

Fly Fishers of Davis<http://www.FlyFishersofDavis.org>

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The Fisherman's Line

October Meeting, Tuesday October 29th, 7:30pm @ Harper Jr. High School The Fly Fishers of Davis Presents:

Warm Water Fly Fishing: A Primer introducing anglers to the 3 major species of warm water fish Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, and Carp.

Hogan Brown talks about the fish behavior, habitat, and how those play into an anglers basic approach when fishing for these fish. The idea of this presentation is to give anglers an over view of the options found in warm water and motivate them to try a new style of angling outside of trout/steelhead fishing.



Hogan began fly fishing from an early age virtually growing up on the banks of the North Fork and Lower Yuba rivers. He began hitch hiking the 5 miles from his house to the Lower Yuba River with a fly rod in hand in Junior High school. He has chased trout and steelhead in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Saskatchewan, British Columbia, and Alberta provinces in Canada. Far from being a trout snob, Hogan has spent considerable time fishing for largemouth, smallmouth, and striped bass and carp on a fly! Hogan has become one of the leading innovators in warm water fly fishing in Northern California. Just as passionate about fly tying, Hogan has developed a unique approach to tying bass, carp, steelhead, and trout flies with the sierra foothills

and the CA central valley as his testing ground. Hogan blends many different styles with his own unique approach to create innovative flies for catching bass, carp, steelhead, and trout. Hogan is a contract tier for Idylwilde Fly Co. and has over 40 patterns under commercial production. Hogan began guiding the North Fork and Lower Yuba Rivers when he graduated from high school and eventually relocated to Chico to attend Chico State. Hogan is also the Marketing Director of the non-profit Cast Hope, which is geared at growing the sport of fly fishing by taking out youth on free guided trips,



providing free clinics, and free equipment to remove the barriers that keep kids from getting outdoors and fly fishing. With two young boys and a full guide schedule on the Lower Yuba River, Lower Sacramento River, and Feather River along with various bass and carp water and small streams and rivers outside of Chico Hogan stays plenty busy. Hogan is also a published author with articles appearing in both Northwest Fly Fishing and Southwest Fly Fishing Magazine along with Saltwater Fly Fishing Magazine and California Fly Fisher.

The Prez Sez

By Bob Brodberg

Fall fishing is here, time to think about trout, striper, and steelhead. We have outings coming up, join one. Consider volunteering as a Fishmeister. Our club has offered a schedule of great outings for many years thanks to dedicated Fishmeisters. Some of them are ready to organize fewer outings in the future. They won't stop fishing – just organizing. This is a good time to step-up, organize an outing and take a few club members along. It doesn't have to be a big group or multi-day fishout. Thanks to Jim Lynch for organizing his first outing. If you would like to give it a try please contact me or Dana Hooper.

Check out the upcoming outings.

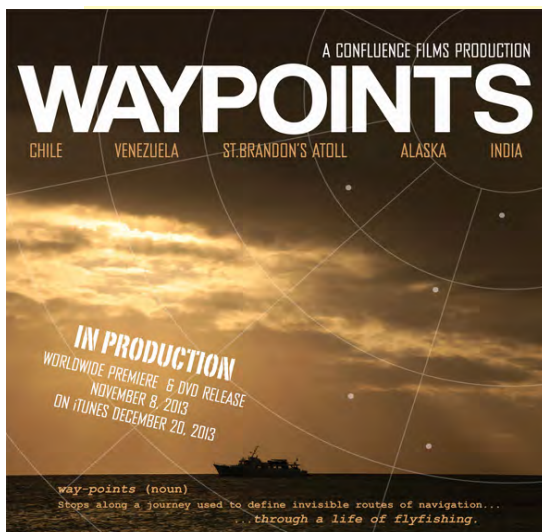
See you at the meeting.

Bob



"I gave up steelheading. Last time out some Spey guys showed up with their long rods and made me feel well... inadequate."

Cartoon: Gene Trump



[\(click to view trailer\)](#)

Join Kiene's Fly Shop at the Worldwide Premiere of **WAYPOINTS**, an incredible travel-logue style fishing film that truly showcases not only the fly fishing lifestyle, but the journey itself as seen through the eyes of anglers.

