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CLUB MEETING

Date: Wednesday, November 6th, 2019
Time: Open - 6:45 PM
 Meeting - 7:00 PM
Place: Aptos Grange, 2555 Mar Vista Dr., Aptos

Fishing British Columbia
Guest Speaker: Duncan Stewart



Duncan Stewart is our November Speaker. From Canada's wild west comes a character with history and tales of a life hunting, fishing and bush flying adventurers into this remote area of British Columbia.

Stewarts Lodge is situated on Nimpo Lake and has various lakes and River to fish nearby. The majority require fly-in service furnished by Stewarts and the scenery airborne is spectacular.

Since 1953, the Stewart Family Lodge has been serving outdoor enthusiasts from their main lodge on beautiful Nimpo Lake in British Columbia, Canada. Whether it's opening dates on the Upper Dean or Blackwater rivers, choosing one of over 25 inaccessible lakes to fish for the day, casting spoons or monster flies for trophy Dolly Varden char, flying by the spectacular Hunlen Falls in Tweedsmuir Park or sampling the delicious smoked trout, be assured, you are with experienced outfitters.

This promises to be an interesting presentation, so come prepared to take notes, and to add fly fishing British Columbia to your bucket list.

Program Director's Note: Please send me your suggestions for topics in which you are interested and I will try to include them in our in Monthly Speaker's presentations. - Jim Black - Jameswilsonblack@me.com

FLY TYING CLASS

Date: Wednesday, November 13th
Time: Open - 6:45 p.m.
 Class - 7:00 p.m.
Place: Aptos Grange Hall, 2555 Mar Vista Drive, Aptos

The Zug Bug
Instructor : Elaine Cook



Here's a great old standby for trout that is usually fished sub-surface in lakes.

Please sign-up at the November general meeting or by calling Elaine at 688-1561 no later than November 12th. Bring your tools, vise, light, and black 6/0 thread. There are some tools for beginners, who are always welcome and encouraged to participate. All materials are provided by the club. If you sign-up and later find you are unable to attend, notice of cancellation is appreciated.

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President's Line

That Was Then and This is Now

By President Tom Hogye

Angela Johnson, your SCFF secretary, and I spent the day at the Water Harvest Festival at the park in Soquel this October 20th, 2019. SCFF had a very nice "booth", with lots of fly-fishing paraphernalia to make for a nice enticing show-and-tell. There were approximately 200 attendees all interested in something to do in the park on this beautiful October sunny day in Soquel, California, surrounding water, harvest and wild things. Today confirmed what Angela was describing as a raising of the historical bar on the dilution of what we know today about the species of plants and animals on the planet. It's something I hadn't quite thought of before.

Our ancestors remember days when Grizzlies and wolves roamed California. When we lived among the wildest of things. Then "wild" was reduced to the black bear, mountain lion and coyote. Now people freak out when they see a skunk, raccoon or an opossum. Only recently did I realize beaver were prevalent on the San Lorenzo, only to be purposely eradicated because of the flooding they caused on the river.

It's called historical amnesia, or shifting baseline syndrome. Visit parts of Alaska and you'll understand. Last year, when visiting my brother-in-law and nephew, they wouldn't let the little kids go from one property to another alone because Grizzly (Brown Bear) can be very dangerous. But while I was there, I thought nothing of going back and forth - without at least being very aware of the possibility of an encounter. One I'd hoped for. The baseline of "wild" in Alaska is still the Grizzly, still 100,000 plus salmon in one river.

I guess it's like we've grown so far away from what was, that we don't even know it was what it was, then. You following me? I mean, Grizzlies are so far gone and 67,000 cars per day over Highway 17 are so normal, we have become diluted on what wild and peace and quiet are anymore.

For example, there were people who came to our booth, who have property along Soquel and San Lorenzo Rivers. Property that is on the river/creek. And yet, they did not know there are "fish" in the river. Fish, like big fish you can see. Not minnows. Naturally, if they were to look for Steelhead, or Coho, I explained when that would be, where it would be... then I explained how difficult it is to see these fish unless the time is right, they are super stealthy, and how they can best take care of that section of the river/creek, to be the stewards for the young of the year, during their life cycle, so they knew when that care was most critical.

If there was any significant impact we made today, it was on those who still need to know, and seem genuinely interested to know, that Aptos, Soquel Pajaro, Salinas, San Lorenzo, Scott, Waddell, Pescadero - are places where Steelhead and Coho can be seen and can be seen more of.

