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Angler's Line

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TRUCKEE RIVER FLYFISHERS

April 2006

Dear Fellow Fly Fishers

A very special thanks to all of our Fly Tiers who instructed at the Fly Tiers Round Tables. Peter Markl, John Van Emmerik, Mike Hoffman, Steve Bamberger, Chris Vasey, Jay Wilkerson, they did a great job tying and demonstrating different flies and tying techniques. This in one of the must attend events we have six months of the year and those who are not attending regularly are missing out. Also our thanks go out to Bud Johnson who chaired this event and lined up the tiers for us. And if you have not attended yet, April will be your last chance, Bruce Ajari, from the Tahoe Truckee Fly Fishers is going to be our guest tier, he is truly a fine tier and you won't want to miss him. That will be April 12, at the Verdi Nature Center.

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.

April is going to be the month for our Pyramid Lake Fish out and Big Fish contest. We will have a rod for the biggest fish caught and released and a very nice dinner will be served to all who participate. We will be having a raffle and at least one silent auction item there. At the banquet we overlooked a couple of items and they will be offered at the fish out. There will be a trip to Weber Lake for two that will be sold.

I unfortunately will miss the Pyramid Fish out again this year, as I did last, last year I was in Florida and this year I will be in Idaho. My wife surprised me with tickets to visit my Dad in Coeur d' Alene, that weekend. So even though I am going to miss the Pyramid Fish out, I hope to catch a few fish with him that same weekend. He has taken me crappie fishing every year that I have visited him and every year the crappie were either biting last week or next week. In ten years of trying I think I have caught ten crappie.

If any one has a sure fire, can't miss, even when they are not biting crappie fly, call me. As our friend Bill Ladner can tell you, I need all the help and tips I can get.

Tight Lines

Tom Smith

TRF Membership

Did your newsletter mailing label have a date on it that has past? Your dues has not been received if this is the case and this will be your last newsletter until we receive your dues. If you have sent your mail and the date on your newsletter label is in the past, please contact me so we can get this straightened out.

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Fish Prospects

By Wes Ong

Pyramid Lake:

Use light colors in beetles (Olive, tan, and white) and buggers. Takes on the beetle will be soft and you may only get a single bump that will be when the fish spits it out. If you're fast you may get a lot of foul hook-ups. Fish will be in close, maybe behind you so be observant. Guys started indicator fishing in mid March. Red Copper John seemed to be the favorite. Some people pitch it out there and leave it and some constantly twitch it back and recast. The bite should start to shift to early and late instead of mid-day.

Almanor:

Waters is cold but some fishing has picked up in the Hamilton Branch and Big Springs area. Pond smelt and PTs have been producing.

East Walker River:

Stonefly hatch may still be going. Last month the water was in the 20 cfs range but has come up to a very fishable 100 cfs. It could go to 400 cfs in the blink of an eye.

Frenchman:

There use to be an extreme leech activity at the upper end just after ice out. A small olive woolly or damsel will work besides a black leech. Water will be murky during run-off in any of the Sierra lakes.

Davis:

The only thing left in Davis is large fish and Pike. Ice fishing takes a lot of nice fish out of the lake so what's left??? Feather River thru Portola opens about three weeks earlier than the normal California opener. Water levels will be in runoff stage. Check your Regs.

The Sleepers:

Dodge Reservoir and Sweringer.

California Opener:

East Walker will be crowded and fishing will depend on the water level. Try a Golden stone and a caddis pupa dropper. Same set - up in the Truckee except try a green drake nymph. Water will be high so you may only be able to fish the edges. My pick would be the Pit River, same stonefly nymph and bead head dropper with lots of lead. If that doesn't work Hat Creek, Baum Lake, Burney Creek, Lost Creek and Montgomery Creek are all nearby.

Don't Forget

2006 Fishing Licenses are required now for fishing in California and Nevada. If you are looking for some new waters in Nevada, stop by the NDOW office to pick up a copy of the region's local fishing waters.

Fly Tier's Roundtable (FTR) April 2006

Featuring
Bruce Ajari

Bruce is a Past president of Tahoe Truckee Flyfishers, local newspaper columnist since 1987, and a Tahoe Truckee resident for almost 29 years.

Bruce will be tying some of his favorite flies; bead head pheasant tail, a soft hackle pheasant tail, and a cripple pheasant tail.

