



The Angler's Line

Newsletter of the Truckee River Flyfishers

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TRF Mission Statement

We are dedicated to: improving and promoting the sport of fly fishing in Nevada. Promote and encourage the conservation of game fish, especially wild trout, through the betterment of the streams and lakes everywhere. Encourage and assist our youth to become fly fishers and true sportspersons.

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Fly Tyers Roundtable
October 10, 2018
1100 Valley Road, 6:30

Truckee River Cleanup
October 13, 2018
8:45 to Noon

General Membership Meeting
October 17, 2018
1100 Valley Road, 6:30
Joe Contaldi, speaker

Pyramid Fishout
October 27, 2018

Pyramid is open!! Good luck to all who fish, and hope you catch a big one!

Ron Bennett organized the conservation event at Independence on the 23rd. Let's share our stories at the general meeting on the 17th.

The first Fly Tyers Round Table is on October 10th. Bring two flies to get in on the drawing. Mike O has arranged for a good tyer to start us out. Mike Sevon!

Our first general meeting for the season is on the 17th. Our guest speaker will be Joe Contaldi. Hope to see you all, it was a long, lonely summer!

Remember, there will be a fishout at Pyramid on October 27, we will meet 8:00 at the north nets for coffee and donuts, lunch will at 1:00, also at the north nets, bring a side dish to share (pot luck). More information will be available at the general meeting.

For all you hunters out there, sage grouse season opened in Washoe County on September 29th, and closes October 7th. 2 grouse a day, 4 in possession. Check the regulations for more particulars.

Get out and enjoy the fall weather and the changing colors. Get to work on your Halloween costumes, and don't work too hard raking leaves.

I missed the good company of our members. It'll be good to see you all again.

Good fishing and tight lines!

Stu



CDC UV MICRO WOOLY BUGGER

The CDC UV Micro Wooly Bugger is a simple and effective pattern containing a good number of fish attracting features. Being a variation of the classic Wooly Bugger this fly can be fished as a typical streamer or as an anchor fly under a floating line. Dark olive, Burnt orange and Rusty brown are just a few color variations I use for this pattern. You can replace the brass bead with a tungsten bead if you desire to get your fly down faster. I prefer the brass bead which is heavy enough to invert the fly yet light enough to allow me to better control the sink rate when I'm fishing it as a typical streamer in stillwater applications.



HOOK: Umpqua U555 Jig, Size #14
BEAD: Brass Black, Size 7/64
THREAD: UTC Black, Size 70 Denier
WEIGHT: Lead Wire, Size .015
BODY: Spirit River UV2 Dubbing, Black
HACKLE: CDC Black
COLLAR: UTC White, Size 70 Denier

1. Attach bead and secure with lead wire, approximately 4 wraps.
2. Attach thread to hook shank just behind lead wire and wrap rearward to just above barb.
3. Attach marabou with tips extending approximately a hook shank length beyond the hook bend. (Secure and remove excess)
4. Attach tips of CDC feather near base of tail. (Secure and remove excess)
5. Apply dubbing and create a thin body forward to the bead.
6. Palmer CDC feather forward to the bead. (Secure and remove excess)
7. Whip finish black thread and remove.
8. Attach white thread behind bead and create a small collar (Hot spot). Whip finish and remove.

The CDC UV Micro Wooly Bugger not only imitates a small leech or bait fish but it can also imitate a variety of insects.

Mike O'Brien

General Membership Meeting, October 17, 2018

Joe Contaldi

Joe Contaldi is a veteran Guide on the waters of the Eastern Sierra. He is Lead Guide and Owner of Performance Anglers Guide Service based in Mammoth Lakes, California.

Joe started fishing in New Jersey as a child and came to southern California during his high school years. Soon he was fishing all that California and parts of Nevada had to offer. Joe started working for a local outdoor retailer and started running saltwater fishing charter trips and pioneered some of the first salt water fly fishing charters in California.

Joe has been giving fly casting demos, lecturing at fishing clubs and outdoor expos. He is a dedicated fly fishing enthusiast who fishes both salt and fresh water. This man truly loves what he does, his enthusiasm is catching!

Joe is a Celebrity Speaker at The Fly Fishing Show in Pleasanton, CA. and has been quoted in many articles and books, and has been a featured Guest Host on many radio shows.

