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# *Angler's Line*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TRUCKEE RIVER FLYFISHERS

March 2007

Fellow Fly Fishers,

Well this is going to be my last president's newsletter, after 3 years the first time and 18 months this time you and I are going to both enjoy having someone else doing this for a change.

I cannot begin to tell you how much I have enjoyed being the president of such a great club. All of you have made being president a wonderful experience, together we have made many contributions to the community. There is of course Trout in the Class Room, it would have never been started without the Truckee River Flyfishers, we have done river cleanups, fish rescues and such a long list of projects that I could not even begin to list them all here.

With the help of so many of you being president was easy, from the directors who have assisted me, to the club members who have come when I called, the members who have done programs and fly tying and all of you that have done volunteer work, I owe you all many thanks.

Our annual banquet will be in just a few days. March 10, and we will be installing a new president, hope to see all of you there so I can say my thanks to you in person.

Speaking of the Banquet, please get you tickets. Call Wes Ong and offer your help, still need a few things for the raffles, if you have time or donations please call. Our speaker will be Andy Burke, and he is always fun to listen to.

We have a lot of great things going on in the club. Still have a fly tiers roundtable or two. This past month we had Arlo Townsend as the featured tier. I missed this one, I believe that it is the second one I have missed since the Round Tables started. Our thanks to Arlo.

I missed the Round Table for good cause. The Coalition for Nevada's Wildlife, I am Vice-President with them, and Nevada Bighorns gave a welcoming dinner for the new chief of N.D.O.W., Ron Mayer, that was his first day on the job, and we gathered thirty five sportsmen together to welcome him. I am looking forward to being able to assist him with volunteer projects in the future and even hope to get him to one of our general

membership meeting in the future.

On February 11, we had a fishout at Hinkson Slough. The fishing was slow but the company was great. Quite a few of us showed up, unfortunately the fish did not. They were hunkered down and hiding from the wind. White caps on Hinkson, we hunkered down behind the pickups and had a nice bowl of chili, provided by Wes.

On February 28, we are going to have Richard Dickerson as our speaker at the general membership meeting, you will get this after the meeting, but I can tell you he was great, he always is. He is a terrific tier, fisherman and speaker. Hope you made it.

In March we are going to Squaw Creek, the fishing reports have been good.

Lots of things happening so hope to see you all soon.

Tight Lines,

Tom Smith

## THE 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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## **Fish Prospects**

By Wes Ong

### **Regulation Change:**

California has changed its regulations for the Truckee River, Little Truckee, and East Walker River. They will open on March First and will be single barbless hook, artificial only. I am not positive on the limit or the specific areas. I have heard that on the Truckee the section from the Nevada State Line to Gray Creek but I have not seen the actual regulations. Check with the Reno Fly Shop or Anglers Edge for details.

### **Truckee River:**

Doug Ouellette caught a nice rainbow using a prince nymph at Mayberry Park. Look for the same slower water on the California side to hold fish. Mid-day should see the best bite with a possible Baetis hatch. Little Truckee should actually be warmer due to the tail water of Stampede, 45 degrees.

### **Hinkson Slough:**

The February fish outing was hampered by high wind. The opening day was good with a small gray midge. The hatch actually took place early, which is not normal for this time of year and weather. Look for some warmer weather and this fishery should cut loose.

### **Squaw Creek Res.**

Fish outing this month and it should be a good one. If we get some sunny weather catch rates should be in the double digits. All types of presentation will work, indicator, sinking line, or floating line in the shallow water. Tom, Mike, and Lucky fished it a couple of weeks ago and the hot set up was either a black midge under and indicator or a water boatman pattern on a sinking line.

### **Pyramid Lake:**

This is the month to catch a big one before the spawn starts. South end of the lake may be a good alternative when the Nets get to crowded. Could be a good time to go to the other side of the lake. Have not heard of anyone indicator nymphing but it could start at the end of the month.

### **East Walker River:**

The river was iced over very heavily in January with the flows not more than 35 cfs. With the low snow pack this year I don't see the flows increasing any time soon. This month there should be a stonefly hatch toward the end of the month. Use a golden stone nymph or fish the dries with a Stimulator. If that doesn't work there should be some good beaty action in the afternoons. I think the better holding water for this part of the year is on the Nevada side and it generally has warmer temperatures than up stream on the California side. Liz and Don at the Anglers Edge are up to date on what happens on this water.

Other Waters to Consider: Lake Amador, I know that March here is the time to fish because a past president of Calif. Flyfishers Unlimited said so!!!! Ruby Marshes if you have the gas, time and stamina to fish in the cold. American River for steelhead if flows stabilize. And I understand that the upper Sac is open all year now, best check the reg. because I'm not positively certain. Also the Trinity on the other side of Weaverville.

