

The Shasta Caster

The Monthly newsletter of the Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers,
An organization dedicated to fly fishing and individuals who love the sport.

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August 2009

The President's _____ Line

I guess I should start this month's message by reporting on my condition after suffering a heart attack. Things are looking up; I'm getting stronger each day and hope to be back to normal by the first of September, if not sooner. Bonnie has the hard part with me bouncing off the walls, but then I guess our loved ones have the hardest job of all, putting up with our type "A" personalities. I can't wait to get back to the streams. I feel very humbled by all of the get well cards I received. What a great bunch of club members; I thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

By now most of you have your shirts and I hope you're as satisfied as I am; they sure fit nice. If you haven't picked up your order, or want a shirt, see **Dick Recchia** or **Jerry Marks** for one of the extras we ordered.

Fly tying is doing well under **Allen Slattery** and if you haven't attended a session, then plan on doing it soon. Remember you don't have to be an expert, just interested in learning.

How about our club outings? Under **Jerry Marks** and his team of Fish Masters they have been great. Each one is a new experience and a chance to visit new waters as well as make new friends. Come on out for the next one, I think you will enjoy the experience.

Jim Shilling is doing a great job as our conservation director. His projects with F&G have been very interesting. (*That is unless you have a heart attack like me.*) He can use several more volunteers, so how about it, give him a call and spend a few hours doing something for the resources.

Speaking of volunteering, all of our committees can use some extra help. Do you have a few hours - get involved - it is your club.

Warren Carlson, our representative on the NCCFFC, is doing a FFF membership drive -- are you a member? Give Warren a call or see him at a meeting; he would be pleased to sign you up. If we get 15 new members, the club gets a TFO rod to raffle off.

Thanks to **Walt Cole** for the coffee and cookies at the meetings. Now here is a place that you might see if you could help out!

We have a lot planned for the fall season, so stay tuned and stay well.

Tight Lines,

Bill Lenheim
President 2009
223-6090

STFF welcomes the following new members:

Patty Ritter
238 Wilshire Drive
Redding, CA 96001

Eric Fields
3700 Churn Creek Rd., Apt. 91
Redding, CA 96002

Also, please change Norm Brown's email address in your roster to normanbrown@charter.net.

If you have not yet picked up your new Membership Roster, see Doug Christion at the next meeting or call him at 275-9951

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Calendar of Events

August 2009

- Every **MONDAY** – 6:00 p.m.
Open Casting Practice
Redding Convention Center Lawn
- 2-6** Fishout – Klamath Lake
Fishmaster – Fred David
- 4** Tuesday Fly Tying Jam Session
Good Time Pizza, Palo Cedro
5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- 5** Board of Directors Meeting
Offices of Matson & Isom
292 Hemsted, Redding
Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.
- 12** Membership Meeting
Redding Library at 7:00 p.m.
Stillwater Fly Fishing
Benson Kanemoto
- 14** Fishout – Iron Canyon Reservoir
Fishmaster – Don Wieseman
- 27** Breakfast gathering
Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.

September 2009

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STFF 2009 FISHOUT SCHEDULE

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>FISHMASTER</u>
August	Sun-Thursday 2-6	Klamath Lake, OR	Fred David
September	Friday 11	Upper Sac.	Gerald Nelson
September	Wednesday 23	McCloud Res.	Bill Hale
October	Sun-Wed 25-29	Rogue River	Jerry Marks
November	Thu-Sat 5-7	Delta Striperfest	Art Agnew
November	Thursday 12*	Trinity Steelhead	Ross Morrison
*(note change of date)			
December	Friday 11	Lower Sac Float	Walt Cole

Bonus Fishouts to be announced. All fishouts are subject to change.

Kids Fish Day Mt. Shasta Hatchery

The Kids had a fun Fish Day at the Hatchery and even with hot temperatures by early afternoon, 638 adults brought 777 kids who caught 1079 fish. The club had 5 members who volunteered. Next one is Aug 22nd.

Klamath Lake Fishout

Aug. 2nd to Aug. 6th

Fishmaster – Fred David

The Klamath Lake fishout will be from Sunday August 2 to Thursday August 6. The festivities will be held at the **Rocky Point Resort**. Oregon fishing licenses are available at the Resort.

Floating craft are a necessity as there is very limited shore access. Float tubes, pontoon boats, prams or larger boats all can be used successfully.

The lake is shallow with an average depth of 6 feet. Intermediate and Camo lines work best. A 6 or 7 wt. rod can handle the wind as well as the very large fish that are hooked.

Flies mainly imitate the leeches and minnows of the lake. Using a Denny Rickard's Seal Bugger consistently takes fish. Marabou and Mohair leeches also work well.

