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The Fisherman's Line

January Meeting: Tuesday Jan. 27, 2026 7:30 pm @ Stonegate Country Club

919 Lake Blvd, Davis, CA 95616

Fishing the Five Fingers of Northern California: Paul Lenos, Owner, Guide, Four Winds Guide Service

*T*his month, Paul Lenos will provide us with insight into fishing the tributaries of California's largest watershed - the Sacramento River! We will cover the history, biology, fisheries, and access to the enchanting tributaries of the Sacramento River. The Upper Sacramento River, McCloud River, Pit River, Hat creek, and the Fall River offers endless opportunities a short drive out of Redding.

With a passion for wild trout and steelhead, Paul spent much of his time as a fisheries biologist in NorCal underwater - snorkeling streams for work. Guiding fly fishing in Alaska and Northern California for the last decade, Paul is fueled by a passion for sharing the craft of fly fishing. Guiding at Wildman Lake Lodge, Lava Creek Lodge, Aniak river Lodge in Alaska. Expanding his fishing options, Paul is also offering hosted trips to some of The Fly Shop's best locations. Paul is currently guiding full time in Redding, where he resides with his wife and dog. He is permitted to guide the Shasta Trinity National Forest, encompassing the McCloud and Pit River, and Lake Shasta, as well as federal permits for the Trinity River.



THE PREZ SEZ

By Ron Rabun

Welcome to the Fly Fishers of Davis 2026, now existing 51 years since 1974. The “band plays on.”

I’m going to reflect a bit because that’s what OG’s do. We are involved in fun fishing and bringing in new fly fishers. Mentors begin in a myriad of ways. This is one. I weave in current topics along the way. I began with FFD in August 1975. My neighbor, Ray Fisher, a founding FFD member, was fly casting in his front yard on Loyola Drive. Ray took me to Watt Avenue on the American for Shad. We were lucky to have hit a school of downstream spawners, and I landed 6 in about two hours.



He invited me to an FFD meeting. I joined FFD in October, 1975 when I met Davis dentist, Dr. Don Childress. Don invited me on my second fly fishing experience to the Upper Sacramento River in Dunsmuir. Don fished there with local guide Ted Fay using Bomber wet flies and the short-line technique. We first fished in the pool and pocket water below where Castle Creek enters the river. The spot being Phil Reedy’s California Fly Fisher cover photo a few years ago.

I caught 6 small rainbows beginning my 50-year history. I had homes on South First Street from Fall 1989 through December 2019. Having cancer in 2011, chemo caused neuropathy problems making serious wading is a major issue and retirement from guiding and the State in 2014.

I have continuously been involved with FFD, FF Federation, NCCFFI, CFFU and Granite Bay over the years since 1978. I was FFD President in the mid-80’s (unsure whether it was 83, 84, 85 or 86, sometime around Sarge Reynolds or Jon Knapp regimes). Sarge and I (co-chaired) NCCFFI Festivals between 1980 and 1991. Back then NCCFFI was highly involved in raising funds in NorCal to fight NorCal water for fish public trust issues by primary advocate Bob Biacchi. Jim Crenshaw, an FFD member from Woodland, worked with Dunsmuir’s, Roy Haile to form California Sport Fishing Alliance - CSPA legal, relicensing, and lobbying efforts. The FFI now provides club focuses toward fly casting, fly tying, conservation projects and other educational endeavors. Casting Skills Program certification ladders (single-hand, salt water and Spey) provide excellent guidance. Jeff Hogan, one of FFI Certified Casting Instructor (myself a CCI since 1984) holds periodic casting clinics at the Northstar pond in North Davis. One is scheduled on Sunday, January 25th, 9am to Noon. It’s open to any members and friends. Casting mentors will be available too. Hands-on individual instruction will be available for all casting levels. FFI casting skills ladders can be obtained also.

Our **ANNUAL DINNER**, is Saturday, March 14th. It’s a BIG HOOT and the primary FFD FUND RAISER. It’s a way to pick up some fly-fishing items at a great price. A main drawing, drawing buckets and Silent Auction items will be available. Although there’s another article, I want to emphasize that your attendance is important. Dinner is only \$40 per person. Remember you can pre-purchase annual dinner and auction tickets (including high-roller gold tickets) at our next two monthly meetings (January and February). There’s a High Roller drawing for major items like rods, reels, flies, etc. I’m donating a Sage Rod and Tibor Reel with backing this year (not a set).

