

President's Message by Herman Spalinger

When I joined this club a little over seven years ago, I anticipated I would be able to call various members to have one or more join me on whatever trout adventure that sounded good to me at the time. I thought, hey, here's a club that is full of fishers with knowledge that might point me in the direction of that "catch of a lifetime." It's with this anticipation that I found myself last Sunday sitting in Larry Mettler's truck heading for Sparks, NV, on the club's April outing to Lake Pyramid. We were soon to be joined by Marty Kjelson and his friend Allen and young Bob Souza who was staying with relatives nearby. Larry and Bob have fished Pyramid for several years and I felt they would be able to give Marty, Allen and myself the "inside scoop" on catching the Lahontan cutthroat that roams the shoreline. This trip would be our introduction to catching a Pyramid cutthroat.

I did some background reading from my Trout and Salmon of North America book by Robert Behnke and bored Larry to death on the ride to Sparks to pass the time away until we reached Cabela's and then the Reno Fly Shop. Let me share that boredom. The Lahontan subspecies of cutthroat is the only fish to carry the gene for size. In fact it was once considered the largest trout in North America until a larger Mackinaw was caught from the Great Lakes area. The world record for a Lahontan is 41 pounds with a reported 62 pounder caught by one of the Indians years ago. Between commercially harvesting the Lahontan in Lake Tahoe and eventually introducing the Mackinaw also in Tahoe that feed on the cutthroat, the Lahontan became extinct in the lake in the 1940's. Eons of years ago Pyramid and Walker lakes were formed as the glaciers melted back from the Ice Age leaving rather high-alkaline water due to the sand and rock formations in this great valley encompassing most of Nevada leaving this strain of Lahontan cutthroats. Cutthroats seem to be the only species of trout that can survive in alkaline waters. Lahontan trout are stream spawners. Once the Truckee River was dammed and diverted in 1938 the Pyramid Lahontan was eventually listed as an Endangered Species. Observers came and measured 195 of the dying trout remaining in the Truckee which averaged 36 inches long and weighed 20 pounds. However, since then due to the efforts of the Paiute Indians and the DFG of Nevada and California, a distinct strain of Lahontan trout have been transplanted from Heenan Lake and Summit Lake resulting in the Lahontan being dropped from endangered to threatened. This has resulted in a slot limit for those "meat eating" fishermen. Whatya know I'm heading to a lake where I could catch one of my largest trout to date.

There had been a tournament the weekend before we arrived, and upon glancing at the weigh-in board left after the tournament had closed those big 20 and 30 pounders were no more – the heaviest tournament fish were mostly in the 11 and 10 pound range, no small fish to say the least to be caught on a fly rod. Oh, did I mention the July 1932 issue of Sierra Sportsman magazine contains a story and pictures of two fishermen on Pyramid catching 11 Cutthroat trout which totaled 238 pounds – an average of just less than 22 pounds each.

So with these visions dancing through my head, Larry, Marty, Allen and myself, and eventually Bob, headed to the lake at 5:30 Monday morning. Oh yes, it's cold this time of year with the outside temperature registering 11 degrees about 10 miles from where Larry was taking us to fish. Once we arrived and waded out into the water with our ladders in hand, the temperature had risen to a balmy 34 degrees. We were also treated to fairly nice weather; the sun was shining and the lake calm until the wind kicked up around 9:00 but then calmed down again around 3:00.

Okay, so I got lucky. On my third cast just to the side of Larry's ladder where he was already fishing, I hooked a nice one. After several minutes of anticipation – I couldn't see the fish when I got him up close due to the sun in my eyes and my Polaroid glasses still in the motel room – I beached a seven and a half pound Lahontan. What a pretty fish! I couldn't seem to catch another one until later on that day, but between the five of us during our two days at the lake there were just under 80 fish landed, none of them under 18 inches. So the rest of you keep this in mind the next time Larry wants to be fishmeister on a Pyramid outing as you too could end up with a very nice beautiful cutthroat to add to your different species list.

