



FEBRUARY

2018

## CLUB MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, February 7th  
**Time:** Open - 6:45 PM  
 Meeting - 7:00 PM  
**Place:** Aptos Grange, 2555 Mar Vista Dr., Aptos

**The San Lorenzo River**  
**Member Speaker: Tom Hogle**

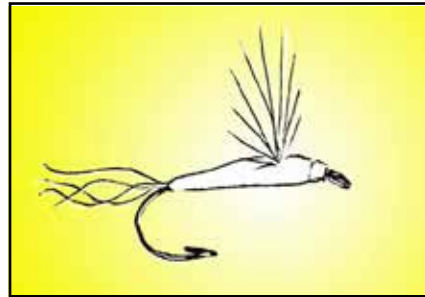


Hope you can make this month's meeting. It will be yours truly taking you on a historical journey of the San Lorenzo River from the ocean to the headwaters, the history of fishing this river from 1908-present, its flows, habitat and other inhabitants. We'll talk specifically about the history, past and present; fly-fishing for Steelhead, where to go, what to use, and Coho Salmon. We'll review the state of our watersheds in California overall and what you can do to help us improve them. There will be awesome historical photos and some videos too!

## FLY TYING CLASS

**Date:** Wednesday, February 14th  
**Time:** Open - 6:45 p.m.  
 Class - 7:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Aptos Grange Hall, 2555 Mar Vista Drive, Aptos

**PMD Sparkle Dun**  
**Instructor: Elaine Cook, 688-1561**



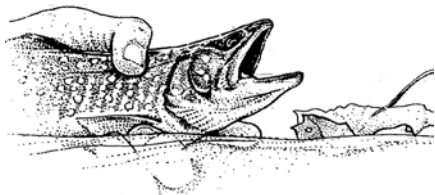
Thinking forward to late spring and early summer; if you're going for trout, having some of these flies in your box will be very handy. This is an adult mayfly imitation.

Sign-up at the February general meeting or call Elaine at 688-1561 at least 24 hours in advance. If you sign-up and then find you are unable to attend, notice of cancellation is appreciated.

There is no cost for the class. All materials are provided other than thread, which is 8/0 yellow. Tan is an acceptable alternative. 6/0 is also okay. Some thread is available for beginners. For you experienced tiers, bring your vise, tools, and light. Again, some equipment is available for beginners who are always welcome.

## Bait for Thought

Work or Play



A Master in the art of living draws no sharp distinction between his work and his play; his labor and his leisure; his mind and his body; his education and his recreation. He hardly knows which is which. He simply pursues his vision of excellence through whatever he is doing, and leaves others to determine whether he is working or playing. To himself, he always appears to be doing both." - *Francois Auguste Rene Chateaubriand*

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# President's Line

## A Great Start to the Year By President Tom Hogue

Well, the Annual Fund Raiser is over, and what an event it was! As has been the case for almost all of the 40 years, it seems like the fun really begins when we start all the prep in the kitchen at 8:00 AM. I kept thinking it was Thanksgiving all over again. Elaine Cook is really an artist when it comes to putting the schedule, and the layout of everything from the raffle tables to what goes in the fridge, the recipes, who is going to do what. So many of you came to help in the morning and then again in the afternoon. Having so many willing and enthusiastic volunteers is really something to be a part of. Too many to thank individually, but you know who you are and how fun it was to put all of this together.

When you start to run out of raffle tickets, ironically, that's good news. Thank you, Steve Rudzinski for running all the way back to the grange to get more. Again, another selfless demonstration of why you were the well-deserved recipient of the John Steel Award this year. Little did you know! So many people helped put this event together and it was so much fun meeting new people who dive right in and were in the kitchen at 8:00 A.M. Some, like John and Pat Steele, can now have their house back after buying, collecting organizing and storing all of the raffle prizes. John- thank you so much for all the hard work and your extraordinary craftsmanship with all of the silent auction items, the vise stands, sculptures. Priceless, and I'm so happy I won another vise stand this year!

I missed a number of you this year. If you're reading this, you know who you are and I am grateful for your support and hoping you can make next year. I promise it will be more fun than ever.

Thank you! To the board and the members, past and present. Most especially, those of you who more than encouraged me to come back and take the reins again.

