



Sespe Fly Fishers

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Zoom Online Meeting for July



Chris Leonard
July 15, 7PM
*Sespe Fly Fishers' Club
Meeting is Online*
Details inside!



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Southwest Council Newsletter

President's Message 7-6-20

As most of you are aware the average age of a member of our club is somewhere around 65. That puts most of our members in that group of people who need to be extra careful of contacting Covid-19. Given the current rates of contagion here in Ventura County it is a good idea to minimize our social contact. We will continue at least for the next two months to not have any gatherings. We will however continue to provide virtual social gatherings via Zoom meetings and email links. If you have not tried a zoom meeting you should. Once you get the hang of it, they are kind of fun.

Last month's presenter Jimmy Cheers was terrific. That was one of the best programs ever. Our July presenter, local guide and Mammoth resident Chris Leonard's program should be equally impressive. He looks at times of the year, fly choices and tactics for the major Eastern Sierra streams. Veterans of these waters and those just starting their Sierra adventure will all learn from Chris' insights. As the area is starting to re-open from COVID quarantines, there is no better time to get the latest reports.

Our June auction was such a great success that we decided to do it again! Online Auction Part II will be **August 17-23**. Watch your email for more details as we get it organized.

Would you like to get to know the club membership better? Be part of the "in" crowd? We have two openings for new chairpersons, Conservation and Membership. Conservation Chair is as much or as little as you want to make it. A regular monthly report or an occasional report on local conservation issues. Application for conservation grants when available are an important function of this position. Membership is an extremely important job that, since our joining up with Club Express requires mostly keeping our membership rolls updated in the online system. So if you have a bit of extra time and would like to be an integral part of our club please let us know!

Go fishing every chance you get. It's social distancing at its finest.

Earl



2020 SPEAKER SCHEDULE*

July 15 | Chris Leonard

“The Magnificent Eastern Sierra”

August 19 | Steve Schalla

“Origins of the Golden Trout”

Sept 19 | Annual BBQ

Oct 21 | Maury Hatch

“Fishing the Delta”

Nov 18 | Gary Bulla

“Fishing the Amazon”

December 16 | Annual Holiday Party

***Speakers and programs subject to change without notice.**

Check the newsletter or website for changes.

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MAMMOTH FISHERIES SUMMER TRIFECTA: HOT CREEK, UPPER OWENS, AND SAN JOAQUIN RIVER

About Chris Leonard ...

Our speaker this month, Chris Leonard, is a teacher at Mammoth High School. His greatest passions are education and fly fishing, making him a choice fly fishing instructor and on-water guide. He guides through Kittedge Sports during the summer, also weekends and holidays during the school year. Rivers and lakes. Tenkara and Western rods. He has lived in Mammoth Lakes full-time since 2004. His favorite waters to fish and guide include the Owens River, Hot Creek, Rush Creek, Rock Creek, San Joaquin River, East Walker River, and Crowley Lake.

A seasoned traveler, he has chased trout as close as the Western USA, as far away as the Midwest, Eastern USA, Central America and South America. He has hooked chrome in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska, redbfish in NOLA, and bonefish, permit, and tarpon in Belize. His passion for fly fishing began in 2005 when he started the Mammoth High School Fly Fishing Club. Every spring, he takes local Mammoth kids out on the water to teach them how to fly fish!

A good number of Sespe Fly Fisher Club members have spent time up in the glorious Eastern Sierra mountain range. It is the closest world-class trout fly fishing to Southern California. Coming off of an incredible winter in which the Eastern Sierra watched snowstorm after snowstorm roll through, this summer is going to have epic fishing conditions! The rivers will be healthy, and the lakes full.





ZOOM

CHRIS LEONARD
"THE MAGNIFICENT
EASTERN SIERRA"

RSVP via email to:
president@sespeflyfishers.org



WEDNESDAY
JULY 15 AT 6:30PM

THE MAGNIFICENT EASTERN SIERRA

Many of us have favorite spots in our home waters around Bishop, Mammoth and Bridgeport, but only a few have studied them with a guide's eye.