Joe is currently an ambassador for Aquaz Fishing Gear and resides in Mammoth Lakes Ca with his wife Julia, & sons Quinn and Logan. In his off-time Joe enjoys fishing and tying flies.





Just a short note on the opener:

I fished sunrise to sunset south of Warrior Pt. on the opening day. Surface water temperature was running 63 degrees, which is cooler than most openers. Fish were just offshore in the morning and reachable with a heavy shooting head. The cuts were actively pursuing chub minnows as were the mature Tui Chub. My top producing fly was a size 10 balanced minnow. The fish pictured was my best of the day at 12 pounds. There's lots of chub minnows and Sacramento perch minnows along the rocky shorelines. Those 9lb. trout from last year are now 10-12lb. fish this year and it promises to be the best season we've seen since 2015/2016. Update, caught a 17lb on the 3rd.

Tight lines, Mike Sevon

Truckee River Cleanup

On October 13th the club will participate in the annual Truckee River Cleanup. Again our area of responsibility is from the Harrah's Auto Collection downstream to Fisherman's Park. We will meet at Harrah's Auto collection parking lot at 8:45 A.M. and begin the cleanup at 9:00, ending at noon, although we usually get through by 11:00.

I will have donuts and coffee, along with buckets, garbage bags and tongs. KTMB, who sponsors the event, usually throws in some free goodies. They also cook a lunch at the designated area, usually a park, for the volunteers. It's a good way to show people we care about the river and who knows, you might find a nice homeless person to take home and take care of (just kidding).

Hope to see you there.

Mark Warren

P.S. It is my wife's birthday and I am still showing up, although by Sunday I might be among the homeless

TRF FLY TYING ROUNDTABLE

WHEN: 6:30 PM Wednesday, October 10th.

WHERE: NDOW Bldg. 1100 Valley Rd.

Our featured guest fly tier this month will be long time club member and talented fly tier, Mike Sevon. (See information below)

We will be conducting our fly box raffle at the end of the evening so don't forget to bring in two flies and pick up your raffle ticket. We will not be accepting cash for raffle tickets. Our next roundtable will be held Wednesday, November 14th. I will have more information in our next month's newsletter. Mike O'Brien

Truckee River Flyfishers

October 2018 RoundTable Materials Summary

Flies to be tied by Mike Sevon

Promising Patterns for Pyramid Lake: This month I will be tying two patterns that show great promise at Pyramid Lake. One is a classic old timer pattern inspired by a fly that was shared to me by Louie Borgdanovich at Separator Beach in the Spring of 2016. We will call it the LB Bugger. There are a few modifications that make this bugger unique: a dubbed body, a short heavy wire barbless hook and three hackles.

Materials required:

Hook: Umpqua 900 BL,size 6,(Scheels)

Hackles: Black or grizzly, 3 per fly

Tail: Black or Grizzly marabou with two strands of pearl flashabou on each side

Thread:UTC black 130

Body: Dubbed,Spirit River UV2 Diamond Brite Bronze olive(At Sportsmans)

The second pattern is a new experimental balanced leach. The basic design for this balanced leach is from Phil Rowley's Balanced ice minnow on You Tube. I have modified this fly using a dubbed body.

Materials required.

Hook: jig hook U555 size 10 or 12.

Bead: ¼ inch silver tungsten bead

Pin for bead: Sequin Pin available at Hobby Lobby(800 for \$4.00)

Body: Ice Dub Pearl

Tail: top is olive marabou, bottom is white marabou

Dorsal(top) color for the body is created with a Dark olive green Prisma color pen(Hobby Lobby for \$6.99)

October 2018 Prospects

Truckee River: Flows have been consistently low for the last couple of weeks and temperatures have fallen so that the fish have moved into the slower water to feed. Good streamer fishing conditions.

Little Truckee: Flows have been at 40 cfs for over a month now. Stay off the brown trout redds. Beatis should hatch on the low-pressure days with cloud cover.

Boca, Stampede, & Prosser Res. Fall spawn for the Koko's and browns should start here this month with run-up fish in the mix. Water levels are high.

