

Main Stream

Mission Peak Fly Anglers

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June 2012 Club Meeting

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

DATE: **Wednesday, June 27** (Note day and date)

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

PROGRAM : Truckee River presentation

Upcoming Events

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| Wed. June 20 | Fly Tying Night 7:00 PM, Fremont Activity Center, 3375 Country Dr., Fremont |
| Wed. June 20 | Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Livermore, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM |
| Thur. June 21 | Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, San Jose, 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM |
| Fri. June 22 | Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Menlo Park, 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM |
| Wed. June 27 | Club Meeting - Silliman Community Activity Center, 6:30 PM |
| Wed. July 4 | Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Livermore, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM |
| Wed. July 4 | BOARD MEETING 7:00pm Fremont Activity Center, 3375 Country Dr. Fremont |
| Fri. July 6 | Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Menlo Park, 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM |
| Sat. July 14 | CLUB BREAKFAST: At the Denny's in Hayward on Whipple - 9:00 AM |
| Wed. July 18 | Veterans First Fly Fishing - VA Hospital, Livermore, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM |
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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

I hope all of you have had a good start to this year's fishing. I have managed to get out at least 4 times so far and am looking forward to the next outing (tomorrow as I write this). Our outing to White Pines Lake saw a number of the newer members come out and enjoy the day. So far, I have had fun on all my outings even if my catch rate has been down in the low single digits. I have fished with many members that I have never fished with before so for you newer members I hope you feel better if you are not catching many fish. Many of us, that have been active in the club for a long time, have our good days and our bad days. It is all just part of the experience. The important thing is to have fun and sooner or later you will start catching more fish. It could be that you are gaining more experience (we certainly hope so) or you just have one of those "You should have been here yesterday" type days when the fish are begging to be caught.

My recent trips remind me of the early days of the club, when we were all trying to get equipment, supplies and other essentials for the sport. It seemed that there was never a week that went by without someone saying they were placing an order at XYZ Fly Shop and did anyone want to get in on the order to save on the postage. Those were fun times and I would like to see us return to more of this type of activity. This could be for orders for fly tying material, rods and reels on sale, equipment on sale, etc. So if you are planning to order something and you think others might be interested, send an e-mail to the group and see if anyone else wants to add to your order. It helps all of us stay on track and get the most value for our dollar.

As was discussed at the last meeting, we will be holding our club picnic at a special place this year. Please see information in another part of this news letter. I hope all of you can set August 25 aside and come for the fun and food.

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 *******

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](#)

MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS BOARD MEETING June 6, 2012

President, Dean Lewis brought the meeting to order at 7:06 P.M. Present were: Vice President, Ed Huff, Treasurer, Bill Peakes, Secretary, Ron McGlaughlin, Board Members: Bruce Butler, Stephen Culp, Frank Rodriguez, Ron Smith, and Past President, Wayne Culp.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Corrected minutes of May 2, 2012. To indicate discussion of Hall for annual Banquet.**
- **Treasurer's Report:** All bills paid. Healthy balance.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Ed Huff** discussed Fly Tying kits for Veterans showed to him by Ken Brunskill. Board was presented with an additional \$100.00 in expenses which was the limit set. Previously \$100 was allocated to fund the expenses of The Veterans Picnic. (\$200 total budget)
- **Date for Club Picnic** set for August 25, 2012 (Frank Rodriguez moved and Stephen Culp Seconded. Passed unanimously.
- **Annual Fly Casting Night** will be started @ 6:00 P.M. with Pizza to follow. Members are To bring their own rods. The date is July 25th.
- **Ron Smith** suggested a Fly Tier as a presentation for a regular meeting. Board decided on Booking him for the September meeting.
- **Board Member Items:**
Ron Smith: Talked about his experience at the Spay Fishing event. Great time.
Stephen Culp: Suggested we form a Committee for the Annual Installation dinner. (Location and food- indicating the committee be formed of non-board members to involve more members in the decision making process.)
Frank Rodrigues: No comment.
Ronald McGlaughlin: No comment.
Bill Peakes: Bancheros restaurant closed.
Ed Huff talked about Trout in the Classroom. He went to a meeting of the DFG representatives and Fly Club members who are involved in Trout in the Classroom.
- 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

June 2012

Voters will kill a peripheral canal

Bill Jennings

Thursday, June 7, 2012

Francisco Chronicle, [click here to read at SFGate.com](#).

