

# Hi-Desert Flyfishers

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The Hi-Desert Flyfishing Club

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## General Meeting Notice

**Date:** Tuesday, March 10, 2009

**Time:** 7:00 PM please be on Time!

**Place:** County Fire Station  
**Located:** Apple Valley Road and Yucca  
Loma Rd

## Program

Ernie Gulley is going to finish his talk on Crowley Lake. He is going to show us how he sets up his leaders and rod Rigging and

will demonstrate how he ties some of his flies.

## February Meeting Summary

I am going to start putting in a summary of the important matters that were discussed at the prior monthly meeting in our newsletter. This is so that those that could not make it will know what was covered. We took another vote on remaining a Charter Club and it was approved by an overwhelming majority of our membership to stay as a Charter Club. We decided not to have an outing the following weekend at Jess Ranch because of the bad weather predicted. Because we are going to have an outing to Bishop on March 21 it is undecided whether we will have a second outing in March.

We had a great presentation by Ernie Gulley. He is an expert on fishing Crowley Lake. His talk included a summary of locations on the lake. As well as his talk on midgeing tactics that allowed him to win the Fall Classic on Crowley Lake.

**Remember for those of you who have not renewed your membership this is your last newsletter!!!!!!!!!!!!**

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## Coming Events

Fred Hall Show in Long Beach will be from March 4<sup>th</sup> thru the 8<sup>th</sup>.

We are going to have an outing on March 21<sup>st</sup> in Bishop with a steam side with Brandon Wood, owner of the Owens River Fly shop. You may remember Brandon he gave us a great talk about the Owens and other fly fishing locations. We will be staying at the El Rancho Motel in Bishop because they give Fly Fishing Clubs a break on the price. You also make your own arrangements at another location if you like. We are trying to get something going with the Holliday Inn Express in Bishop. I am told that they will have a reasonable rate for us.

## Installation Dinner:

The installation dinner was at the Green Tree Restraunt, in Victorville. I think it was the best one ever. We had so many raffle prizes that I think most everyone, won something. I don't know the exact head count but we filled the room. Our Guest Speaker Carol Katz, from project Healing Waters did a fantastic job in her presentation. We as a club will be more involved in Project Healing Waters very soon and you will be hearing a lot more, as time goes by.

## Raffle

Here is a list of our raffle prizes this year: Temple Fork 4 piece 8 weight, 11 foot 3 piece His and Her Fly shop

brand, 7 foot 3 piece 5 weight donated by Kirk Vigil, 3 water color painting donated by Don Luke, our resident artist!

Additionally there were 2 Renzetti Visers, Nor Vise, Sage 2550 Reel, Wild River chest pack, 3 packs of Arizona Dubbing all 41 colors each, 2 Bass pro gift certificated, additional gift certificates from Owens River Outfitters, Tender Touch Solons and Coach Handbags. The list also included Hummingbird fish finder, numerous books and additional fly fishing items such as necks and a boat bag. I probably forgot some of the prizes but this will give you a great idea for those who missed this year's Dinner what they missed. I hope all of you can make it next year!

## Leeches, as Tied by Dennis Collier

I recently came upon a pattern that I believe can be substituted for a Angora Goat or African Goat Wooly bugger! This is a Leech pattern tied by Dennis Collier.

**Hook:** #4-10 4XL Streamer hook. I believe a 3XL Streamer hook can be substituted!

**Thread:** Black 50-denier UTC FP. Again you can probably use a 6/0 Thread or Larger depending on hook size.

**Weight:** .010 to .020 wire or lead.

**Body:** Fiery Brown, Olive or Black Angora goat hair.

**Flash:** Red or Crystal, Krystal Flash

**Tying Instructions:** Place the hook in your vice and approximately 3/16 to 1/4 inch from the eye, bend the shank slightly upwards, as shown in the picture. Next cover the hook with your tying thread as shown and then

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place the lead on the foreword section above the bend. Wrap the lead and cover with the tying thread.

Now gather some Angora Goat hair and place the hair, right at the bend, as shown in picture. Comb hair back and add some more hair if too much is combed out. Now tie in two strands of Krystal Flash and cut them off just short of the length of the goat hair tail. Now this is where it gets easier again! Twist the angora hair on the tying thread instead of using a dubbing loop. Does this as tight as you can and then just wrap the material to just in front of the eye. Try to get this to look like the picture. You can also use a dubbing loop if you want. Complete the fly with a whip finish and then tease out the fibers with a wire brush or dubbing needle. The following pictures show the procedure.



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## **Hot Creek Ranch Fly Fishing School**

Michael Schweit <msangler@earthlink.net> belonging to the Sierra Pacific Flyfishers want to know if there are any interested Club or members

*Please post in your newsletters or e-mail blasts. In response to some questions last year, we do not make a profit on this event.*

SPFF is holding their 31st. Annual Fly Fishing School at Hot Creek Ranch. The dates are June 5-8, 2009 and include lodging, meals and instruction. Also included are three preparatory classes prior to fishing. Reservations are taken on a first come, first served basis and are limited to 12 students. For additional information or an application, please contact Dennis Tsuyuki at 310-480-1654 or email him at [tokool@socal.rr.com](mailto:tokool@socal.rr.com).