



Next Monthly Club Meeting:

Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Heather Farms Community Center
 301 North San Carlos Drive, Walnut Creek
 Doors open at 7:00 P.M.

Guests are welcome!! *(Members who wish to join the speaker for dinner, please contact Bill King.)*

Board Meeting: Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Sizzler Restaurant, 1353 Willow Pass Rd., Concord
 Dinner: 6:30 PM — Meeting: 7:00 PM
 Members are invited to attend.

2009 Member of the Year: Pat Konoske



Alan Christian with a brilliant West Yellowstone brown

Speaker: Jimmie Morales of Sierra Fly Fisher Tours

Jimmie Morales of Sierra Fly Fisher guide service has fished Yosemite National Park and the surrounding Sierra mountains and foothills, and as far south as King's Canyon National Park. He's guided fly fishermen for over 25 years on Yosemite's Upper Tuolumne River and its Dana and Lyell forks, the Merced River inside and outside of Yosemite, and the San Joaquin and Kings rivers in search of Rainbow, Brook, Brown and Golden Trout. During the winter he guides for Steelhead on the Merced and Tuolumne rivers.



Special Stillwater Clinic for DVFF Members

Andrew Harris of Confluence Outfitters will be conducting a one-day Stillwater techniques clinic at Eagle Canyon Trophy Trout Lakes near Red Bluff on Saturday, February 5th. Techniques covered will include sinking lines, retrieving nymphs on a floating line, indicator nymphing, float tubing, and landing large fish. This clinic is open only to DVFF members. Participation is limited to 5 anglers and the fee is \$200 per person. Float tubes are available for rent for \$20/day. More Information:

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



While it may seem that winter is a time of slowdown for fly fishing and the DVFF, an actual look at the many activities going on dispels that myth quickly. The club wrapped up its year with a great monthly session by Dax Messett, getting us all psyched to head off to New Zealand (or some other great "winter" local, like South America). And, of course, we got to see a glimpse of how well some of our conservation dollars are spent by hearing our current UC Davis scholarship recipient, **Bjorn Erickson**, talking about Kern River rainbow trout hybridization (wow). Lots of folks are planning for that next big trip, which could come this month or in the spring when many club members drift inland to some of our great western rivers.



While they're preparing for that the club is getting final preps for the **DVFF Annual Crab+ Feed and Installation Dinner** on January 22, and a big thanks to **Terry and Steve Hess**, who agreed to serve one more time, while mentoring **Charlie Wright**. Charlie, by the way, is looking for a few people for his kitchen team. See the announcement on page 4 of this newsletter for more details.

And for those fly tyers who are starting to get a jump on the next season, please consider tying a few extra flies for donation to our annual auction on April 12, 2011. Turns out, these "made by DVFF" flies are not only the best bargain available, they are our best money maker and most importantly, land more fish.



Speaking of volunteers, everyone should welcome our newest club chair people.

DVD Rentals – Bernard Ringer and Carlos Bocanegra

Merchandise – John Shaw and Jay Carson

We know they'll do a great job.



I would like to thank everyone at DVFF for making 2010 another great year for what surely is one of the best fishing clubs anywhere – because of all of you. I especially want to say thanks to all the board members and volunteers who keep it moving forward. **2011 promises to be even better.**

Keep Learning!

David Lipscomb

"The surreal beauty of winter combined the solitude it brings, makes winter fly fishing an especially rewarding time of year, to flog the water."

Cameron Larsen, Big Y Fly Company



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We now have T.F.O. and Echo Rods

Annual Crab Feed and Installation Dinner - January 22, 2011

There will be a raffle with Great Prizes!