Thank you-Jim Black, Tim Loomis, Milana Rawson, Sam Bishop, Roy Gunter, who have served the club with all their heart and soul for so long, and who are now going to enjoy their memberships and the fruits of their labor. I am personally grateful for your helping me get back up to speed and offering to continue helping in so many ways.

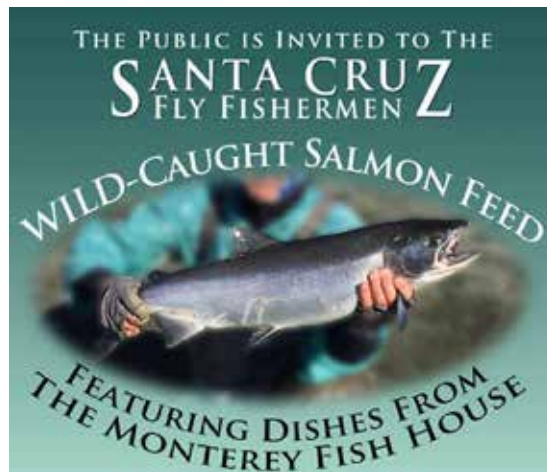
If you haven't heard already, me, Kevin Murdock, Angela Johnson, Steve Rawson, Steve Rudzinski, Jim Tolonen, Jeff Goyert, Bob Peterson, John and Elaine Cook, Barry Burt, John and Pat Steele, Kirk Mathew, George Pike, Michael McGannon, Petar Ilic, Mike DiCiano, Kathy Powers, Dennis Davie, Alev Bilginsoy, make up your officers, board and committees for this 2018.

Thursday, February 8th (the day after our club meeting) - Pour Tap Room and Coastal Watershed Council - This is an event to hang out with the public and talk fly fishing and conservation. We'll have gear, at, and some fly tying.

This is a very fun time where we plug in to a very public venue, have a beverage, something to eat and talk about our sport and conserving riparian habitat, so we can continue to promote, educate, and enjoy the sport of fly fishing.

Later in February, Feb. 22-25, is the Pleasanton Fly Fishing Show. I'll be there looking for future guest speakers, gear, and other opportunities for us to have fun with this year. Let's go!

Then of course, there's the Pyramid Lake Fishout, March 18th through the 24th. See you on the tailout!



## MONTHLY RAFFLE

### February Goodies

By Monthly Raffle Director Jeff Goyert

It's good that February is a short month; winter is in the rearview mirror and spring is just down the road a bit. It is a great time to plan your next fly fishing adventure. To help you do that we have for the monthly door prize the great book by Chris Santa "Fifty Places to Fly Fish Before You Die". Time to get out of the rut of going to the same places year after year; this book is full of new and exciting places to fish.

While you are heading out on that new adventure, how about a new rod and reel. We have for a raffle prize a nice Maxcatch Premier 4 piece 4 weight rod. This rod has a carbon fiber twin ring reel seat and is a light weight easy to handle 8'6" length. It is coupled with a 3/4 smooth drag ECO reel. This prize includes a covered zipper rod tube and a soft reel case.

Another great raffle prize is a fingerless Islamorada Glove by Glacier Glove. Breathable and durable, this glove is designed to guard hands from exposure by providing 50+ UPF sun protection. It is made with quick dry Elastane/Spandex and has a partial synthetic leather palm. When it is not raining or snowing at Pyramid Lake the sun can get really bright; these gloves are a great way to protect your hands.

When doing your late-night trip planning it never hurts to have a bit of liquid refreshment. How about a 6 pack of Slammin' Salmon double IPA from Mad River brewing in Humboldt County. Malty, hoppy, and robust this beer is dry hopped with Amarillo hops for a fresh piney citrus flavor and aroma. Robust yet perfectly balanced. What better way to increase the sometimes-needed creativity and imagination when planning a fishing trip.



## 2017 Board of Directors

*The SCFF thanks the outgoing board members for their service.*

### Officers

President	Tom Hogue	214-7578
Vice President	Milana Rawson	583-9370
Treasurer	Jim Tolonen	475-8859
Secretary	Roy Gunter	809-0316

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Kathy Powers	728-4130
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Pablo Grabiell	562-652-3771

**Board Meeting:** The board meeting is usually held on the third Wednesday of the month at the home of John and Pat Steele, 331 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Cruz, at 7 PM. Club members will be notified of any changes of meeting dates and locations. Club members are all welcome and need to submit any agenda items to the President ahead of time

**News:** Members are encouraged to contribute news items. Submit copy to the editor, Kirk Mathew, 724-5611, k4mathew@sbcglobal.net. Please see calendar for the deadline each month.



