fly drifted almost 2-3 ft. away past the fish. Ok, no hook felt by the fish.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

- president's message—continued -

ONE MORE CHANCE FOR THE CHALLENGE.

I reloaded quickly and casted closer to the rocky crag in order to drift the fly into the inside current line and well ahead of the trout's lie. The trout had full vision of the fly drift and moved in for the take. In my mind I had this fish as I watched the fish grab the fly. My enthusiasm got the best of me as I lifted too quickly in order to set the hook watching the fish retreat and my fly depart in the distance.

"I said a few words to myself, which I will not repeat."

NOW WHAT DO I DO???

I was not giving up on this fish as it was still feeding aggressively. So, I changed my rigging and tied on a dropper fly (the Purple Midge) about 18" below my dry fly. I repositioned my stance and re-casted to the inside seam only to watch my fly rig drift past the fish untouched with little to no movement. Two more casts and nothing. Ok, I changed my rig once again and re-tied a Bead Head-Flashback Pheasant Tail.

"This time I will be ready for the take (in my mind). "

One more cast in the perfect spot and I watched the fly drifting toward the fish. I could see the fish turn its head and move on the fly. Again, I moved to set the hook on the dropper fly only to see the fish spook and my rig drift by without any success. After twenty minutes of working this one trout I realized I had worn out my welcome and moved downstream looking for another fishy spot.

"I long for that feeling of anticipation and energy tugging on my fly line once again."

I hope that we can share similar experiences of our adventures and learn from each other's mistakes in order to do what it takes to catch that elusive fish.

TIGHT LINES, GARY SCOTT

Conejo Valley Fly Fishers President

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the Wednesday after the first Thursday of every month at 6:00pm.

MEETING: 6:00 to 8:30pm

➤ **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

SURF FISHING | email: [Cece](#)

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](#)
- SSFF'S CELINE'S FLY GAL EVENT > TBD
- CALIFORNIA FLY FISHING OPEN > TBD
- 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

WHEN PLANS CHANGE

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 great fishing to all. —Scott Olson



CHARLEY BEALS

Former Club President

END OF SEASON 2021

As the Corbina season is ends I can tell you that I have had plenty of time to gather my thoughts due to the lack of active fish.

There is a bright spot - I learned more about Corbina than I would have, had the fishing been easier.

HERE'S A FEW TRUTHS I HAVE COME TO REALIZE:

1. Beach shape / slope is more important than tide.
2. Sharp hooks are critical.
3. There is no poetry in spinning gear and bait.
4. The ladies mostly talk, the gentlemen mostly listen.
5. Presentation is more important than pattern.
6. People arrive at the beach to shed their problems.
6. A low rod tip is a far more advantageous when using a barbless hook.
8. A high fish count does not equate to a successful season.
9. The "trout Set" habit is hard to break.



HERE'S A RECENT EXCHANGE I HAD WITH A PASSERBY WHILE I WAS CASTING AT A POD OF FISH:

HIS QUESTION: "Are you successful fishing that way (using fly gear)"?

MY ANSWER: "That depends on how you measure success.

Fish count or therapy"?

HIS ANSWER: "Fish count"

MY ANSWER: "Then, I would not call this method successful"

There is art and grace in the presentation of a forgery to a wild fish that is not consistently easy to achieve. If you can find the space you will enjoy the process.

My Very best , Charley Beals

CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOLERS RESCUE 4,000 ENDANGERED SALMON