Herman

May, 2008

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Assembling A Fly Rod – The best way to assemble a fly rod

By C.W. "Don" Coleman – Taken from the Tampa Bay Fly Fishing Club Newsletter

ASSEMBLING A FLY ROD – The best way to assemble a fly rod is to first connect the tip of the rod to the next section and the butt section last. You should twist each one quarter turn while pushing the sections together. Of course to disassemble the sections twist in the opposite direction. As wear occurs, tiny groves will form like a screw thread and keep the sections from separating in use. Assembling the sections by pushing them together forms straight groves and often results in loose connections during use. If a connection does become loose, wiping the male end of the connection with candle wax will provide a temporary solution.

I have watched fly casters go through ridiculous—and often dangerous—motions trying to assemble a multi -piece fly rod while seated in a canoe or small boat. The best way is to lay all the loose sections in front of you and first put the reel on the reel seat. Then pull off about 20' of loose line and lay it on the floor. Thread the line through the guides on the butt section and through the guides on the next section in succession and assemble the two and continuing until all the sections are connected. You do bend over the tip of the line into a loop first so that if the canoe rocks and you drop the line it does not slip out of all the guides, don't you?

Eastern Sierra Focus

By CJ Webb

Fishing Tip:

Mother Nature just seems to get her way every April, and dealt us aces and eights, wind, snow, rain, which is her normal venue for this time of Spring. Warming during the opener was very welcome making the conditions excellent. Spring runoff has started in some places and the flows are up, West Walker, fast with good clarity. Bridgeport Reservoir is filling but won't rise until full-on thaw starts. Hopefully it will improve conditions on the Rez with colder water and a lot of it later into the summer.

No-see-ums must have had reservations on American Airlines and have been slow to arrive but I don't think you'll hear many complaints. Mosquitoes must have been on standby since they are virtually no where to be found, yet!

Be safe if you walk in and around the gorge, Western Diamondbacks are snoozing on the warm rocks during the day after a long cold winter underground. Hike with a wading staff. It hurts me deeply to admit I actually bought one yesterday but then I guess I'm lucky to be able to do the amount of fishing and hiking I've been rewarded with. If you cross streams, remember, the water is extremely cold this time of year, don't take chances unnecessarily, and keep a solar blanket in your fly/tackle vest and assess the flow and your physical ability to handle the water.

Legislation and News

If you have been following SB1262, you will know that the Cogdill Bill, AB7, has had a change that will allow DFG to pull back on their "....25% of the fish produced by state fish hatcheries are used for the purpose of initiating and managing the restoration of naturally indigenous stocks of trout to their original California source watersheds.....this bill would exclude fish produced in mitigation hatcheries from the computation of the 25% restoration goal goals." The strikeouts are the removal of what is undergoing change. There will be another change to the bill next week.

The Department of Water and Power will be inspecting boats prior to launching in Crowley Lake due to the Quagga/Zebra mussels. There will also be an inspection station set up in front of Vons/K-Mart in Bishop which started on the 23rd of April. DWP is trying to head off a possible problem in their water system. Bet you could skewer them.

Fishing Report:

Remember to check the regulations prior to fishing unfamiliar water that you are unsure as to limits, size, etc.

ROCK CREEK – The road is plowed as far as the Pack Station and they should finish it up this week or early next week.

HOT CREEK – Road is clear and water is fishable but off color. Be careful as the rocks are kind of slimy so get out that trusty wading stick. A bit of wind comes up late afternoon so switch to Midges if you're not getting takes on Trio Spinners #22-24, try San Juan worms, birds nest, and tiny zebra midges should get tugs. Please stay out of the water to prevent the spread of the New Zealand mud snail. Gate is expected to be open soon.

CROWLEY – has been primed and ready for the opener and will be hit hard; nymphing will get you a blue ribbon if you try some large zebra and tiger midges around 10-12 feet, which has been about the standard for opening day. Lake has been ice free for about 21 days now. **UPPER OWENS** – Has been tough, but if you put your "observant brain" on alert and stake out a place and try some midges' #18-20, or small Prince Nymphs 18-16 or the ever enticing San Juan Worm, you'll get some nice fish in the 20 inch range. Use a 2 fly rig and don't be a "slow-set" like me.

CONVICT – Was stocked with some heavyweights and the largest trout for the opener was taken using alternative means. **MAMMOTH BASIN** – Still under snow and ice and the Lake Mary Road should be open in the near future.

SAN JOAQUIN ROAD – Plowing will not start until May 10th as usual, due to the number of skiers taking advantage of the great snow.