Retail pricing on these items is now over \$900 each. Please, contribute items from your surplus gear (in usable condition) and help fund the drawing and silent auction items. You can also donate fly boxes full of your personally tied flies. Artwork is appreciated too. This year our Dinner Guru, Dana Hooper, is doing the cooking and sourcing top quality food. This will save us a significant amount of money over having private catering. Dana is organizing his dinner committee, and he will need help for setup and cleanup. Please volunteer to help. There will be signups at the January and February meetings. We again will present our Casting for Recovery donation.

The newsletter and website have contact links for the President, Newsletter, Membership, Webmaster and other activities. There's an Outings table with the Fishmeisters noted here and on the Web. We have our North Umpqua Small Mouth Bass Outing scheduled for August (June Deadline). We are fishing with Wolf Pack Guide Service and staying at Big K Ranch cabins, located at the river take-out. This saved us an increase in the guide fees and eliminates co-op meals, since Big K has a restaurant on-site. Also, the last night/first night groups overlap so we can have a full trip combined dinner. I have also arranged an end of May trip (February deadline) that combines catching Bass and Shad on the North Umpqua. Full trip information is provided later in this newsletter.

This year, I'm forming a FFD member volunteer committee to provide additional recommendations to the Board. There will be a sign-up sheet at the January general meeting to participate in this committee. The committee will meet on February 17th, 7:00 pm at Steve's Pizza Davis to discuss, propose, and prepare a list of potential donation organizations and amounts aside from Casting for Recovery, Cary Boyden Youth Scholarship and the CABA UCD grants. The proposed list will be provided to the Board at the March board meeting for consideration.

MEMBERSHIP and BADGES

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE. THE NEW YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE: INDIVIDUAL \$35, FAMILY \$35, STUDENT \$10. I'm looking into providing all 2026 members with new badges and possibly FFD lanyards. If you presently have a badge, please wear it to the meetings. There are some stored member badges with the Membership Chair. Please pick up your badge at the meeting. I will put out a sign-up sheet for those wanting a new badge with the indication of whether FFD should obtain FFD branded lanyards. If it looks like there is a significant need for badges, then a new club wide badge will be made. Many of you may have lanyards from various other activities/sources, please indicate you have one on the signup. If you have a suggested source for badges, please let me know using the website President email link. In 2025, FFD had around 130 members. Get your membership and dinner tickets at the January and February meetings.

PROJECT HEALING WATERS - PHW

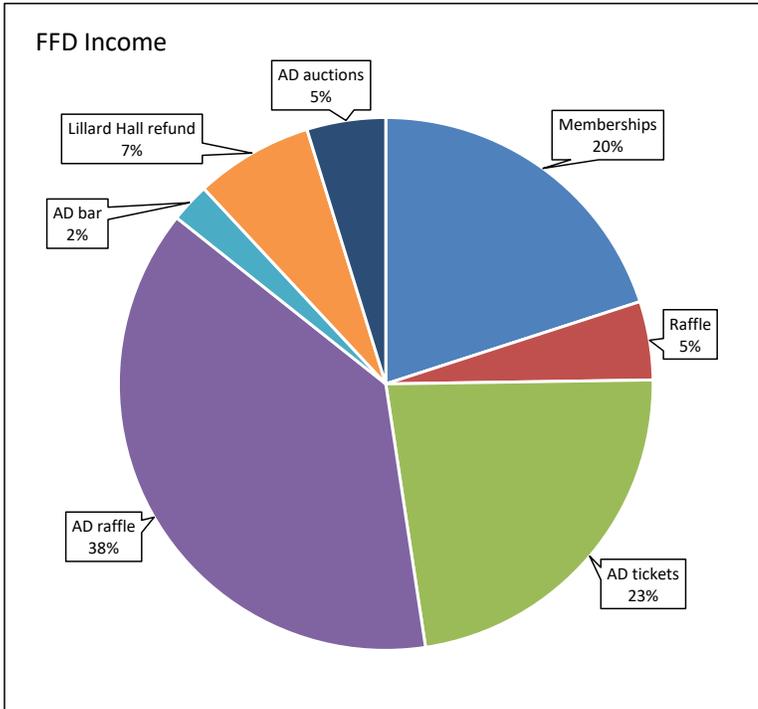
At the December meeting, we had a presentation from Brian Miller, Project Manager for Project Healing Waters (PHW). Dana and I have signed up with PHW. Additional Sacramento area volunteers are still needed. The December newsletter contained a synopsis of PHW and how to become a registered volunteer. PHW areas needing skilled volunteers are fly tying, casting, PHW formal outings mentors and potential FFD fishing outings such as Berryessa Float-n-Fly. Brian's contact information was provided in the December newsletter. Last Saturday, I attended a PHW Round-Up meeting of its Sacramento Region/Martinez cooperative. There were a dozen veterans and half dozen volunteers all interested in building veteran interest and skills in our sport. PHW has its own funding and activity schedule in support of the participating veterans, and you may want to become a volunteer.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