Pheasant Tail

HOOK	Size 16-8 Nymph
THREAD	8/O Black or Match dubbing
TAIL	Pheasant Tail Fibers
BODY	Pheasant Tail Fibers
RIB	Fine or Medium Copper Wire
THORAX	Peacock herl or Peacock Ice Dub
WINGS and WINGCASE	Pheasant Tail fibers



Squaw Creek Group—March 19, 2006

Who was there?

Wes, Sherrie, Ken, Tim, Mike, Billy, Rey, Tillie, Jason, Ryan, Cal, Bob, and Greg

Electronic Newsletter Edition

The electronic version of the newsletter will be available on the website on or about April 18th.

Angler's Line Editor

Budding Writers or Knowledge Sharers

Do you have what it takes to be published? I bet you do. Send in your submissions for the Angler's Line. Don't think anyone wants to hear what you have to say? I bet they do.

Submit your articles or information to timhuckaby@yahoo.com



Events Calendar

April 2006

Thur 13th Fly Tier's Roundtable, Verdi Nature Center / Library 6:30 pm.
 Thur 13th *Full Moon*
 Tue 18th *Newsletter deadline*
 Sat 22nd Pyramid Lake fish out—annual catch and release BIG Fish contest
 Wed 26th General Membership Meeting
 Tue 25th Board Meeting
 Sat 29th California Stream Opener

May 2006

Sat 13th *Full Moon*
 Sun 21st Lahontan Reservoir
 Tue 23rd *Newsletter deadline*
 Wed 24th General Membership Meeting
 Tue 30th Board Meeting

NOTE:

All meetings are held at the NDOW Headquarters at 1100 Valley Road—unless otherwise noted.

General Meetings start at 6:30, BOD meetings start at 6:00

2006 Membership Form

Name	<input type="text"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>		
City	State	Zip	
Home Fone	Work Fone	<input type="text"/>	
Email	Occupation	<input type="text"/>	
Experience	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced
Fishing Interests	<input type="text"/>		
Projects and Activities Interests	<input type="text"/>		
Are you willing to volunteer at club events?	Yes	No	
Circle One	Individual = \$25	Family = \$30	Student = \$10
Circle One	New Member	Renewal	

Something to thing about

ARE YOU READY?

By Bud Johnson

Here are a few reminders to help you prepare for the coming trout season.

Get out your favorite fly pole and lube the ferrules (no nose grease) with paraffin. Check the guides and the tiptop for wear. Run in a piece of tissue and see if it drags. Rough guides eat fly lines. If the grip is dirty, rub with water and powdered cleanser. Avoid steel wool or sand paper.

For your reel(s). Run off more line than you normally cast then clean and lube. Look for signs of wear, etc. Clean and lightly lube the reel's interior. Tighten screws.

What about those waders in the corner of the garage? Bring 'em in and observe your cat. If his eyes water and nose twitches, maybe a good soak will help and you might spot a leak using the old water in the inside and look for the wet spot on the outside.

Check the bladder(s) on your float tube, kick boat, or cataraft to eliminate the chance of a foreign substance that has gotten in between outside tube and the bladder. Inflate and observe for 8 to 10 hours. If the outside material is made of a plastic-like substance, I would wash and then apply the product "303" (available at R.E.I.). I've used it on my cataraft and it has kept my tubes in good condition.

Finally, since you have been madly replenishing your fly boxes all winter, there is not much else but maybe a trip to the local fly shoppe and scout out the latest in gadgets. Hey, what fly fisher can resist the latest in those goodies or some fresh leaders, or - - -

See you on the water!!

Membership Corner

Remember the benefits of membership:

- Monthly Anger's Line
- General Meetings with great programs—featured speakers, product demonstrations, and technical demonstrations
- Family picnic
- Fish derbies with featured rods as prizes

See the membership form further back in the newsletter or download a version of the form from the website <http://www.truckeeriverflyfishers.org>

Upcoming Fish outs—Tim
April 22nd @ Pyramid

2006 Big Fish and BBQ. This will be a great start to the 2006 family outings, be sure to bring your loved ones to lunch and the RAFFLE. See the website for updates prior to the fish out or call a member of the BOD.

May 21st @ Lahontan Reservoir
Details to follow on the website and in the May newsletter.




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