As we make the four-hour drive up 395, the questions arise. Lower O in the morning, Hot Creek or the Upper in the afternoon? Carry on to Bridgeport and the East Walker? Where are the flows and is the wind going to blow us out of Long Ears (or Years, if you prefer.)

Our July presenter, local guide and Mammoth resident Chris Leonard can help. His program looks at times of the year, fly choice, and tactics for the major Eastern Sierra streams. Veterans of these waters and those just starting their Sierra adventure will all learn from Chris' insights. As the area is starting to re-open due to COVID, there is no better time to get the latest reports.

Chris will share his local knowledge of how to improve your odds for a successful day on three of his favorite fisheries: **Hot Creek**, the **Upper Owens**, and the San Joaquin River.

Hot Creek is undoubtedly Chris's favorite moving water fishery. He averages about 75 days a year on this blue-ribbon creek. The Upper Owens is one of the most beginner friendly rivers in the area. And the San Joaquin River is an absolute gem. It is second to none in regard



ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS:

Sespe Flyfishers President Earl Arnold will send out an email with a **Zoom link** before the meeting. **Click on the link** from your computer when it's time for the meeting. If you have trouble connecting to the meeting through the link, there will also be a call-in number in the email which you can dial from a smartphone. Your audio will be muted so that the speaker can present without interruption, until question time.



to the pristine beauty of its natural surroundings. Chris will discuss where, when, and how to best fish these waters. He will also touch a bit on two of his other favorite fisheries: The **East Walker River** and **Crowley Lake**.

Please join us as we gear up for what is going to be a productive and lengthy summer of fly fishing in the Mammoth Lakes region.

Tune in by ZOOM and stick around for the Q and A at the end – that's often the best part!



Coming in August:
Steve Schalla will present
"Origins of the Golden
Trout"

My First Trout on a Fly

By Lee White

This might seem like I'm going to tell you about a childhood experience but this is a tale of a 68-year-old. I fairly new to the sport of fly fishing. I've caught some trout on spinning gear before but never on a fly.

A few weeks ago, I joined a couple of friends going to the western Sierras. We intended to fish some small creeks and I wanted to give fly fishing another try and ... SUCCESS!

Most of the trout were caught on dry flies which was very exciting and some were caught on the bamboo rod I had just built with Bill Loehr and other members of the Sespe Fly Fishers. The two pictured at right, a brown and a rainbow, were caught on the bamboo rod and were among the largest I caught measuring 8-10 inches.

Regardless of the size, you can imagine my thrill when a fish darted out from cover to strike the fly as it gently floated on the surface, and the flash as it dove back down followed by the bend of the rod.

All, of course, were caught, and quickly released.

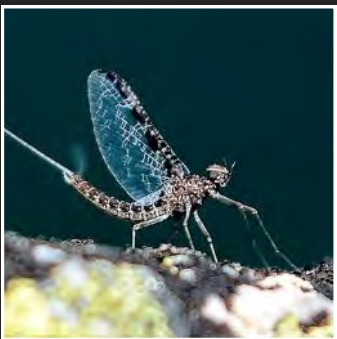


FFI WOMEN CONNECT

Fly Tying with Al & Gretchen Beatty

Join Al and Gretchen as they continue to spread their expert knowledge in the world of fly tying with an introduction to the Woven Body Bitch Creek Nymph.

Tuesday, July 14 | 8:30 pm EDT



WOMEN CONNECT

Virtual Buggy with Ann Miller

Learning to identify insects can be daunting for anyone, but doing so will pay off for you with more fish. Author Ann Miller presents information from her book, *Hatch Guide For Upper Midwest Streams*.