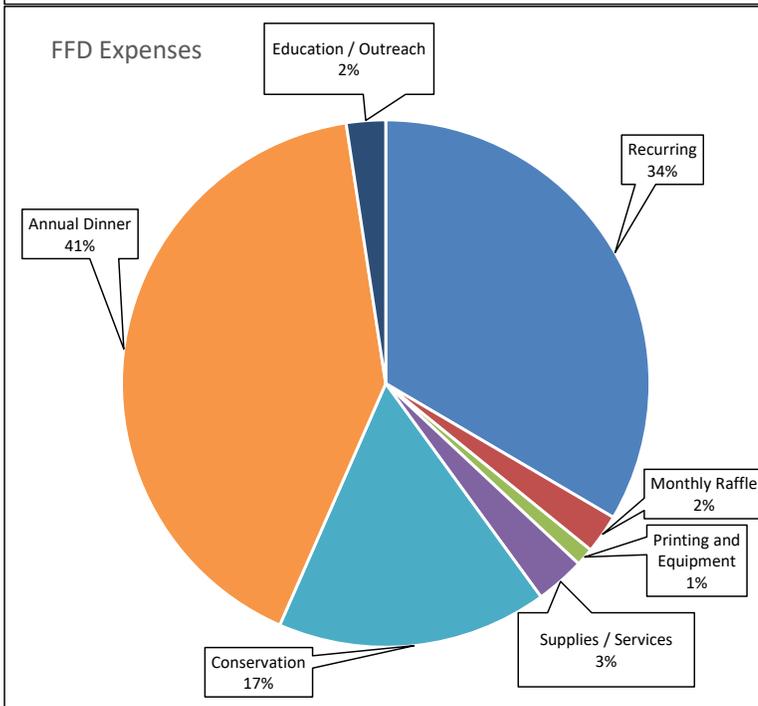
Your FFD Board of Directors (BOD) meets once per month on the second Tuesday of each month (effective February 2026) to discuss many aspects of the club, including charitable contributions, conservation, budget planning, and the Annual Picnic and Annual Dinner. If you'd like to attend a board meeting, bring up an issue or send a message, the BOD meets in Davis, and welcomes your feedback! Since meeting places may change, please contact a board member or club officer for time and place details if you would like to attend.

FFD BUDGET OVERVIEW

In order to inform our club members about club expenses and income, the Board of Directors is providing this overview. The following charts represent a concise summary of FFD’s 2026 operating budget.



Memberships	\$ 4,200.00
Raffle	\$ 1,000.00
AD (Annual Dinner) tickets	\$ 4,800.00
AD raffle	\$ 8,000.00
AD bar	\$ 500.00
Lillard Hall refund	\$ 1,500.00
AD auctions	\$ 1,000.00
Total	\$ 21,000.00



Recurring	\$ 6,970.00
Monthly Raffle	\$ 500.00
Printing and Equipment	\$ 230.00
Supplies / Services	\$ 630.00
Conservation	\$ 3,450.00
Annual Dinner	\$ 8,544.00
Education / Outreach	\$ 500.00
Total	\$ 20,824.00

Please contact the FFD Board with any budget questions you may have. Thank you!

