



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ROY LITHERLAND

You've just won \$1,300 worth of fishing equipment. Who wouldn't want to do that? Here is what we are talking about:

GREAT DRY FLY ROD: Winston Pure 9 ft. 5wt. (905-4 pcs) with cigar grip and wood reel seat, (value \$975), matched with **Cheeky Launch 350 5-6 wt. fly reel, large arbor**, partially enclosed disk drag, color: gold/black, (value \$250) **PLUS RIO Trout LT WF-5-F fly line**, color: camo/beige, (value \$80)

This fantastic fly rod, reel and fly line combination was offered as the prize in the "Special Bucket Raffle" and valued at \$1,300 at the banquet. Remarkably the person who won this prize immediately gave it back to the club on the condition that it would be offered as the door prize at the next member meeting. To win this fantastic prize all you must do is be a club member and attend the next club meeting in person. Each member attending in person will get a raffle ticket and be eligible to win this prize.

And for everyone who attended the banquet, thank you; it was a major success and a fun evening. There were multiple silent auctions for really good stuff. Lots of awards were given out. And the speeches were really short. A good time was had by all. I want to personally thank everyone who helped put this great event together.

Speaking of events, all members will receive an email soon asking for your opinion about the club and what kinds of events you would like to see offered and anything you would like the club to do differently. Please respond. We want your opinions. And all suggestions (yes, those too) will be passed along to your board of directors.

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FLYCASTERS CALENDAR

JUNE

Monday - Wednesday, June 5-7th
 Five Dot Reservoir Fishout
 Smallmouth Bass

Saturday, June 10th
 Breakfast Gathering | 8am - 9:30am
 Holder's Country Inn
 10088 N Wolfe Rd, Cupertino

Tuesday, June 13th
 Board of Directors Meeting | 5 - 6:30pm
[Zoom Link](#)

Wednesday, June 14th
 Club Meeting | 7pm - 9:30pm
 Moreland Apts Meeting Room
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Saturday, May 17th
 Flycasting Classes | 9:30 - 11:30am
 Casting Accuracy & Distance
 Los Gatos Creek County Park
 1250 Dell Avenue, Campbell
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Saturday May 24th
 Casting Skills Challenge noon - 2:30
 Los Gatos Creek Park
 more information on page 23-24



FLYCASTERS Code of Ethics

As a member of Flycasters, I will do all in my power to conduct myself in a manner befitting the traditions of our sport of fly fishing.

- 1. I will follow the fish and game laws wherever I fish.*
- 2. I will support conservation practices in order to preserve our natural resources for this and future generations.*
- 3. I will encourage the practice of "Catch and Release" in all but "put and take" waters.*
- 4. I will encourage other fishers, whether they fish with flies or other means to abide by the same standards as expressed in this Code of Ethics, and I pledge to report any violations I observe to the appropriate authorities*
- 5. I will always remember that my conduct afield is a reflection on our Club, its' members, and our sport, and I will endeavor to conduct myself accordingly.*

JUNE PROGRAM

Tim Hatler

Fly Fishing in Baja, Mexico



Tim Hatler is a naturalist for Lindblad Expeditions, National Geographic, and Silversea.

For 20 years Tim has led guests through Baja for marine science ventures, scuba diving, freediving, fishing, and nature adventures.

His program will highlight the magnificent opportunities for fly fishing and all that nature has to offer in Palapas La Ventana.

WEDNESDAY, June 14th at 6:30pm

IN PERSON / ZOOM Hybrid MEETING

In Person meeting at the Moreland Apts meeting room

An email will be distributed to all Club Members outlining the simple steps needed to take part and the needed login information.

SPECIAL WINSTON ROD RAFFLE - one free raffle ticket will be given to each member who attends IN PERSON - Winston 9' 5wt Pure flyrod - Cheeky Fly reel and RIO fly line

Value \$1300



2022 FLYCASTERS FISHING AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING 2022 AWARD RECIPIENTS

FLYCASTERS, INC.

20/20 CLUB

*Membership in the 20/20 club is awarded to any member
Who lands a fish 20 inches in length or greater on a
Size 20 fly or smaller*

ROY LITHERLAND

Roy caught and released a 29 inch Steelhead Trout
on a #20 fly on the Trinity River
On November 16, 2022



FLYCASTERS, INC.

