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The Fisherman's Line

**September Meeting, Tuesday September 24th,
7:30pm @ Harper Jr. High School
The Fly Fishers of Davis Presents:**

The Nigiri Project: Restoring Salmon Populations by Reintroducing Young Salmon onto Winter-flooded Rice Fields



Jacob Katz is director of CalTrout's Salmon and Steelhead Initiative. He is a PhD candidate at the UC Davis Center for Watershed Sciences and a leader in developing innovative approaches to conservation of California's native fish species. Jacob is primary investigator at the Nigiri Project and will be presenting on the topic. Nigiri is a form of sushi with a slice of fish atop a compact wedge of rice. The "Nigiri Project" is the name of a collaborative effort between farmers and researchers to help restore salmon populations by reintroducing young salmon onto winter-flooded rice fields. These "surrogate wetlands" mimic the floodplain rearing habitat used historically by young salmon which has been largely eliminated by the development of the Central Valley. Spearheaded by CalTrout and Cal Marsh and Farm, this public/private partnership is demonstrating the multiple benefits of integrating conservation practices into working agricultural landscapes on the largest connected floodplain of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, the 60,000-acre Yolo Bypass.

The Prez Sez

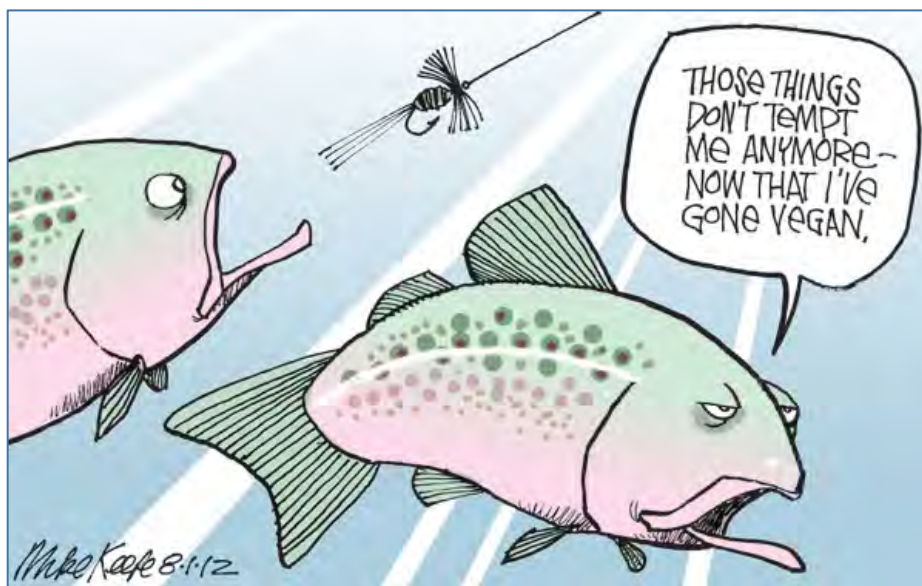
By Bob Brodberg

I hope you had a great summer and found time to fish. I didn't fish enough and look forward to making up for lost fish on fall outings. I am happy to report that we had a great time and great weather for the Old Fogies outing this year. We caught fish in clear, low, slow water and some were surprisingly large. Our August picnic at Silveyville was also a fun get-together. We had more than enough delicious food and good conversation. Thanks to all who helped out and participated.

We have received several ideas for new outings and fishmeisters for next year. If you have ideas for other day trips please contact me or Dana Hooper.

Check out the fall outings.

Bob



Cartoon: Mike Keefe, August 2012

The 2013 CalTrout Photo Contest

It's time to vote!

Click here to see the finalists and cast your vote.

Vote now! The voting period ends on September 30th.

Vote for the BEST PHOTO



WILL YOU BE A WINNER?