Monday, July 13 | 8:00 pm EDT

Stay Caught Up

To get the links for upcoming Webinars, or watch FFI Online seminars you missed from previous weeks visit the **FFI Online Learning Center** at: <https://flyfishersinternational.org/FFI-Online>

Online Auction, PART II

August 17th - August 23 at 9:00pm

Donations for the Auction | Fill out the form & contact Frances Smith

Visit : <https://www.sespeflyfishers.org/> to view Auction Items

Questions: Contact Frances Smith at
Sespeflyfishersauction@gmail.com

1. J. Ryall reel with two spools

Opening bid \$75.00 | Min. raise \$10



2. Redington Voyant 690-4 fly rod & case

6 wt - 9' - 4 pieces

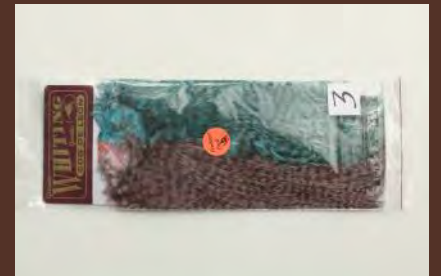
- Opening bid \$125 | Min. raise \$10



3. Whiting Farms Coq De Leon Predator Pack.

Grizzly Pardo Shell Pink and Silver De Blue

Opening bid \$25.00 | Minimum raise \$5



4. Patagonia Women's Torrentshell 3L Jacket.

Size: Small | Color: Black.

May be exchanged for size

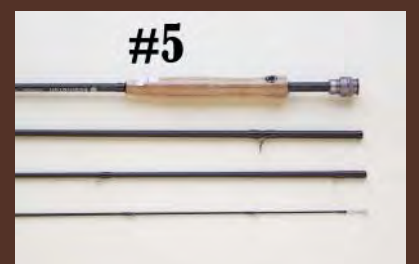
Opening bid \$75.00 | Minimum raise \$5



5. Redington Hydrogen 590-4 fly rod & & case.

5 wt - 9 foot - 4 pieces

Opening bid \$100.00 | Minimum raise \$10



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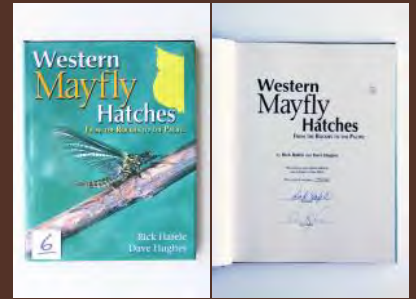
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6. Book: "Western Mayfly Hatches #140/190.

Signed by Rick Hafele and Dave Hughes.

Opening bid \$50.00 | Minimum raise \$5



7. G7. Lamiglas Series G1000

2 pc. 5' 9" fly rod. No case.

Opening bid \$25.00 | Minimum raise \$5



8. Patagonia Men's Nano-Air Vest

Size: Large | Color: Black

May be exchanged for size

Opening bid \$100.00 | Minimum raise \$5



9. Abel Point Five Trout Reel and Extra Spool / Gently Used

Set for left hand retrieve.

Fully serviced but has nicks on reel and extra spool. The reel is engraved with the name Michael C. Maloney.

Opening bid \$75 | Minimum raise \$10



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10. Redington Sonic-Pro Waders

Size: Medium-Long.

Color: Driftwood/Basalt

MAY NOT BE EXCHANGED

Opening bid \$100.00 | Minimum raise \$10



11. St. Croix Avid fly rod.

A904.4, 9' 4pc. 4 wt. in a canvas bag/case

Opening bid \$75.00 | Minimum raise \$5



12. Patagonia Men's Long-sleeved Capilene Cool Daily Fish Graphic Shirt

Size: Large | Color: Grey

May be exchanged for size.

Opening bid \$25.00 | Minimum raise \$5



13. Patagonia Men's Long-Sleeved Sun Stretch Shirt.

Size: Large | Color: Watershed Smolder Blue

May be exchanged for size

Opening bid \$45.00 | Minimum raise \$5



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14. Metz #1 Neck Variant

Opening bid \$30.00 | Minimum raise \$5



15. Free rod rental for week in Baja with Gary Bulla.

- Includes rod, reel and line for 10 and 12 wt. rods.

