

# Main Stream

Mission Peak Fly Anglers

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## November 2009

### Club Meeting

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

**DATE:** Wednesday, November 18, 2009

**TIME:** 7:00pm

### COMING EVENTS

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| Wed. | Nov 4  | BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM – Fremont Adult School Room N-9                           |
| Wed. | Nov 4  | Project Healing Waters– VA Hospital, Livermore, 10am to 11:30am                 |
| Wed. | Nov 12 | FLY TYING - 7:00 PM Fremont Adult School Room N-9                               |
| Sat. | Nov 14 | CLUB BREAKFAST: At the Denny's in Hayward on Whipple – 9:00 AM                  |
| Wed. | Nov 18 | Project Healing Waters– VA Hospital, Livermore, 10am to 11:30am                 |
| Wed. | Nov 18 | CLUB MEETING 7:00pm Silliman Community Activity Center (3rd Wed)                |
| Wed. | Dec 2  | Project Healing Waters– VA Hospital, Livermore, 10am to 11:30am                 |
| Wed. | Dec 2  | BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM – Fremont Adult School Room N-9                           |
| Wed. | Dec 9  | BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM – Fremont Adult School Room N-9                           |
| Sat. | Dec 12 | CLUB BREAKFAST: At the Denny's in Hayward on Whipple – 9:00 AM                  |
| Wed. | Dec 16 | <u>Special Movie Night:</u> 7:00pm Silliman Community Activity Center (3rd Wed) |



## The President's Message

I learned a couple of important lessons about fishing at an early age. One was simple, the second more profound.

My grandfather "Poppy" used to take my brother, Stephen, and myself fishing for trout once or twice a year when we were young boys. I recall very clearly one such trip when Stephen and I were about 6 and 8 years old. I am not sure but I think it was the Carson River in California probably in the Hope Valley area.

The three of us headed to the river with garden hackle (worms) as bait. Poppy and Stephen started to fish at a good spot and I walked a little further downstream. I remember snagging the cheap cotton fabric of my landing net on a bush and subsequently getting waggged in the back. I continued on and found what I thought was a good spot to fish. Very soon I hooked a rather large fish, unlike the usual silver hued ones we had seen with other anglers. This fish was darker with large red spots. Later I learned it was a Brown trout. I was so excited that I just backed up the bank and led the flopping fish about 3 feet from the river's edge. I couldn't believe it! The hook came right out and all I could think about was showing off my prize to Poppy and Stephen. However, it was now covered in muck from the bank. So I put the fish in my net and washed it off in the river. Instantly, it was gone. The fish swam off through a hole in my net.

While walking back to the car I told my story. Looking back, I now know that I learned two lessons that day. The first is to check your gear. The second was "catch & release", probably not the way all fishers are taught.

Soon after this incident I realized that this fish deserved its freedom. And I felt good.

Wayne's Wanderings



### \*\*\*\*\* Video Library \*\*\*\*\*



MPFA Maintains a 200+ library for the benefit of its members and we need the help of every member to keep it available to the entire membership.



We ask that you check out a video (Honor system) and return it within 2-3 months, After the 2<sup>nd</sup> month the librarian will send the borrower an email or note reminding them that there is a video(s) checked out in their name.



After the 3<sup>rd</sup> month the librarian and/or the secretary will send a note asking for the video or \$40 to cover the purchase of its replacement. Thanks



Your Video Librarian  
**Ken Brunskill**



**THANK YOU Calvin**

Calvin Chin has donated his personal 5pc 5wt Reddington rod with Pflueger reel with spools as a silent auction item to be awarded at the November meeting. If you wish to make a bid but can't make the meeting call Steve @ 510-293-0903 and he will place your bid for you. Also at our annual banquet a Loomis rod with Abel reel and spool and/or a Sage rod with Gunnison 3 reel and spool will be auctioned off!!