The 2013 CalTrout Photo Contest received over 200 entries! We were inspired by the quality of photos reflecting the beautiful waters and fish across the state. The judges have narrowed the field of photos down to 25 finalists. Now it's your turn to [vote for your favorite](#). **Some of our members are finalists!!**



Annual Striperfest, Saturday, November 16th

Our annual striper fishing outing on the Delta will be November 16. We ask that members with boats sign up to take a landlocked member out for the day. If you do not have a partner, we will arrange it. Generally we have 4-6 boats. Start time is up to you (generally shortly after sunrise). We go for dinner at Fosters in Rio Vista afterwards, again up to you. We will keep in touch by phone during the day and share info. A good time is had by all. Sign up for striper fishing at the meeting in Sep (or even Oct) - designate whether you have a boat or not. Only expense is sharing launch and gas. **Donn Erickson**

Meeting Schedule

The meeting schedule has been tentatively set for the next few months. Kurt Arens is the program chair - let him know if you like the program speakers or if you have ideas for one.

Fly Fishers of Davis 2013-14 Meeting Schedule			
MONTH	SPEAKER	DATE	TOPIC
September	Jacob Katz	September 24	CalTrout projects
October	Hogan Brown	October 29	Local Warm Water
November	Jeff Bright	November 26	BC Steelhead
December	Club Members	December 24	Home Grown
January	Carlo Bonjio	January 28	Mendo/Sonoma Coast Steelhead

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Except where noted, all meetings will take place at Harper Jr. High School

Fly Fishing Film Tour Comes to Redding, CA on October 26, 2013



Join Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers and The Fly Shop of Redding, CA when they present the two-hour Fly Fishing Film Tour (F3T), bringing the spirit of outdoor adventure and culture to the greater Redding area, at the Cascade Theatre on October 26, 2013 at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6 PM).

Raffle prizes awarded during the showing at the Cascade Theatre include a 50-bottle collection of Napa and Sonoma wines, a fly fishing kayak, fly fishing excursions and much, much more!!

Tickets may be purchased at The Fly Shop, 4140 Churn Creek Rd, Redding, or the Cascade Theatre Box Office at www.cascadetheatre.org. For more information go to www.flyfilmtour.com

CAEP/SALMON IN THE CLASSROOM UPDATE

Your club currently supports 48 classrooms in 25 different schools in 8 Yolo County cities in the Department of Fish and Wildlife's Classroom Aquarium Education Program (CAEP), also known as Salmon in the Classroom. We supply the teachers with all the necessary equipment, including a 10 gallon aquarium and a chiller to keep the water cold, and we bring salmon and/or steelhead eggs to each classroom at the appropriate time so the students can hatch and raise them to the point the fry can be released back into their river of origin. The program is used for science, math, and writing instruction, and it's become very popular.



Following our club policy to gradually expand our support of the CAEP program, this fall we expect to sponsor 14 new teachers for the required in-service training provided by the Department of Fish and Wildlife at the Nimbus Fish Hatchery on September 21, 2013. In addition, as a result of discussions with the Putah Creek Council regarding their interest in recruiting additional teachers in the Winters area, we expect more teachers will attend the teacher training in January 2014. The club annually has budgeted \$1000 to support this program, but due to this show of increased interest the Board at its meeting on September 3 allocated an additional \$1000.



We support classrooms from kindergarten through high school - the program can be tailored to them all. Teachers often let us know of their success and the enthusiasm of the students for the program. As a way to publicize the enthusiasm of the students for the program, and to give credit to the work the teachers do in developing curriculum and teaching materials and managing

the program in the classroom, the Davis Enterprise intends to do a story on the program this fall, focusing on the delivery of salmon eggs by club volunteers and using photos and interviews with teachers and students to tell the story. Look for the story sometime before the end of the year.

If you ever want to pitch in, volunteers are always welcome, particularly when we assemble the aquarium setups and egg delivery occurs. If you are interested, let Adney Bowker or Jack Norlyn know. Their contact information can be found on the last page of this newsletter.

**Fly Fishers of Davis
Fly 101 Class**

**Class Times are 7pm – 9pm
UCD Horticulture Room**

Date	Topic
Wed Sept 18	Reading Waters and Locating Fish
Wed Sept 25	Indicator and Dry Fly Techniques

ALASKA FISHING TRIP 2014!



July 29 - August 5 2014

(Date is set at this time based on best time to fly)

This is prime time for Silver Salmon, Sockeye Salmon and Halibut. You will also have a chance at Pink Salmon, King Salmon, Trout and Dolly Varden, conventional and fly fishing expect to do both. Trip includes 7 nights lodging and 6 days guided fishing, 2 days of Halibut fishing in the Cook Inlet, 2 days of fishing on the Lower Kenai River for Salmon all varieties, 1 day of fishing for Big Trout and Dollys on the middle Kenai River and a fly out to a wilderness area to the spawning grounds for Silvers.

