



CHICO AREA FLYFISHERS

Short Casts September 2013

Speaker September 11th, 2012 : Hogan Brown! Our meetings are located at the CARD center, 545 Vallombrosa Avenue, Chico, CA. At 6:30 fly tying and 7:30 meeting. Refreshments are provided free!



President's Line

September 2013
Everyone have a good summer and catch some fish, I plan too.
Dave

Hogan Brown Bio

Hogan began fly fishing from an early age virtually growing up on the banks of the North Fork and Lower Yuba rivers. He began hitch hiking the 5 miles from his house to the Lower Yuba River with a fly rod in hand in Junior High school. He has chased trout and steelhead in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Saskatchewan, British Columbia, and Alberta provinces in Canada. Far from being a trout snob, Hogan has spent considerable time fishing for largemouth, smallmouth, and striped bass and carp on a fly! Hogan has become one of the leading innovators in warm water fly fishing in Northern California. Just as passionate about fly tying, Hogan has developed a unique approach to tying bass, carp, steelhead, and trout flies with the sierra foothills and the CA central valley as his testing ground. Hogan blends many different styles with his own unique approach to create innovative flies for catching bass, carp, steelhead, and trout. Hogan is a contract tier for Idylwilde Fly Co. and has over 40 patterns under commercial production. Hogan began guiding the North Fork and Lower Yuba Rivers when he graduated from high school and eventually relocated to Chico to attend Chico State. Hogan is a 2005 graduate of Chico State with a degree in Social Science and a minor in Psychology. After that he graduated from National University in 2006 with a single subject teaching credential and a Masters in Education. Hogan is also the Marketing Director of the non-profit Cast Hope, which is geared at growing the sport of fly fishing by taking out youth on free guided trips, providing free clinics, and free equipment to remove the barriers that keep kids from getting outdoors and fly fishing. With two young boys and a full guide schedule on the Lower Yuba River, Lower Sacramento River, and Feather River along with various bass and carp water and small streams and rivers outside of Chico Hogan stays plenty busy. Hogan is also a published author with articles appearing in both Northwest Fly Fishing and Southwest Fly Fishing Magazine along with Saltwater Fly Fishing Magazine and California Fly Fisher. He is also an FFF certified casting instructor and has appeared on the nationally televised programs Fly Fishing the World with Conway Bowman and The Fly Fishermen.

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Secretary's Secrets By Pat Sleeper

CAF Minutes for Wed, August 14th, 2013

Those present: Lincoln, Lance, Dana, Eric, Larry, Pat, Don and Scott Joyce.

Minutes: Pat Sleeper M/S/P Larry/Terry
Treasurer report: Don Sleeper M/S/P Larry/Lance
V.P. report: Lincoln Gray - Hogan Brown will be our next speaker...looking at maybe Department of Fish and Game for Oct 9th, meeting.

Dinner meeting discussion...More discussion in Oct. Scott Joyce handling a committee.

Hooked on fishing discussions...CSUC (people movers), city (lake), insurance (Larry)...it had a great turnout! thank you for all your support!!!

Elections for October 9th, 2013.

Nominations are being accepted for: President, V.P., Secretary, Treasurer and two board member positions. As well as other committee member positions.

by Pat Sleeper

Oroville Salmon Festival - Volunteer Fly Casters Needed!

The Oroville Salmon Festival is coming up on Saturday, September 28th. It is a wonderful event at the Feather River Fish Hatchery in Oroville and the Chico Area Flyfishers will be providing fly casting lessons to the kids in a casting pool. We need some volunteers to assist with this, CAF will supply the rods so you just need to show up for your 2 hr. shift. Contact Eric See (899-1918) if you would like to help out. It's a lot of fun and a great opportunity to share flyfishing with hundreds of kids during the day, and there's always a few who seem to get that flyfishing spark! Thank you!
Eric See. 530-899-1918.

A Great Place To Fish: Leighton Lake B.C.

On the road again, by Don & Pat Sleeper

Well we left Chico June 6 on our way to Troy Idaho to pick up Pat's cousins and head for Canada, all in 5-wheel RVs. We fished "Three Lakes" south of Kamloops B.C. Leighton, Morgan, and Marys Lake (hidden not on a map). We camped on Leighton Lake next to Tunkwa Lake with Chris Lewis, Krystal Lewis, Roger Bevers, Gloria Bevers for two weeks.

This relatively small lake is only a few miles outside the city of Logan, B.C. and is situated among highly forested terrain; there are a few residences along the shoreline... Although this is a high usage lake, it offers some great fishing and is considered a fly fisherman's dream, with ideal conditions and hatches, the best lake side camping we have ever had. That's why it's our fifth time back to the same lake.

A heads up for the almost daily thunderstorms that would blow through and clear out the lake of fishermen; as the wind and rain could hit hard for an hour or so...those lightning strikes were "very" exciting!

