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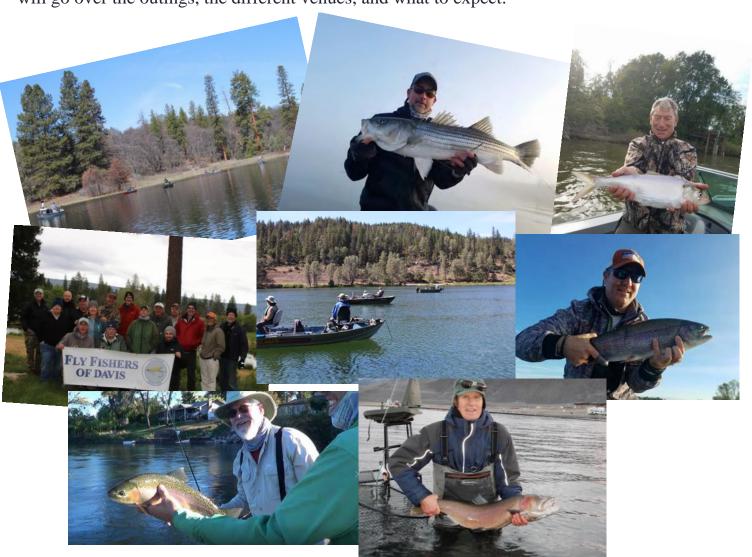
The Fisherman's Line

April Meeting, Tuesday April 26, 2022 7:30 pm @ Stonegate Country Club

Dana Hooper Presents:

Fly Fishers of Davis Outings Review

his month, Tuesday April 26, 2022, at Stonegate Country Club, FFD Members will hear from our very own FFD Member Dana Hooper, live at the venue, who will summarize the lineup of FFD 2022 Outings. Part of being a Club member is attending the FFD Outings. Outings are a fantastic way to meet other Club members and possibly fish a new venue or a new species. Dana will go over the outings, the different venues, and what to expect.



THE PREZ SEZ



The Covid-19 Pandemic has been very disruptive for many Clubs. Over the last approximately two years, the Fly Fishers of Davis has pivoted, moving to Zoom for our monthly Club meetings, moving in person meetings to a new venue, and redoing the FFD website. While we have responded well to the new environment, it has been difficult to find volunteers to fill the FFD Board and Directors vacant spots.

<u>At this time, the Fly Fishers of Davis has NO President</u>. If you are a past FFD President, Board Member, or Director and are interested in holding this position for one or two years, please enquire at <u>admin@flyfishersofdavis.org</u>.

Thank you





MEETING SCHEDULE

The meeting schedule has been tentatively set for the next few months. Andan Bailey is the program chair - let him know if you like the program speakers or if you have ideas for one at programs@flyfishersofdavis.org

Fly Fishers of Davis 2022 Meeting Schedule						
MONTH	SPEAKER	DATE	TOPIC			
April	Dana Hooper	April 26	Fly Fishers of Davis Outings Review			

IT IS TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP



IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DETAILS

Website Members: If you signed up for membership on the new FFD website, you will get an email in the late December/early January timeframe with your renewal details. No need to go to the website before that, so please wait for your renewal information email.

Website Non-members: If you're an FFD member, but you did not sign up on the website and you wish to renew your Membership, please stop by the membership table at our next in-person general meeting, and pay your dues with check, cash, or credit card for 2022. You can also send a renewal check to Fly Fishers of Davis, P.O. box 525, Davis, CA, 95617.

Note: our preferred method is for website non-members to become website members, by signing up on the website!

Dues for adults and families are still \$30/year, and the student rate is \$15/year. Your dues help to fund almost all club activities — including our superb array of guest speakers, outings, the annual picnic, fly casting and fly tying clinics, our amazing FFD 101 classes, Salmon in the Classroom, and best of all, our contributions to numerous outreach, education And conservation organizations.

Thank you for your generosity and continuing support!



Fly Fishers of Davis is now on Facebook! Like Us and Follow Us to get the Latest updates on Club Events and other News.