Catherine Garcia

Tue, September 28, 2021

Photo credit Jeff J. Mitchell/Getty Images

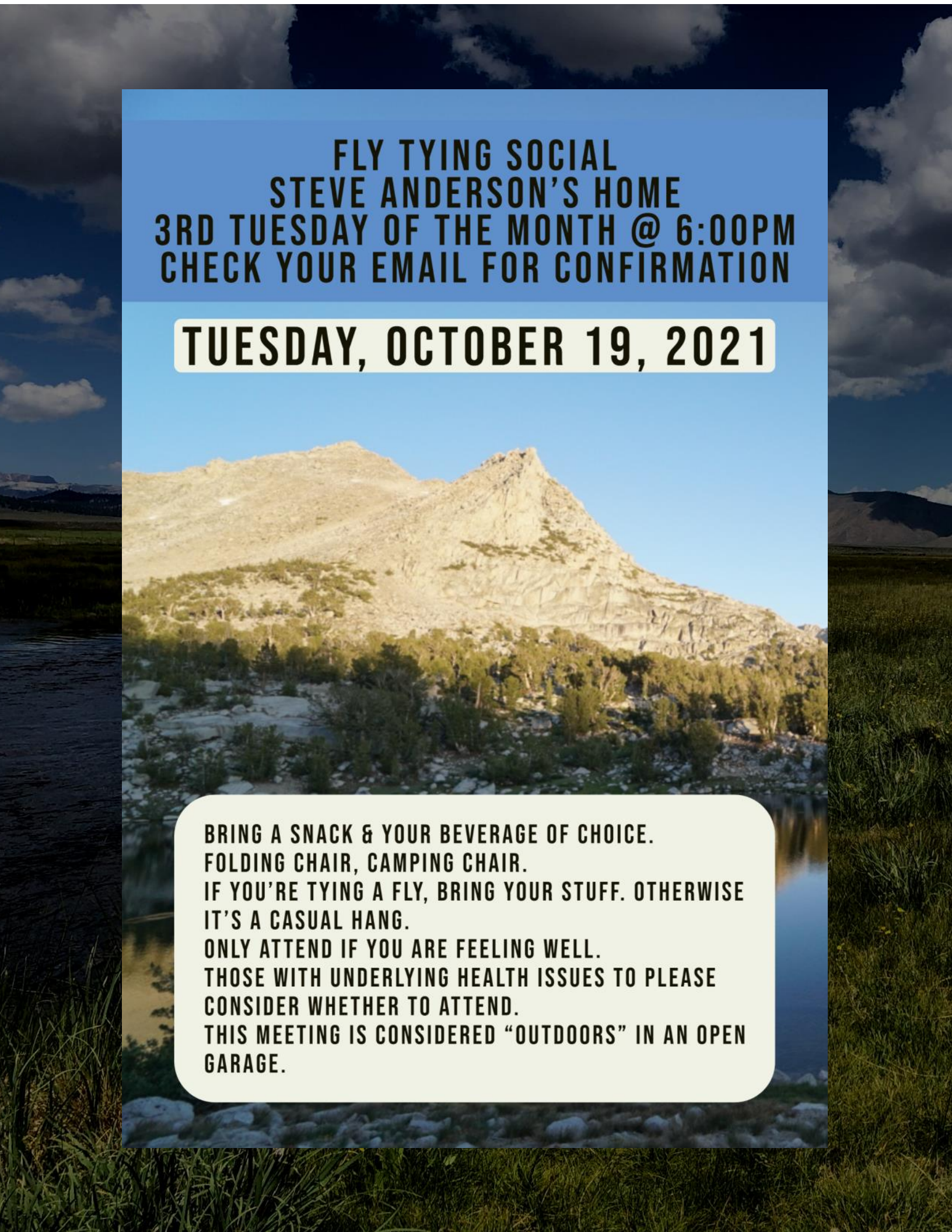


The students at Casa Grande High School in Petaluma, California, have stepped up to save endangered coho salmon.

In 1993, the school built a large hatchery on campus, where students typically raise steelhead trout. Because of California's drought, the water became too warm for 4,000 endangered coho salmon at a Lake Sonoma hatchery, and they were moved to Casa Grande, where the tanks can be kept at an optimal temperature for the fish.

Manfred Kittel of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife told The San Francisco Chronicle he was impressed by the quality of the program and "professionalism" of science teacher Dan Hubacker, who oversees the hatchery, and his students. Before students are allowed to participate in the program, they must take a conservation and biology class and pass two safety tests. It's a full-time job taking care of the fish, with students coming in on the weekends to feed them.

This is the first time Casa Grande has had the chance to rescue an endangered species, and the students are up for the challenge. "We have this opportunity to save coho salmon, to see that we can do it, if people put their minds to it," Kate Carlson, 17, told the Chronicle.



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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 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.**



October 16th Fall Quarterly/ General Membership Meeting

When: Saturday, October 16th, 2021

Who:

- Club Presidents
- Southwest Council Representatives
- Club Board of Directors
- Club Members

Time: 10am-12:30pm

Via: Zoom (see below)

We will be highlighting the following information and more:

- Fly Fishers International's November Virtual Expo
- Fly Fishers International's Member Benefit Highlights
- Fly Fisher's International's Conservation Grants
- Celebrating and congratulations to our Southwest Council Fly Fishers International's Award Winners
- The Southwest Council 2022 40th Anniversary
- Upcoming Southwest Council Events
- The Southwest Council's Youth Program
- RoundTable | Q & A | Discussion

If you have items for the agenda, send them to:

Leigh Ann Swanson, President

president@swcffi.org

Contact Susi Wright, Secretary with questions, to reserve a spot and receive a Zoom invite.

secretary@swcffi.org

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, October 16th!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

LEIGH ANN SWANSON | president@swcffi.org

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As the leaves change colors, the weather cools, and we approach the final months of 2021, we are looking forward to a fall that looks much more like "normal," or so we hope. We are not entirely out of this pandemic yet, but welcome autumn and hope that all of you had a summer full of shimmering fish, laughter, memorable adventures, and fun.

AND THE WINNER IS

Every year Fly Fishers International holds an awards ceremony to acknowledge individuals who demonstrate the highest levels of achievement, dedication, and contribution to preserving the Legacy of Fly Fishing. This year's Annual Board Awards Ceremony is Tuesday, October 12, at 8:00 p.m. EDT via Zoom. There are several Southwest Council members being honored at this celebration as well as some legends. Tune in and see who the winners are from the SWC. Let's cheer them on together! [AWARD CEREMONY ZOOM LINK](#)

FFI VIRTUAL EXPO

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SAVE THE DATE: FLYBUY RESCHEDULED TO JANUARY 22, 2022

As the wise and wonderful Dr. Seuss said, "Fun is good." and we wholeheartedly agree. With this in mind, we are kicking off the new year with the FlyBuy on Saturday - January 22, 2022, at the Long Beach Casting Club. Join us for this fun-filled get-together full of fun activities. You will get the chance to connect with friends, tune-up your cast, tell tales about your summer adventures, and see some of the best fly tiers on the planet. What more could you want? Food? We'll have that too.

