

President's Line

A Great Place to Live

By President Tom Hogle

First of all, come to the SCFF BBQ for this month's meeting at the Grange. Lots of fun is in store. Bring something to trade/sell and an appetite. If you'd like to donate money for the club general fund or next year's scholarships, the cook will have a jar! Jeff Goyert will also have a great door prize.

A year ago, I was scrambling to find out where my next work adventure was going to be after the disaster at my former employer with whom I thought I was going to finish out my work "career." I'd been in a groove, a little comfortable, good customer base and continued growth. Since then, I've been rebuilding 18 years of business with a new company who has been a good bit a breath of fresh air, but doing almost everything all over again. To that extent, I've found it difficult to avoid travel for work at key times, like our board meetings, or even a club meeting. That's been hard mostly because I really miss seeing everyone and being together.

There is a time for everything - so the song says. But sometimes, I wish those times were sooner rather than later, or maybe later, or not at all!

Occasionally, I've had a bit of a break, and am on my bike, on the beach fishing for surf perch, or participating in some of the events around town, having to do with saving and keeping safe our precious resources. The other day I spent time with Chris Berry and some scientists monitoring steelhead and all the fish in the estuary/river. I can appreciate what they do, but in truth would rather they didn't bother those fish who already have it hard enough living in the river. The critic in me says they do this so the City Water managers keep their butts out of trouble for taking too much water from these endangered fish. Being there, though, does help raise awareness for the continued efforts to do something to fix what we've messed up and I appreciate overall,



the care of everyone who was working hard to do the job quickly, gently and accurately.

This time of year, Mona and I look forward to the free summer music festivities down at the beach at the Crow's Nest, a Thursday evening where we know to park where the locals can park for free, walk the beach to the lighthouse and take the harbor taxi across to El Palomar Café for tacos and a completely Santa Cruz evening.

Some days I'm off blazing a trail on my mountain bike, down the RR tracks, taking the Emma McCrary Trail to Santa Cruz for a morning half way stop at Lu Lu Carpenter's for coffee. Others it's the road bike along West Cliff to Natural Bridges, then back through the redwoods home. Along the San Lorenzo River, it is still flowing nicely from last year's good soakings in the mountains. It's a beautiful sound to hear the river gorge below the RR tracks on early summer mornings.

I take comfort knowing we have it pretty special here. While others spend thousands to come here or thousands to go somewhere else, we're pretty much looking at each other realizing we have a pretty awesome place to live - mostly. When you're local, you know the best times to go out, where traffic is less and when to stay put.

At this writing, I'm taking a quick break from the beginning of my last work week before we head into the Sierra for our annual disappearance from cell and internet for a few days. Main objective is to be knee to thigh deep wet wading and fishing dry flies - all day. If you're home, get out to the surf and fish - there a lot of members who will help you have fun. Look under the fish-outs schedule and give the fishmasters a call. The surf perch are plentiful and the stripers worth the wait. See you on the return.

FLY TYING CLASS

Date: August 14th

Time: Doors open at 6:45 p.m., class begins at 7:00 p.m.

Place: Aptos Grange Hall, 2555 Mar Vista Drive, Aptos

Glass Bead Head Crackleback

Instructor: Tom Eckert

This is a great fly to have on a stream or lake. It mimics many insects, has great action and is a proven fish magnet. The glass bead has brought this pattern, nymphs, wet flies, and streamers to a new, even more productive level.

Bring 8/0 olive or light brown thread, your vise, tools, light, glasses and magnification as needed. The club provides all other materials, instructions, helpful assistance and tying demonstration. Beginners are always welcome and the club has some equipment available for them to use.

Please sign-up either at the August club meeting, or by calling Tom at 818-3798 or 335-2457 at least 24 hours prior to the class so that he may prepare sufficient materials. If you sign-up and later find you are unable to attend, notice of cancellation is appreciated.



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Board Meeting: The board meeting is usually held on the third Wednesday of the month at the home of John and Pat Steele, 331 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Cruz, at 7 PM. Club members will be notified of any changes of meeting dates and locations. Club members are all welcome and need to submit any agenda items to the President ahead of time.

News: Members are encouraged to contribute news items. Submit copy to the editor, Kirk Mathew, 724-5611, k4mathew@sbcglobal.net. Please see calendar for the deadline each month.