Have you heard? Experts are saying that this may be the best crab season in years! Start your tasting engines for crab by joining us at the annual Crab Feed and Installation Dinner to be held on **Saturday, January 22, 2011.**

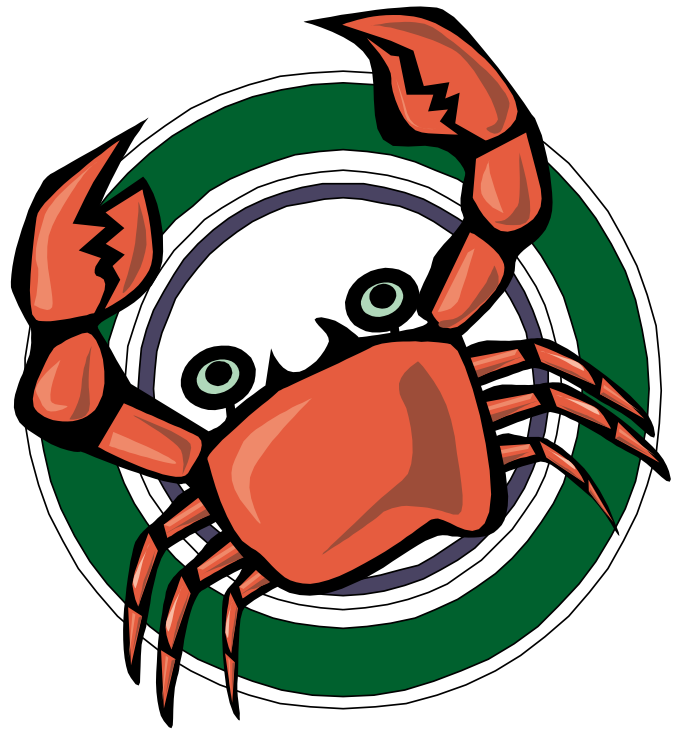
It will again be held at the Civic Park Community Center in Walnut Creek.

Tickets went on sale in December and will continue to be on sale through January, though it is recommended that you purchase tickets early. Along with the dues renewal packet you should have received six raffle tickets you can purchase. They are a \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. You do not have to attend the crab feed dinner to win. GOOD LUCK!!

Despite the rising costs, your Board has approved the price to remain the same as it has been for the last several years. The \$30 per person ticket, will buy you the same fabulous menu that you have enjoyed in the past: crab, pasta, salad, garlic bread, beverages, dessert, and coffee. Beer and wine will also be available. **For those unable to eat crab, there is still time to place an order for prime rib by notifying Charlie Wright by Jan 15. Charlie is also looking for a few people to be part of the kitchen team.**

The installation of the new Board is held this special evening as well as award presentations to club members who have volunteered their time for the club. For any questions or if you wish to help at this event, please call or email **Charlie Wright**. See you there!

925-254-3001 or charlie@appmateng.com



Crab Feed Raffle Items 2010

	Description	Value
1st.. Prize	Winston Boron IIX 10 ft. 7 wt. Fly Rod	705.00
2nd. Prize	Two Night Stay at the Bernard Haus B & B and One Day Guided Trip on the Trinity River to Fish for Steelhead.	495.00
3rd Prize	Full Day Guided Float Trip with Chris Parsons on any River He Guides On	360.00
4th Prize	Rainbow Trout Steel Fabrication	200.00
5th. Prize	Redington RS4 9' Four Piece 5 wt. Fly Rod	199.00
6th Prize	Private Fly Casting Lesson at the Leland Sonoma Ranch	150
7th. Prize	Private Fly Casting Lesson at the Leland Sonoma Ranch	150
8th Prize	Private Fly Casting Lesson at the Leland Sonoma Ranch	150
9th. Prize	Redington Rise 5/6 Fly Reel	159.00
10th Prize	Redington CPX Guide Jacket	150.00
11th. Prize	\$50 Gift Certificate for Leland's	50.00
12th Prize	\$50 Gift Certificate for Fish First	50.00
13th. Prize	\$50 Gift Certificate for Creative Sports	50.00
14th. Prize	C & F Design 6/6 Pockets Fly Box	36.00
15th Prize	Dr. Slick Gift Set (contains nipper, retractor & clamp)	35.00



Conservation Corner

1% For the Planet - As you shop in 2011 for gear, a trip, flies, an energy bar, or a beer, here's something to consider: make your purchase from one of 1322 companies that donates 1% of their profits to conservation causes. Initiated by Yvon Chouinard of Patagonia (member #1) and Craig Matthews of Blue Ribbon Flies (member #2), this group has donated over \$50 million to 2328 organizations worldwide. See their website at <http://www.onepercentfortheplanet.org/en/> for more information, a list of member companies, and a very cool video about the program.