RING OF THE RISE AWARD

For the largest Saltwater fish on a fly

SHIZ NAKAWATASE

Shiz caught a 25 pound Louisiana Redfish
in January 2022



FLYCASTERS, INC.

RING OF THE RISE AWARD

For the largest freshwater fish on a fly

BOB LEVIN

Bob caught a 35 inch 22.5 pound Rainbow Trout
in Lago Strobel, Argentina on 12/8/2022



*You may not be familiar with labor strobel in Argentina — it is
known for extraordinarily large Rainbow Trout.*

You may have heard of its more familiar moniker

Jurassic Lake

FLYCASTERS, INC.
ANGLER OF THE YEAR AWARD
2022

Awarded annually to a member of Flycasters, Inc. who achieves the highest score for catching fish on a fly both fresh and saltwater

SHIZ NAKAWATASE

32 points

Shiz placed 1st in 8 different species

Louisiana Redfish - Black Drum - Tarpon - Bonefish - Trevally - Barracuda - Tuskfish - Giant Herring



CONGRATULATIONS SHIZ



2022 FLYCASTERS CLUB AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Houwink-Seldon Conservation Award

Mason Seim and Mike Culcasi

For exemplary dedication to the stewardship of our local creeks through a strong partnership with South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition that has resulted in many members regularly volunteering for creek cleanups.

The Education Foundation Award

Ken Imatani and Mike Culcasi

Mike and Ken have led turnaround and restart of Trout in Classroom program, recruitment of many new teachers/ classes, procured new sources of funding from Santa Clara Valley Water and Santa Clara DFW to support Trout in Classroom program, rebuilt roster of new coaches supporting new teachers, redesigned aquariums to latest design. And for exceptional leadership in establishing the Trout in the Classroom program, recruiting a dedicated team of volunteers, securing grants, and expanding the program to a large number of classrooms.

Member of the Year

Frank Eldredge

For outstanding service to the club. Initiator for new Club Express website software, represented club in FFI activities, supported and helped resolve past funding issues with Education Foundation,

Distinguished Service

Wade Goertz

Go-to person on a wide range of club operations, including editor of Flylines since 2010. Strong communications efforts to advance visibility of club fishouts, speakers, fishing articles, seminars, and many more valuable club activities. Wade is a great advocate for the club and brings a level of enthusiasm and service that is a model to all members.

Instructor of the Year

Bob Shoberg

Continuous leadership in driving improved knowledge and fishing skills for new members with focus on Fly Fishing 101 seminars. As former club President always helpful with consultation to our Flycasters board.

Since 2015 Bob Shoberg has conducted two (2) Fly Fishing 101 seminars each year, usually spring and fall. This has been instrumental in teaching our members that are new to the sport the basic fundamentals of equipment, entomology and knots. Bob brings to each seminar a wide variety of equipment so members will have an appreciation of the various components required to become a successful flyfisher.

Distinguished Service**Roy Litherland**

Outstanding initiative in helping the club update and improve how it is organized and operates. Applied extensive business and legal skills to navigate complex changes, resulting in new program offerings such as Trout in the Classroom.

Instructors of the Year**Bill Zuravleff and Bill Nelson**

Bill Zuravleff has been the instructor and leader in Flycasters fly tying classes since 2013. Always looking to make members more skilled and knowledgeable of fly tying techniques. Initiated zoom classes during Covid-19 pandemic when members could not meet in person.

Bill Nelson has assisted at many fly tying classes lending a hand and continuing the legacy of his dad, Dr. Dick Nelson. Bill helps contribute not only his time but a wealth of fly tying materials.

In addition, Bill has written numerous fly tying articles for the Flylines monthly newsletter. Bill is an important asset to our club.

Fishmasters of the Year**Lee Dorius and Jeff Lorelli**

Sustained excellence in leading our highly successful Fishout program for several years. Outstanding dedication to supporting fishmasters and offering members great fishout choices.

