



# SALINAS VALLEY FLY FISHERS

January 2011

## FLY TIMES

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### "Pump Doctor's Last Gasp"

By: President— Dave Gambetta

" Hey everybody!

Wow! Did that year go by fast or what? I have to admit that I'm really looking forward to this next year. I think it'll be nice to sit in the audience for a change. You know, it might not have looked like it, but I wasn't trying to make a fool of my self every time I got up in front to lead a meeting, That's just the way it turned out.

I'm also looking forward to all of next year's outings and trips. And speaking of trips, Jefferson and I took a long ride the other day to scope out some places. We drove down ,almost to Fresno, and then back up north of Merced, and then from there, left to the Tuolumne and back home. Picked up a bunch

of maps and brochures. We are looking into a House boat trip later in the year and some pay to play places like Kelsey Ranch and Rock Creek in Nor Cal. We also have all the old haunts including Hunter Liggett, Pyramid and Rooster Comb. Should be fun. Be sure to check your newsletter and website to plan your trips for this year.

Since it is a new year don't forget to get your dues in and please plan to attend the *Annual Dinner* at Tarpy's. That's on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> of January. Check your email for the dinner flyer. Besides all the great raffle stuff you're going to want to show up to harass the new Board members. Well kids that's it. Had a great year as your Prez. Hope to see you on the stream.

.....Da Prez

### SVFF Annual Dinner Starts New Year off with a Bang!

Tarpy's Restaurant will once again be the sight of the club's annual dinner, If you weren't able to be there last year, we sure hope you'll join us. Wine social hour will start at 6:30 with dinner served at 7:30. This year both the social hour and dinner will be in the "Library" dinning room. We'll be feature a silent auction in addition to the traditional raffle. The raffle promises to be the biggest and best ever: Fly rods, reels, clothing, fishing trips, jewelry for the ladies, and a ton of other nifty stuff.. Call Roger for ticket info: 633-4659.

## What's going on in the world of fishing?

### Tips and Tactics



Know what you're hooked on?

### Hook Terminology

- **Gape:** Gape (or Gap) is the distance between the hook shank and the point. The standard gape is slightly less than half the standard hook shank length. Hook sizes are based upon gape.
- **Wire Gauge:** There is a standardized wire gauge. From this standard, hook wire can be heavier (XH) or lighter (XF) based upon an "x" system. A 1XF hook would have the same wire diameter of a hook one size smaller.
- **Shank:** The shank is the part of the hook from behind the eye to the beginning of the bend, which is usually directly above the space between the point and the barb. Standard shank length is defined as the distance of twice the Gape plus the width of the eye. An "x" system designates longer or shorter than standard lengths. Each "x" represents one hook size, so a size 6, 2x long (2XL) has a shank length of a standard size 4 hook. A size 6, 2x short (2XS) would have a shank length of a standard size 8 hook. Almost all fly hooks are even-numbered only, however, the "x" designation is determined by individual digit sizes. The shank can be straight or curved.
- **Eye:** The eye is the ring, hole, or loop at the end of the shank which the line is attached. Eyes can be positioned straight, up, or down.
- **Bend:** The curved portion of the hook ending just before the point. Bends can be round, limerick, sproat, or reversed offset.
- **Bite/Throat:** The distance from the apex of the bend to its intersection with the gape.
- **Point & Barb:** The point is the sharpened end which penetrates the fishes mouth. The barb is a projection that extends backwards to secure the hook. Hooks can have a mini-barb or be barbless.

Fly of the month: *Peacock Caddis*



**Hook:** Standard Dry fly size 12-18

**Thread:** Black 6/0—8/0

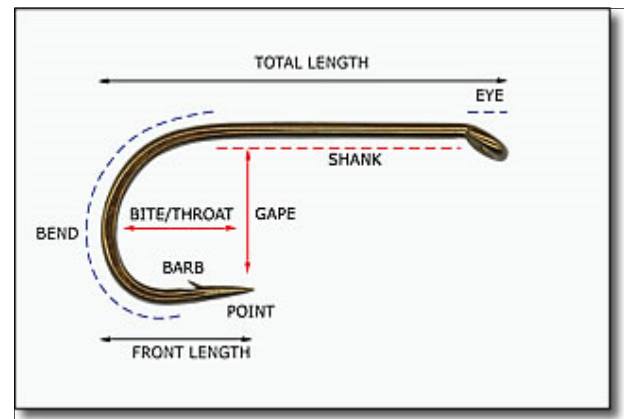
**Body:** Peacock herl

**Hackle:** Mixed brown and grizzly or Cree

**Wing:** Tan elk

Note: This a great dry fly for beginners and more importantly it's a real fish catcher that's a good addition to everybody's fly box.