Last year, **Benson Kanemoto** got the largest fish on a size 16 midge larva under an indicator. (Released but estimated to be at least 12 lbs)

We plan on having the potluck dinner on Monday night. My wife and I will be camped in site 14 which has hookups. The resort also has tent sites, cabins, and sites with only water and electricity. Call **Linda** or **Larry Merry**, owners of the resort to reserve a campsite. (541) 356-2287.

I can be reached at (530) 365-2949 (home) or (530) 945-9155 (cell) if anyone has any questions.

Rocky Point Resort is located at the Northwest shore of Lake Klamath at Pelican Bay. Besides this Blue Ribbon Stillwater fishery there are other opportunities including bird watching, and over 10 miles of canoe and kayaking trails through the National/Wildlife Refuge. The Williamson and Wood rivers are close by and it's only a short drive to Crater Lake National Park.

Fishout Attendees – There are two easy ways to sign up for the fishouts, at the meetings or by calling the Fishmaster. If you sign up and then find you will be absent, please advise the Fishmaster. This is so we can better serve our members by appropriate planning for each fishout.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Your Fishout committee Co-chairs – Earl Johnston & Jerry Marks

IRON CANYON RESERVOIR FISHOUT

Friday, August 14, 2009

DEPARTURE TIME 7:30 AM

MEETING SITE: We will meet at the **My-T-Fine Market** parking lot, corner of Hwy 299 and Deschutes Rd. in Bella Vista. Those wishing to car pool can hook up there. **Arrive early as we will depart promptly at 7:30AM and caravan to the lake.**

TARGET SPECIES: Rainbow and Brown Trout

EQUIPMENT: 5-7 wt rods. Floating or sinking lines work depending on your technique.

FLY PATTERNS: Midge pupa (brassies, zebra midges (18-22 in brown, black and olive) San Juan worms (12-14 in red) Midge larva (22-14 in red) PT nymphs and Birds Nest (#16) you should also carry an assortment of wooly buggers in black and olive.

WATERCRAFT: Motor boats, pontoon boats, float tube, pram, whatever works for you.

FISHMASTER: **Don Wieseman** 549-3714

FOOD: Coffee and donuts in the morning. Please bring your own lunch and beverage. Ice cold watermelon will be provided after lunch.

Please sign up at the August 12th meeting or call the Fishmaster.

Broken Lines

The next club project that I'm trying to get going is repairing angler survey signs at twenty-one various locations. Big thanks to **Dan Wittorff** who volunteered to lend his carpentry skills to making and painting the wooden plaques for the signs. The next step is to get coordinated with the Dept. of Fish and Game. I expect that to happen soon and then I'll get an organizational meeting scheduled so I can pass out the signs and cans of spray paint and steel wool to clean up the sign posts. So far we have been asked to repair signs on the Upper Sac (6), Pit River (2), Fall River (2), Upper Klamath (5), Hat Creek (4), and the McCloud River (2). If you fish these rivers and would be interested in putting up the signs and refurbishing the sign posts please let me know (474-6187 or shilling_7982@yahoo.com).

As I was driving home from the recent fish out at Manzanita Lake it occurred to me that I didn't complete an Angler Survey form. I wouldn't be surprised if most of the other club members were like me and also didn't complete a form. Since the club is taking on this project I would ask that after you fish in a Wild Trout river or Lake you would consider completing an Angler Survey card. I think it's particularly important if you notice some issues going on with the lake or stream that DFG might not be aware of.

As always, I'm open to any suggestions for conservation projects you might have.

Jim Shilling - Conservation Director

Pictures from the Red Band Trout Survey



MANZANITA LAKE FISHOUT June 27, 2009 Lassen Park

Under sunny skies, 16 members showed up at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and donuts provided by **Jerry Marks**. In addition to the STFF members the **Diablo Valley Fly Fishers** were also in attendance.

The STFF attendees were **Tom Taylor, Jim Murphy, Gerald and Linda Nelson, Dick and Sandy Johnson, Tim Peters, Dick Recchia, Jim Jensen, Barry Miller, Ron Gustafson, Warren Carlson, Jim Shilling, KaiKong Yee**, plus Fishmaster **Allen Slattery** and Outing coordinator **Jerry Marks**.

Tom Taylor landed a 17 plus inch brown on a size 18 zebra midge, Gerald Nelson landed 2 trout and Linda Nelson 1. Dick Johnson caught a nice fish on a Rad Gnat, and Jim Jensen reported a 16 inch and 15 inch rainbow on a green bugger and size 18 bead head AP nymph. The rest of us went fishless, but all reported good luck at the donut and coffee hole.

The lake was beautiful as always and the weather was wonderfully cool.



Bamboo Fly Rod Raffle Results - Drawing July 4th

The winner of the Rolf Baginski Bamboo Fly Rod is:
STFF member Dick Poole, Anderson, CA

We thank all those who participated in this fund raising effort.