Opening bid is: \$30.00 | Minimum raise \$5



16. Patagonia Sun Mask | Color: Grey

OPENING BID: \$15.00 | Minimum raise \$5



17. Patagonia Men's Torrentsell 3L Jacket

Size: Large | Color: Black

May be exchanged for size

Opening bid \$75.00 | Minimum raise \$5



18. Island Packers Excursion Pass

for two people for a day trip to Santa Rosa Island.

Expires 1-31-21

Opening bid \$50.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



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19. Patagonia Women's Nano-Air Vest

Size: Medium | Color: Black

May be exchanged for size

Opening bid \$90.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



20. \$50 Gift Card to Fishermen's Spot

Opening bid \$20.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



21. Lightly used Echo SR 61010-4 / G11.01 fly rod with case.

6 wt - 10' 10" - 4 pieces

Opening bid \$150.00 |

Minimum raise \$10.00



22. Patagonia Lightweight Merino Daily Socks

Size: Large | Color: Navy Blue

Opening bid \$10.00 | Minimum raise \$1.00



23. Patagonia Long-sleeved Early Rise Snap Shirt

Color: Sage Khaki | Size: Medium

May be exchanged for size only

Opening bid \$75.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



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24. Patagonia Women's Long-sleeved Sol Patrol Shirt

Color: White | Size: Medium

May be exchanged for size only

Opening bid \$45.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



25. Patagonia Women's Torrentshell 3L Jacket

Color: Classic Navy | Size: Medium

May be exchanged for size

Opening bid \$75.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



26. Metz #1 Neck Barred Variant

Opening bid \$30.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



27. Patagonia Men's R1 Pants

Color: Forge Grey | Size: Large

May be exchanged for size only

Opening bid \$60.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



28. Metz #1 Neck Cream

Opening bid \$30.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



29. Whiting Farms Freshwater Streamer Rooster Cape

Opening bid \$25.00 | Minimum raise \$5.00



ADVENTURES IN THE HIGH COUNTRY

Matt, my husband, and I got a last minute invite to share a house in Mammoth, and left on Friday late afternoon, June 19, Father's Day weekend. We arrived just in time to pick up the last "to-go" order from Roberto's Mexican Grill before they closed, sans margaritas since I knew we were getting up early to fish.

When discussing fishing alternatives over dinner we were tossing around Hot Creek, Upper & Lower Owens, Crowley, Little Lakes Valley and even making the trek to the East Walker. In the past, fishing the Dana Fork in Yosemite would have been an option, but with the need for a permit to enter the park of a long wait to get in the park that off the table.

After chewing over all the options, we decided the best place for big fish, which is what Matt is always after would be Crowley Lake.

The next day we rose early, packed the car and headed over to Crowley Lake Fish

Camp. How busy can it be Father's Day weekend? Probably plenty of boats to rent and won't have

fight to get a "spot" on the Lake, right?

WRONG! It was like "Disneyland" (Pre-Covid19). It was even a challenge parking, and turned out that every boat was rented and with so many people in the parking lot, we knew the lake's sweet spots would be also crowded and the hornets nest of people angry at "fishing distancing" would lead to tempers flaring. Not our idea of an idyllic weekend in Mammoth.

Without unpacking a thing, we high-tailed it out of there and headed up Rock Creek Road, past Tom's place, past French Camp, past Rock Creek Resort and onto Mosquito Flats parking lot. Matt and our host geared in up waders and boots and off we went to hike and fish the area.

I had decided I didn't want to wear all that gear and headed out with the guys. Not far into the hike they crossed the stream for the trail on the "other side." I've had my share of run-ins with rattlers in areas where two-legged types rarely go, so back to the car I went for some extra protection. In this secluded area with far less people, overgrown trails, bushes, sticks and the possible snake. It was worth adding in my extra mileage as some hikers would say when getting temporarily lost, to gear up!

