

Hi-Desert Flyfishers

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The Hi-Desert Flyfishing Club

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flies, for pan fish and how to fish them. This is a very good movie for beginning anglers to warm water fishes. Since we are going to be able to fish lake 1 and since this lake has bass and bluegill. This movie is a must see for our members new to bass and panfish fishing, with a fly rod!

Bass Pro Hot Dog Event Cancelled

I just receive this email from Amanda Johansen
Special Event Coordinator
Bass Pro Shops Rancho Cucamonga CA

They confused us with Deep Creek Fly Fishers and they have the 16th and 17th of May!!!! I did find out from Amanda is that we have to show proof of Insurance, prior to even setting up a date for our hot dog sale.

Another problem

I contacted the insurance agent for the FFF insurance to see how long it would take to get the required insurance and found out that it hasn't even been approved as of yet. We have plenty of time to vote on this, as I see it now. I emailed Van the President of FFF and I am in the process of trying to find out what is happening. I hope I have some more information by our meeting date.

Fly Tying at Bass Pro on May 16th or 17th

I am volunteering to tie at Bass Pro on the 16th! I am looking for one or two additional tiers to come with me. What my other motive is that I believe the more we are seen

General Meeting Notice

Date: Tuesday, May 12, 2009

Time: 7:00 PM please be on Time!

Place: **County Fire Station**

Located: Apple Valley Road and Yucca Loma Rd

Program

Paul said Don Luke is going to do a presentation on Hot Creek.
If we have time, I have a movie on warm water bass and pan fishing! The movie deals with rod and reel, set ups for leader construction and how to fish bass bugs and

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there. The better chance when we will have when we do get our insurance. I also want to see Ron Bishop, President of Deep Creek and see what we would need for our sale when it happens for us!

Fly Tying

There is not a scheduled tying class for May. We will talk about some options at the General Meeting.

Email Response Failure

I have sent out several email's that have requested a response. I have had only 4 members reply!!! I wish all of you would respond at least with a yes or no answer if a question is asked. I would appreciate your opinion as well! By responding to your emails it saves the board a lot of time in calling each and every one of you. Please take this to heart and try to help us!! One additional thing if only 4 of you read this newsletter! Why should I try to make it the best I can???????????

WE WILL TALK ABOUT THIS AT THE MEETING!!!

Fly Tying Class

We will discuss this again at the meeting! Hopefully we can resolve some issues.

March Meeting Summary

Paul put on a very good presentation on how to read moving water. Paul had a movie to assist him in his presentation. Paul discussed how to cast to specific location, the best way to enter the water and where to stand and not be too visible to the fish.

Paul also brought up, the lakes we presently use at Jess Ranch will soon change because Robert is going to use the lakes for breeding ponds for large trout!

Paul was told we will be allowed to use Lake 1, which holds some warm water species and we can also float tub it. We will find out more as time goes on!

Project Healing Waters

Wayne Campbell has volunteered to be our liaison, with Project Healing Waters. Wayne is taking over for Russ Clyde.

April Outing was at Jess Ranch

Jess Ranch outing was over a 3 days period, Friday April 17 thru Sunday the 19th. The fishing was as usual GOOD!

A Good Story

Chris Hynes wife, Kathie wrote this story after her first fly lesson at the Kern River. I think it was a great story to give a woman's prospective!

ON A DARE – Fly-fishing from a woman's perspective

On a Cruiser in the Sea of Cortez I have brought in a 40- and a 50-pound Dorado, about 20 Tuna (15-25 pounds each), and 2 Marlin (100 and 150 pounds each). Now that was fishing!!! No messy hands, bathroom on board!

It all started when I was bragging to Mike, my fanatical fishing cousin, about my fishing prowess in the Sea of Cortez. Mike said, "You call that fishing? Try catching a trout on 1-pound test." Never letting a dare go, I scheduled my first fly-fishing lesson at the Kern River. Located in the Southern Sierra Nevada range the Kern River is a total of 151 miles long and a favorite among many anglers. The terrain is rocky with poison oak scattered throughout.

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At the Kern, as the locals call it, you stand in the middle of the river and cast your rod.

This is new for me. No boat, no bathrooms, just me in the river.

Let the fly-fishing lesson begin!

I arrived at the Kern River Fly Shop to meet my fly-fishing guide, David, and was given a pair of waders and boots. The waders were too big for me; the crotch fell between my knees. I had always heard that fishing would clear my mind, test my agility, and make me one with nature. I was anxious to find out what all the fuss was about.

