



SALINAS VALLEY FLY FISHERS

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The Windy Thistle.. Chapter V

By: President- Jay O.D. Jefferson

Hey, What a great meeting, last month. I hope that you were able to be there. Ed Given did a outstanding job. His presentation "Steelhead close to home" was both informative and entertaining.

Hunter Liggett was the first outing for April. Although Some of the guys did venture up to Pyramid Lake. We'd opted not to have the outing there because the new rules that would have made it more difficult to join up, fish and camp as a group. As it turned out. Some guys went and did pretty well. Struve and Nilsen reported fish up to 8 lbs. Miyamoto as well as Cunha and McCombs fished it with good results.

At Hunter Liggett, once again the ladies caught the biggest bass. The weather was in the 80's and water temp in the mid 60's. Generally the bassing was slow. We turned to the venerable Bluegill and weren't disappointed. Dave Hilbert was a-glow, having

caught his first fish on a fly that he tied. Also, under the title of: adventures with "H-2" or in this case maybe it should be H-2-O, next time you see Haden Hilbert be sure to ask him about the down side of having a water sensing auto inflator in your life vest...when you're in a float tube. Boy was it loud!! Aside from that, Mick was busy taking pictures of rattle snake and Gambetta and I were busy chasing Bluegill. Our Fishmaster, Rick, got sick. So we had "tube steak" instead of the rib eyes that he'd promised to bring for dinner on Saturday night.

Don't forget the casting clinic and float tube safety clinic that will be held on the River at Jefferson Ranch on May 17th. Please come to the meeting to sign up and don't forget to bring your waders. We should have a variety of float tubes and pontoons for folks to try..

See you on the water—Jay

Sam Davidson / Trout Unlimited

Sam Davidson from Trout Unlimited will be providing our May program. This should be very informative. In addition Rick McCombs will do a short overview in preparation for the casting clinic on May 17th. The clinic will cover casting basics and how to diagnose and solve common casting problems. If you'd like more information regarding the casting clinic or floatie thing safety clinic, give Rick or Jay Jefferson a call.. See on Wednesday. ed.

New Zealand Mud Snail



What's your preference?

The newsletter can be sent out to you by regular mail, e-mailed or both.

Which way do you want it? let me know:

rickmcfly@sbcglobal.net

Call Rick @ 385-4778

Next Meeting= May 14th.

Conservation Watch, with Aaron Galwey

With trout season just around the corner I hope most of you plan on covering lots of different waters; I know I do. Let me give you one more thing to worry about, other than if you are going to catch fish or how your going to get out of your list of honey do's. That is are you going to be able to catch fish here next year, or even more so in ten years. With so many people traveling from so many locations to fish and recreate in our state waters, that we have had a few unwanted have shown up where they don't belong.. One that may be of significant interest to you is the *New Zealand Mud Snail*. This is a very small snail that if introduced into your favorite stream could choke out all other aquatic life and change you're fishing forever. They have been found in population densities as high as 500,000 per square yard. Funny thing is with populations that dense I have yet to see a NZMS fly pattern.

Characteristics:

- NZMS average 1/8 inch in size but may be as small as a grain of sand. A plate covers the opening of the gray, brown or black cone-shaped shell with 5 or 6 whorls.
- They live in all water types. Silted rivers to clear mountain streams. Water temps. 32-77 degrees.
- Reproduces by cloning, so it only takes one.
- Can survive for days out of water on moist gear.

What you can do:

In order to ensure that you are not transporting NZMS from one stream to another, here are a few suggestions to keep you equipment free of the invasive hitchhikers .If you wade, freeze waders and other gear overnight (at least 6 hours). Have extra waders and boots that are used only in infested waters. Store them separately. After leaving the water, inspect waders, boots, float tubes, boats/ trailers—any gear used in the water. Remove visible snails with a stiff brush and follow with rinsing.If possible, freeze or completely dry out any wet gear. Allow to dry out completely. 3-5 days is best.

