

# 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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June 2010

## *The President's \_\_\_\_\_ Line*

At the last Board of Director's meeting, the board members engaged in a lively discussion regarding our club's purpose and objectives. Yes, we operate to provide fun and fellowship for our members...plenty of fish-outs...donuts and coffee...fly tying...and lot's of other good activities.

**But when our club was formed, what did the founding members have in mind for the Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers?**

The answer can be found in a section of the bylaws [shown below], which really outlines the reasons our club was formed.

### STFF Mission Statement

- (a) *To advance, promote, and teach the art and science of fly fishing by presenting educational programs and by teaching the techniques and ethics of fly fishing and the practice of "catch and release"; and to teach the art of tying and constructing artificial flies;*
- (b) *To promote conservation of public recreational resources and protection and preservation of the populations of wild fresh water, salt water, and migratory game fish in our streams and lakes;*
- (c) *To monitor local waters and bring to the attention of the public and governmental agencies issues, which threaten the conservation, and protection of fresh water, salt water, and migratory game fish;*
- (d) *To encourage and practice the high standards of sportsmanship associated with fly fishing;*
- (e) *To support fly fishers' interests in assuring that suitable portions of public waters be reserved for angling with artificial flies only;*
- (f) *To encourage family and youth participation in activities of the organization and to provide instruction in all phases of fly fishing for children and adults;*
- (g) *To actively participate in restoration projects by making donations to organizations which are pursuing the activities consistent with the purposes of the club.*

As we continue to grow and function as an effective organization, I hope all of our members will evaluate each of our activities against the criteria that are stated in our mission statement.

**In that regard, our goal should be to earn an A+ in items "a" through "g"!** Dick Recchia, President

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**Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers - Annual June Barbecue - Plus Swap Meet/Garage Sale**  
**Wednesday June 9, 2010 - Anderson River Park - Barbecue Area #1**  
**Swap Meet/Garage Sale 4:00PM - Barbeque 6:00PM**

That's right – again this year we will have a Swap Meet/Garage Sale prior to the Barbecue. **(Note: Fishing items only allowed)** Members need to bring their own table and chair for the Swap Meet/Garage Sale.

Dick Johnson and crew will prepare the tri-tip with all the fixings. Bring your own beverages and **please remember that no glass containers are allowed in the Anderson River Park.** Decaf coffee will be available. Although there are benches available members may consider bringing lawn chairs.

This year all tickets will be sold at the event. **The cost will be \$7.00 each.** Come and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow STFF members.

**For more information or questions, please contact Dick Johnson 246-7212**

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## Club Officers and Directors

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## Calendar of Events

### June 2010

1	Beginners Fly Casting Class – 6:00 PM Redding Convention Center Lawn
2	Board of Directors Meeting Offices of Matson & Isom 292 Hemsted, Redding Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.
8	Beginners Fly Casting Class – 6:00 PM Redding Convention Center Lawn
9	<b>Annual Barbeque &amp; Swap/Garage Sale</b> Anderson River Park – 6:00 p.m.
10	Fellowship Breakfast Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.
12	Spey Casting Day on the River Barge Hole Gravel Bar 8:30 a.m.
14	Fishout - Crater Lake, CA Fishmaster – Robert Vanderhyde
15	Beginners Fly Casting Class – 6:00 PM Redding Convention Center Lawn
22	<b>Open Fly Casting Practice – 6:00 PM</b> Redding Convention Center Lawn
24	Fellowship Breakfast Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.
25-27	Fishout - Almanor Hex Hatch Fishmaster – Dale Huffman
29	<b>Open Fly Casting Practice – 6:00 PM</b> Redding Convention Center Lawn

### July 2010

	<b>Every Tuesday</b> <b>Open Casting Practice–6:00 p.m.</b> Redding Convention Center Lawn
7	Board of Directors Meeting Offices of Matson & Isom 292 Hemsted, Redding Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.
7	Fishout – McCloud Res. Fishmaster – Earl Johnston
8	Fellowship Breakfast Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.
14	Membership Meeting Redding Library at 7:00 p.m.
17	Fishout – Upper Sac. Fishmaster – Gerald Nelson
18	Spey Casting Clinic Barge Hole Gravel Bar 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
22	Fellowship Breakfast Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.