CONSERVATION REPORT

By Lowell Ashbaugh

Conservation Mailing List Want to keep up on conservation issues in between newsletters? Join the FFD Conservation Google Group list. Click [here](#) for instructions on how to join, and search for “FFD-Conservation”. Or send an email to conservation@flyfishersofdavis.org with your request.

Note: If you'd like to try writing a conservation column, please let me know. I'd like to find someone to start taking over this role. I'll help get you started.

The two broken dams on the Upper Eel River found a powerful champion last month, after the United States Department of Agriculture filed a motion to intervene in Federal Energy Regulatory Commission proceedings that would see them removed.

The department's filings today follow Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins's letter to the editor published in the [Mendocino Voice last week](#), in which Rollins told Potter Valley farming interests that they were “not alone in this righteous fight, which strikes at the very heart of our freedoms.”

The dams – together known as the “Potter Valley Project,” and owned by Pacific Gas and Electric – have been unable to generate power for many years, which is the purpose they were built for a century ago.

In the last few years, Rep. Jared Huffman has led efforts to form a compromise “[two-basin solution](#)” that would allow for continued diversion of water from the Eel to the Russian River, supporting agriculture and population in Mendocino and Sonoma counties.

When that was completed – and after local tribes, environmental organizations, [Humboldt County](#) and the principal water agencies in both Mendocino and Sonoma all signed on – PG&E [officially filed a decommissioning plan with FERC in July 2025](#).

Though the USDA's principal concern appears to be protecting farmers and ranchers, especially those in the Potter Valley region, it also makes a number of arguments about the decommissioning plan's effects on firefighting, recreational opportunities and reforestation.

[Read the full story at the Lost Coast Outpost.](#)

You can read the USDA press release at [Maven's Notebook](#).

Conservation Alert From NCCFFI

The report below describes a [letter](#) from 87 Democratic House members asking the USFWS and NOAA Fisheries to withdraw their attack on the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The ESA is under attack by the White House because it is our most important environmental law, and provides protections for fish & wildlife from the impacts of resource extraction and development activities. This is a topic to tell our House and Senate leaders that you support. We need the ESA, and our endangered fish, like salmon & steelhead, need its protections.

CALL YOUR U.S. HOUSE AND SENATORS!

Huffman, Dingell, Beyer Lead Over 80 Congressional Democrats Demanding Trump Withdraw Attack on Endangered Species Act

Washington, D.C. – Today, 87 Congressional Democrats demanded the Trump administration withdraw four proposed rules that would blow massive holes in the Endangered Species Act — the law that has saved 99 percent of listed species from extinction.

In a [letter](#) to Interior Secretary Doug Burgum and Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick, Natural Resources Committee Ranking Member Jared Huffman (D-Calif.) and ESA Caucus Co-Chairs Rep. Debbie Dingell (D-Mich.) and Rep. Don Beyer (D-Virg.) warned the changes would gut environmental review, strip protections from hundreds of vulnerable species, and let politics override science in listing decisions—all while the Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service face unprecedented staffing and budget shortfalls thanks to the Trump administration.

"These sweeping changes would fundamentally weaken our nation's most important wildlife conservation law at a time when one million species face extinction globally," wrote the lawmakers. **"We**

urge the National Marine Fisheries Service and the Fish and Wildlife Service to withdraw these proposed rulemakings and instead work to implement the ESA as Congress intended: any regulatory changes should further the objectives of the ESA to conserve species and prevent extinction."

The ESA has prevented more than 99 percent of listed species from going extinct and has helped hundreds move toward recovery. Section 7 consultations typically take just two weeks for informal review and two months for formal review—contrary to conventional wisdom, the ESA does not stop projects from moving forward. According to one peer-reviewed study, the ESA did not halt a single project between 2008 and 2015. The lawmakers highlighted how the proposed rules would:

- **Gut Section 7 consultation requirements** by letting agencies claim project impacts "would occur regardless of whether the proposed action goes forward" — a loophole that could exempt highways, pipelines, and development projects from meaningful scrutiny;
- **Strip protections from threatened species** by rescinding the "blanket 4(d) rule" that extends baseline protections to all threatened species, creating dangerous years-long protection gaps that resource-agencies can't fill. The blanket 4(d) rule provides automatic protections to species such as the piping plover and the West Indian Manatee, species listed as threatened in the future would not receive those same baseline protections; and
- **Let politics override science** by injecting cherry-picked 'economic considerations into listing decisions. Congress explicitly required that listing decisions be based solely on the best available science, not on arbitrary evaluations of certain impacts or political pressures.