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Fishout Schedule

Date	Location	Target Species	Fishmaster
Aug. 10	Rio Del Mar Beach	Surf Fishing	Mark Traugott - 338-6056
Aug 11-15	Lake Alpine/Stanislaus R.	Trout	Cecilia Stipes - 335 5727
Sept. 7	Manresa Beach	Surf Fishing	Mark Traugott - 338-6056
Sept. 21-28 (#1)	Mammoth Lakes	Trout	John Cook - 688-1561
Sept. 28-Oct.5 (#2)	Mammoth Lakes	Trout	John Cook - 688-1561
Oct. 5	Sunset Beach	Surf Fishing	TBA
Oct. 16-20	O'Neill Forebay	Striped Bass	Steve Rudzinski - 462-4532
TBA	Central Valley	Bass	Dan Eaton - 336-2933

Fishouts are one of the most enjoyed activities our club offers. I highly recommend club members to attend and possibly organize one. If you are thinking of sponsoring a club fishout, please give me a call. Club fishouts can be structured in many ways, from simple to involved. I will be glad to help you put one together. Call me, John Cook, at 688-1561.



Bait for Thought

Enjoying Fly Fishing

“Soon after I embraced the sport of angling I became convinced that I should never be able to enjoy it if I had to rely on the cooperation of the fish.” -*Sparse Grey Hackle*

Catchy Releases

CDFW Warns Anglers and Hunters about Bogus License Sales Websites

JULY 8, 2019

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has been made aware of several websites that improperly charge customers extra fees for online fishing and hunting license purchases and collect sensitive personal information as part of their unauthorized transactions.

California hunting and fishing licenses may properly be purchased in only one of four ways:

- * Through a CDFW license sales office,
- * Through an independent license sales agent authorized by CDFW (such as a local sporting goods store, large discount store, or a bait and tackle shop),
- * Online through CDFW's Automated License Data System (ALDS), or
- * Over the telephone through CDFW's authorized Telephone Sales agent. Telephone Sales can be reached at (800) 565-1458.

The ALDS, which is CDFW's exclusive means of online license sales, was launched in 2011. ALDS can be accessed via CDFW's website or by clicking the link that is frequently provided in official communications from the department. When making an online purchase, please check the URL of the site you are visiting to ensure you are on the official CDFW website (www.wildlife.ca.gov) or the ALDS website (www).



ca.wildlifelicense.com/internetsales). These are the only CDFW-affiliated links for hunting and fishing license sales.

Customers should be aware that there are many unofficial websites that attempt to represent the CDFW and/or contain information about hunting and fishing licenses, and Internet search engines may not always list the official CDFW website as the top result.

Please be cautious when providing personal information to any website. While authorized purchases made through independent license sales agents and ALDS are subject to an additional 5 percent handling fee, the fraudulent sales websites offer products for sale with "shipping and handling fees" that are much higher than 5 percent of the base purchase price. To date, it appears that the fraudulent activity has been limited to charging customers unauthorized fees. Licenses that have been mailed to customers after unauthorized transactions may be valid; however, CDFW cannot guarantee that this is or will be true in all cases.

If you believe you may have been defrauded by an unauthorized website or would like to check the validity of a previous purchase, please provide us with information about your experience at ReportFraud@wildlife.ca.gov.

Media Contact:

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MONTLY RAFFLE

Great Things in Store
By Monthly Raffle Director Jeff Goyert



Hope to see everybody at the Club BBQ/SWAP MEET being held in lieu the regular monthly meeting. There will be some great eats and lots of good fly fishing stuff looking for a new home. "Got a new 5 weight for my husband, not a bad trade."

Speaking of raffle prizes, we have just worked up a couple of special deals with Adamsbuilt accessories, Echo rods, and Echo reels. Neat stuff, stay tuned.

We won't be having a raffle at the BBQ but we will be having a **special door prize drawing** for some great BBQ prizes! Perfect stuff for lazy summer afternoons at home or in the campground during your next Sierra fishing adventure. Everybody gets a free ticket!

Schoolin' Up

Pre-Meeting Fly Casting Tutorials
By Casting Master Sam Bishop

Reminder: there will be casting practice and instruction in the parking lot before the BBQ, starting about 5:30 pm. We provide the rods so our members don't ruin their fly lines on the pavement. Mark Traugott and I will be leading and lots of other experienced members are always there to provide advice and support as well. I will be demonstrating the art (?) of casting on one leg.