I told the guys not worry about me, as I had my GPS map & emergency device. And since they were fishing while hiking, they had not gone very far. I hike a lot so I've learned to read the trail and see where humans have been, so following little mud dollops the guys left, I found them quickly.

From there it we were surrounded by stunning scenic beauty and had a 20 to 30+ fish day. The guys caught more fish as I got lazy about changing my flies, and I took more photos. How can

you not look up and take in the fish!

When we finally returned to the cars after hiking for miles in what felt like 10-lb boots, we were tired and hungry. So we hit Giovanni's Pizza for dinner. We had a nice cabernet at the rented house so we enjoyed a wonderful meal there while discussing the goings on in the world. Then off to bed for a deep and satisfying sleep.

Being Father's Day on Sunday, our host was ready to head home. He had been there since Thursday. He recommended we visit Hot Creek before leaving, though he warned us that unless there was a hatch it would be a no-bite morning.

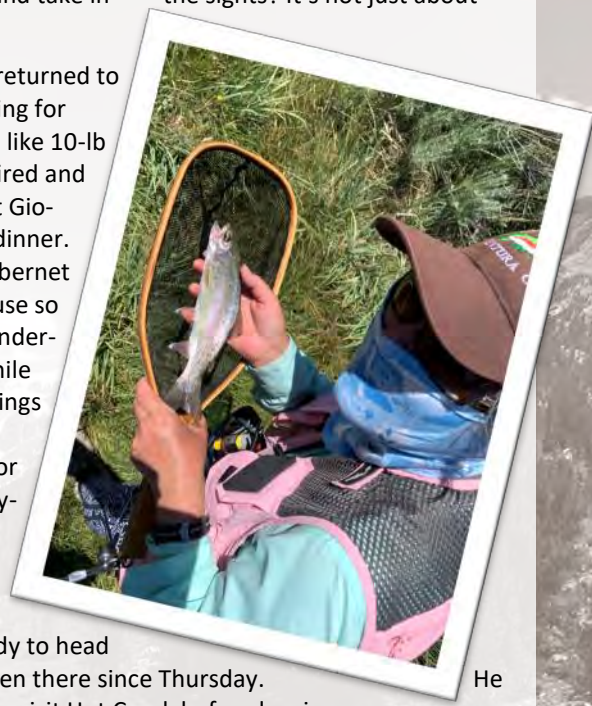
We were on the fence about going as my hubby was feeling the elevation and some dehydration, but we decided to check it out. And we were glad we did! There were troops of "torpedo" sized trout feeding that morning. Unfortunately, at first our dry droppers were getting "drive-bys". Then it happened! The morning hatch of mayflies. The fish were rising. Happy, Happy, Happy!