Be well, thrive and thank you for all you do to support the Southwest Council!

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HOT CREEK EXPLORATORY DRILLING GETS GREEN LIGHT

REPRINTED FROM THE SPFF OCTOBER ISSUE | WRITTEN BY ED SWANSON

On September 27, LeeAnn Murphy, Acting Mammoth District Ranger for the U.S. Forest Service, approved the request of KORE Mining Ltd. to permit exploratory drilling in its Long Valley Project area, part of which is less than a mile from Hot Creek Ranch.

The exploratory drilling that has been approved includes the construction of 14 concrete pads in the area, each 53 ft. by 30 ft in size – over 1,500 sq. ft. EACH - with 0.32 miles of ten-ft. wide “temporary” access roads built to provide access. Shrubs and plants will be removed and land leveled for the pads and roads.

While the proposal regularly speaks of minimizing the impact of the exploration, it is far from clear just how much land will be leveled, shrubs and plants destroyed, for the roads and pads. There will be substantial noise, potentially dust (despite “plans” to “minimize” the same), and long-term damage to the environment.

Significant water will be required for the drilling, during a time of extreme drought in California, and various hazardous materials and toxic substances will be used (as indicated in the Exploration Plan), which could pollute the ground water in the area.

KORE previously indicated on its website that KORE then would propose to use open pit and leach mining to extract the gold.

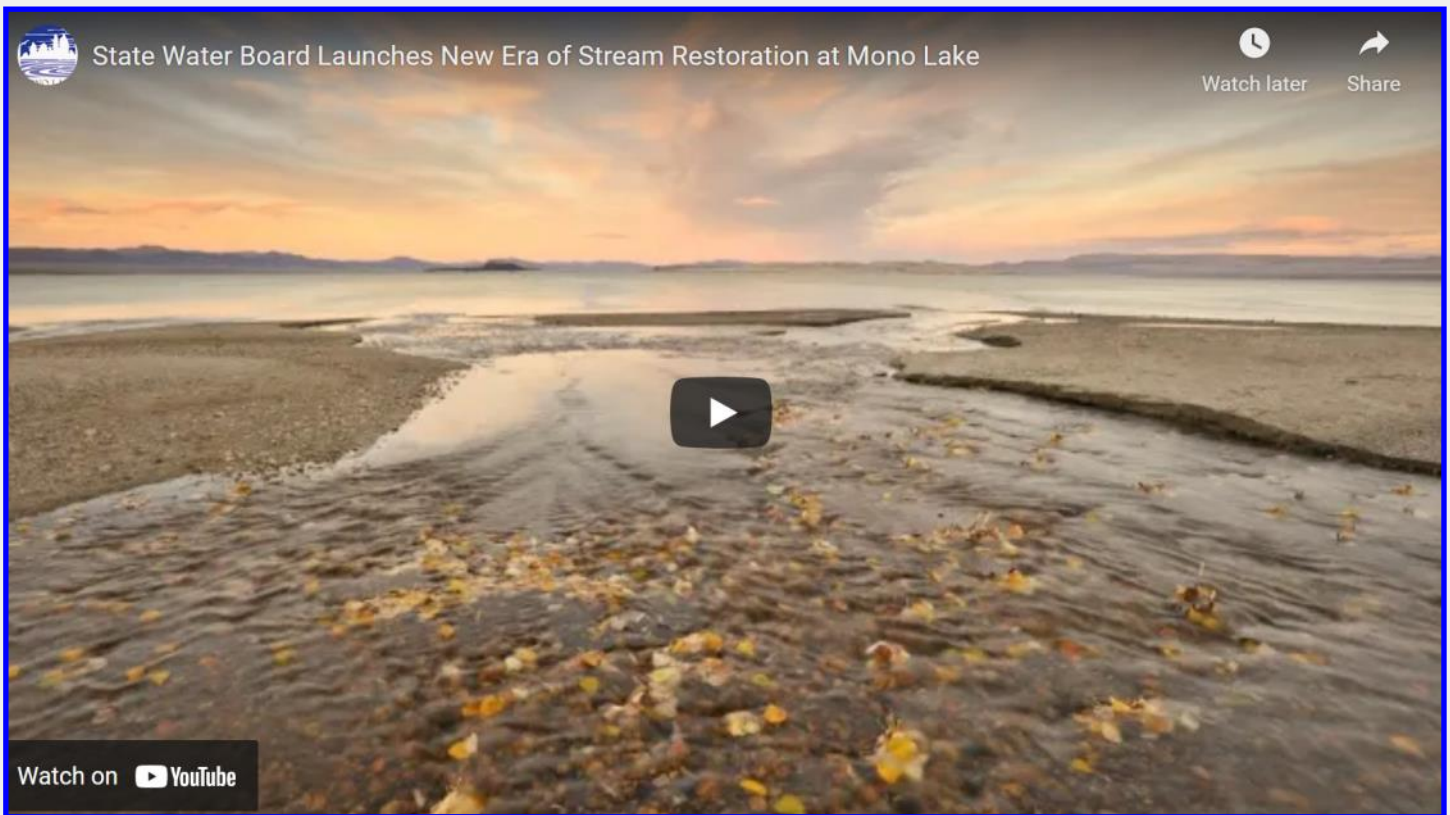
Despite all of the above, Ms. Murphy has approved the exploratory drilling. Her written decision emphasizes post-project restoration and rehabilitation, and that the application was for mineral exploration only, with no proposed mining “proposed or considered at this time.”