Cast of Thousands

FOR SALE:

Rods:

1. Loomis Pro 4X 10'6" 4 wt. 4-piece
Never fished - \$275
2. Orvis Clearwater 1107, 11' 7 wt. 4 piece
Never fished - \$250
3. Orvis Recon 9' 6 wt. 4 piece
Like new, never fished - \$200
4. Orvis Helios 2 10' 5 wt. 4 piece Flex-tip
Fished once - \$325
5. Chuck Irvine Bamboo Rod 7'6" 4/5 wt. 3 piece
Never fished - \$250
6. Tailwater Outfitters 9' 5 wt. 4 piece
Never fished - \$125
7. Two Tenkara USA 10' and 12' rods, like new
\$50 each or both for \$85
8. Sage 4LL 9' 4 wt. 4 piece, great older rod
Rarely fished - \$200

...Cast of Thousands - cont'd. from p. 4

9. Sage 479 7'9" 4 wt. 4 piece

Rarely fished - \$200

10. C.F. Burkheimer 489 8'9" 4 wt.

Fished once - \$300

11. C.F. Burkheimer 589 8'9" 5 wt.

Never fished - \$300

2. Orvis, Loomis casting and spinning rods

Like new - 7'6", 6-12 lbs., 8-15 lbs. - make offer

Miscellaneous:

Simms Belly Pack, new - \$35

Simms Back Patagonia Pack, new - \$35

Fishing Vest, new - \$30

* Prices listed can be negotiable, make offer.

Contact Robert Lowe at (408) 335-8000 or e-mail at lbtrout@comcast.net

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Fishy Tales

*** June 26th-July 2, Rocky Point campground site #65**

I was online exactly at 8 AM to get the campsite most desirable and closest to the best fishing area. By the time I got into the website all but two campsites were taken already. I was fortunate to find one that worked well for me and the club members who met up with me there during the week. I set out my cot and two sleeping bags and slept under the stars and waning moon, morning temp was 33 degrees the one morning I checked, The days sunny and warm at the 4600' elevation.

I had my best week catching and releasing fish ever, healthy super fat rainbows that leaped at least 3' out of the water when hooked, pulled really hard, and were the most fun to hook and net. The big browns were there and many of us were having good action. The Hex flies were hatching in record numbers well after sunset, big fish slurping them in all around us, those fishing just under the surface were getting good results on the Hex nymph flies. Keeping your rod down into the water and setting the hook without lifting the rod tip ensured more solid hook ups a couple friends who were getting bit but losing the fish when they lifted their rods up high.

The catch variety was amazing, there were big rainbows, German Browns, Pike Minnows (Squaw Fish), brown bullheads, smallmouth bass and sucker fish that I saw caught. Jeff, aka Yog, started up a new reaction when a bullhead or catfish was landed

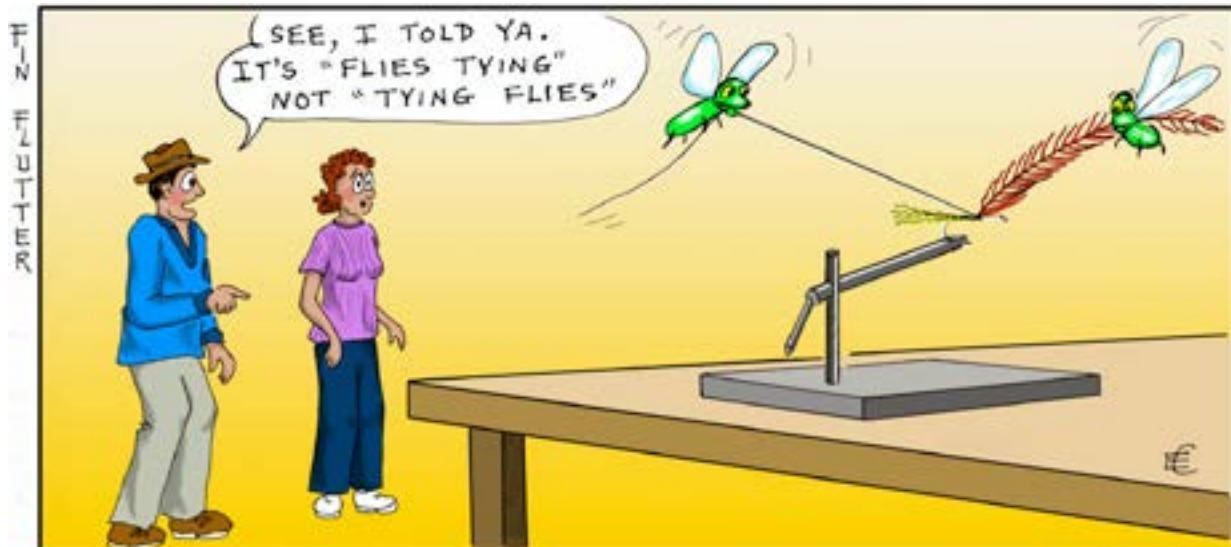
he would "Meow" like a cat. The meowing caught on when other fishermen out there landed a whiskered one. It was pretty funny. I managed 23 different fish that week, the giant brown I