Location: Guild Theater, 2828 35th Street, Sacramento
When: Friday, November 8, 2013 at 7:00 pm
Cost: \$13.00/\$15 at the door. Benefits go to WNTI

Stop by Kiene's Fly Shop for your tickets.

Sponsored by: Yellow Dog, SIMMS, HATCH, YETI Coolers, Costa



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
October	Hogan Brown	October 29	Warm Water Fly Fishing
November	Jeff Bright	November 26	BC Steelhead
December	Club Members	December 10	Home Grown
January	Carlo Bonjio	January 28	Mendo/Sonoma Coast Steelhead

*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

Fly Tying Corner

By Cary Boyden (Luk Lake)

What started as a fill-in a few years back has become a Club annual outing: namely Luk Lake. A pay-to-play trip to Corning, the timing (early December) comes at a time of limited other options, the week day or weekend option offers an opening for all Club members with floating objects, the price is not a killer and the chance for some nice trout (and bass and pan fish for those who target them) is always present. A nice benefit for the Friday crowd who are seniors (pretty much all) is the chance to go up early and enjoy half off night at the casino buffet (and the chance to challenge the odds for those so inclined).

Effective flies at Luk include the usual suspects: buggers, pts, copper johns, hares ears, ice cream cones and other standard midges etc. Last year to add a little variety I decided to pull out my old Iron Canyon standbys of what I call the Iron Canyon Special and a fluorescent orange San Juan Worm. Both worked quite well. This particular article will discuss further the former and a similar fly I will try this year.

Iron Canyon Special

Materials:

hook: 14 or 16 standard wet fly hook
 (I like the Daiichi 1530 but a 3761 etc works as well)
 thread: black
 tail: hen back, partridge, some other similar item
 body: black squirrel dubbing (really nice buggy stuff)
 rib: small or extra small copper wire
 thorax: black squirrel dubbing
 bead: copper to size of hook



Process:

1. Pinch down barb, slide on bead wider opening first
2. Wrap wire to bend, tie in tail, dub body and tie up to where thorax will start.
3. Rib to same point and tie off wire. Dub thorax and wrap.
4. Tie off and finish (I like to use Loctite brush on super glue on thread and wrap and let set a few seconds before cut off).

Note: Greg Dean, a Fly Shop Guide, showed me this fly many years ago after I watched his clients land over 100 fish on it in less than 2 hours.

Black Assassin

Materials:

hook: same or my choice is a 16 or 18 Daiichi 1760 2x heavy
 thread: black
 tail: short tail of either black or grey marabou
 body: black squirrel or other black dubbing
 rib: extra small copper wire
 thorax: peacock or Arizona peacock dubbing (my choice)
 bead: black to hook size
 legs: partridge feather (very small and I omit on 18s)



Process:

1. Pinch down barb, slide on bead wider opening first
2. Wrap wire to bend, tie in tail, dub and wrap body leaving room for thorax.
3. Wrap rib to end of body and tie off wire, take partridge and evenly cut out center portion, tie in so fairly even on both sides and adjust so tips not beyond bend.
4. Dub and tie in thorax and finish.

Note: this fly is apparently a Crowley Lake pattern which seems to work in numerous locales and this particular tie is, I believe, unique to me

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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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>.

Public Comment Period for BDCP The public comment period for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan has been set for 120 days beginning November 15, 2013. The 25,000 page BDCP is currently being formatted and reviewed for the formal public comment period, although the federal government shutdown may push back the release date. When it becomes available you can find the plan at <http://baydeltaconservationplan.com/Home.aspx>. Draft documents are already available if you want to get a head start. Please submit comments if you have them!

Pebble Mine analog at the Smith River? A multinational conglomerate based in London has applied for the rights, water, and permits to strip-mine nickel near Baldface Creek in Oregon, which flows into the Smith River. The land is just beyond the refuges created over decades by Federal, State, and local leaders to protect the Smith, the last remaining river in California without storage or diversion dams.

The plans are based on the Mining Law 1872, which allows mining companies to claim public land for a nominal fee and subsequently mine without regard for water quality rules. It's possible to stop this action, and Oregon's senators are supportive of protecting the Smith River. Watch for actions you can take to help make this happen.