Of course, why would KORE spend substantial sums for exploratory drilling if it did not have plans to extract the gold if sufficient gold is indicated?

The obvious answer is that KORE will seek to operate an open pit mine near Hot Creek Ranch if sufficient gold is found. And, since it will have been authorized to explore for the gold at substantial cost, there may be greater pressure to approve such mining. The decision, along with some supporting documents, can be found on the project webpage at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59294>

GREAT NEWS FOR MONO LAKE'S TRIBUTARY STREAMS!

Yesterday evening in Sacramento the California State Water Resources Control Board issued [Order WR 2021-0086 EXEC](#) amending the Mono Basin water rights of the City of Los Angeles to incorporate extensive new requirements that maximize the restoration of the 20 miles of streams, forests, and fisheries that lie downstream of the Los Angeles Aqueduct diversion dams | [YouTube](#)



A new order approved on October 1, 2021 by the California State Water Resources Control Board marks a new era in the efforts to restore 20 miles of Mono Lakes' tributary streams to ecologically healthy levels.

** Brought to attention by Ed Swanson, SPFF newsletter editor.*



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https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Virtual-Expo/Activities?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=september2021

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Jody Martin
SWCFFI's Council
Casting Chair



Q&AS OF CASTING

SEPTEMBER'S CASTING QUESTION:

There are many different fly lines available today. RIO alone makes (at my last count) 57 different freshwater fly lines and 33 different saltwater lines, not counting their spey lines. And then there are Orvis, AirFlo, Scientific Anglers, Cortland, Snowbee, etc. Can you describe three different types of "line tapers" and how they affect your fly casting?

ANSWER: Three different types of line tapers could include:

- Weight Forward Taper(WF), where the first 30 feet or so of line are heavier than the rest of the line (which is referred to as the running line), giving you extra heft in the front part of the line, which makes it easier to cast distances
- Double Taper(DT), where the middle section of the line is the widest and tapers to a narrower section of line in the first 15 to 20 feet or so, and also tapers the exact same way in the last 15-20 feet, so that you have a line that can be reversed if the front part wears out.
- Level Taper (LT), where the fly line is a consistent diameter and weight along its entire length. There are more options than these, of course.

OCTOBER'S CASTING QUESTION:

There is one relatively simple thing that you can do that will result in greater distance, less effort, and overall smoother casting and better line control every time you go out. Can you think of what this might be? Feel free to email me with your answers, questions, or suggestions for future topics! jmartin.nhm@gmail.com

UPCOMING CASTING EVENT: Mark your calendars now for the FFI Virtual Expo (November 5-7). There are many casting presentations planned for the Expo, and you will want to check out all of the titles in advance to plan your days.



SESPE FLY FISHERS RUMMAGE SALE

OCTOBER 23 – 9:00AM TO 3:00PM

CHURCH OF THE FOOTHILLS

[6279 Foothill Rd, Ventura, CA 93003](#)

The first ever Sespe Flyfishers rummage sale will be Saturday October 23, 9 AM to 3 PM at Church of the Foothills.

There will be a bit of fur and feather from every creature that walks or flies, along with dubbing, threads, tinsels, tools, hooks, fly lines, ready tied flies, signature collector flies, and many rare and beautiful things. All at prices so low that you will want to bring your credit card!

FREE ITEMS!

There will even be some things that are FREE! Wait did I say free? YES, FREE! There may never be another event like this so don't miss it.

NO EARLYBIRDS, UNLESS YOU ARE A VOLUNTEER, OTHERWISE . . .

We are inviting people from all over the Southland, so get there at 9 and get a deal.

VOLUNTEERS

We need six people to help with the set up at 7 AM. Those who help, they get first look! Other than the help there will be no early admission.

Contact Earl Arnold to volunteer: president@sespeflyfishers.org

CHILLI' AT SILVER SPRINGS RESORT

MINERAL KING AREA / SEQUOIA NP

Steve Schalla, Meg Shilo-Schalla, Larry Jones & Matt Rubin





SELECTING THE RIGHT FLY

MATT RUBIN, STEVE & MEG SCHALLA





MATT RUBIN FINDING

GOLDENS IN SKINNY WATER | Mineral King





FINDING GOLD

CECE'S GT ON A BLUE WING OLIVE





MINERAL KING

BEAUTIFUL STREAMS IN THE FOREST





Member
Photos

MATT RUBIN ON THE TENKARA





Member
Photos

MATT'S STRIKING IT RICH!