## Fishout Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	TARGET SPECIES	FISH MASTER
March 18 - 24	Pyramid Lake	Lahonton Cutthroat	Mike White - 706-5556
March 27-29	Los Baños Creek Res.	Bass and Bluegill	Dan Eaton - 336-2933
April 20 - 22	Roostercomb Ranch	Bass	Cecilia Stipes - 335-5727
April 28	Los Padres Reservoir	Trout	Roy Gunter - 809-0316
May 4 - 6	Roostercomb Ranch	Bass	Cecilia Stipes - 335-5727
May 12	Rio Del Mar Beach	Surf fishing	Sam Bishop - 476-6451
May 15-17	Los Baños Creek Res.	Bass and Bluegill	Dan Eaton - 336-2933
May 20	Quail Hollow Ranch	Fly Fishing 101	Kevin Murdock - 688-4518
June 9	Palm Beach (Pajaro)	Surf fishing	Sam Bishop - 476-6451
July 7 - 14	Green River	Trout	John Steele - 476-0648
July 14	Manresa Beach	Surf fishing	Sam Bishop - 476-6451
July 22-16	Loreto Baja Sur	Dorado, salt water fish	Rich Hughett - 757-5709
August 4	Beer Can Beach	Surf fishing	Sam Bishop - 476-6451
Sept. 8	New Brighton Beach	Surf fishing	Mark Traugott - 338-6056
Sept. 22 - 29	Mammoth Lakes	Trout	John Cook - 688-1561
Sept. 29 - Oct. 6	Mammoth Lakes	Trout	John Cook - 688-1561
Oct. 6	Rio Del Mar Beach	Surf fishing	TBA
Oct. 11-14	O'Neill Forebay	Striped bass	Steve Rudzinski - 462-4532
TBA	Central Valley	Bass	Dan Eaton - 336-2933

Fishouts are one of the most enjoyed activities our club offers. I highly recommend club members to attend and possibly organize one. If you are thinking about sponsoring a club fishout, please give me a call. Club fishouts can be structured in many ways from simple to involved. I will be glad to help you put one together. Call me, John Cook, at 688-1561.

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# Catchy Releases

## Coho Salmon Released in Marin County's Redwood Creek to Boost Spawning of Endangered Fish from <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/>

12 Jan 2018 01:01 PM PST

In an effort to boost the population of spawning coho salmon in Marin County's Redwood Creek, biologists from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and the National Park Service (NPS) today released nearly 200 adult coho salmon in the creek at Muir Beach.

The released coho salmon were collected as juveniles from Redwood Creek in the summer of 2015 at an age of 6 to 8 months and reared to adulthood at the Warm Springs Fish Hatchery in Geyersville at the base of the Lake Sonoma Dam.

The release of coho salmon this winter is the culmination of the Redwood Creek Coho Salmon Rescue and Captive Rearing Project. This project, a collaborative effort by CDFW, NPS, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the California Department of Parks and Recreation, was initiated in 2014 with the goal of preventing the extinction of the coho salmon, which is listed as an endangered species under both the California Endangered Species Act and the federal Endangered Species Act.

Prior to 2014, fewer than 10 adult coho salmon were estimated to have returned to Redwood Creek annually to spawn. The long decline of coho salmon in Redwood Creek has been accelerated by recent periods of poor ocean survival combined with the prolonged California drought. Coho salmon are more



sensitive to habitat degradation and poor water quality than other Pacific salmon species since they rear as juveniles in freshwater for a year or more.

Biologists hope that the released fish will migrate upstream and spawn in the creek. NPS monitoring staff will survey the creek in the summer of 2018 and collect tissue samples from juvenile fish. Genetic analysis of the tissue samples will indicate how many of the released adult fish produced viable offspring.

The first major release of adult coho salmon in Redwood Creek occurred in the winter of 2016. A third and final release of adult coho salmon is planned for the winter of 2018-19.

More information about the Redwood Creek Coho Salmon Rescue and Captive Rearing Project can be found on the CDFW website at [wildlife.ca.gov/Drought/Projects/Redwood-Creek-Coho](http://wildlife.ca.gov/Drought/Projects/Redwood-Creek-Coho). The Redwood Creek coho restoration project is part of a broader effort to sustain and restore coho salmon runs along the central and northern California coast.

