



# Main Stream

Mission Peak Fly Anglers

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**June 2007**

## **Club Meeting**

**PLACE: Silliman Community Activity Center**  
6800 Mowry Avenue, Newark CA 94560  
(510) 742-4400

**DATE: Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

**TIME: 7:00 PM (Social hour begins at 6:30 PM)**

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## **COMING EVENTS**

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| <b>Wed. June 27<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>CLUB MEETING 7:00 PM</b><br>Silliman Community Activity Center, 6800 Mowry Avenue, Newark CA 94560   |
| <b>Wed, July 4<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>BOARD MEETING “No Board Meeting This Month”</b>  |
| <b>Tues. July 10<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>FLY TYING - 7:30 PM</b> Loc same as Club Meeting   |
| <b>Sat. July 14<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>CLUB BREAKFAST : At the Denny’s in Hayward on Whipple – 9:00 AM</b>  |
| <b>Wed. July 25<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>CLUB MEETING 7:00 PM ( Casting with Floyd Dean &amp; Pizza Night )</b><br>Silliman Community Activity Center, 6800 Mowry Avenue, Newark CA 94560 |
| <b>Wed, Aug 1<sup>st</sup></b>    | <b>BOARD MEETING 7:30 PM – Fremont Adult School Main Office</b>   |
| <b>Sat. Aug 11<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>CLUB BREAKFAST : At the Denny’s in Hayward on Whipple – 9:00 AM</b>  |
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## The President's Message

At the club's last board meeting I got a chance to actually rub elbows with the club's newest mucky muck, Doug Fear. Yes, there were witnesses. The Federation of Fly Fishers Northern California Council has added Doug to their board (anybody recall the election ballot stuffing activity at one of our club meetings?) Doug is modest and claims that he only needed one vote. While the iron was still hot the council board immediately elected Doug to the Executive Board. Congratulations, Doug. Now I'll have to get an egg timer with his name on it as well as for Gene. Doug Fear's retirement plans has propelled him to places no one else has gone- from this club anyway. In a short 5-6 months, Doug has been able to fill up his dance card with activities. It is hoped that Doug derives as much benefit as the council will with him on board. Both Dave Kruss and Gene Kaczmerak discovered qualities and talent early that will benefit the council. Those qualities were always present at the Mission Peak Fly Anglers with his eager participation, whether it was as the newsletter editor, co-webmaster, helping out with the monthly and annual installation dinner raffle. It is hoped that Doug will still have time for the club with this new position and participation with the Council.

Craig Gittings

### Mission Peak Fly Anglers Minutes of June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Board Meeting

President Craig Gittings brought the meeting to order at 7:44. Present were VP Wayne Culp, Secretary Dean Lewis, Treasurer Bill Peakes, Board Members Ray Gauthier, Lyndin Nickerson, Past President Malcolm Dunn, Newsletter Editor Doug Fear, Fund Raising Chairman Steve Culp, Fly Tying Chairman August Abellar, Video Librarian TerryHenry and Room Monitor Harold Whitmore.

**Old Business:** We again went over the cost for members at Spin-A-Yarn. Craig verified (after the meeting) that the quoted cost with tax and tip was \$25 per person. This is very reasonable.

**Programs:** Cristy McGuire will present the June program on Golden Trout. It was decided to take her to dinner at the Elephant Bar. Floyd Dean will give casting instructions at the July "Pizza and Casting" night July meeting. (Ray Hutchinson gave last years program and was the person selling discounted reels)

**Treasurer Report:** We are solvent with no outstanding bills.

**Trout In the Classroom:** FFF is donating \$1,000 and so is NCFFF to us for this program.

**FFF Fly Rod Kits Rods:** Craig has placed the order for the rods. The club can hold as many of these classes as they wish. Every member can build a rod. We can only order them 12 kits at a time. Craig has not heard back on the order. The first class is scheduled in either July or August depending on when the kits arrive. You don't have to be a FFF member to build a rod.

**Conservation:** Larry Dennis and Ken Brunskill were in Heber, Utah so we didn't have a report.

**FFF Items.** Doug recently attended a NCFFF meeting where he was elected to both the Board and the Executive Board. Way to go Doug. He brought information about a special membership promotion for new members that join between July 1 and December 31, 2007. Membership will be \$15 for the year. Also a special Life Membership will be available for \$750 and the member will get a Sage 590-4 or 890-4 Z-Axis Series Rod as part of the package. Doug was going to check and see if this included a reel and line. FFF will again hold the fishing show in Pleasanton but will not hold the Hall of Fame Dinner on the fairgrounds. They will use a nearby site so that they can use their own caterer.

