



The

Angler's Line

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TRUCKEE RIVER FLYFISHERS

May 2008

Beetles and Buggers(Tadpoles) vs Bobbers

Hi All you hardcore flyfisher's,

I hope all the club members have taken advantage of the world class fishing we had at Pyramid Lake in April. I'm interested in hearing from all of you, how you did.

During the month, I fished the lake 8 days and don't remember rigging up my 8 wt Sage rod even once with a wooly bugger or a beetle. After fishing Crowley Lake last October and being introduced to indicator fishing, I was hooked. In early April, I watched a boat of guided anglers anchored off of Pelican Pt. catch one fish after another and decided that I had to try this indicator fishing at Pyramid Lake. Two of my fishing partners from Fallon have different ideas about indicator fishing. Rich Ellington, retired game warden, respectfully calls this "indicator" fishing, while Sevon calls it, "bobber fishing". One thing for certain, it is effective on cruising cutthroats in the Spring.

So armed with a variety of floats and nymphs, I

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.

found my place on the rocks at Pelican Pt. The amazing thing about this type of fishing is some people catch a lot of fish and a lot of people don't catch a thing. There was this lady from California who sat on a rock, smoked cigarettes and caught one fish after another. Then there was Brian from Verdi who resided on this rock island who reeled

in fish all day long. Most everyone I met was pretty nice, but had to be approached to find out what was working. I had a few frustrating fishless days, but during the month, I caught some pretty nice fish up to 8 pounds and had some good runs with lots of hookup.

It was while I was fishing at Pyramid that I learned of the loss of one of the club members. On April 8, Ralph Bell was returning home after a morning of fishing the beach at Pelican Pt. and rolled his truck on the Pyramid Lake Highway. I extend my condolences to Ralph's family and to his close fishing buddies. Ralph was fun to fish near, talked your ear off and caught a lot of big fish. I would also like to thank the club members who attended the memorial service for supporting Ralph's family. Joe Winchester and Bill Ladner did a great job of helping us all remember how special Ralph was. I'll never be able to set up my rod at Pyramid without thinking about Ralph Bell.

On April 9, Lisa and Ryan Shea became the proud parents of a beautiful baby boy. From the pictures they sent around, Brody Patrick is a keeper.

The Club held the Spring Pyramid Lake fish out on April 26. There were approximately 20 members there to enjoy a beautiful sunny day. Most everybody caught fish. The winner of the biggest fish was Dave Niehaus with a 28 inch cutthroat from Separator Bay. Tom and Tina Smith cooked some incredible steaks. Many thanks to High Desert Recreation for the use of their facilities. There were lots of great raffle prizes and Darrell Harold took home another Powell fly rod.

Coming up on Saturday May 17, the club is going to be hosting another fishout at Lahontan Reservoir. This fishout has been very successful during the last two years with many of the club members catching 30 fish before lunch. The club has extended an invitation to all of the local fly clubs to attend. Mike Sevon, our fish-master for the month, is working with Mike Phillips of the High Sierra FlyCasters to coordinate the event. There will be plenty of beach and
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Fish Prospects

By Wes Ong

Pyramid Lake: Catch rates have been high about every third or fourth day. This is typical for this time of year. With the water temperature staying cold for so long the bite may extend thru the month of May.

Small fly and lighter tippet on your indicator rig now.

Frenchman Res. Have not heard any sparkling results this year but it should pick up as the water warms. Big black leeches always work well this time of year. Also there are damsels in the water here yearlong. Look for the fish where the water comes in then move further out into the lake.

Lake Davis: I heard that Jerry Dollard, of Dollard's Market had a good outing here a couple of weeks ago on an indicator. He generally fishes the Freeman Creek Arm but gets there by boat. Read the Board in the Store to get the latest information.

Hinkson Slough: As the water here warms some strong midge hatches will drive the fish to feed on the surface.

East Walker: Even though the water was been consistent this spring I am not aware of anyone having a good outing here this spring.

Adams/McGill: Should be good right now. Mark Warren was going there the first of this month but have not heard how he has done.

South Fork Res. Little early for this lake yet, there is a lot of snow still in the Ruby's and the inlet tends to be turbid during this time. Fish will be in spawn this month and will not be too aggressive toward a fly. Better in June.

Illipah: Generally a high numbers lake that will have good water this year, there are so good size Browns in this lake that hold over. Fish the upper end. Forget Comins unless your there for the big Pike.

