

Main Stream

Mission Peak Fly Anglers

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May 2012 Club Meeting

PLACE: Silliman Community Activity Center
6800 Mowry Avenue, Newark CA 94560
510- 742-4400

DATE: **Wednesday, May 23** (Note day and date)

TIME: **6:30pm** (Note new time)

PROGRAM : Fishing in south-east Cuba

Upcoming Events

- Wed. May 16 **Fly Tying Night** 7:00 PM, Fremont Activity Center, 3375 Country Dr., Fremont
- Thur. May 17 Veterans First Fly Fishing- VA Hospital, San Jose, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- Wed. May 23 **Club Meeting** - Silliman Community Activity Center, 6:30 PM
- Fri. May 25 Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Menlo Park, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- Wed. June 6 Veterans First Fly Fishing- VA Hospital, Livermore, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- Wed. June 6 **BOARD MEETING** 7:00pm Fremont Activity Center, 3375 Country Dr. Fremont
- Fri. June 8 Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Menlo Park, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- Sat. June 9 **CLUB BREAKFAST:** At the Denny's in Hayward on Whipple - 9:00 AM
- Wed. June 20 Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Livermore, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- Wed. June 20 **Fly Tying Night** 7:00 PM, Fremont Activity Center, 3375 Country Dr., Fremont
- Thur. June 21 Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, San Jose, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- Fri. June 22 Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Menlo Park, 10 AM to 12:00 PM
- Wed. June 27 **Club Meeting** - Silliman Community Activity Center, 6:30 PM

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MPFA Web Site <http://www.missionpeakflyanglers.org/index.shtml>

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E-mail address list

The club is compiling an e-mail address list for the use of club members. If you want your address included or wish to have a copy of the list, send an e-mail to Craig Gittings.

Notice

Members

The Newsletter will be coming out on the 15th of each month. Send your articles or information to the editor by the 12th of each month.

President's Message

As I write this, we are about a week away from the White Pines Fishout. It looks like a great place to have a group outing. Nice pine tree surrounded lake with lots of fish. Best fishing will be from a float tube. Like I said in an earlier message, it is an enjoyable drive getting there and a nice setting for fishing and just relaxing. My hope is that we get a large crowd, but that depends on each member deciding to attend. Many of you have wanted a group fishout, so now is the time to come together and support this outing.

Next month our program will be given by Clifford Grodin. He is an Orvis certified guide and his strong suite is fishing the Truckee, Feather and American Rivers. He takes you places for wade fishing and really knows his stuff. I had the chance recently to fish with him on the Little Truckee and took two nice 17" fish from a location I had never been successful fishing. He knows his stuff and would be a great guide for someone who needs beginning or advanced instruction in fly fishing techniques. Something for our newer members to consider.

The club picnic will be coming up in August. The Board hasn't set a date, as we have an offer for a new site for the picnic that we couldn't refuse. We just had to wait until the owner returned from a trip to get the final ok. There will be more on this at the next meeting and the Board will be setting a date. But just to let you know, there is a small bass pond that we can fish. We can't all fish at once, but it will be a place that 3, 4, 5 people can fish at a time and a great place for new members to get some instruction. It promises to be a really good spot for the picnic.

I am encouraged by the recent addition of several new members and the interest they have shown in our club. I hope all of the existing members will assist them and take them fishing when the opportunity arises. Hope to see you at White Pines. It should be a fun day.

Dean Lewis
President

Annual Trout Bum Award

Starts Jan 1, 2012

Awarded by MPFA Board of Directors at December board meeting

Requirements:

AMPLIFICATION Candidates

must:

Have fished 10 or more waters during the calendar year (no private pay to play waters) *This means that the general public have unrestricted access at all times, without any special fees to the waters fished*

Waters may be tributaries of any river or lakes domestic or international *Meaning any named stream, river, or section of river (As in Upper Sacramento R. or Lower Sacramento R. - would be two waters) in any country.*

Used fly fishing tackle only *Simply that!*

Have fished for trout (This is a Trout Bum Award) *Simply that!*
The award generally will go to the person who fly fished for trout in the most public waters

Have reported to the club and shown photos to the club at a regular meeting

Reporting means informing the membership-simple as that - Does not mean that the person must give a slide show presentation, just tell the club where you fished, how you did, what you used - show some pictures.

The purpose of the award is to encourage members to explore, fish as many new waters as they can, tell the membership about the experience there-fore encouraging others to do likewise.

Veterans First Fly FishingAttention Mission Peak Members

Veterans First Fly Fishing

Who would like to join us and be part of helping our veterans through this worthwhile program?