NICE SIZED GOLDEN ON THE TENKARA / MINERAL KING AREA





Member
Photos

HISTORICAL CABIN ON THE KAHWEAH STREAM

HONEYMOON / POINT CABIN
ca 1914

Restored By
Mineral King Preservation Society 1989



Member Photos

TIMELY FIND!

ZOOM IN AND READ THE DESCRIPTION!
HONEYMOON CABIN ON THE KAHWEAH

Rexall Weather Chart Calendar for 1939



STOP COLD DISCOMFORT!

Why should you be confined to your home or bedroom because a cold is making you feel so miserable? Start fighting it at the very first sneeze or other preliminary indication.

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- **REXILLANA.** A smooth-tasting cough syrup which even the children like to take. It is agreeably effective.
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BUY TESTED COLD REMEDIES
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YOU SAVE MONEY AT
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FEBRUARY 1939



ANOTHER PRETTY WHITE TIPPED GOLDEN
BROUGHT IN CLOSE FOR A “WET” PHOTO
- Cece Rubin | Mineral King Area





Member
Photos

FISH #2 ON THE KAWEAH Cece swinging the Tenkara





DELICATELY HELD GOLDEN

- Matt Rubin | Mineral King Area





BUGGING OUT A DAY EARLY
DUE TO LOCAL FIRES AT THE SILVER CITY RESORT
IN THE SEQUOIA MINERAL KING AREA





Sequoia

KAHWEAH BRIDGE





**Here are some of the happy peeps that have fished with me over the last month or so. I fly like to fish poppers, so accurate casting is important for success.
- Al Q**



- Joe Callewaert walking his catch to the net.
- Scott's big healthy brown. YUP that's BIG!
- Beavers NOT on vacation, getting busy on some trees!
- Nice close up on Scott's brown.



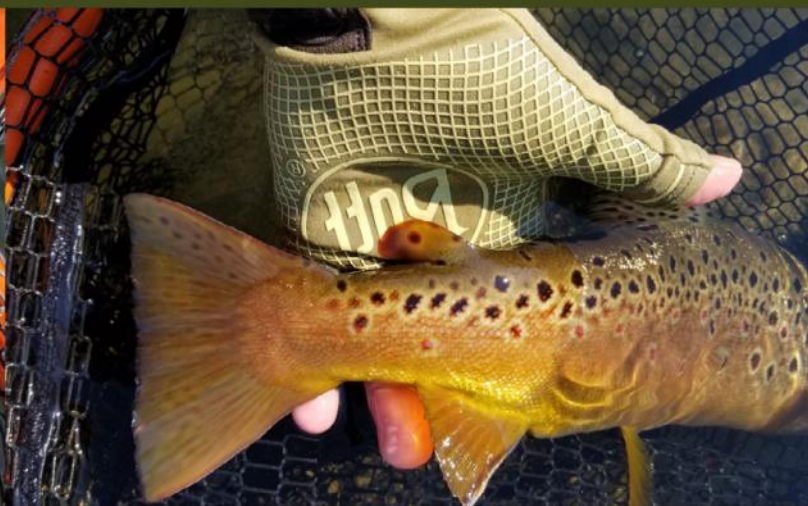
OWYHEE 2021



- Little Black Bat plucked & rescued by Scott Olson from the water.
- Charley Beals had more than “a fish” on.
 - A few browns & a rainbow.



OWYHEE 2021



The Owyhee did not disappoint!



Charley Beals landed a fatty!



East Walker brown trout (Scott Olson)