**Rod Building and School:** The Fremont Adult School will be stripping and refinishing some of the floors in rooms that we might use for rod building. We need a few hours for drying after finishing the wraps. A full 48 hours should pass before you even flex the rod. This will have to be worked out depending on the class location.

**Fly Tying:** Keith Westra will be tying in July. It should be a good program.

Ray moved and Doug seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed and we adjourned at 8:44pm.

Respectively submitted

Dean Lewis, Secretary.

## June Club Meeting Program

Mission Peak Fly Anglers JUNE 2007 Guest Speaker will be Christy McGuire of the DFG. The title of her program will be " The Kern River Basin, Partnering to Protect Native Trout ".

She will be presenting on the native trout of the Kern watershed, their history, status, restoration efforts, and partnerships in the restoration work. There are three subspecies of trout endemic to the Kern watershed, the California Golden Trout, the Little Kern Golden Trout and the Kern River Rainbow. California Golden Trout are the focus of most of her work currently, so the bulk of the program will be about the work being done to protect and restore that subspecies. Christy is a native of the Southern San Joaquin Valley, growing up near the banks of the Kern in Taft and Bakersfield. During those years, she happily accompanied her dad, a fanatic fly fisher and skier, on numerous backpack and ski trips all over the high Sierra in both summer and winter. She studied biology at Bakersfield College and Humboldt State University, finally getting her degree at Cal State Bakersfield when she settled for the long-term in Kernville. In 1997, after working as a scientific aid for the DFG for 9 years, she went to work full-time as the Southern Sierra District Fishery Biologist. She is responsible for aquatic resource management in Kern and Tulare Counties, and her major focus over the past 20 years with the DFG has been on golden trout restoration.

Please meet Christy McGuire and Craig Gittings at The Elephant Bar for dinner at 5 PM. Please call Craig for reservations.

Thanks Rich Lob

<b>DATE</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>	<b>PROGRAM TITLE</b>
<b>4/25/07</b>	<b>JIMMIE MORALES</b>	<b>WEST SLOPE SIERRA RIVERS</b>
<b>5/23/07</b>	<b>RANDY WIBERG</b>	<b>CHILE PATAGONIA</b>
<b>6/27/07</b>	<b>CHRISTY MCGUIRE</b>	<b>GOLDEN TROUT</b>
<b>7/25/07</b>	<b>FLOYD DEAN</b>	<b>CASTING PIZZA</b>
<b>8/22/07</b>		
<b>9/26/07</b>		
<b>10/24/07</b>	<b>BOB LASKODI</b>	<b>ALASKA</b>
<b>11/28/07</b>		
<b>12/26/07</b>	<b>NO MEETING</b>	

**Hook:** Tiemco 600SP or Owner AKI - 1/0 - 4/0  
**Thread:** White Flat Waxed Nylon  
**Eyes:** Real Eyes Plus  
**Tail and Body:** Pearl Saltwater Flashabou  
**Wing:** Chartreuse Slinky Fiber, over White Slinky Fiber, over Pearl Flashabou, over White Buck tail

**Topping:** Peacock Angel Hair or 5- 10 strands of Peacock Herl

**Shoulder Flash:** 5-10 strands of Chartreuse Mirror Flashabou

**Head:** Chartreuse Scribbles over Pearl Scribbles, coated with 5 minute Devcon Epoxy



**Hook:** Tiemco 600SP (1 - 3/0)  
**Thread:** Flat waxed nylon - (White or Grey)  
**Eyes:** Prismatic Glass Eyes - (Silver or Gold)  
**Tail:** Pearl Flashabou over White Yak Hair  
**Body:** Pearl Sparkle Braid  
**Wing:** Grey Yak Hair over Rainbow Krystal Flash - Grey Yak Hair - Copper Flashabou - White Yak Hair

**Topping:** Peacock Angel Hair or Peacock Herl  
**Belly:** White Buck Tail  
**Cheeks:** Guard hairs off an Arctic Fox Mask - (dyed Grey) or Grey Craft Fur

**Throat:** Red Marabou or Red Schlappen fibers  
**Barring:** Dark Brown Prismatic Marker

*Tying Instructions at the site below:*

<http://www.flyfishingoutfitters.com/p/p.aspx?mlid=2304>



## Annual Trout Bum award

Starts Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007

Awarded by MPFA Board of Directors at December board meeting

Requirements:

