



HI Desert Fly Fishers



Established January 26, 2009

Jan. 2019

New Club Officers

President: Rodney Romero
Vice President: Melissa Norton
Secretary: John Cary
CFO: Rocky Pacini
Website: Mike Hayes
Counselor: Steve Plantenga
Fair & tying Coordinator: Barry Bishop
Social Media Cord.: Jim Ower
PHWFF PL: John Aydelotte
PHWFF APL: Mike Hayes
Communication: John Aydelotte

Fly Tying Group: Fly trying group
Sunday after meeting.

Send Articles and Fishing Reports
to: HDF4trout@gmail.com

Next General Meeting:
Date: Tuesday Jan. 8th 2019
Time: 7:00 pm.

Location:
Apple Valley Fire Station
19235 Yucca Loma Rd.
Apple Valley, Ca
www.hidesertflyfishers.com



Meeting Location

Apple Valley Fire Station 19235 Yucca Loma Rd. Apple Valley, Ca



The Voice of the Fly Box



Happy New year!

I hope you and your family had a joyous holiday season! In 2019 the Hi - Desert Fly Fishers celebrate 14 years as a club. I am very proud of what we have accomplished as a fly-fishing club. In 2018 we began our project Healing waters Victorville chapter. Now with 10 veterans participating in activities such as fly tying, casting, rod building and a waiting list that is growing. Congratulation to John Aydelotte and Mike Hayes for the commitment they have made to see this program succeed. We are now involved in Apple Valley Fire Department Sparks of Love Toy Drive. It was exciting to see all the toys and sport equipment that we were able to collect for Christmas and I'm sure we brought big smile to kids in our community. Thank you everyone that participated in this event!

As you are all aware, my term as your president is coming to an end and this will be my last newsletter. It has been my pleasure to serve the Hi- Desert Fly Fishers. My goal for this club early on was to become more engaged and just have fun. Over the past 2 years we were busy with scheduled outings to

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the Owens, Mammoth and the Kern. I have truly enjoyed taking the trailer out and joining club members at our annual camps. I will not forget the conversations that we had around the fire, so much fun and looked forward to it every year.

All the success could not have occurred without the help and continued support of all the board members. Your board really has one goal, is to continue the passion that they know and to pass it on to those that don't. Thank you all for your support without all of you, the success of the club would not have been possible.

Lastly ... The vacancies on the board need to be filled!

If you have enjoyed what the club has offer you, please donate your time, I hate to see this club loose the momentum that we have created over the years.

Hi- Desert Fly fishers is a great club and I have been proud to be a part of it.

With your help it can only get better but without it the future is uncertain.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Rodney Romero

President Hi- Desert Fly Fishers



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Tuesday Meeting



The Golden Trout Wilderness Packstation offers fully-guided, full service pack trips in the Little Kern and Kern River drainages. We are privileged to provide access to an extremely secluded fishery and the chance to land trophy Kern River Rainbows on a Wild and Scenic River as well as the “true Golden” on Volcano Creek, the purest strain of Golden trout remaining. Steve will cover what a pack trip is, what to expect on the trail and discuss options for customizing your trip to your desires and abilities. Chuck will enchant you with details on what the water is like at different locations, how and when to fish it, what to use and why you should be fishing with Golden Trout Packstation next summer! There will be time for a Q&A after.

Steve Day has been the owner of the Golden Trout Wilderness Packstation for fifteen years. He is only the fourth owner and the Packstation itself has been in operation for nearly 100 years. Steve himself is a Porterville native but has been packing in the wilderness since his early 20's and fly-fishing since he was 12.



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Chuck Stokke is one of the Golden Trout Packstation's experienced guides. He is also a Sage representative and owner of Sequoia Fishing Company. Chuck is a Springville native and holds a wealth of knowledge about the Upper Kern waters and how to fish them. While Chuck has fly-fished across the US, Alaska, and Canada, he returns annually to guide the Kern, claiming it to be "one of his top five places to fish."



