



SALINAS VALLEY FLY FISHERS

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FLY TIMES

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The Windy Thistle.. Chapter XX & 1/2 By: President- Jay O.D. Jefferson

Well, our 3rd. Annual Muddy River Classic came off without a hitch. We had 30 or so people this year, the weather was good. The food was great and the comradery was ,as always, superb. The pontoon boat races came in two flavors: One man and two man, Rick the one man race and the Hilbert boys took top honors in the two man race. Back on land, he casting contest was cool: 5 stations, multiple targets and 5 separate rods from a 2 wt. to a 6wt. Clyde (One Arm) Green broke the tie with Mr. Dokey to win. The fly tying was a new event this year. But it was an event with a new twist, everybody had to tie a fly wearing welding gloves. Little Hilbert (H2) snuck past Richard Wilson in a close contest to take the win. We had too much food again. And Sonny did an outstanding job with the BBQ and the raffle. A special to Bill and his crew for setting up the casting and

everybody else who showed up to help. In addition thanks to everybody who took a Saturday out of their schedule to come out and join in the fun.

The August meeting is on the Wednesday, 12th. We will be having casting on the lawn starting around 6:00 then start the general meeting at 7:00. Along with whatever rods show up, you'll have a chance to cast a brand new 7ft. 4-5 wt. Bamboo rod. This rod has been purchased buy the club and will be in a special (members only) raffle. As for the program, we're going to leave this in the hands of Steve Storm and the Michelis. There will pictures from Montana and the Salmon River.

Be sure check you calendar. We have the Kern River this month from the 21-23rd. In addition, we're looking for help at Rancho Ceilo on August 15th, let me know if you can help out..

See you then — Jay O.D.

Some folks have been fishing

Yep, some folks have been fishing and we hear that they have the pictures to prove it. Steve Storm took a trip on the Middle Fork of the Salmon and will be sharing his experience at this month's meeting. In addition the Michelis will share their adventures in Montana. There will be casting on the lawn prior to the 7:00 general meeting and everybody will get a chance to see and try out the new Bamboo raffle rod. Plan to come out on Wednesday and listen to the program and check out the raffle and munch on the goodies..

What's going on in the world of fishing?



Who's been fishing?

Please let me know if you've been fishing or if you've got plans to go soon, so we can share..

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Call: Rick @ 385-4778 or 320-6044

Bill Pshide, Rick and Jay made the trip up to the Merced during July's heat wave. The day time temperature where in the low 100's and the water temperature varied from 70-75 degrees. They report that fishing was on the slow side and the fish were a bit lethargic, not hard to understand considering the ware temperature. Rick reports that by day two they spent the hot part of the day sitting under the shade of the Foresta bridge. We'll wait for September before we return to the Merced. Until then we'll be looking for cooler water..

• Approaching the Fish

- Slowly - Fish can feel your presence though their sensory organs, try not to wade into pools but if you must, do it slowly. Spooked fish will alert the others within the pool.
- Quietly - Sound can quickly give you away. Try to wade with felt sole sandals or boots without the metal cleats. Also use a rubber tip on the end of your wading staff rather than a metal one. Try not to get into the water.
- Lowly - Fish can see you from the front and side. They have a parallax vision due to the water surface that they can't see low objects. Try to approach from behind but if you must approach from the front or side, do it with a low profile.
- Darkly - Wear dark clothing, hide highly reflective tools in your pocket. Stay in the shade.
- Patiently - Don't rush. Observe and then plan your approach.
- Direction - Think about where to make your best presentation. Where do the fish lie with respect to your approach? If you have a fish on, where is it going to run? How is the wind and the current going to affect the presentation? What are the covers available to you; foliage, rocks? Keep in mind the many different factors that can affect your presentation just by selecting the direction of your approach.

Kern River

The Upper Kern River north of Lake Isabella and Kernville is a fishery known for its 4-8 pound trophy trout. This 20 mile section of river has big deep pools, pocket water, short runs and long riffles. Nymphing deep will always get you into fish but be ready for those hatches in the late evening or early morning. This fishery is open year round. **The Upper River north of the Johnsondale Bridge is home to 75 miles of wild trout water** and a special regulations area where wild native Kern River Rainbows are plentiful. This is one of only a few places in California where you can catch a wild native trout in its native drainage. The four mile section just above the Johnsondale Bridge is a year round fishery where only barbless hooks are allowed. Kern River Rainbows live here as well as the occasional monster Brown Trout. The dry fly fishing in this area is legendary but nymphing very large stoneflies through the pocket water can get you some incredible grabs.