Humans, young and old, male and female, came by. Many had their own interpretation of what we were and who we were. The littlest, most genuine. It was interesting to hear them tell us who they thought we were before we had a chance to say anything



- fishing people, people who fish with flies that attract fish to chomp on them. Why is it called "fly-fishing"? Where do you fly-fish in Santa Cruz, how do you fly-fish, and if you can fly-fish in the ocean, how did that come to be if it's fishing with a fly? If you're fishing just to let the fish go - why do it anyhow? If you're fishing and you don't want to kill anything, why hurt the fish? All very thought-provoking, good

questions from folks who could be suffering from their own historical amnesia. Forgetting that to eat, we once had to raise our own food, go out and hunt it, and compete for the same deer or steelhead that a Grizzly was equally entitled to eat.

I suppose fly-fishing might have its roots in a more "suffisticated" means of angling for sport rather than for sustenance, at a time when our heritage was moving away from hunting for the means of survival. Moving to a sport where killing the fish was not only not necessary, but is now not a means of sustain a fishery, even for the sake of saving a species from extinction - our own shifting baseline syndrome.

There were once over 25,000 Steelhead returning to the San Lorenzo River, maybe more. When the Ohlone and other original inhabitants of this land fished for sustenance and they knew that it would not be possible if they did not care for the land or the water. Then we grew, and grew and grew; everyone wanting to live in California. The consequences were dire for the Steelhead, Coho, Chinook and other species. Today, our amnesia has us believing that 5% of the original population of wild Steelhead and zero wild Coho is acceptable. Some so far as to be ignorant altogether that a body of water like our coastal waters, wouldn't have any fish in them at all. Where did that science class fail?

Even the water fish get today is carefully metered to within ten or fifteen CFS so the fish get only what's proven to let them survive, so we can give more to the more and more who want to live here. And still get corralled in nets, anesthetized, counted, measured and a tag shoved in their belly all for the sake of determining their health - by a government standard - called normal? Some die in the process. Is even 1% of the remaining 5% acceptable? There are still those who come here, not knowing or caring there are fish in the river, that a skunk or a squirrel is a "wild" animal. Where no one will know that a Black Bear can be brown, or that a Brown Bear was a Grizzly, a coyote is not a wolf, and it's here to keep the rodent (and turkey) population in control, and that rat poison kills not just rats, but everything that eats rats - bobcat, fox, owl...the other "wild" animals.

There is hope. There are the few. They are young, old, male, female. We met some today. They want to do their part fixing this amnesia shifting the baseline back. Even if it means they learned about it from some fly-fishing, tree-hugging, water loving, wildlife enthusiasts just sharing the love. Get out there and share! Peace out.



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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

Looking for Fishouts
Fishmaster John Cook

As you may have noticed, the 2019 Fishout Schedule has run its course. It was a fun year of outings, ranging from local surf fishing to out-of-state journeys, and the best thing caught in all of them was friendship. If there is anything better than catching a trophy fish, it's doing it with friends to cheer you on, and the fun of recounting the day's adventures over an evening meal simply can't be beat! So, be thinking about where you'd like to fish in 2020, and let our Fishmaster know if you're willing to host a fishout to share with your buddies. Do you have a place you like to fish and want to share that experience with others by having a Fishout? I, John Cook, our club's Fishmaster, am looking for people to put on one together. Fishouts can be simple or complicated. I will help to set up and organize the event. This is a great way to give back to those who have helped you, for Fishouts are one of the best ways to learn our fly fishing sport, discover places to fish, and get to know one another in our club. Give me a call, 688-1561.

Bait for Thought It's Worth It

There will be days when the fishing is better than one's most optimistic forecast, others when it is far worse. Either is a gain over just staying home. -Roderick Haig-Brown, *Fisherman's Spring*, 1951



Catchy Releases

Bean Creek Rescue
By Conservation Director Steve Rudzinski



On Friday, September 20th, about 13 of us put on waders and worked as a good team capturing wild steelhead from what appears to be a drying up stream. I would guess we did more than a half mile of the creek, working upstream back to where we parked. This was my first rescue and I was impressed with the working of the shocker and the netters who had to be lightning fast with the long-handled dip nets. The rest of us followed with half full buckets and battery powered aerators. One by one, the bucket people would hike back to the waiting truck

with the large size coolers used for the transplanting later on.

