

# Downey Fly Fishers



*"The Fishingest Club Around"*

## DOWNEY FLY FISHERS PROGRAM: Oliver Owens



### Upcoming events

#### November 9

General meeting at Apollo Park at 7pm (fly tying at 6pm)

#### November 16

Board Meeting at Mike Jedlick's house at 7pm

**There is no fly tying night this month.**

Deadline for the December newsletter is November 25, 2010.

Members can email stories to [bnmandthegirls@verizon.net](mailto:bnmandthegirls@verizon.net) or [tsuttle@charter.net](mailto:tsuttle@charter.net)

Oliver Owens was born in Michigan and moved to California at an early age where he grew up in Altadena, CA. He was taught the art of fly-tying and casting at the age of 14 by the notorious Robert Klein (now in self imposed exile in Montana). Oliver is a natural teacher; in high school he taught fishing and organized fishing trips for teachers and other students.

Oliver has fished up and down the state of California from stream to surf fishing and from bluegill to bluefin. He has fished the Bahamas, Florida, and other places he is not willing to admit or acknowledge.

In 1998 Oliver moved to Hawaii to began doing research on the Hawaiian bonefish and studying the Hawaiian fisheries sustainability and potential income for the Hawaiian people. In 2000 Oliver began to guide and promote catch and release fishing in the Hawaiian island chain. Oliver guides on Oahu, Kauai, Molokai and Lanai.

Chasing the Hawaiian bonefish in its unique and multifaceted environment has caused Oliver to developed innovative flies and casting techniques for saltwater fly-fishing. Oliver can be reached through his website: [www.bonefish808.com](http://www.bonefish808.com) or by calling 808-237-8646 or 808-428-4680. Oliver will conduct a fly tying demonstration at 6pm and he will be presenting his Hawaiian bonefish program during the meeting at 7pm.



## This month's "Fishing Tales" from the "Fishingest Club Around"

My good friend Dave and I decided to squeeze in a last minute fall Crowley run to see if we could interest some oversized browns and rainbows in some undersized midge imitations. We knew we had the fever when we shared the fact that we were dreaming of watching our indicators disappear under the surface of the water. Dave wrote a description of our trip on the Fliflicker online forum, so I have inserted it below. For the full report and more pictures, visit the following link:

<http://www.heartbeat-music.com/forum/viewthread.php?tid=3171>

*Fish report courtesy of Dave Valadez:*

With the clock winding down on the eastern sierra season, it was time to squeeze in a quick Crowley run or spend the winter just thinking of what could have been. With credible sources reporting the fishing at Crowley at the beginning of October being the best it had been all season, Tod and I were counting down the days until our planned departure on the evening of October 14th. We took the red eye flight up and rolled



into Mammoth a little after 3am. With a couple of hours of sleep under our belt, we were soon planning our way across the lake with the cool sierra air clearing our sinuses and testing our tear ducts. Despite great weather and high hopes, Friday turned out to be one of the toughest days I've ever had on Crowley. We had a handful of grabs with very little to show for our efforts. Always looking for the positive, I knew that fishing the sierras in the fall could change from day to day and we were confident that it couldn't get much worse in the days to come.

Joe Austin had been up with his wife for a couple of weeks and was able to join us for the weekend. Joe turned out to be the good luck charm we were missing on the previous day, as the action on Saturday was steady throughout the day. We had plenty of fish make their way to the net with a few nice ones in the mix, but the fish of the day (by far) was Joe's troutzilla rainbow that looked like a great white breaching the



Tod and Joe

surface to take a seal decoy. It was a slug for sure, even for Crowley standards, but the excitement was short lived as troutzilla slipped off before we could get the upper hand. Unfortunately for Joe, the ribbing and constant reminders of the loss of troutzilla lasted well into the next day. The joy of a great day on the water with a couple of good friends didn't end at sun down as Joe had invited Tod and I up to his place for a delicious home cooked meal (thank you Debbie) and a late night fly tying session. Sunday morning had come way too soon, but once again we had the cool sierra morning pressed tightly against our faces as we made our way across the lake with hopes of picking up where we left off the day before. Sunday's action was not as consistent, but still would be categorized as good (or at least better than what we had seen or heard from others over the last couple



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of days). With the weather threatening and a long drive back for Tod and I, we fished until early afternoon then trailered the boat home. We only had 2 1/2 days on the water with tough/good/so-so fishing, but it was a great weekend.