## STFF 2010 TENTATIVE FISHOUT SCHEDULE

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>FISHMASTER</u>
June	Monday	14	Crater Lake, CA	Robert Vanderhyde
June	Fri-Sun	25-27	Almanor Hex	Dale Huffman
July	Wednesday	7	McCloud Res.	Earl Johnston
July	Saturday	17	Upper Sac.	Gerald Nelson
August	Mon-Thur	2-5	Klamath Lake, OR	Fred David
August	Wednesday	18	Iron Canyon Res.	Don Wieseman
September	Tuesday	7	Baum Lake	Alan Jones
September	Tuesday	21	Whiskeytown Lake	
October	Sun-Tue	10-12	Eagle Lake	J. & G. Fair
October	Tuesday	19	Manzanita Lake	Allen Slattery
October	Sun-Wed	24-27	Rogue River	Jerry Marks
November	Thurs-Sun	4-7	Delta Striperfest	Art Agnew
November	Thursday	18	Trinity Steelhead	Ross Morrison
December	Saturday	4 (11 alt.)	Lower Sac	Alan Jones

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

### CRATER LAKE CALIFORNIA FISHOUT

Monday - June 14 - 6800' elevation

**High winds, Snow, or threat of Snow cancel the fishout!**

**Fishmaster:** Robert Vanderhyde (530-241-6906 or [r21vande@charter.net](mailto:r21vande@charter.net))

**Date & Time:** Monday June 14, 2010 7:30 AM

**Meeting Place and Directions to Fishing Site:** We will leave promptly at 7:30 from the Holiday Market parking lot, Palo Cedro. From Holiday market, go east on Hwy 44 to Bogard Rest Area / USFS Work Center. This is a little less than 1 ½ hrs. We'll take a break with coffee and donuts at the rest area and re-group before we head to the lake (across the highway). 7 miles of good gravel road takes you to the lake.

**Targeted Species:** Rainbow trout  
**Wading, Floating, or Both:** Both wading and floating  
**Watercraft:** Optional - **Boat Motors Not Allowed**  
**Lunch:** Lunch will be provided

**Recommended Gear**

**Outfit Size:** 4-6 Weight Rods  
**Line:** Floating, Intermediate, Sinktip  
**Leaders:** 5x-7x; 7-12 foot for dries, 4-7 foot for wet flies  
**Flies:** Stillwater patterns: Midges, Glen Pudwill's "B" fly, Copper Johns, Pheasant Tails, Woolly Buggers, Dark Lords, Parachute Adams, Adams, Griffiths Gnats, Mosquitoes.

**Additional Information:** These trout are mostly 7-12 inches and hungry! Floating, sink-tip, and intermediate lines all work well. **Parking at the lake is VERY limited, so carpooling is recommended.**

### KIDS FISH DAY at MT. SHASTA HATCHERY 2010

It is that time of the year again; --The Kids Fish Days will be held on June 19<sup>th</sup>, July 17<sup>th</sup> and August 21<sup>st</sup>. This is an annual event put on by the Dept of Fish and Game and helped out by the local merchants and clubs. Our club is a proud donor and also has several volunteers each year to help with packaging worms, repairing and untangling fishing lines, and many other things. This is a great event for kids up to 15 years old. We need volunteers to help out with the various functions so please sign up at the next meeting. The hours are from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 2:00 p.m. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Lunch will be furnished for all volunteers. **Contact Earl Johnston for info: 275-0206 or [johnstonle@aol.com](mailto:johnstonle@aol.com)**

**STFF Members: Please remember to wear your Name Badge to all Club Functions**

## ANNUAL LAKE ALMANOR FISHOUT

Fri to Sun, June 25 - 27, 2010

**Fishmaster:** Dale Huffman - 221-4988 - [dalesfishing@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dalesfishing@sbcglobal.net)

**Time:** It's time for the Hexagenia to be stirring the spirit of fisherman (and fisherwomen) as well as the Lake Almanor trout and smallmouth bass to key in on the muddy bottom areas of the lake.