# Mission Peak Fly Anglers Board Meeting – November 4, 2009

President Wayne Culp brought the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were VP Ray Gauthier, Secretary Dean Lewis, Treasurer Bill Peakes, Board Members Malcolm Dunn and Stephen Culp as well as Past President Craig Gittings. Also present was August Abellar, Frank Rodriguez, Ken Brunskill, and Gary Phillips

## Old Business:

- **Elections:** August and Frank reported that there is a slate of candidates for officers for the November elections. Additional persons may be nominated at the meeting. We will also be nominating and voting for the “Fly Fisher of the Year” at the November meeting.
- **Installation Dinner:** Craig reported that we are still on for the last Saturday of January at Spin-A-Yarn. At this time we will have the same menu and prices as last year. We are the only group at this time with reservations for that evening. Last year another group also used the facility. The Board discussed the need for extra tables for raffles, etc. Also, it was requested that there be no surprise last minute auctions or speeches so that we can better manage time. Also discussed were the raffle prize ticket prices. It was decided to leave them at the same price as last year.
- **Another Activity:** Club member Herb Manchester manages Swiss Park in Newark. The first Saturday in February, the park is holding a crab feed as a fund raiser for the park. Any interested members may attend. Cost is \$45 per person.

## New Business:

- **Treasurer’s Report:** Per Bill, we are doing well and are healthy.
- **Lodi Festival:** The NCCFFF festival was not well attended. Most of the attendees were persons working the show or club members. There were not a lot of new “outside” persons coming to the show. The Saturday night dinner was really scrumptious. There were lots of items for raffles and auctions, but the bidding was not all that great. Many items went for low bids.
- **Presidents Meeting:** Wayne attended the presidents meeting at the Festival. He reported that there was not much content and didn’t pick up that much info from the meeting.
- **Healing Waters:** Ken Brunskill brought an interesting reel to the meeting. The reel is made in Italy and can be used to retrieve line with one hand using a lever on the reel, that when pressed, rewinds the line. He was given the reel, for use in our program, at the Festival by a Healing Water’s spokesperson. He suggested that the club purchase another one of these reels (\$300) and we provide it to a Veteran that at some time in the future shows they have developed the skills and interest to actually use the reel. Malcolm made a motion to purchase and Bill seconded. The motion did not pass.

In the discussions, after the vote, it was noted that the Board is not against the idea of giving a reel to a Vet, but since there are no immediate candidates available within the group of Vets our club is currently working with, it was felt we could wait to make a purchase until a candidate becomes available. A viable candidate might not surface for some time. When a candidate does surface, Ken could return to the club, present information regarding the Vet, the club could approve the purchase of a reel and the club would provide the reel for the Vet. It was also suggested that we might want to consider providing it at a discount instead of offering it for free. if you want to see what it looks like. [http://www.pcoutdoors.com/mm5/merchant.mvc?Screen=CTGY&Store\\_Code=PCO&Category\\_Code=Vivarelli-Reels](http://www.pcoutdoors.com/mm5/merchant.mvc?Screen=CTGY&Store_Code=PCO&Category_Code=Vivarelli-Reels)

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- **Calvin’s Trinity River Fishout:** November 15, 16 and 17. Calvin Chin’s last fishing trip. Calvin, Merlin, Dean, Gene, Malcolm and Ken are known to be going. Marilu Sawyer and some others were thinking of going also. The Board discussed auctioning off one of Calvin’s rods and giving the proceeds to Calvin’s favorite conservation group. His favorite river is the Trinity, so we will find out if he wishes the donation to go to something like the Trinity River Restoration Program.

Dean moved and Ray seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 8:00pm – Motion passed.

Respectively submitted, Dean Lewis, Secretary.