Thanks to Dave and Joe for a great weekend. Most of our success was found on bloodworms in the morning and gray and black midges in the afternoon.



Fall Colors from the Crowlev Lake



Check out the "Peek a Boo Rib" which is our fly of the month at the following link (click on October 2010):

<http://www.fedflyfishers.org/Default.aspx?tabid=4478>

### What is it?

This month's identification gets a bit more difficult. Be the first to provide the correct name of this fly and win 3 raffle tickets. Name the originator of the fly and you get 2 more. Good Luck and the first to respond wins. Please send answers to the following e-mail address.

[tsuttle@charter.net](mailto:tsuttle@charter.net)



### Quote of the Month

"The great charm of fly-fishing is that we are always learning; no matter how long we have been at it, we are constantly making some fresh discovery, picking up some new wrinkle. If we become conceited through great success, some day the trout will take us down a peg."

~by Theodore Gordon-1907~ *courtesy of [www.flyfishingjoy.com](http://www.flyfishingjoy.com)*

For information about DFF Treasury Accounting please contact our Treasurer Mike Jedlick for figures and standing of Club.

### **Board Meeting**

There is a board meeting at Mike Jedlick's house on November 16. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm and all club members are welcome. Please come and share your ideas about the club policies and practices. We are always looking for new ideas and helpful volunteers to keep the club going strong.

### **Newsletter**

During the next few months, I will be trying to add a few new regular columns to our newsletter. One example of an idea that I have been considering is a member profile column, which will include an interview and photo of a DFF member. I would also like to start an equipment / product review of a fly-fishing product. This could include fly tying tool, a rod, or one of the accessories that we all might find helpful during a given outing. I would also like to start having a member submit a fly of the month; a few photos and a brief description of any fly is all that I need. In reviewing some of the other newsletters of neighboring clubs, I have noticed that there are several people that submit articles each month. Our newsletter has the same few people each month and I am very thankful for their contributions. Please consider submitting something that interests you. The more people that contribute articles, the better this newsletter will represent the Downey Fly Fishers.

### **Club Officers**

<b>President:</b>	Phil "Doc" Solomon
<b>V. President:</b>	Brian Matthews
<b>Secretary:</b>	Brian Matthews
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Mike Jedlick
<b>Past President:</b>	John Barnett

### **Board of Directors**

Alan Grosdider	Jerry Ferrin
Jerry Phan	Don Mulder
Eric Rasmussen	Frank Russick
Carl Laski	Alan Reising

### **Chairpersons**

<b>Conservation and FFF rep</b>	Carl Laski
<b>Education</b>	John Barnett
<b>Fly bank</b>	Bob Stuart
<b>Membership</b>	Don Mulder
<b>Newsletter</b>	Jerry Ferrin
<b>Outings</b>	Brian Matthews
<b>Potlucks</b>	Tod Suttle
<b>Programs</b>	Carl Laski
<b>Publicity</b>	Brian Matthews
<b>Raffles</b>	Zino Nakasuji
<b>Refreshments</b>	Ray Sugiyama
<b>Trout in the Classroom</b>	Brian Matthews
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<b>Website</b>	Carl Laski
	Mike Jedlick
	Randy Teeple
	Richard Dekker
	Fred Roberts
	Jerry Phan

DFF Supports:



Cal Trout



-The Barbara J. Riley Community Senior Center is located on the corner of Rives Avenue and Quill Drive just west of Paramount Boulevard and just north of Imperial Highway.

This month's meeting: November 9, 2010  
Barbara J. Riley Community Senior Center  
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