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Project Healing Waters Victorville has grown since the last newsletter. We now have 11 disabled veterans and 4 volunteers. Mike has started classes in fly rod building and they each have a complete kit to build thier own rod. Once complete they will send them in for competition and when they are rreturned they will have a reel, line, backing and leader. We also have our own Facebook site and would appreciate a like and follow fron each of you. here is the link.

<https://www.facebook.com/Project-Healing-Waters-Fly-Fishing-Victorville-CA-Program-974708519406627/>



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HDFS Store



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Patches \$10.00 Same as on hats

Stickers \$3.00 Club logo

All proceeds go directly to the club!!

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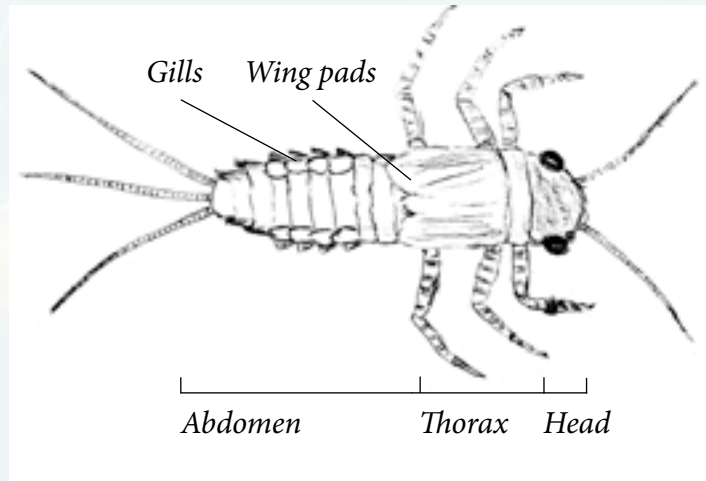
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I have started doing a little writing on fly fishing ,with the idea of a book at some later date so I thought I would share a little with you. It's a little rough but you may enjoy. Editor

Of Trout, Bugs, and Fishermen

Mayflies (Ephemeroptera)



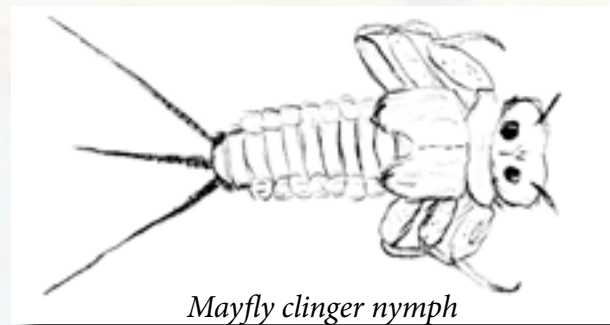
Mayfly Clinger Nymphs

Identification: Very flat like a Frisbee, have two or three tails which lack the hair, plate like gills which overlap and act as suction cups, eyes have migrated to the top of the head, very stout body

Habitat: Only in the fastest Rapids and ripples. Cling to rocks very tightly.

Behavior: They crawl all over and under rocks. Seldom dislodged and almost never become available to trout as a nymph. When mature most clinger nymphs migrate to slower water split open their and emerge as duns under the water.

Imitation: If you must, use a Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear fished dead drift tumbled on the bottom. Strike indicator will help with identifying strikes. Wet flies work for the emerging dun. Light Cahills, Dark Cahills, and March Browns should get the job done.