Delta Science Plan available The proposed final draft of the Delta Science Plan is now posted and available at the Delta Stewardship Council website. The Delta Science Plan is the first element of a three-part planning, implementation, and reporting strategy that also includes developing a Science Action Agenda and producing an updated synthesis of the current scientific knowledge, The State of Bay-Delta Science. It "addresses how to determine what science needs to be done in an open and transparent way, how it can be done most effectively and efficiently, and how it can best be made available to those who need to use it." Find it at

http://deltacouncil.ca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/files/Delta%20Science%20Plan_Proposed_Final_Draft_final_final_10-17-13.pdf

Shasta River Salmoncam Four years ago Carson Jeffres talked to our club about salmonids restoration in the Shasta River. The Nature Conservancy has had a lot of success at Shasta Big Springs Ranch since then – you can see it with a live webcam. Read about the project and

check out the webcam from the Cool Green Science blog here: [Salmon Cam: A Live Look at Migrating Fish](#).

Independent Review of BDCP American Rivers and The Nature Conservancy released a review of the March 2013 draft of the BDCP conducted by a panel including Jeff Mount, William Fleenor, and others. They relied on simulations conducted by BDCP consultants and cautioned that their conclusions depended on the project being operated as simulated. Some of their conclusions are:

- Operational flexibility is increased with two points of diversion but "export operations are highly constrained by upstream consumptive uses, regulations that cover reservoir operations, and flow and water quality standards. This greatly limits the anticipated benefit associated with operation of the dual facilities. Despite these limitations, as modeled, there is an increase in exports in wet years. In most dry years there are no substantial changes over No Action Alternative conditions."
- The Effects Analysis identifies the most significant effects and impacts, and identifies multiple mitigation strategies, all of which have high uncertainties. " ... Done well and successfully, however, they appear to offset the losses associated with operation of the North Delta facility. The High Outflow Scenario appears most protective of conditions upstream of the Delta and adjacent to the new facility. However, mitigation actions are unlikely to contribute significantly to recovery of these species. Additionally, successful mitigation is likely to occur only if there is a robust adaptive management and real-time operations program. The Plan provides neither."
- The benefits from floodplain and tidal marsh restoration are uncertain for smelt: "...Based on simple modeling and comparison with other systems, we find that restored floodplains and tidal marshes are unlikely to make a significant contribution to smelt rearing habitat conditions. Tidal marshes can be sinks or sources of food, with most appearing to be sinks for zooplankton. The Plan appears to be too optimistic about the benefits of tidal marsh and floodplain restoration." The panel acknowledged there are broad benefits for other species covered in the Plan.
- The governance structure, as proposed, is not likely to be effective: "We found that, when examined in detail, the draft BDCP blurs the lines between implementation and regulation and grants the permittees unusual decision authority. Additionally, the regulatory assurances in the Plan, especially the "no-surprises" policy, place undue financial responsibilities on the state and federal governments if certain modifications to the Plan become necessary during its 50-year term."

Due to the Delta's complexity, modifications are likely to be needed.

- The governance structure also creates disincentives for adaptive management: *“We found that the governance structure, whereby the AEG may exercise veto authority over changes to the biological objectives and conservation measures, is likely to create disincentives for adaptive management. In addition, a proposed consensus-based Adaptive Management Team made up of POG, AEG, and scientific community members creates conflicting relationships between decision-makers and providers of key information.”* The panel also notes that it appears the BDCP intends to create its own science program, instead of integrating with other existing programs.

Risk Shifting by BDCP Chapter 8 of the BDCP suggests taxpayers might have to pay even more for BDCP environmental benefits. Apparently, this means that taxpayers may have to purchase water from irrigation districts north of the delta if it's needed to increase flows through the delta and out through San Francisco Bay. Meanwhile, flows through the tunnels would be maintained to provide water the users south of the delta. In other words, if the operating parameters of the tunnels are not allowing habitat improvement or species recovery in the delta they won't be altered. Instead we'll all have to pay more to buy water from upstream to flush the delta. The risk is not on the southern California water users, but is entirely on the taxpayers and delta water users. This risk shifting is not properly accounted for in economic assessments of the BDCP to date.

