



December MEETING

See all the pictures for a visual on the December 2009 meeting. Good food, good friends and good gifts. What more can you ask for ??

THE JANUARY MEETING

Meetings for 2010 are being held at "OFF THE HOOK" fly shop on upper Broadway in Placerville.

Meeting starts at 7:00. First fishing reports, and an outline of the plans for 2010.

Then we will watch "Rivers of a Lost Coast". The February 2010 California Fly Fisher describes Rivers this way:

The result... is a Clear Vision of what fly fishing is—The way it was, can be and what its future may look like.

See ya Thursday

2010 is LOOKING GOOD

Looking forward, the New Year looks bright

We've already had a magnificent snow storm, followed by a healthy amount of rain. Hopefully this will continue so that we will have an above average snowpack that will keep our trout streams flowing all year, and our lakes full for the entire season.

Our corner at Off the Hook Fly Shop is growing. Not only did we install the "Map", but we now have a bulletin board, electronic picture frame (more of that later), and a library (Inspired by the donation of our late, past President, Byron Clayton). There is more to be done, and I hope our members will come up with some great ideas for promoting the club.

If you have any pictures of YOU fishing or with a memorable catch, please send it to me, razigelhofer@gmail.com, along with dates and descrip-

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An hour of good fishing takes all day



Christmas Party 2009

It is no more difficult to make a fly cast than it is to toss a pound of cooked noodles through the mail slot of the house across the street

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tions (don't forget to send your name and if applicable, the names of anyone else involved in the picture). I will put the pictures into the frame and then send them to Jeff Nagel to put in the website.

Don't forget our Facebook page, <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Hangtown-FlyFishers/89684714021?ref=nf>, where you can keep up with club happenings and contact other members regarding fishing trips or tackle swaps.

There will be a few changes to the fish-outs this year.

While we will still have our regular outings, several will involve not just fishing, but entomology, bar-b-que, and other activities.

At our last meeting, the members present voted to join the Federation of Fly Fishermen. This will give us access to more speakers, along with Federation Certified Casting Instructors, loans of equipment for youth fishing instruction and many other bonuses.

2010 looks to be a bright and promising.

Merry Fishes and Happy New Gear,

Ron Zigelhofer.

THE FISHING REPORT

DAVE ANGELO, VP—Outings

Fishing had become a bit more challenging with the colder and wetter weather which has arrived. Jenkinson continued to kick out large numbers of rainbows before Christmas, but slowed considerably the past two weeks. I was over to the lake for the first time this year with Jeff Smith and we had a very successful afternoon despite getting rained on off and on in the later part of the afternoon. Fish were working the surface when we arrived at about 1:00 and I had 3 hook-ups on my first 3 casts, landing one 13" rainbow. The grab seemed a little tentative and the fish were definitely spooky, but they could be had if you were stealthy enough and waited for the top-feeding trout to swing in close enough to allow a cast to

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2010 Club Outings Schedule

The leadership is currently developing a revised list of club outings. See Dave's article for the tentative list of 2010 fish outs.

January & February will be trips to the **Sportsman's Expo** and the **Fly Fishing Show**.

The May outing will be at Morningstar
(More to follow)



Jeff Nagel, VP of the Web Site and all things tech at the 2009 Christmas party

A bird in the hand is evidence of a really wild cast

The Tying Bench By Karl Weiland

The Madam X

This month the Tying Bench is trying something new. I've been teaching at the Saturday Fly Tying Class held by "Off the Hook". Two weeks ago I taught a class on tying the Madam X. To help the students, I put together a custom set of instructions. Because it's four pages long, it won't fit in the newsletter. So we've created a page on the Fly Club website and that's where you will find this month's fly pattern.



This, That & the Other Thing

SHOWTIME

January 21-24 - ISE Sportsman's Expo in Sacramento at Cal Expo

Link: <http://www.sportsexpos.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=ViewLocation&LocationNumber=1>

February 26, 27 & 28 - The FLY SHOW in Pleasanton at the Alameda County Fairgrounds

Link: <http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Pleasanton.html>

Off the Hook at 626.5041 has the sign up lists for all shows. Call or stop by and you can find a ride or some riders to share the cost. These are great places to soak up fly fishing. Good presentations and classes by nationally recognized experts, demonstrations and hands on experiences, AND tons of stuff to just look at, not to mention great buys and stealin deals. It's a lot of fun to go with some other club members.

Follow the links to the web sites, look at the schedules, pick a day you that works and then get on the list. Drivers will be looking for riders to share the cost of gas and parking. Then try and decide what you want to see, what seminars and Classes to take, and all that fun stuff.

Spare car keys will dematerialize if not used regularly

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reach them. I landed 12-15 trout, and Jeff 8 or 9. That coupled with quite a few long range releases and grabs made for a most enjoyable 3 1/2 hours. I fished with my son over at Rancho Seco on Wednesday, last week, and it was quite unproductive for the first 2 1/4 hours (1:00-3:15). At 3:15 the "Russian Army" headed out allowing me to get in where I knew some fish were working. I had 2 good grabs right away to confirm that the fish were in that area. I landed one nice 16"er and had a few more grabs before the wind and foggy weather kicked my butt off the lake. It was disappointing at best but not a skunk, anyway. My tentative schedule for the first half of this year will be as follows, noting that it is subject to change as conditions dictate. Jan 16 Jenkinson Lake Feb 20 Baum Lake near Burney (Probably an overnight stay) March 20 Pyramid Lake, Nevada (Trailer for 7 already reserved) April 10 Pyramid Lake, Nevada (Trailer for 7 already reserved) May 15 Morningstar (Big Reservoir) Foresthill (Camping right on the lake, if wanted) June 19 Davis Lake, Portola (Probably an overnight stay) All interested parties should contact me so I can plan the arrangements. If there are other destinations desired. Please let me know and I will certainly consider any and all. Tight lines to all. Dave Angelo (530) 621-3688

Club Stuff

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