Sell or trade Fly Fishing Gear

STFF members who are interested in selling or trading fly fishing gear are urged to use:

The Northern California Fly Fishing Board website – www.ncffb.org

Note: In order to use the classified ad section, you must register on the site.

Click on classified ads and follow the directions.

Notice to STFF members:

The Board has elected to not participate in the Salmon festival any longer.

Upper Sac Fishout Report

By Gerald F. Nelson

It was on the 18th anniversary of the Cantera Loop spill that 14 members of STFF stood in front of Ted Fay's Flyshop eating donuts, chatting, walking in and out and watching Jerry hawk his donuts. After an informative session on how best to fish the mighty Upper Sacramento River, presented by Bob Grace owner of Ted Fay Flyshop, we all paired up and headed for the river.

Tom Taylor and his guest **Richard Ryan** came up empty handed but reported that Tom hooked one and had two additional good strikes. They said that it was a totally beautiful day despite the lack of fish to hand.

Brad Best fished from Ney Springs to Cantera Loop hooking five and landing one. They were all small fish but if they can get in the currents they will easily throw your debarbed hook. **Doug Christian** believes that there is hope for him since he came away with his first mighty six inch Upper Sac Bow. **Robert Vanderhyde** reported that he had a good day both at Ted Fay's and on the water with one good hookup and another bump at Conant.

Dan Perrine and friend **Rick Bonetti** fished both North of Dunsmuir near Mossbrae Falls and south at Conant; to their dismay they caught nothing. To rub salt into their wounds a man and his two children cast out a lure and had a fish on immediately. Let's hope that the lure was barbless and his release timely. **Dick Recchio** reported three small fish landed and one nice fish leapt his way to freedom.

Tim Peters and **Allen Slattery** teamed up to bring in the largest to hand count of us all with five to hand, three for Tim and two for Allen. They also report a number of hookups and hits. As for myself I hooked five and landed one. One nice fish was almost to hand and flipped me off, another nice bow led me on a chase through two plunge pools (*I was determined to land him*) and on navigating a large rock at the third plunge pool he broke the surface and said "arrivederci".

All in all I think we had a very nice day. Thanks to all who participated and a special thank you to **Bob Grace** for his generous gift of time and knowledge.



SAVE A LIFE LEARN CPR

The majority of our membership is over age 65 and the chance of a heart attack or stroke increases with age. We all go fishing in places far away from medical facilities with no cell phone service. This decreases our chance of survival if stricken. However, if our fishing buddy knows CPR it could change things. Not to mention the life saving aspects of rendering CPR while the Paramedics are in route after calling 911 any place, any time.

STFF is hosting a CPR class on August 20th at the Redding library at 2PM for its members and their families. We have made arrangements for a Certified CPR instructor to teach the class for the reduced rate of \$20.00 per person. This is about half the going rate and the best insurance buy of your life. The class takes just 3 hours and you can earn a 2 year certification.

If you are interested in attending please email **Jerry Marks** marks@clearwire.net or sign up at the July Meeting. This class will be fun. Spouses are encouraged to attend. We will learn the "mouth to mouth" method. Refreshments will be served.

Tight lines and long life,
Your STFF hospitality committee

OCTOBER FISHOUT
SECOND ANNUAL STEELHEAD ADVENTURE & BASH
ON THE ROGUE RIVER
October 25-28

HEADQUARTERS AT SHADY COVE, OR.

Wade and/or float the world famous HOLY WATER to Touvelle and beyond! Low, E-Z to wade flows!

MOTELS

Edgewater Inn (modern) 1-888-811-3171 Nightly rates: \$106 for 2 queen beds with river view or \$81 with no river view. \$117 for 1 king & kitchen. Continental breakfast included 6:30 to 9:30am
Royal Coachman (rustic) 541-878-2481 Nightly rates: \$50 for 1 bed, \$60 for 2 beds, plus room tax.

RV PARKS (both located on river)

Rogue River RV Park 541-878-2404 (**Headquarters**) \$37.56 river view, \$28.89 no river view per night.
Fly Casters RV Park 1-800-806-4075

FLY SHOP & PONTOON BOAT RENTAL

Fishin Hole Fly Shop 541-878-4000 Call for rental rates.

FOOD

Two Pines Smoke House Open 8am to 8pm
Picnic Basket Deli 541- 878-4003(order by 6pm for next day pick up at 8am) Open 8am to 6pm.
Miguel's Mexican Restaurant 541-878-9431
Bel Di's Restaurant Five star dining on the river (expensive)

RECOMMENDED GEAR

Cleated wading boots, wading staff, winter clothing, rain gear, 6wt-8wt rods, and 6 to 12# test leader, 1x-3x tippet. This river is famous for indicator nymph fishing and swinging nymph patterns. Trinity River flies will work just fine. A "StreamTime" map of the Rogue is available at THE FLY SHOP. Jeff Fox, co-owner and guide at the Rogue Fly Shop (at Grants Pass 541-476-0552) is our guest speaker for the October 14th meeting and will discuss flies, techniques and tactics for our fishout on the Rogue. Jeff will demonstrate how to tie some of his favorite flies at 6 pm before the meeting. Materials will be available.