Local Stream Restoration Victories - Work by two groups of local stream advocates is paying off. In the Brentwood area, a dozen groups rejoiced as the finishing touches were put on a fish ladder on Marsh Creek. With a final price tag of \$400,000, the ladder will allow Chinook salmon to swim in from the Delta for the first time in 52 years. Further north, several groups, including the good folks at Marin TU, have seen encouraging results of their several years' work on the Lagunitas Creek watershed - 30 Coho salmon redds were reported there in December, the most in three years. See our website for details.

Fish Tagging - We've again been invited to participate in salmon tagging with the good folks at United Anglers/Casa Grande HS in Petaluma. We'll have just a few slots available for this spring event - watch the Outing table for more details and a sign-up sheet.

Ted Shapas, 925-330-1950, shapas@comcast.net

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2011 OUTINGS-TRIPS-SEMINARS

If you are interested in being a Fishmaster, please contact Tom Seidman at 925-256-8818.

To participate in an Outing, one must be a DVFF member with signed Liability Waiver on file

DATE 2011	FISHMASTER	LOCATION (species)
Feb 5	Yuba River TR/ST	Bob Meadowcoft (925) 631-0194
Mar 8-11	Pyramid Lake TR	Larry Griffis (925) 947-4914
Apr TBD	McCloud River TR	TBD
May TBD	Kistler Ranch BA	TBD
May TBD	Baum Lake TR	TBD
May TBD	Kelsey Bass Ranch	TBD
June TBD	Conservation Outing	TBD
June TBD	Fall River TR	TBD
Jun TBD	Upper Sac Seminar TR	TBD
Jul TBD	Manzanita Lake TR	TBD
Jul TBD	San Joaquin River TR	TBD
Aug TBD	High Sierra horse pack TR	TBD
Aug TBD	Manzanita Lake TR	TBD
Sept TBD	San Joaquin River TR	TBD
Sep 22-25	East Slope Sierra TR	Pat Konoske (707) 334-6849
Sept TBD	Fall River TR	TBD
Oct TBD	Putah Creek TR	TBD
Oct TBD	Heenan Lake nr Markleeville	TBD
Nov 2-7	McCloud River TR	Marc Ericksen (415) 362-1214

TR = trout, ST = steelhead, BA = bass, TBD = to be determined

Space is limited on many Outings. Please sign up only if you are reasonably certain that you will attend. If you discover later that you are not going to attend, scratch your name off the list or contact the Outings Chairman or Fishmaster. This way, a maximum number of members can go on the Outing.

Northern California
Lower Sac - Trinity - Fall River
Pit - Hat - McCloud - Upper Sac

Southern Oregon
Upper Rogue - Lower Rogue
Applegate - North Umpqua



Andrew Harris
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ATTENTION NOVICE FLY FISHERS

DATE: Saturday, April 30, 2011

TIME: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

PLACE: Heather Farm Community Center
301 N. San Carlos Dr., Walnut Creek

COST: Club Members: \$ 45.00
Non-Members: \$ 90.00
(fee includes lunch, handouts and
membership for non-members)



NOVICE FLY FISHING SEMINAR 2011

We have expanded our capacity for this seminar to handle all those who are interested. To reserve your spot in the class, send in your registration fee as explained below. Non-members must become club members in order to attend (included in fees shown above). Remember, family members (spouses and children under 21) are covered under one primary membership.

REGISTRATION: Enroll by sending a check, made payable to DVFF, to Willy's home address shown below. Please include your name, mailing address, email address, & home phone number with your check. Non-members should also include their completed membership application down loaded from the DVFF website www.diablovalleyflyfish.org
Cancellations after April 1, 2011 will not be refunded.

INSTRUCTOR: Willy George
FFF Certified Casting Instructor
87 Danbury Court
Alamo, CA 94507
(925) 943-2211 Home

PURPOSE: To satisfy the needs of those club members who have yet to be adequately exposed to the basic knowledge and skills of fly fishing. This includes all members of the family—spouse and children (15 years and older).