knew was still there was on for at least 10 minutes it seemed and finally got it on the surface to see it in its "hugeness" before it dove to the bottom again and shake off the hook. The "one that got away" syndrome haunts me still.

After fishing I built a nice campfire and with two other club guys and two other fishermen camping in the next site. We had lively conversations sipping good wine, scotch and of course healthy craft beers (Hexagina Ale) was a new one for me. The campground rules want quiet after 10 p.m. but we were up and sometimes loud in our conversations well after midnight every night. Nobody complained. I

have to say that the campground owned by PG&E is clean and organized and very friendly. One afternoon feeling bored, I did some fly casting with an indicator and punk perch pattern from shore near a rocky point and hooked and landed three big "smallies". Day fishing is generally slow and I was just killing time till late afternoon.

The drive home was smooth and highway 36 all the way to Red Bluff I only saw one car going in my direction. Of course, the traffic only stalled out at Morrissey exit, Hwy. 1 south. Welcome to Santa Cruz.



GEARING UP

Surf Fishout at Rio Del Mar State Beach - August 10th, 2019

Fishmaster: Mark Traugott - 338-6056

The August Surf Fishout will take place at Rio Del Mar State Beach on Saturday, August 10th. The sun will rise at 6:21 a.m., and the tide will be high at 8:50 a.m., so we will meet at “the platform” at 6:00 a.m. For those who have never been, you will need first to find the circle at the beach end of Rio Del Mar Blvd. Go around that circle and take Beach Dr., headed southeast, for about a mile. (Alternatively, you could enter “433 Beach Drive” into your car’s GPS.) Near the end of the public road, just before the parking lot for the State Beach (which doesn’t open until 8 a.m.) there are a few parking places (and a few more on the dirt shoulder on the far side of the road.) You should find us there, gearing up.



For details regarding equipment and technique, check the excellent instructions on surf fishing that Sam Bishop has posted on our club website. The basic equipment is a five-to-seven weight rod with an intermediate to full-sinking line or sinking tip. Any type of Clouser pattern or anchovy pattern will work for stripers, and small bonefish patterns (for example, Gotchas) will catch perch, especially if they have a little red or orange in them. I’ll have some sample flies available for those new to this style of fishing. The only surf-specific piece of essential equipment is a stripping basket (I like those that Sam makes and sells at club meetings for \$20 to benefit the SCFF.)

Reel News

* Special Offer - Christmas Island Fly Fishing Trip

This trip offer comes to us via a former club member, Jack Campbell, who was instrumental in the composition of the newsletter in its early days. Jack was a big help, and is being very gracious in extending this offer to us. Call him if you are interested!

I am returning to Christmas Island, for the 3rd time, next March. Currently I have 6 signed up and have 2 slots still open. I thought some of the members might be interested in joining our group (which includes myself and Bruce Watson also a past member). Elaine suggested you might want to put a note in the newsletter since it is one of those bucket list destinations for most fly fishermen.

I hope some members always wanting to experience this unique fishery might be able to take advantage of this offering. My phone number for any questions - 1-408-747-7995.

