

Prez Says from Bill Rains

The annual dinner of the Fly Fishers of Davis was by all accounts a major success. We had good attendance, good food, excellent raffle prizes and an outstanding program. There are many people that contributed to the success of the dinner. In my attempt to thank as many as can be remembered, I run the danger of leaving individuals unsung. I will do my best to give thanks where thanks are due. First, thanks to John Forsythe, Chair of the Program Committee. He kept everything together and made it happen. We very much appreciate your efforts John. Again thanks to the Whites for the quality and quantity of the food. The program was a rousing success. Bob Percy and Ron Rabun were the two individuals who put together the material documenting the Club activities; even the spouses commented on how they enjoyed the show. Bob and I would like Club members to continue to document your activities. Great job guys!

The raffle was a product of individual club member generosity and of course the generosity of local fly fishing shops, organizations and other local support groups. A special thanks to Reed Enos for his effort in keeping the raffle prizes organized and recorded. However, at the crucial time of the dinner Reed folded and his wife and son, Jeanne and John, had to take over. We still are investigating whether Reed was "sick" or a better offer came along (trip to Baja?).

And finally, of course thanks to all of the people who attended the dinner. Your purchase of raffle tickets and auction items will provide support to the educational and conservation efforts of the Fly Fishers of Davis.

Thanks again. Bill

Final Notice

2002 DUES PAYABLE

Deadline for 2002 dues is April 15th. If you don't renew, your membership will be cut up for chum. The March newsletter will be your last if dues remain unpaid as of this deadline.

DINNER DONORS

A comprehensive list of Annual Dinner donors and company supporters is contained in this newsletter. Please support these companies through purchases and use of their products.

Special thanks to the following members who directly donated the Annual Dinner

John Forsyth, Ron Rabun, John Hodgson, Bob Zasoski, Warren Caldwell, Bud Henle, Lowell Ashbaugh, Cary Boyden, Larry Pleau, Mike Hoffman, Bob Percy and any others who we may have missed.

Sugar Creek Ranch Outing Friday, May 10th

Fishmeister: Ron Rabun, 800-FLY-FSHN

We are returning to take on the BIG Bows of Sugar Creek Ranch with fishing on the Upper Sac. There several spots still available. Here's your chance to try all your still water tricks for BIG TROUT. We will finish up the day on Sugar Creek by heading back to Dunsmuir for dinner to enhance those angling stories. More info on Sugar Creek Ranch can be found at www.sugarcreekranch.com.

SPECIAL CLUB RATE: Sugar Creek Ranch special club daily rod fee through Ron is \$130 per person \$20 off the normal \$150 daily access fee. All SCR Fees are due to Ron no later than April 15th. (Ron Rabun, PO Box 45, Dunsmuir Ca 96025 or at the meeting) **3 of 8 spots left.**



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Kiene's Fly Fishing Festival

Saturday, April 20st 9 am. – 4pm.

(Fulton and Marconi around back)

All day fly tying demonstrations, products, manufacturer reps. Cast rods or even enter the Kiene Casting contest. Bill's buying hot dogs and sodas too.



NCCFFF
HALL of FAME
Annual Event



Saturday, April 13, 2002 - 9AM to 5PM

Marin Rod & Gun Club San Rafael, CA

At 6PM Begins a Festive Evening

Honoring: Dan Blanton

See more at www.nccfff.org/hof

From the FFF Club Wire ...
ARE YOU READY?

[Some additional helpful hints and a good checklist]

As we start a new season, it is time to ensure your equipment is ready for another fishing season.

FLY RODS: Wash the fly rods using water and a mild detergent and rinse the rod off in clean warm water. Clean the cork handle with an old toothbrush and toothpaste to scrub it clean.

FLY LINE: Cut old lines off my backing, clean the lines by washing them in mild soapy water, and rinse them well before drying. During this process stretch lines to take the curls and twist out. Apply

line dressing to only floating lines to protect them and to help them float. Retie all lines to backing.

LEADERS - Put all new leaders onto my lines and use knot sense. This helps the knot run smoother through the ferrules, and seals the end of the floating line so water will not wick up the end causing it to sink.

