



Established January 26, 2009

June 2018

### 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  
**Event Coordinator:** Kim Crawford  
**PHWFF Lead:** Jim Ower  
**PHWFF Asst. Lead:** John Aydelotte  
**Communication:** John Aydelotte

**Fly Tying Group:** At the Bishop's  
Sunday 12 noon after the meeting

**Send Articles and Fishing Reports**  
to: [HDF4trout@gmail.com](mailto:HDF4trout@gmail.com)

### Next General Meeting:

**Date:** Tuesday June 12th 2018

**Time:** 7:00 pm.

**Location:**

**Los Rancho Mobile Home Park.**  
**20683 Waalew Rd. Apple Valley.**  
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## ATTENTION!

**Our normal meeting location is still not available. We will hold our regular meeting at **Los Rancho Mobile Home Park, 20683 Waalew Rd. Apple Valley.****



## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

*Recruitment is the biggest and most important thing that Fly fishing clubs do on an ongoing*

*basis every year. It can be done by word of mouth, social media (Facebook, Instagram and Internet) or at events that are being held locally.*

*Hi- Desert Fly Fishers have been fortunate enough to recruit in the past 4 years at the San Bernardino County Fair. Our past president Mike Hayes and Fair program leader Barry Bishop had taken the lead roles to develop a program that sparks the interest of potential new members.*

*We have fly tying demonstration that are held every day the fair is open, our Fly tying competition that incorporates individual classes by years of experience in tying that is open to all residents of San Bernardino county. Our hope for the future would be casting, which we will continue to work on this for the future.*

*The goals that Mike and Barry set foremost, was for the club to succeed, fly fishing to be passed on so it can continue to thrive and to share the passion that they have for this sport. If we had not had Mike Hayes and Barry Bishop to take on these roles we would not have club members like John Aydelotte whom is now are program lead for our very important program of Project Healing Waters and our club newsletter editor.*

*I wanted to use this month presidents message to thank these individuals for giving their time during the Memorial holiday weekend. To all the fly tiers in the past and at this year's event Rocky Pacini, John Aydelotte, Steve Plantenega, Rodger Neff, Carmen Miranda and Larry Baker and of course Barry Bishop. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!!*

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# Meeting Location Change

Our meeting location has changed while water damage is being repaired at the fire station. We will meet at:

**Los Rancho Mobile Home Park. 20683  
Waalew Rd. Apple Valley.**



## This Months Meeting

**Annual BBQ Summer Kick- Off**

**Tuesday June 12th 6pm**

**Los Ranchos Mobile Home Park**

- \* Bring your appetite we barbequing Hot Dogs
- \* Bring your Rods we will be casting on the grass  
Instructors will be available !

Casting will begin at 6pm till- dark

Los Ranchos Mobile Home Park  
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Project Healing Waters Victorville has begun to have meetings. The image above is from the first meeting showing the first four to join the group. Fly rods are arriving soon as well as new members. The group is now seven and still growing. The Victorville group has received a grant large enough to purchase Fly Tying equipment for a group of ten. This group is highly motivated and eager to learn the art and craft of fly fishing.



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# HDFS Store



**Limited supply!**  
**Get yours while they last**

*Hats . . . . . \$20.00 . . . . Bill colors: Blue, Green, and Tan*

*Patches . . . . \$10.00 . . . . . Same as on hats*

*Stickers . . . . . \$3.00 . . . . . Club logo*

*All proceeds go directly to the club!!*



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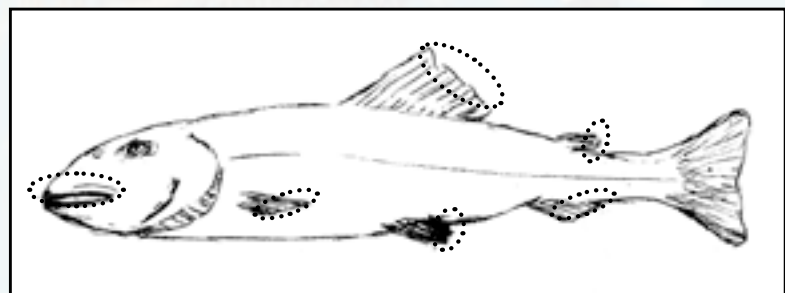


*I have started doing a little writing on fly fishing ,with the idea of a book at some later date so I thought I would share a little with you. It's a little rough but you may enjoy. Editor*

## Of Trout, Bugs, and Fishermen

**Feeling** is connected to hearing, but also it is so much more. Water is about 800 times more dense than air so sound color perception, vibrations, pressure related to moving objects and changes in air pressure above the water line are easily detected by the trout's lateral line. In addition to the lateral line trout have Orbital lines on it's jaw and at the back of it's skull. These orbital lines work in conjunction with the lateral lines. It is also thought that trout have some type of echo location which allows them to track bugs with great precision by their use of the feeling sense. Blind fish are able to feed due to the feeling and smell senses, and can live to old age. This sense of feeling has been described as ESP and I guess that would be the case when compared to people. Scientists are calling this ESP type of sense in trout "Distant Touch". Just think a tiny fly can fall on the surface of the water and swim toward the bottom and a fish ten feet away will know where this fly is at all times, from the time it hits the surface of the water. The trout will also know its size and who knows what else. Trout are truly amazing.