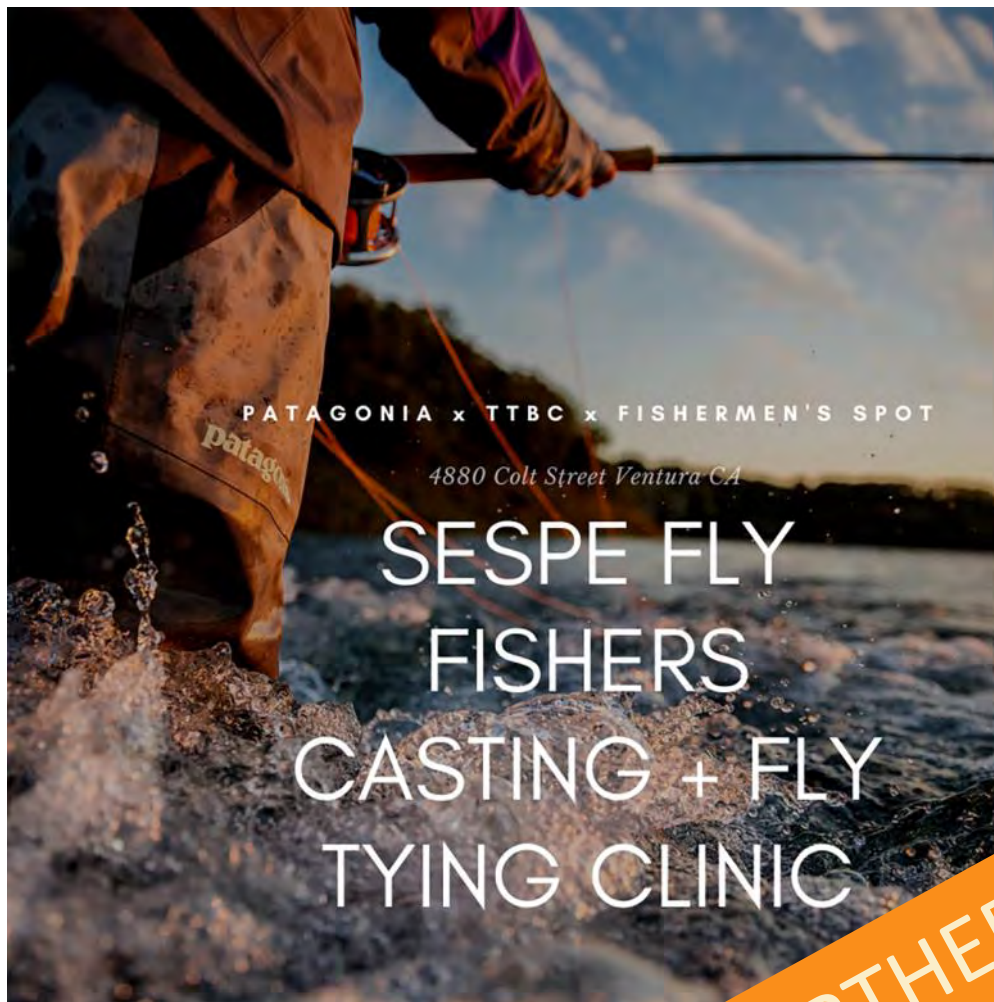
We decided to scrub our set up and just fish dry flies. The guy next to us was on his 7th trout of the morning happily calling out the number to his young son, so we always knew the score.

With still no takes, I walked over to the fly fisher father and I asked what he was using, and he said what I expected - the absolute tiniest PMD or dry fly you could tie on a hook. That was the menu for the morning, and probably most mornings. I tied my teeny, tiny fly on, which took me 15 mins of trying to get the line through the eye of the hook without my readers or a magnifier. Although the torpedoes were still feeding, getting them to take the fly instead of the real deal took a lot of patience and casting into the drift.

We finally caught a few fish and bigger fish which added to the fun and made up for missing out on Crowley. These were different trout than the little guys at Little Lakes Valley. Catching highly educated fish at Hot Creek plus the many "confidence builders" at Little Lakes made the 6-hour drive up and back so worth it! for a solid 24-hour period of fishing, perfect weather, great company, food & drink in stunningly beautiful scenery. Maybe this is not so much a fishing report, but a report of what I love about fishing, especially in out-of-the-way places.

By Cece Rubin





Sespe Fly Fishers Casting & Fly Tying Clinic

Join us **Sunday, March 29th** at **Topa Topa Beer Company**, Colt St., Ventura HQ Taproom alongside Patagonia and Fishermen's Spot for a casting clinic and fly tying workshop hosted by **Sespe Fly Fishers**. **Snack**.

There will be two clinics: one from **12-2pm**, and another from **2-4pm**. Please sign up at the TTBC website. Registration is \$10 per class - space is limited so please sign up early.

Topa Topa Beer Company is providing chili for free to all attendees, and \$5 pints are available for attendees.

A portion of proceeds will benefit Sespe Fly Fishers. This is a great chance to help support a local fly fishing organization, a rad local fly fishing shop, and a fellow 1% for the Planet member.