Innovation Award**David Ahrens**

Dave took over as webmaster in 2019 and maintained that site through the transition to the new Club Express website. Dave was integral in the transition to the new website and its successful launch in the spring of this year. As well as being the webmaster Dave served on the board of directors for three years as the club Secretary. He also is an avid backpacker participating in many of the club's backcountry fishouts.

THE EDITOR'S AWARD

We may not have had a banquet in the last few years but the club newsletter – Flylines – was published each month.

I always encourage members to submit articles and photos on any fly fishing subject they feel inspired to – from fishing trips (with photos) to conservation news (with photos) to helpful fishing tips (with photos)

And since we published Flylines in 2020, 2021, and 2022 I felt it appropriate to give the coveted Editor's Award "Skitt Fiske" hat to a member for each year.*

Editor's Award 2020 is given to Mike Morsilli

Editor's Award 2021 is given to Adolfo Garcia (who has an article in this issue as well)

Editor's Award 2022 is given to Brad Winchester --- who happened to be only one of these three to attend the banquet on May 13th.

**2022 Editor's Award recipient Brad Winchester sporting the
prestigious Skitt Fiske hat.**

**If you are curious as to why the Editor's Award is a baseball cap with
the words "SKITT FISKE" embroidered on it, you will have to attend a future
awards banquet where I always manage to narrate a rather long explanation.
Or you can ask me in person when you see me*

Skitt Fiske,

Wade Goertz



HONORARY LIFE MEMBER AWARD

For member in good standing, who has given exemplary service over a period of at least ten years, made special and unique contributions above and beyond what might be expected by membership or the holding of regular office and contributing outstanding contributions, locally or otherwise, to the enjoyment or instruction of fly fishing, conservation, or education of young people (e.g., Trout in the Classroom). Contributions must be made over an extended period of time rather than a single event.

CHUCK HAMMERSTAD



Outstanding leadership of conservation activities in the Flycasters club over several decades.

Led annual fundraising for conservation groups and kept members informed and engaged on important conservation issues.

Chuck has been more than active in Flycasters - he has been a driving force behind the club's conservation efforts in fundraising and volunteering. His dedication to the continued health of our waterways and the future of fly fishing is an inspiration to everyone he meets.

He spends an enormous amount of time and energy pursuing those goals. And he still manages to go fishing all over the world.

CONGRATULATIONS CHUCK HAMMERSTAD

FLYCASTERS 2023 FISHOUT SCHEDULE

DATES	DURATION	LOCATION	FISHMASTER	STATS
Feb 5-12	8 Day	Peacock Bass Brazil	Rich Otto	Full
Feb 18-19	2 Day	Lower Yuba River	Lee Dorius	Full
Mar 28-29	1-2 Day	Rancho Seco w/ Granite Bay Club	Jim Isaacson / Jim Degnan	
Apr 17-20	4 Day	Pyramid Lake	Needs fishmaster	
May 5-7	3 Day	Smallmouth - Scotts Flat Lake Scout Trip	Lee Dorius / Jeff Lorelli	
May 27	1 Day	Surf Fishout	Luke Sing / Mike Lovejoy	
Jun 5-7	4 Day	Five Dot Reservoir	Jeff Lorelli / Phil Brouwer	
Jun 25 - Jul 1	7 Day	Montana Big Hole Lodge	Wade Goertz	Full
Jul 27-30	4 Day	Spicer Wilderness Canoe Trip	Greg Takata	
Jun/Jul	4 Day	Medicine Lake	Needs fishmaster	
Aug 2-10	8 Day	Golden Trout Pack - Evolution Valley	Lee Dorius	
Aug	4 Day	High Sierra Backpack	Bill Zuravleff	
Sep 14-17	4 Day	McArthur-Burney Falls / Fall River	Harris Hall	
Oct 15-20		Hat Creek, Baum & Manzanita Lakes	Phil Brouwer	
Oct 26-29	4 Day	Rogue River Steelhead Float	Roy Litherland	
Nov 8-12	5 Day	Klamath River	Frank Eldredge	
Nov 12-15	4 Day	Trinity River	Jim Isaacson / Mike Lovejoy	
Club Fishmasters: Lee Dorius and Jeff Lorelli				

LIONS CLUB FISH-A-THON

JIM ISAACSON

First, I want to extend thanks from the Cupertino Host Lions to the Flycasters members who volunteered at the Fish-A-Thon on April 29. I hope I did not miss any Flycasters – see the list below – who helped make the event a success. The smiles and enthusiasm from the Participants (“Kids of All Ages with Special Needs”) encourages the Volunteers to be enthusiastic (more cheers than one ever hears flyfishing on a stream), to smile ☺, and to receive as much self-satisfaction as when they caught the big trout on a self-tied fly. The Fish-A-Thon is always a Great Day for the Participants.