REELS : Regularly clean them thoroughly. After cleaning, apply a coating of lithium grease to all the moving parts not associated with the drag system. [Carefully follow mfg instructions on certain reels with cork drags] It is a good idea at day's end of fishing to fully back the drag off which can reduce the wear and pressure on the drag system.

FLIES: Check boxes and remove all the chewed up ones. Flies with mashed down hackles can be rejuvenated by boiling a pot of water and holding the flies over the steam. [pretreat dry flies with liquid silicon floatant then only use a 'dry shake' floatant.]

WADERS: Neoprene waders should be washed them with unscented mild soap using a soft bristle brush. Wash inside and out. For breathable waders I hand wash my waders in warm water with an unscented, mild soap. I rinse them thoroughly and hang them to dry. [It is not recommended to use any spray repellents on breathable waders. Consult mfg instructions]

[**WADING BOOTS:** Inspect and replace worn shoelaces. If you can find Kevlar laces, use them they are bullet proof. Check for loose felt and replace as necessary. Having a shoe shop do the work is more costly but having the felts sewn is superior to just gluing. Also any other seams can be repaired. Extra cost is worth it.]

(by John Jaillet of the Penticton Flyfishers of BC)



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Office conveniently located in: Kiene's Fly Shop
At the corner of Fulton & Marconi in Sacramento

Conservation Desk ...

WRITE A SIMPLE LETTER TO PROTECT A RIVER

As you may have heard, NCCFFF is actively working with a large coalition of groups on the California Wild Heritage Campaign (Cal Wild). The Campaign objective is to secure legislative protection for wild lands and rivers on public property which currently are subject to dams, water diversion, logging or mining. The specific form and level of protection will vary with the situation but could include National Conservation Area or Wild and/or Scenic status. Actual "Wilderness" designations are not being considered at this time. Again these are public lands so no private property is involved.

Over the past 1 1/2 years the Cal Wild campaign has done a complete inventory of publicly owned rivers and lands which resulted in an extensive list of candidates for protection. Based on practical and political criteria, a shorter working list now includes rivers and lands which could be included in a bill that Sen. Boxer is expected to introduce within the next few weeks.

A few rivers of great interest to anglers are on the bubble. These are segments of:

Dinky Creek and the Kings River
N. Fork Yuba River tributaries - Downie River, Pauley and Lavezzolla Creeks
S. Fork Trinity River and Hayfork Creek (a very important tributary)
East Fork Carson River

If you agree that these rivers should be included in the bill, your letter to Senator Boxer is needed ASAP. Here is a quick 3 step letter outline:

1. Tell the Senator you understand there is a potential bill to protect rivers on public lands. Say you are an angler and that you support this effort.
2. Name the rivers above, and where appropriate, briefly describe a personal experience with the river, i.e. fishing, camping, etc. and why you think it is special.
3. Thank the Senator for her support and sign the letter with your name and address.

It is that easy!

Mail to:
Senator Barbara Boxer
c/o Ms. Rose Kapolczynski
312 N. Spring Street Suite 1748
Los Angeles, CA 90012

FAX (213) 894-5012

More conservation

PIT RIVER #3-4-5 FERC LICENSE UPDATE: Earnest discussions are underway regarding studies to be completed in 2002 as part of PG&E's application for renewal of its license to operate these hydropower projects on the Pit River.

NCCFFF FILES LETTER ON SIERRA NEVADA FRAMEWORK: NCCFFF recently submitted a letter to the newly appointed Regional Forester, calling on him to cancel his plan to conduct yet another review of the previously approved Sierra Nevada Framework. The Framework, while not ideal, would have afforded important protection for fish and fish habitat. The area covered by the plan includes areas people fish, but equally important, contains the headwaters for a number of important streams and rivers. The Framework was the result of 10 years of public comment and scientific review, and it has already survived an appeal launched by special interest groups.