JUNE LAKE – Is ice free and has been most of the winter and the loop road opened 4.25.6. June Lake marina cage culture program will be releasing some great fish for this opener. Tubing will be on the menu as a means to an end with less coffee breaks and "loo" rests.

GULL LAKE – Is ice free and did well for the opener for the alternative fly fishers.

SILVER LAKE – Is also ice free and had a great showing for the worm crowd.

GRANT LAKE – Is ice free and ready as well.

TIOGA PASS – Road is plowed to 32.5 miles from Crane Flat gate and plowing through 5' of snow. CalTrans plans to do hazard tree work before it can be safely opened.

LUNDY LAKE – Is ice free and road is open, with resort opening Memorial weekend.

VIRGINIA LAKES – The road is plowed to Trumbull Campground entrance and the resorts opens the 17th of May. The ice on Little Virginia is 22". Ice should hold for about 7 days.

EAST WALKER – Is low and as of this writing was 55cfs, but it has been as high as 225 in late March and 75cfs on April 19th. Loads of bugs with the warmer weather and this could prove to be the hot spot once the run-off starts. Early morning cooler temps will keep the run-off at a minimum but only for a couple weeks. A really nice brown showed his nose for a happy fly angler over the weekend.

BRIDGEPORT RESERVOIR – Is ice free and the water is low and a bit off color and about 100 feet from the end of the airport runway. The only boat launching happened at Bridgeport Marina and the "bathtub". Runoff has not really hit the Rez yet, but it is coming. Water has been stocked with sub-catchable DFG bows recently and with some Alpers to tweak those tippets. Stay in the 4X range for possible hawgs.

WEST WALKER – Flow is 418cfs making it a bit harder to fish around the flats. Try some nice attractors over San Juan Worms in the curves.

SONORA PASS - Was open on the 24th due to some issues. KIRMAN – Looks good for those willing to take the hike in. MONITOR PASS – Opened early April.

See you on the water, CJ 8.4

CONSERVATION

By Ron Forbes

Early this month I spoke with Anthony Saracino, the Director of the California Water Program for the Nature Conservancy. The Nature Conservancy along with NCCFFF, Cal Trout, Trout Unlimited and other conservation groups are concerned with the Nestle Corporations plan to sell bottled water that it takes from the underground source form the McCloud River.

Nestle bought the water rights from the McCloud Community Service District (MCSD) for the period of 100 years. For the water rights MCSD will be paid \$10,000 per year. Nestle will get the water at a cost of 8.7 cents per 100,000 gallons. Nestle Corporation's water facility will be a one-million square foot operation. They want to take one half billion gallons from the ground every year. The biologic impact on the McCloud would be huge.

The first environmental reports by Nestle were "very kind" to the company. However, after the uproar from many environmental groups, Nestle has decided it will do more studies on the impact to the area and the McCloud River. It is evident to those of us in the fly fishing clubs that Nestles removing one half billion gallons per year can do damage to the fish habitat that may not be able to be restored. It is important to note that that the substratum in the Mc-Cloud area is primary basaltic in nature and much less understood that other stratums. Errors in judgment could have adverse effects on the McCloud and its fish habitat. We need to keep or eyes on this one to prevent the loss of the McCloud.

I have never understood why people are willing to pay for the water that is sold to them in stores which, in many cases, is comes straight out of a tap. While in the market the other day I found "Fiji Water" for slightly more than \$4.00 a gallon. But then it promised to leave your mouth with that "soft feeling". I am not real sure of what an "oral soft feeling" is but at least it's an interesting concept. Maybe they feel if you pay over \$4.00 gallon you should get something for your money

Update

It seems the House of Representatives has taken very little action on the restoration of the San Joaquin River. As you will recall, this fight has been going on since 1988. At this point the bill (H.R. 4074) has passed the Committee on Natural Resources by a 25-15 vote. However it has had no further action. The bill is requires \$250 million from the government as its part in the restoration.

Jerry McNerney is a cosponsor of the bill and I contacted his office in Stockton. Frankly I was ignored after a phone call requesting information on H.R. 4074. Even after going to his office it still took three weeks to get any information.

