

# *The Shasta Caster*

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

www.shastatrinityflyfishers.org

October 2010

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

Years ago, one of the major telephone companies ran an advertising campaign with the theme: **“Reach out and touch someone”**. The idea was simple: to **encourage people to initiate contact** with others.

Why do I raise that topic in a club newsletter? Because over the past few months, our club has grown in size due to a number of new members who have joined STFF. However, recruiting new members is the easy part...**making those new members feels welcome and comfortable is a much more difficult task.**

Think about this! ... At almost every gathering we have, **there are two separate dynamics that take place:**

1. Long time members, tend to gather together because they know each other and feel comfortable with their friends.
2. Many of the new members are alone...feeling uncomfortable with the surroundings and not sure how to initiate contact with the others in attendance.

When I first, joint STFF...I had the same feelings...of being “left out” of the conversations...and not experiencing the fellowship that is supposed to be a part of any club.

So...**my plea to you this month is simple:** At all of our meetings and activities, try to “Reach out and touch someone”, by saying hello to a new member and introducing him/her to some other members. It’s a pretty simple act on your part...but it’s a big deal to someone who has joined our club and is looking to be accepted as part of the crowd.

Dick Recchia, President

### **The Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers would like to welcome the following New Members:**

Tony & Karen Allen, Sylvia Arca,  
Cindy Collins, Mark Davis,  
Mike Donaghy, Rob Effa,  
Ken Kenley, Eugene Poor,  
Cory Schmuck, Steve & Ann Tarvin

### **Reminder:**

The Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers’  
Fly Fishing Fair & Swap and Sell  
will be held on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>  
at Caldwell Park from 8AM to 2:30PM

## Club Officers and Directors

### Officers

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### Directors

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|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
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| Youth Program          | Open                                                                                                                                                                                           |                      |

## Calendar of Events

### October 2010

**Note: The October Eagle Lake Fishout has been cancelled**

|       |                                                                                                               |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2     | Fly Fishing Fair & Swap and Sell<br>Caldwell Park – 8AM – 2:30PM                                              |
| 6     | Board of Directors Meeting<br>Offices of Matson & Isom<br>292 Hemsted, Redding<br>Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. |
| 13    | Membership Meeting<br>Redding Library at 7:00 p.m.                                                            |
| 14    | Fellowship Breakfast<br>Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.                                                          |
| 17    | Spey Casting Clinic<br>Barge Hole Gravel Bar 10 a.m.-12 p.m.                                                  |
| 19    | Fishout – Manzanita Lake<br>Fishmaster – Allen Slatery                                                        |
| 24-27 | Fishout Rogue River<br>Fishmaster Jerry Marks                                                                 |
| 28    | Fellowship Breakfast<br>Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.                                                          |

## Happy Halloween!

### November 2010

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| 3   | Board of Directors Meeting<br>Offices of Matson & Isom<br>292 Hemsted, Redding<br>Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.           |
| 6   | Sat. Fly Tying Jam Session<br>Good Time Pizza, Palo Cedro<br>8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.                                      |
| 4-6 | Fishout – Striped Bass – Delta Striperfest<br>Sugar Barge Marina, Bethel Island<br>Fishmaster – Art Agnew & Allan Craig |
| 10  | Membership Meeting<br>Redding Library at 7:00 p.m.                                                                      |
| 11  | Fellowship Breakfast<br>Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.                                                                    |
| 18  | Fishout – Trinity Steelhead<br>Fishmaster – Ross Morrison                                                               |
| 21  | Spey Casting Clinic<br>Barge Hole Gravel Bar 10 a.m.-12 p.m.                                                            |



## STFF 2010 TENTATIVE FISHOUT SCHEDULE

| <u>MONTH</u> | <u>DAY</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>WATER</u>      | <u>FISHMASTER</u>       |
|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| 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 & Allan Craig |
| 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.

Please sign up at our monthly meeting or call the Fishmaster to do so.

If you sign up and later find that you can't attend, please advise the Fishmaster.

**STFF Members: Please remember to wear your name badge to all Club functions.**

October Membership Meeting  
Wednesday October 13 – 7:00 PM  
Redding Library

### Striped Bass Fishing in Northern California

This month we are pleased to have booked California native **Tony Buzolich** who will give a presentation on striped bass fishing in Northern California. Tony lives and breaths to fish striped bass and fishes for this species as much as he can. He mainly haunts the Sacramento, Feather, and American Rivers as well as the Sacramento / San Joaquin Delta for this outstanding game fish and indicates there is always fish somewhere in this system that will take a well presented fly.

Tony grew up in Sacramento and currently resides in Yuba City and is a member of the E. C. Powell Fly Fishers.