Facebook.com/FlyFishersOfDavis



CONSERVATION REPORT

By Lowell Ashbaugh

<u>Conservation Mailing List</u> Want to keep up on conservation issues in between newsletters? Join the FFD Conservation Google Group list. Click <u>here</u> for instructions on how to join, and search for "FFD-Conservation". Or send an email to <u>Ashbaugh.lowell@gmail.com</u> with your request.

California WaterBlog published an idea from the UC Davis Center for Watershed Sciences regarding the ongoing drought. Essentially, the idea is that if water standards to protect fish are going to be loosened (as they have been in other droughts), the water users should pay for the water used and the money used to compensate the fisheries' losses (with restoration, habitat acquisition, and other measures). As it stands now, the fisheries just lose and the water users get "free" water. Read the full story at California WaterBlog. What do you think of this? Good idea or bad?

Federal and state water agencies have issued an Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP) to conserve more water in Lake Oroville and Shasta Lake. The purpose of the TUCP is to help the salmon fishery later in the season by providing cold water flows during the fall, but for now it will increase salinity in the delta as the mandatory minimum flows are reduced.

Restore the Delta notes that there is no plan for flushing out the Delta if salinity control is lost, and that there was no socio-economic analysis of the effect of the impact on Delta communities or wildlife. Further, the State Water Board announced that Sacramento River Senior Contractors will receive 25% of their normal water allotment, and San Joaquin River exchange contractors will receive 75% of their allotment. Meanwhile the snow pack is nearly non-existent now and what little remains is more likely to soak into parched soils than it is to run off into rivers and reservoirs.

The bottom line is that the state is in a really bad position regarding water this year, and the fish are likely to suffer for it.

Governor Newsom announced a new voluntary agreement (VA) on water for the Bay-Delta watershed on March 29. This action was hailed as bringing peace to the water wars, but that's probably

premature. The VA was documented in a memorandum of understanding between the state and major water contractors. Notably absent from the negotiations were the environmental advocates and fishing, tribal, and Delta stakeholders.

The Delta Reform Act encoded into state law that "[t]he longstanding constitutional principle of reasonable use and the public trust doctrine shall be the foundation of state water management policy and are particularly important and applicable to the Delta." (Water Code section 85023). By including only the state and water contractors in the VA, public trust and reasonable use issues have been ignored.

Restore the Delta points out that the exclusionary process followed by the state fails to protect the health of the estuary, native fish and wildlife, and the jobs and communities of the delta. It's also predicated on the Trump Administration's biological opinions that were rewritten after the original biops did not say what the administration wanted (see the December 2019 conservation report). Doug Obegi noted that the VA process is akin to the State of California proposing to eliminate existing air quality regulations that protect public health and instead exclusively negotiating voluntary agreements with industry over how much air pollution to allow in your community.

The Turlock Irrigation District is planning a pilot project to cover irrigation canals with solar panels to protect the canals from evaporation and produce 5 megawatts of electricity. The idea was first suggested by Engineering Professor Dr. Roger Bales of UC Merced, and he's helping to design the project. The \$20 million project will investigate how to span canals ranging from 20' to 110', and how much water can be saved by preventing evaporation. This is the first project of its kind, and is ideal for TID because it's both the water provider and the electric utility.

Call For Fly Tiers!

By Paul Berliner

Hi everyone! This year, **Duck Days** and **Picnic Day** are both back, and our ace fly-tying team could use an extra bit of volunteer help at the FFD fly-tying tables. These are two great outreach events for our club. We meet folks of all ages, tie flies for the kids, hand out FFD brochures, and chat-up fly fishing!

To help out, all you need is your fly-tying kit and the ability to tie a wooly bugger — in amazing, crazy, totally wacky colors. We supply the materials, and the visitors supply the fun and the imagination! And if you don't know how, we'll even teach **YOU** how to tie a wooly bugger, and we'll supply a kit.

Picnic Day

UC Davis **Picnic Day** is **Saturday, April 23**, and Fly Fishers of Davis will be tying wooly buggers in the Entomology Department in Briggs Hall. You'll get to see the bugs in action, and help to tie the bugs!



Duck Days

This year, **Duck Days** is the very next week: <u>Saturday, April 30</u>, and it's held at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Headquarters, 45211 County Road 32B in Davis. This event features a wide variety of booths, workshops, and activities for people of all ages, and our table is always a very popular attraction.