Grace, who is a patron of the Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired and has been at the Fish-A-Thon over the many years I have been there, has a special feel for trout taking the power bait and shows one of the three trout landed early. Then she was off to socialize with other Participants and fellow Lions.



All the volunteers assembled in front of the pond at Stevens Creek Quarry meticulously prepare for the Fish-A-Thon. Most have finished the scrambled eggs, sausage, Texas French Toast breakfast and were ready to pair-up with Participants (youth or adult) and help them use the spin-cast outfits to get trout on ice.

Thank you to this year's Fish-A-Thon Flycasters in attendance:

Bob Shoberg · Tim Anderson · John Reyes · Bob Pimentel · Judy · Shiz · Tom Foxen

LAKE ALMANOR

ADOLFO GARCIA



I hired Mark Antaramian of Almanor Fishing Guide Service and we spent two non-consecutive days chasing small-mouth bass and lake trout. Weather on the lake April 19th was cloudy with temps never higher than 40 degrees and only 22 degrees (!) when we launched the boat at Canyon Dam. Weather on April 21st was a bit better with partly-sunny conditions and temps ranging from 35 deg in the am to high 50s at the take out in the afternoon.

On both days, the guide rigged for two-flies (top fly a #8 BH blood midge, bottom fly a #8 crawfish imitation) under an adjustable indicator as we were fishing 12-15 ft deep. Reel/rod combination was 10'/6-weight with a SA floating nymph line. He had a 2nd rod rigged for surface-stripping a wounded minnow in #8 - goose eggs on both days with this technique.

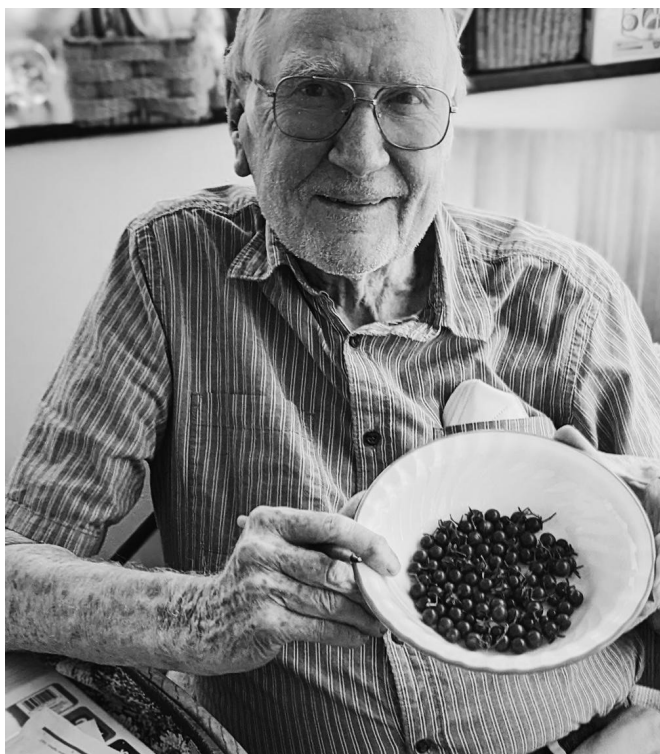
- April 19th scorecard: 12 fish netted out of 16 takes of which 11 were small-mouth bass no lighter than 4lbs and a 27-in/8 lb brown trout buck - *see selected photos*. Most notable were the big trout and the double small-mouth bass hookup on one cast.
- April 21st scorecard: Though the bite was off with respect to Wednesday's outing, 7 fish were netted out of 10 takes. 5 of which were small-mouth bass and 2 Lake Almanor native trout. Last fish caught was a leopard-spotted small-mouth bass - *see selected photos*.