Peter Sumner on Hot Creek



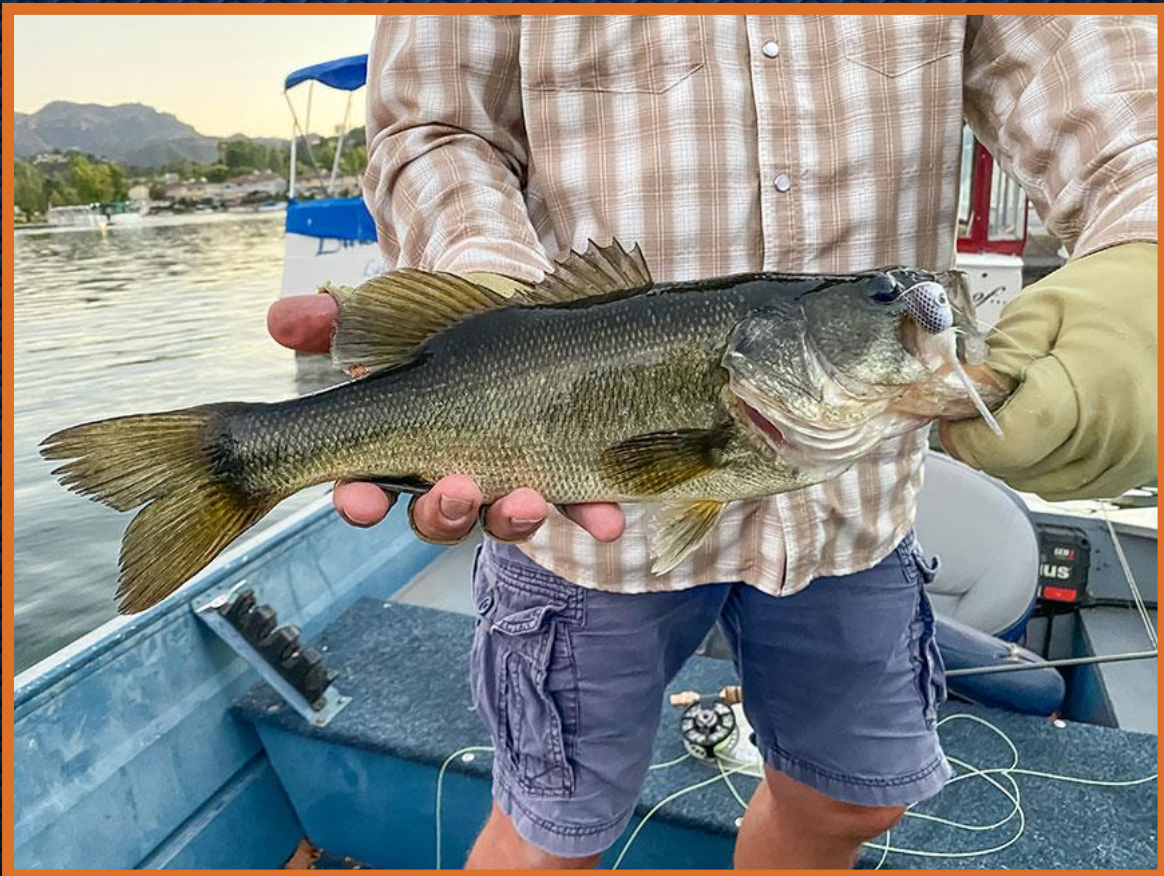
Someone went fishin' with Jim Kottra
(wonder who?)



Now that's a sweet bass caught by
the "bass master" Gary Scott



Another “identity hidden” fisherman
fishing at some “identity hidden” spot.
- Photo by Al Q





AUCTION ITEMS PREVIEW

View the latest updates of the
auction catalog online:

[click here](#)

Fishers rejoice. California will now offer year-round 365-day fishing licenses



BY ANDREW SHEELER

UPDATED OCTOBER 08, 2021 1:20 PM

California will now issue 365-day fishing licenses, under a new law signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom. Previously, the state issued a calendar-based license that expired on Dec. 31, regardless of when it was issued.

Assembly Bill 817, authored by Assemblyman Jim Wood, D-Santa Rosa, also authorizes the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to allow for sport fishing licenses to be displayed electronically on a mobile device

The new law seeks to reverse a trend that has found California annual resident sport fishing license sales down 55% since 1980, despite the state's population growth by 60% in that same period, according to Wood's office.

Read more at: <https://www.sacbee.com/news/politics-government/capitol-alert/article254866187.html>



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

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CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE FIRE SUMMARY SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

More than 10,200 firefighters remain on the frontlines of 11 major wildfires and one extended attack wildfire in California. Yesterday, firefighters also responded to 11 initial attack wildfires across the state. Since the beginning of the year, there have been 7,686 wildfires that have burned more than 2.4 million acres in California. In comparison, during the same time last year, there were 8,420 fires, which burned more than 3.7 million acres.

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- [FIREMAPPERS](#)

UPPER KERN / SEQUOIA NATIONAL FOREST

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sequoia/alerts-notice>

CRITICAL:

Upper Kern River Recreation Sites and Trails

Closure Order Issued Date(s): Sep 25, 2021 - Oct 31, 2021

Contact(s): Alicia Embrey

- The Sequoia National Forest has issued a Forest Order No. 0513-21-34 due to the eastern spread of the Windy Fire to protect public health and safety.
- The closure order prohibits the use of the recreation sites along the upper Kern River from the Riverkern Day Use area north to the Johnsondale Bridge. I
- In addition, the order closes the Packsaddle Trail and the Cannell Meadow National Recreation Trail. The closure order will be in effect through October 31, 2021.



USDA FOREST SERVICE LONG VALLEY EXPLORATION DRILLING PROJECT UPDATE DECISION TO MOVE AHEAD TO DRILL

A decision has been made on the Long Valley Exploration Project on the Mammoth Ranger District of the Inyo National Forest. The decision is to move forward with the mineral exploration, with extensive resource protection measures included to minimize impacts to potentially affected resources.

- View the decision, along with some supporting documents, on the project webpage | [LINK](#)
- DECISION MEMO | LONG VALLEY EXPLORATION DRILLING PROJECT > [PDF](#)

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WHAT PATH ARE WE GOING TO TAKE?

The Columbia and Snake River Basin was once the most productive wild steelhead watershed in North America. This year all of us throughout steelhead country are watching the worst return ever documented unfold in real time. It is a heartbreaking loss and a tragedy in the making. Many things contributed to this decline, and it is going to take large, consequential efforts to turn it around.