Frenchman Res: Starting to pick up and maybe the Daphnia hatch will not happen this year with the higher water levels.

Pyramid Lake: The long awaited opener has arrived and the crowds had the opening weekend packed! Generally not much fly action but I did hear of a 12 pounder coming on an indicator! Most fish are holding around 40 feet and the trollers and jiggers are having good success.

East Walker River: Flows are just now starting to drop and fishing should be good with the cooler weather. There is a new Wildlife Area that is open to fishing and has yielded good numbers but not a lot of big fish.

Lake Almanor: Fishing here has been good all summer so this should equate to a good Fall bite. Hamilton Branch area has been crowded and should continue to be that way. Pond Smelt patterns have been producing in the Prattville area. Smallie fishing should be good until the water temperatures start to fall.

Knott Creek Res: I have heard good reports from here and because of the elevation, should fish well right now. NDOW has a minimum pool agreement so there should be a decent water level.

South Fork Res: Last Fall and Spring the fishing was less than terrific here and I spent my time at Wildhorse. Not sure what it will be like. NDOW office in Elko would provide a better insight.

Wilson Sink Res; Good reports last year and good water levels with good reports again this year. I know its 20 miles of bad road to get there but at least it isn't like going to Knott Creek! High catch rate can be expected.

Comins Res: Unfortunately the Pike were re-introduced again last summer. NDOW has been working to get them out. I figure we have six years of excellent fishing before they take over again. I going out there Monday, need I say more.

Wildhorse Res. In Mike Sevon's words, this fall should be "Epic". Will fish good from now until it ices over. Finding fish is not an issue, every spot in the lake will produce and I would present a large offering. Crawdad colored bugger worked well and so did a balanced leech under an indicator.

Delta: Not sure what it will be like this year but October is the month!

Sleepers: Collection Ditch of the Ruby Marsh, Squaw Creek, Mann and Kumbo (Oregon north of Denio), Cold Creek, and Illipah.

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Lake Stratification

Most lakes stabilize during the summer and winter. The surface layer is called the epilimnion, below which is the thermocline and below that the hypolimnion. The top and bottom layer vary in temperature and oxygen levels.

When I worked at NDOW we would use an instrument, a hydrolab, to measure pH, oxygen and temperature in lakes at various depths from top bottom. In a typical lake in the summer, the surface water would be warmer and gradually cool with depth until we hit the thermocline where the water temperature would usually drop drastically.

In the fall, the surface water of this lake would cool, become dense and sink – bringing the bottom water to the surface. This phenomenon is known as lake turnover. The water would eventually stabilize into the same three-layer system.

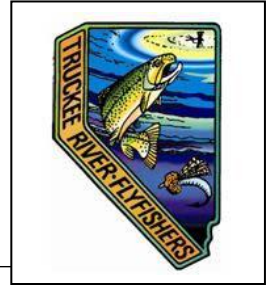
During this turnover, however, the water can become quite turbid (not clear) as the bottom sediments rise to the surface and make for difficult fishing. The reverse of this happens in the spring.

When I was helping Mike Sevon at Walker Lake, the cutthroat would hang out in the bottom layer (hypolimnion) where the water was cooler and then move up through the thermocline, which was too warm for them and contained low levels of oxygen, to feed on the tui chubs and then move back down into the cooler oxygen rich water. Anything to get a meal!

Mark Warren

Membership Form

Truckee River Flyfishers,
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Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____ Occupation: _____

Experience: Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Fishing Interests: _____

Projects and Activities Interests: _____

Are you willing to volunteer at club events? Yes No

Are you interested in being a TRF Board Member? Yes No

Payment Method: Check # _____ Cash _____

Circle one: Individual @ \$25 Family @ \$30 Student @ \$10

Project Healing Waters @ \$0

Circle one: New Member Renewal

Circle: Trout Unlimited Member Federation of Fly Fishers International Member

Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Emergency Contact

In consideration of being allowed to participate in TRF events and activities, I, the undersigned, acknowledge, appreciate and agree that:

1. I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and I willingly agree to comply with the stated instructions and policies and customary terms and conditions for participation.
2. I, hereby release the Truckee River Flyfishers and their officers, directors and sponsors harmless with respect to any and all injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS AND I SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

Signature _____ Date _____

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