"With reduced staff and resources, the Services should prioritize addressing the backlog of species awaiting protection and advancing recovery efforts for those already listed, rather than redirecting attention to rewriting long-standing and effective regulations," continued the lawmakers. **"Habitat destruction and climate change are accelerating species extinction to alarming rates, and we should be working to uphold and strengthen the ESA, not weaken it."**

The letter notes that roughly 90 percent of listed species are threatened by habitat loss, making the proposed restrictions on critical habitat designation particularly damaging to recovery efforts.

FFD T-Shirts!

*Fly Fishers of Davis logo T-Shirts are for sale at our club meetings! \$25.00
Only a very few remaining!*



FISH CAMP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – 2026

The Cary Boyden Fish Camp Scholarship is now open for 2026!

This amazing scholarship is open to any interested boy or girl, from 10 to 15 years of age. This **\$1195.00** award covers the entire cost of the five-day program, which is conducted by The Fly Shop of Redding. The program teaches fly fishing and other outdoor skills in a safe and friendly environment and is held on a private ranch outside of Weed, California. The program includes accommodations, meals, and the use of the finest fly fishing equipment. Campers are responsible for clothing, a sleeping bag, and transportation to and from Fish Camp.



Rules:

- To apply for the scholarship, interested boys and girls must complete an application form and answer three short essay questions. You can download the scholarship form here, on our website.
 - <https://flyfishersofdavis.org/about/cary-boyden-scholarship/>
- The boy or girl must meet one of the following eligibility criteria:
 - Be related to a member of the Fly Fishers of Davis
 - Be an active member of a Davis Boy Scout or Girl Scout Troop
 - Be an active member of the Davis 4-H Club
 - Attend public or private school within the Davis city limits
 - Be a student that participated in a FFD sponsored Salmon in the Classroom program
- Applications must be submitted on or before **January 27, 2026**, in one of the following ways:
 - Via email: outreach@flyfishersofdavis.org
 - Via mail: Fish Camp Scholarship Contest, P. O. Box 525, Davis, CA 95617
 - Bring the application in person to our **January 27, 2026**, Fly Fishers of Davis club meeting
- Please note: Previous Fish Camp attendees are ineligible for this scholarship.

Applications will be reviewed by the FFD Scholarship Committee and awarded based upon merit, eligibility, and availability of funds. Not all applications will result in awards. The winner will be selected and announced at the club's Annual Dinner in March 2026, along with two alternates. All decisions will be final. The winner may be asked to attend an FFD club meeting to give a short presentation on their experience at Fish Camp. For more details on Fish Camp, go to www.theflyshop.com/camps/fishcamp.html, or call The Fly Shop, (530) 222-3555. For questions about the scholarship, email outreach@flyfishersofdavis.org.

Most important, download the Cary Boyden Fish Camp Scholarship application here:

- <https://flyfishersofdavis.org/about/cary-boyden-scholarship/>

FLY FISHERS OF DAVIS FLY CASTING PROGRAM

By Jeff Hogan

The Fly-Casting program was created to give you opportunities to learn how to perform various fly-fishing casts and to enhance your casting skills for you to become a better angler. In other words, this is your program, and as such I need to know if I am accomplishing this goal; providing what you need. I also want to know what you would like to learn or improve upon. That could be anything from specific casts to more general goals like how to control the loop so you can put the fly where you want it, to dealing with wind. Please contact me at jbhogan@ucdavis.edu and let me know your thoughts.