First Clinic: 12pm - 2pm

Second Clinic: 2pm - 4pm

REGISTER ONLINE AT: <https://www.topatopa.beer/shop/sespeflyfishing>

SESPE FF OUTING SCHEDULE 2020

All outings are subject to change

Look for confirmation contacts in the detailed descriptions (scroll down)

New trips may be added throughout the year - visit our sespeflyfishers.com to check for updates



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OUTING LEADER:
**JOSEPH
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CARPINTERIA, CA

**2ND SATURDAY
OF EACH MONTH**

SURF Fishing Saturday returns July 11!

With appropriate social distancing - Contact Joseph Narkevitz at: joseph.narkevitz@gmail.com

Let's Go Fishing! —If you are a member of Sespe Fly Fishers and have an idea for an outing, or you'd like to host an outing, please contact **SFF Outings Chair Steve Schalla**. As noted above you can reach him at: stevenojai@aol.com, 805-264-1950

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OUTINGS 2020 - It's a GREAT TIME to visit MONTANA!

Bighorn River | MONTANA | July 28 to 31

Dates: July 28 to 31 **STILL HAS A FEW OPENINGS—Please join us!**

- **Lodging:** 3 NTS at Big Horn Anglers, Riverbend Cabin and two days of guiding, all meals included.

Large cabin located on a bluff above the Bighorn river about one mile outside of Fort Smith Montana with 40+ acres of private land and a 1/4 mile of Bighorn River frontage. Cabin is 2000 square feet with 3 bedrooms and two full bathrooms. There are 6 beds in each cabin and blowup mattresses can be provided upon request. Furnace, fireplace and air conditioning! The kitchen has all stainless steel appliances, concrete countertops, wine rack, herbs and spices for cooking, pots, pans, dishes, silverware....all the amenities that a gourmet kitchen



should have, not to mention a priceless view of the Bighorn River. The living area has extremely comfortable leather furniture, reading lamps, fireplace, and a 50 inch plasma television with surround sound, DVD player, and satellite TV. And again, the extraordinary view of the Bighorn River! Cabin also has grills on the wrap around porch, wifi internet access and pets are welcome.

Costs: \$995/person—Covers Lodging, Guide Service, and Meals



Outing Leader | Steve Schalla, Stevenojai@aol.com, (805) 264-1950

Kings River trip (Yucca Point) | September 18-20

Dates: Sept 18-20 **TRIP HAS OPENINGS**

- Backpack trip to the Kings River at Yucca Point. Just one night of camping, two days of fishing. Catch some big Kings River Rainbows.
- Costs: None
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Outing Leader | Steve Schalla, Stevenojai@aol.com, (805) 264-1950



Hole in the Ground (Kern River) Trip | October 5-9

Dates: Oct 5-9 **SOME SPOTS LEFT!**

- A pack trip on horseback to Hole in the Ground, Kern River. A 7 hour ride from Golden Trout Pack Station. 5 days, 4 nights. We share in the food and cooking. Camp Kitchen will be provided. Will be hooking into Kern River Rainbows and some Browns. Meet up at the Schalla cabin prior to departure from Pack Station.
- Costs: About \$700 plus tips to the wranglers.

Outing Leader | Steve Schalla, Stevenojai@aol.com, (805) 264-1950



FIRST SATURDAY CASTING

CASTING THE FLY ROD | AN INTRODUCTION TO FLY FISHING

SFF First Saturday Casting in April will be on April 4th

Nearly always the first Saturday of the month!

- 9:00 – 11:00 AM
- Chumash Park, Petit and Waco, in East Ventura (near the 101 and 101 Rd).

As usual, this is open to everyone interested in learning and becoming a better fly fisher. Bring your friends, buddies, family and of course your mother (if you can get her to come out cast you). Please help spread the word!

If you haven't tried it yet, here is your chance to learn the new FFI "Casting Skills Challenge". And what's in it for me you ask? Well, it's not only a chance to become a better caster and fisher as a result of mastering the skill challenges, and you can earn a certificate for each level you pass and recognition from Fly Fishers International. There are three levels, Bronze, Silver and Gold. Learn all about the Casting Skills Challenge at: www.flyfishersinternational.org/Education/Learning-Center/Casting.