DFG PLANS TO ACQUIRE FALL RIVER PROPERTY: DFG Region 1 (North Coast- Redding) recommended that the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) fund the purchase of a land parcel on Fall River totaling slightly under 1200 acres, including 8 miles of frontage on Fall River and Tule River. This land is currently under private ownership and has been subject to grazing and levee construction which negatively affects the river. Under DFGs ownership there would be opportunities to undertake restoration efforts on the property. NCCFFF has written letters to the WCB and DFG supporting the acquisition, while calling for a formal management plan which would be developed with public input. There are many important details which must be resolved including specific restoration plans, the future of cattle grazing, and potential added boat access. NCCFFF Secretary Mondy Lariz attended a recent WCB board meeting to present additional comments on behalf of the Council.



Welcome to The Fly Shop!

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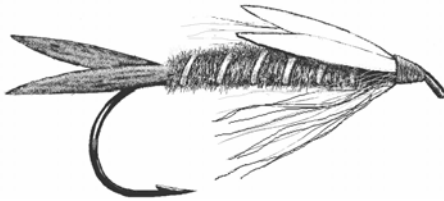
TROUT OPENER CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH – 8am. to 6pm.

MANUFACTURER REPRESENTATIVES and DEMOS.
IN SHOP SPECIALS ON FLY TYING MATERIALS AND
FLIES. TRY OUT NEW RODS . HAVE FUN ON THE
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Hot Dogs and sodas from Shasta Fly Fishers.

Prince Nymph



Hook: Wet fly or nymph hook – 1or 2x long.
Mustad 9671 or 9672, Tiemco 5262 or 200R

Thread: Black 6/0

Tail: Brown Biots

Body: Peacock herl

Rib: Flat Gold or oval tinsel

Wings: White Biots

Hackle: Brown Collar

Tying Instructions: Pinch down the barb. Attach the thread and dress the hook in the usual manner. At the tail, tie in brown goose biots on each side of the hook. The biot should be oriented so that points flare outward. Biots are short and thickened flues that are found on the leading edge of flight feathers. Tie in the gold tinsel and the peacock herl. Mylar tinsel often has a gold and silver side. Tie in the tinsel so that the gold shows when it is wrapped forward. Wrap the peacock to the wing position and tie it down. You can reinforce the peacock herl with the tying thread or counter wind with fine gold wire, but the tinsel should be sufficient. If you counter wind with gold wire, you will need to tie this in at the tail before you attach the herl. You can also form very rugged body by twisting the herl in a loop formed with the tying thread. To do this, form 4-5 inches after you tie in the herl. The loop should start at the point where the herl is attached. Catch the herl in the tying thread loop and spin the herl and thread. Wrap the thread and herl chenille forward and tie off at the head position. After making the body, spiral the gold tinsel to the wing position and tie it down. Remember to space the wraps with a strong spiral toward the front of the fly. Wraps taken too close together may unravel with use. Tie in the butt end of a brown hen hackle and make a few wraps of the hackle

around the shank to form a collar (sparse). Tie-off the hackle. Tie in two white biots projecting upward and outward. The biots should splay outward to give about a 30° angle between them. The length of the biots is not consistent among different tiers. Some tiers make the biots long enough to reach the bend of the hook. Others tie them shorter. Secure the biots and form a tapered thread head. Whip finish the head and apply head cement.

The Prince Nymph is often tied as a bead head pattern. In this case, slip a gold bead over the hook prior to tying the rest of the fly. Alternative dressing for this fly are common. Ostrich herl for a body is one variation that Skip Morris illustrates in his nymph tying book.

[Variations popular in Northern CA are the Gordon Prince adapted by guide Fred Gordon of Dunsmuir has pumpkin colored biots: and, The Dark Lord which is all black except for the biots was adapted by Shasta guide Ron Hart]

Monthly Fly Tying Contest Sponsored by American Fly Fishing Company

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Tie the Pattern of the Month for a chance to win a \$25 Gift Certificate for American Fly Fishing Company. The patterns submitted will be judged by our esteemed fly tying chairman and selected evaluators. Judging criteria are the pattern tied most closely to the Fly of the Month instructions, fly construction skills and best representation of the pattern. Judges decision will be final. Patterns will be assigned a number and judged anonymously. When you arrive at the meeting, sign in and place a numbered tag on your pattern. Submitters are not eligible to judge.