Below are the basics of the trip. I’m coordinating the trip through Fly Water Travel. They have quite a bit of more detailed info on their web site:

Christmas Island Outfitters Expert Q&A - [https://www.flywater-travel.com/blog/2018/12/06/expert-qa-christmas-island-kiribati/2020 Itinerary](https://www.flywater-travel.com/blog/2018/12/06/expert-qa-christmas-island-kiribati/2020%20Itinerary):

March 23 (Monday): Arrive Honolulu, overnight Waikiki

March 24 (Tuesday): Depart Honolulu, arrive Christmas Island

March 25 - 30: 6 days fishing

March 31 (Tuesday): Depart Christmas Island, depart Honolulu (after 1:30 pm)

Note on flight arrival to CXI: Please be aware that the Fiji Air flight on March 24 crosses the International Date Line, so when you arrive on the island it will be 3:10 PM on Wednesday. For the purposes of keeping it simple we keep all dates in Honolulu time on Fly Water itineraries:

Rate: \$2,570 per person based on double occupancy

Included: Accommodations, meals, guide fees, four bottles of water per person per day, and all ground transportation on the island. Not Included: Airfare to Honolulu, airfare to Christmas Island (approx \$1000 per person), accommodations/meals/transfers in Honolulu, wifi, laundry, alcohol & soda, fishing license (\$50), staff and guide gratuities.

* Another Great Offer - Fly Fishing in New Zealand

Jerry Silva, from Santa Cruz, has been living in Taupo N.Z. for 20 odd years. He fishes most weeks as N.Z. has some wonderful rivers less than an hour from his home. He has a sister in Santa Cruz and will be visiting in September and wanted to see if there was anyone here in the Santa Cruz area who would be interested in swapping homes. He has a two-bedroom apartment on the lake, a small car and fishing gear if needed. If anyone is interested email silva.jerry1@gmail.com



GEARING UP

Lake Alpine & Stanislaus River - August 11 - 15, 2019

Fishmaster: Cecilia Stipes

If you want to fish the Sierras this summer, join me at Lake Alpine near Bear Valley. The Hwy 4 corridor from Arnold to Ebbetts Pass in Calaveras County offers some of the best trout fisheries: Lake Alpine, Stanislaus River in and outside Calaveras State Park, White Pines Lake; Spicer, Union and Highland Lakes, Mokelumne River, Kinney Reservoirs, and Carson River near Markleville. You will have the opportunity for float tube fishing and river wading. Accommodations: Camping is available at campgrounds surrounding Lake Alpine, Silver Tip Campground (1 mile away), Red Meadows (4-5



miles). I have one opening left in the cabin rented for five people, cost is \$218. Everyone is responsible for his/her own meals; the exception will be Wednesday's final dinner at the Lake Alpine Lodge restaurant. Please contact me for more information. I hope you will join me for four days of beautiful scenery, lots of fishing, fly tying, instruction (great place to learn) and camaraderie.

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Mammoth Lakes Fishout - Sept. 21st-28th and Sept. 28th-Oct. 5th

Fishmaster: John Cook - 688-1561

This fishout will take place over two consecutive one-week periods, Sept. 21st through Sept 28th, and Sept. 28th-Oct. 5th. You may sign up for one of these two periods, or both.

Location: Mammoth Lakes is on the eastern side of the Sierras, six to seven hours drive from Santa Cruz. There are many lakes and streams in the area for us to fish. We will be staying in

condominiums in the town of Mammoth Lakes. There will be two people per bedroom. If you would like to have your own bedroom, it will be \$540 per week.

Cost: \$310 per person per week. This covers seven nights' lodging with three meals per day. Sign up for either week, for \$310, or both weeks for \$620.

Meal Preparation: Each person will be assigned to a group for a Kitchen Day. The group will set out breakfast and lunch foods, store unused food, prepare the evening meal and clean up on the



day assigned.

Sign Up: Starting February 15th through April 22nd the first people who send me their money will get first shot at a spot. When you send me the money, state which week you want.

Money is not refundable unless someone takes your place. I will let everyone know after April 30th. Make plans with friends

to secure a spot for each of you. I must receive your money **before April 22nd**. Mail your check, made out to **John Cook, to P.O. Box 2822, Aptos, CA, 95001-2822**. I will maintain a waiting list for each week. If a space becomes available, you will be notified by phone. At this issue, there are still spots available.

Unused funds: Any funds received but not spent on the Fishout will be used for prizes for our annual fund raiser.

O'Neill Forebay - Medeiros Campground - October 16 - 20

Fishmaster: Steve Rudzinski

This annual fishout is only 70 miles from Santa Cruz, and we camp in a good area with access to excellent fishing around the islands with the high power lines. Float tubes are a must or boats - you have to launch across the lake but can park it over night at the campsite.