In a recent blog post, Rich Simms, a WSC co-founder and board member, reflects on the shifting baseline, his decision not to fish this year, and calls on steelhead anglers and the sport fishing industry to rally together to protect and restore these struggling populations and rivers. He writes, "I'm going to continue using my time I would have spent fishing, and some of the money I would have spent, to keep fighting for wild steelhead. I'm going to write and meet with commissioners, political representatives, and fishery managers and talk to my fellow anglers and friends in the sport fishing industry. Together, we have huge questions to answer and tough decisions to make." | [READ MORE](#)



NEW VIDEO: WE DEMAND LIFE, NOT EXTINCTION

STOPPING THE EXTINCTION OF SNAKE RIVER SALMON

August 26, 2021 | DEMAND LIFE; DEMAND LOWER SNAKE RIVER DAM REMOVAL

By Miles Johnson, Senior Attorney

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Call the Senators below and tell them to take action and remove Snake River dams—before it's too late.

- ⇒ Senator Wyden (OR): 202-224-5244
- ⇒ Senator Merkley (OR): 202-224-3753
- ⇒ Senator Cantwell (WA): 202-224-3441
- ⇒ Senator Murray (WA): 202-224-2621
- ⇒ Senator Crapo (ID): 202-224-6142
- ⇒ Senator Risch (ID): 202-224-2752

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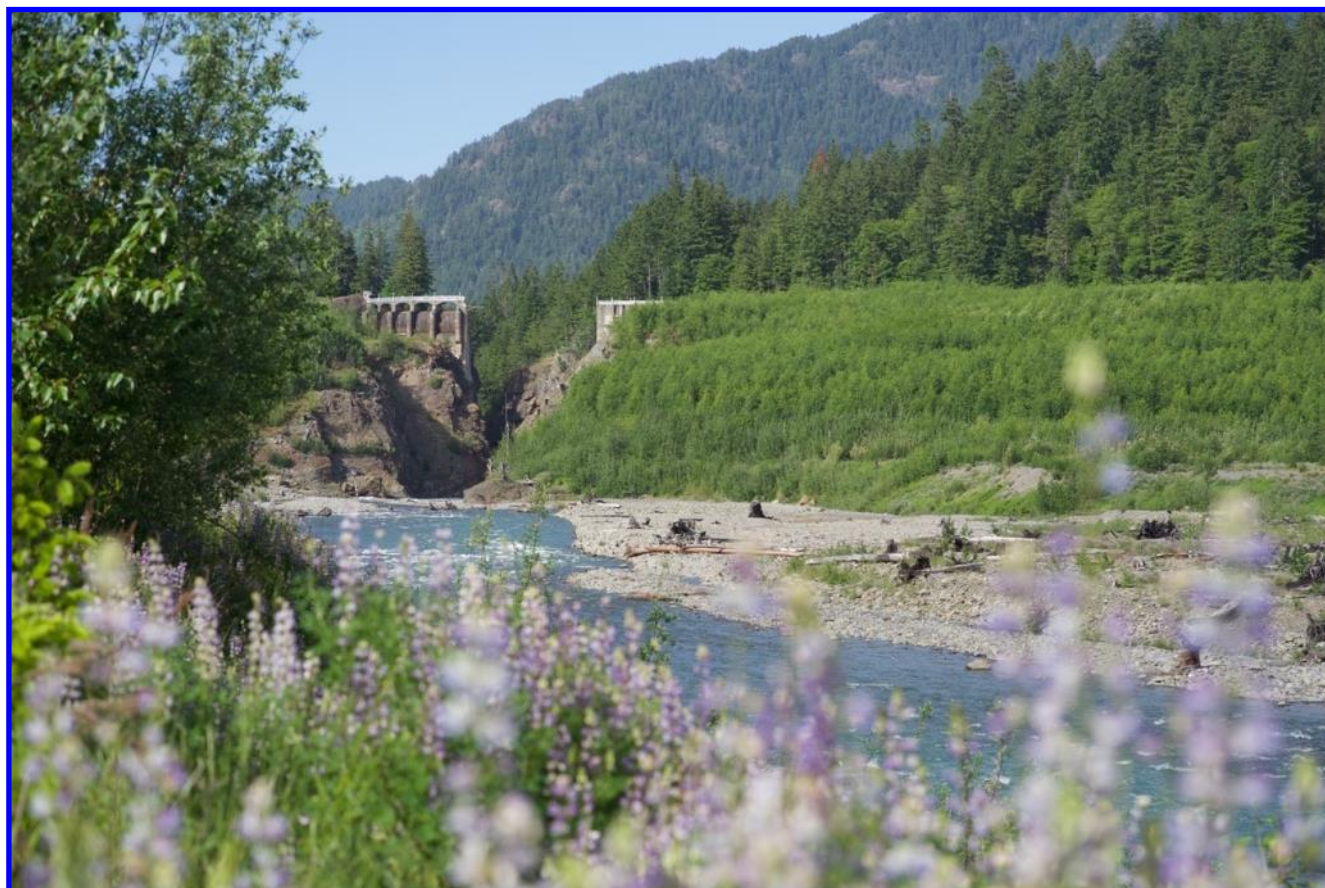
A RIVER REAWAKENED | TEN YEARS OF REWILDING THE ELWHA WATERSHED

This is the story of what has happened in the Olympic Peninsula since the removal of Elwha Dam & Glines Canyon Dam on the Elwha River in Washington state. If you take the time to watch the film linked to this article in Orion Magazine, Return of the River, you'll note that it took years of significant advocacy by many to get the dams out. I have seen it for myself after 20 years of work on the Klamath. It takes bold, decisive effort over time by many who care.