**Smell** is the forth sense of trout, and as in humans it is related to taste. We all know about the sense of smell in bloodhounds, well a trout's sense of smell is many times stronger. It is like a salmon who can smell it's birth place, in a little tiny stream miles away, while approaching the mouth of a very large river. A trout has two small nasal pits, one on each side of the snout forward of the eyes in which water circulates. It also has as many as ten million scent detecting cells. These cells are found in these highly folded tissues within the nasal pits. In addition it is thought that trout may have other scent detecting cells on their body. Trout can smell the difference between two plants, of the same species, growing next to each other in a stream or lake. The trout's ability of smelling the smallest of scent has many implications when it comes to fly fishing. Dipping your hands into the water does not go unnoticed. Dry flies should not be a problem, but any fly that goes under the water may have things that are aromatic such as head cement or traces of insect spray or sunscreen left over from human touch. I am told saliva is repulsive to trout as well. It is hard to hide your scent from trout but the real question is how trout will react to your scent. I chose to minimize by staying away from things like sunscreen and insect repellent.





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# FISHING REPORTS

## LOWER OWENS RIVER FLY FISHING : BISHOP, CA –4.16.18

From: [SIERRA TROUT MAGNET](#)

The Lower has gone up and down and been cloudy to somewhat clear in a matter of a few days. That being said it is still the place to go for classic wild Brown and Rainbow trout fly fishing! Flows are healthy at 297 cfs... Yes, this is runoff time and it is high. Yet very walk and wadeable if one only throws some caution before stepping in. The same flies are still happening with an rising amount of Caddis being seen, of course there are Mayflies and some Midge activity. Most of the Trouts stomachs of the Lower Owens when pumped are full of Rockworms, with an occasional Yellow Sallie Stone Fly nymph, some Baetis, and a few Midge Larvae scattered in the mix. This could be the time when the Trout of the Lower Owens start to look up and realize there is food indeed on top! Consistently!

## UPPER OWENS RIVER FLY FISHING - 5.21.18

From: [SIERRA TROUT MAGNET](#)

The Upper Owens River is flowing up at around 111 cfs making a nice pathway for the incoming fish from Crowley lake. We have Cutthroat, Rainbow and Brown Trout in the system. And as most of you already know... some of them are extremely large! Of course I am sure you have heard people saying “dont fish to the fish obviously on reds” this is easy to tell as they are paired up with two or more and in very shallow water. These fish are making more fish for us. Fish the deep pools where the fish are hot and eating... This will allow you to catch a fish that is on fire and ready to fight as they don't necessarily have trout sex on their mind, and have not been eating because of the pursuit of the female Trout! There is a lot of river to explore with a lot of Trout to find. This is a world class fishery as many people have come through the shop claiming to have caught the biggest trout of their lives on the Upper Owens in the last couple of weeks! Flies are large and usually attractor patterns. Lots of SJ worms, Copper Jons, Tungsten Jigs and even some small midge larvae and caddis can be the choice bugs certain days. Streamers!

From: [The Kern River Fly Shop](#)

Upper Kern River 20 Mile Section (north of Kern River Fly Shop) 5.25.18  
Upper Kern River 20 Mile Section (north of Kern River Fly Shop to Johnsondale Bridge) The upper Kern is flowing between 900 to 1000 CFS and diminishing. Water temperature is 55 to 60 degrees and clear. Anglers are starting to “trunk it” as the days get warmer. Fly Fishing is excellent as the river drops everyday and trout become very active. Big fish have started to move into the upper river from Lake Isabella and double digit fish are being caught. We are seeing hatches of Yellow Sallies and Pale Morning Duns and a great imitation for the Yellow Sallie is a size 16 Yellow Stimulator . You can also swing some streamers down and across and do well. All fly fishing techniques are catching fish at this time.

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# Treasurer Report

May 1st 2018

*Checking account \$3,302.70*

*Savings account \$1,993.52*

*One outstanding check \$100.00*

*A detailed financial report for May 2018 will be available for full review at our June 2018 club meeting.*



## CALENDER

### Whats Happening

#### June

1st-3rd Chili cook off Brown's Millpond  
12th General Meeting 6 pm Casting and BBQ  
17th Fly tying workshop 12 noon at Barry Bishops

#### July

10th General Meeting 7 pm,  
15th Fly tying workshop 12 noon at Barry Bishops  
27th-29th Monache Meadows Outing