Salinas Valley Flyfishers 2009 Outing Schedule and Programs

<u>August 12</u>	<u>Monthly Meeting</u>	Community Center	<u>Salmon River</u>	Jay Jefferson	809-0290
<u>August 15</u>	<u>Kid's fly fishing</u>	Rancho Ceilo	<u>Volunteer Project</u>	Bill Pshide	424-3063
<u>August 19</u>	<u>Fly Tying</u>	Salinas Airport	<u>Ted's Stonefly Nymph</u>	Dave Hilbert	455-2433
<u>August 21-23</u>	<u>Club Outing</u>	Kern River	<u>Rainbow Trout</u>	Jay Jefferson	809-0290
<u>August 26</u>	<u>Board Meeting</u>	Salinas Airport	<u>Restaurant</u>	Jay Jefferson	809-0290
<u>Sept 9</u>	<u>Monthly Meeting</u>	Community Center		Jay Jefferson	809-0290
<u>Sept. 11-13</u>	<u>Club Outing</u>	<u>Merced River</u>	<u>Rainbow Trout</u>	<u>Dave Gambetta</u>	424-5119
<u>September</u>	<u>Club Outing</u>	San Luis Res.	<u>Stripers</u>	Rick McCombs	385-4778
<u>October</u>	<u>Club Outing</u>	Heenan / Carson	<u>Sutter Creek</u>	Rick McCombs	385-4778

Other upcoming outing: (detail to be worked out)

September: Striper Outing September: Trinity / Lewiston October: Crowley

October: Heenan /East Carson November: American River November: Lower

Sacramento *If you have interest any of these outing let us know!!*

Note: General meeting (every 2nd Wednesday except July @) Fly Fying (every 3rd Wednesday @ the Airport) Board of directors Meeting (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

Special thanks for the support of:

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

News Notes and Ads

The Salinas Valley Fly Fishers now have custom fly boxes with our club name on them.

Hilbert's Fly of the Month:

Ted's Early Brown Stonefly Nymph:

Hook: TMC 200R size 12 -16
 Thread: Camel 6/0 uni-thread
 Side Stripes: 30 lb mono or lead wire tied on
 sides of body
 Tails: Ringneck pheasant tail fibers
 Abdomen: Pheasant
 Wing Case: Dark Brown Thin Skin (or substitute)
 Legs: Medium brown henback fibers
 Thorax: Medium ginger dubbing

Fly of the month: Early Brown Stone fly



Coleman Scano 15' 8" Transport Wheels included 660 lbs capacity, 5 horse power rated. Approx. weight 92lbs. Includes 4 vests 2 paddles and car loader Asking \$325.00 Contact Bill Pside @ 424-3063

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

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

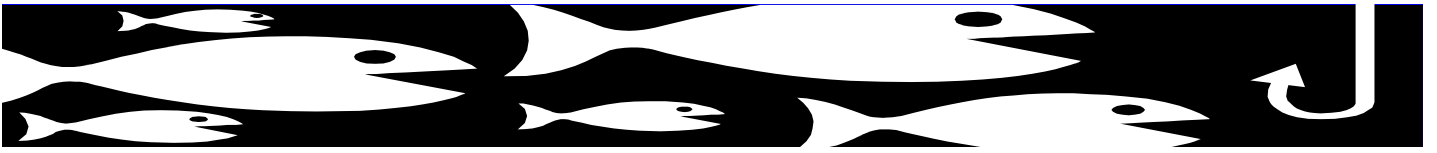
Old Farts!!! For those 62 and older, did you know that for \$10 you can get a National Parks and Rec. Pass. This is good for life. Not that that will be long.