The cost is \$2100 which includes lodging and guides. Accommodations are in 5 star cabins that include two large bedrooms set up with extra-long-twin or king-size comfort beds, fully equipped large kitchens, full tub/shower bathrooms, large living area, color TVs, and a huge front covered deck, along with kettle barbeques for "catch-of-the-day" grilling. One processed box of fish is also included and ready to take home the day you leave (other boxes can be processed at the company rate). Your airline tickets and rental car (shared w/others on trip) and food are not included.

Take a look at their web: <http://www.rodreal.com/home.html> and learn more about your guides. You can talk with Dave or Bob Yarborough who has been fishing with them for 25 years (so he will be a little biased) but can give you good info. Check us out at the Outings table or contact Dave at 707.252.8279 or email Navyskc@att.net. Come and go with us, you won't find a less expensive way to fish Alaska.

How to become a member of the Fly Fishers of Davis

Dues for adults and families are \$30/year. Student rate is \$15/year. The monthly newsletter is distributed by e-mail only. Please be sure to provide a valid e-mail address so that we can get the newsletter to you in Adobe Acrobat format. Drop this form (and a check) in the mail to Fly Fishers of Davis, P.O. Box 525, Davis, CA 95617. Or you can bring the application to the club meetings, which are held at 7:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month. For more information, contact: [John Reynolds](mailto:John.Reynolds@dcn.org) , 530-753-2682 or <mailto:jreyn@dcn.org> – **Membership Chair**

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Occupation _____ e-mail: _____

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Our club is only as great as its members, so please **circle one or more** of the following areas where you could share your expertise.

Annual Picnic, Annual Dinner, Guest Speakers, Putah Creek Cleanup, Membership, Budget, Conservation, Newsletter, Communications, Outings, Marketing, Youth Programs, Salmon in the Classroom, Education.

Please also **circle** if you would like to **teach, assist, or attend** any of our classes in **Rod building, Fly Tying, or Casting.**

For insurance reasons, you must be a current club member to attend any of our outings

CONSERVATION REPORT

By Lowell Ashbaugh

Conservation Mailing List Want to keep up on conservation issues in between newsletters? Join the FFD Conservation email list at <http://www2.dcn.org/mailman/listinfo/ffd-conservation>.

Trinity River Water Released for Salmon In mid-July the Bureau of Reclamation proposed using up to 62,000 acre-feet of Trinity River water to augment flows in the lower Klamath River to prevent disease and another fish kill, as happened in 2002. In that year an estimated 34,000 salmon died due to low flows, high water temperatures, and inadequate habitat. This year the fall run is estimated to be 262,000 salmon. Subsequent to the BOR proposal the San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority and Westlands Water District threatened to file suit to prevent the use of water for salmon, claiming that it violated the Record of Decision on the Trinity River in that it would allow more flow than the ROD specified. They also claimed the releases would result in unusually high and cold flows in the Trinity River in August and September, conditions that these species would not experience under natural conditions, nor under the typical flow regime since Trinity River diversions began, or under the flow regimes analyzed for the ROD. Finally, they claimed the use of water for Klamath salmon would reduce the resources available to maintain water temperatures in the Trinity and Sacramento Rivers. They totally ignored the concept that Klamath salmon need cold water to survive and spawn, but instead cited supposed violations of Endangered Species Act provisions that would conveniently the San Joaquin Valley farmers and their access to the water.

The Bureau was set to start the water delivery on August 13 when the San Joaquin water agencies made good on their threat and filed a lawsuit. United States District Judge Lawrence J. O'Neill issued an injunction preventing the releases until August 13, placing the burden of proof that the water was needed on the defendants. A hearing was scheduled for August 21 to hear arguments, and Judge O'Neill lifted the restraining order the next day, allowing 20,000 acre-feet of water to be released in higher flows through September. The water agencies seized on the lower number as a victory, although that was the amount needed due to the delayed start of augmented flows.