The January casting clinic will be on Sunday the 25th from 9:00 AM to noon at NorthStar Park. It will be devoted to casting skills specifically designed to improve your fishing success. We will start the sessions practicing the Bronze level skills in the FFI Fly Casting Skills Development program and finish with an assessment of those skills. This clinic will give you a measure of your skills and identify your strengths as well as your challenges. Upon successful completion at the Bronze, you can start to pursue the Silver level at a future casting clinic.

Here are some examples of the casts we will perform in January:

- 35 ft. Horizontal Pick Up and Lay Down (as skill to help present the fly under obstacles like tree branches).
- Shooting line to 40 ft
- Accuracy to 25 and 35 ft. targets
- 35 ft Roll Cast (in my opinion the most underrated trout cast there is)
- Distance to 50+ ft

As you can see there is a big variety of casts all designed to challenge you in different ways. I invite you to visit this website to learn more about FCSD program and the casting skills you will be learning.

<https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Fly-Casting-Education/Casting-Education/Fly-Casting-Skills-Development>

The 2026 Fly Fishing Show in Pleasanton (February 27 – March 1) will include free fly-casting lessons as well as workshops related to Fly Casting Skills Development Program. Plan to attend and take advantage of these free learning opportunities brought to you by the casting instructors at Golden Gate Angling and Casting Club.

February's casting clinic will be on Sunday the 22nd from 9:00 AM to noon at Northstar Park. The skills taught will be determined at a later date. You will receive an eBlast no later than the middle of February with details.

FIRST (& LAST) CALL FOR PHOTOS & VIDEO!

By Paul Berliner

Hey there fly-fishers, our Annual Dinner is just around the corner, on March 14th, 2026.

I start editing the Annual Dinner video pretty soon, so I'd like to get your pictures and videos from all your fishing adventures in 2025 – right away!

If you took photos or videos during 2025, whether in California or elsewhere, please collect your best pix and clips, put them on a flash drive, and bring them to me at the **January** club meeting. I'll return all drives to you after I transfer the files.

If you have just a few pix, please email them to me (webmaster@flyfishersofdavis.org).

Important: This is your first (and last) call. If I don't get the pix to me by the January meeting, you won't get to see your tiny little brook trout on the big screen.



As always, do **NOT** send me gigantic emails full of pictures! If the file size is too large, use a flash drive or simply contact me — and I'll arrange to get the files.

Important:

- Photos and video must be taken between Jan 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025.
- For photos, high resolution JPG images are preferred.
- For video, any file format works fine, but the higher the resolution, the better.
- Once again, this is your first and last call.

Many thanks!

KIDS FISHING DAY AT LAGOON VALLEY PARK

By Dan Brugger and Ryan Mitchell

This exciting event is a Kids (15 and younger) Fishing Event on Friday, February 7, 2026, at Lagoon Valley in Vacaville. The City of Vacaville expects 300–500 kids to come out and experience fishing, cleaning the fish, and then cooking that fish! FFD is seeking volunteers for the event and everyone is welcome to participate.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife will be there with a booth and some volunteers and they're bringing in 2,000 pounds of trout for the lagoon lake. (I think they estimated it to be 3000 - 4000 HUNGRY trout.) See the attached site map from the City of Vacaville and the flyer that will be in the City Winter Event Guide. The guide includes a list of the stations we plan to run, and we're looking for some extra hands to help run those stations and make the day go smoothly.

It should be a really fun and meaningful event for the kids — and for everyone helping out, too.

Let us know if you need more information. Please note this event is mainly for the youth in Vacaville and while you can share the event with some youth in Davis we prefer the flyer is not shared too far outside of Vacaville to keep the attendance manageable. (We do hope this can continue annually and maybe we can expand it next year to serve more youth.)



TWO UPCOMING 2026 NORTH UMPQUA RIVER TRIPS!

By Ron Rabun

North Umpqua River Smallmouth/Shad Outing: May 26-27-28

This two-day fishing/3 nights lodging adventure targets Smallmouth Bass and Shad on the North Umpqua River. This trip adds the rare opportunity to catch Shad on the North Umpqua in addition to the traditional summer Small Mouth Bass. The outing includes three nights of lodging and 2 days guided fishing May 26-27-28 at Big K Ranch located at the take-out location on the North Umpqua River. Fishing is scheduled for May 27 and 28. Transportation to Big K is the individual's responsibility or via carpool. The trip is limited to 6 anglers, 3 boats. Details below!

