



The

Angler's Line

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December 2007

A Wishful Fly Fisherman's Letter to Santa...

Dear Santa,

I have been a **very** good fly fisherman this year. I have cut back on my swearing, I shared my toys with others, I hardly fought over where my ladder would go at Pyramid, and I hardly ever exaggerated about how good the fishing was. So, as you can see, I have been **VERY** good this year and as you can see I am only asking for the absolute bare minimum.

The first item on my list is a pair of new Simms zippered guide waders. I know I already have three different pairs of really nice waders, but here's the deal. None of them are near as cool as the new zippered waders nor do they appear to be as easy to get into and out of? Did I mention they look really cool?

The second item on my list is a new 4 weight Winston Boron rod. Of course I already have two 4 weight rods, but it is definitely time for an upgrade. I am sure that the new rod would make all the difference in my casting. Actually, I think I need a new 5, 6, 7, and 8 weight as well. I might as well fine tune my casting in all conditions.

The third item on my list is a new Abel Super 8 reel that is painted like a rainbow trout, new lines, and spools for each of my new rods. Maybe you should get me one of each design... Hey, if I am going to be casting like a pro, I should look like a pro.

The fourth item on my list is a new net. My

current one is fixed with duct tape and absolutely won't fit my new image. Speaking of image, I also need new goodies: fluorocarbon, tools, and accessories. Hey, I have to look good!

The fifth item on my list is a new fly fishing vest. With all of my new gear that is going to be in my stocking this year, I am going to need more space to take it along.

Now that I am going to look great and the new gear will have helped me to fine tune my skills, I think I need to go on a fly fishing trip of a lifetime. I was thinking Russia, but I'll leave this choice up to you... I trust your judgment, Santa. You've known me for quite a few years and know what I like.

The last item on my list is a year full of tight lines, huge trout, and "perfect" fishing days.

P.S. Can you make sure my spouse understands why I need all of the new gear? Thanks!

Sincerely,

The Wishful Fly Fisherman

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.

I want to say thanks to Wes for all of his work with the Eagle Lake Fish Out! Hope to see all of you at the Pyramid Fish Out in December.

The Annual Banquet is coming up in March... If

you would like to donate items for the raffle or silent auction, please let me know. Also, if you would like to be part of the Banquet Committee, please contact Jerry Holtgrave or Tillie Arizmendi.

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Fish Prospects

By Wes Ong

Eagle Lake: Fish outing in November was a bust. The lake is very low and the only place on the north end with tulle cover was where we had the fish outing. Only a couple of hook-ups with no landed fish for six of us. Closes on December 31st.

Trinity River: Bill, of the Reno Fly Shop says that the first two weeks of December are a good time to hit this Steelhead water. Use small mayflies and stoneflies under and indicator. I would fish the upper end from Junction City to Willow Creek; the river follows 299 the whole way. Water is low here too.

Pyramid Lake: Fish Outing on the 16th of this month. Of late the favorite color of beetle is Olive, with the same in buggers also. This should give way to the usual dark colors such as black and purple. Fish are scattered in December so do not stay in one place too long with out getting bit. If nothing is going on at the Nets head for deeper water. This month I would exercise extreme caution when float tubing on Pyramid. Carry your cell phone (good signal now), and go with buddy. A life vest may help but it's the cold water that will kill you.

Squaw Creek Res. Sunny warm day with little wind could be a good day to make the trip up here. I heard that there was a fish kill here this summer but NDOW has put more fish back in. The upper end has several warm water springs, which keep the lake ice-free most years. Probably will schedule a fish outing in January.

Little Truckee River: Now open all year between Boca and Stampede, this artificial only water on November 15th changed to zero limit until the last Saturday in April. Flows will be minimal so a whole different set of tactics need to be applied. If you have ever fished Putah Creek in the winter this is the type of approach that needs to be employed. Sunny mid-day bite would be my guess.

Yuba River: Opens December First above the highway 20 bridge. Big water and it takes a long walk to get away from the crowds. Fishable water flow is below 1000cfs. Small mayflies and stoneflies hatch here all winter. Rise forms could be rough fish so look closely. Salmon and Steelhead are in the river at this time so carry egg patterns.

Truckee River: It is not to late to fish steamers in the lower river. California side is now open all year with the same zero limit that applies to the Little Truckee. Colder water will mean that the fish will not move far to take your fly so keep this in mine when working the water and decoding where the fish are going to hold.

Sleepers: Upper Sac, open all year; Stone Lagoon for sea run Cutts; Baum Lake; all on the way or close to the Trinity River.

Club Elections are right around the corner

We will be holding our annual elections in the next few months. Please consider accepting a nomination for one of the club's officers.

We will also collecting nominations for our annual awards - Mid Lipera and Cal Bird. In December we will discuss the requirements for these two awards.