- Adolfo

(Please find more photos in the Gallery on page 25)

REMEMBERING HUGH MILLER

Honorary Life Member Hugh Miller passed away March 6th.



Until his health prohibited it Hugh rarely missed a club meeting, always ready to give a report on the activities of the Education Foundation.

After several Midwest moves the family moved to San Jose in 1978. Hugh enjoyed golfing and fishing in his youth. After retirement fishing became much more important to him.

He fished in Alaska, Christmas Island, Scotland, Venezuela, Canada, and California. *

Hugh was very active with San Jose Flycasters and the Monterey Bay Salmon and Trout Project. He volunteered for many years with the Fishing in the City program and coordinated the Monterey Bay Salmon and Trout Project STEP program for students to raise steelhead eggs in the classroom and release the fish in local streams.

A funeral mass was celebrated Saturday May 27th at Holy Spirit Church, San Jose. Donations may be made to the Monterey Bay Salmon and Trout Project or the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

**And he grew delicious tomatoes in his backyard ---*

FLYCASTERS ANNUAL SUMMER CELEBRATION PICNIC AND BBQ

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13th

- 11AM TO LATE AFTERNOON -



Always plenty of food, fun, sun, and stuff to talk about

Our annual picnic is Sunday August 13th at the Los Gatos Creek Park in Campbell where our casting ponds are located.

All Flycasters and their families are invited to attend.

The cost of the picnic is \$15 each. Everything is supplied.

For that \$15 you will get BBQed Tri-tip, Brats, Super-Bowl Baked Beans, Potato Salad, and other sides. Drinks include beer, wine, soft drinks and water. And of course, dessert. Vegetarian options are available if you let Larry Sasscer know ahead of time.

Ldsasscer09@gmail.com or call (408) 693-0579

Parking costs \$6/car

You can park outside the park and walk in, or if you are a bona fide geezer, you can get a senior parking pass.

Register at the website [Home - Flycasters, Inc. \(clubexpress.com\)](http://clubexpress.com) go to Calendar – click on August 13th and follow the prompts – Register via PayPal

Get there early and spend time at the Casting Ponds

Tom Key and Dennis Buranek will have bamboo and fiberglass fly rods on hand to cast and experiment with.

DID YOU KNOW?

Flycasters just held its Conservation Fundraiser and Awards Banquet on May 13th.

And although this year the fundraising aspect of the banquet was not as prominent as the last 10 years, we did manage to raise a significant amount of money toward our Conservation Committee and Education Foundation.

On our Home Page www.flycasters.org click on the Conservation drop down menu

From there you can read what our **Conservation Mission and Goals** are

You can find a lot of information about the **Conservation Organizations** we support

And a comprehensive list of the generous donors who have contributed to our Conservation Fundraiser over the years — **Our Donors**

As a way of thanking these folks I encourage you to get acquainted with the many people who donate the prizes that allow us to raise funds for Conservation and Education

- Lodge trips
- Gear
- Clothing
- Flies
- Accessories
- Services
- Food and wine

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Teaching Fly Fishing for Scouts

Wente Scout Reservation invites you to volunteer to teach fly fishing for one week between June 18 thru August 3, 2023.



The teaching sessions are at the Wente Scout Reservation. There are 7 weekly sessions 6-18 thru 8-3-23. Teaching days are Sunday thru Thursday of each session. Staff tent is provided as well as all your meals. Classes are two hours in the morning and two in the afternoon. Scouting is coed and at times space permitting adults take the instruction.

Wente Scout Reservation is located 140 miles north of Oakland and 6 miles east of Willets The lake is called Winawa and has a healthy population of largemouth bass and bluegill.

Fly Fishing Instructors have full access to the lake after classes and dinner. You can bring your own watercraft or use the row boats or canoes made available to those who would like to use them.

If interested email Gus Link at flylink48@gmail.com and he can answer questions or send a link to the Sign Up Genius site.

CASTING CLINIC

Accuracy, Distance and Effective Double-hauling

Saturday June 17th, 2023, 9:30 - 11:30am

at the Los Gatos Creek Casting Ponds

FREE FOR MEMBERS

Tony Yap will host another casting clinic on Saturday, June 17th at 9:30 am at the Los Gatos Creek casting ponds.