We share The Chronicle's view that a peripheral canal is a bad idea, but we disagree that its construction is inevitable.

Gov. [Jerry Brown](#) and federal officials might be attempting to persuade the public that the canal is nearly a fait accompli, but water ratepayers and voters will reject it, just as voters did 30 years ago.

The fast-track path to a peripheral canal that Brown seeks will have to navigate the ballot box, Congress, the Legislature and the courts. It will require suspension of our environmental review statutes, the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act and the California Water Code, as well as property rights, due process and, frankly, common sense. Voters will reject it in a referendum - as it was rejected last time. Similar legislation is needed this time around.

Facts and science will continue to throw up roadblocks to a canal.

California's water crisis exists because the state has over-promised, wasted and inequitably distributed scarce water resources. Any effective solution requires bringing rights to water into balance with available supplies, maximizing use of water to the greatest good for all and ensuring that the public's rights are protected. Here's why the project will fail:

It is predicated on paper water. That is, the legal right to divert water exceeds by four times, on average, the unimpaired flow into the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. The state has promised more water than it had in the wettest year on record. California's water wars are rooted in efforts by those entitled only to surplus water to jump ahead in line of those with more senior water rights.

The estuary needs more water if it is to survive. There isn't enough water, never has been enough water, and with global warming further reducing existing supplies, there will not be enough water to meet promised deliveries and guard estuary health.

The finances don't work. The canal's capital and operation costs are now estimated at \$15.7 billion, not including debt costs, for a scheme that is likely to export less water.

It serves few. Two-thirds of delta exports serve corporate agriculture on the west side of the San Joaquin Valley, which accounts for less than 0.5 percent of California's economy and population. Only a third goes to urban areas that make up half the state's population and economy.

The water will be too expensive for farmers. And urban ratepayers will revolt if asked to subsidize corporate farmers.

There are cheaper ways to protect water supply. While one of the justifications for the canal is the threat of an interrupted water supply in the case of an earthquake or levee breach, studies have shown that 80 percent of the cost and all of the loss of life would occur within the delta. Raising and strengthening levees to withstand a quake can be accomplished for \$2 billion to \$4 billion.

Diverting Sacramento River water around the delta will make pollution worse. Increased pollution will further degrade fisheries and diminish the productivity of hundreds of thousands of acres of farmland.

There is water for both people and fish if it is efficiently and equitably used. But the estuary cannot survive the waste of subsidized water to grow subsidized crops in the desert.

Bill Jennings is an executive committee member of Restore the Delta.

Fly of the Month



White Crystal Buzzer Fly

Hook:	Size 8 down eye (3X long)
Head:	Bead with lead free wire behind it
Thread:	6/0 red
Tail:	White Marabou Flashabou tinsel flash (rainbow color) color # 6991
Wire:	silver wire used to secure the crystal chenille
Body:	crystal chenille

At the May 2012 Fly Tying Night, Mitch Matsumoto demonstrated tying the White Crystal Buzzer Fly. A video of his presentation can be found linked to our Web Site at:

http://www.missionpeakflyanglers.org/Fly%20Tying/video_pages/White%20Crystal%20Buzzer%20Fly.htm

Monthly Programs

Dated	Speaker	Program Title
June 27th	Cliff Grodin	Truckee River presentation
July 25th	Casting & pizza night	
Aug. 22nd	Craig Gittings	Chile (The Country)
Sept. 26th	Dennis Lee	American River, Steelhead Trout

Cliff works for Orvis down at Santana Row part-time, while going to school and guiding different rivers here in Northern California. Cliff has fished the Truckee River extensively and guided our own president Dean, successfully on the Truckee river with Dean picking-up a few nice trout out of holes that he normally was out of luck on. Cliff also guides on the American and Yuba rivers. Cliff's a young guy with a very promising future in adding to our fishing repertoire, besides being just a nice guy to be around !! And it's always good to know the guy that works at Orvis !