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

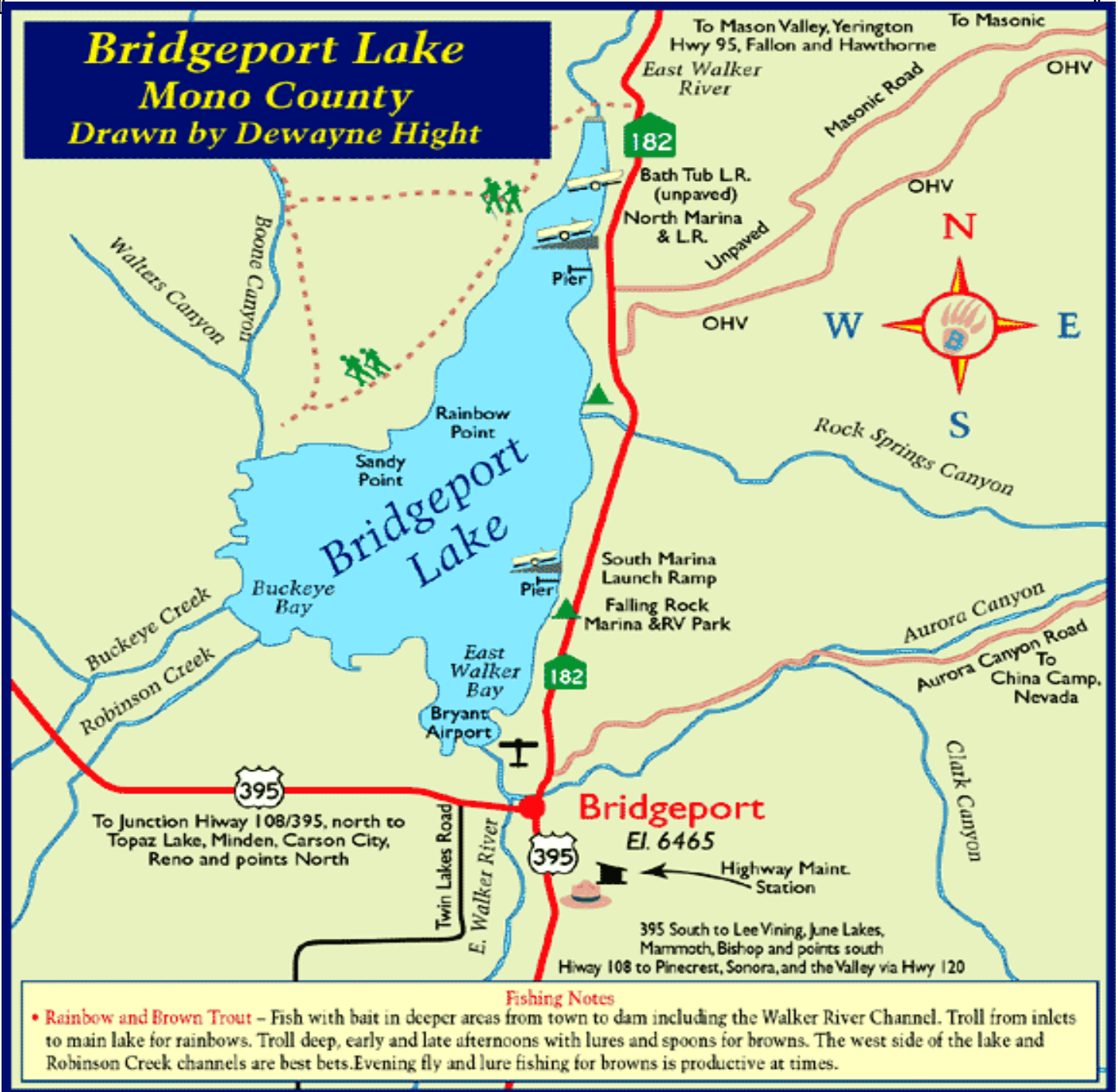
Adopt-A-Highway
 If you club or business is interested in adopting a section of Hwy101
 Contact the First Lady:
 Jeanette Green, Adopt-a-highway Coordinator
 831-372-1132

Fly of the Month. = *Ted's Early Brown Stonefly*

Fly Tying August 19th.



Fall is a great time to hit the Eastern Sierras. Along with Bridgeport, think about Crowley and Heenan Lakes. Heenan is open from September 5th. through October 25th. Generally the wind comes up in the afternoon so plan to fish Bridgeport in the morning..



Visit the [Fish Sniffer](http://FishSniffer.com) website for more information on this and plenty of other great maps, reports and worthwhile places to fish.

**August general meeting
August the 12th
@
7:00 pm**

**Fly Tying
Wedn., August 19th.
@ Salinas Airport
Board Room**

**Board Meeting
August 26th.
Airport Restaurant**

**Kern River Outing
August 21-23rd.**

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