Candidates must:

- Have fished 10 or more waters during the calendar year (**no private pay to play waters**)
- Waters may be tributaries of any river or lakes domestic or international

Used fly fishing tackle only

Have fished for trout (**This is a Trout Bum Award**)

Have reported to the club and shown photos to the club at a regular meeting

This description to be affixed to the back side of the plaque

**Chairperson:** Ken Brunskill

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## 2007 EVENTS

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE OF EVENT	CONTACT	COMMENTS
June 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Monthly Club Meeting	Craug Gittings	7:00 pm (New Hours )
<b>July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>		
July 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Fly Tying	August Abellar	7:30 pm
July 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Denny's in Hayward	Club Breakfast	Bill Peakes	9:00 am
July 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Casting Night & Pizza	Craug Gittings	7:00 pm (New Hours )
Aug 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2007	Fremont Adult School Main Office	Board Meeting		7:30 pm
Aug 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Quarry Lake Park Osprey Area In Fremont	Club Picnic	Malcolm Dunn	10:00 am nto 6:00 pm
Aug 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Fly Tying	August Abellar	7:30 pm
Aug 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Monthly Club Meeting	Craug Gittings	7:00 pm (New Hours )
Sept 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Fremont Adult School Main Office	Board Meeting		7:30 pm
Sept 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Denny's in Hayward	Club Breakfast	Bill Peakes	9:00 am
Sept 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Fly Tying	August Abellar	7:30 pm
Sept 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Monthly Club Meeting	Craug Gittings	7:00 pm (New Hours )
Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2007	Fremont Adult School Main Office	Board Meeting		7:30 pm
Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Fly Tying	August Abellar	7:30 pm
Oct 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Denny's in Hayward	Club Breakfast	Bill Peakes	9:00 am
Oct 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2007	Silliman Community Activity Center	Monthly Club Meeting	Craug Gittings	7:00 pm (New Hours )

## Rod Raffle

**Bill Peakes has built a G Loomis, 7ft 6in, 4wt, IMX to be raffled off**

**Check it out at the next club meeting  
And  
Buy your tickets**

**MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS**  
**2007 FISHOUT LIST**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TYPE OF FISH</b>	<b>FISHMASTER</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Santa Cruz	Surf Perch	Craig Gittings	Leave Fremont at O'Dark 30 – Joint fishout with Tracy club. Pre-fishout June 15 <sup>th</sup> – contact Craig
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Manzanita Lake	Trout	Mark Kaharick	Potluck BBQ
July 14	Santa Cruz	Surf Perch	Craig Gittings	Leave Fremont at O'Dark 30
Sept 8 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	Clark's Fork	Trout	Bill Peakes	Potluck BBQ
Sept 21 <sup>st</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup>	Toulumne Meadows	Trout	Wayne Culp	Camp Out
Sept 28-30	McCloud River and Reservoir	Trout	Craig Gittings	Camp at Ash Camp or B&B in town of McCloud.
Oct 5-7	Eastern Sierra – Bridgeport Area	Trout	Jeff Lorelli	Staying at the Meadowcliff Lodge in Coleville
Oct 12-14	Alpine Lake	Trout	August Abellar	
Nov	Trinity Rive	Steelhead		
Nov	American River	Steelhead		
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The above fishout calendar is tentative and subject to change. Always contact the fishmaster the week of the fishout to be notified of changes due to weather and unforeseen circumstances. Also, check the newsletter for detailed information on fishing tackle, flies, directions and accommodations, as recommended by the fishmaster.

Note that only the fishouts shown in **BOLD** on this calendar are actually confirmed at this time; all others are tentative.

The actual dates of wintertime fishouts are highly dependent upon the weather conditions and will be confirmed by the fishmaster the week of the fishout. Your ideas for fishout locations are always welcomed by the club. Phone Jeff Lorelli to volunteer as a fishmaster. The qualifications for a fishmaster are that you have a place in mind, know how to get there, and would welcome some fishing companions. That is it, so sign up now!



## NCC-FFF News

### **- FFF Club Opportunity to Sign Up New FFF Members at Discounted Rate – Promotion runs July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007**

As all of you are aware, we need to increase our members to support the Federation's growing Conservation and Educational programs. One group that represents real potential is the members of our clubs who are not FFF members.