### Media Contacts:

Peter Tira, CDFW Communications, (916) 322-8908

Manfred Kittel, CDFW Bay Delta Region, (707) 944-5522

Dana Polk, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, National Park Service, (415) 786-8021

Darren Fong, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, National Park Service, (415) 289-1838

## Cast of Thousands

### Miscellaneous Gear:

1. 12 wt., 9 ft., 4 piece Albright fly rod - \$200
  2. Ryall 2-3 wt. fly reel - \$100
  3. Tioga 7 wt. reel w/intermediate line - \$100
  4. SOSpenders life saver wader suspenders - \$50
- Call John at 831-476-0648; owlspad@me.com

### More Miscellaneous Gear:

1. Outcast Stealth Pro inflatable, hard and soft seat, storage bag included: \$500
  2. Minn Kota electric motor, 30 lb. thrust. 2 small batteries for motor, lightweight. \$150
  3. Garmin, fish finder for inflatable. \$60.
- Life vest- free with purchase.

*(All of the items are one year old, used once.)*

Robert Lowe, 408 335- 8000; Lbtrout@comcast.net



## Rod Tips

### Tips at Your Fly Tying Table *Submitted by Elaine Cook*



1. Use an empty Kleenex box to contain your scraps.
2. Clothes pins keep loose materials from blowing away.
3. Try a magnet for loose hooks. The small white square magnet that often comes in hook bags works well when glued to your vise base.
4. Recap your glue right away to keep from hardening in the tip. A hat or safety pin in the open hole can be a game saver. Also wipe the tip of the glue off before capping.

If you have other tips, don't hesitate to submit them to the newsletter so they may be shared with the membership.

# Catchy Releases

## Bringing the Paiute Cutthroat Trout Home

From <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/>

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) have returned a rare trout species to its home water after a 71-year absence.

In 1946, poachers were decimating the Paiute Cutthroat Trout (PCT), a species whose native range was limited to a nine-mile section of Silver King Creek (Alpine County). To ensure the species' survival, the USFS and Eastern Packers Association translocated 401 of these fish to North Fork Cottonwood Creek in Inyo County's White Mountains. This population has persisted in isolation from other forms of trout and has recently provided important restoration options for resource managers. None of this would have been possible without the foresight of concerned biologists seven decades ago.

The conservation history of this rare trout is complex. The initial "conservation" measure was entirely inadvertent. In the early 1900s, Basque shepherders in the area caught and transported PCT into the previously fishless portion of Silver King Creek above Llewellyn Falls. This early within-basin transfer was the salvation of the PCT, since non-native species were later introduced below the falls. The falls prevented non-natives from reaching the habitat above and protected PCT from hybridization and competition.

The FWS listed PCT as endangered under the Endangered Species Preservation Act of 1966 – the precursor to the federal Endangered Species Act (1973). The species was down-listed to threatened status in 1975, in order to facilitate management and restoration and to allow regulated angling. In 1994, CDFW, FWS and USFS began developing a restoration plan to remove non-native fishes from Silver King Creek and return the PCT to

its native waters. From 2013 to 2015, the partner agencies treated 11 stream miles of Silver King Creek and three tributaries below Llewellyn Falls with a fish toxicant, rotenone, to remove all non-native fish species.

The PCT population in Upper Fish Valley, an area of Silver King Creek above the falls, has been considered a primary source for restocking the recovery area. Unfortunately, that population was heavily impacted by the extreme 2012-2016 drought. During this extended drought, lack of snow cover resulted in the stream freezing almost solid during cold snaps. In order to offset the resulting population decline, the partner agencies caught 86 pure PCT in North Fork Cottonwood Creek. On August 23, 2017, the fish were planted back into Silver King Creek above Llewellyn Falls.

Agency staff met in the White Mountain Wilderness (Inyo National Forest) and, along with volunteers and pack mules, hiked from their campsite to North Fork Cottonwood Creek. There, the team used electrofishers to retrieve descendants of the fish moved back in 1946. The fish were hauled out by mule, put in a specialized transport truck, and driven approximately 100 miles to the Carson Iceberg Wilderness. Another mule team then hauled them back to Silver King Creek. Thanks to careful handling by the collection and transport teams, every fish survived the trip home.