What you might ask is involved? It can be as little as a group of us going out to Livermore and and/or Menlo Park once a month to teach fly casting and fly tying to our wounded veterans. It could go as far as accompanying a group of veterans on a fishing trip to be their 'gillie' and personal assistant on that trip.

I have made the initial contact at Livermore VA Nursing unit and there seems to be an interest, but I cannot do it alone.

I'd bet we can get funding help from the FFF, NCCFFF, the Elks Lodge, Kiwanis, VFW, and other service organizations, all we need to do is give a little of our own time to those who have given so much for us. If interested please contact me, Thanks. Ken Brunskill

BUDDING FLY FISHING WRITERS

Here is your chance to gain some experience writing about your fabulous fly fishing trips to places near and far. The club newsletter is seriously lacking in members written and photographic accounts of our fishouts. Of course you may not think a trip to Putah Creek is worthy of such notoriety, but remember, many members have never been there and would welcome a description of how your fishout went. And, as for a trip to Alaska or Baja, a story of your adventure would be most appreciated. Send articles to the editor.

NOTE FROM TREASURER, BILL PEAKES – Mission Peak Fly Angler’s patches and pins are available from Bill at a nominal price. New members should have received either a pin or a patch when they joined; if not, call Bill Peakes.

******* NOTICE *******

MPFA members:

On May 4th, 2012, The **Veterans First Fly Fishing** had an outing at Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area in Pleasanton, CA.. It was a successful event which was thoroughly enjoyed by the Veterans and the Volunteers.

The event was reported in the San Jose Mercury News which can be viewed at the following web site:

<http://photos.mercurynews.com/2012/05/veterans-take-part-in-fly-fishing-even>

See Ken’s Article on Page 12, followed by Photos.

ITEMS FOR SALE

Have 2 items wish to sell - a Fly Logic Optimum Plus 9'3" 3pc 10wt rod + case retail \$570 for \$275 and a Leland Sierra Nevada Golden Trout for a 2-4 wt rod + case retail \$300 for \$150. Sell to 1st buyer - save Gene a couple of auctions !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

If you are looking for a Sage rod (30% off) or 20% off for either Winston, Thomas&Thomas, or Scott of the high end, please contact me as we have 1 of each. Purchase must be made by 9/20. There also may be tax/shipping costs involved.

Contact [Steve Culp](#)

Items for Sale: **Three (3)** Depth Finder Models for sale!

Bottom Line "Fishing Buddy" 1200 for \$45.00

Bottom Line "Fishing Buddy" 2255 for \$55.00

Bottom Line "Fishing Buddy" 4200 for \$70.00

Contact [Mitch Matsumoto](#)

MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS BOARD MEETING May 2, 2012

President, Dean Lewis brought the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. Present were: Vice President, Ed Huff, Treasurer, Bill Peakes:, Secretary. Ron McGlaughlin, Board Members: Bruce Butler, Stephen Culp, Frank Rodriguez, and Past President, Wayne Culp.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Approved minutes of April 4, 2012.**
- **Treasurer's Report:** All bills paid. Healthy balance.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Discussed generally about:** How Lending Library for DVD's and Tapes works.
Should the club charge for rentals or late fees. New member taking charge of program.
Tabled for additional information
- **Ed Huff reported on the Boy Scout merit Badge event:** 9 Boy Scouts attended the Merit Badge Event training on Saturday, April 28th. They learned about fishing knots, fly tying and fly casting.
- **Fish Outs:** Club Fishout May 19th at White Pines Lake. There will be a pot-luck.
- **Club Picnic:** Waiting for additional information before deciding location and timing.
- **Board Member Items:**
Bruce Butler: **Showed** a suggestion about a Hall for the annual banquet.
Stephen Culp: Suggested we form a Committee for the Annual Installation dinner.
Frank Rodrigues: No comment.
Ronald McGlaughlin: No comment.
Bill Peakes: No comment.
Ed Huff: No comment.
- It was moved, 2nded and passed to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 7:55 P.M.

Submitted by,
Ronald McGlaughlin,
Secretary.

Conservation News

May 2012

ScienceInsider

California Water: Is Anyone Listening?

by Robert F. Service on 29 March 2012, 6:54 PM

Water scarcity and endangered species troubles will keep growing unless politicians make "hard decisions" about priorities for water use in the California Bay delta, according to [a new report](#) out today by the National Research Council (NRC). Blue-ribbon panels, working groups, and stakeholder meetings have tried to come together to make such choices for decades. But because there are so many entrenched competing interests among farmers, fishers, and urban populations that depend on the water, to date there has been no consensus about the best path forward.