Federal Officials question funding of BDCP Northern California Congressional leaders have sent a letter to Department of the Interior Secretary Sally Jewell with questions regarding federal financing for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan. Among the questions (summarized):

- How much money has the department spent on the BDCP and who has received it?
- Given the realities of funding limitations proposed by both the House and the Senate has the department discussed the proposed funding needed for BDCP and whether the federal government can meet those needs?
- Will there be a drop in funding levels for other critical water supply and fish and wildlife habitat programs in coming years? If not, do you expect to have budgetary flexibility to meet those needs as well as BDCP-related funding needs?

The legislators asked for specific details on each of these issues, and requested a meeting to discuss the responses.

Salmonid Restoration Conference

The Salmonid Restoration Federation will hold its 32nd Annual Salmonid Restoration Conference, focused on "Recovery Strategies for Coastal Salmonids" on March 19-22, 2014 in Santa Barbara, CA.

Concurrent sessions include:

- Southern California Steelhead Recovery Planning and Science
- Urban Creek Restoration
- Landscape Ecology of Pacific Salmonids
- Dam Removal
- Community Engagement for Salmonid Restoration and Recovery
- Historical Ecology of Salmonids
- Monitoring Restoration Effectiveness through Fish and Habitat Relationships
- Southern Steelhead Life Histories
- Southern and Central California Steelhead Habitat Rehabilitation from Tributaries to Estuaries

Field Tours will include: Santa Barbara urban creeks and fish passage projects, the Ventura River Parkway, a Santa Ynez River and Gaviota Coast Fish Passage Tour, and Anadromous Fisheries Restoration Projects in the Santa Clara River watershed. Workshops include: Water Conservation, Stormwater Management in a Time of Climate Change, Fish Passage Planning and Design, and a half-day workshop/tour on steelhead and beavers.

Learn more at <http://calsalmon.org/>.

Jeffrey Michael Op-Ed in the Sacramento Bee (Oct. 6, 2013) The \$25 billion Bay Delta Conservation Plan is on the brink of failure. Its proponents have been unable to show that the plan meets environmental requirements, and they have failed to develop a viable financial plan for its massive water-conveyance tunnels.

The BDCP can be saved, but only if the state drops its tunnel vision and seriously considers no-tunnel options. The plan contains 21 parts, including the water-conveyance tunnels, 19 habitat and conservation elements, and long-term operating guidelines for water exports.

Even without the tunnels, it would be a plan of historic significance. More important, the cost would decrease by \$20 billion, while the vast majority of its benefits would be preserved. Most of the benefits in the current plan are not due to the physical characteristics of the tunnels, but result from the long-term regulatory stability the plan would create.

Read the full article at:

<http://www.sacbee.com/2013/10/06/5795961/viewpoints-the-economic-case-for.html>

Dr. Michael posted a few follow-up notes on the no-tunnel BDCP on his Valley Economy Blog:

[A No-Tunnel BDCP, Optimizing Through Delta Water Conveyance](#)

News from NCCFFF

By Lowell Ashbaugh

The Northern California Council Federation of Fly Fishers is making some changes to its bylaws and Articles of Incorporation to account for changes at the Federation of Fly Fishers. The FFF is going International and will be known henceforth as the IFFF. The NCCFFF will be known as the NCCIFFF. The IFFF is also changing its fiscal year, and the NCC must change to be consistent. If you receive a ballot to vote on these changes, please return it.

Weir removed on San Francisquito Creek Several years ago the NCCFFF joined the "Remove Searsville Dam" group to advocate for removing fish barriers in the San Francisquito Creek watershed. This year a Bonde weir was removed on Creek. Much more of the creek is now available for Steelhead to use as spawning ground, although the Searsville Dam remains in place as Stanford University studies removal options.

NCCFFF opposes the BDCP The NCCFFF has signed on to a letter to state and federal agencies opposing the BDCP. "current Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) proposal, which is still in draft form. *"We oppose the current BDCP proposal because building high capacity*

tunnels to remove large amounts of fresh water from the Delta will destroy the ecosystem, the fisheries, and the agricultural economy of the Delta, and because there are more environmentally appropriate and economically feasible alternatives than those contained in the current Administrative Draft describing the BDCP proposal. There are clear alternatives that can satisfy the objectives which the current proposal is attempting to accomplish without the need to build tunnels or other conveyance around the Delta." The letter goes on to list specific objections to the BDCP and calls on a reorientation of the plan to reduce exports, increase outflows, and implement structural changes that will accomplish the goals of Delta recovery, improved water supply reliability, and reduced reliance on Delta water.