Ben and Chuck are such pros at this stuff, I was happy that I got two other volunteers to represent the SCFF Fly Fishers. Special thanks to Robin Atwood, my friend, who braved the creek walk without waders and went home wet up to her knees. Conservationists are not all fishers as in her case.

Having a game warden walk along with us led to some great conversations, I bet they could write a book on all the crazy stuff they see.

Groups Win Court Victory Against Central Valley Agricultural Polluters From <https://yubanet.com>

September 9, 2019 - On Friday, September 6, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals handed commercial and sports fishermen, biologists and conservation groups a major victory in their efforts to clean up contaminated discharges from the Central Valley's Grasslands Bypass Project. Owned and operated by the federal Bureau of Reclamation and local irrigation districts, the Project collects wastewater from 97,400 acres of farmed and unfarmed lands within California's Central Valley. The Project discharges substantial quantities of selenium and other pollutants into state and federal wildlife refuges and thence the San Joaquin River, the Delta and San Francisco Bay. The Court unanimously reversed Federal District Judge Kimberly Mueller's dismissal of their lawsuit against the Project, ruling that a Clean Water Act discharge permit is required for the Project despite the Act's exemption of return flows from irrigated agriculture so long as any part of its wastewater is generated by activities unrelated to crop production.

In reaching its decision, the Court issued three landmark rulings under the Clean Water Act's exemption for discharges from irrigated agriculture. First, the Court held that the Defendants had the burden of establishing that their discharges were "composed entirely of return flows from irrigated agriculture."

Second, the Court held that the exception was limited to "only those flows that do not contain additional discharges from activities unrelated to crop production." Third, the Court held that the District Judge erred in ruling that the exemption applied so long as a "majority" of the wastewater originated from agricultural activities. The Court ruled that only those discharges that are composed entirely of return flows from irrigated agriculture were exempt.

Applying these rulings to the commingled discharges of the Grasslands Bypass Project, the Court held that all of the Plaintiffs' claims should proceed. First, the commingled discharges from a solar project were not exempt even though they did not comprise a majority of the Project's waste stream, since only those discharges that "were composed entirely of return flows from irrigated agriculture were exempt." Second, the Court overturned the District Judge's dismissal of the Plaintiffs' claims regarding polluted ground water that seeped into the Project's massive drain from unfarmed lands including highways and residences. Because those commingled discharges were not composed entirely of return flows from irrigated agriculture, they did not fall within the exemption. Third, the Court held the fact that these non-exempt flows were commingled with discharges from

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irrigated agriculture did not bring them within the exemption.

Accordingly, because all of the Project's discharges are commingled, all of the Plaintiffs' claims were proper. Therefore the Court reversed the District Judge's dismissal of them.

The Plaintiffs praised the Court's ruling. Noah Oppenheim, Executive Director of the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations, stated: "We are gratified that the Ninth Circuit agreed with our arguments and held the Bureau of Reclamation to account for discharging massive quantities of pollutants into the San Joaquin River, the Bay-Delta Estuary, and ultimately San Francisco Bay without the discharge permit that is required under the Clean Water Act. This ruling will help protect the salmon and salmon fishing jobs that require a healthy Delta free of toxic discharges from the San Joaquin drainage, as well as

restore the vast populations of salmon and steelhead that historically swam up the Delta and the San Joaquin River."

Bill Jennings, Executive Director of the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, stated: "After decades of inaction by our federal government to halt the contamination that has destroyed habitat for our fish and wildlife, it is reassuring to see our federal court issue a strong ruling enforcing the Clean Water Act's mandate for fishable and swimmable rivers."

Stephan Volker, Lead Counsel for the Plaintiffs, agreed that "the Court's Ruling ends over forty years of evasion of the Clean Water Act's strict requirement for discharge permits. We are pleased that the Ninth Circuit issued a well-reasoned ruling enforcing this vital statute and protecting our rivers."

MONTHLY RAFFLE

Holidays and Steelhead
By Monthly Raffle Director Jeff Goyert



When November rolls around each year, the vast majority of Americans think of autumn leaves, roast turkeys, and pumpkin pies. The rest of us think of rainy weather, frosty cold mornings, and STEELHEAD! Pay attention, we have some great raffle prizes.

Time to hit the big time with a Spey rod? This month a lucky raffle winner will have their choice between a 6/7 wt or 8/9 wt 13 ft 4 section Spey rod. These Korean SK Carbon rods have titanium ring-lock guides, AA cork handles, aluminum reel seats, and Cordura rod tubes with cloth bag. Included with each rod is a matching Echo Ion or Bravo large arbor disc drag reel. NOTE: either of these outfits would also do you proud in the surf!