However new wrinkles are going to effect the restoration of the river. The Department of Water Resources and the Bureau of Reclamation has started, what they call the Upper San Joaquin River Storage Investigation. What is entails is to place another dam on one of three locations as the San Joaquin flows into Millerton Lake behind Friant Dam. Two locations are in the Temperance Flat area and the other is on the Fine Gold Creek area. After calls to the DWR and BoR I was not told of what if any impact will new dams have on the restoration of the San Joaquin River nor would they give any information would this have and effect of the restoration of the salmon run, (now down to 100 from the original 500 fish). Again this is something we need to watch carefully.

Davis Lake

Also in the original bill only salmon are mentioned. Several of us on the Board id Directors of NCCFFF want steelhead to be started on the San Joaquin at the same time. Originally they were native to the river but were lost along with the salmon. It's strange but we are meeting with resistance from some members of the DWR personal. I have been told by some that they fear predation of salmon eggs by the steelhead and will keep the steelhead out. When I ask if they will keep the trout out for the same reasons they had no answers. When it was mentioned that the salmon and steelhead have coexisted of hundreds of thousands of years there was still no response for the DWR. NC-CFFF plans to continue to try to have Steelhead placed into the San Joaquin along with the salmon and hopefully restart a local steelhead run. A Steelhead trout run in our backyard a great asset to the San Joaquin.

Good Fishing,

Ron Forbes

FFF Conservation Updates

Reminder – Mark you calendar and make your travel plans. This summer the Conclave and National Fly Fishing Show will be held in Whitefish Montana July 23-27. On Wednesday July 23 from 9-12 the Conservation Committee will hold their annual business meeting. Following at 1 pm will be the Fish Forum which will feature short presentations on timely conservation topics. All are welcome to attend Fish Forum. FFF Conclave (Whitefish, MT) on-line preregistration opened April 21st. Also the printed pre-registration forms will be arriving soon in the Spring Issue of the Flyfisher Magazine if you prefer to mail it in or fax. Questions in regards to Conclave can be directed to Jessica at conclave@fedflyfishers.org. See in FFF news for two added seminars at conclave for the clubs/ councils.

We need more clubs to join the ranks to help in the conservation and education efforts of the FFF. If you would like to start a club or know of a club that might be interested in affiliating with the FFF please direct them to the Club Information pages below: For Affiliate Clubs http://www.fedflyfishers.org/Default. aspx?tabid=4359

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Please send an e-mail to fffoffice@fedflyfishers.org should your club have a fishing / tying event / banquet. We would like to add these events to our web site calendar of events. Provide the date, location, name of your club and a website address that I can link to direct our members for more information. The events calendar is on the following web page http://www.fedflyfishers.org/Default. aspx?tabid=4513

Conservation Club Idea – Contact your state fish and game agency for a presentation on the health of your local fisheries. You can also volunteer to help with fieldwork and learn firsthand about the fish in your area.

A letter to Sen. Boxer (CA) to encourage the Environment and Public Works Committee to hold oversight hearings to investigate recent decisions by the US Fish and Wildlife Service in association with Endangered Species Act rulings that ignored scientific information and undermined endangered species protections for over 50 species, including the fluvial arctic grayling.

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Polo Shirt w/club logo sale	\$26.00	Moy 7
Ball Cap	\$11.50	May 7 April Board Meeting
Club Patch	\$5.00	April Board Meeting
Lapel Pin	\$7.00	May 14
Lic. Plate Frames	\$3.00	May Newsletter
Official coffee mug	\$5.00	
Also the club has a video library		The deadline for the June issue
Videotape Rentals \$2.00 Per Vie	deo	is May 25th.

See Jacob Loyko 468-2664 for info on merchandise and videos at all the meetings.

Less Can Be More... By Jay Forrest – Taken from the Alamo Fly Fishers Club Newsletter

One of the things that seem to appeal to many fly fisher persons is the diversity of gear, gadgets, and thingamajigs that are available. Forty years of observing fly fisher people leads me to the conclusion that most of us display a definite pattern in the amount of stuff we carry with us when we fish. From one rod, one reel, maybe one fly box, etc. we accumulate nippers, knot tools, fly floatant and fly sinkant, leaders, tippet, fly boxes of dries and nymphs and streamers and (one for each of course) other stuff, vests, chest packs, backpacks spare reels, spare lines, and on and on. While this hoard tends to grow throughout the life of a fly fisher person, the amount actually carried need not.