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

Video No.	Title	Author		Type	VH S	DV D	Out Since	Borrower
91	Tying Western Dry Flies	Lawson & Dennis		Fly Tying, Intermediate	X		1/25/12	
131	Fly Tying Yellowstone Hatches	Craig	Mathews	Fly Tying, Intermediate		X	2/22/12	
132	Yellowstone Ties	Bob	Jacklin	Fly Tying, Intermediate		X	4/25/12	
63	Spey Casting Inst. - Skagit/Snake Roll/Snap	Jeff	Putnam	Casting, Advanced		X	4/25/12	
75	A Casting Approach to Dry Fly Tactics	Joe	Humphrey	Fly Fishing, Intermediate		X	4/25/12	
64	The Joan & Lee Wull School of Fly Casting	Joan	Wulff	Casting, Basic		X	4/25/12	
3	Skagit Master	Ed	Ward	Casting - Spey		X	4/25/12	
110	The Best Knots for Fly Casting Systems Vol	Bill	Nash	Fly Fishing, Basic, Knots		X	5/23/12	
42	MPFA Fly Tying w/Abellar & Gittings	Abellar	Gittings	Fly Tying, Intermediate		X	5/23/12	
2	The Fly Rodders Guide to Carp	Barry	Reynolds	Fly Fishing, Basic		X	5/23/12	
89	International Spey Casting	Vincent/Gawesworth		Casting - Spey		X	5/23/12	
48	Favorite Steelhead Flies	Mike	Kinney	tying, Intermediate, Steelhead Flie		X	5/23/12	
80	Spey Master Class	Derek	Brown	Casting, Advanced		X	5/23/12	
79	Basic Two Handed Spey Casting	Jim	Vincent	Casting, Advanced		X	5/23/12	

**** 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,
Kris DeCossio

**MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS
2012 FISHOUT LIST**

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE OF FISH	FISHMASTER	COMMENTS
June 23-24	Manzanita Lake	Trout	Mark Kaharick 925-447-4553	Potluck BBQ
Sept 8-9	Clark's Fork	Trout	Bill Peaks 510-783-2297	Campout and Potluck BBQ
Sept	Central Sierra Stillwater Scramble	Trout	Ken Brunskill 510-793-7933	
Sept	Feather River	Salmon		
Sept/Oct	Davis Lake	Trout	Mitch Matsumoto 510-481-0825	
Sept/Oct	Lake Almanor area	Trout, Bass	Ed Huff 510-489-7373	
Sept/Oct	Alpine Lake	Trout	Dean Lewis 510-792-8291	
Oct 13-14	Eastern Sierra	Trout	Jeff Lorelli 510-505-0136	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.

Chateau Liberte: Mission Peak Fly Anglers' 2012 Picnic Location



Le Chateau Boussy



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One of the most enterprising and optimistic resort owners in the Santa Cruz mountain region is Ferdinand Boussy, proprietor of the Big Woods (Les Granda Bois) Tavern.



Chateau Liberté



The Chateau Liberté was a legendary rock & roll bar in the [Santa Cruz Mountains](#). The following piece of history is added by Pearl Regis Owner/Operator of the lease at the Chateau along with her family. Prior to that name (Chateau Liberté) , it was called the Redwood Chateau 1965 - 1967 and then Chateau Regis (1967 - 1971) This is the period the Doobie Brothers, Quick Silver, Elvin Bishop, WildWood and other legendary rock groups got their start or played there. It was not a "biker" bar until Jim Richardson bought the lease in 1971 and called it Chateau Liberté (which means "House of Freedom"). The swimming pool was left in place, and could have been viewed as folks sat at the log-hewn bar.



The above Cottage photo is the only remaining structure other than the Chateau that has survived on the property. Both structures have been restored by the current owner George Rabe.

The photo below is a cottage that was located close to the pond.



There are many varieties of wild flowers and wild animals on the property along with beautiful hiking trails.