Tony is an expert caster and casting instructor. The key to success in fly fishing is accuracy, distance, and line control – Tony will be focusing on both.

In addition, Tony will also be addressing effective double-hauling. The double haul will add line speed and enable you to punch your fly through the wind, increase your overall distance, and take some of the workload off your rod hand. Learn Tony's secret, "Double" really means "Three".



The key to success in fly fishing is **accuracy and distance**– Tony will be focusing on both.

Bring your favorite fly rod. Anything between 5 and 10 weight, with a reel and weight forward floating line, appropriate leader and tippet and some yarn (no hooks).

Bring a notebook and pen to take notes. Use your camera or phone to video.

Be sure to bring protective eyewear. Sunglasses or eyeglasses - just as long as they cover your eyes. This is a requirement; without eye protection you cannot attend the clinic.

**Bring your gear, sunscreen, and like
Tony says ... BRING AN OPEN MIND!!**

***Parking at the ponds is \$6 - payable at the kiosk - they do ticket non-payers**

NCCFFI: WOMEN CONNECT

Deschutes River 3 Day Float



Celebrate Women in Flyfishing Month and join us on the NCCFFI: Women Connect Deschutes River 3 Day float down the famous Deschutes River Canyon, June 29 – July 1, 2023. We will be catching the end of the Stonefly Hatch and the beginning of the caddis. We'll meet in Bend on June 28 to check in with Confluence Outfitters in Bend and meet for dinner then start the float trip early on June 29.

Deep Canyon Outfitters/ Confluence Fly Shop leads the **Award Winning Multi-Day** fly fishing and camping trip, is the best way to fully experience the beauty and superb flyfishing the Deschutes has to offer. Throughout this 32- mile, **wild and scenic** section of the river, towering canyon walls and exciting white water guard pristine rainbow **trout and summer steelhead** habitat. Camping and fishing trips on the Lower Deschutes river are best enjoyed during the stonefly hatches of mid-May through June and the caddis/pmd hatches from July to September.



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A 3 day camping trip down the Lower Deschutes River is as relaxing as it is exciting.

Your only job is to:

- Go fishing on one of the most famous rivers in America
- Eat great food from local Oregon farmers
- Sleep on comfortable, padded cots in your 3 season tent
- Repeat, repeat, repeat!
- Enjoy yourself as you experience a trip of a lifetime.

The “Bagger” will go ahead of you down-river, set-up camp, and have hors d’oeuvres prepared when you arrive at our mobile Mecca. Once in camp, choose to fish the prime water a few feet from your tent, or relax in the calm serenity of the outdoors. A gourmet dinner is served every night by our camp chef. Our camp meals are a source of great pride here at Deep Canyon Outfitters, and we feature **local, organic food** whenever possible.

After dinner there is time for drinks, discussing the day’s catches, and enjoying the starry night...that’s if you haven’t already retired to your tent’s comfortable cot. As the sun rises, so will you find hot coffee brewing, and a warm breakfast on the griddle. Then it’s off to the river with your guide for another great day of fishing.

Then trip is limited to 10 Participants

Cost of the trip:

FFI Members \$ 1,650.00 (with 4 or more participating on the trip) Non FFI Members: \$ 1,690.00
includes a 1-year membership to FFI Women Connect

Not Included:

- Gratuities
- Fishing License
- Transportation to Bend, Oregon: Closest Airport is Redmond, Oregon

Please contact Anne-Marie Bakker: ambconsulting@sbcglobal.net or 707-721- 6184 if you would like more information or would like to sign up for the trip.

Join Us in Celebrating Our 45th Anniversary at The Fly Shop®

**FRIDAY,
JUNE 9, 2023
10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM**

2023 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION LUNCHEON!

FORTY FIVE YEARS AGO it was my pleasure to meet two enterprising young men with a dream, Mike Michalak and Brad Jackson. They knew what they wanted. They understood Redding was the prime spot to open a fly shop, with the intersection of Interstate 5 and Highway 299 pointing the way to world-class fishing in every direction – north, south, east or west! I was in real estate at the time, and by the afternoon of the first day we met we found a small commercial spot behind a pizza parlor, and The Fly Shop® soon opened its doors. What started as a two-man operation has grown to what it is today, with the latest and greatest retail store, knowledgeable guide service, local private waters, and a world-class international travel service second to none!