# Conservation News

By Larry Dennis, November 2009

- **"He told us about Christ's disciples being fisherman, and we were left to assume... that all great fishermen on the Sea of Galilee were fly fisherman and that John, the favorite, was a dry-fly fisherman." Norman Maclean-A River Runs Through It**

This is just another scam to move Trinity River water to Westlands Water District. There is no other reason to resurrect this petition in spite of what the Bureau of Wrecklamation says. *Larry Dennis, Cons. Chair.*

## **Feds looking for extension on Trinity water permits until 2030**

**Eureka Times-Standard-10/27/09**

**By John Driscoll**

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation is asking for a decades-long extension of state water permits on the Trinity River to give it more time to find uses for the water -- a move river advocates say could threaten the water available for salmon and steelhead.

The petition to the State Water Resources Control Board was first filed in 1985, but the bureau never acted further on it.

Reclamation has revived the application for an extension of its water rights on the Trinity and other Central Valley rivers until 2030, but didn't identify in the application what water projects are on tap that would allow it to use the water.

The request also does not include the 2000 U.S. Interior Department's decision to reduce diversions to the Sacramento River from the Trinity River to aid salmon. It has led some conservationists to voice concern that Reclamation might continue to divert large amounts of water from Trinity Lake reservoir and risk the availability of cold water for fish.

"I think what it shows is the bureau is not really serious about protecting the Trinity River fishery," said Tom Stokely with the California Water Impact Network.

The network and Trinity County are among the parties protesting the petition.

The Trinity River, like most rivers in California, has more water rights attached to it than it has water. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation holds rights to some 16 million acre feet of Trinity water -- enough to cover 16 million acres to the depth of one foot -- even though the annual runoff into the river averages less than 1.4 million acre feet.

Applying the full allocation of Reclamation's water rights, wrote Trinity County in its protests, could deplete cold water needed for fish and prevent development of local water projects. The watershed would suffer "grave harm" if Trinity River water is used to fill in the huge deficit of water in the Central Valley Project, into which Trinity River water is diverted.

Reclamation's Deputy Regional Resources Manager Richard Stevenson said that the larger project is declared "integrated" by Congress, and that the Trinity permits and their proposed extensions can't be separated from the permits and extensions of the other elements of the project.

The extensions are being requested because the extent of the larger project hasn't yet been realized, Stevenson said, and can't yet be put forward for licensing.

"We're not ready because we don't think the usage of the Central Valley Project as a whole has been developed and defined," Stevenson said.

State water law is based on the use-it-or-lose it concept. In Reclamation's request, it holds that construction of projects to put the full amount of water to use is complete, but also said that it's unable to determine what the ultimate diversions from the Central Valley Project will be. Permitting, conservation plans and requirements of the federal Endangered Species Act all make such a prediction uncertain, Reclamation said

State Water Resources Control Board spokesman Dave Clegern said that extensions are granted if the applicant has been diligent in trying to find uses for the water, if progress has been delayed due to circumstances beyond its control and whether it can provide a detailed road map of how it intends to use the water in the near future.

Diversions from Trinity Lake last fall and winter lowered the amount of water to about half the reservoir's capacity. Spring rains improved the situation slightly. Reclamation has begun diverting water to the Sacramento River, lowering an already low reservoir, with the expectation that the past three dry years will be the last of a drought and that winter rains will replenish the reservoir.

That same strategy last year was in part what pushed the reservoir so low this summer. The bureau must make sure that the water it releases down the river is around 50 degrees to protect salmon and steelhead.

But when the lake level drops, water at the surface is too warm to send downstream, and it must look to the diversion's lowermost outlet to tap cold water, bypassing the project's power plant. Trinity River water is also used to keep temperatures down in the Sacramento River.

While Reclamation has to confer with the National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service when the lake gets that low, there is no strict procedure in place to handle the issue. That's led critics to claim there is no plan to deal with extended drought, and question whether water for salmon could be sacrificed in extreme circumstances.