The runoff from California's northern Sierra flows into the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers and their tributaries, through the delta, and eventually out San Francisco Bay. Some 25 million people throughout California depend on delta water. Pumping stations divert massive quantities to farmers in the Central Valley as well as cities in southern California. But these water removals are increasing the stress—along with dams, declining river habitat, and pollution—on regional fish populations, including several species of salmon and a fingerling called the delta smelt. These troubles will likely be exacerbated by climate change if it shifts spring runoffs earlier in the year and raises water temperatures in the summer months, the NRC panel concludes.

The panel's conclusions do little but restate a problem that has been locked in policymaking gridlock for decades. "Science is necessary to inform actions and proposals," says committee member Henry J. Vaux Jr., professor emeritus of resource economics at the University of California, Riverside. "Societal and political considerations are also integral factors in determining the most appropriate policies toward managing the water resources in the delta and balancing the needs of all water users." In other words, unless politicians negotiate a solution between all the parties, the delta's problems are only going to get worse.

<http://news.sciencemag.org/scienceinsider/2012/03/california-water-is-anyone-liste.html>

Flies Presented in April 2012

CDC & Elk Caddis



	CDC and Elk Originated By Hans Weilenmann
Hook	TMC 100, size 12-20
Thread	8/0
Body	CDC feather
Hackle	CDC feather
Wing	Elk or Deer Hair
Trailing shuck	Z-Lon [Optional, not part of original pattern]

TS Bugger Fly



	TS Bugger Hex
Hook:	size 10 2 x long 2 X strong
Thread:	Red
Tail:	Chartreuse Grizzly Marabou Topped with Cinnamon Marabou
Body:	Medium Olive Glimmer Long shuck
Rib:	Gold wire
Hackle:	Dark Cinnamon Grizzly Saddle.

At the April 2012 Fly Tying Night, we had two tiers who demonstrated a fly each. George Bouvoïn tied the CDC & Elk Caddis fly, and Mitch Matsumoto tied the TS Bugger Fly. The links to the videos can be found at our web site on the video page.

Monthly Programs

Dated	Speaker	Program Title
May 23rd	Matthew Heron	Fishing in south-east Cuba
June 27th	Cliff Grodin	Truckee River presentation
July 25th	Casting & pizza night	

Matthew Heron will be presenting South-East Cuba this month. This fishery is perhaps one of the most pristine area's on earth. This has been a protected refuge for a long time. National Geographic along with 60 minutes did a special on the area just recently, showing an unbelievable amount of fish and sea life in this region. Matt is also with the group that travels around the country showing fishing videos for a large number of fly fishing suppliers. Again, just recently across the the bay at Redwood City's Fox theater, put on by California Fly Shop. I think it should be an interesting evening !!

by Ron Smith

THE JOHN FUKUMOTO FLY TYING AWARD

The criteria:

- Only current members of Mission Peak Fly Anglers are eligible.
- The fly must be presented and tied at a monthly fly tying session.
- Special consideration will be given to original patterns and unique variations of a standard pattern.
- The award cannot be won by an individual in consecutive years.
- Selection of each year's winner will be made by the current Fly Tying Chairman and two club members of his choosing.

Outstanding Videos

No Information Available at this time

****** Video Library******

MPFA Maintains a 200+ library for the benefit of its members and we need the help of every member to keep it available to the entire membership.

We ask that you check out a video (Honor System) and return it within 2-3 months. After the 2nd month, the librarian will send the borrower an e-mail or note reminding them that there is a video(s) checked out in their name.

After the 3rd month, the librarian and/or the secretary will send a note asking for the video or \$40 to cover the purchase of it's replacement. Thanks.

Your Video Librarian,
Ken Brunskill

**MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS
2012 FISHOUT LIST**

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE OF FISH	FISHMASTER	COMMENTS
May 19	White Pines Lake	Trout	Dean Lewis	Potluck BBQ?
June 8-10	Goodwin lake	Trophy Trout	Jeff Lorelli	A second weekday group (June 10-12) can be added for the first 6 anglers @ \$50/night
June 23-24	Manzanita Lake	Trout	Mark Kaharick	Potluck BBQ
Sept 8-9	Clark's Fork	Trout	Bill Peaks	Campout and Potluck BBQ
Sept	Central Sierra Stillwater Scramble	Trout	Ken Brunskill	
Sept	Feather River	Salmon		
Sept/Oct	Davis Lake	Trout	Mitch Matsumoto	
Sept/Oct	Lake Almanor area	Trout, Bass	Ed Huff	
Sept/Oct	Alpine Lake	Trout	Dean Lewis	
Oct 13-14	Eastern Sierra	Trout	Jeff Lorelli	Meadowcliff Lodge 530-495-2255 http://meadowcliff.com/
Oct	American River	Salmon		
Nov	Trinity River	Steelhead		
Dec				

The above fishout calendar is tentative and subject to change. Always contact the fishmaster the week of the fishout to be notified of changes due to weather and unforeseen circumstances. Also check the newsletter for detailed information on fishing tackle, flies, directions and accommodations, as recommended by the fishmaster.