**For
Sale**

or

Trade

or

Wanted

Wanted Buy or Trade

Silk Fly Lines—
Look around in your old tackle boxes or your Dad's or Grand-dad's stuff. It may be coiled up and secured with pieces of pipe cleaner or on a reel. It will most likely be olive or dark green or possibly tannish-yellow. The surface will appear woven and probably sticky, and have a varnish-like smell. If it looks like an enamel or shiny finish, it aint silk. But I'd like to see it.

Are you looking for something or have something to sell? Call
Tim Huckaby, 746-3133 or timhuck-
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(President's letter—continued from front page)
Have a wonderful holiday season and keep those
lines tight!

Lisa

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Merry Christmas from all
of us on the Board.

May your holiday season
be filled with joy and.

Perhaps you will bump
into Santa on the water
over holidays as you can
see he is rigged and
ready to go.

Diamond Lake Midge By Tim Huckaby

This is our December featured fly. I like to tie simple pattern to mimic bugs in general nothing to specific. This is one easy and quick pattern. The only damage I was able to inflict was actually losing them when the fish were turned on.

Many of you have seen the pictures of the fish I caught at Diamond Lake in July, well this was the fly. This is also why I carry my tying kit when I travel to remote fishing locations with a good variety of material types and color. Check back in August newsletter for the full story and attend the

round table to find out why I created this fly and hear first hand about my adventure at Diamond Lake.

Diamond Lake Midge

Hook TMC 5262 10# - 12#

Thread Black or Brown 6/0

Rib Fine Silver Wire

Bead Tungsten (to fit—this is a heavy fly)

Collar White, tan, or brown Ostrich (two turns)

Time to fish



Pyramid Lake Fish out—December 16th (TRF hits the beach as a club for the first time) - Wes Ong

First Pyramid Fish Outing of the season. Mike Sevon will have his wall tent set up at the North Nets on Saturday. Fish outing is on Sunday. Coffee and other goodies will be at 8:00 am. Lunch will be at the tent at 12 noon and hopefully we will not have to all huddle around the wood stove this time. Whom I kidding this is December. Anyone want to do a big fish pool, throw in five bucks and big fish takes the pot?? Same guidelines as our April event.

Remember, new regulations are barbless hooks.

Latest rumor is the Tribe met just before Thanksgiving and has adjusted the regulations so that fishing is not permitted within 100 feet of a boat dock and that the closure of the Nets in March, April, and May has been lifted. Unconfirmed at this writing.

(Editor's note:

I have searched the web for information regarding the update regulations and have not be able to locate anything to support or conflict with Wes says about the updated regulations.

The updated regulation copy I picked up a few weeks back stated the beach from Sutcliffe to the South Nets would be closed March thru May.

No fishing within 500 feet of any boat dock.

No camping on the east side of the lake, whether or not that includes Dago and the fishways beaches I don't know.

—Tim)

2008 Membership Form

Name	_____			Date	_____
Address	_____				
City	_____	State	_____	Zip	_____
Home 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	
Payment Method—Circle One	Check	#	Cash		
Circle One	Individual = \$25	Family = \$30	Student = \$10		
Circle One	New Member	Renewal			

News from the Federation of Fly Fishers

New membership drive for the FFF—are you an individual member of the FFF (good) , no—think about joining and include on your application the name of our club. Once we reach 12 new members the FFF will present us with a new fly rod to use as we see fit or we wait and reach 18 new members and receive and “higher” level rod. These are Temple Fork rods from the Lefty Kreh series. Now thru December 31, 2007 the membership is being discounted from \$35 to \$15. Let’s boost our membership in the FFF and help the club to obtain and new fly rod. Remember that your application must be signed our club president in order for the club to receive credit.

Check our the FFF website or current newsletter for information about their life membership options. The newsletter archives are located at <http://www.fedflyfishers.org/ClubWireArchives/CWArchiveMain.htm>



Events Calendar

December 2007

Sun 16th Pyramid Lake fishout
Mon 24th Full Moon

January 2007

Tue 22nd Full Moon

March 2008

Sat 15th Annual Banquet

Local Supporters—

Support them, they support us!

The Gilly Fishing Store— 1111 Rock Blvd
775-358-6113

Reno Fly Shop— 294 E. Moana Lane # 14
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The Orvis Store—13945 S. Virginia St. # 640
775-850-2272

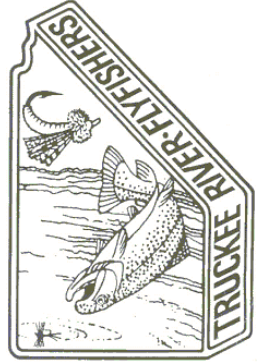
NOTE:

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



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December 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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16 Pyramid Fish Out	17	18	19	20	21	22
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