For more information and a list of waters that are known to have New Zealand Mud Snails visit <http://dfg.ca.gov/invasives/mudsnail/>

Salinas Valley Flyfishers 2008 Outing Schedule and Programs

Date:	Activity:	Location:	Species / Program:	Contact:	Tele / e-mail:
<u>March 12th.</u>	<u>Monthly Meeting</u>	Community Center	Bob Marini "Gearing up to Fish"	Roger Caton	633-4659
<u>March 15-16th.</u>	<u>Club Outing</u>	Fort Hunter-Liggett	Bass, Trout, Bluegill	Jay Jefferson	809-0290
<u>March 19th.</u>	<u>Fly Tying</u>	Salinas Airport	Fly Tying Basics	Bill Pshide	424-3063
<u>March 26th</u>	<u>Board Meeting/</u>	Salinas Airport	Business meeting/	Dave Gambetta	422-5119
<u>April 9th.</u>	<u>Monthly Meeting</u>	Community Center	Ed Given "fly fishing potpourri"	Roger Caton	633-4659
<u>April 12-13th.</u>	<u>Club Outing</u>	Lake Pyramid (May be changed)	Cutthroat Trout	Rick McCombs	320-6044
<u>April 16th.</u>	<u>Fly Tying</u>	Salinas Airport	Trout Flies: Stimulator patterns	Rick McCombs	385-4778 / 320-6044
<u>April 23rd.</u>	<u>Board Meeting</u>	Salinas Airport	Business meeting /	Dave Gambetta	422-5119
<u>April 26th</u>	<u>Club Outing</u>	Los Padres / Nacimiento R.	Trout Opener	Dave Hilbert	455-2443
<u>May 14th.</u>	<u>Monthly Meeting</u>	Community Center	Sam Davidson From Trout Unlimited	Roger Caton	633-4659
<u>May 17th.</u>	<u>Club Activity</u>	Salinas River @ Jefferson's Ranch	Fly Casting Workshop / Pontoon Boat Safety	Rick McCombs	385-4778
<u>May 21st.</u>	<u>Fly Tying</u>	Salinas Airport	Nymphs	Bill Pshide	424-3063
<u>May 28th.</u>	<u>Board Meeting/ Fly Tying</u>	Salinas Airport	Business meeting/ Shad Flies	Dave Gambetta	455-2443

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

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News Notes and Ads

If you fish Pyramid, You'll want to read this:

4.1 FISHING SEASON. Due to spawning season the open waters of Pyramid Lake shall be open to fishing year round, with the exception of Trout Season, which shall be open from October 1 to June 30 of each year. From March 15 to May 16, closed areas are from the Sutcliffe Marina up to and including the South Nets Beach area. Fishing within 500 feet of all boat docks is prohibited.

Indian Creek Reservoir: Got a report in this week.. Indian Creek is low, similar to last year, BUT!! The fish are big and healthy. There is a dynamite Midge hatch in the evening and big fish are actively working then in the shallows. The Midge that the fish seem to be targeting is about a size #12 rusty/Pumpkin orange.. Talk to Bill Pside about tying some up.. Give it a try and good luck.. ed.

Fly tying for the month of May: Bill will be in charge this month and he's promised to tie the **PMD Trigger Nymph, Ultra Zug** and the **Spanflex Buzzer Emerger**. Hell, I've never even heard of these flies. So I'm going to be there for sure. Remember it's on the third Wednesday of every month (May 21) at the Landing zone restaurant at the Salinas Airport. It starts at about 6:00. Everyone is welcome..

Hey, is anybody reading these things? If you are, its time for you to submit you own quotable quote. It must be original. Submit it by e-mail to: rickmcfly@sbcglobal.net or by mail @: "A Quote for ed", 216 Grove Place King City, CA 93930. What's in it for you? Each month I'll publish all the quotes submitted and at the end of the year the best quote will receive something!!!

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Got Something to sell, give away, or need?

SVFF Club t-shirts are available. Give Sonny a call or he should have some at the meeting. At last report there are sizes large and XL

Craftsman radial arm saw, Craftsman 10" table saw, Craftsman 1 hp compressor. Cheap to club member. Call: Rick for more information (385-4778)

Planning to fish At **San Luis Reservoir** or the Forebay? **Call (800) 805-4805 or (209) 826-9019** for current weather conditions and the water height in

Old Farts!!! 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 and gets you 1/2 off at fed. camp sites and free passage into Yosemite

Adopt-A-Highway

If you club or business is interested in adopting a section of Hwy101
Contact the First Lady:
Jeanette Green, Adopt-a-highway Coordinator
831-372-1132

Fly tying every 3rd Wednesday

.Fly of the Month.

PMD Trigger Nymph...Call Bill Pside (424-3063) for info. and materials



Monterey Bay

Map from:
The Fish Sniffer



When you think fly fishing think: stripers, Surf Perch and kelp beds

This map was taken from the "Fish Sniffer" You can Google them on the web. They are a great resource for maps and fishing reports. Give them a try.

April meeting
@
The Community Center
May 14th. @ 7:00

Fly Tying.
May 21st. @ 6:00
the airport
(Ultra Zug Bug)

Board Meeting
May 28th @ 6:00
Salinas Airport

Salinas River Clinics
@ Jefferson Ranch
May 17th.

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