Note that only the fishouts shown in **BOLD** on this calendar are actually confirmed at this time; all others are tentative.

The actual dates of wintertime fishouts are highly dependent upon the weather conditions and will be confirmed by the fishmaster the week of the fishout.

Your ideas for fishout locations are always welcomed by the club. Phone Jeff Lorelli to volunteer as a fishmaster. The qualifications for a fishmaster are that you have a place in mind, know how to get there, and would welcome some fishing companions. That is it, so sign up now.

Veterans First Fly Fishing days at Shadow Cliffs

Thursday, May 3rd 2012 Members of Diablo Valley Fly Fishers, Let's go Fishing Ministries, Mission Peak Fly Anglers, Mt Tam Fly Fishers, Tri Valley Fly Fishers, assisted (9) veterans from Livermore VA, CLC (a nursing Convalescent unit) fish for the 1,000 plus trout contained in a netted off area at Shadow Cliffs Regional Park. These folks used conventional gear as they are for the most part confined to wheelchairs. The largest trout these veterans caught was a 2 lb 12 oz trout caught by Paul, who is one of our fly tying workshop regulars.

Then on Friday May 4th we fly fished for the remaining 900 trout that the East Bay Regional Parks District had kept corralled in the netted off area. You may have thoughts about "shooting fish in a barrel" ...did not turn out that way, we had (5-6) lines in the water at any on time along 50 feet of shoreline and the catch rate was a fish about every 10 minutes.

Big thanks go to the fantastic group of (34) fly fishers & (5) Lions Club members came together and in a congenial and cooperative manner and hosted (15) veterans and (6) VA staff members to a wonderful day at Shadow Cliffs park they were:

Mission Peak Fly Anglers (11 Alphabetically) Steve Brosamer, George de Cossio, Gene Kaczmarek, Dean Lewis, Jim McGoff, Marilu Sawyer, Cathy Seachrist, Ron Smith, Jan Van Zandt, and Harold Whitmore, who along with (25) members from (6) other clubs:

Diablo Valley Fly Fishers (2)

Fly Casters of San Jose (5)

Mt Tam Fly Fishers (1)

Peninsula Fly Fishers (5)

Tracy Fly Fishers (4)

Tri Valley Fly Fishers (5)

Non aligned volunteers (2)

Pleasanton Lions Club, crew of (5) members led by Brian Fiorio

We started the day with a breakfast of pancakes & Sausage, Orange Juice, Coffee and tea cooked by the Lions club – Wonderful job and all the volunteers, staff & veterans had a good meal!

Followed with 2 hours of Fly Fishing related activities:

Larry Lack of Mt Tam Fly Fishers led a Casting instruction area.

Ben Byng of Tracy Fly Fishers led a Fly Tying area.

Jim McGoff of Mission Peak Fly Anglers led a team cleaning the fish.

Bob Shoberg of Fly Casters of San Jose led a team teaching Knot tying

Judy Nakawatase of Fly Casters of San Jose, weighed and recorded the weight of the fish caught

Harry Levin of Tri Valley Fly Fishers led the team controlling the beach and putting fly fishers with veterans to help them learn the fun of fly fishing for the 900 remaining trout.

Harold Whitmore of Mission Peak Fly Anglers led a crew of (7) from several clubs that put on an absolutely terrific lunch that will be remembered for a long time. These folks worked several days ahead of the event cooking, marinating then barb-a-cuing and serving Tri Tip, Pulled Pork, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Chili, Garlic Bread & French Bread – all I heard was WOW these guys can really cook! (Bet they get recruited for more events!)

After lunch the veterans fished until the Park Folks pulled up the nets at 2:00 PM. All had a great day.

Submitted by Ken Brunskill, Chairman ***Veterans First Fly Fishing***

Accompanying photographs from various sources including ANG news group photographer.



Line up of Veterans fly fishing



Emory with trophy for largest trout



Carlos Sanchez-Larry Lack with nice fish



Cooking Crew

George Lee with 2 Lb Trout



Group Photo




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