Road Rules Comments Adopted The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has adopted our recommendations on changes to the Board of Forestry road rules. This is a big win for fisheries and riparian watersheds, and results from Mike Laing's hard work, our combined efforts to support him, and his willingness to work on these complicated issues on behalf of NCCFFF. These are complicated issues that require complex efforts at Board of Forestry meetings, letters, extending efforts to consultants, coordination with BOF staff, field trips to view affected watersheds, and hundreds of e-mails. We all owe Mike a big thank you! These are changes that, if approved by the BOF, will help recover our streams and fisheries.



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Lake Davis Outing

By Tom Robinson

The weather did not participate with driving winds and rain, but the campers at Grasshopper Flat enjoyed good food, drink and conversation. When the bite occurred, 14-16" rainbows aggressively went after Whoolies, blood midge and sheeps creek. Once the 2-step pattern was figured out (1 fish, two fish, move...) we started to lose track of how many fish were landed.



We always eat well. Thanks Dana Hooper and Chris Berardi!



Tom Robinson's Rainbow caught stripping a crayfish pattern.



Dana landing one of his smaller rainbows that day.



Got it.



Kurt Arens is lovin his rainbow



Dana's average size fish that weekend

Payne-in-the-Ranch Outing

Photos by Michael Higuera



Tom Burton looking that wily 'California Wild Bass'



John Reynolds aka Fish Meister eyeing his prey.



Jim Lynch managed to catch by FAR the biggest fish that day

Day After Opening Day at Pyramid

By John Imsdahl

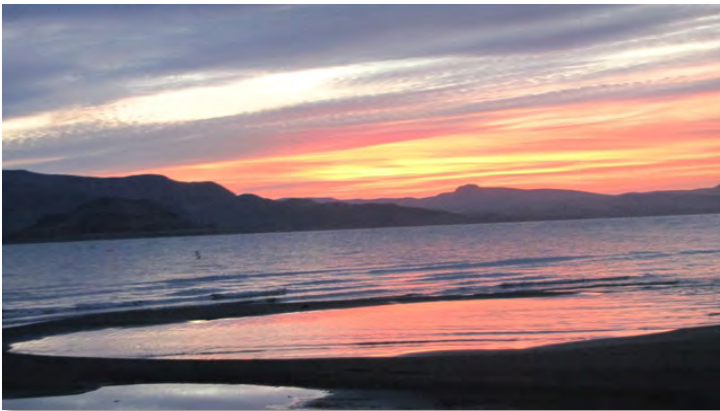
No moon (sliver)...overcast..cold...was windy...no one fishing (hardly)...5 fish in under one hour...found camera and started taking pictures. Whoolies, lime green....Green Weenie ONCE AGAIN...water is LOW...all fish revived and released



John, your holding the fish the wrong way



Measured at 22.5 inches



Beautiful Pyramid sunset



Nice fish John

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.



West Carson River

Photos by Phil Reedy



Scenic rolling hills near the Carson River



Gotta love the little wild fellas



Beautiful Fall Landscape



West Carson River Fall Colors

Mississippi Bass

Photos by Paul Berliner

Took the family back to Minneapolis in early October to visit my son, Daniel, who is just starting a new job as associate professor at the University of Minnesota. So, taking full advantage of the situation, I booked a little fly fishing drift-boat trip on the upper Mississippi, with guide John Edstrom. A gorgeous calm day on the river, about 30 miles upstream of Minneapolis. The water was calm, clear, and free from the barge traffic that you find on the lower sections of the river. Lots of hungry smallmouth bass, stripping big streamers with 8-weight rods.



Paul Berliner all smiles that day!



The Mighty Upper Mississippi



Like father like son... Daniel with a nice catch.