We used everything from wiggle tails to chironomids under an indicator. My favorite fly was a Carrie special on an intimidate line. Our Kamloop rainbows ranged from 12 inches to 22 inches and were in great shape.



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CAF Speaker List 2013

CAF General Meeting

CAF meets monthly and presents a variety of exciting flyfishing-related programs throughout the year. The meetings also include monthly fly tying demonstrations, raffle prizes, refreshments, and the very best info and lies about Northern California Flyfishing. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month. Fly tying begins at 6:30pm and the general meeting begins at 7:30pm. Location: CARD Center - 545 Vallombrosa Avenue - Chico, California, 95926. We hope to see you at our next meeting!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Program</u>
September 11th-	Hogan Brown	Nor Cal Warm Water
October 9th-		
November 13th-	Lincoln Gray	Drifting The Lower Sac – V-II
December	PIZZA FEED	(Location TBD)

Chico Area Flyfisher's Fishout Schedule 2013

This is where you can locate future outings that the Chico Area Flyfishers provide to its Membership. These Club Fishouts are designed to give fly fishers the best opportunity to catch fish and enjoy the outdoors. Our Club has many accomplished anglers who are willing to share their skills with others and you are only limited by your willingness to become involved. From selecting promising locations and time, to helping those members new to the sport, we try to make these trips fun, exciting and successful.

We are also looking for additional **fishout leaders**. If you have one of those favorite spots that you don't mind sharing with others and would like to lead your fellow CAF members for a day of fishing fun, and fellowship please contact Lincoln Gray or Don Sleeper. 345-1197

This schedule may change depending on the fish bite or weather conditions.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Fishout Leader</u>
Sept	Davis Lake	Open
Oct 2,3,4,5	Pyramid Lake at Warrior Point	Don Sleeper
Nov	Feather River	Lance Gray

Other ideas: Floating Indicator Clinic, Float Tube Clinic, Fly Casting Clinic, Yuba River, Fort Bragg area Surf Fly fishing---

Learning to fish can be loads of fun when you can bring in bass like this: Josh Sleeper successfully catching bass on the dark side.



Fly of the Month for September, 2013

The Eng Thing

By: Ray Narbaitz

Wayne Eng lives in Dunsmuir, right across the street from the Upper Sacramento River. He has lead an interesting life, with much of it revolving around fly fishing. Along the way, he has come up with some innovative flies that are made to work in just about all trout situations. One of his better known creations is the Eng Thing. Wayne came up with the fly some time ago, in the earlier stages of his development as a fly designer, fly fishing teacher and guide. In talking to him about it, he admits that it is an amalgamation of two of his favorite flies at that time, the Pheasant Tail and the Prince Nymph. He said that at the time, he wasn't thinking about things like strike triggers, etc. He just added parts from his favorite flies feeling that if it worked for them, it ought to work even better if you added different parts to make the whole.

Somewhere along the way, one of the commercial fly tying companies that was producing the fly for him changed the body from Pheasant Tail to all Peacock Herl. Wayne said it seemed to work just fine that way as well. Once again it was changed, and is now back to his original design. The basic design of the fly is fairly simple with the only tricky part getting the legs (wings? hydrofoils?) angled correctly.

Hook...Standard or 1X long nymph hook, size 12 to 18

Thread...Black, 8/0, 70 denier

Bead...Brass or gold sized to match hook size

Tail...Standard Pheasant Tail

Abdomen...Standard Pheasant Tail

Ribbing...Copper Wire

Wing Case...Large pearl tinsel

Thorax...Peacock Herl

Legs...Amber Goose biots, tied down, and full length of body

1. Debarb hook, slip on bead, and place it in the vise.



2. Start thread and lay down a thread base to the bend of the hook.
3. Tie in a few barbs of Pheasant Tail, with the tail about hook length or a bit shorter. Tie it in as close to the bend of the hook as you can.
4. Tie in the copper wire ribbing, tie it the full length of the abdomen, back to the bend.
5. Lay the tag ends of the P.T. back, and wrap them so they are even with the bend of the hook.
6. Wrap the P.T. forward, just like the nymph to just short of the bead. Tie it down and clip off the tag ends.
7. Counter wrap the ribbing in open spirals to the bead, tie it down and break it off, making sure you tie it down tightly.
8. Tie in the pearl tinsel on the top of the fly, back to about the two thirds portion of the shank. Saltwater Flashabou works well for this on the larger sized flies.
9. Tie in a couple of strands of Peacock Herl and wrap them to form the thorax. Tie them off and cut off the tag ends.
10. Tie in the Goose biots on either side, tilting them down so the tips are at about the midpoint of hook gap. They should be the full length of the body. Tie them in tight, and cut off the ends as close to the bead as you can.
11. Pull over the wing case, and tie it down. Cut off the excess.
12. Whip finish, and apply a little head cement.

Catching Fish



Eric See on the Upper Columbia River in June. Among many others, he caught a 24 inch.!



Lionel Valley with a nice Roster in Baja in June 2013.

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