This program is a must program to hear for anyone interested in striper fishing or planning to attend our striped bass outing, November 4 – 6<sup>th</sup>, in the Sacramento / San Joaquin Delta.

Tony will give a tying demonstration beginning at 6:15 PM, which will feature a number of his bait fish patterns tied on 3/0 hooks. He will also demonstrate how to properly tie the Homer Rhodes Loop Knot, a must knot for all striped bass fishermen to know.



### Kids Fish Day at Mt. Shasta Fish Hatchery

The "Kids' Days" this year were a great success. During the three days 1844 adults brought 2050 kids out fishing. The kids caught a total of 3809 fish. The clubs' donation of \$573.00 to the event was greatly appreciated by the Department of Fish and Game. This computes to approximately 28 cents per child. A great Investment in the future of fishing! There were 18 different volunteers from our club who gave their time and effort; a big "Thank You" to all of them.

Earl Johnston



## MANZANITA LAKE FISHOUT – LASSEN PARK

- Fishmaster:** Allen Slattery 474-5271 or [ajeslattery@yahoo.com](mailto:ajeslattery@yahoo.com)
- Date:** Tuesday, October 19, 2010
- Meeting Place:** Meet at the boat launch area at 9:00 am. Be prepared for any kind of weather; Manzanita Lake is 6,000 feet in altitude. There is a ten-dollar vehicle fee for entrance to the park unless you have a senior pass.
- Equipment:** 4-6 weight rods, floating or intermediate line. 9 to 15 foot leaders to 5X. You can fish the lake from a float tube, pontoon boat, or pram **no motors are allowed.**
- Flies:** Brown Olive Jay Fair wiggle tail, Callebatis Nymphs, Dry Flies sizes 16-18, Damsel Nymphs size 14, Baby Rainbow Trout streamer size 6, Ants and beetles are always around.  
Midges are my go-to flies here. Black Zebra Chironomids size 18-20 and dry adult midges in sizes 18-20; Adams is a good imitation. Fish them with a little weight under an indicator. A two fly rig seems to work best.

**Additional Information:** Wading the lake can be productive. Some of the best fishing can be had walking the shore and looking for cruising fish, be stealthy, hide behind a tree, and toss out a beetle or ant pattern. Be aware of the regulations here. They are posted at the picnic area on the east side of the lake. There is no fishing within 150 feet of the various mouths of Manzanita Creek. The creek is located on the east side of the lake to the north of the picnic area behind the bird nesting area.

- Lunch:** Bring a lunch and drinks for the day.  
Coffee and donuts will be available at the boat launch.

**PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE OCTOBER MEETING OR CONTACT THE FISHMASTER TO DO SO.**

**TIGHT LINES**

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## Telluride MountainFilm on Tour comes to Redding, CA on October 15, 2010.

Mountainfilm on Tour is dedicated to educating and inspiring audiences about issues that matter, cultures worth exploring, environments worth preserving and conversations worth sustaining.

Mountainfilm has always been associated with high-caliber films and a commitment to social and environmental issues. The Mountainfilm on Tour brings this spirit to the local community and invites audiences to celebrate, to contemplate and most importantly, to get involved.

Join Catalyst Redding Young Professionals when the Telluride MountainFilm on Tour brings the spirit of outdoor adventure and culture to the greater Redding area, at the Cascade Theatre on October 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Redding will feature films such as;

Eastern Rises – 37 minutes

The Kamchatka peninsula in the Russian Far East may well be at the end of the earth. Its enormous, wild landscape is threaded with rivers, swimming with massive mouse-eating trout and swarming with bugs and bears. In other words, this place is the Holy Grail for truly obsessed, halfway insane fly fishermen. Felt Soul's Ben Knight and Travis Rummel last brought Mountainfilm audiences the story of Alaskan salmon at risk in Red Gold, and this film reunites the filmmakers with Frank Smethurst (the star of their short Running Down the Man) as he and other anglers head to Kamchatka during the summer of 2008. In this gorgeous film, fishing is poetry; Bigfoot lurks in the fog; and fishermen risk life and limb in decommissioned Cold War helicopters to explore rivers that have never been fished before.

Look to the Ground – 6 minutes

Imagine riding your mountain bike at full speed down a steep serpentine trail at night when the moon is a dim sliver that slips in and out of clouds, its vague light often lost in shadow. And now imagine that you're wearing shades. Just such a scenario describes much of Bobby McMullen's life: He is a blind mountain biker. Look to the ground is his story. –PK

For tickets and information contact the Cascade Theatre Box Office at 530-243-8886

**FISHOUT**  
**THIRD ANNUAL STEELHEAD ADVENTURE & BASH ON THE ROGUE RIVER**  
**October 24-27, 2010**  
**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 STFF rates: \$106 for 2 queen beds or 1 king with river view or \$81 with no river view, \$117 for 1 king & kitchen. Continental breakfast included 6:30 to 9:30 am  
Royal Coachman (rustic) 541-878-2481 Please call for rates.

