

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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January 2011

The President's _____ Line

The start of a new year is usually the time we make resolutions for the coming 12 months. So, in the spirit of the beginning of 2011, here's a list of resolutions for STFF and all of our members:

- To make the STFF Banquet on February 5th...the best ever!
- To use the funds we derive from the banquet, and our other activities, to support at least one significant conservation project in 2011.
- To provide our club members with a large range of programs designed for both new fly fishers as well as those who have years of experience.
- To increase our efforts to provide and support youth fly fishing programs.
- To make the 2nd Annual Fly Fishing Fair a major event in our community...and to use that event to increase the exposure of our club.
- To firmly establish "fellowship" as one our major objectives by including our new members in all the club's activities.... and by extending a warm and friendly welcome at every meeting.

And finally, resolving to make The Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers a meaningful and important part of our community.

If we can accomplish all of the above, 2011 will definitely be a Happy New Year!

Dick Recchia,
President

Note: My profound apologies to Tom Taylor for failing to recognize his contributions to our Fish Camp Program in my President's line in the December Newsletter. Tom has always provided great support to the fish camp program and my failure to include his name in my newsletter was totally my fault! Tom...I'm sorry for the oversight...and I know you will continue to support this program in 2011.

Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers 2011 Banquet
Saturday, February 5th-Win River Casino

Offering over \$15,000 in fly fishing gear
Send in your forms today!

Don't be left out because you waited too long to complete your reservations.

This event is almost a sellout ...and will have a waiting list. Mail your form today!!!!

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Youth Program	Open	

Calendar of Events

January 2011

- 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Offices of Matson & Isom
292 Hemsted, Redding
Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.
- 8 Sat. Fly Tying Jam Session
Good Time Pizza, Palo Cedro
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- 12 Membership Meeting
Redding Library at 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Fishout – Baum Lake (Alt. – Tues. 18th)
Fishmaster – Gerald Nelson
- 13 Fellowship Breakfast
Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.
- 16 Spey Casting Clinic
Barge Hole Gravel Bar 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- 20-23 Sacramento International Sportsman's Expo.
Cal Expo
- 27 Fellowship Breakfast
Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.



Happy New Year

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Sac River by Posse Grounds – 8:30 am
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Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.



STFF 2011 PRELIMINARY FISHOUT SCHEDULE

<u>MONTH, DATE, DAY</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>FISHMASTER</u>
Jan 13, Thu, alt, Tue 18	Baum Lake	Gerald Nelson
Feb 8, Tue	Lower Sac Wade	Mike Carranci
Mar 1, Tue	Donner Hat Creek	Earl Johnston
Mar 12, Sat	Donner Hat Creek	Earl Johnston
Mar 15, Tue	Trinity Wade /Float	Jerry Marks
Mar 26, Sat (WP)	Iron Canyon	Don Weiseman
Apr 1, Fri	Trinity Holy Waters	Creighton Smith
Apr 2, Sat	Trinity Holy Waters	TBD
Apr 23 Sat	Lewiston Lake	Benson Kanemoto
May 10 Tue	Clear Creek PM	Jerry Waybright
Late May / Early Jun TBD	Shasta Bass	John Gantner
Jun 21	Hat Creek Wild Trout	Bary Carranci
Jun ? TBD	Almanor Hex	Dale Huffman
Jul 12 Tue	McCloud Reservoir	Earl Johnston
Jul 26 Tue	Upper Sacramento	Craig Nielson
Aug 1-4	Klamath Lake	Fred David
Sep 8 Thu	Baum Lake	Walt Cole
Sep 4-9	Owyhee River (10 slots total)	Dick Recchia
Sep 9-14	Owyhee River (10 slots total)	Dick Recchia
Sep 29 Thu	Manzanita Lake	Alan Slattery
Oct 22 Sat	Manzanita Lake	TBD
Oct 23-25	Rouge River	Jerry Marks
Nov TBD by Tides	Delta Stripers	Allan Craig
Nov 17	Trinity Steelhead	Ross Morrison
Dec 3 Sat	Lower Sac Wade and Float	Alan Jones

WP: Weather Permitting TBD: to be determined TBC: To be confirmed

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.

JANUARY FISHOUT at BAUM LAKE

DATE: Thursday, January 13, 2011

Fishmaster: Gerald Nelson at 530 638-6633 or "glnelson8@frontiernet.net"

Meeting Site: For those interested we will caravan to the lake from the "My-T-Fine Market" parking lot, Hwy. 299 & Deschutes Rd.
We will depart PROMPTLY at 7:30 am.

Equipment: 4-6 wt rods, floating and/or intermediate sinking lines with 4-5 X leader

Flies: Your usual lake midges, nymphs and emergers in small sizes will work as will bugger & leach patterns size 6-12,
BWO size 18, ParaAdams size 16-20. **Please check with THE FLY SHOP for the latest hatch data.**

Other Equipment: Float tubes, prams (no gas motors, elect. ok), pontoon boats, waders. Bank fishing is difficult because of the mud and weeds, but doable.