New License Year for Nevada



### **Wanted Buy or Trade**

A white or clear crystal-like multi-stranded material the commercial name is "Banlon". It was used in polo shirt manufacturing and was found in parachute shroud lines. If you have some, or know of some please let me know...Thanks Bud J 345 0458 or jonice77@aol.com

Here we will post your items for sale, things you have for trade or a list of things you want. The only stipulation is that you are a club member. Forward your request to Tim

### **Banquet & Fund Raiser Update — Wes Ong (2007 Banquet Chairman)**

If you do not have your Ticket by now you need to call me at 530-0725 to reserve a will- call Ticket and choose your dinner menu item. I will be picking up the tickets at the Gilly, Reno Fly Shop, and Orvis on March 3rd. I will be ordering the dinners on March 4th.

If you have an item to donate to the club such as a box of flies or any other items the Banquet Committee will be meeting on Sunday March 3rd to organize the raffle and silent auction. I will need it by that time or know about it so we can determine where it will be.

### **March Fish out—Ryan Shea, Board Member**

We will have our fish out at Squaw Creek Reservoir on March 24. Club members will meet at Bruno's County Club in Gerlach at 7:30am to have breakfast.

This fish out was scheduled for January, but the lake was frozen over, so by popular demand, we are going for a second chance. This late in March, we should be ice free!! The fish in Squaw are not picky and any attractor and or general pattern will produce fish most of the time. Patterns to have are: Wes's Strawberry Blond, Sheep Bugger, Sheep Creek Specials, Wooly Buggers, Princes, Pheasant Tails and other general patterns that you like to fish (any of these with an intermediate or floating line). If you are a midge fisherman, this time of year can be a great time to fish midge patterns.

When I was up there in December, fishing one of the small ice free spots, I saw a few fish coming to the surface; you can bet they were just getting warmed up for all those midges in the spring! A Zebra Midge (14, 16, and 18) in you favorite color under an indicator or on a long leader with a slow hand twist retrieve will also produce fish. If you are just starting to fly fish, this is a great little reservoir to get some practice casting and fighting fish. The fish are generally small, but can give you a nice little fight, and some bigger fish can be caught. A float tube and warm neoprene waders are your best approach to this lake. Weather conditions can change fast up there, so bring warm clothes. The club will provide soup, bread, brownies, and drinks. Hope to see you there!

Need directions: Take Interstate 80 roughly 30 miles east of Reno, take Highway 447 north (this is the Wadsworth exit). Gerlach is roughly 70 miles north of Wadsworth. Bruno's Country Club is on the right midway through town.

Looking to car pool: Contact any member of the board to see about arrangements.



# Events Calendar

## Local Supporters—

Support them, they support us!

Reno Fly Shop— 294 E. Moana Lane # 14  
775-825-3474  
The Orvis Store—13945 S. Virginia St. # 640  
775-850-2272  
The Gilley Fishing Store— 1111 Rock Blvd  
775-358-6113

### March 2007

Sat 3rd *Full Moon*  
Thurs 8th Fly Tier's Roundtable  
Sat 10th Annual Banquet  
Tue 27th Board Meeting

### April 2007

Fri 2nd *Full Moon*  
Tue 24th Board Meeting  
Wed 25th General Meeting  
Fish out location and date to be announced

**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

## 2007 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	

## Special Notices:

### New / Returning Feature:

Do you have something that you need to sell or trade email Tim Huckaby. Include a photo if you have one and if we have room in the newsletter we will get it the next issue of the Angler's Line.

**Member Photos needed:** Do you have digital photos from a club function you would like to share with everyone in the club. Forward them to me ASAP, I am looking to build a slide show for the banquet and for Orvis' Spring Days. With the photo include the names of anyone in the photo and the location. Photos from personal trips will be accepted, but please keep these to eastern side of the Sierra and any where in Nevada.—Tim Huckaby

### Spring Days at Orvis by Wes Ong

I want to thank all the volunteers that have agreed to tie at the Orvis Spring Day's. I will publish the schedule as a reminder in the April Newsletter

## Fly Tier's Roundtable (FTR) March 2007 Featuring Ryan Shea

Ryan, originally from southwest Montana, has lived in Fernley since August 2002 with his wife, Lisa, where they work for the school district. Ryan and Lisa are both members of the board of directors. Ryan will be sharing two flies he learned to fish and tie while attending clinics lead by Andy Burk of the Reno Fly Shop. Ryan will also have his Milton set-up which includes his own adaptation of the Brassie. This fly has produced fish for him on the Little Truckee and the East Walker. Ryan will also be sharing homemade brownies, hope to see you there!

### HBI Nymph

Hook	TMC 2457 #10-#22
Thread	Orange 6/0
Weight	.015 lead wire
Tail	Wood duck
Rib	Same as thread
Abdomen	Burk's HBI Blend
Wingcase	Turkey tail
Throat	Burk's HBI Blend
Legs	Wood duck or imitation wood duck

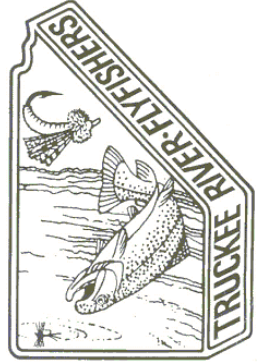





TRF Annual Banquet March  
10th.  
Get your tickets at any TRF  
event or one of our local sup-  
ports.

«Name»  
«Address»  
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Annual Banquet
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Squaw Creek
25	26	27 BOD Meeting	28	29	30	31