To help out with either (or both) events, please contact **Paul Berliner** at <u>paul@berlinerproductions.com</u>. And for an enjoyable day, regardless, please stop by our booth at both events, and enjoy.

Thanks in advance for your help!

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Owens River Annual Clean Up Bishop, California - Saturday, April 23, 2022



Meet @ 8AM @ Pleasant Valley Campground @ the metal footbridge

Bring gloves.

Bring family and friends!

The more people, the cleaner the river!

Coffee and baked goods provided for all volunteers at 8AM.

Lunch will be provided for all volunteers at 12PM

@ Pleasant Valley Campground @ the dumpster.

There is a free raffle for participants with a lot of swag to be given away!

If you'd like to donate swag for the raffle, please contact organizer Chris Leonard

This is our chance to annually clean up Bishop's blue-ribbon moving water fishery. The Annual Owens River Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2022. This is the 8th consecutive year of this much welcomed event. What makes this day work so well is the congregation of good-hearted volunteers who travel from near and far to partake in a morning of beautification of the Owens River near Bishop, California.

It is a great event, and everyone is welcome!

Northern California Council, Fly Fishers International News

By Mark Rockwell, President, April 2022

Well, it's that time of year when we all start thinking about spring fishing, be it trout, stripers, bass or other prey. To say the least, this has been the worst start to any year in history relative to precipitation in California. As I write this we're hearing that a good storm is coming in tomorrow, but I've heard that several times before without success. Let's hope we do get at least something to help.

Last year you may remember the summer cautions about not fishing during the mid day if the water temperatures are above 67 degrees, and to consider not fishing at all if the days are hot and the water conditions are not good for fish. All of this is likely to hold true again in 2022. I just hate to think we're going through this again, but sometimes the reality does not meet our expectations. So, let's be cautious if conditions again are bad for cold water fish like trout.

Klamath Dam Removal Moves into the Home Stretch

I spoke a lot last year about the progress on dam removal in the Klamath, with a start date of January, 2023. Well, we received the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in late February. In comparing the impacts of dam removal to current conditions, the DEIS concludes that dam removal provides significant economic, environmental, and cultural benefit to northern California and southern Oregon. This conclusion is consistent with the findings of two other Environmental Impact Studies that evaluated dam removal over the past two decades. This was the best we could have hoped for from FERC, as it means the agency responsible for dams in America is on our side.



However, it came with 20 recommended actions by FERC that benefit us in the long run because it reduces the chance of legal action and makes conditions better for local communities. The Klamath River Renewal Corp and the signatories (NCCFFI & others) agreed to the listed actions. The problem for all of us was that it pushed the start date into 2023, and dam decommissioning to January, 2024. Here's a link: https://klamathrenewal.org

All of us are disappointed for this additional year, but also realize that if we have to litigate it's likely to take much more than a year, and the recommendations are important and impactful. So, Pre-construction work will begin in mid-2023 to include alterations to bridges, road work for construction, and other infrastructure changes, as well as water system improvement for Yreka. Included in this pre-construction will be the teardown of Copco II dam, as it is small and does not have silt behind it. So, Copco I will come out next year, with the other 3 out starting in January, 2024, and completion of removal by October that year.

Following the removal, restoration of the dam footprints begins in earnest. **RES - Resource Environmental Solutions -** will immediately start to bring back the river banks and surrounding watershed to its natural appearance and stability. This is a multi-year project with a 2 years implementation and 7 year monitoring and restoration plan in place. We are lucky to be working with such good contractors and partners. Here's a link to more info on the plan:

Northern California Council - What to look for in 2022





Our 2022 Board of Directors is hard at work developing our work plan for the next couple of years. Here's a brief summary of what is coming:

- We are developing a Communication & Marketing plan to allow us to connect with our clubs and members better.
 We'll be using our new website to connect in better and different ways, including continuing all we are doing now and adding blogs on fishing and learning, as well as allowing our Club Presidents to communicate together easier.
- We hope to have at least 2 Fly Fishing events in 2022 that will bring all of us together around Fly Fishing and fun. We're starting to plan our 2nd YubaFest which will be a weekend party to celebrate our sport. It will include classes, fishing opportunities, the FFI casting challenge, music, food and fun. We're also hoping to offer a few onstream learning & fishing opportunities guided by members of our Board.
- We are also working to create an easy-to-use program on teaching fly fishing. We call it our NCCFFI Fly Fishing 101. We know many clubs already teach fishing skills, but this will make what you do easier and more complete. It will be in a powerpoint format, and easy to adapt to your current classes. For clubs that want something new, this will be a "Plug & Play" type of program, with easy modules for each section. It also is tried and tested, developed by Clay Hash, past President of Gold Country Fly Fishers.
- We are also working on organizing both casting & tying events. It is fun to bring people together to learn these skills, and our goal is to bring value to what you, at the club level, are doing. We hope to make the process professional and fun.

Our goal is still focused on bringing value to our fly fishing clubs and their members. We will stay focused on this as we work to develop new and exciting programs and events for 2022 and beyond. Remember - we need your input. Always feel free to contact me - Mark Rockwell, mrockwell1945@gmail.com, 530-559-5759. NCCFFI functions to make our sport of fly fishing more fun and respected in our communities. We're in this together!

FFD OUTINGS: BAUM LAKE

Photos by FFD Members, Summary by Tom Robinson

The Fly Fishers of Davis is finally getting back to normal since the Covid Pandemic. Baum Lake is the first Club outing of the year. This year we had a great turnout with over 20 FFD Members, but apparently the fish did not get the message. Few fish were caught over the three days, but the fish that were caught were decent size. The lake was very clear and the fish were very skittish and the fishing was challenging, but getting back together with everybody was priceless! Everyone is looking forward to many more fun FFD outings in 2022.



Baum Lake North View - How beautiful!



Bob Beverlin and Don Erickson about to launch



Baum Lake East View – Where the magic happens



Lisa and Ken Lazzaroni are looking for the fish



Dana Hooper has a monster wild trout



Dave Yarborough and Rick Wallinder



The 3 Wise Men – Fred, Dave, and Rick



Tom Robinson has a beautify wild trout



Paul Berliner is looking for the fish



Cassel Campground



Dinner is ready! Chicken burritos. Yum



New day... new location. Let's find those fish



Dana Hooper and Tom Robinson



Just back it in Son Chong... just back it in.



This boat's too huge for Baum, Peter



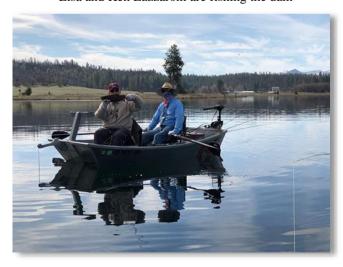
Bob Beverlin and Donn Erickson are on the move



Mike Rivers caught this nice fish



Lisa and Ken Lazzaroni are fishing the dam



Dave Yarborough has a nice trout



Paul Berliner has one!



Where are the fish Peter and Son?



Bobber hopes they're hiding by Crystal Lake waterfall



Shawn DeArmond is on the hunt



Bob Beverlin is cooking burgers and brauts tonight. Yumm!



Fred Bryner is the hostess with the mostess



I don't think your phone will make a good spatula, Bobber



The 2022 FFD Baum Lake group





FFi Women Connect invites you to submit your best fly fishing photos—photos taken on the water that capture the spirit of Women Connect and the beauty of fly fishing. Twelve winning photos will be featured in the inaugural 2023 Women Connect Calendar and have a shot at winning some great prizes from our sponsors!

Photos can be of your fly fishing buddies (friends, spouse, kids, pets), fish (big or small), beautiful scenery, and anything else fly fishing related. Please don't limit yourself to grip-and-grins! We are looking for creative and inspiring photos that tell a story. For March (*Take a Kid Fly Fishing month*) and June (*Women's Fly Fishing month*), we'll highlight photos that best visually represent those special months.

We welcome photos of ALL FISH from ALL WATERS—freshwater and saltwater photos and any species of fish caught and released while fly fishing. Remember to <u>Keep Fish Wet</u>. Fish should be in the water, underwater, or dripping wet.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Entries must be received by **July 31, 2022, 11:59 pm PST**.