Due to its limited habitat, the Paiute Cutthroat Trout has been called the rarest, but most recoverable, form of trout in the United States. With the most recent success of this partnership, and due in large part to the foresight of conservationists in the past, the future looks bright for this beautiful native salmonid.



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## GEARING UP

Los Baños Creek Reservoir - Mar. 27-29

*Fishmaster: Dan Eaton (831) 336-2933*



Los Banos Creek Reservoir has Bass and Bluegill with the option of fishing the O'Neill Fore Bay for Stripers and Bass only 20 miles away. Los Banos campground has 14 campsites with shaded tables and shade trees, non-potable water and campfire rings. Cost is \$20.00 per day per site. No reservations on campsites.

**Food** - Bring your own supplies for breakfast and lunch with plates, cups, bowls, and silverware. We will potluck for dinner. Bring your own meat. I will supply a BBQ, stove, and coffee pot plus washing up area for dishes.

Please bring some firewood and your own chair.

**Gear** - Float tube and fins, floating, intermediate, and fast sink lines. Call me regarding flies.

First 10 SCFF members only. Call any time. Dan Eaton, (831) 336-2933.

**Directions** - Once you get to San Louis Reservoir, continue on HY-152 past I-5. Take a right on Volta then left on Pioneer Rd. then right on Canyon Rd to Los Banos Creek Reservoir Park to the campground.



# GEARING UP

Pyramid Lake Fishout-Mar. 18th-24th 2018

**Fishmaster: Mike White - (831) 706-5556**

The Pyramid Lake fishout is one of the best-attended fishouts the club has, and for a good reason. Large fish cruise parallel to the shore in easy casting distance from shore. Cost for the week including meals and lodging and is around \$300+ per person depending on the number in attendance. You need not fish all six days as there may be openings (usually later in the week.) Contact Mike for more details (831) 706-5556, to check on openings, or be put on a waiting list. First come first served.

You can also make your own arrangements either by bringing your own RV (Crosby's Lodge has hook-ups and sells permits to park on the any of the beaches along the lake) or staying in Reno. Reno is 45 minutes away. Call Crosby's lodge to inquire about last minute cancellations in their cabins as well (775) 476-0400 and check out their website to see what the cabins look like at [www.crosbylodge.com](http://www.crosbylodge.com). The General Store in Sutcliff offers meals on selected nights only to those who call in before 2:00 PM. Check at the General Store for details.

**Equipment:** 6-9 weight rods with hi-speed, hi-D shooting heads or fast sink integrated lines to fish the bottom in 6 to 9 feet of water, and a floating line for indicator fishing. You should bring a stripping basket and a ladder that will accommodate it. A ladder helps to get you up out of the cold water and enable you to cast out to where the fish are. You can still catch fish without one but not with near as much consistency.

**Flies:** Woolly buggers in black, white, purple, olive, midge, caddis and mayfly nymphs to name a few. If as in years past the Con-fab in February is offering the opportunity to see how some of the best Pyramid patterns are made plan to attend and bring a vise and tie some yourself. Flies may also available from club member Jim Hall who ties some very good flies specific to Pyramid

cutthroat as well as other species at reasonable cost. His number is (831) 713-6835. There is a general store with provisions as well as tackle and an assortment of flies.

**How to get there:** Take US 80 to Reno-Sparks, take the Pyramid Blvd. off ramp and go north about 35 miles. Crosby Lodge is at Sutcliff, near the Ranger Station.

If you have any questions about equipment or how to get there, check the "Gearing up" columns in the March 2007-2009 archives on our great club website, or call Mike White at (831) 706-5556.

If you are considering going to Pyramid again this year with the club and you have not already done so, please contact the person who is booking the trailer you stayed in last year. Trailer-masters, if your trailer has gaps or cancellations, you can call Mike so he can pass the names of members who don't have lodging to fill the empty spots.

## Fishing, Camping, and New Ladder Regulation:

Fishing and camping permits can be purchased online prior to the fish-out. We would highly recommend doing this. Go to [www.plpt.nsn.us](http://www.plpt.nsn.us) to obtain your licenses. There is also an RV Park available at (775) 476-1155.

As with any great fishery there are always a long list of rules and regulations. We would recommend you review them on the website above. Suffice to say those of us who have been going to Pyramid Lake for many years are a good source of information as well. We will help inform and guide all newcomers.