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SMITH RIVER NOW HAS A FISHERY MONITORING PROGRAM

It is with great pride I report to you that after 4 years of effort we have achieved what once seemed to be impossible - a continuously run fishery monitoring plan for the Smith River, with a focus on sonar counting both Chinook salmon & Steelhead.

As most know, the Smith is the last remaining anadromous fish river in California that is free flowing from source to sea. It is also the crown jewel of steelhead, with the California State record for size.

It measured 42" X 23", which calculates to somewhere between 29 & 32 pounds. At record weighting it topped the scale at more than 27 pounds. | [READ MORE](#)





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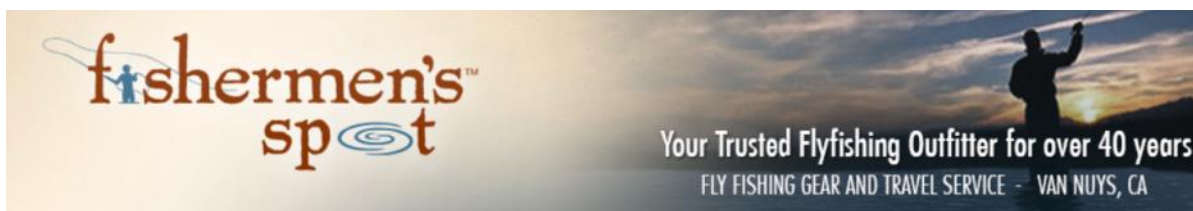
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MANY UPCOMING EVENTS > [CLICK HERE](#)





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TROUTFITTER | FISH REPORTS > [LINK](#)

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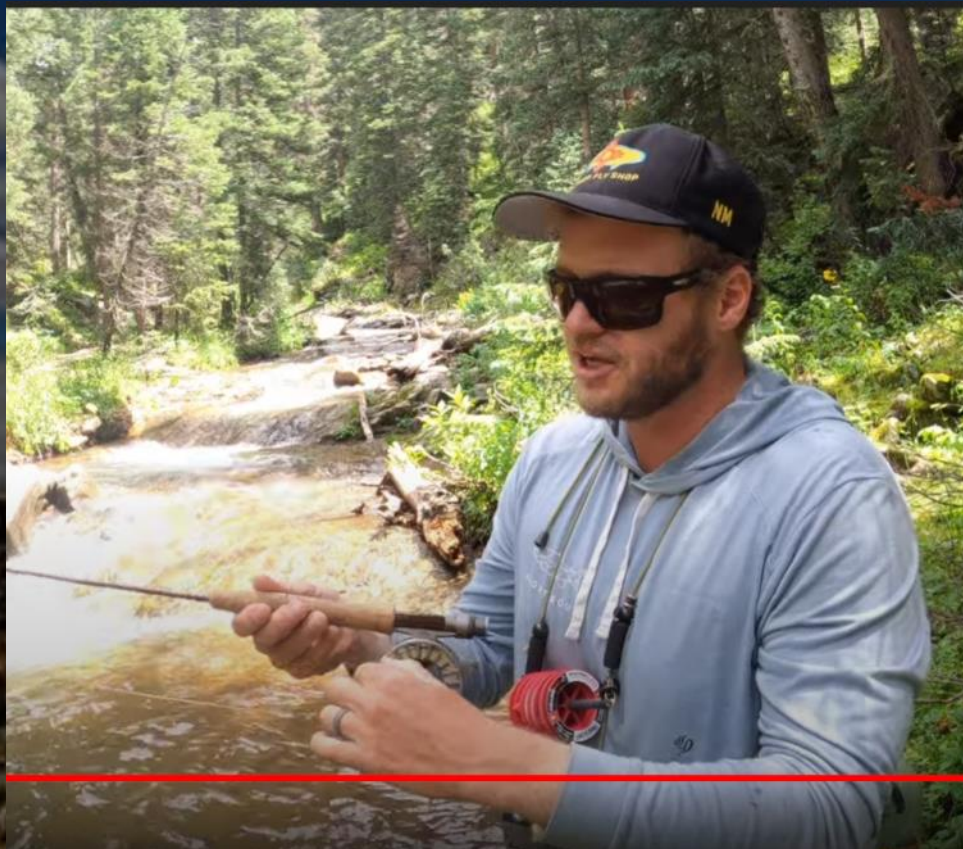
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Teachers: The first step in getting started is to attend a free workshop. The workshop is required for participation in the program. Many teachers obtain grant money or funding through other sources for the equipment needed.

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 — Connecting Students to their Watersheds



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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

OUTINGS DIRECTOR

Rick Ferrante

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

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 \$ _____
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**I WISH TO HELP WITH
THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:**

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



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- ◇ 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