PRIZES: Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. 12 winning photos will be featured in the 2023 Women Connect Calendar.

- 1st Place (\$556 total value): Fully-Loaded Orvis Mini Sling Pack (Fishewear print); Pair of Bajio Sunglasses; 1-year Subscription to onWater App plus branded apparel
- 2nd Place (\$335 total value): \$150 Anglher Gift Certificate; Brown Trout2 Dry Bag from Fincognito; 50% Off Coupon for a Pair of Bajio sunglasses; Handmade Sterling Silver She's Fly Necklace
- 3rd Place (\$185 total value): DamselFly Snood & Leather Lanyard; Yellow Sally Brown Trout Backpack; Bajio branded Shirt or Hat

HOW TO ENTER:

- 1. Directly upload your photo at: https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Get-Involved/FFI-Women-Connect/FFIWC-Calendar.
- Post an image to your Instagram account using the tags @ffiwomenconnect and #wc2022photocontest. You must have a public profile. All Contest rules apply.

SUBMISSION DETAILS:

Must be 18 years of age or older to enter. Limit of 3 entries.

Upload a medium resolution JPG or PNG file (maximum size: 5 MB) for consideration along with a short caption. Horizontal format preferred. Finalists will be asked to submit a high resolution JPG file (minimum size: 11 in. by 8.5 in. @300 dpi) for printing.

Click here for complete Contest details including official rules.

Please submit any questions to: photos@flyfishersinternational.org

Pre-order your Calendar and support future Women Connect programs. Click Here!

Thanks to our Sponsors!

















Fly Fishers of Davis Event **Annual Casting Clinic on April 24th**

The annual spring casting clinic and tune up will be held on the lawn south of Northstar Ponds from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on Sunday April 24. Jeff Putnam well known local casting instructor will be there to get you started or to help solve your casting problems. Jeff has a unique ability to finding and correcting problems that affect your accuracy and distance as well as a capability to explain casting techniques to neophytes. Several very skilled casters from our Club will also be there to help you tune your stroke or help you learn to cast. This clinic is appropriate for all skill levels.





Northstar Ponds are located at 3434 Anderson Rd just west of the F Street and Anderson Road intersection in north Davis. A parking lot that services this area is located just off of Anderson Rd. Bring your favorite casting outfit and eye protection(sunglasses). If you don't have an outfit, we can provide equipment. Please let us know ahead of time. Don't forget sunscreen and bug juice as the mosquitos or gnats could be out. If you have questions please contact Bob Zasoski at rjzasoski@sbcglobal.net.

FFD OUT AND ABOUT: Lake Berryessa

Photos by FFD Members

Members are fishing Lake Berryessa and having good success!













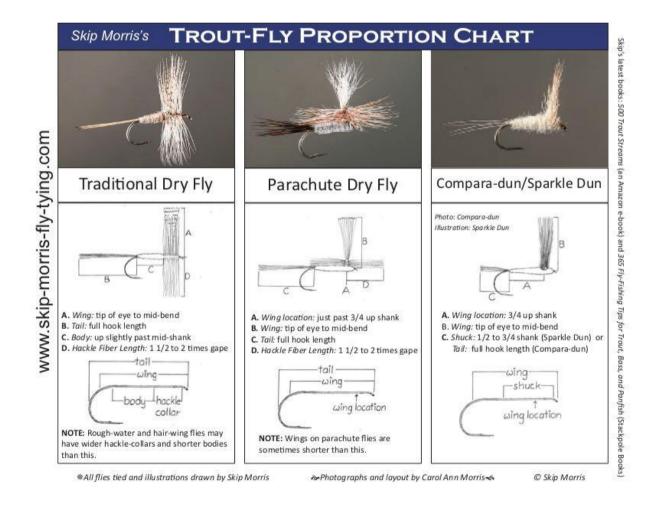
A Freebie For Club Members

A fly-tier's chart that makes getting the proportions of trout flies correct. Flies with poor proportions--wings too long or in a bad position, tails too short, etc.--don't float right, swim right, look right to convince trout, and may even fail to hook them.