**Meeting Place:** We will be staying at the Almanor South campgrounds (US forest service).

**Directions:**

- From Redding go south on I-5 to Red Bluff
- Take the Antelope exit and turn left (east)
- Just before you drive out of Red Bluff turn left on Hwy 36 toward Chester
- Turn south on Hwy 89 just before you enter Chester
- Drive approx. 7 mi. and turn left on Almanor Dr.  
(there is a rest area on the right of Hwy 89 across from the turn)
- The road curves to the right, the campground will be on your right (**if you go down the hill to the lake you missed the turn**). **Do not turn onto West Almanor Dr.**, it's the road just before Almanor Dr. and a pain to get turned around on.

**Targeted Species:** Trout and Bass

**Recommended Gear:** Five wt. Rods and higher are advised due to the size of the fish. The fish do not seem to be too leader shy when the hatch is on, so heavy leaders can be used.

**Flies and Angling method:** To match the hatch; there are several types of Hex dries and nymphs. Other flies like wooly buggers and leech patters may also be effective. Some type of boat, float tube or raft is useful due to limited shore fishing. The Hex hatch is usually the heaviest from around 7:00 P.M. until dark. Hexagenia live in tunnels in the muddy bottom making these areas the preferred fishing spots.

**Fishmaster's note:** A roster of some kind will be placed on the bulletin board on the right side as you enter the campgrounds. Please put your name, campsite number and number of persons in your party when you get the time.

There will be a potluck on Saturday evening prior to going fishing, so bring your favorite dish and join the fun. Most evenings have a short get-together after fishing to swap fishing stories (lies) and socialize.

**For further information contact the Fishmaster**

### McCloud Res. Fishout Wednesday, July 7

**Fishmaster:** Earl Johnston [johnstonle@aol.com](mailto:johnstonle@aol.com) 275-0206

**Meeting place & time:** Behind McDonalds, 81 Lake Blvd. Redding. (Take I-5 to the 299 exit, go West, just past Market St and turn left to McDonalds) **Departure promptly at 7:30am.**

**Species:** Rainbow and Brown Trout

**Equipment:** 4 - 6 wt rods. Sink tip lines 10 to 20 ft. with 9' leader & 4X tippet or indicator with long leader, 6 to 10'.

**Flies:** Your favorite lake flies and be sure to bring Olive & Black Wooly Bugger patterns, size 8,10

**Fishmaster's Note:** **This is a boat necessary event. You will need a watercraft. Any kind of boat; Motors are fine.**

**Coffee and Donuts will be served at the boat launch. Please bring your lunch and drinks.**

Please sign up at the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting or call the Fishmaster to do so. If you sign up and are unable to attend or if you did not sign up and wish to attend, please advise the Fishmaster at least 24 hours before the meeting time.

## Fishout Report - Lewiston Lake - April 24



Great weather and the Yuba Flyfishers greeted this year's Fishout. Approximately eight of their members made the long trek over for this Fishout. Among them was **Jim Fuji**, a fellow I met many years ago on the Mad River and a friend of **Stew Stewart**. I enjoyed getting reacquainted with him.

We had a total of twenty-six on the Fishout. Most of the group either hooked and or landed fish, some small and some large.

There were also three or four large fish that broke off. **Dick Recchia**, Jim Fuji and I were in the broken off group. All of these fish were extremely large and could not possibly have been landed.



**Doug Christon** and **Gary Sharrock** landed nine before lunch; two of those went three and a half and one at five pounds. A black zebra midge was the top fly. Most of our members were gone by 4:30 p.m. but the **Yuba Flyfishers** stayed until 6:30. It was an epic event that included donuts, tri tip and a few fish caught.



Question: How long does it take to for eleven pounds of tri tip to disappear?

**Earl Johnston** sounded the horn at 1:00 o'clock and at 1:15 it was all but gone. Unfortunately, **Barry and Marsha Caranci**, **Ross Morrison** and **John Gantner**, and did not arrive until 1:20 and missed Earls magnificent meal.

Thanks for doing a great job Earl.

Currently the flows out of Trinity Lake are quite high to facilitate the scouring of the Trinity River so Lewiston Lake will be more like a river but the fish still have to eat. The flows will drop back to normal sometime in July and so should the fishing.