Thanks to Gary Eblen for this sponsorship.

ANNUAL DINNER DONATION LIST for 2002

PREMIUM DONORS – Full gratis items of \$150 or greater in cash value.

American Fly Fishing Company of Sacramento – Products valued at \$561

Chico Fly Shop (Press Powell) – Presentation Rod of choice

Fly Fishing Specialties of Roseville - \$250 Gift Certificate

Fly Fishing Unlimited of Vacaville - Full day float trip Lower Sac.

Kiene's Fly Shop of Sacramento – Scott STS Fly Rod

OASIS Spring Resort - \$250 Gift Certificate

Teton Fly Reels – Trinity Fly Reel #6

General raffle

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| 1. Sorensen's for 2 | |
| 2. Creek Company | 50% off certificate |
| 3. Buckhorn | \$25 certificate |
| 4. Rick's Lodge Fall River | 2 for 1 package |
| 5. Glacier gloves | mico fiber hat |
| 6. Rio products | Fly line |
| 7. NW Fly Fishing | subscription |
| 8. SW Fly Fishing | subscription |
| 9. Fly Rod and Reel | subscription |
| 10. CA Fly Fisher | subscription |
| 11. Teeny, Inc | \$25 coupon |
| 12. Feather-Craft | line cleaning tool |
| 13. Gray's Sporting Journal | subscription |
| 14. High Sierra Flyfisher | Woodriver chestpack, |
| 15. High Sierra Flyfisher | float striders (flippers), |
| 16. High Sierra Flyfisher | - anvil taperizer (scissors) |
| 17. Abel | Reel lubrication kit |
| 18. Hook and Hackle | \$25 gift certificate |
| 19. O. Mustad | box w/dozen mayfly patterns |
| 20. O. Mustad | box w/dozen caddis patterns |
| 21. Wind River | 50% coupon up to \$200 |
| 22. Louis Cairo | \$25 certificate |
| 23. Dawson's Restaurant, Dixon - Champaign | breakfast for two |
| 24. Nugget Market | \$50 gift certificate |
| 25. Peet's Coffee | gift basket |
| 26. Peet's Coffee | gift basket |
| 27. Abenaki subscription | American Angler or
Fly Tyer or Saltwater Fly Fishing |
| 28. Oasis Springs Lodge | \$250 gift certificate |
| 29. Café Italia | gift certificate for breakfast |
| 30. Bob Percy | "Billy Big Mouth Bass" |
| 31. Bob Percy | Apron with fish design |
| 32. Bud's Pub & Grill, Dixon | \$25 gift certificate |
| 33. Wulff Products | Book: Lee Wulff Biography |
| 34. Safeway | \$20 certificate |
| 35. Chevy's, Dixon | 2 dinners |
| 36. Bob Madgic | 2 books |

Bucket Items

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| 37. J.J. King Fishing Co. | 6 1/2ft 2wt blank (\$45.00 value), club kit (\$40), built by Tom Burton |
| 38. Oasis Springs Lodge | \$250 gift certificate |
| 39. Wapsi Fly & Feather - Craft Dubbing samplers, | Mageyes \$35 value |
| 40. Teton | Trinity reel #6, \$160 |
| 41. Fly rod; Club purchase | Orvis rod; 8 weight, 9&1/2ft, used |
| 42. Whiting Farms | Silver rooster cape, barred medium ginger, retail \$60 |
| 43. Whiting Farms | Silver rooster saddle, dyed brown, retail \$48 |
| 44. Clear Creek Co. | Rod and reel case |

Silent Auction Items

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| 45. RL Winston -Fly rod discount: LT, 8ft 9in, 5 weight, 5-piece, \$675 value, minimum bid: \$408 | |
| 46. Thomas & Thomas | 40% off certificate |
| 47. Powell | 50% off certificate |
| 48. Scott | 40% off certificate |
| 49. Steelfin | 50% off certificate |
| 50. Regal vises | 40% certificate |
| 51. Dyna-King | 30% off certificate |
| 52. Press Powell (Chico Flyshop) - certificate for presentation rod \$170 your choice increments | |
| 53. Bauer MacKenzie series, M-2 (4-6 line wt) retail \$330, min bid \$210, \$5 increments | |

Items received but not used.