Rich Rubin has very generously donated a sampling of some of his favorite steelhead flies, including tube flies, and a few egg patterns. They are packaged up in Feather-Craft slotted top "meat-locker" fly box.

Spending rainy winter nights at the tying bench? Make things easier on yourself with a made in the USA Oasis eye and bead center (not pictured). The ten storage jars with easily sharpie marked screw tops will organize and store a variety of your favorite beads and eyes. Three rounded bottom front trays make taking even the smallest of components out one at a time a snap.

DOOR PRIZE/EVERYBODY GETS A FREE TICKET!

Just about every fishing trip requires something to eat and drink which requires something to stash said eats and drinks. This coyote brown 600 denier waterproof 792 cubic inch HSD soft side mini cooler will certainly fill the bill. Plenty of room for a sandwich and a couple or three beverages, perfect for a grab and go lunch.

Schoolin' Up

Goodbye Daylight Savings Time
By Casting Director Sam Bishop

Since Daylight Savings Time will be over as of Sunday, November 3rd, and the Club Meeting is Wednesday, November 6th, the pre-meeting casting practice is over for the season. Daylight Savings Time will begin again March 8th, 2020, but the club meeting in March 2020 precedes the time change, so casting practice will resume April 1st (no fooling!). Thanks for all those of you who helped with casting tips and those of you who participated, we hope you continue to practice in the fall and winter months, so you don't get rusty!

IN MEMORIAM

In Memoriam
Dave Maruska



Dave Maruska, one of our early club Presidents, recently passed away in a motorcycle accident. Born in 1953, Dave served in the U.S. Army from 1971 - 1977 as an Infantry Paratrooper. He joined and participated in our club in the late 1970's and '80's, serving as President in 1984. Having a family took him away from the club but not from fly fishing. They let us know that his favorite place to fish was Kennedy Meadows in the Sierra.

Reel News

*** Car Show and Fundraiser - October 27th from 10am-4pm**
Eastlake Village in Watsonville - Open to all Makes and Models
Extras: Live Music at Carmona's, Costume Contest, Raffle Prizes, Awards, Trick or Treating 1pm-3pm
Great Adult and Kid Event. Safe Trick or Treating 1-3pm.
Costume Contest, Pet Costume Contest and more!
Proceeds benefit the Monterey Bay Salmon Trout Project

*** Monterey Bay Salmon Trout Project 42nd Annual Albacore Feed November 9th - Cocktails-6 PM, Dinner 7 PM**
Door Prizes, Silent Auction, Project Demonstrations
Dinner Tickets: \$20 - (\$10 for kids 12 and under), tickets available at the door.
Castroville Recreation Center, 11261 Crane St., Castroville

*** Día de Pescar Fly Fishing Clinic - Sunday, Nov. 10, 2019 10 am - 2 pm**
San Lorenzo Park Benchlands, Santa Cruz (approximate address: 137 Dakota Street)
Get hooked on fishing at the 4th Annual Día de Pescar Fly Fishing Clinic. Bring the whole family and learn about fish and fishing in Santa Cruz County. This event is for all ages and all experience levels. Whether you are just beginning or are a seasoned veteran you can:
Learn fishing techniques from the pros.
Learn about the gear you need.
Play fishy games, compete in casting and win awesome gear prizes.
Learn about where to fish on the San Lorenzo River and Santa Cruz County.
Learn from local fish experts about the fish in our river and in the Monterey Bay.
Learn what you can do to protect fish.

*** New! Beautiful SCFF beverage containers! Get yours NOW!**

These thermos-like beverage containers, which will keep hot things hot and cold things cold, will not last long. Not only are they beautifully engraved with our club logo, they are high-quality, must-have items for your car or your backpack. At only \$20 each, they will sell out fast, so be sure to get yours ASAP! Get one for yourself, and start your Christmas shopping by getting some more for your fly fishing friends, or even your non-fly fishing friends. Everybody needs to stay hydrated, and these containers are the perfect way to do it!



GONE FISHING

Mammoth Musings
Provided by John Cook

The following comments are from various people who attended the Mammoth Lakes Fishout.



“Varied fishing, good company, delicious food. Snow the first night that never melted.” - M.T.