FUN EVENTS

Jeff Fox will lead a **fly tying jam session** Sunday evening so bring your tools. Materials provided by STFF. Non-tiers are welcome to participate in the tall tales. Cocktails available if you bring your own.

We will have a **POT LUCK BBQ & cocktail party** on Monday evening. Please bring your own meat, beverage, and a side dish, salad or desert. Who brings what to be determined by Oct 15th.

GUIDE SERVICE DISCOUNTED RATES We have made special arrangements with the Rogue Fly Shop for guides. Rates vary from \$375 to \$325 for 2 rods including lunch, depending on how many guides our club members hire. A \$50 deposit is required and is refundable until 10/12 or later if they re-book your reservation. Please call them to book and advise Jerry so we can have advance knowledge of our rate. It's the busy season, so don't wait; first come, first served.

FISHING LICENSE: \$12.00-1 day, \$22.50-2 days, \$33.00-3 days are available in advance via fax or mail at Oregon Fish and Wildlife, www.dfw.state.or.us/ or at the Fishin Hole if their computer is up. Suggest advance purchase.

TO SIGN UP: Please contact **Jerry Marks** marks@clearwire.net 365-6893 no later than Oct 14th. Singles wanting to partner up for room and/or guide please coordinate with Jerry.

Please make your own rooming and RV space reservation. First come, first served. Remember to say you are a STFF member for the discount rate.

For more information and a business directory, please go online to www.shadycove.net/

Tuesday Fly Tying

August 4, 2009 - 5:30 to 8:30 PM

Good Time Pizza, 22049 Old 44 Drive, Palo Cedro (1 block east of Deschutes)

It's Hopper time!!

Allen Slattery will demonstrate two or three hopper ties. Bring your own tools and materials.

Please plan to spend a few minutes cleaning up when we're finished.

You are responsible for your own food and drinks.

Foam Hopper

Hook: TMC 200R Size 8 or equivalent
Body: 1/8 " tying foam, yellow or brown
Antennae: Yellow spanflex or Superfloss
Wings: Over wing brown deer hair
Under wing Pheasant rump
Legs: Brown rubber legs
Thread: 6/0 brown or yellow to match body

Dave's Hopper (my way)

Hook: TMC 5412 or Mustad 94831, size 10
Body: Yellow Superfine Dubbing
Tail: Red hackle barbs
Wing: Turkey feather barbs, Underwing Deer or Elk hair
Hackle: Brown or furnace

Parachute Hopper

Hook: Mustad 94831 Size 8, 2 X fine, 2 X long, or similar hook
Body: Tan Superfine Dubbing or equivalent
Rib: Very fine copper wire
Wing: Turkey quill barbs coated with fleximent or spray fixative
Post: White calf body hair
Hackle: Grizzly dry fly hackle
Legs: Pheasant tail fibers

STFF Members are saddened by the recent loss of fellow member Max DeBlander. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during this difficult time.

Newsletter Editors Bary and Marsha Caranci are pleased to welcome Jim Jensen aboard as "Editor in Training". Jim's help in producing this edition of the August Shasta Caster has been much appreciated. Jim looks forward to taking over the job in the near future, so please start sending copies of any submissions to the newsletter to him at jroyj@aol.com.

Thanks, Jim, for volunteering for this important club position.

****STFF MEMBERS****

Please wear your Name Badges at all Club Functions
Thank You

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August Membership Meeting
Wednesday, August 12 7:00 p.m.
Redding Library

Still Water Fly Fishing

This month we are pleased to have STFF member **Benson Kanemoto** give a presentation on how to effectively fly fish still waters. Benson is one of our most gifted fly fishers and fly tiers, and those who have fished with him quickly learn of his patience, skill, dedication to fly fishing, and uncanny ability to fool fish anywhere, anytime. Benson has mastered fly fishing in still waters and will reveal his learned experiences.

Benson is a FFF Life Member and has received many accolades for his fly tying abilities and teaching skills. He began demonstrating his tying skills at local NCCFFF Conclaves, Hall of Fame Tying Expos, and ISE Sport Shows, and starting in 1990 became a regular tier at FFF Conclaves.

To quote his good friend Marty Seldon, "*Benson is about as dedicated a world-class fly fisher as they come. First on and the last off the water and perhaps it's the right kind pheromones, but Benson is clearly in the 5% of the fisherman(sic) getting 90% of the fish category.*"

This is a very special program presented by a very special person and should not be missed by anyone interested in learning more about how to fish our local still waters.