Available to members for nominal club donation.

See John Forsyth

Hodgman - About 50% off variety of products through club purchase

Merco Products - 40% off bobbins through Club.
Courtland,Diamondback, STH - 40% off through club

Renzetti - 40% off through club purchase

Sage - 38% off, 2 rods, 2 reels through club

Ross Reels - 40% discount through club, 1 reel/spool



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CLUB CALENDAR

----- 2001/2002 MEETING DATES & PROGRAMS -----

All meetings are held at 7:30 p.m., Davis Waste Removal Meeting Room, 2727 2nd Street, Davis (east of Sudwerks) unless otherwise noted.

2002

March 27 th	Putah Creek Council Report and Underwater Photography (tentative)
April 24 th	Al Kyte, Trout Tactics
May 29 th	Homegrown Clinic and Gear Swap (tentative)
June 26 th	Powell Rod Demo and Halibut on the Fly, Ron Vanderheiden, 7pm start.
July 31	Annual Picnic, 6 p.m. Davis Park behind the Art Center.
August	No Regular Meeting. Yolo Fair Booth TBA
September 24 th	TBA
October 29 th	TBA
November 27 th	TBA
December 17th	Home Grown Slide Show Election of 2003 Officers and Directors

----- OUTINGS -----

First a note for those going on the Redding trip. The \$132.75 check to The Fly Shop is due by March 1. If you are going to the Dinner, please remember to bring the check, if not previously delivered to Cary. In addition there are a few disjointed outings tidbits. The Sugar Creek trip has been reset to May 10. Whether the shad trip will also be moved up to avoid Memorial Day weekend has not been determined. There was a strong Signup for Almanor and hopefully it will prove to be a successful replacement for the Trinity Outing. The date for the steelhead outing should be set soon. Unfortunately the jetboats will be limited which means that those not in the first signups will either have limited access or will need to float a stretch of river- not a bad alternative, particularly if one or more of the Club's driftboat owners decide to come along. Cary Boyden, Chairman, 503-753-3826

OUTING SCHEDULE (tentative dates)

TRIP	FISH	DATES	FISHMEISTER	Comments/Fees
Pyramid Lake	Cutthroat	March/April	Jon Knapp 916-753-3826	
Sacramento R. Redding	Trout	April 6	Cary Boyden 916-753-3826	\$132.75 pp plus tip
Lake Amador	Bass/Trout	April 13	Cary Boyden 916-753-3826	
Sugar Creek Ranch	Trout	Friday, May 10th	Ron Rabun 800-FLY-FSHN	\$130pp w/lunch. Limit 8
Payne's Creek	Bass	April 20	John Reynolds 530-753-2682	
Sacramento/Yuba River	Shad	May 25	Cary Boyden 916-753-3826	
Davis Lake	Trout	June 15-16	Cary Boyden 916-753-3826	
Summer Trout	Trout	July 13-14	Cary Boyden 916-753-3826	
Backpacking/Trout	Trout	July/August	John Forsyth 530-750-1192	
British Columbia	Silver Salmon	August	John Forsyth / Ron Rabun	\$\$\$, 5-7 day trip/lodge
Pleasant Valley/	Trout	August/Sept	Ron Rabun 800-FLY-FSHN	\$70 w/ lunch Limit 12
Klamath/Half Pounders	Steelhead	Early Sept	Jim Wirth 530-662-5388	# jet boats spots limited
Upper Sac/Mcloud Rivers	Trout	October	Ron Rabun 800-FLY-FSHN	
Delta/Striper	Stripped Bass	October/Nov	Jim Humphrey 707-678-2149	
Sugar Creek Ranch	Trout	November 16	Ron Rabun 800-FLY-FSHN	\$130pp w/lunch. Limit 8
Amador/Trout	Trout	December	Cary Boyden 916-753-3826	

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FFD is an affiliate club of the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF), an international nonprofit organization, and its Northern California Council (NCCFFF) affiliate.

Meetings and membership are opened to the public.

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