"Neither side holds veto power over the other," O'Neill said in his ruling, referring to the competing agricultural and fishing interests. "Nevertheless, on balance, considering the significantly lower volume of water now

projected to be involved and the potential and enormous risk to the fishery of doing nothing, the court finds it in the public interest to permit the augmentation to proceed."

Water Bond Proposal Last month Senator Lois Wolk (D-Davis) introduced a \$5.6 billion water bond to provide funding for broadly supported projects to address the state's urgent water needs.

"SB 42 is a fresh approach to this bond discussion. It focuses on funding the most effective, broadly supported projects that will meet the state's most urgent water needs. At roughly half the amount of the \$11.14 billion water bond currently slated for the 2014 ballot, this proposal is much more realistic," said Wolk, Chair of Senate Governance and Finance Committee and the Select Committee on Delta Stewardship and Sustainability Committee.

Wolk's Senate Bill 42, "The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality & Flood Protection Act of 2014," provides funding for projects that provide safe drinking water to those Californians that still do not have access to this basic service, improve water supply reliability while decreasing demand on California's most stressed watershed, advance community support ecosystem restoration, and levee improvements in the Delta.

The projects funded by the bond will benefit all regions of the state. Specifically, SB 42 addresses needs for the following:

- regional water supply development around the state;
- safe and clean drinking water;
- Delta community-supported ecosystem restoration and levee enhancement in the Delta;
- funding for watershed and ecosystem projects around the state;
- support for development of groundwater and surface water storage to the extent that those facilities will provide public benefits; and
- flood protection in the Central Valley

"SB 42 will address the needs of the more than 2 million Californians who don't have access to clean drinking water, and the more than 1 million Californians who are not adequately protected from catastrophic flood risk, while at the same time addressing the crisis in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, the heart of the state's water system, a fertile agricultural region, and the largest [estuary](#) in the Western hemisphere," said Wolk, who represents four of the five counties in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. "This is a bond I believe my colleagues and voters can support."

No Natural Flows... The State Water Resources Control Board recently sent a letter addressed to ‘Diverters of Surface Water and Interested Persons’. The key point:

“For the past two years, much of California has experienced record dry and warm conditions. For 2013, the combined total precipitation for the months of January through May is the driest in about 90 years of record. Reservoir operators reported lower than average storage levels as of the end May and these storage levels will continue to decline as water is released to support municipal, agricultural and water quality needs.

“The California water rights system is designed to provide for the orderly allocation of water supplies in the event that there is not enough water to satisfy everyone’s needs. When there is insufficient water for all, water diversions are allocated in order of water right priority.

“Currently, certain water right holders primarily within the Sacramento River watershed are restricted (through a permit condition referred to as “[Term 91](#)”) from diverting water when the State and Federal Water Projects are releasing stored water to meet Delta water quality standards and in-basin entitlements. The rule of water right priority only extends to natural and abandoned flows. Stored water that is released to meet Delta objectives is neither natural nor abandoned flow. This water therefore cannot be legally taken by riparian and other users.

“Currently, a substantial portion of Delta inflow is stored water. In the late summer and fall, there will be little or no natural and abandoned flows in the Delta watershed and other stream systems.”

In other words, the water released from Shasta Dam and other storage facilities is not available to Northern California and Delta water users – it’s meant for the water agencies in the San Joaquin Valley and Southern California. How can this be that the water falling in Northern California is not allowed to be used there? Something is really wrong here!

Twin Tunnels Update A lot has happened in the last two months regarding the proposed twin tunnels to bypass the Delta with water flows to southern California. BDCP officials announced a change in tunnel routing that would put the tunnels under Staten Island, an important Sandhill Crane refuge. The Bay Delta Conservation Plan was released over a period of several weeks (you can access the final plan at <http://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-plan-0>). An economic analysis of the tunnels by Dr. David Sunding of UC Berkeley was released. Dr. Jeffrey Michael of the Economic Policy Institute at the University of the Pacific released his own benefit-cost analysis of the tunnel project and a comparison between

his analysis and that of Dr. Sunding. The Brown Administration held a number of “office hour” sessions, including some in the Delta, to answer citizen’s questions about the tunnels, and barred the media from attending or recording them. Let’s take these developments individually.