15.6 USE OF LADDERS, ETC. Any ladders, milk crates, boxes or other objects used in the water as a fishing aid must be occupied or closely attended (i.e. remain in the area) by fishermen at all times.



## FIN FLUTTER



# LifeLines

## General Common-Sense Safety Precautions

From <http://www.fishing-tackle.us/safety.htm>

Fishing is a great pastime, but in order for it to be truly enjoyable, you must be safe. Keep these important guidelines and tips in mind for a safe fishing experience.

If you are fishing from a boat, be sure to wear a life jacket. Life jackets are also important if you are wading in deep waters that have strong currents. Even if you are an excellent swimmer, a life jacket can help keep you safe in the event that you fall and hit your head.

If you are fishing in unknown waters with a strong current, go with a friend. Always carefully check out the area before wading in, and when you do wade in, do so carefully. Take one step at a time to feel for any deep drop-offs that would put you over your head.

Bring along a first-aid kit with bandages, antiseptic, pain reliever, anti-inflammatory medication, and a bee-sting kit if you are allergic.

Remember, the hooks on the end of your line are very sharp. Before you make a cast, make sure there is no one behind you. And once you catch your fish, never grab it near where it's hooked. If the fish wiggles the wrong way, the hook could get caught in your hand.

To protect yourself from other angler's hooks, wear a baseball hat and **polarized** sunglasses. These items will also help you see into the water and spot fish, and will protect you from the sun.

Always wear sunblock and bug spray, and carry extra in your tackle box. Remember, the more comfortable you are the longer you'll be able to fish. And the longer you can fish, the more fish you'll catch!

*Fishing Safety, published by the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation.*

## Trout Facts

<http://troutster.com/brown-trout-facts/>

**Fact #1:** The brown eats 90% of its food under the surface of the water. These trout eat more than 90% of their food sub surface. So, next time you are dead set on fishing dry flies you might want to reconsider. There are certainly days where you will catch more fish on the surface during a hatch, but not always. Keep this in mind next time you are out fishing for the elusive monster brown trout. Throughout the entire year there are always nymphs and baitfish available underwater for the trout to eat, but there certainly aren't always flies on the surface of the water. The trout often times just won't be watching the surface for food. You can float over them all day with a dry fly, if they aren't looking you aren't going to catch them.

**Fact #2:** Did you know that many brown trout live in the sea? There are healthy populations of these fish that live in saltwater. They spend most of their lives eating the plentiful supplies of bait fish in the salt and brackish water. They will migrate annually to fresh water in order to breed. Their natural instinct is to ascend rivers to breed, and they will often go as far as they can get in order to do so. The same applies to these fish in the great lakes. They spend most of their lives in deep water out in the lakes, only coming in to rivers to spawn. They usually spawn in October and November, this is one of the few times in many of their lives that they are susceptible to predation. The spawning migration also

coincides with the migration of the salmon. This will frequently lead to very large lake/sea runs accidentally being caught by salmon fisherman that otherwise would not have been caught.

**Fact #3:** Brown trout can lay more than 10,000 eggs! The survival rate of an individual trout egg is infinitesimally small. Out of the thousands of eggs that are laid by a spawning brown, very few will ever make it to adulthood to spawn themselves. It would be a common scenario for most of the eggs to never have the opportunity to hatch. Of the few that hatch, very few would make it past a few weeks of age. The surviving trout that make it past the "fry" stage will have a great survival instinct, know where to hide and where they are safe. Once they reach a few inches they will begin to grow quickly, but they are still threatened throughout their life by birds, other trout and of course fisherman.



**Fact #4:** The Brown trout has been stocked in 45 states in the US. There is a self-sustaining population in 34 of the 50 states. They need temperatures that are relatively cold for its survival. Many states have tried to stock them but were unsuccessful. The preferred temperature is 56-66 degrees F. They can tolerate a lot warmer water than many other trout, but still need cold oxygen-rich water to thrive.



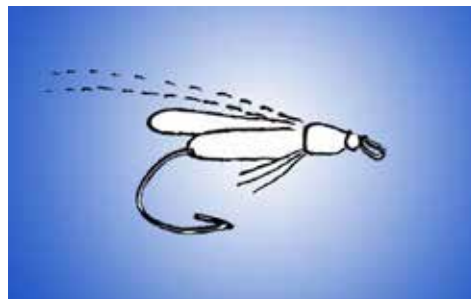
Take your Valentine  
fishing!