A local expert(s) will present a Lakeshore presentation on how to catch'em.

The Coffee and Donut bar will be open at the lakeshore.

Lunch: Provided by the master chef's Jerry Marks and Earl Johnson a scrumptious affair of chili and cornbread. Bring your own beverages.

Please sign up at the January 2011 meetings. If you sign up and later find that you can't attend please notify the Fishmaster.

"This fishout is subject to moving to the 18th at the last minute due to inclement weather or other reasons so please make sure we have your phone number. My-T-Fine Market is a lonely place early in the morning"

Trinity River Fishout Report

On a cool fall morning on November 18th, twenty Fly Fishers, including a guest from the Long Beach Casting Club, met at the Douglas City Fire Station for our annual Trinity River Fishout to chase fall-run steelhead. As usual, **Jerry Marks** met us with a smile on his face, steaming hot coffee and the infamous pink boxes of donuts.

Ross Morrison gave an overview of our plan to break into groups to search out different river accesses from the Old Lewiston Bridge down to Junction City. Last year perhaps the greatest challenge of the day was finding uncrowded access points for our groups. This year the river seemed less crowded, and most groups found some good-looking water. This year's main challenge however was to find the fish, as the numbers in the current run were low and the fish were really spread out. Ross took his group of novice steelheaders to the Steelbridge access, while **Bary Caranci, Jim Murphy, Jerry Marks, and Bill Lenheim** led their groups to Bucktail, Steiner Flat, Lewiston, and Junction City accesses, respectively.

There were no adult steelhead caught; however, there were reports of seeing salmon and hooking smolts and "one" half-pounder. The reports ranged from **Gerald's**: "There was a number of salmon dancing at my feet but zilch on anything taking my flies. I even sacrificed 15 flies to the river gods; they must want a blood sacrifice....." to **Tom's**: ".luckily I didn't step backwards off a large underwater boulder into elbow-deep hole in the river until about 20 minutes before time to pack up....." to **Kevin's**: "**Dick Russell** and I fished hard all day, Big Flat area, mouth of the North Fork, not a tug. Dick swung flies, I nymphed; I went for a swim (as usual), the water was very cold.....still better than a day at work."

We ended the day at the One Maple Vineyards where our host Ernie poured some nice Chardonnays and Cabernets. Jerry also provided some great hors d'oeuvres to go with the fine wines. It was a fitting ending to a fine day on the Trinity River with all attendees reporting an abundance of sharing and camaraderie.

Many thanks to Jerry and to the group leaders, Bill Lenheim, Bary Caranci, and Jim Murphy. By Ross Morrison - Outing Leader

Fishout Report for the Lower Sac

December 4th first appeared to be ready to rain as I pulled away from my house. I arrived at the Posse Ground picnic area to find Jerry and Earl set up and serving coffee and donuts. The clouds slowly started to dissipate and streaks of sun shown through. After a short fellowship and meeting new and old members, **Gerald Nelson** showed the participants how to rig their rods for fishing the lower Sac. The group then divided with **Dick Recchia** leading three participants **Dennis Weston, Don Poulsen, and John Chernoh** to the posse grounds gravel bar. **Gerald Nelson** took **Jim Shilling, Tito Camarillo and Nico Clemente** to the Court Street access while **Earl Johnson** ran shuttle for those that were drifting.

Dick Recchia didn't fish having 3 new fly fishermen with him, he spent the morning helping each of them to learn the techniques for casting and mending; but I guess not hooking. Dick reported no fish but a couple missed strikes by his party though they all appreciated the opportunity to learn. Gerald also gave some casting instruction to Tito and Nico and then while fishing kept an eye on them. Tito and Nico reported no fish but were glad for the learning opportunity. Jim Shilling reported two hookups but none to hand. Gerald had two hookups with one to hand coming in at about 3lbs. **Crieghton Smith** fishing at the Posse Grounds also reported no fish.

Rich Artusy having forgotten his license became oarsman for **Brad Best** as they floated the river and reported no fish taken. **Kevin Kay** and **Travis Nicolay** also floated the river and reported three fish hooked and two landed one being 18" taken on a fox poopah. **Kurt Mitchell** and **Jim Murphy** floated from above the posse grounds down to the aqua golf; they reported zero fish but a couple of strikes.

My apologies if I left any one out. Thanks to **Alan Jones** for providing wade access maps, **Jerry Marks** and Earl Johnson for coffee and donuts and all who participated in the fishout.

Gerald F. Nelson

STFF 2nd Annual Spey Fest - June 11, 2011

Save this date and mark your calendars for the 2nd Annual STFF Spey Fest to be held at the Barge Hole Gravel Bar. There will be manufactures, casters and a host of festive programs.

Last year we even had attendees from other states as well as the Bay Area.

For information contact Bill Lenheim – 530-223-6090



2011 Membership Form
shastatrinityflyfishers.org

The following information will be used to produce the club's roster and mailing list. Please include all contact information data you wish to have appear in the club's 2011 roster.