The Delta Plan consists of over 60 MB of documents, including eight chapters and fourteen appendices. You can find them at the link above, but they’re daunting. You might find it easier to read the analyses at Maven’s Notebook (<http://mavensnotebook.com>) or Restore the Delta (<http://www.restorethedelta.org/>).

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) and BDCP proposed moving the tunnels farther east from the original plan, away from the delta communities of Courtland and Walnut Grove, and would move the intake point several miles downstream. This was an attempt to show “sensitivity” to concerns raised by the original route that would have ruined farms and constricted travel in the Delta. The new route, though, goes under Staten Island, and would require many acres for construction and tunnel muck disposal. (By the way, did I mention earlier that the “tunnel muck” that would be removed while building the tunnels would amount to enough to completely cover all of the city of Davis to a depth of two feet?) Sandhill Cranes nest on Staten Island and they form bonds with their nesting location that causes them to return year after year. This location was deemed important enough by Californians that they approved a bond measure that provided \$30 million so the Nature Conservancy could purchase Staten Island in 2001 as a Sandhill Crane refuge. As a requirement of the grant funds, the Conservancy is required under the terms of a conservation easement to protect wildlife friendly agriculture. In a strange twist, the Department of Water Resources owns the easement. Normally in a situation like this, a state agency owns the land and a conservation group owns the easement to prevent the state from developing the land. While the Conservancy will not voluntarily agree to the Department of Water Resources’ proposal to locate its tunnels under Staten Island, it recognizes that DWR, as a state agency, has the legal authority to condemn the property under California’s eminent domain laws.

Dr. David Sunding’s draft Statewide Economic Report of Costs, Benefits of Bay Delta Conservation Plan indicates a net benefit to California residents of \$4.8 billion to \$5.4 billion.

According to a news release from the California Natural Resources Agency, key findings of the analysis include

the following benefits over the 50-year duration of the plan:

- Creation of 177,000 construction and habitat restoration related jobs in the Delta, resulting in \$11 billion in additional employee compensation;
- Avoidance of water shortages that could cost over 1 million jobs in counties that depend upon Delta water;
- A net increase in statewide economic activity of \$84 billion over 50 years, even after factoring in the effects of paying for the BDCP;
- Increased hiking, birding, boating and other recreation in the Delta;
- Reduced emissions of greenhouse gases.

The plan is estimated to cost about \$24 billion, including \$14 billion for construction of the tunnels to be paid for by water users and \$10 billion for habitat restoration in the Delta to come from taxpayers. A water bond to pay for some of the restoration is to be put before voters.

A net benefit in the range of \$5 billion, along with those other benefits, sounds pretty good, doesn't it? But when you examine the assumptions used to generate these benefits, they don't hold up. According to Dr. Jeffrey Michael, Director of the Business Forecasting Center and Associate Professor, Eberhardt School of Business, University of the Pacific, the Sunding report "...is not a valid benefit-cost analysis. Without even getting into some of the deficiencies in the calculation details (e.g. overestimates future water demand, discount rate is too low, etc.), it suffers from three fatal structural flaws. While the consultants are very capable economists, their report contains these flaws and ridiculous assumptions for the simple reason that the Delta tunnels cannot be economically justified without them. Below is my summary of the three big structural flaws.

"1. The \$15 billion Delta tunnels must be subject to a separate analysis. BDCP invalidly ties environmental restoration projects together with the tunnels into a bundle, although these conservation projects could be pursued without the tunnels. The principles of benefit-cost analysis, and the state's own guidelines are crystal clear here, the tunnels must be justified independently.

"2. The BDCP analysis compares the project to a single ridiculous alternative, where export water supplies are cut another 25% below the current restrictions in the biological opinions. While this might be an extreme scenario to bracket the analysis, and some environmental groups support such restrictions, it is disingenuous to portray it as the most likely outcome in the absence in the BDCP. This is particularly true since the water contractors and the state Department of Water Resources

are saying that the current biological opinions are too restrictive and unjustified by science, and they even won the last skirmish in court on this issue. The Department of Water Resources can only argue that this is the most likely outcome if they think that the science and law supports an additional 25% cut in water exports, a position that is in direct conflict with the stance they have taken in federal court for years. BDCP has to take this contradictory position to economically rationalize the tunnels since spending \$15 billion on tunnels that don't increase water supply rather obviously doesn't make economic sense.

