

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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November 2011

The President's _____ Line

As the end of the calendar year draws closer, our club begins to focus on the planning activities for our annual banquet in February.

One of the highlights of the banquet each year is naming the Fly Tyer and Fly Fisher of the Year. These two awards are intended to recognize those members who have made outstanding contributions to STFF during the past year.

Currently the past recipients of the Fly Tyer of the Year award are completing the process to nominate...and select...the recipient for 2011. While that process is under way, **it is time to begin the procedure to nominate candidate for Fly Fisher of the Year.**

In that regard, the Board of Directors has approved a revised procedure that allows any member of STFF to submit a candidate for nomination:

- Annually, preceding the annual banquet, the president of STFF will ask the **general membership and each of the previous recipients** to submit nominations [based upon the criteria listed below] for the award for the current year. In addition, the president may also submit a nomination.
- All nominations must be completed **using the STFF nomination form**, which requires a written explanation of the reason the member is being nominated. **All nominations should be made in consideration of the criteria that have been established for this award.**

The nomination of any member is to be based upon the following criteria:

Any member nominated for consideration of this award should possess the following attributes:

- ✓ Demonstrate enthusiasm for fly-fishing.
- ✓ Promote the art, science and skills of fly-fishing.
- ✓ Openly share their knowledge and skills.
- ✓ Contribute to the advancement of the club's activities.
- ✓ Provide support and encouragement to new members.
- ✓ Assist others to improve their fly-fishing techniques and skills.
- ✓ Enhance the public exposure and reputation of the club.

Note: the President & Vice President are not eligible to be nominated for this award.

Included in this newsletter are additional details regarding the procedure for the nomination and selection of fly tyer of the year...as well as the form to be used for submitting a nomination?

It is important to note, that in order for a nomination to be considered by the committee, **the nomination form must include a complete explanation** of the reasons the nominee should be considered for this award. **The committee will not consider any nomination forms that do not contain a full explanation.**

Dick Recchia, President

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

**Zak & Sharon Adamson, Pat Beasley, Daniel & Jamie Brown, John Cleary, Richard & Catherine Gasper,
Leland & Jeanne George, John Hunt, Don & Donna Linn, Marvin McClure, Tom McConal,
Kurt & Michele Moehring, Ryan Murray, Bill Nelson, Al & Jane Nocella, Dennis Rosario,
Ray & Valerie Washburn, Andrew Wiley, Dan & Charlene Wolford**

Club members – Please Remember to introduce yourselves to members you do not know.

And also remember to

WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE AT ALL CLUB FUNCTIONS

Club Officers and Directors

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Youth Program	Open	

Calendar of Events

November 2011

Junior Fly Tying in November
Tuesdays 11/1; 11/8; 11/15; 11/22 - 6:30-8:30PM

- 1 Jr. Fly Tying – 6:30-8:30 PM**
STFF Classroom – Buenaventura Av
- 2 Board of Directors Meeting**
STFF Classroom at 6:30 p.m.

Junior Fly Tying in November
Saturdays 11/5; 11/19– 1:00-3:00PM

- 5 Jr. Fly Tying – 1-3 PM**
STFF Classroom – Buenaventura Av
- 7-11 Fishout – Delta Stripers**
Fishmaster – Allan Craig
- 9 Membership Meeting**
Redding Library at 6:30 p.m.
- 10 Fellowship Breakfast**
Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.
- 12 Advanced Fly Tying – 8:30AM-3:30PM**
Alan Jones & Jan Hale – STFF Classroom
- 17 Fishout – Trinity Steelhead**
Fishmaster – Ross Morrison
- 20 Spey Casting Clinic**
Turtle Bay-Posse Grounds launch Ramp
9 a.m. All Welcome

December 2011

- 3 Fishout – Lower Sac Wade & Float**
Fishmaster – Alan Jones

Junior Fly Tying in December
Saturday 12/3; 12/10 – 1:00-3:00PM

- 7 Board of Directors Meeting**
STFF Classroom at 6:30 p.m.
- 14 Membership Meeting**
Redding Library at 6:30 p.m.
- 15 Fellowship Breakfast**
Country Kitchen at 8:30 a.m.
- 18 Spey Casting Clinic**
Location TBD - 9 a.m. All Welcome

STFF 2011 PRELIMINARY FISHOUT SCHEDULE

<u>MONTH, DATE, DAY</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>FISHMASTER</u>
Nov 7-11, Mon-Fri	Delta Stripers	Allan Craig
Nov 17, Thur	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.

Striped Bass Fishout California Delta- B & W Resort - 964 Brannan Island Road November 7-11, 2011

Join fellow striper enthusiasts for our annual striper chase November 7-11. The caravan will meet at the Texaco/Burger King, South Bonneyview exit from I-5 Monday Nov. 7th, departing at 7:30 a.m. We'll travel to Brannan Island, west of Lodi on Hwy 12.

Lodging this year will be the cabins at B & W Resort. Make reservations early by calling Candi or Sarah, at 916-777-6161. The cabins have a stove and refrigerator, but provide no cooking or eating utensils. Some units have microwaves. There is a good launch ramp, and mooring is available on site.