**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**

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 available at THE FLY SHOP.

**FUN EVENTS**

No host **cocktail party** at the Pavilion on Sunday around 4:30 pm. Dinner is on 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 will be announced by Oct 15<sup>th</sup>.

No host **group dinner** at local restaurant on Tuesday evening around 6pm.

**GUIDE SERVICE DISCOUNTED RATES** We have made special arrangements with the Rogue Fly Shop 541-476-0552 for guides. Discounted rates are \$325 for 2 rods including lunch. (\$50 off regular rate) Please call Jeff Fox to sign up. First come, first served. Guides are scarce during Steelhead season. Don't Wait!

**FISHING LICENSE:** \$16.75-1 day, \$31.50-2 days, \$46.25-3 days. Available in advance via FAX or mail at Oregon Fish and Wildlife, [www.dfw.state.or.us/](http://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](mailto:marks@clearwire.net) 365-6893 no later than Oct 14<sup>th</sup>. 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/](http://www.shadycove.net/)

To All participants in the bamboo fly rod project:

The rod building will be broken down into 3 separate sessions: A – B – C, each held at Good Time Pizza in Palo Cedro.

Session A – Saturday Oct 16<sup>th</sup> – 8:30AM – 3PM

Session B – Saturday Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – 8:30AM – 3PM

Session C – Saturday Nov 20<sup>th</sup> – 8:30AM – 3PM

At each session we will cover both old and new rod building steps so if you miss all or part of a session, you'll have the opportunity to catch-up. Building a rod is a complex process; so if possible, you will benefit the most by attending all three sessions. However if you cannot attend the Oct 16<sup>th</sup> session, it is critical that you attend the two sessions in November.

If you don't have your rod building kit yet, you can pick it up at the October STFF meeting.

If you have any questions contact Dick Recchia or see him at the October meeting.

## September 7, 2010 - Baum Lake Fishout Report

Seven hearty souls met at the My-T-Fine foods parking lot and departed promptly at 7:35 for the lake. Three others who chose not to caravan up joined us at the lake. Attending were **Gary Sweet, Jim Kendrick, Earl Johnston, Jerry Waybright, Ken Brynjolfsson, Jerry Marks, Gary Sharrock, Ken Rick, Gerald Nelson** and Fishmaster **Alan Jones**.

Upon arriving short work was made of the Coffee & Donuts provided by Mr. Hospitality. Ken Rick noted that a family of otters had invaded the upper portion of the river by the campground, which left the fishing in that area essentially nonexistent. Those unfamiliar with the lake were given a brief orientation and directed to usually productive water. Others set out on their own to apply their wily trade.

The morning was calm and conducive to casting and catching. There was a Black Caddis hatch in progress which lasted most of the morning. Gary Sharrock, who I think arrived before the sun came up, was the big stick with Gerald Nelson coming in a close second. Most of the fish caught were in the 12"-14" class while some smaller ones were also netted. As usual, most of the fish were fooled by small black or brown midges (18-20's) while some succumbed to a peacock birds nest and an olive Jay Fair WTN.

After lunch desert was provided in the form of a Lemon Bundt cake which was a big hit. After lunch the wind arrived and essentially curtailed the fishing activities. Those who chose to give it a try came up empty. All in all it was a fun day with the weather and the fish cooperating, mostly.

Alan Jones

## September 14, 2010 - Crater Lake Fishout

The weather was fine and cool as **Art Agnew, John Gatner**, and myself pulled into the campground at Crater Lake. We located **Gerald Nelson** who had set up camp and had hot coffee and almond horns waiting for us. As we got our gear together and munched our sweets, we could see the fish rising in the lake and all were anxious to get on the water.

John was the first to hook and land a fish and came away with a total of four fish to hand stripping a brown leech pattern. Towards the middle of the day he switched to a small flying ant and was getting strike after strike but the trout were a little too quick and he missed the hook set.

I started out with a parachute Adams and caught three trout in the morning with the pattern having left it in the third fish because of a deep hook set. I switched to a small black, gray and white stimulator and took a fourth fish. After lunch I had a couple bumps on a Pudwill B-fly on a sink tip line But none hooked.

Gerald started out with an Adams to no avail and after discussing with John what he was using switched to a small black leech pattern and came up with six fish before switching over to the same ant pattern that John was using. He landed three trout with it before lunch. After lunch he caught another four using an olive leech pattern and since he was spending the night he only reported on the fish caught up until everyone left.