This is a very relaxing time with often good to great fishing for striped bass and occasional black bass, carp or bullhead. Most strippers are in the 12" to 16" range the last few years, an occasional keeper size is 18" to 20". But know the world record bass was caught here. It would likely grab one of the small fish on your line. Big ones are there, so bring a 7 weight rod, or a #6 will do. Guides will often use 8 weight rods just in case the record comes along. Rig up with full sinking lines and



15-17 lb. fluorocarbon leaders, which only need to be 6 or 7 feet, as the fish are not line shy, and the shorter the leader/tippet, the more positive hook sets you'll have and you can turn over the fly better when casting.

Those interested please email me at ssrudzinski@gmail.com. I will have a list of things to bring like firewood, drinking water and maybe something to share for dinner Friday and or Saturday nights. I will have the club banner flying, I hope the weather is not too blustery and the fish are biting. Flies that work the best (San Luis smelt) are tied by a club member and invented by Lee Haskin the master guide of the lake.

LifeLines

Wader Safety

From <https://fliesonly.blogspot.com>

If you've never wore waders, then, I would seriously suggest that you prepare both mentally and physically to respond calmly in the worst-case scenario. All the advice in the world is not going to prepare you for when it happens for real. Only experience and practice will help.

Two suggestions you can do to better prepare yourself for the worst, is to put a pair of waders on and walk into a swimming pool or if you don't have a swimming pool, go out to a river (during a warm summer month) with a friend and purposely fill your waders with water and float down the river for a short while so you will experience the feeling of the water rushing down and filling your waders and practice the motions of floating on your back, paddling with your arms to keep your head up, using your feet to deflect yourself over boulders, and wait until a suitable exit point presents itself. This will help prepare you in advance to deal with a panic situation in more colder waters when the fishing is more plenty. In turn, being more prepared, you should feel more confident about venturing out in the river to catch that great fish of the day.



Know your limits:

- 1. Use a Wader Belt** - it just may save your life!
- 2. Do Not Panic** - this is the worst thing you can do and what causes the most fatalities!
- 3. Wade Up to Only Your Hips** - (water rise fast and waves can overpower you)
- 4. Waders Do Fill Up With Water** - make sure your wader belt is securely fastened around your waist in efforts to slow down

the amount of water that will enter your waders in case you slip and fall into the water. I have discovered that there are types of breathable waders will suck to your body when wading through water, which is good, because if you do fall, it will take longer for water to fill up in them and will allow you more time to get to safety.

5. Wear a Personal Floatation Device (PDF) if possible

6. Read the Water - know your surroundings, beware of slippery rocks.

7. If Wading in Rivers, speed and pressure per square inch is multiplied tremendously in certain sections:

a) Shallow water in a pinched section of river is very powerful, avoid it.

b) Pinched water with a turn or deep pool at the end is to be avoided at all costs. It

creates a washing machine effect.

c) When wading heavy water, interlock arms with another fisher, it looks odd, but two people become very powerful when they have each other to catch the stumbles.

d) Wading staffs are a valuable asset, even if you need to leave them at the crossing.

e) The fishing generally isn't better on the other side, it just seems that way.

8. Test the Waders for an Emergency Situation. - "If you have never experienced what it is like to have your waders fill with water, I would seriously suggest that you put them on and walk into a swimming pool. All the advice in the world is not going to prepare you for when it happens for real. Only experience and practice will help."

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Perfect Ten Baked Rock Cod

From www.allrecipes.com

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 sleeve buttery round crackers (such as Ritz), crushed
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 pound thick-cut rock cod loin
- 1/2 lemon, juiced
- 1/4 cup dry white wine
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- 1 tablespoon chopped green onion
- 1 lemon, cut into wedges

Directions:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).

Place 2 tablespoons butter in a microwave-safe bowl; melt in microwave on high, about 30 seconds. Stir buttery round crackers into melted butter.

Place remaining 2 tablespoons butter in a 7x11-inch baking dish. Melt in the preheated oven, 1 to 3 minutes. Remove dish from oven. Coat both sides of cod in melted butter in the baking dish.

Bake cod in the preheated oven for 10 minutes. Remove from oven; top with lemon juice, wine, and cracker mixture. Place back in oven and bake until fish is opaque and flakes easily with a fork, about 10 more minutes.

Garnish baked cod with parsley and green onion. Serve with lemon wedges.