## Monthly Programs

DATE	SPEAKER	PROGRAM TITLE
November 18 3rd Wed	Matt Koles	Truckee River
<b>December 16 (3rd Wed)</b>	<b>Movie (This is a special event)</b>	<b>Rivers of a Lost Coast</b>

### **November Program**

Matt Koles, of Gilligan's Guide Service, will speak on the Truckee River. The son of a diehard fisherman, Matt began fly fishing the waters of the Eastern Sierra and Tahoe Region when he was 13. As a guide, Matt "Gilligan" brings to the river over 20 years of experience fishing and tying flies for Sierra Nevada trout. Gilligan's Guide Service runs trips year round on the Truckee River and Little Truckee River, two of the finest trout fisheries in the state. Matt's Power Point program is on the Four Seasons of the Truckee River including flies, hatches, and access points along the river.

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Mike Orcutt, senior fisheries biologist with the Hoopa Valley Tribe, said that Reclamation is betting on a good water year to refill the reservoir.

"Nobody has a crystal ball to predict that," Orcutt said.

Because of that, the California Water Impact Network and Trinity County want to see the interior secretary's 2000 decision included in Reclamation's water rights extension. Trinity County holds that Reclamation also shouldn't be allowed to continue to hold onto water rights for water it cannot prove it will use in the future.#

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### **Hints for Turkey Day**

If you are pressed for time and the turkey is not in the oven yet, try splitting the turkey in half butterfly style, season with your favorite dry rub and olive oil. Prepare your outdoor grill and preheat to medium temperature. Place turkey on grill with skin side up and bone side down, spread eagle style. Place a heavy iron skillet on top of bird and close lid of bar B. Be sure to check it every few minutes to see that it is not burning. When the temperature of the bird at the thighs is about 170 degrees it should be cooked. When using a charcoal grill I usually lay a piece of heavy duty foil on top of the grates before I place the bird on it.

When using this method, the turkey should in about 1-1/2 hours. Adding smoke chips or chunks of hard wood also adds extra flavor.

## Annual Trout Bum Award

**Starts Jan 1, 2009**

Awarded by MPFA Board of Directors at December board meeting

**Requirements:** *AMPLIFICATION*

**Candidates must:**

**Have fished 10 or more waters during the calendar year (no private pay to play waters)** *This means that the general public have unrestricted access at all times, without any special fees to the waters fished*

**Waters may be tributaries of any river or lakes domestic or international** *Meaning any named stream, river, or section of river (As in Upper Sacramento R. or Lower Sacramento R. - would be two waters) in any country.*

**Used fly fishing tackle only** *Simply that!*

**Have fished for trout (This is a Trout Bum Award)** *Simply that!*  
*The award generally will go to the person who fly fished for trout in the most public waters*

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

*Reporting means informing the membership-simple as that - Does not mean that the person must give a slide show presentation, just tell the club where you fished, how you did, what you used - show some pictures.*

*The purpose of the award is to encourage members to explore, fish as many new waters as they can, tell the membership about the experience there-fore encouraging others to do likewise.*

**Chairperson:** Ken Brunskill

### **PROJECT HEALING WATERS ..... Attention Mission Peak Members .....PROJECT HEALING WATERS**

Who would like to join us and be part of helping our veterans through this worthwhile program?

What you might ask is involved? It can be as little as a group of us going out to Livermore and and/or Palo Alto once a month to teach fly casting and fly tying to our wounded veterans. It could go as far as accompanying a group of veterans on a fishing trip to be their 'gillie' and personal assistant on that trip. I have made the initial contact at Livermore VA Nursing unit and their seems to be an interest, but I cannot do it alone.

I'd bet we can get funding help from the FFF, NCCFFF, the Elks Lodge, Kiwanis, VFW, and other service organizations, all we need to do is give a little of our own time to those who have given so much for us. If interested please contact me, Thanks Ken Brunskill Email:steamntrout@comcast.net, Phone: 510.793.7913

### **Editorial**

It is that time of year again to select the club's leaders for 2010. This month's meeting we will elect the officers for next year; president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and two directors. We will also nominate and vote for the Fly Fisher Person of the year.