Billy Shaw: Great in the spring! Twenty-Five Dollars per day reservation fishing permit required. Olive Leech in size 10 a killer for the open water or a big blood midge by the weed on an indicator. There should be some terribly huge fish in this lake but it will take other than the above tactic to get them.

Sleepers: Stampede, Martis, Ballard, and Almanor.

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Angler's Line and website

by Tim Huckaby

Folks if you would like to receive the newsletter only in electronic format please let me know by sending me an email
timhuckaby@truckeeriverflyfishers.org

If you have something you would like to share with the club in the newsletter or on the website again please email me the details.

Changes are coming the website: I hope in the next month or so include a place for you to upload pictures and fishing reports. Plus I am looking at a solution to allow you to browse the club membership roster online so that you can make a call and ask some "Hey let's go fishing!"

A Universal Nymph By Bud Johnson

Bead the hook and secure hook in vise. Bind copper wire just behind the bead to the bend. Dub a tapered body up to the bead. Use some extra dubbing to wedge the bead in place. Set the two biots with the curve outward along the size of the body allowing a hook gape length as tails. Bind the larger ends of the biots against the

bead. Spiral the rib forward in pen turns over the biots to the bead secure and remove excess. Be sure the biots remain on each side. Tie in an adequate piece of Mylar from the bead back to the mid point of the shank. Dub a loose thorax and pick it out to be real buggy. Pull the Mylar over the thorax securing it behind the bead and clip excess. Preen the partridge fibers at right angles to the stem and select several to form a suggestion of legs. Secure them just behind the bead to sweep rearward on each side. Clip excess. By changing

the bead, dubbing, and biots you can create a a reasonable match for your local bugs.

Universal Nymph

Hook	Any un-curved nymph 2xl # 10—18
Thread	6/0 Brown Danville Waxed
Bead	Gold fit to hook
Rib	Fine to med copper wire
Abdomen	Medium hare's ear
Tail	Golden biots
Wing Case	Holographic Mylar
Thorax	Medium hare's ear
Legs	Brown partridge flank



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plenty of fish. Club members will be receiving e-mail updates on the white bass bite and additional details on the fishout during early May.

Cast your hook into the pool, for when you least expect it, there will be a fish.

Your friend

Tillie Arizmendi

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	

Lahontan Fishout—May 17th

The Truckee River Flyfishers will hold their May fishout at Lahontan Reservoir on Saturday May 17. This will be the third year of the club fishing for white bass, wipers and walleye. As this fishout has been one of the most successful fishouts for actually catching fish, the club has invited the High Sierra Fly Casters to join them. Anglers will meet at the Silver Springs Boat Ramp between 9:30 and 10:00 AM and then travel a short distance to Beach 4 or Beach 9.

To access the State Park from the junction of Highway 50 and hwy 95 at Silver Springs, travel south on Highway 95, 2.82 miles to Fir Street and turn left, traveling 1.6 miles to the Park entrance. You will encounter an entrance fee booth .3 miles into the Park. The day use fee is \$5.00 per vehicle. the camping fee is \$10 per vehicle per night. After paying your fee follow the signs, generally staying to the right to the Silver Springs Boat ramp. From there the club members will travel south to Beach 4 or north to Beach 9 to fish.

The fishing is easy. Most anglers will be fishing with sinking lines and wooly buggers and beetles. Some anglers who want to chase carp on the surface will want to bring their dry fly rods and flies. The two clubs will provide lunch of hot dogs, salads and soft beverages. The water is low with the reservoir being lower than half capacity. The boat ramps are closed. We expect the fish to be concentrated and easy to catch. Any questions can be directed to Mike Sevon, the fish master for this outing. His phone number is 423-4088. E-mail inquiries can be directed to mikesevonphotos@yahoo.com.



Events Calendar

May 2008

Sat 17th

Lake Lahontan Fishout (see website or May newsletter article)

Tue 20th

Full Moon

Tue 27th

Board Meeting

Wed 28th

General Meeting

June 2008

Wed 18th

Full Moon

Sun 22nd

Davis Lake Fishout

Tues 24th

BOD Meeting

Wed 25th

General Meeting—Evening Rise
at Sparks Marina (watch website for updates)

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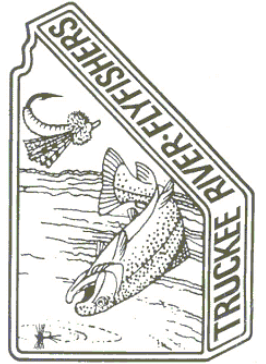
NOTE:

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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May 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Lahontan Fishout
18	19	20 	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 BOD Meet- ing	28 General Meeting	29	30	31