“The generosity of everyone to a rookie was overwhelming. The fishing knowledge and technique I acquired this week was priceless.” - MDS

“Great camaraderie as always. I had very good luck fishing the Owens River mouth area. Caught a lot of really nice Rainbows in the 18”-20” range. I’ve never caught so many large trout.” - Dave M

“Great company. Always a good time and great food. I enjoyed stream fishing both weeks. Very productive. The most large fish I ever caught consistently every day, both weeks.” - MD

“This year was the best ever. Despite cold weather in Lake Mary and Twin Lakes, we still got out on the water in float tubes. Best of all was catching fish, and not the tiny jumpers measuring 3”, but actual muscular Brown Trout. And two days in a row in Hot Creek with Elaine’s help. All the meals were full of good talk as we sat out, whole lives spun out, feeling we deserved all this fun at this time in our lives.” - R.B.

Our club is known for members helping others. These comments about Michael DiCiano are a good example:

“Michael DiCiano deserves praise for generously teaching us new techniques for fishing rivers like the Owens. He was patient and through; very competent.” - R.B.

“Week 1 - Warm, balmy. Week 2 - Cold, snow, windy. Other than these differences, the two weeks were the same. Good fishing for large trout between 15”-20” with the assistance of Michael DiCiano. Friendly people, good food, great talks at the dinner table, laughter, getting to know more about each other, making new friends.”

Thanks for making this week awesome. (Dan, Rich, Bobbie, everyone, you guys are the best. So, go on Fishouts. Life is short - make memories and friends for life.

LifeLines

Stop Ticks to Avoid Lyme and Other Tickborne Diseases

From <https://www.cdc.gov>

Before You Go Outdoors:

Know where to expect ticks. Ticks live in grassy, brushy, or wooded areas, or even on animals, so spending time outside camping, gardening, or hunting could bring you in close contact with ticks. Many people get ticks in their own yard or neighborhood. Treat clothing and gear with products containing permethrin. Permethrin can be used to treat boots, clothing, and camping gear and remain protective through several washings.

Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE), para-menthane-diol (PMD), or 2-undecanone. EPA's helpful search tool can help you find the product that best suits your needs. Always follow product instructions, especially with children.

Do not use insect repellent on babies younger than 2 months old. Do not use products containing OLE or PMD on children under 3 years old.

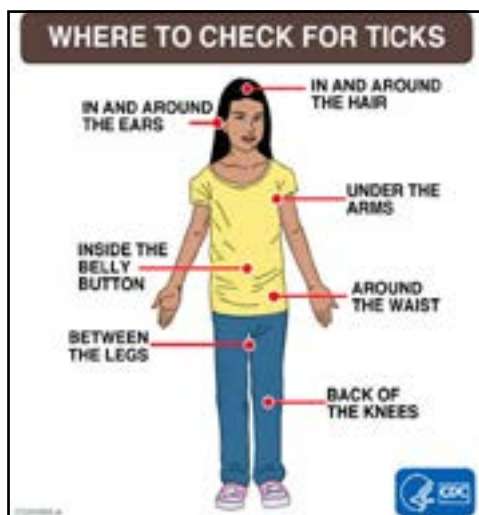
If you work outdoors, find more information about protection at the NIOSH (Tick-borne Diseases Workplace Safety and Health Topics).

Check your body for ticks after coming indoors.

After You Come Indoors:

Check your clothing for ticks. Ticks may attach to clothing. Remove any ticks and wash clothes or put them in dryer if damp. Tumble dry clothes in a dryer on high heat for 10 minutes to kill ticks on dry clothing after you come indoors. If the clothes are damp, you may need to dry them longer. When washing clothes first, use hot water. Cold and medium temperature water will not kill ticks effectively.

Check your body for ticks after being outdoors. Conduct a full body check when coming from potentially tick-infested areas, even your back yard. Use a hand-held or full-length mirror to view all parts of your body. Check you and your children for ticks after coming indoors.



Shower soon after being outdoors. Showering within two hours of coming indoors has been shown to reduce your risk of getting Lyme disease and may be effective in reducing the risk of other tickborne diseases. Showering may help wash off unattached ticks and it is a good opportunity to do a tick check.

To remove a tick, grasp it with tweezers, as close to the skin as possible, and pull it straight out.

What to Do if You Find an Attached Tick:

Remove the attached tick as soon as you notice it. Grasp the tick with tweezers, as close to the skin as possible, and pull it straight out. Watch for signs of sickness such as rash or fever in the days and weeks following the bite. Your risk of getting a tickborne disease depends on many factors, including where you live, the type of tick that bit you, and how long the tick was attached. Be sure to see a health care provider if you become sick after a tick bite, have a rash or a fever.