Recommended gear- A power boat is almost a necessity. There are a few locations where pontoon boats can be used, but it is very limited. Wind, current, tide movement, and the wake from large boats are safety concerns that must be considered when boating. Bring rods of 7-10 weight, and several lines for different depths- include a floater, an intermediate, and very fast sink line such as a shooting head with lead core or T-14 or an integrated line such as a Custom Tip Express. A stripping bucket is very useful.

Flies- 1/0 to 4/0, 3" to 6" flies with quality hooks. Flashtail Whistlers, Clousers, Sar-Mul-Mac, Deceivers, etc. in Chartreuse/White, or baitfish colors (sardine, anchovy, mackerel, salmon smolt and bluegill.) Some flies for top water too, such as crease flies or pole dancers.

Leaders- 6-9 foot 20 pound mono. work well. Use a loop knot to tie on the fly.

Extra gear- Rain coat, binoculars, camera, boga grip, sun screen, PFD (life preserver), GPS, Delta Maps showing the shoals, tide tables, cell phone, battery charger for the trolling motor, boat cover, boat bumpers for the dock, anchor.

You are welcome to join the group for all or any part of the outing, or stay longer. Boat rentals are available at Sugar Barge Marina at (925) 684-9075 (book early) but Sugar Barge is an hour away from B & W where we'll be staying.

Updated fish reports? Dan Blanton's web site and Kiene's bulletin board often have current reports and tips.

Questions? call Allan Craig, 247-7481, cell 941-8596

Trinity River FishOut

Thursday, November 17, 2011

Fishmaster: Ross Morrison

Meeting Time and Place: To be determined based on fishing conditions, and will be announced at the November 9th Membership Meeting. Please remember to purchase your Fish and Game Steelhead Fishing Report and Restoration Card.

Fishing Location: Trinity River, somewhere between Lewiston and Junction City (depending on river conditions).

Equipment/Tackle: My rod preference is a 7 wt, but many use 6 or 8 wts. Tippet sizes from 2X to 3X;. sometimes tippet down to 4X for really low, clear water. Many use fluorocarbon tippet for clear water conditions. Many still use Maxima Ultragreen tippet material when swinging flies. Also, lighter weight spey or switch rods are great on this river.

Angling Methods: With winter conditions (water temperatures in the low 40s) the most productive method would likely be nymph fishing under indicators. The indicator set-up is the same as is used on the Lower Sac, with about 6 to 7 feet between the indicator and split shot knot, followed by 12-14 inches of 2X tippet to the first fly, in turn followed by 12-14 inches of 3X tippet to the second fly. Some anglers tie-in the leader to the indicator and use a level tippet, say 2X tippet, down to the split shot knot. I prefer to attach the indicator to a tapered leader, so that it can easily be adjusted up or down and can be removed if I want to "tight-line" nymph without an indicator, or swing fish. In the Fall I many times use all 3 methods in a day's fishing.

For those traditionalists that want to swing flies, I suggest dark leech patterns (for example, black bunny leeches), and wet flies, such as assassins, burlaps, silver Hiltons, and muddler minnows (can be fished dry, if desired). Also, there may be an opportunity for afternoon dry fly fishing for brown trout and juvenile/adult steelhead, or skating a dry fly.

Flies: #8-12 golden stone nymphs, #10-14 poxy hare's ear, #10-12 egg patterns (shrimp pink for colored water and darker conditions to champagne for clearer water and lighter conditions), #12-14 copper Johns (copper, blue and red), and #12-14 flashback PTs. (For dries, BWOs, and March Browns.) For swing flies see above.

Fishmaster Notes: Please call me at 242-1425 or e-mail at rossjoanie@charter.net, if you have questions.

We will meet at 4pm at One Maple Vineyards, as we did last year, to taste some wine and share the day's activities. See you on the 17th!

Procedure for selection of Fly Fisher of the Year

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- All nominations must be completed using the STFF nomination form which requires a written explanation of the reason the member is being nominated. All nominations should be made in consideration of the criteria that have been established for this award.
- All members whose names are nominated will be submitted to the nomination committee for consideration. The nomination committee will be comprised of all the previous recipients of the Fly Fisher of the Year award plus the president of STFF.
- The nomination committee will submit all the members that are nominated to a vote. The member who receives a highest number of votes will be designated Fly Fisher of the year.
- A chairperson of the nominating committee will be appointed by the President and will be responsible for obtaining all nominations and administering the voting process by the committee members. Once the voting is completed, the chairperson will report the final result to the President...otherwise the results will not be disclosed until announced at the annual banquet.

Note: In the event of a tie in the final voting, the members receiving the equal number of votes will be submitted to the Board of Directors for a vote. Each Director will have the opportunity to cast only one vote. The name receiving the highest total number of votes will be designated a Fly Fisher of the Year.

The President and Vice President cannot be nominated for this award.

Please use the form on the reverse side to submit your nomination.