North Umpqua River Smallmouth Outing: Group 1 - August 17-19 Group 2 - August 19-21

This two-day adventure targets Smallmouth Bass on the North Umpqua River, Elkton Oregon. This trip is our traditional summer Small Mouth Bass trip. Two groups of 3 boats/6 anglers/2 anglers per boat are scheduled. The fees include three nights of lodging at BIG K RANCH located on the North Umpqua River (river take-out) scheduled for Group 1 August 17-18-19 (fishing 18/19); Group 2 August 19-20-21 (fishing 20-21).

NOTE: There are a few Big K Trip differences from prior Airbnb trips. All fees approximate. Including dinners this estimate is approximately \$100 per day more than our previous Airbnb formula. Big K value differences include restaurant dinners and breakfast; Additional float tube fishing available on last day on Big K water; No responsibility for dinner or breakfast preparations; No Airbnb deposits or cleaning fees. Limited to 6 anglers per group. Minimum "go" 2 anglers/1 boat per 2 day per group schedule.

For BOTH trips: Fishing 2 days with 3 nights lodging trip will cost approximately \$950 per person (including a \$50 per day guide tip). This year, we will again be fishing with Wolf Pack Guide Service of Elkton, Oregon. 2-Day guide fee per angler \$600 plus tip. Three nights lodging at Big K Ranch is \$225/night (plus 1% tourism fee)/ 2 person shared cabin, or approximately \$340 per person.

Breakfast and dinners a la Carte at the Big K restaurant or local restaurants not included in the trip fees. Lunch is angler's responsibility. Guides have water on board. Total estimated trip fees cost as stated above total \$950 plus \$50 per day per person guide tip and plus Big K café breakfast/dinner \$50 per day. Estimated total trip cost \$1100 pp.

Deposit for May Shad/Bass is \$300 by February 15, 2026 (\$100 guide, \$200 Big K).

Deposit for August Bass is \$300 (\$100 guide, \$200 Big K) by June 15, 2026.

Pay to Ron Rabun, 916-716-2659 (check or Zelle). (Unreserved FFD spots may be offered to CFFU and GBF members). Balances due to guides and Big K at time of service.

California Fly Fisher Magazine – Special Offer



Celebrate California Fly Fisher's Relaunch Anniversary with a Special Offer for Fly Club Members

For more than three decades, *California Fly Fisher* has been the go-to publication for anglers who care about California's fisheries, wild trout, and the craft of fly fishing. In July 2024, the magazine underwent a beautiful redesign and relaunch—and it's better than ever in both print and digital formats.

To mark their one-year relaunch anniversary, *California Fly Fisher* is offering club members an exclusive subscription discount—plus 10% off all merchandise.

Special Anniversary Rates for Fly Club Members:

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CALIFORNIA BOATER CARD

An important reminder to all FFD boaters!

If you do not have a California Boater Card you are **not in compliance with California Law.**

The California Boater Card shows that its holder has successfully taken and passed a NASBLA (National Association of State Boating Law Administrators) state-approved boater safety education examination. The California Boater Card program was phased-in by age for operators of motorized boats on state waterways.



As of January 1, 2025, all persons who operate on California waters were required to have one. The lifetime card fee is \$10. The lost card replacement fee is \$5.

The card is issued by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW). Once DBW has received your application, proof of education and payment, and after taking an approved course and successfully passing the test, you will receive a 90-day temporary boater card by email. You should receive your official boater card by mail within 30 days from the time the application was approved.

Not only is mandatory education the law, the California Boater Card Program promotes boating safety on our waterways. U. S. Coast Guard accident data show that states with some form of boating safety education have fewer accidents and fatalities than states without any boater education requirements.

For more information, or to apply for the card, please visit <https://californiaboatercard.com/>



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MEETING SCHEDULE

The meeting schedule has been tentatively set for the next few months. Peter Hawes is the program chair. Let him know if you like the program speakers, or, if you have ideas for one, please let us know at the next meeting.