"The EIR (environmental impact report) uses a completely different no-action alternative, a continuation of the current biological opinions, which can be justified. Using this more realistic baseline as the basis for comparison, the tunnels fail the benefit-cost test by a wide margin. I demonstrated this last summer, and the state's consultant, Dr. Sunding, acknowledged this in response to a question at the Metropolitan Water District.

"In addition to an alternative that continues current regulations, the tunnels should also be analyzed against a set of no-tunnel BDCP alternatives. These would include options focused on seismic levee upgrades, as the Delta Protection Commission has advocated, and would include a version of the delta corridors plan which is the through-delta alternative discussed in the EIR. These no-tunnel alternatives would be BDCP alternatives, meaning they would convey the same regulatory assurances to the contractors under the Endangered Species Act as the state's preferred project with the tunnels. They would contain the environmental restoration elements of BDCP, so the environmental benefits of restoration would cancel each other out, and the benefit-cost analysis would focus squarely on the tunnels.

"3. The BDCP economic impact analysis does not place an economic value on the most important environmental impacts, particularly the endangered and threatened fish species that are driving the entire conflict. This issue is critically important here, because the BDCP economic analysis uses a no-tunnel alternative that is an environmental activists dream, it is very likely to be more beneficial to the fish than the BDCP plan. The BDCP statewide economic impact analysis makes an assumption to boost water supplies to increase water supply benefits, but does not account for the environmental cost on the other side of the ledger.

"Valuing the environment is a sticky and controversial issue, but it is an issue that must be addressed. You can't just waive your hands and ignore the economic value of recovering fish populations like this recent BDCP

economic report. In this context, I think the best approach is to define alternatives that are expected to deliver roughly equivalent environmental benefits. Fortunately, this is possible to do for the tunnels, since the BDCP EIR analysis basically says that the tunnels alone provide no net benefit for fish relative to the current biological opinions. In other words, ignoring the environmental effects could be justified if the current biological opinions are used as the baseline for comparison, as they are in the EIR. Following the structure of the EIR is also highly desirable to maintain consistency across the various reports. That is the approach that I took in the benefit-cost white paper I put out last summer. The bottom line is that if the BDCP is going to use a baseline alternative that is more protective of fish than the tunnels, it is imperative that the value of those fisheries is explicitly included when they weigh benefits and costs.”

Here is a comparison between the BDCP (Sunding’s) economic benefits versus Dr. Michael’s cost-benefit analysis (amounts in \$million):

	Michael (7/2012)	BDCP (5/2013)	Difference
Export Water Supply	3,916	15,722 to 16,642	11,806 to 12,726
Export Water Quality	2,328	1,819 to 1,789	-509 to -539
Earthquake Risk Reduction	866	470 to 364	-396 to -502
Environmental Benefits/Costs	0	Not Estimated*	NA (0)
Tunnel Costs (Capital, O&M)	-12,310	-13,328 to -13,343	1,018 to 1,033
In-Delta and Upstream Impacts	-1,173	Not Estimated*	NA (-1,173)
Net Benefits (\$ millions)	-6,374	4,684 to 5,452	11,058 to 11,826
Benefit-Cost Ratio		0.53	1.35 to 1.41

*Both of the values not estimated in BDCP chapter 9 analysis would be very negative, because of the assumption used to create large water supply benefits for the tunnels.

The BDCP analysis shows a huge economic benefit from the tunnels by comparing them to an assumed 25% cut in water exports if the tunnels are not built. If this cut actually occurred, though, there would be a huge increase in fishery and in-Delta benefits that Dr. Sunding does not account for (it would amount to a decrease in the “build

tunnels” scenario). Dr. Michael used the BDCP EIR own estimates of water supply without the tunnels.

In March, 2012, California Natural Resources Secretary John Laird and Deputy Secretary of Interior David Hayes committed themselves to making sure that the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) to build the peripheral tunnels was an “open and transparent” process. “Our agencies are taking actions to ensure a fair, open and transparent process, and the opportunity for input by all interested parties in the development of this plan to address the future of California’s Bay Delta and water supply,” they wrote in a letter to then State Senator Michael J. Rubio, who in February resigned from office in order to take a “government affairs” position at Chevron.

