



Established January 26, 2009

July 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 PL:** John Aydelotte  
**PHWFF APL:** Mike Hayes  
**Communication:** John Aydelotte

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

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to: [HDF4trout@gmail.com](mailto:HDF4trout@gmail.com)

### Next General Meeting:

**Date:** Tuesday July 10th 2018

**Time:** 7:00 pm.

### Location:

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

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## Meeting Location

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



## The Voice of the Fly Box



*As all of the past presidents understand, one of the harder things accomplish for the Hi-Desert Fly Fishers Club is the monthly Presidential Report for the newsletter. Sometimes, it can be daunting to find a subject to write about that would be interesting to share, and then making the time to getting it done! After talking with the editor of our great newsletter, it has been decided to try something new! It is called The Voice of the Fly Box. This is a column where anyone in the club can come forth and write an article that has to do with fly fishing and share it with the club. In doing so, you relieve a little bit of that duty that the president has to accomplish on a monthly basis. There are several duties the present has to perform in the background. The president does so much.*

*The president organizes the monthly club meetings and he organizes the monthly board meetings. The president procures all of our guest speakers and organizes our outings. He listens to everyone's conversation and tries to make the right decisions, keeping in mind the best interests of the club. He is part*

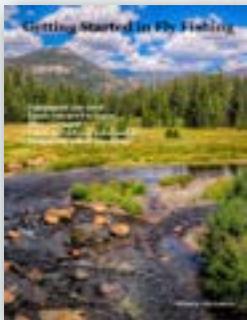
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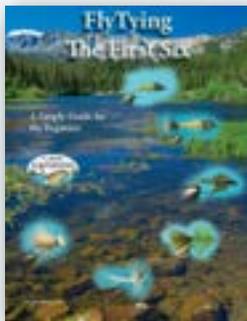
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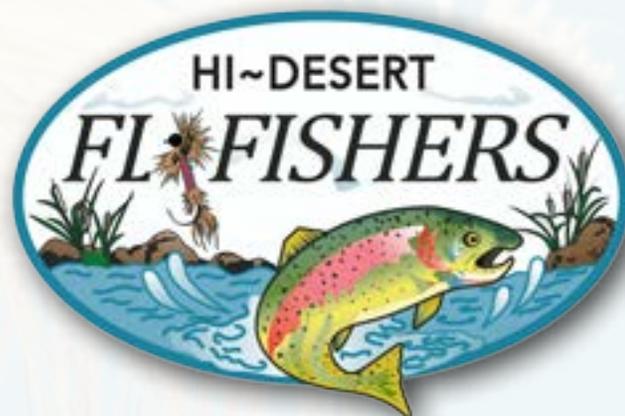
*fisherman and part politician. This is a demanding position for most people, however, our president seems to have mastered it, plus, he makes it look easy. You know by now, we are talking about Rodney Romero, our current second-term president! As an aside, wouldn't it be great if he serves a third year for the first time in club history?*

*Now, take a moment and really think about it all the things that have been going great for the Hi-Desert Fly Fisher's Club over these last couple of years. Rodney has worked with other board members and club members to accomplish several terrific events. For example, bringing together Casting for Recovery, Project Healing Waters, The San Bernardino County Fair booth, the Bishop One Rule Chili Cook-off, and the pancake breakfast at Applebee's. And, if he has his way, this year we will add a hot dog booth fundraiser at the Air Show at The Apple Valley Airport. It is getting late for the Air Show this year, however, it is still doable if enough members volunteer to attend in shifts. Hard work and commitment is so appreciated by all, and these personal contributions unreservedly benefit the club in so many ways.*

*As for the state of the club's financial footing, Rodney has dedicated himself to make our club's resources more plentiful. That was one of his highest priorities when he became president, and in doing so, we have encountered more rewarding learning experiences and opportunities to share the great sport of fly fishing. Learning and sharing, along with fellowship, is the cornerstone of our club.*

*For future presidents, it has been a major goal for Rodney to be able to hand off the club to the next president, whenever that is, in a great financial position. More growth is on the horizon, so the next time you see this hard-working president, and you will see him because he is always there for the club, shake his hand and tell him in your own words what a great job he is doing*

Thank, You  
Rocky Pacini



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# Tuesday Meeting

## Yeah! We are Back at the Fire Station

It will be movie and popcorn night. Don't be late and join the fun.