Reduce Ticks in Your Yard:

Modify your landscape to create tick-safe zones. Similar steps may also help reduce other types of ticks in and around the yard. Remove leaf litter and clear tall grasses and brush around homes regularly. Place wood chips or gravel between lawns and wooded areas to keep ticks away from recreational areas. Keep play areas and playground equipment away from shrubs, bushes, and other vegetation.

Consider using a chemical control agent. Tick control chemicals are effective for a homeowner to use, or they can be applied by a professional pest control expert. Discourage deer. Remove plants that attract deer and construct physical barriers to help discourage deer from entering your yard and bringing blacklegged ticks with them.

Prevent Ticks on Pets:

Dogs are very susceptible to tick bites and tickborne diseases. Vaccines are not available for most of the tickborne diseases that dogs can get, and they don't keep the dogs from bringing ticks into your home. For these reasons, it's important to use a tick preventive product on your dog. Talk to your veterinarian about the best tick prevention product for your dog.

FLY OF THE MONTH

Thor

It's time to get ready for the winter storms to come then go after the mighty salmon and steelhead. This fly is intended to be used in good sized rivers with a sinking line and swing method.



- Hook:** Mustad 36890 or other upturned eye for steelhead or salmon
- Thread:** Brown 3/0 or 6/0
- Tail:** Orange strung hackle barb
- Body:** Red chenille
- Hackle:** Brown
- Wing:** White calf tail
1. Crimp barb.
 2. Attach thread behind eye. Wrap to rear of shank.
 3. With tip of barbs extending 1/2 hook length beyond shank, attach to top of shank.
 4. Lay strip of chenille on top of shank, tip 1/4 back from eye, tie in place back to tail, then advance thread forward to chenille tip. Wrap chenille forward in touching wraps. Tie off, cut excess. Advance thread half way to eye.
 5. Select hackle with barbs 2 to 3 times hook gap. Prepare butt crew-cut style. Cut off fuzzy end. At butt end, cut off 5-6 barbs short on each side of stem. Tie crew-cut in, tip to rear, shiny side toward you. Make 5-6 wraps, tie off, cut excess. Stroke barbs to rear and tie in place back to body.
 6. Cut small clump of hairs from calf-tail. Clean out underfur. With tips extending to mid-tail, make one wrap around hairs, then 5-6 wraps around hairs and shank. Cut excess hairs. Tie in, covering butts up to hook eye. Tie off, cut thread. Apply Zap-a-Gap to thread wraps.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Classic Fish and Chips

From www.allrecipes.com

Ingredients:

- 4 large potatoes, peeled and cut into strips
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 cup milk
- 1 egg
- 1 quart vegetable oil for frying
- 1 1/2 pounds cod fillets

Directions:

1. Place potatoes in a medium-size bowl of cold water. In a separate medium-size mixing bowl, mix together flour, baking powder, salt, and pepper. Stir in the milk and egg; stir until the mixture is smooth. Let mixture stand for 20 minutes.
2. Preheat the oil in a large pot or electric skillet to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
3. Fry the potatoes in the hot oil until they are tender. Drain them on paper towels.
4. Dredge the fish in the batter, one piece at a time, and place them in the hot oil. Fry until the fish is golden brown. If necessary, increase the heat to maintain the 350 degrees F (175 degrees C) temperature. Drain well on paper towels.
5. Fry the potatoes again for 1 to 2 minutes for added crispness.



FIN FLUTER



NOVEMBER 2019

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10 Dia De Los Pescados River Benchlands 10 AM-2PM	11 <i>Veterans Day</i>	12	13 <i>FullMoon</i> ☽	14 Fly Tying Class-7 PM Aptos Grange	15	16
17	18	19 <i>LastQtr</i> ☾	20 Board Mtg. 7 PM Steele home	21	22	23
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DECEMBER 2019

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1	2	3 <i>1st Qtr</i> ☾	4 Club Meeting 7 PM Aptos Grange	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Fly Tying Class-7 PM Aptos Grange	12 <i>FullMoon</i> ☽	13	14
15	16	17	18 Board Mtg. 7 PM Steele home	19 <i>Last Qtr</i> ☾	20	21
22	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26 <i>NewMoon</i> ●	27	28
29	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>				