Benson Kanemoto



## 2010 Fish Camp Scholarship Winners Announced

The Fish Camp Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that STFF and the Shasta Mayflies have awarded a total of six full scholarships to Fish Camp 2010, four of which were funded by STFF and two by the Shasta Mayflies. The committee had the tough task of picking from 17 excellent applications with well written essays on why the applicant wanted to go to Fish Camp and why they are interested in fly fishing. The following are excerpts from some of the essays:

From Will Asnicar, an 11 year old boy from Redding:

*"I want to go to Fish Camp because I love the outdoors.... I have never fly fished before and I would love to learn. Fly fishing sounds challenging and I always like a good challenge! ... It seems like something I could do my whole life. I really hope I get an opportunity to learn something new and meet new people."*

From Dakota Archibald, a 14 year old boy from Redding:

*"I love to fish... fly fishing is more of a fight than just a regular rod and reel. When you are reeling a fish in on a fly rod, you can feel every single move the fish has, you can feel everywhere the fish goes.... I have volunteered at Kids Fishing Days at the Mt. Shasta fish hatchery because I love to teach kids how to fish and watching young kids catch their first fish. I would love to go to fish camp this summer to perfect my fly fishing skills. I know this is an opportunity of a life time and I would love to get to be able to go."*

From Meagan Briggs, a 10 year old girl from Redding:

*"Fly fishing interests me very much. I love to fish, and also hunt.... I believe that when you fish or fly fish, you connect with nature and the outdoors. I think if I went to fish camp.... I would be hardworking and helpful, for when I try, I do my best. I will do what needs to be done, no matter what the circumstances are, and try to give it all I've got."*

From Eric Fernandes, a 13 year old boy from Yreka:

*"There is nothing I would rather do than fish. Fly fishing isn't just about catching the biggest fish; it is about meeting all of the people and seeing all of the places. I believe it is both an art and a skill..... I also enjoy tying flies as much as I do fishing them. If I am not doing homework or chores, I am usually sitting trying flies or reading magazines to get ideas for new fly patterns..... Thank you for this opportunity."*

From Garret Beedle, a 12 year old boy from Redding:



*"I would like to go to Fish Camp this summer because I would like to learn how to fly fish...After using spinning rods for a long time, learning fly fishing is a new thing for me. I like the casting and the knot tying. Tying knots is not one of my specialties, but this camp can help me with that. I am also interested in how to use flies....and how to arrange the flies in your tackle box so the hooks don't get tangled up.... I believe that this camp will help me and give me a chance to experience one of the most fascinating types of fishing ever."*

From Alex Hendrix, an 11 year old boy from Redding:



*"...I admire fly fishing because I think it is more challenging than normal spinning rods. I think it is really exciting when you get a large fish on and your adrenalin builds up.... When I do go out to fish, my pole always gets snagged in the rocks or in trees, and I want to learn how to prevent those mistakes. When I do come back from Fish Camp, I want to teach my family how to fly fish correctly."*

Both Garret and Alex attended the May STFF membership meeting to read their essays.

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### **SPEY CASTING DAY on the RIVER - June 12, 2010 – 8:30 a.m.**

**Spey Master: Bill Lenheim**

Date & Time: Saturday, June 12th, 8:30 a.m.

Meeting Site: Barge Hole Gravel Bar, Coffee & Donuts – Program starts at 9:00 a.m.

Lunch: Lunch will be served for all attendees

Cost: There is no charge for the event or the lunch

Event: Mark your calendar for June 12th when STFF will host some of the best known custom rod builders in the west for a Spey day on the river. This will be an all day event with coffee in AM and lunch provided by STFF. Subjects covered: rod building, line make up and matching line to rods and any other questions the group can ask of the folks from up north.

Manufacturers: Rods - Robert Meiser and Gary Anderson  
Lines - Steve Godshall

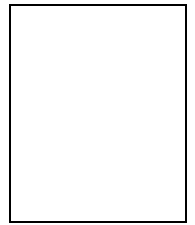
You won't want to miss this if you have ever thought about Spey Casting, are a beginner or advanced caster. What an opportunity to learn from the best. All members of STFF, invited guests and the public are welcome.

**Bring hip boots, wadders or wade Wet.**

**For question call: Bill Lenheim, Chairman, 530-223-6090**



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|| **Next Meeting - Annual Barbeque** ||

Wednesday June 9, 2010

6:00 p.m. - Anderson River Park

Swap Meet starts at 4:00 p.m.

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|| **Fishouts** ||

Mon, June 14 - Crater Lake Bass

Fri-Sun - June 25-27 - McCloud Res.

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