Mayfly clinger nymph

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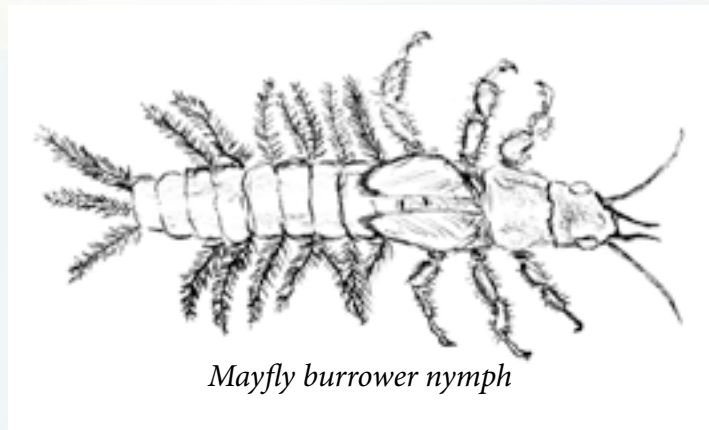
Mayfly Burrower Nymphs

Identification: Have rows of plume-like gills on both sides of the abdomen, mandibular tusks on head used for digging, body oval instead of round, three tails fringed with hairs

Habitat: Placid or still waters.

Behavior: They dig U-shaped tunnels with two entrances, or work their bodies into gravel or silt. They live safe from trout and only come out at night to feed along the bottom.

Imitation: These are very large Mayflies, and even though they are nocturnal, they will become the main meal when they emerge. Size 4 to size 10 hooks are called for to imitate this fly just before emergence. A large Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear, with picked out dubbing, tied on a 4x long hook, should work well.



Mayfly burrower nymph

Note From the Editor

I have had the privilege of being the newsletter editor for a little over a year. It has been a very rewarding time for me but I must pass the newsletter on as I have become very busy with other projects. PHWFF has become large job but very enjoyable but is also calling me to put in more time fund raising to take these wonderful disabled veterans on some outings. In addition I have a desire to do more work on a personal project on fishes color vision. Hopefully this next summer I will be able to gather the samples that I need to complete my project. I am looking forward to a great year for the HDFS and hope to be around helping as much as I can.



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FISHING REPORTS

Big change here. Most places change their fishing reports from time to time. When I post a report I do so at the last minute before publishing the news letter. Often the report changes in a day or two after the news letter is published. The decision to post links I feel is a good step for our members to get the latest data when planing your trip.

[SIERRA TROUT MAGNET](#)
[The Kern River Fly Shop](#)



Here is a new offer for our club members. Check them out. They are offering club members a 10% discount. They are also supporting the club in other ways such as our opportunity draws. Check out the web site it looks like a great fly shop with lots of reasonable choices and good northern California fish reports. Thanks go out to Paul Sinclair for this great find.

thetroutspot.com

The Trout Spot
PO Box 492
1311 Highway 4
Arnold, CA 95223
PH: 209-795-4540
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2019 membership dues are now being accepted \$35.00 for Family Please see Rocky Pacini



IT IS THAT TIME!

Time to start the dialog regarding available Board Member positions! The Board will be accepting nominations for all posts.

In order to assist and support the new incoming Board, we have an excellent plan in place to guarantee that the transition will be easy and efficient.

Being on the Board is incredibly rewarding and fun. HDFS Members individually have a diverse background and varying experience in fly fishing. We enjoy a Board that reflects diversity at all levels. We seek active advocates and ambassadors for our great club and noble sport. We encourage any and all of those with a desire for leadership to apply.

So, go ahead and toss your hat into the ring! A gratifying position and a grateful club awaits you. We will be discussing the duties of the positions further at our next meeting on September 11, 2018.

Please forward all nominations or submissions to the HDFS President, Rodney Romero, at Rskromero@msn.com

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Treasurer Report

Dec 31st 2018

Checking account \$2176.65

Savings account \$3,043.96

A detailed financial report for Dec 2018 will be available for full review at our Jan 2019 club meeting.

Time has come to see somebody new take over the treasury position I will be leaving in the month of February and I'm eager to train the new person looking forward to the transition new blood is good.

Thank, You
Rocky Pacini



CALENDER

Whats Happening January

- 8th General Meeting 7pm
- 13th Fly tying workshop 12 noon at Barry Bishops

February

- 12th General Meeting 7pm
- 16th Installation dinner eat at 6pm
- 17th Fly tying workshop 12 noon at Barry Bishops