

# **CHICO AREA FLYFISHERS'**

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### THE LINE

**Dana Miller, CAF President** 

Well here we go again. The elections are over and somehow I was re-elected to the office of President! If that was a bad thing, I wouldn't do it again! We have a great Board of Directors and club officers! Thank-You to all returning directors and officers, and welcome to the newly elected!

I did have a chance to fish Lake Davis in late November. I should've checked hwy 70 road conditions. Little did I know that it was closed until 6am, so I had to wait an hour in my truck, I could've slept another hour in a nice warm bed!

I got to the lake at about 8am. It was 27 degrees, and the ground was frozen solid. There wasn't another person there in site! Probably, not a great sign of "hot" fishing action.

I was prepared for the cold, but not the savage strike I had after only moments after entering the water! He took out ten feet of line in a second and was gone. I didn't have another bite for an hour! My wife told me she wanted some Trout for dinner, none of this "Catch and Release" stuff, so I put a nice 18 inch rainbow on the stringer. It had snails in it stomach, but not as packed as I would've expected at this time of the year. The wind came up and I had 4 more fish on but lost them after a brief struggle. After fighting

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## Jan 12th General Meeting

As has been done in the past, just show up, wear knee high boots and be entertained by the stories from the membership.

### SECRETARIE'S NOTES

By Lionel Valley

Our ANNUAL PIZZA DINNER MEETING, held on December 8, 2004 at Round Table Pizza on Pillsbury Road was attended by some 25 members and guests. Everyone had a very enjoyable time getting better acquainted with other members and their guests while partaking in some great pizza's, including veggie, ham and pineapple, etc. Your missing out if you didn't attend so put it on your calendar for 2005-regular meeting date in December.

The monthly Board of Directors meeting held December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004 covered some interest-topics, including:

-It was decided to send a letter expressing interest in having our Club get involved in a special project along the Sacramento River.

Dawit agreed to contact the Fish & Wildlife Service to see about getting a representative

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## 33RD ANNUAL DINNER / FUNDRAISER

FEBRUARY 25TH 2005
CHICO MASONIC FAMILY CENTER

Cut, detach and mail in with your check

33rd Annual Dinner / Fundraiser
Family Membership Form

Name			
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State

City\_

Please check the appropriate box

\$50 - One Dinner & Family Membership

□ \$25 – Each Additional Adult dinner

\$15 - Each Additional Youth dinner (under 16)

### **LOCAL GUIDES**

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#### Calendar of Events

Gen. Mtg. - Jan 8th

Fish-Out Jan 18th & Feb 1st

Fly Tying - Jan 16th 7:00pm Chico Fly Shop

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to speak at our January 12, 2005 meeting to provide us with more information - PLAN TO ATTEND TO GET THE LATEST!

-A motion was passed to purchase 50 FLY FISHING TACTICS booklets to be given to new members etc following a proposal from Lionel Valley.

-A motion was passed to donate \$500 to Trout Unlimited.

-The next annual dinner was discussed with various items being persued by Board members.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

**President:** 

Dana Miller.....345-3266

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Lionel Valley......343-7364

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Past President
Dana Miller

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the wind for a couple of hours I was done and trolled back to my truck. (My kind of fly fishing!) Wham!! The same place I had my first strike, I got hammered again! But this time he took it.... I mean he really took it! When I got him in, there was a large amount of blood coming from his gills. He had hooked himself deep and in the gills. Now I have a dinner fish and a fat 21 inch rainbow for the smoker!

Now that duck season is here I won't be making too many plans to go fishing. It's not really fishing season anyway. The only fishing that's going on as I write this, is maybe Eagle Lake or the Feather River, for 4 to 5 pound trout or steelhead. And who in their right mind wants to stand in the cold and catch a correction...and they say duck hunters are crazy!

Our Annual Anchovy Feed was held on Dec 8<sup>th</sup> and we had 26 members turn out for pizza and beer. There was a lot of story telling going on, and I think everyone had fun.

We had many members sign up and pay for our Annual Dinner to be held on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005. As in past years our annual dinner will be sold out so if you want a ticket, get it early...The first 225 will be seated and fed! I should explain our ticket system for the Annual dinner...We have no tickets! We are taking reservations, paid in full reservations! At the door will be your name and the # of reservations you paid for. If you buy more than one reservation, we'll need names for each reservation, which you can list on the back of the reservation form. Their names will be listed alphabetically at the door. No tickets to forget or lose!

### FISHOUT SCHEDULE

**UNKNOWN** 

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