I was driven to a section of the Kern River where my guide and I proceeded to climb down to the river, over rocks and past poison oak! One with nature! We arrived at the river's edge where I gently laid my camera, in its case, on a large rock. We walked into the river where David showed me how to cast my fly rod. I watched intently, thinking to myself, "that doesn't look too hard." My first cast caught my camera and I proceeded to land it expertly in the river!!! David retrieved it for me.

"I'll bet you can't do that twice!" he said.

For the safety of my camera, I chose to ignore that dare!

David began showing me the "finesse" of casting. I watched attentively, trying to cement the information into my brain. My turn. I tried a few short casts. David said I was doing very well. Then I put all I had into the next cast that sent my line out into what I thought was the river. However, it caught David's arm, causing him to bleed. I had more lessons and cast my line again. My husband, Chris, was fishing down river. He and I both thought we caught the "big one", however, I caught my husband's line and wound up in a tangled mess.

David decided we had better go to another place where I would have better luck landing my line without obstruction. We waded across the river. I held tightly to David's arm, as the rocks in the river were very slippery. Upon reaching the other side, we began "rock climbing." Try climbing up and down rocks, holding a rod, with your waders at your crotch. Not happening. I decided to hold my waders up by the crotch giving my legs a broader span. At that point, I went sailing into the river. I thought David was reaching out to help me, but he grabbed the rod out of my hand instead. Only after securing the rod did he ask if the water made it inside my waders! I guess I was lucky, the inside of my waders were dry.

After climbing rocks for approximately twenty minutes, we came across a pool where water flowed over the rocks. I was told this is where the fish "hang out." David double tied my line with 2 flies. He said, "When you feel a bite, gently pull up on your rod to secure the hook in the fish's mouth." When I felt the bite I pulled up on my rod and that 4-inch trout went sailing through the air into the bushes. David had to retrieve the trout and get the fish back in the water before he died! I guess I tugged a little hard. Previously the smallest fish I caught was about 20 pounds! David said I had caught a "natural". Sure didn't feel natural to me!

We continued rock climbing and casting - no more catching. I suppose that is why everyone calls it "fishing" rather than "catching." I think the rock climbing wore me out. After about 4 hours of fly-fishing, I decided to call it a day! Now I had more rock climbing and wading before we reached the area where we had parked. More poison oak to be wary of, once again

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testing my agility. I spent the better part of that day doing physical exercise, climbing, hanging on, casting, and swimming. Clear my mind? I admit my mind was totally focused on staying alive and therefore clear of all other distractions.

I also have to admit, I slept great that night! Of course, the Bloody Marys with dinner probably helped a little too!

All in all, I would say it was an adventure I would like to try again. This time - NO rock climbing. I enjoyed standing in the river with water swirling around me, watching the fish. I can see the enjoyment of fly-fishing and why it has become a popular sport.

I now have my own boots and my own rod. Next up.... waders that fit!

CDC Micro Caddis

Submitted by: Hans Weilenmann from The Netherlands

Originated by Ronald Leyzen of Belgium



Recipe:

HOOK: Tiemco 102Y #13-17.

THREAD: Brown 8/0. **BODY:** Fine dubbing.

WING: [Type 2 CDC](#).

Instructions: Attach the thread behind the eye and wrap it down the hook shank to the bend. Coat a short section of thread with tacky wax and lightly dust it with short, extremely fine dubbing (I like to use mole) and wrap a thin body, all the way to the eye. This is one of those rare moments that wax is extremely useful.

Hold the butt of the CDC with one hand, and slide the other hand up to bunch up the tips. Tie it in with the tips facing over the eye. The tips will be folded back over the body to form the wing, so allow for the right length. Now trim the butt section of the CDC, leaving a small "stump" as long as one quarter of a hook shank length. This step is crucial, as the stump ensures that the wing and body remain separate while fishing. Fold the CDC tips back over the body, and fix them with a few wraps of thread so they stand up at 45 degrees from the body. Whip-finish and apply a touch of varnish.

Kid Day 5-2-09

These proved to be a great day both for the club members and the kids! There were 9 Club members who attended and approximately 12 kids. Every one enjoyed themselves and the BBQ was great too. Meeting at MC Donald's prior to the event!



The kids enjoying themselves and getting their marching orders from Paul



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Setting up the equipment



Unhooking was a problem for the young ones!



One of the ladies with a nice trout!