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

*All proceeds go directly to the club!!*

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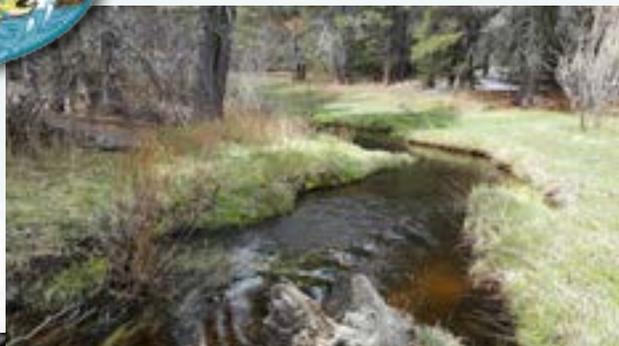
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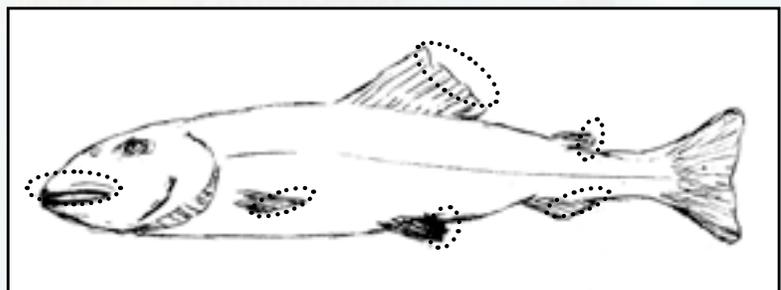


*I have started doing a little writing on fly fishing ,with the idea of a book at some later date so I thought I would share a little with you. It's a little rough but you may enjoy. Editor*

## Of Trout, Bugs, and Fishermen

**Taste** is the fifth sense that trout have and combined with smell it is very powerful. Trout are very sensitive to sweet, sour, salt, acid, bitter and can even tell the differences in amino acids found in their food sources. Trout can even taste the difference between two species of chironomids and may have a preference for one species over another and selective feed on just one. Taste sensors are located on the roof of a trouts mouth, lips, edges of its fins and possibly on the body. Interesting enough they are not on the trouts tongue. If a trout sucks in your artificial fly, thinking it is food, he will realize it is not what he expected, and expel it but if the trout takes it out of aggression he may hold on to it longer. The result is the same you set the hook and the battle is on.

**Summery of Trout Senses:** The sensory input received by trout is estimated to be 500 to 800 times more acute than the sensory input received by a mere fisherman. Trout seem to be super humans like superman, but there is one advantage that the fisherman has. Fishermen have a cerebrum for thought and reasoning. Trout brains are entirely devoted to bodily functions and sensory input. They don't possess a Cerebrum, but experience is a quick teacher for trout. Trout perceive their surrounds to a degree that we can only imagine. I think there is much more for us to understand about trout, and with what is already known there is a lot to be studied. I have heard that it takes about seven minutes for trout to forget your presence after you disturb them. Don't wade unless you have to and always move slowly. Walk softly and be aware that the fish are watching, tasting, smelling, feeling, and listening. Earlier I said that fish don't refuse a fly for something they see, rather they refuse a fly for something they don't see. I wonder how true this is for the other senses. It seems to me that the trout senses were mainly designed to help them feed first, and avoid danger second.



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# FISHING REPORTS

## LOWER OWENS RIVER FLY FISHING : BISHOP, CA 7.05.18

From: [SIERRA TROUT MAGNET](#)

Over the last couple of months the Lower Owens River has been very good to us Fly Fisherman! Flows went up to around 500 cfs and held for a moment, but like the price of Bitcoin, the numbers have tumbled back down to a very nice summer flow of 285 cfs around the time of writing this report. Fish are evenly dispersed and active throughout the entire river system. Stoneflies have been making their presence known, so this allows us fly anglers to fish larger patterns this time of year. #12-18 patterns have been fished regularly with good success under and on top the water. Tungsten Soft Hackle PT's #12-16 , Hot Head PT's #14-16 and the like ... Midge larvae and midge larvae emergers #18-20 in creams and blacks work well throughout the day as well. Stimulators of various sizes are working well on the waters surface when stoneflies are out and about. You can spot this by the violent strikes the trout give when they take one off the surface. In the morning some small Mayfly eating goes on in some of the beautiful riffles, runs, and foam lines, that the Lower Owens is abundant with ...this makes for a great start to the day! .. throughout the day we gravitate towards the larger stimulators on top , and then dropping under the waters surface with the nymphs as the sun rolls higher.

## UPPER OWENS RIVER FLY FISHING - 5.21.18

From: [SIERRA TROUT MAGNET](#)

No new update on this report. See last months news letter.

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

Upper Kern River 20 Mile Section 6-28-18 (north of Kern River Fly Shop to Johnsondale Bridge) The upper Kern is flowing between 500 to 600 CFS. Water temperature is 60 degrees and clear. Anglers are starting to "trunk it" as the days get warmer. Fly Fishing is still excellent and trout have 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 still seeing hatches of Yellow Sallies and Pale Morning Duns and a great imitation for the Yellow Sallie is a size 16 Yellow Stimulator . Fish are keying in on darker patterns as the season progresses. 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 \$3,395.19*

*Savings account \$2,143.57*

*One outstanding check \$325.00*

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



## CALENDER

### Whats Happening

#### July

10th General Meeting 7 pm,

15th Fly tying workshop 12 noon at Barry Bishops

27th-29th Crowley Lake

#### August

14th General Meeting 7pm

19th Fly tying workshop 12 noon at Barry Bishops

19th HDFS Annual Picnic