OBJECTIVE: To provide the beginner with enough information including knowledge of equipment, casting, basic entomology, fly selection, knots, and reading water for their initial experience with the sport.

BENEFITS TO THE NOVICE: The beginner should leave this seminar with a wealth of "how to" information coupled with, hopefully, accomplished basic casting techniques from which to further build his or her fly fishing skills and knowledge.

WHAT TO BRING: Rod, reel, line and whatever leader set up you might already have attached. For those of you that do not have equipment, wait until after the class to make a purchase. We have loaner rods available, but please arrange for this gear at the time you register for the class.



Diablo Valley Fly Fishermen - 2011 Fly Tying Program

Beginning Fly Tying:

Winter: Jan 11/18/25, Feb 1/8/15/22m Mar 1 (Tue nights)
Where: **Home of Dave McCants, Fly Tying Den!**
Time: 7:00 to 9:30 each night.
Number of students (max): 8 (cost is \$45 per participant, all to DVFF – the \$45 covers all of the above class dates for either the Fall or Winter sessions)
Instructor: Dave McCants
How to sign up: **Call instructor to sign up (Dave 925-228-1329)**
Or use signup sheets at outings desk at each meeting.
Or sign up and register at Davetyer.com

Intermediate Fly Tying:

Winter: Jan 12/19/26, Feb 2/9/16 (Wed nights)
Where: **Home of Dave McCants, Fly Tying Room!**
Time: 7:00 to 9:30 each night.
Number of students (max): 8 (cost is \$45 per participant, all to DVFF – the \$45 covers all of the above class dates)
Instructor: Dave McCants
How to sign up: **Call instructor to sign up (Dave 925-228-1329)**
Or use signup sheets at DVFF meetings.
Or sign up and register at Davetyer.com

Continuation / Specialty Classes throughout year:

Where: **Home of Dave McCants, Fly Tying Room**
Instructor: Dave McCants
Time: Listed Saturdays from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm (bring a sack lunch – or food nearby)
Per day Cost: DVFF members \$30, non members \$90, DVFF members proceeds go to DVFF.

Intermediate Class Dates and Topics (all on Saturday's):

Parachute Flies	-	January 15, 2011
Steelhead Flies for the West Coast	-	February 5, 2011
Midges & Tying Tiny Flies	-	February 19, 2011
Tying Flies for Striped Bass	-	March 12, 2011
Tying Flies for Black Bass	-	March 26, 2011
Flies for Lakes and Ponds	-	April, 2011
Classic Salmon Fly's (Married Wings)	-	April 4, 2011
Flies for the Yuba River	-	April 30, 2011

Materials will be supplied by instructor. Students must bring their own tools. Saturday classes are subject to four person minimum or class will be rescheduled. Additional classes may be scheduled in the fall to accommodate additional club needs.

The above is a fairly aggressive schedule, but leaves May – August open for fishing and vacations!

WINDKNOTS DEADLINE

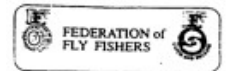
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float tube with "Force Fins" \$100

John Rueff 925 689-5476

FOR SALE — Fly Tying¹⁰

I have lots of fly tying material for sale. See me at DVFF meetings or call me.

Steve Hess 925-691-5617

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Valco 12' Aluminum Flat Bottom boat. 15 hp Motor, Fish finder. 33 lb. thrust, foot-operated trolling motor. Pedestal seats, indoor/outdoor carpeting. Built in cooler, extra storage. Asking \$1500.

Steve Hess 925-691-5617

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DUCK FEATHERS, WILL TRADE

Mallard, sprig, teal gadwall, Widgeon, Spoonbill, Snow and Speckle goose feathers (a few wood duck). Only payment is to let me have some flies for my fishing habit.

Tom Morehouse 925-254-7213

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FOR RENT - Truckee Condo

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Les Fogelman, 925-872-1234

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FOR SALE — Vest

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Kirby Elvin

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FOR RENT - Northstar Home

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