Photos taken at the White Pine Lake Fishout (May 19th)



Bill Peakes in his float tube



Chuck Oden trying his luck



Members relaxing and enjoying the fishout.

photos submitted by Chuck Oden

Goodwin Lake Report – June 8-11, 2012

By Jeff Lorelli

Nine of us from Mission Peak Flyanglers arrived at the Goodwin lake cabin late morning on Friday. After sorting out the gear and sleeping arrangements, we headed out to the lake in the early afternoon. Most decided to head up to the Dam while I headed down to fish in front of the red house and the Spanish house. I tried a T-14 with a crystal bugger and indicator nymphed with a 2 fly rig with no luck. Catching was slow until the late afternoon when I headed up to the area between the second boat dock and the island toward the dam. I started to mark a lot of fish between 9-13 ft and toward the shore. After switching to an intermediate line and using a two fly rig with a crystal bugger and flashback PT, I picked up my first fish, a nice 18". Several others got into fish using the same technique with flashback PTs and intermediate lines.

On Saturday morning, I decided to re-acquaint myself with the crack of dawn and I was out there at 5 am, just me and the wild turkeys gobbling. Well I found out that in this particular day, there was no early bite and I could have got some much needed beauty rest. At about 6:45 am, the bite started to pick up, I landed two and missed 3 or 4 more grabs over the next hour. Meanwhile, all the late risers were finally making their way to the lake around 7 am. Rich landed a couple on PTs, and later in the early afternoon lost a very large fish. The wind picked up around 11 am and chased most everyone off the lake.

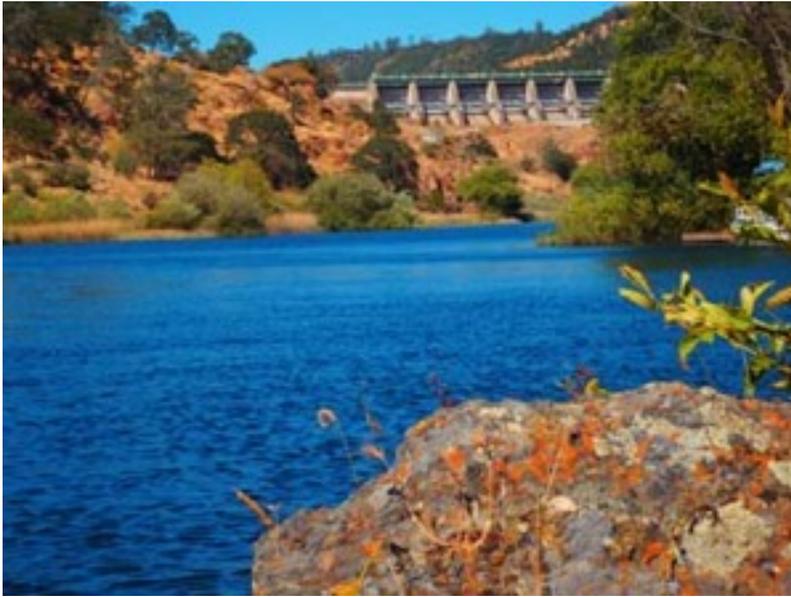
Saturday early evening most of us were back out on the lake. A variety of flies picked up some fish: white crystal buggers, black articulating leech, callibaetis nymphs, and even a caddis pupa. But by far the best fly was still the flashback PT.

Sunday was a tough day; the outflow from Tulloch was noticeably stronger and it was difficult to kick troll back up to the dam. A few of us decided to use Roy's aluminum boat with trolling motor and it really made things easier. We trolled up to the dam outflow eddy, then cut the power and drifted back to the second boat dock and repeated the process. Another technique in your float tube is if you stay in the eddy around the first bend you can do a circle route, catching the current down, then you kick toward the shore and catch the eddy back.

Overall the fishing was fun, the catching was slow, but the cabin and accommodations were great. The scenery alone made the time spent on the lake enjoyable even when the fishing was slow. All agreed it was well worth the money and would return again sometime on the future.

Photos taken at the Goodwin Lake Fishout June 8-11





photos submitted by Rich Choy



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