Rather than carrying everything you own (a common phase that typically ends with the fisherperson looking like a walking store display) the habit gets established and fisher people often carry far more than they will ever be likely to need. At some point the fisher person begins to get smart. At first the fisher person will probably strive to remove things that aren't needed, say pulling shorter bass leaders and flies from the vest for a trip to the Guadalupe. That can work reasonably well, to a point, but I know members of the club (author included) who have arrived at the Guadalupe and rigged up only to find that they have only 0X and 1X saltwater leader material to use to tie on a size 22 nymph. (If you can figure out how to get an 0X tippet through the eye of a size 22 hook or to get a size 12 nymph to drift properly on 0X tippet, you are a wizard and don't need to read this!).

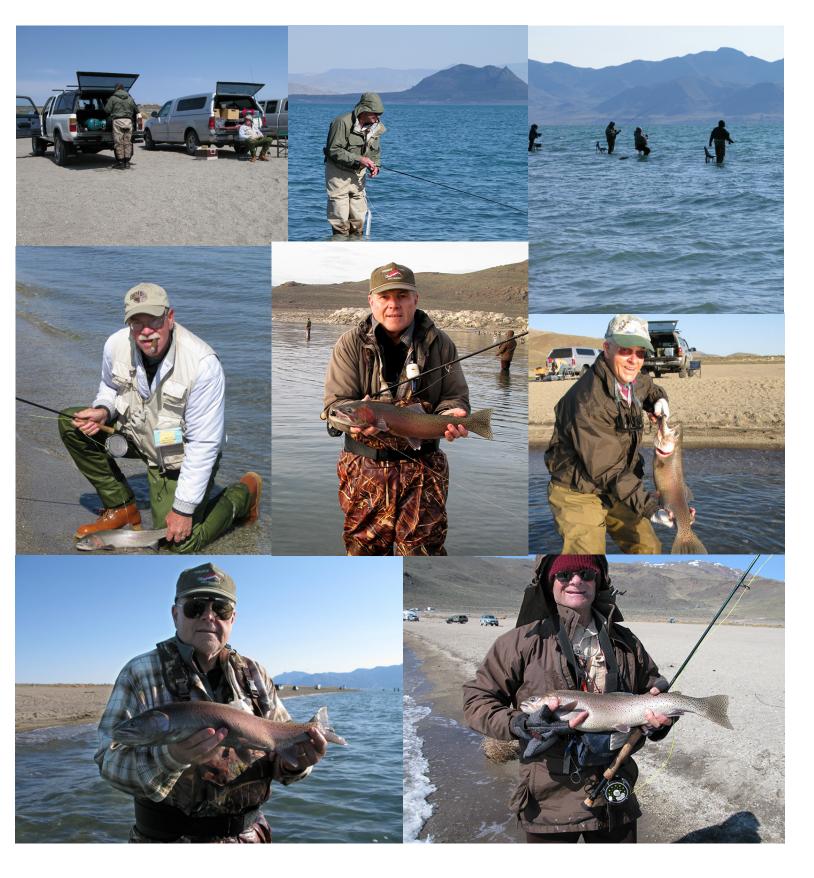
The answer many of us arrive at is to assemble gear bags with appropriate tippet, flies, etc for each type of fishing we do, say one bag for trout, one for bass and sunfish, and one for the coast. While this does tend to encourage multiple nippers and such, it has the advantage of simplifying life. One can simply grab a bag for the right type of fishing and be ready to go.

Perhaps more importantly, it begins to simplify what one carries as well. And that is one of the typical signs of more experienced fly fisher people. While more experienced fishermen often have more junk, they often carry less – only what is needed.

Over the past few years I have increasingly focused on simplifying my gear. On the coast I strive to carry on my person no more than nippers, a spare leader, tippet (10 pound and 12 pound test) and no more than four to six flies. I will have more in the boat or kayak, but that is all I will typically carry. For bass and sunfish the list would be similar but with say 8 and 10 pound tippet and a few more flies, possibly one box. For trout I typically carry a similar kit with 4X and 5X tippet on the Guadalupe and two fly boxes – one with a variety of dry flies and one with wet flies.

I find that carrying makes my life simpler and lets me find things faster. Even better, it encourages me to get rid of those shoddy, ratty old flies I tied years ago and that I carried for years. Try it! Try paring down your gear and see if simplifying will make your life easier and fishing more fun!