So, here is a great opportunity for those individuals to become Federators. From July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 club members may join the Federation at the special discounted price of \$15.00 for a regular one year individual membership. A creative club membership chairman could package the special price with his/her normal club price to bring new members to the club at the same time. Note: this is not for FFF membership renewals.

- These will qualify for credits towards Rod New Member Incentive Program during this promotion period.
- **Membership form must be signed by the club president** to certify that the applicant is a member of the affiliate club
- This is not for FFF membership renewals

### **- FFF Life Member Promotion –**

Beginning July 1, 2007 until December 31, 2007 we will also have a life membership promotion. At a price of \$750 it will include for a new member, choice of a Sage 590-4 Z-AXIS Series Rod in 5 wt OR a Sage 890-4 XIZ 8 wt.

Thus the new member gets a package valued at approximately \$1150.00 for his \$750.00 investment.

Note: Life payment plans do not qualify for this promotion.

### **- FFF Graphite Fly Rod Building Kit Program -**

The FFF will make fly rod building kits available to FFF Charter Clubs and Affiliate Clubs. These kits will be made available for fly rod building classes. They are not for personal use, or for club fundraisers. Clubs may order up to 12 kits. There is no charge for the kits for FFF Charter Clubs, except for shipping and handling. FFF Affiliate Clubs will be charged \$10 per rod, plus shipping.

A flat fee schedule for S&H is as follows: 1-4 kits \$20, 5-8 kits \$25, 8-12 kits \$30.

Kits Include: Graphite fly rod blank - Set of snake guides - Reel Seat - Tip Top - Hook Keeper - Grip

To obtain fly rod building kits FFF clubs must submit a letter of request on club letterhead containing the following information: FFF club membership number - Roster of student names participating in the class - Date(s) of the class - FFF club contact information including: phone number, street address, and email address.

Upon receiving the above information an order form will be sent out via email. The fly rod kits will be sent when payment is received.

**Northern California Council of Federation of Fly Fishers web site:**

<http://www.nccff.org>

**Federation of Fly Fishers Home web site:**

<http://www.fedflyfishers.org/begin.php>

**Doug Fear**



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# *Conservation News*

By

Larry Dennis, June 2007

## **Congressman George Miller, California's 7<sup>th</sup> District**

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### **Miller: Congressional Hearing on Bay-Delta Crisis July 2**

WASHINGTON -- A congressional panel will travel to California next month to investigate the causes of the Bay-Delta ecosystem collapse, Congressman George Miller (D-Martinez) announced Monday. Miller and several of his Bay Area colleagues requested the hearing.

The hearing will focus on the disappearing native fish populations of the Bay-Delta and the responsibility of federal agencies to prevent species extinction and properly manage California's water for homes, businesses, and farms. The hearing will be conducted by the House Natural Resources Committee's Water and Power Subcommittee, led by Chairwoman Grace Napolitano (D-Norwalk). It will be held in Vallejo on July 2.

"We have an emergency on our hands," said Miller, a long-time champion of Bay-Delta fish and wildlife issues and Congress' leading expert on California water issues. "California's economy and its environment need a water policy that is not predicated on sacrificing the Delta. Right now state and federal agencies are lurching from crisis to crisis and failing to adapt to old problems and new challenges alike. This hearing will be an important step in establishing a more sustainable course before the whole system is taken over by the courts, to the detriment of both our economy and our environment."

California's two main fresh water systems, one operated by state Department of Water Resources and the other the federal Bureau of Reclamation, supply water to homes, farms, and commercial and industrial entities throughout California. They were both temporarily shut down recently in response to the Delta fisheries' collapse and court rulings that federal and state agencies have violated endangered species law. The recent court actions, coupled with new scientific reports, have drawn increased attention to the decline of the native fish populations of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, especially the threatened delta smelt, which scientists say is in increasing peril. The pumps have since restarted at lower levels than usual and with no certainty as to how long they will remain on.

On June 8, Miller [led a congressional request](#) for the hearing. Miller was joined by five other Bay-Delta area Members of Congress - Reps. Tauscher, Honda, Thompson, Woolsey, and Lantos - asking that the subcommittee examine the science of the failing estuary and determine how the federal and state agencies are responding to the crisis.

**WHAT: House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power Hearing on "Extinction is not a Sustainable Water Policy: The Bay-Delta crisis and the implications for California water management"**

**WHEN:** Monday, July 2, 2007  
9:00 a.m., PST

**WHERE:** Vallejo City Council Chambers  
555 Santa Clara Street  
Vallejo, California 94590

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