Next month we will have a special meeting. It will be a movie night for members/family. The name of the movie is "Rivers of a Lost Coast". It is a feature length documentary about the declining fisheries of our coastal rivers. Tom Skerritt from "A River Runs Through It" narrates this film.

Enclosed at the end of this newsletter is the annual dinner reservation form and dues payment form. Be sure to send it in before December 31st to receive your early bird raffle tickets.

Until next month, may all your lines be tight. Malcolm Dunn, Editor

## 2009 Fall Stillwater Trip Chronicles of a Trout Bum.

(Part 2)

By Ken Brunskill

Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup> found us back at Heenan Lake early enough to beat the wind, for a short while. The algae bloom was terrible and the visibility could not have been more than 6-9 inches, expectations were not all that high and reports from the others of their success on Saturday were also not all that encouraging, Don & I fished the edges and center of the lake halfway to the hatchery and back, my 'Fishing Buddy' marked an occasional fish, and only once did I find any concentration of fish and then they were at 20 ft plus deep, this time I had my type IV line on and after a lengthy count downs before striping back – nada! We gave it our best while now battling the wind until mid afternoon we acquiesced and admitted defeat and called it quits. Deflating and packing the boats one more time we headed for Red Lake for the balance of the day. We had heard that the best fishing on Red Lake was at the West end of the lake, wouldn't you know that the best access was at the East end of the lake; remember the mention of the wind? You guessed it, it is a long way across that lake kicking a kickboat into the wind – the only fish we killed the whole trip was one I netted (not caught) after seeing it flopping around on the surface (obviously a release from hardware or bait casters). Actually that was the only fish brought to hand for the day, it graced our table that night and tasted good, along with two nice fillets.

Monday September 14<sup>th</sup> was a move camp day, so after packing up we fished Caples Creek – a very nice sized stream worthy of a lot more of time that we had available – a place to return to!  
If your lucky enough to fish with a gambler or in Don's case an ex-gambler with comp points with the Casino's as I was on this trip – I must say the digs in these casino-hotels beat Motel 6 any day, Don now admits it is his 55<sup>th</sup> birthday and his call to the Peppermill landed us a upgraded room in the new towers – wow nice change from a cot & sleeping bag! We visited the new Sheels sporting goods store, where Don decided that the \$100 sale on a Redding ton fly fishing rain jacket was worthwhile, I broke down and bought a new reel and type VI full sing line to get down to the deep fish. We of course enjoyed a great dinner, showers and luxurious beds that night.

Tuesday September 15<sup>th</sup>, we did the laundry and being so close to Cabela's made that detour – I'd put Sheels and Cabela's Reno about par, Cabela's has a better fly fishing department, Sheels has a better camping department, my personal opinion. We shopped a few dollar stores & picked up a non metallic spatula – funny how those little things stick in your memory and seemed important at the time. Passing through Bridgeport we stopped in at 'Ken's Sporting goods' to inquire about the East Walker, learning that it was fishing good we added it to the area destinations and bought the obligatory couple of flies, then drove on down to June Lake loop. Coming in from the North side with no particular destination in mind, we came to Grant Lake 1<sup>st</sup>, Grant is not a very appealing lake after the beautiful Caples, Red & Blue Lakes, the Silver Lake campground was completely full, Gull Lake campground was completely full, however just across the road from Gull Lake campground at Reversed Creek campground, we found a fantastic site that was on the bend of the road, with no other campsite on either side or in back of us – we could see the camp light of another site at night. Don relaxed in camp & I fished Gull lake that evening a caught one Crappie – kind of runt that we learned was introduced by locals.

Wednesday September 16<sup>th</sup> we headed back to the East Walker and our preferred moving water fishing, The water was flowing about 1,300 cfs and was not as algae laden as I have often found it at this time of year, Don was nymph fishing and I was swinging a crayfish pattern searching for bigger Browns. We both did very well while we fished the East Walker, about mid day we packed it in and after lunch in Bridgeport headed up to Green Creek and Dynamo Pond where I wanted to do some videos of Don casting. We got skunked at Dynamo and fished Green Creek just up stream and Don was being readily rewarded while Ken was trying out (3) different 6 wt's on Dynamo pond.

Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup> now we were sort of into a pattern of primarily still water one day and the next day streams, so we headed toward Crowley Lake, seeing the size of it and the wind blowing like it was that got crossed off the list quickly, coming back from the area of the dam we saw a sign to Rock Creek Lake, and deviated course up a beautiful rock canyon, Rock Creek Lake is an apt name! What a beautiful lake even though we were skunked there it was worth the morning we spent there, after deflating and packing up the boats one more time we were finding that we delighted in fishing the overlooked feeder and/or the outlet streams of the lakes we floated. Don did way better on Rock creek than I did.

Friday September 18<sup>th</sup> we had been hearing about Rush Creek between Grant & Silver lakes as well as below Grant, this now being what we now considered a stream day we decided to give it a try, very rewarding below Grant, easy walking and wading the best way to fish it was from the middle of the stream (the brush prevents any other access), occasionally we'd fish up a few hundred yards and find our selves in a pool too deep to wade on through and have to backtrack and get out and go up steam to another access point. Loads of fish & fun for a 4 wt and dry flies.

Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> now we are back to a still water day so we were on June Lake at 1<sup>st</sup> light, the North & North West side of he lake were reported as deep & spring fed water so we rowed on over and fished it hard until about 10:00 AM and were skunked, so we went back in deflated the boats and loaded them up again, we were getting real good at this by now, mid day found us further North at upper Virginia Lake where we were the only two boats on this beautiful lake, the Western shore has several deep drop offs and the 'Fishing Buddy' was indicating plenty of fish & 57 deg F water temp. Eureka, I picked up several nice fish, not being nearby most of the time for me to advise him of what fly to use Don was blanked. we wanted to give Lundy Lake a try so we packed up and headed South.

(continue on page 9 Stillwater)

## MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS FISH OUT LIST

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE OF FISH	FISHMASTER	COMMENTS
Nov 15-17	Trinity River	Steelhead	Calvin Chin 415-673-9681	Weaverville Area – Red Hill Motel: 530-623-4331

**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 @ 510-505-0136 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!**

### **(Stillwater from page 8)**

At Lundy Lake in that afternoon the wind was howling, luckily the launch ramp is at the Western side of this East to West oriented lake so we could hang around the lesser windy end of the lake, both of us were picking up a few fish Don ventured about ½ way down the lake, while I held up in the deeper water near the inlet from Mill Creek. Once the sun went off the water and it got cooler we did the deflate & pack the boat thing, then drove on up the road to check out Mill Creek. Mill Creek is an interesting stream worth coming back to, there are plenty of beaver dams, plunge pools and I'd bet there are some dandy fish holding in there, while it is pretty rugged where we saw it, my experience leads me to recognize that this ruggedness is what keeps Bubba the bait fisherman away leaving pristine seldom fished water for the more serious for those of us who appreciate it.

Sunday September 20<sup>th</sup>, it was another laundry day, after doing that chore and eating lunch in June Lake we made our final move to Tuolumne Meadows in Yosemite – Wow what else can one say about this area?

After setting up our camp and having a nice dinner we made it down to the Tuolumne R. We fished the meadow until dark and could not find any fish rising. We intended to stay until Wednesday morning but I had difficulty breathing that night.