Daniel and guide John Edstrom of Headwaters Fly Fishing

Lower Sacramento Float Outing

Photos by FFD Members



The majestic canyons of the Lower Sacramento



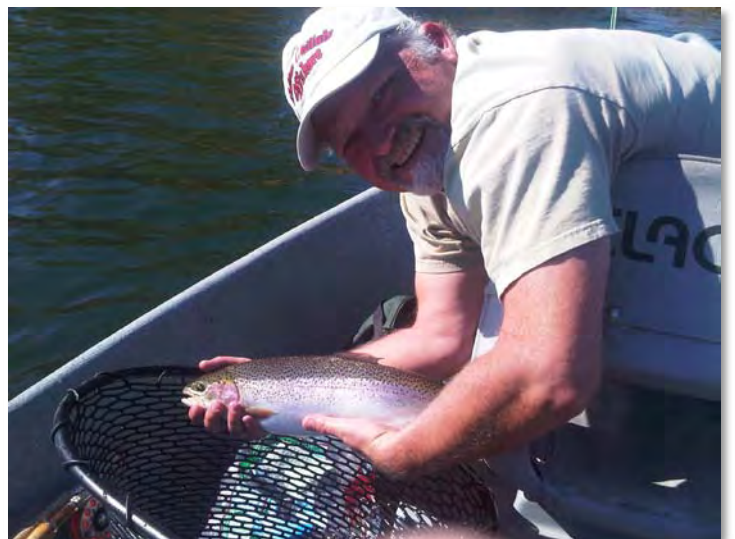
One of Paul Berliner's many rainbows that day



Bob Parks: on of the many trout he caught.



Bob Parks first cast: a Salmon! It was the wrong place so he had to break it off. But, it was exciting!!

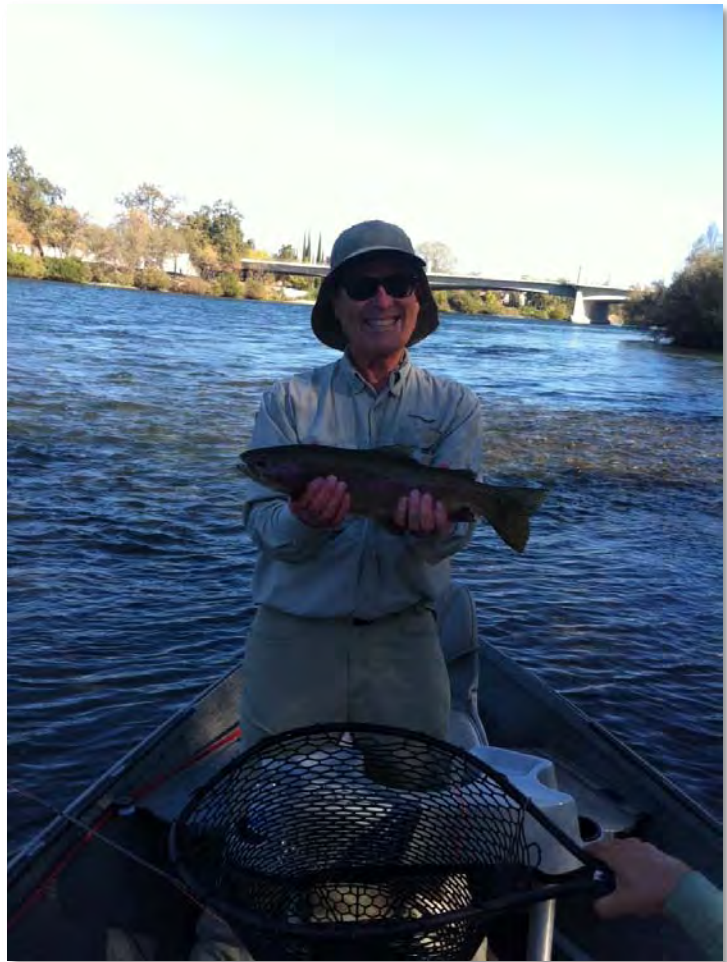




Jack Norlyn: a pretty fish and lots of sun cover for me.



Eric Kapucinski





David Martin



One of many rainbows that day.



