

CHICO AREA FLYFISHERS'



FEBRUARY 1998

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THE LINE

Lionel Valley, CAF President

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- Pat Corbett - Fly-Tying Chairman
- John Ost - Conservation Chairman & Publicity
- Roger Bevers - Youth Program Chairman
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- Redge Hawkley - Secretary
- Val Bowlby - Board of Directors - Annual dinner table decorations, etc.

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Press will present his own favorite local waters, casting techniques and answer all your questions on Powell Rod Company and The Chico Fly Shop.

Stop by the Butte County Library for an evening of fun.

Dinner tickets will also be available for the annual dinner.

FLY TYING

Pat Corbett, Fly Tying Chair

Milt Jenson's Top '8'



The February 19th session is again with Milt Jenson, our own local accomplished fishing guide and creative fly tyer. He will be tying four of his "simplest most effective" stillwater patterns for the above session.

Then at the years remaining sessions, we will combine one of Milt's eight patterns along with another productive fly to tie. Tyers are provided recipe handouts for the evening plus step-by-step, one-on-one guidance to complete the flies.

We will also video tape Milt up close during these sessions for your viewing on a large screen. You will not need your tying kits for these first two sessions. Don't forget to bring your excess tying materials to our January Tying Materials, Donations and Swap at the Music Express Inn, 1091 El Monte Ave, Chico.

FISHOUT - February 22 Lake McCumber

With much arm-twisting and backroom dealings, Lionel convinced Mark Adams, Ron Leger, and myself to be the fishmasters for '98. We are open to suggestions for potential outings as long as the destination meets at least one of the following criteria.

1. There is a good chance of being skunked
2. Strong winds can suddenly pick up and blow us off the water
3. Hypothermia while float tubing is a real possibility
4. Large crowds of fellow Flyfishers are usually present on weekends
5. Poison oak is the predominant steamside vegetation
6. Mountain lions have been spotted in area recently

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26TH DINNER / FUND-RAISER - FEBRUARY 27TH

Raffle prizes, rods, reels, guided trips, prints, youth bike, & other outdoor items/equipment.



26th Annual Dinner / Fund-Raiser

Family Membership Form

Please check the appropriate box

- ☐ One dinner & family membership \$50.00

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Date _____

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- ☐ One dinner & family membership \$50.00
- ☐ Each additional adult dinner \$25.00
- ☐ Youth dinners \$15.00
- ☐ Existing member
- ☐ New member
- ☐ Membership only \$25.00

Make check payable to:

Chico Area Flyfishers

Please fill out, clip and mail to: Chico Area Flyfishers, P.O. Box 3583, Chico, CA 95927

February 27th

*Our biggest night
of the year.*

*Bring a guest or
potential member
for an evening of
fun and fishing
lore.*

*When you sell five
dinner tickets pick
up one free raffle
ticket.*

LOCAL GUIDES

Powell Fly Shop
Chico, CA
(916) 345-9983

Dick Murrell
Oroville, CA
(916) 532-4223

Merganzer's Outfitters
Chico, CA
(916) 343-4071

Trinity Fly Shop
Lewiston, CA
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Gerry Gray Guide
Trinity Center, CA
(916) 266-3297

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Bluff, CA
(916) 529-2291

The New Line

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- Paul Hendricks - President who did a great job of bringing this club to where it is today.

- Various members who provided great assistance with fishouts, including Jim Gaumer for the Baldwin Ponds fishout and Ed Bruno for the Modoc fishout.

- Various members who assisted with the success of our Annual Dinner, including Ron Leger for the great fish carving prize, Tom Peppas for the great program, and so many others who contributed in so many ways.

I'm delighted to report that all of the assignments have been accepted by generous members for 1998, so here are the members to call for information or to offer assistance:

- Flytying - Pat Corbett
- Fishouts - Mark Adams and others he will get to assist him
- Investments - Lionel Valley
- Membership - Dick Grover

- Conservation/Publicity - John Ost
- Raffles - Rich Hunter
- Youth Activities - Roger Bevers

You've probably noticed that we now have a Raffle Chairman who will be helping the club organize the monthly meeting raffles by selling raffle tickets as everyone enters the meeting room and select tantalizing raffle prizes for all of us. Rich Hunter will be calling upon various people to assist so be prepared to help out as needed.

We have also added a Membership Chairman to help the Club maintain and increase its membership. Dick will appreciate help from everyone by inviting potential members and by making all members feel welcome, particularly the newer members. Please make an extra effort to bring one potential member to a meeting within the next 3 months as we want to share the club with others and locate new talent for everyone's benefit.

And finally, please sell the annual dinner tickets for us now so we can make this Annual Dinner one of the best ever.

Fishout

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7. Rattlesnakes are present in significant numbers

8. A long road trip is required to get there

9. A short road trip down a rutted up, dusty 4-wheel drive road is required to get there (12" of mud is also acceptable in lieu of dust)

10. The wading is treacherous and requires felt bottom shoes and a staff

11. The fishing is always red hot the week before the scheduled fishout or the week after the fishout

12. If boats are used, at least one boat must become adrift

13. At least one local hero to stop adrift boat

Note: Private waters that claim to have none of the above, but charge a really high fee for fishing will also be considered.

If you know a place like this . . . please let one of us know and we may plan a trip there.

For the February 22nd fishout, we will be fishing Lake McCumber near Shingletown out of Redding. This place definitely meets criteria 1 through 4 so it should be a great trip.

Wooly buggers with slow sink lines, various midges and small nymphs fished under an indicator are the standard fair. Shore fishing is very limited, but small boats and tubes work well. The water temp will probably be in the 30's, so only the hardy will be in their tubes for any length of time. There is a flat spot on the lake for launching small boats (cartoppers or small prams are the best). For more information, call Mark or Jeff at 893-1600.

26th Annual Dinner / Fund-Raiser

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY

FEB 7 CAF YOUTH FISHOUT
Coleman Forebay
Roger Bevers, 343-6442

FEB 10 ANNUAL DINNER MTG
Planning / discussion
7:00 PM, La Hacienda
Denny, 342-1104

FEB 11 GENERAL MEETING
7:30 PM
Butte Co. Library

The 26th Annual Dinner / Fund-Raiser will be held Friday, February 27th, 6:00 PM, at the Masonic Family Center on East Avenue.

DINNER SPEAKER

This year we are pleased to announce Tom Peppas as our program speaker. Tom's presentation is entitled "**My Favorite Northern California Waters.**"

Tickets will also be available at Powell Rod Company, CAF General Meetings and Fly Ty-ing or call Bob Smith, 342-5908.

DINNER MENU

- Teriyaki Chicken
- BBQ Tri Tip
- Rice Pilaf
- Bread w/butter
- Smoked Turkey Ceasar Salad
- Dessert
- Coffee
- No-host bar
- Kids refreshments free



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Pat Corbett, 877-5448

FEB 22 CAF FISHOUT
Lake McCumber
Jeff Richelieu, 893-1600

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1053 E. 7th St.
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