FLY OF THE MONTH

Zebra Midge

This is a perfect tail water (below a dam) fly which simulates the smallest insects fish prey upon. It's most effective fished as a dropper 12 - 18 inches below a dry fly. This is a very easy fly to tie.

Hook: TMC 2487 OR 2457, sizes 16 - 22
Bead: Small silver
Thread Body: Black 8/0 or 14/0 (for smaller hooks)
Tail: (Optional) Pearl Krystal Flash
Rib: Fine silver wire



Note: Variations can be tied if desired as follows:

Bead:	Body:	Wire:
Silver	Black	Red
Copper	Black	Copper
Copper	Black	Red
Gold	Black	Gold (very popular AKA Tiger Midge)
Silver	Olive	Silver
Copper	Olive	Copper
Silver	Grey	Silver
Silver	Grey	Red
Copper	Grey	Copper
Copper	Grey	Red

1. Crimp barb.
2. Thread bead on hook, smaller hole first.
3. Attach thread behind bead.
4. Lay wire on top of shank butted against thread tie-in point, extending toward rear.
5. Wrap thread down shank and wire, ending 1/3 around bend of hook.
6. Tie in tail on top of shank with 2 thread wraps.
7. Make one wrap of thread beyond wire but on top of tail.
8. Wrap thread back to bead, forming a thin tapered body.
9. Wrap rib forward in about 6 wraps, then twist wire to cut.
10. Tie thread off behind bead, but don't bulk up.
11. Apply Zap-A-Gap to entire body.
12. Cut tail to 2 times hook length.

Aptos 4th of July Parade

Those few intrepid Santa Cruz Fly Fishermen who showed up and marched in the Aptos 4th of July Parade had a lot of fun and helped spark interest in our club. Next year, you really should seriously consider marching with us!



IN MEMORIAM

Joseph L. Bigas Jr., DDS



Joe Bigas, long time club member, past President, and dear friend, died on June 24th, 2019, age 76. He is survived by his wife Lourdes, brothers Bill and John, as well as nieces, nephews and a great-nephew.

Joe was born and raised in Seattle, Washington, attended Catholic primary and secondary schools, and graduated from the University of Washington School of Dentistry in 1967 (Joe remained a lifelong University of Washington booster, and had his road bike painted Husky purple). Joe served in the Navy as a dentist for a Marine Corps combat unit in Vietnam. He then practiced general dentistry in San Francisco for three years, followed by graduate training in endodontics at Boston University from 1972 to 1974. Joe practiced as an endodontist in Santa Cruz until his retirement in 1998.

Joe's love of life was manifested by many avocations: waterskiing, flying, distance running, cycling, pheasant hunting and especially fly fishing. Joe took a trip with friends to cycle through the South of France and entered many running races. Joe loved to travel with his wife Lourdes and was particularly fond of Hawaii and the Pacific Northwest. Late in life, Joe learned to play the ukulele, and enjoyed playing with a ukulele group at the beach. Joe and Lourdes' beloved shorthair German pointer dog died a few days after Joe.

Joe was a kind friend with a great wit and sense of humor. He taught his friends that in all activities and avocations, being in beautiful places with good friends is the primary objective. We miss you, Joe.

This tribute was written by friend and fellow SCFF member Jon Bowman.

AUGUST 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Club BBQ & Swap Meet Aptos Grange 7 PM	8 1st Qtr ☾	9	10 Surf Fishout Rio Del Mar Beach
11 Lake Alpine Fishout ←	12	13	14 Fly Tying Class Aptos Grange 7 PM Lake Alpine Fishout →	15 FullMoon ☉	16	17
18	19	20	21 Board Meeting Location TBA 7 PM	22 LastQtr ☾	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 NewMoon ●	31

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Labor Day	3	4 Club Meeting Aptos Grange 7 PM	5	6 LastQtr ☾	7 Surf Fishout Manresa Beach
8	9	10	11 Fly Tying Class Aptos Grange 7 PM	12	13 FullMoon ☉	14
15	16	17	18 Board Meeting Location TBA 7 PM	19	20 LastQtr ☾	21 Mammoth Fishout wk #1 ←
22	23 Autumn Equinox	24 Mammoth	25 Fishout	26 week #1	27	28 NewMoon ● Mammoth Fishout wk #2 ← →
29 Rosh Hashanah	30 Mammoth	Oct.1 Fishout	Oct.2 week #2	Oct.3	Oct.4	Oct.5 →