Monday September 21<sup>st</sup>, I felt fine but having had a triple bypass and never having any breathing difficulty before, wanted to know what was going on, we found the park ranger who was also a Emergency Medical Tech., and went to the ambulance so I could get checked out get a reading on what was going on with the breathing. After a quick blood oxygen check, BP check and listening to my lungs he thought it was simply altitude, but having to call it in to the clinic down in Bishop that Dr, there said come in – now that was not going to work it was an 1-1/2 hr drive east to Bishop, and we lived 5 hrs West. Don & had a negative experience with folks in the party not following the advice of medico's, and I was not going to place the burden or concern of my health on my good friend Don, so we went back to camp packed up and checked out of the campground. Hating to miss that one more day of fishing I convinced Don to drive up to Lee Vining Creek so I could get some pictures, now how in good conscience could any real Trout Bum not take a rod along? We got the desired pictures and did a bit of fishing and were amply rewarded with a couple of nice small stream fish and one more load of eye candy scenery.

The next day I went to the Palo Alto VA hospital to follow up on the breathing difficulty, ended up in emergency all day and after a Cardio Perfusion treadmill test – was pronounced to have a very fine & healthy heart and advised to stay away from high elevations – yeah sure like that is going to happen (right after cows fly).

I don't know if you were counting but we fished 22 waters in 11 days, and did it all right here in California

## Flies of The Month

By Doug Fear



### DOUG'S RUFFY

Hook: EC L067, EC D1197, Mustad 3407  
Size: 4-6  
Thread: Fire Orange, Red, Orange 6/0  
Eyes: Dumbbell Eyes 7/32, 1/4  
Tail: Fire Orange Krystal Flash and Tan or Brown Bucktail  
Body: Ice Chenille, Med Fire Orange or red  
Throat: Same as Tail  
Head: Fire Orange, Red, Orange thread



### DOUG'S DREDGER

Hook: EC L067, EC D1197, Mustad 3407  
Size: 4-6  
Thread: Orange, Red 6/0  
Eyes: Dumbbell Eyes 7/32, 1/4  
Tail: Silicone legs, Chart/Pepper or Chart/Silver  
Body: Ice or Texas Chenille Brown  
Head: Orange, Red, Brown Thread, 6/0, finished  
(Super glue) head

### Fly fishing Louisiana Redfish

**Louisiana Redfishing** continues to produce! Fly Water Expeditions had another great day on the water with Dave and Gloria from California. They landed 8 **redfish on fly** despite the limited visibility from the clouds. Big redfish of the day was a 14 pound fish and everything else was 5-8 pounds. At it again tomorrow. Tight lines



Dave Fulthorpe with his fly caught redfish

Photo courtesy of Capt. Dini of  
Flywaterexpeditions.com at New Orleans

# Annual Mission Peak Fly Anglers Awards & Officers Installation Dinner

**SPIN A YARN RESTAURANT  
45915 WARM SPRINGS BLVD  
FREMONT, CA  
510-656-9141**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2010  
5:00PM TO 6:00PM No Host BAR &  
CHECK RAFFLE ITEMS  
6:00PM DINNER IS SERVED**

## DINNER SELECTIONS

*INCLUDES CALIFORNIA MIXED GREEN SALAD, HERBED RICE OR ROASTED NEW POTATOES  
FRESH SEASONAL VEGETABLES, FRESH ROLLS, COFFEE OR ICED TEA AND A GLASS OF TABLE WINE  
AND A CHOICE OF THE FOLLOWING ENTRÉE*

LONDON BROIL, CHICKEN PICCATA, GRILLED SALMON

\$35.00

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## ANNUAL MPFA AWARDS & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DINNER

*Turn in reservation form before December 31st for one ticket in the early bird drawing and  
If you pay your dues at the same time you will get another early bird ticket.*

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Dinners: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ London Broil \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Piccata \_\_\_\_\_ Grilled Pacific Salmon

**Send Checks To:** Bill Peakes, 509 Kim Place, Hayward, CA 94544 or call him at 510-783-2297

**Please make all Checks Payable to: Mission Peak Fly Anglers**

**Please include a stamped self addressed envelope for return of your dinner tickets**

**Please send all forms with checks to Bill Peakes, 509 Kim Place, Hayward, CA 94544**

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## **MISSION PEAK FLY ANGLERS - 2010 DUES PAYMENT FORM**

Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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