Having penned quite a few books and a few hundred magazine articles on tying flies (and having researched this chart and worked it up over a period of months), I feel confident this is an aid that is accurate, very easy to understand, and extremely useful for tiers. I'm also confident that of all flies, trout flies are the ones that most need to have good proportions.

Below is a sample page from the chart. Here's the link for the Skip Morris's Trout-Fly Proportion Chart; all your members need do is click on it and they can then print out all the copies they want:

http://www.skip-morris-fly-tying.com/skip-morris-trout-fly-proportion-chart.html





UTINGS & EVENTS FFD

2022-2023

Proposed FFD Outings & Events Subject to Change Due to COVID-19

<u>Trip 2022</u>	<u>Fish</u>		<u>Dates</u>	<u>Fishmeister</u>	Contact	Comments
Lake Berryessa	Mult. Species	Boat	April 19	Peter Hawes	hawsheatair@gmail.com	Boater pair with non boater
FFD Casting Clinic			April 24	Bob Zasoski	rjzasoski@sbcglobal.net	Instructor: Jeff Putnam
Hat Creek 101	Trout		April 29 - 31	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Camping
Fuller Lake	Trout	Boat	May 27	Shawn DeArmond	dearmond@gmail.com	Boater pair with non boater
Lower Sac Float (Spring)	Trout	Guide	TBD	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Fee + Tip
Shad Sac or Feather River	Shad	Boat	May	Peter Hawes	hawsheatair@gmail.com	Boater pair with non boater
FFD Annual Picnic			TBD	Tristan Leong	tristan.leong@gmail.com	
McCloud River	Trout		Prop June/July	Peter Hawes	hawsheatair@gmail.com	Camping
Umpqua River	Smallmouth Bass	Guide	August 1 - 2	Gene Gantt	fishinggantt@comcast.n et	Fee + Tip
Manzanita Lake Trip	Trout		August 5-7	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Floatation Device / Camping
Lake Davis	Trout	Boat	TBD	Need Fishmeister		Camping
Lewiston Lake	Trout		TBD	Need Fishmeister		Camping
Lower Sac Float (Fall)	Trout	Guide	TBD	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Fee + Tip
FFD Annual Dinner			TBD September			
Striper Fest 2022	Stripers	Boat	November 5	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Boater pair with non boater
Trinity River Steelhead	Trout	Guide	TBD November	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Fee + Tip
Pyramid Lake (Fall)	Trout		TBD December	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	
Luk Lake	Mult. Species	Boat	December 2/3	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Fee
<u>Trip 2023</u>	<u>Fish</u>		<u>Dates</u>	<u>Fishmeister</u>	Contact	Comments
Lower Yuba Walk Wade	Trout		TBD Feb	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Day trip
Pyramid Lake (Winter)	Trout		Feb 9 - 12	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Hotel / Camping
Baum Lake	Trout		TBD, March	Dana Hooper	trouthookup1@gmail.com	Hotel / Camping





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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. FFD meetings and membership are opened to the public. The Fly Fishers of Davis provide equal opportunity membership without discrimination on sex, race, origin, age or religious orientation.

E-Newsletter Policy

Each month, the e-newsletter will be posted to our website and emailed about one week before the meeting.

You may need to download Acrobat reader at:

https://get.adobe.com/reader/ to view our PDF newsletter.

Members are urged to maintain their current email address and other important personal data by logging in, and visiting:

<u>https://flyfishersofdavis.org/account/</u>. This ensures accurate communication and notification of our monthly newsletter, which is also downloadable at:

https://flyfishersofdavis.org/media/newsletters/.

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How to become a member of the Fly Fishers of Davis

FFD collects annual dues for adults (\$30), students (\$15) and families (\$30). Family membership may include a spouse and children living with named member up to maximum age of 25. All family members will share one membership and username. Please be sure to provide a valid email address. For insurance reasons, you must be a current club member or registered family member to attend any of our fishing outings.

- <u>Membership Benefits:</u> For more information about the many benefits of FFD membership, please go to https://flyfishersofdavis.org/about/membership-benefits/
- New Members ONLY: To join FFD, please go to https://flyfishersofdavis.org/memberships/
- Existing Members, Login and Dues Assistance: email webmaster@flyfishersofdavis.org
- For Additional Information: or questions email membership@flyfishersofdavis.org