# FLY OF THE MONTH

L.A. Times Caddis Emerger  
*Submitted by Elaine Cook*

*This emerging pattern mimics the caddis pupa in the surface film. It's not real visible to the fisherman, but is keyed on by trout during a hatch. At this stage, the insect is very vulnerable. You will not find this pattern in fly shops as it was fashioned after an actual caddis.*

**Hook:** TMC, TFS 100 or other similar dry fly hook size 12-14  
**Thread:** Tan or rusty dun 8/0  
**Body:** Pale yellow superfine dubbing  
**Wing:** L.A. Times newspaper tying string. This is probably impossible to find. Look for strictly plastic cellophane type ribbon or paper. Or perhaps flytying wing material. Material needs to be transparent, thin, and flexible.  
**Antennae:** Barred Wood Duck  
**Beard:** Hungarian Partridge  
**Thorax:** Tan superfine dubbing  
**Head:** Tan 8/0 thread



1. Crimp barb.
2. Attach thread mid shank, wrap to rear of shank.
3. Dub cigar shaped body up to one eye length behind eye.
4. Cut plastic wing 3/16" wide and rounded at one end. Position on top of body, It will wrap down sides of body. Rounded end extending to one eye length beyond body. Tie in place, and 1/4 back on shank.
5. Turn hook upside down in vise. Hold tip of partridge feather, stroke most of barbs to rear, leaving about a dozen in original position. Position with tips to rear of hook. Make 2 thread wraps. Pull forward on stem to position tops 3/4 back on shank. Tie in place.
6. Turn hook upright in vise.
7. Cut one barb from Wood Duck feather. Position on far side of shank, tip to rear extending hook shank length beyond body, the curve of the bar down. Tie in place, cut excess.
8. Repeat with barb on near side of shank. Pinch sides of shank holding antennae in position, wrap thread 1/3 back on shank.
9. Dub a thorax up to near hook eye.
10. Wrap a thread head.
11. Whip finish, cut thread.

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## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Halibut Roasted in Prosciutto

*From the Fast Fish cookbook, by Hugh Carpenter and Terri Sandison*

### Ingredients:

- ½ cup tapenade
- 2 Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- 2 Tbsp. chopped fresh basil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 Tbsp. grated lime zest
- ½ tsp. chile sauce
- ½ tsp salt
- 8 (4 by 8-inch) paper-thin prosciutto slices
- 1 1.2 pounds halibut filet, cut into 8 square pieces

### Directions:

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F. In a bowl, combine the tapenade, olive oil, basil, garlic, lime zest, chile sauce and salt, and mix well. Lay the pieces of prosciutto out on a work surface. Position a piece of fish at one end of each piece of meat. Top the fish with a spoonful of the tapenade mixture. Fold the long end of the prosciutto over the fish and tuck the edges in underneath.

Place the fish packages in a baking dish. Roast for 12 minutes, until the fish flakes when prodded with a fork. Transfer to dinner plates and serve at once.





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					Groundhog Day	
4	5	6	7 <i>Last Qtr</i> ☾ Club Meeting 7 PM Aptos Grange	8 Pour Tap Room 110 Cooper St. 6-9 PM	9	10
11	12	13	14 Fly Tying 7 PM Aptos Grange <i>Ash Wednesday Valentine's Day</i>	15 <i>NewMoon</i> ●	16	17
18	19 Presidents' Day	20	21 Board Meeting 7 PM Steele home	22	23 <i>1st Qtr</i> ☽	24
25 Newsletter Deadline	26	27	28			

# MARCH 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7 Club Meeting 7 PM Aptos Grange	8	9 <i>Last Qtr</i> ☾	10
11 DST Begins	12	13	14 Fly Tying 7 PM Aptos Grange	15	16	17 <i>NewMoon</i> ● St. Patricks Day
18 Pyramid ←	19 Lake Fishout	20 1st Day of Spring	21 Board Meeting 7 PM Steele home	22	23	24 <i>1st Qtr</i> ☽ →
25 Newsletter Deadline Palm Sunday	26	27 Los ←	28 Baños Creek	29 Fishout →	30 Good Friday Passover	31 <i>FullMoon</i> ●