The BDCP has begun a series of “office hours” in the Delta to address questions and concerns of Delta residents. The meetings are advertised as open to the public. Unfortunately, the people sent to answer questions seem to have been hired off the street without any knowledge whatsoever regarding the BDCP. Check out <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uibVyBt1YFM> for an example. Even more astounding, Central Valley Business Times reporter Gene Beley attended the meeting in Brentwood on September 3 and was told by Department of Water Resources (DWR) personnel that no press was allowed, even though it was a public agency in a public setting. You can see a video he shot at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X75_29xUiGc. More outreach will be available at the Walnut Grove Library on Tuesday, September 17 from 2-6 p.m., Saturday, September 14 at the Courtland Library from 1-5 p.m. and Thursday, September 12 at the Clarksburg Library from 3-7 p.m. It might be entertaining to go ask some basic questions, but don’t expect any answers.



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Old Fogies Outing

By Bob Brodberg

Seven Old Fogies hiked in to the Splinterville camp site in Silver King Valley this year. We had excellent weather and good fishing for the challenging low and clear water conditions. We caught a nice assortment of rainbows and browns on dry flies and soft hackles. We fished up to Dumont Meadows, back into the Carson River Canyon, and up Silver King Creek. While most fish were 6-10 inches, a few were 12, and Arlen caught a couple even larger. Some of us stayed up late to catch some meteors. Join us next year.



Old Fogies Sunset



Seven Old Fogies 2013



Arlen has a nice rainbow on the fly



Crossing Grays at the East Carson River

Tributaries of the Columbia River, Oregon

Photos by Phil Reedy



David at the Crooked River



David at the Upper Deschutes



Sam, David, Phil and Andan, Headwaters of the Metolious



David with ready to set the hook on the Crooked River

Newsletter items wanted

This newsletter relies on club members to provide content. For the most part this has worked out really well, as the board members usually provide enough material to fill it. Occasionally, though, your editor realizes there is a lot more material out there. This is especially the case with photos and fish stories. I'm sure many of you have something interesting to say, and probably have some photos that other members would enjoy. You don't have to be a talented writer to write up a paragraph or two about our experiences (see past issues for proof of this...) so please take a few minutes to write up your recent trip and send it along with a couple of photos to the editor. You can find the editor's contact information at the end of the newsletter. Hint – click on the name to send and email.

Upper Kenai River- Cooper Landing, Alaska

Photos by Dana and Lyn Hooper



Go Lyn... Go Ducks!



Dana with a big Dolly Varden



Those pesky Salmon



Another nice one for Lyn

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Book of the Month

By Jim Luschwitz

“Lee Wulff”

By Jack Samson

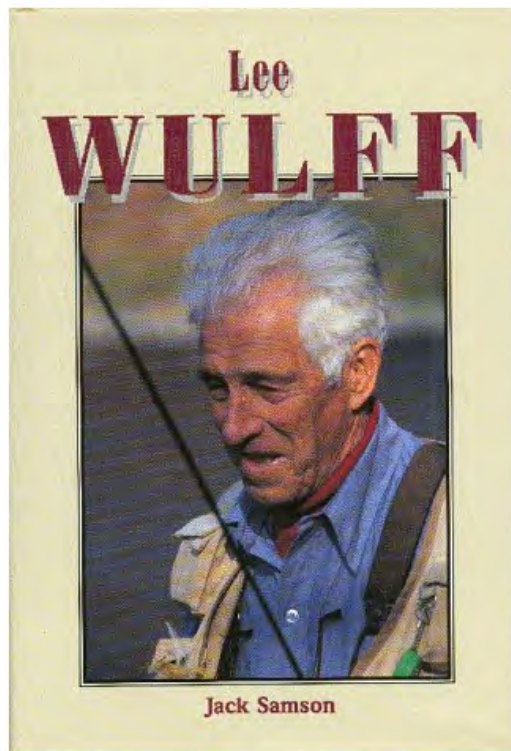
Every fly fisherman has heard of Lee Wulff and of course, the Wulff series of flies. And even if you had the opportunity to meet him and carry on a conversation or two, I doubt you would really know him. Much less have the depth of information in the **Lee Wulff** book.