Regular Membership () Family Membership () Junior Member ()**

RENEWING MEMBER () NEW MEMBER ()

PLEASE FILL OUT IN FULL

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Email Address: _____

(For Family Memberships Only) List the Names of Additional Family Members, 18 Years and older, residing at the same residence.

1.) _____ 2.) _____

3.) _____ 4.) _____

Annual membership dues are \$30.00 (*) for a Regular Membership or Family Membership. Junior Memberships are Free of Charge (**). Mail completed application form along with annual dues to **Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers P. O. Box 990002 Redding, CA 96099**. Checks should be made out to **Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers**.

(*) All new memberships joining STFF after June 1 shall pay 1/2 of the annual membership dues.

(**) *Junior Members, individuals under the age of 18 years, must have written permission from a parent or guardian to become a Junior Member of Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers. Junior Members must be accompanied by a responsible adult when attending a Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers, Inc. outing.*

Liability Release and Hold Harmless Agreement

As a condition of membership or of participating in any activity encouraged or publicized by Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers, Inc. (STFF), I voluntarily assume all risks of my participation. In acknowledgement that I am doing so entirely upon my own initiative, risk and responsibility, I do hereby for myself, heirs, executors, and administrators agree to remise, full release, hold harmless, and forever discharge STFF, all its officers, board members and volunteers, acting officially or otherwise, from any cause whatsoever while participating in any such STFF activity. Any member who invites a non-member (including member's spouse and family) agrees that such guest is bound by the same condition and agrees to so advise the guest.

I have read the above statement and agree to its terms as a condition of my membership in Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers, Inc.

Signed _____ Date _____



Introduction to Fly Fishing Class

A complete review of the basics of fly-fishing:

Saturday-January 15th

10:30AM to 12:30PM

Redding Library Community Room

- What is fly fishing all about?
 - What gear do I need?
- How do I know what gear is right for me?
 - How do I get started?

Attendance is free & open to the public

[All age groups are welcome...so bring the kids!]

Coffee and donuts will be served at 10AM

PICTURES NEEDED FOR BANQUET SLIDE SHOW

Do you have great pictures of Fishing in different Locations, Trips, Fishouts, , Fishout Gatherings, STFF Members, Fish being caught, Big ones, Etc? **Bob Madgic** is looking different, interesting, pictures, not just pictures of big fish. You can send pictures to bmadgic@charter.net or on a disc to: **Bob Madgic – 6412 Clear View Dr. – Anderson, CA 96007**

Please identify the pictures with person(s), location, etc.

In order to create another great slide show, he needs you submissions as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance.

Conservation Corner

Included in Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers Mission Statement are the objectives: “To promote conservation of public recreational resources and protection and preservation of wild freshwater, salt water and migratory game fish in our streams and lakes.

To monitor local waters and bring to the attention of the public and governmental agencies, issues which threaten the conservation and protection of freshwater salt water and migratory game fish.

To actively participate in restoration projects by making donations to organizations which are pursuing activities consistent with the purposes of the club.

Among previous years activities have included the “Trout in the Classroom” program, “Kids Fishing Days” at Mount Shasta Fish Hatchery, assisting in the Department of Fish and Game with the Heritage and Wild Trout program surveys and angler surveys, and participation on committees with agencies and organizations regarding dam removal and water movement in our local watersheds.

With the start of this New Year and the large influx of new members I would like to reassess our club's interest and priorities in participating in these and other conservation issues. I ask the membership to contact me with feedback on past projects and to provide new ideas for involvement in the conservation of our fisheries and habitat. The work we do now will help ensure many happy angling days in the future.

Sue Horkey, Conservation Director

****Attention all Club Fly Tyers****

Jim Jensen, the 2011 Banquet Chairman, would appreciate if all club members who are going to donate boxes of hand tied flies to please bring their filled fly boxes to the January 5th

Membership Meeting for collection.

Please call Sue Horkey – 530-238-2645 or Jim Jensen – 530-229-1021 (after Jan 3rd) if you have questions or concerns – Thank you.

STFF – Fly Tying Jam Session – January 8, 2011

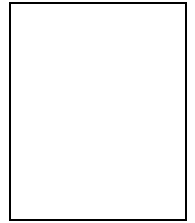
Session held at Goodtime Pizza & Things, 22049 Old 44 Drive, Palo Cedro, from 8:30AM to 3:00PM.

Cost of session is \$12.00. Cost includes some materials and pizza. Drinks not included.

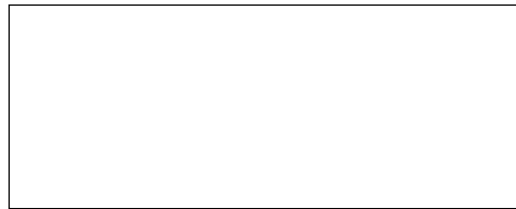
Observer's welcome but must purchase their pizza and drinks.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Next Meeting
Wednesday January 5, 2011
7:00 PM – Double Header
New 2011 Fly Fishing Gear & A Members “Trip to Baja”
Redding Library

Fishouts
Thursday 13 - (alt. Tues 18) – Baum lake

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