Art stated that fishing was slow, in the morning, but early on took 2 fish on a soft hackle peacock pattern using a floating line. Art switched over to the Pudwill B-Fly and lost a nice fish to a poorly tied knot. He got a couple more on #18 BWO bringing the morning's catch to somewhere around 6 - 7 fish. Following lunch he fished the rocks above the campground and caught another 6 - 7 fish in just over an hour using an intermediate sinking line and a small #14 golden olive sparsely tied leech pattern.

All in all it was slow starting but a fun day of fishing. We all loved Crater Lake and are looking forward to returning again.

Robert Vanderhyde

## Bulletin Board

### Sunshine Report

STFF sends "Get Well Wishes" to Linda Holden who is recovering from surgery.

Ray Burke, a long time member, who has been ill for many months, is having a difficult time. His wife, Juanita, invites his friends to call at 241-1271 regarding inquiries about his condition. We all wish Ray the best.

STFF sends "Best Wishes to club member Jay Fair.

### Walt Cole in Bolivia - "Golden Dorato"



### Graduation Pictures from "Fish Camp 2010"



Garrett Beedle



Alex Hendrix



Eric Fernandez

**Delta Striped Bass FishOut**  
**Sugar Barge Marina - Bethel Island, CA**  
**November 4 – 6, 2010**

**Meet** at Sugar Barge Marina Launch Ramp @ 7:30 AM Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Daily launch fees are \$10.00. We will be fishing all the fall hot spots, Franks Track, Sherman Island, Big Break, Mildred Island, and a host of other great locations via boat.

Boat rentals are available at the Sugar Barge Marina if you do not have your own boat. If you are bringing a boat there are a few side tie spaces available for over night storage at \$15.00 per day. Contact the Sugar Barge RV Resort to reserve side tie space.

**Lodging:** Headquarters for this outing will be Sugar Barge Marina and RV Park (Call (925) 684-9075 to make reservations for RV spaces.

**Note: This is a very popular time of the year so call ASAP to reserve your RV space.**

There are a number of hotels in the area Comfort Suites (925) 755-1222, Hampton Inn (925) 513-1299, and Holiday Inn Express (925) 634- 6400. All these hotels are located 10 – 15 minutes away from Bethel Island. Also, The Sugar Barge has a few rental trailers available which sleep 2+ adults with A/C and TV (bring your own linen and food). Contact Sugar Barge RV Resort for rental information.

**Recommended Gear:** A powerboat is a necessity and it's recommended there only be two (2) fly anglers per boat (The Sugar Barge Marina also has rental boats available if a boat is needed). Rod and Reels 7 – 11 weight. 9 weight rods set up with a type 4 – 8 Shooting Head is a good choice.

Also, October and November have been known to be good top water months so a floating line setup, Shooting Head or Weight forward, is also in order.

**Flies:** 2/0 – 4/0 Flashtail Whistlers, Flashtail Clousers white/chartreuse, Sar-Mul-Mac in sardine, anchovy, or mackerel patterns.

**Leaders:** (Keep them simple) 6 – 9 ft. 20 pound mono leader. Tie a surgeon's knot on one end, attached to fly lines butt section, and use a good loop knot to attach fly.

**Extra Stuff:** Rain Coat, binoculars, camera, Boga Grip, Sun Screen, Life Jacket, GPS, Delta Nautical Charts, Cell Phone, and Battery Charger to recharge trolling motors, Boat covers just in case it rains.

**Dan Blanton's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Striperfest** is scheduled for Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> and will be again held at the Sugar Barge Marina. Reservations to attend this year's event, an outstanding fund raiser to save our Delta's Striped Bass Fishery, can be made on Dan's website [www.danblanton.com](http://www.danblanton.com).

This a great event so check Dan's website often to get the latest information on this year's Striperfest.

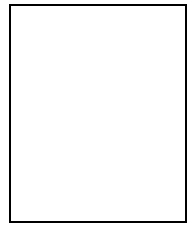
Co-Fish masters: Allan Craig 247-7481 & Art Agnew 722-0957



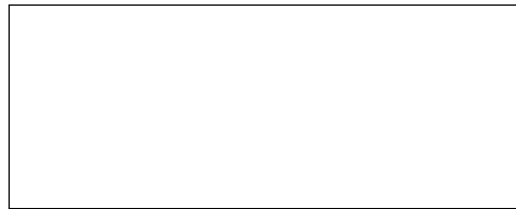




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**Next Meeting**  
Wednesday October 13, 2010  
7:00 PM – Striped Bass Fishing in Northern California  
Redding Library

**Fishouts**  
Tues, October 19 – Manzanita Lake  
Sun–Wed, October 24–27 – Rogue River

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