What a life he led. Obviously a passionate man, with a fine mind, trained as an engineer, he not only fished everywhere for everything he could, but worked to improve many of the aspects of fly fishing as well. Besides the flies, he invented what is now the Orvis Battenkill reel. He designed the triangle taper line, which for those who need to roll cast, is a dream. His only failure it seems was a mold injected fly body. But the concept is interesting.

More than anything else, Lee Wulff will be remembered for his love for Atlantic Salmon. The fight to preserve Atlantic Salmon spanned his first exposure to them in the 1930's to see world-wide recognition of their importance before his death in 1991.

A pioneer in aviation as well, Lee explored great reaches of Labrador, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia alone in a tiny, single engine aircraft, in search of places to fish Atlantic Salmon. He set up

the first fishing camps for Atlantics, wrote his own scripts for outdoor films, worked for most of the major companies of the time, and found time to write for many publications - as well as authoring a few books. And founding the Federation of Fly Fishers.



Author Jack Samson's approach to this book is to base it on a time line. Here is what was happening in the world at the same given time Lee did this or that. It keeps things in perspective, and also allows the reader to connect with the story as a whole. Nicely done! I have a personal sadness about the book. As famous as Lee Wulff was, and recognised as an authority on Atlantic Salmon, the battle for the survival of the salmon took an incredibly long time. Lee Wulff was the man who said, "A gamefish is too valuable to only catch once." A promoter of Catch and Release when many areas had no lack of fish. The handwriting was on the wall for Lee. It has taken the rest of the world much too long to see it. Unfortunately, he never took up the cause of the Pacific Salmon!

Read **Lee WULFF**, you will have a new appreciation of this man's willingness to stand up for what he thought was right. Besides that, he had some fantastic adventures. They are in there too.



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2013 & 2014

Trip 2013	Fish		Dates	Fishmeister	Contact	Comments
Lake Davis	Trout		Sept 19-22	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Camping may be issue
Payne Ranch	Smallies		12-Oct	John Reynolds	530-753-2682	Day trip
Lower Sac Float	Trout	Guided	Oct 17-19	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	\$170per day +tip
Lower Scotts Flat	Trout	Floatation	26-Oct	John Lynch	707-446-3610	Min 8 fishers
Trinity	Steelhead	Guided	Oct 31- Nov 1	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	\$340 + tip
Striper Fest 2013	Stripers		Nov 16th	Donn Erickson	707-718-7724	Share gas with Boat
Luk Lake	Trout/bass	Boat	Dec 6-7	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Rentals available \$120
Trip 2014	Fish		Dates	Fishmeister	Contact	Comments
Trinity 2014	Steelhead	Guided	Jan 7-8	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	\$340 + tip
Amador	Trout		Feb 8 sat	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Day use fee
Lower Yuba	Trout		TBD	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Flow Dependant
Baum Lake	Trout		Feb27-March 2	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Camping
Annual Dinner			March 8th			
Putah Creek	Trout		TBD	Steve Karr	sk60@putahcreek	
Lower Sac Float	Trout	Guided	April 9,10,11,12	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	\$170per day +tip
Pyramid	Trout		TBD	Jon Knapp	530-756-9056	
Lower Yuba UCD Property	Trout		TBD	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Total 15
Hat Creek	Trout		May 16-18	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Fly 101 Camping
Sac River Shad	Shad		May	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	
Payne Ranch	Smallies		May	John Reynolds	530-753-2682	Day trip
McCloud River	Trout		June/July	Gene Gnatt	707-451-3262	Camping
Lake Davis	Trout		June	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Camping may be issue
Fuller Lake	Trout		TBD	Lowell Ashbaugh	530-758-6722	Day trip
Lewiston	Trout		July	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Camping
Old Fogeys Trip	Trout		Aug	Bob Brodberg	530-756-9071	
Lake Davis	Trout		Sept	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Camping may be issue
Payne Ranch	Smallies		Oct	John Reynolds	530-753-2682	Day trip
Lower Sac Float	Trout		Oct	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	\$170per day +tip
Trinity 2014	Steelhead		Oct-Nov	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	\$170per day +tip
Striper Fest 2014	Stripers		Nov 16th	Donn Erickson	707-718-7724	Share gas with Boat
Luk Lake	Trout/bass		Dec	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Rentals available \$120 day

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