Pyramid Lake Trip



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Every Wed (except meeting nights)	Nature Center Oak Grove Park Stockton	FLY CASTING Contact: Jim Rich 477-6404 Rick Greene 477-1488
Every 2nd Wed (except July & Aug) 7:00 PM	John R Williams School Stockton	Membership Meeting Contact Marty Kjelson 477-9618 John Keagy 369-5690
Every 3rd Wed (except July) 7:00 PM	Nature Center Oak Grove Park Stockton	Board Meeting All Members Welcome
May 10	White Pines Lake	Annual One Fly Contest
Wednesday May 14	John R. Williams School Stockton, CA	Membership Meeting Bruce "Bruno" Huff - Fly Fishing Alpine County
Wednesday May 21	Nature Center Oak Grove Park Stockton	Board Meeting All Members Welcome
May 30	Buckley Cove - Ladd's Marina Stockton	Fly Fishing Only Bass Tournament
May or June	Davis Lake	Monthly Outing



The Bass-n-Fly Challenge May 30, 2008

Bass-n-Fly, along with the Stockton Bass Club, is sponsoring the first ever California Delta fly fishing only bass tournament on Friday, May 30, 2008. The tournament will stage at, and leave from, Buckley Cove/Ladd's Marina at 6:00 am and the weigh in will be at 2:00 pm.

More information can be found at http://www.bassnfly.com/Home.html or from the Stockton Bass Club, Contact David Sanchez 518-9299 or Rick Soriano 406-5562. Entries can be dropped off at The Outdoor Sportsman on March Lane.

Bruce "Bruno" Huff Delta Fly Fisher's May Speaker

Delta Fly Fishers Wed. May 14 program will be a presentation by Bruce "Bruno" Huff vice -chairman of Alpine county Fish and Game Commission entitled Fly Fishing Alpine County. Bruce has worked, hunted and fished Alpine county for 20 years. A native of Stockton Bruce will share his considerable experience fishing the many lakes and streams of the highway 88, 4, and 89 corridors of Alpine county. Emphasis will be on easily accessible waters and the fly patterns and techniques to use on these waters as well as access points, contacts for information on local conditions. Lakes included in the presentation will be Alpine Lake, Bear River Reservoir, Silver Lake, Caples Lake, Red Lake, Indian Valley Reservoir and others. Presentation will be given 7pm at John R. Williams School 2450 Meadow Avenue. Program is free and open to the public. Information: Marty Kjelson 209-477-9618.



One Fly Contest

The Delta Fly Fishers Sat. May 10 outing will be to White Pines Lake near Arnold to participate in the Calaveras Fly Fishers One Fly Contest. This is a fundraising event sponsored by the Calaveras club to help fund a \$500 scholarship for a Bret Harte High School Student. There is an entry fee of \$20 which includes coffee and donuts in the AM and a tri-tip BBQ, with all the fixings, after the contest ends. Non-fishing guests may enjoy the food and refreshments for a \$5.00 fee. Registration starts at 7:30 am and ends at 8:30 am. Fishing contest begins at 9am and ends at 1pm. Your One Fly: you can use any type fly as long as it is on a barbless hook; if you lose the fly or it becomes unrepairable, you are out of the contest and the fish you caught up to that time will count. You may continue to fish with your partner but any fish caught after you are out of the contest do not count. Some minor repairs to your one fly are permitted.

A caught fish is one that you have netted and once verified by your partner, released unharmed. All contestants are expected to fish from some type of water craft on the lake. Winner's names will be inscribed on a plaque now hanging in White Pines Outdoors and will have all the bragging rights for the year!! There are two categories: Largest Fish, any species over 15" and the most fish and trout only no size restrictions. Directions take Highway 4 to Arnold, turn left on Blagen Rd (just past the Chevron station and continue by the Ace Hardware and post office all on your left). Follow Blagen Rd for about 3/4 mile, going just past Hazel Fisher School on the left, turn left into the lake's main park/picnic area. Information: Contact Duke Duquette of the CFF (209) 795-5124 or Grady Lee of the DFF (209) 951-3623.

The Calaveras Fly club needs a head count for the one fly contest. If you plan to go please give Grady a reply so he can notify them.

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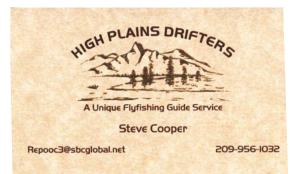
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