None of this would have been possible without the support of all of you, our valued customers. We want to say thank you by having a free luncheon on June 9th, between 10 am and 3 pm.

With the heavy snowpack we have had this year, our local rivers look to be in fantastic shape by early June. Hat Creek, Fall River, Pit River, and the McCloud will be among the favorites. The Lower Sacramento River, one of our country's finest trout fisheries, will be ideal. Keep your fingers crossed for the Upper Sacramento.

We are grateful that several of our vendors will be here with the gear they sell, and happy to answer any questions you may have.

Our local fly club, Shasta Trinity Flyfishers, will serve the luncheon. Be sure to sign up for door prizes when you get here! If you have any questions or need further information, please call:

Sandy Watts at 530-222-3555
or email: sandy@theflyshop.com

As part of our continuing efforts to support our fly clubs/conservation groups, we are again offering to donate a \$50 Gift Certificate to those California fly fishing clubs who mention the event in advance in their on-line or print newsletter. Just send a copy of the announcement to the event coordinator, Sandy Watts, here at The Fly Shop® or email: sandy@theflyshop.com and we'll get the certificate sent immediately.

** If your club has received a donation, we hope that will suffice in place of a \$50 Gift Card.*

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How Many Different Fly Casts Do I Need to Know to Fly Fish?

Fly Casting Skills Development (FCSD) – NCCIFF Program

Saturday, June 24th

12 noon – 2:30PM, Los Gatos Creek County Park

Free Event.

Host Club: San Jose Flycasters.

As we know, Fly Fishing takes us to beautiful places. It gives us the opportunity to fish from the streams of the Sierras to the rivers of Northern California, and from the spring creeks in Montana to the high desert lakes such as Pyramid.

To enjoy the most from these places, being proficient in fly casting helps tremendously. Casting a line out to 45 ft and having your fly land in the lane, 4 ft above a sipping rainbow trout is quite challenging.

Furthermore, there are different casts to deal with each fishing situation. There is the basic Pick Up and Lay Down Cast, False Cast, and Roll Cast. Then there are the Left and Right Reach Mend casts, Shooting line as part of a cast, distance casts, Side arm/Horizontal casts and other casts. All must be done accurately.

On June 24th, San Jose Flycasters and the NCCFFI (Northern California Council – Fly Fishers International), will be hosting an afternoon program designed for fly casters who want to assess and improve their casting capabilities. Multiple fly casting obstacles (like a golf course) requiring different casts will be set up at the Ponds - Los Gatos Creek County Park. This session is NOT a casting class; however, “light” coaching will be available to help you improve and practice the FCSD.

To learn more about the "Fly Fishing Skills Development Casting Course", please go to this link:

<https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Learn/Learning-Center-Resources/Fly-Casting/Fly-Casting-Skills-Development>

Attached below is a Flyer for the Fly Fishing Skills Development Event on June 24th, 2023.

FLY CASTING SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Join us to try out the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Levels

Fly Fishers International Fly Casting Skills Development Program



Fishing can be even more fun when your casting skills keep you fishing instead of tangling! This program is designed for anglers with some fishing and casting experience to check in on and build their skills. The bronze, silver, and gold levels are a series of common fishing casts that build upon the scenarios anglers see on the water.

Come give it a try! Our experience with this program is that it is a FUN way to LEARN something new, no matter how much time you've spent on the water.

Saturday, June 24th

12:00 Noon to 2:30 PM

Los Gatos Creek County Park*

**1250 Dell Avenue
Campbell, CA**

***Note: \$6.00 Parking Fee at Park**

- ❑ *Skill Levels: Beginner (with some skill) to Advanced*
- ❑ *Great way to build skills with a group or your friends*

What to bring:

- A 5 or 6 weight fly rod, a 7.5' OX leader, if you have it.
(If not, we've got gear for you.)
- A hat, sunglasses, water, snack, etc.,
- Curiosity
- Willingness to have *FUN!*

Questions?

Contact Clay Hash
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To register, scan code ☐



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