In accordance with the bylaws, **STFF's Board of Directors, [acting as the nominating committee for a slate of officers and directors for the 2012 calendar year]**, has proposed the following:

Continuing members:

Dick Recchia, President
Creighton Smith-Vice President
Jeff Collins, Treasurer
Jerry Marks, Director
Sue Horkey, Director
Gerald Nelson, Director

New members:

Don Bovo
Jim Tornillo
Ralph Lesarjette

This slate of officers will be published in the November and December newsletter, with membership voting taking place at the December General meeting.

Note: Alan Jones and Jim Jensen will be travelling extensively next year and have decided not to continue on the board. Ron Gustafson has asked to be replaced because of family commitments requiring out of town travel.

**It's not too early to plan your schedule now...mark your calendars
for the**

The 2012 STFF Banquet

with \$1000's of dollars in fly fishing gear.

Saturday, February 18th @ Win River Casino

**Banquet information packets will be sent to members
the first of November. Please return your banquet registration
and payment before the first of December.**

Hospitality Committee Announcement

Please advise Jerry Marks, at marks@clearwire.net or 365-6893, if you know of a member that is having/had surgery, is seriously ill or suffered the loss of a family member so the club can send appropriate correspondence to let them know we care.

STFF Classroom Monthly Agenda – November 2011

1872 Buenaventura Blvd. Suite # 3

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Details	Leader	Tele # & Email
Tue	11/1	6:30-8:30	Fly Tying	Jr. Fly Tying Program		
Wed	11/2	6:30-7:30	Board of Directors Meeting			
Sat	11/5	1:00-3:00	Fly Tying	Jr. Fly Tying Program		
Tue	11/8	6:30-8:30	Fly Tying	Jr. Fly Tying Program		
Sat	11/12	8:30-3:30	Fly Tying	Special Sat Tying Session \$7.00 Fee	Alan Jones Jan Hale	246-2528 jerrialan@sbcglobal.net 275-9668 lilybill@sbcglobal.net
Sun	11/13	3:00-6:00	Fly Rod Building Orientation & Info	Graphite & Bamboo	Creighton Smith Dick Recchia	243-4388 cr8smith@gmail.com 547-9720 rdrservices@frontiernet.net
Tue	11/15	6:30-8:30	Fly Tying	Jr. Fly Tying Program		
Sat	11/19	1:00-3:00	Fly Tying	Jr. Fly Tying Program		
Tue	11/22	6:30-8:30	Fly Tying	Jr. Fly Tying Program		
Sat	11/26	1:00-3:00	Fly Tying	Jr. Fly Tying Program		

Starting this November: a great winter project!

Bamboo Fly Rod Building Classes

- ✓ **Build your own bamboo rod from a complete kit.**
- ✓ Kits contain finished blanks, extra tips and all hardware.
- ✓ Selections allow a variety of line weights from 3 to 6.
- ✓ Selections allow a variety of rod lengths up to 9ft
- ✓ Selections allow a variety of actions: slow, medium & medium fast
- ✓ Total cost of kit with high quality blanks: approximately \$150
- ✓ **Advance ordering is required.**

For information and details: contact Dick Recchia @ cell: 356-0547 or rdrservices@frontiernet.net

Advertisements

The logo for 'The Fly Shop' features the name in a stylized, cursive font. Below the text is a circular emblem containing a fly.

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November Membership Meeting Wednesday November 9, 2011 – 6:30PM Redding Library

Special Presentation – Eagle Canyon Trout lakes

Eagle Canyon Trophy Trout lakes' exclusive waters offer unsurpassed private angling for rainbows that consistently rank as California's largest. Their spring-fed still waters are located in the foothills west of Lassen National Park, approximately 20 miles from Red Bluff, California,. Four to twenty-three pound rainbows inhabit these intimate ponds and flourish in the fertile 55-degree habitat.

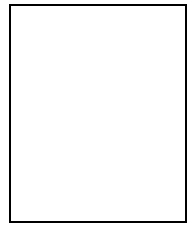
STFF Photo Contest-December Meeting STFF Photo Contest Rules

You must be a STFF member to enter contest. Photograph must have been taken in 2011. Photograph size - 8" x 10" max, 5" x 7" min. No Frames or Matting will be allowed. Photograph cannot be computer enhanced. Only one entry per STFF member.

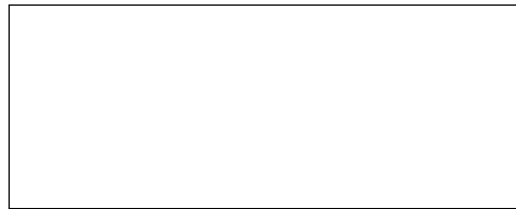
The winners will be determined by the vote of the club membership present at the December Annual Meeting. Prizes will be awarded to the top three vote getting photographs. In the event of a tie, a run off vote will be held.



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Next Membership Meeting
Wednesday Nov 9, 2011 – 6:30PM
Special Presentation
“Eagle Canyon Trout Lakes”
Redding Library

Fishouts
Mon-Fri – Nov 7-11 – Delta Stripers
Thurs- Nov 17 – Trinity Steelhead

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