Fly Fishers of Davis 2026 Meeting Schedule			
MONTH	SPEAKER	DATE	TOPIC
January	Paul Lenos	January 27	Fishing the Five Fingers, Northern California
February	Dennis Cochrell	February 24	McCloud River Salmon
March	FFD Club Members	March 31	Fly Lines and more
April	Dave Gumpel	April 28	Hunting for Bolivian Gold-Golden Dorado
May		May 26	Swap meet
June	Annual Picnic	June 30	

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 2024. 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 individual and family memberships are \$35/year, and a student membership is \$10/year. Your dues help to fund many 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 support!



OUTINGS & EVENTS - FFD 2026

PROPOSED FFD OUTINGS & EVENTS

Trips & Events 2026	Species & Info	Dates	Contact	Notes
Casting Clinic	Jeff Hogan Instructor	January 25	Jeff Hogan	Northstar Park
Fly Fishing Classes	Finest fly-fishing 101 courses anywhere!	Jan14,21,28 Feb 4,11,18.	Dana Hooper	Instructor Dana Hooper Click this link for details
Annual Dinner	Fun, Food, Prizes and more!	March 14		Pre-order tickets at the meeting
Float N Fly Lake Berryessa	Bass	April	Dana Hooper	Boater pair w/non-boater
Hat Creek 101 Outing	Trout	May	Dana Hooper	Camping. Pending area is back open after construction.
Shad on the Feather / Sac	Shad	May	Peter Hawes	Boater pair w/non-boater
North Umpqua River	Smallmouth/Shad	May 26-27-28	Ron Rabun	Estimated trip cost ~ \$1,100
Annual Picnic	Fun, Food, Friendship	June 30		
Bassin on The Delta	Bass	June 2026	Dana Hooper	Boater pair w/non-boater
Fuller Lake Outing	Trout	June 2026	Shawn DeArmond	Day Trip
North Umpqua River	Smallmouth	Group 1 Aug17-19 Group 2 Aug 19-21	Ron Rabun	Estimated trip cost ~ \$1,100
Striper Fest	Stripers	Oct / Nov	Dana Hooper	Boater pair w/non-boater

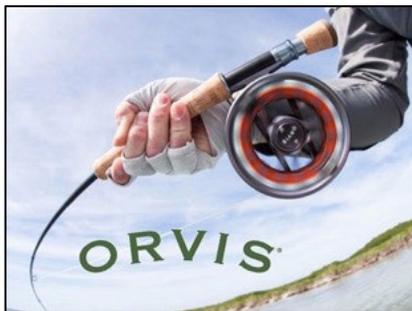
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Term: 2 years			Term: 3 years		
President:	Ron Rabun	Through Dec. 2027	Stuart Meyers	Through Dec. 2026	
Vice President	Dana Hooper	Through Dec. 2027	Marc Wilson	Through Dec. 2026	
Treasurer	Andan Bailey	Through Dec. 2026	Open	Through Dec. 2026	
Secretary	Matt Perry	Through Dec. 2026	Dan Galloway	Through Dec. 2027	
			Dave Fujino	Through Dec. 2028	
			Dan Brugger	Through Dec. 2028	
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The Fly Fishers of Davis (FFD) is a non-Profit 501.C.4 charitable organization dedicated to the education, participation, conservation and enhancement of fly fishing. FFD meets monthly. Our regular meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month except for December, and other exceptions are noted in our newsletter. FFD meetings and membership are open 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 prior to the meeting. To view our PDF newsletter, download Acrobat reader at: <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>. Members are urged to maintain their current email address and other important personal data by logging in, and visiting: <https://flyfishersofdavis.org/account/>. This ensures accurate communication and notification of our monthly newsletter, which is also downloadable at: <https://flyfishersofdavis.org/media/newsletters/>.

How to become a member of the Fly Fishers of Davis

FFD collects annual dues for individual memberships (\$35), student memberships (\$10) and family memberships (\$35). 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 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. For more information or if you have questions, please email membership@flyfishersofdavis.org

- Membership benefits: go to <https://flyfishersofdavis.org/about/membership-benefits/>
- New members ONLY: to join, go to <https://flyfishersofdavis.org/memberships/>
- Existing members, login and dues assistance: email webmaster@flyfishersofdavis.org

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