*Materials for this fly will be provided at this month's fly tying. Contact Rick if you have questions.*



**Salinas Valley Flyfishers  
2010 Outing Schedule and Programs**

Jan. 15th.	Annual Dinner	Tarpy's Restaurant		Dave Gambetta	424-5119
Jan. 19th	Fly Tying	Airport Board Room			
Jan. 26th	SVFF Board meeting	Airport Landing Zone Restaurant		Mick Micheli	455-1007
June 24-26	Outing	Clear Creek	Trout	Jay Jefferson	809-0290

**Don't forget to send your 2010 Steelhead fishing report card in to DFG. It's due by January 31.**

**Rumor Mill:**

The word is out that there are plans to reinstate the "Fisherman of the Year" for 2011. Two of the current club member, Mick Michelli and Rick McCombs, who have won the award, have agreed to spearhead the award's resurrection.. Stay tuned for more information. Also under discussion, in response to the excellent attendance at the monthly fly tying is an award for Fly Tyer of the Year.

**Time for a new fishing license**

Look for a change in the appearance of your fishing license this year. As with last year, there is no requirement to wear your it where it can be seen. The big change is the new automated data system (ALDS). You can order your license on line @ CA DFG. No Striper stamp this year, in fact they've done away with stamps. All additions get printed right on the license..

**Sign up now for Clear Creek:**

The Clear Creek Outing is set for June 24-26. We can take up to 10 anglers, but need at least 6. Members have first dibs. Call Jay right away if you're interested. The cost is \$334 + food, for two days two night.

**Note: General meetings (every 2nd Wednesday@ Spreckles firehouse). Fly Tying (every 3rd Wednesday @ the Airport) Board of Directors (every 4th. Wednesday @ the Airport) all members are welcome ..**

For all the latest info. in what's happening in the wide world of fishing and for club activities,

Check out: [salinasvalleyflyfishers.org](http://salinasvalleyflyfishers.org)

For information regarding the web-site contact Dave Gambetta at:  
424-5119 or e-mail: [pumpdokter@comcast.net](mailto:pumpdokter@comcast.net)

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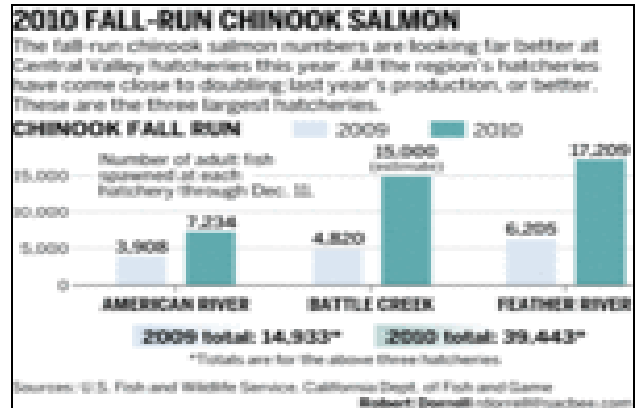
**Geoff Malloway  
Central Coast Fly Fishing  
7172 Carmel Valley Rd.  
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(626-6586)**

## News Notes and Ads

**Pleasanton Fly Fishing Show** is coming up on February 25-27. This show seems to be steadily improved each year, so think about putting it on your list for things to do in 2011.

**Salinas Valley Fly Fishers Annual Dinner**  
January 15th At Tarpy's Don't miss this one. Scott Naylor will once again be hosting a wine social beforehand at the Ventana tasting room next door. We are on track to have the biggest and best raffle ever. Look forward to seeing you there with your spouse.

It's a little blurry, but the salmon numbers have improved this year. Most hatcheries are 2-3 times higher than 2009



### Project: "Recover our History"

Please help the board of directors recover some of our club's history. Do you remember what year you joined the club. Have you been a club officer or on the Board. Have you received any special awards. Do you have any old newsletters, or any old club history?. We're trying to track this info. down and we need your help. If you have some of this information, Call Mick or Rick.

### Buy, Sell, give away and get the word out

**Wading boots** Interchangeable Omnitrax Sole System  
(Size 11) Used 5 days  
3 Soles: Felt - Felt with Studs - Aqua Stealth/Rubber  
\$40 - Club Members 10% Discount (New: \$179)  
John Nesheim 831-626-9014  
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9ft. FishCat Pontoon boat , Excellent Condition. With aluminum oars and custom anchor. \$400 (10% off to club member and casaba farmers.

Call Jay: 809-0290

Wilderness Systems Kayak, Designed for fishing, Sit on top style, 13'6" Set up with fish finder and rod holders. Excellent condition, Very lightly used.. \$ 400 or trade  
Call Rick 385-4778

Planning to fish At San Luis Reservoir or the Forebay? Call (800) 805-4805 or (209) 826-9019

**Old guys!!!** For those 62 and older, did you know that for \$10 you can get a National Parks and Rec. Pass. This is good for life. Not that that will be long.

**Fly of the Month:**

**Peacock Caddis**



East Delta.. Check out the maps on the Fish Sniffer web site



**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting**  
***Airport / Landing Zone***  
**Jan. 26 @ 6:00**

**Fly Tying**  
**Wedn., Jan 19th.**  
**@ 7:00**  
**A/P Board room**

**Sign up for Clear Creek**  
**outing June 24-26th**  
**\$334**  
**Call: Jay 809-0290**

**Annual Dinner**  
**Tarpy's Restaurant**  
**Jan. 15th @ 6:30**

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