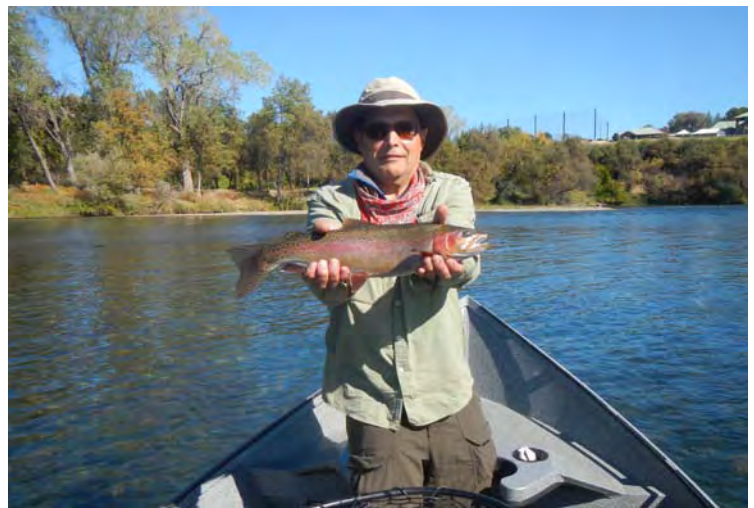
Bob Brodberg with Guide Kris Kennedy



The crowded Barge Hole



Lower Sac upstream



Michael Higuera with one of the catches that day "what a blast"



Fall colors on the Lower Sacramento River



Mark Woerner with a nice fish



Mark with Guide Chris Kennedy



Lowell Ashbaugh with one of many that day

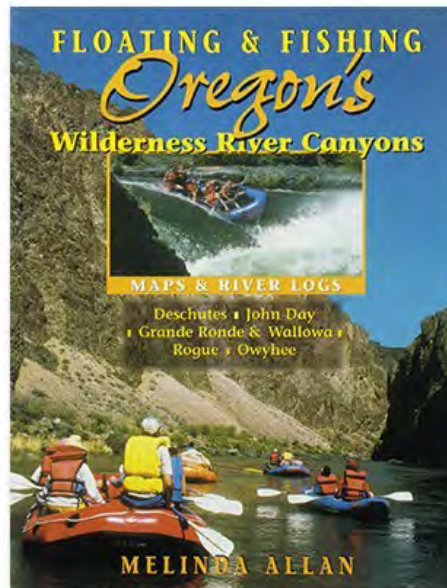
Book of the Month

By Jim Luschwitz

“Floating and Fishing Oregon’s Wilderness River Canyons”

By Melinda Allen

Floating and Fishing Oregon's Wilderness River Canyons is a great reference for anyone who has it in mind to float any of the rivers discussed which are: The Deschutes, John Day, Grande Ronde and Walolowa, Rogue and Owyhee. These rivers are all amazing, they're remote and beautiful and all of them offer fishing. As a river enthusiast I read this book looking for the kind of information that I want and need to know: river flows, launch information, permitting, gradient, length of float, rapids, difficulty, fishing information. I am used to looking for this stuff in different books and I find this one to be very thorough and well thought out. I like that the author didn't overdo it with the quantity of rivers and went berserk on the quality and depth on the rivers she chose. From clear driving directions, to where to take out and how long the trip will take at certain flows, this book covers just about everything one should know to plan a trip. There are lists of shuttle companies and their contact information for every river, one more thing I don't have to call around or surf the net to find out.



that's your only hope. I always want to know the history of a rapid and what it's known to do. The detailed descriptions of each rapid will aid any reader. There are several pictures of more difficult rapids explaining the lines and exactly how to hit them. Many of these rivers have class IV rapids and some have bigger, so it's wise to listen to whatever anyone says about hitting a certain rapid, or a rock that's known to kill, this book explains many of the more difficult ones well and will increase my chances of a safe return. There is a whole chapter on "The Basics" which is a comprehensive package. Safety is stressed throughout which I also like. Nothing can replace training and experience but anything will help and I think this book can help make the right decisions from the start. Beginners won't want to try and run Widowmaker on the Owyhee and it's good to have something that tells them that. Many excellent photographs, charts, and topographic maps will help with planning.

Running unknown water always puts butterflies in my stomach. There's no excuse for being unprepared for a situation or a rapid that could take your life and even with a book and pictures and descriptions there's no guarantee that you're going to hit that one line

The fishing is described reasonably well for each river, although the fishing on these rivers is extensively discussed elsewhere and usually not rocket science in these remote places.



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2013 & 2014

Trip 2013	Fish		Dates	Fishmeister	Contact	Comments
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@putahcreektrout.org	
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 24th	John Reynolds	530-753-2682	Day trip
McCloud River	Trout		June/July	Gene Gnat	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 11th	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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