Bring your friends and family to come on out! There will be an introductory class on fly fishing and casting for others in the area who are interested in learning about our great sport so please pass the word and let people know of our outings. Invite them to join us.

If you have any suggestions as to how we might make our "First Saturday" outings better, in any way, please don't hesitate to share your ideas. We really want to know what you would like to review. If you have any questions give Bob Smith a call at 805-647-3522

Fly Tying 2020

This month, FLY TYING class for April is **CANCELLED!**

Rest of year: April 23 CANCELLED, May 28, June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22.

Meet us at Eric's Tackle on Thompson, 6-8 PM WHEN WE RETURN!

Eric's Tackle has made a huge improvement on the tying space in his shop, so join us there and Dennis will again wow us with his latest and greatest! Next date is March 26 at 6:00pm.



Bacterial Outbreak at CDFW Hatcheries Temporarily Halts Fish Stocking in Southern California

Several California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) fish hatchery facilities in the eastern Sierra and Southern California are battling a bacterial outbreak that has the potential to cause significant losses to both hatchery and wild fish populations. The outbreak of *Lactococcus garvieae*, which is similar to streptococcus, has sickened fish at the Mojave River Hatchery and has been detected at both the Black Rock and Fish Springs hatcheries. A fourth CDFW hatchery, Hot Creek Hatchery, was originally quarantined out of caution but after testing that quarantine has been lifted.

The *L. garvieae* bacteria has never before been detected in fish in California, and CDFW must take a cautious and careful approach to ensure the protection of the state's aquatic resources – fish, hatchery facilities and public waterways. Infected fish can show symptoms including bulging eyes, lethargic or erratic swimming and increased mortality, or be asymptomatic and show no signs of infection depending on a several factors including water temperature and stress. Fish-to-human transmission of this bacteria is rare and unlikely.

Fish stocking has temporarily been halted from the facilities under quarantine while hatchery staff treats the affected fish populations and takes measures to prevent the spread of the bacteria. Planting will resume when fish have recovered from the infections and fisheries pathologists have determined that they no longer present a threat to the environment.

“This is a challenge for our hatcheries because the bacteria is previously unknown in California, and we don't have tried-and-true strategies on hand to combat it,” said Jay Rowan, environmental program manager for CDFW's Hatchery Production and Fish Health Laboratory. “A successful approach will have three components: Treating the affected fish at the hatcheries, finding the origin of the outbreak, and planning ahead to contain and prevent the spread of the bacteria. Unfortunately, we may be in for a long battle here, which means there will not be a lot of fish plants in the near future in the eastern Sierra and Southern California. I wish we could give anglers a target date for when we think we can start planting again, but it's all up to how fast and how well the fish respond to the treatments.”

Current treatment measures at the hatcheries include keeping water temperatures low, reducing stress due to crowding and other factors, introducing antibiotic medication and special diet in order to assist the fish in fighting off the infection. CDFW is currently investigating the source of the outbreak. For additional information, please see [CDFW's frequently asked questions about the *L. garvieae* outbreak](#).



Check our outings page for the Big Horn Trip! It is a wonderful chance to join fellow club members as they explore the natural splendor of MONTANA and enjoy some fantastic fishing!



*"This is an organization
making a difference every day."*

Dep Sec Sloan Gih... Department of Veterans Affairs

MEET SCHEDULE:

at the Ventura Vet Center on the 2nd

THURSDAY of the month from 2:30 to 4:30 PM.

...program serving disabled veterans in Ventura area. Join us!

Please contact me if you would like more information about
donating or helping with our program.

HEALING WATERS UPDATE:

**We got our fly rod kits so the next two months we will be building
rods at the Dudley House!**

Earl Arnold | Program Lead

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing – Ventura

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