CFFU NEWSLETTER

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Monthly Newsletter **Mary Ellen Mueller, Editor**

Announcements

Hello! The Newsletter was on hiatus as my computer was hacked and I had to buy a new hard drive and rebuild it. This way any viruses or Trojans I had will not be passed on through any of my communications. All my recovered data has come through a screening process to ensure nothing bad is in any of the data. Sorry for the inconvenience.

CFFU Activities As you know all CFFU meetings, outings and Tech Thursdays have been cancelled until further notice. However, fishing on your own with ample precautions is encouraged to help with your sanity. Everyone please do your part in taking the necessary precautions to protect you and everyone else from exposure to the COVID-19 virus. And good luck finding TP!

March 28 American River Clean Up has been cancelled.

Membership Dues If you have not yet paid your dues for 2020 CFFU Membership, remember that you cannot participate in CFFU Activities in 2020 until your dues are paid.

If you have not paid by now you are likely deleted from our rolls. To fix this, please mail your check to:
CFFU
PO Box 162997
Sacramento, CA 95816
Write on the memo line: CFFU 2020 Dues
Individual Membership: $40 a year
Family Membership: $55 a year
Lifetime Membership: $300.

May 14 BBQ

The May 14 BBQ has been postponed indefinitely. Chuck and Mary Ann Odell will reschedule if conditions permit. Thanks for your caution Chuck and Mary Ann.

Truckee Outing

Has been cancelled for this year.

Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner was held March 14. We were very cautious about social distancing and providing lots of hand sanitizer. Over 100 people attended. Many cancelled, understandably so. However, the tickets

being non-refundable helped support our club. So thanks to all of those who bought tickets yet were unable to attend!

For those who attended we had the usual silent auctions, live auctions and raffles. Some great trips, gear and many other wonderful prizes were taken home by the winners. And of course, the Buckhorn food was amazing. This year we had a cake auction for our desserts. The cakes were beautiful and delicious. And Andy Penn's group provided excellent music to dine by. The final tally is estimated to be around **$10,000** in spite of the obstacles. Thank you everyone for your support!

Recent Events

Yuba Outing

The Yuba outing organized by Sam Yee was a great success. The skwallas were present and the fish were biting. Thanks, Sam for all your efforts making this trip such a success.

Mentor Casting Clinic

The Casting Clinic was held at Howe Avenue Pond in the rain. That did not stop our casters and mentors from providing assistance with rod rigging, casting and eventual fishing. There was a good turn-out and no one seemed to mind the weather.

Pyramid Outing

A hardy group of flyfishers descended on Pyramid Lake on Wednesday March 18, despite travel warnings, snow on the I-80 passes and suggested limited travel restrictions. Our Guides, Joe Contaldi and Glenn Lemon, had us meet them at the Lake at 0-dark hundred (6 am) Thursday morning. The temperature was 21 degrees. My truck had snow on it from my trip from Sparks. They had chairs set up, rods rigged and a welcoming and helpful attitude. Those first on the lake, guided by headlamps, were rewarded with a couple of early strikes and some large cutthroats.

David Andrada

A "Quad Hookup"

Fishing was generally good that day with a few catching 4-5 fish. It was intermittent and slow at times but at one point we had a quad hookup keeping the guides jumping. Friday was much slower in the morning but caught on fire in the afternoon. Again, as on Thursday, the hot stick was David Andrada who did indicator fishing and stripping. David caught 12 on Friday!

Mike Giusti

The Line

My one and only catch

Paul Wisheropp with a monster

The rumors that afternoon were that the Tribes were meeting about whether or not to close the lake to fishing. Indeed , that is what was approved and the fishery will close on Monday March 23.

Never give up!

Ken Davis with another monster!

Heritage Fly- The Fawning Coachman

Fanwing Royal Coachman

Submitted by Rob Scafe

One of many patterns of the Royal Coachman family.

The royal Coachman was first tied by a fella named John Hailey. He adapted an English fly by adding red silk in the midsection of a fly called the English Coachmen in 1876. LC Orvis is credited with the name. The above pattern has it's start somewhere in the 1920's and 30's and was considered a good searching pattern.

Since then there have been many iterations of the Royal Coachman. I found a web site:

http://www.flyanglersonline.com/features/oldflies/part478.php

The 'Royal Coachman' and Some of His Henchmen.

By Tom Deschaine, Michigan

that has photos and recipes for 13 different patterns of Royal Coachman. Almost every fly-tying book has one or more patterns you can tie. I find the website above to be very good.

Seeking from Tim Au-Young

I am seeking a replacement for my responsibilities to the Board of Directors and CFFU as the Programs Director. This 2020 will end my 2-year responsibility where my Business Plan was very simple, 3 words:

1. Educational
2. Inspirational
3. Technical

Attempting to do my best at procuring the best and talented speakers, the balance of this year soon will soon be posted to amaze, surprise, and stimulate you. **(Note: this was submitted prior to the COVID 19 outbreak and cancellations)**.

This responsibility is not that time consuming, and having a knowledge of people in the fly fishing industry is a definable plus. I will work with you in the coming months so that all responsibilities are transparent, and because all of the work for this year has been completed, booking the speakers at least, only follow up, and reminders are needed to be completed. Only 2 forms are in need of completion for each monthly speaker, and one special feature of the job is getting to be more acquainted with the speaker at dinner just before the general meeting, monthly. What a benefit !!! The bottom-line responsibility of the Programs Director is to schedule, and post reminders with summaries for each speaker, while attending scheduled Board of Director Meetings.

Please feel free to ask questions, give comments, or post inquiries.

Fish on,

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PS. Oh one last item, as Member of the Board of Directors, your presence is requested 6 times per year at the Board of Director Meetings, usually the day before the General Monthly Meeting

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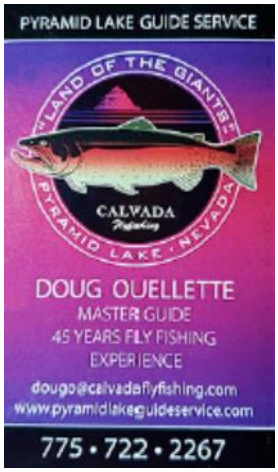
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