

# Downey Fly Fishers

## DOWNEY FLY FISHERS PROGRAM



## July Program

## “In House Member Demos”



### Upcoming events

#### July 12

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

#### July 19

Board Meeting at Alan Grosdidier's house at 7pm

#### August 9

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

Some of our members will be giving demonstrations on various aspects of fly fishing such as fly tying, fly rod building, and fly fishing knots. We have a wealth of fly fishing knowledge in our club. Here is the opportunity to tap into that knowledge base for free. We will be conducting a casting seminar from 6:00pm to 7:00pm just outside the meeting room on the grassy area just adjacent to Rives Ave. and Quill Dr. Many casting issues can be corrected by simply having a person with knowledge of casting fundamentals look at your cast. You can't correct what you can't see.

Next month we have Jeff Solis [www.solisonthesalt.com](http://www.solisonthesalt.com) Jeff will present a program on fly fishing the surf in the San Diego area. Many of the techniques are transferable to our own area beaches.

Congratulations to David Wratford, the New Fly Shop  
Manager at the Orvis Store in Pasadena



We are lucky anglers in southern California because we have a variety of fly-fishing shops to visit in many cities throughout our region. If you attended our April meeting, you were lucky enough to hear avid angler, David Wratford, discuss several tactics to target striped bass in southern California. David has recently been hired as the store manager in the Pasadena Orvis store. Having recently visited on Fathers Day, I can tell you that it is a shop you should check out. The fly selection and prices are outstanding and the service from David and Jacob was second to none. Located at 345 South Lake Avenue, it is in a great area to spend a half a day by yourself or with friends and family; there are several shops and cafés and it also shares a parking lot with Macys', so your wife or girlfriend will be entertained as well. Give the shop a visit and sign up for their great online coupons. For more information, visit [www.orvis.com](http://www.orvis.com) and search for the Pasadena location.

## Fish Tales

Thank you, thank you, and thank you! My spirits are lifted because we have some fish tales. Zino, Jerry, and I were talking on the way down to Lake Henshaw this past month about the lack of guys that share fish tales. I know that our members are fishing; we have boasted ourselves as the “fishingest club around” for nearly four decades. However, the newsletter rarely displays any evidence that we are out there on those freshwater banks or saltwater beaches. Thank you to Don Mulder, Jerry Phan, and Zino Nakasuji for bringing some much needed excitement to our newsletter.

### OSF

Submitted by Don Mulder

It is always an adventure to try something new. I participated in the “Onesurffly” tournament on May 21 at Mission Beach, San Diego. The tournament is conducted twice a year and includes a fundraiser for local water and fishing conservation group. There were approximately 60 fishermen & gals including the spotters. Nick Weimer was the only other person from our club that I met. There were several groups from the Bakersfield, South Bay and Long Beach Clubs. There were also persons from Indiana and Colorado so the word is getting out.

The entrance fee is a surf fly that you contribute to the event. The playing field gets leveled because you draw a fly from a bag to use during the tournament.



Prizes are awarded for three categories to both the fisherman and the contributor of the fly used by the winning fisherman. It was exciting and funny to see a long line of fanatics with their lines spooled off into the stripping baskets ready to run to the water and make the first cast at the sound of the horn. Most of the fish caught were barred surfperch. Nick and I each caught four fish. Nick managed a pancake-sized halibut in his count. I think about half of the entrants caught the skunk.

Jorge Salas from Dana Point won the prize for the first fish on his first cast and John Whitaker from Los Angeles won both categories for most and biggest fish. His total count was



eighteen fish. After the tournament the group met at Peter Piconi's Fly Shop for prizes, lunch, and a raffle. Al Q. and the group did a tremendous job of obtaining incredible raffle prizes. The proceeds of the raffle were given to the San Diego Coast Keepers. The check was the largest ever in the amount of \$2,000. The next tournament site and date has not yet been determined, when it is set, let's see if we can get a group together from Downey Fly Fishers. For more info, visit <http://www.onesurffly.com/>



### Tejon Ranch

Submitted by Jerry Phan

I got back from Tejon last night with Don "the Madman" Mulder. All I have to say is don't let his accountant geekiness fool you. He's a wild one when it comes to bass and bluegill fishing. If you're planning on going to Tejon in July, let's just hope that there are still some fish left after Don has been there. I can't tell you guys how many times this psycho fly fisher had his rod bent by double hook ups on a 2 fly set or giant bass. I only have one question. Did Don have to scream and dance in my face every time he caught a fish? Don's answer, "HELL YEAH!" and "TAKE THAT FLYBOY!"

As a student brought up by the Jesuits, I truly believe that Don has sold his soul to the devil to catch more bass and bluegills. Therefore Downey needs to hold an Exorcism before going on the next outing. So remember to bring plenty of poppers, wooly buggers, and Holy water. "The power of Christ compels you Don!"

\*\*\* Actual report: great fishing. I caught all of mine on foam hoppers and spiders. Don caught his on foam hoppers and his secret green bluegill fly. Temperature was warm, around the



high/mid 70s. We both had a great time and basically couldn't stop catching fish, but Don had to go home and he was my ride. It was really fun fishing with Don and both Don and I kept catching so much the other guys were trying to figure out what flies we were using.

*Don's response:*

*Yipes! I better say something before Jerry sells me down the river. I guess he couldn't tell I was trying to tone it down – I used to be worse. The only part that he got right is the “power of Christ compelling me.” I had a blast – Jerry is a great fishing companion.*



Henshaw Outing

Submitted by Zino Nakasuji

Wow, three DFF members on the Henshaw outing! They don't call it fishing instead of catching for nothing. The only section with hoppers had a wind blowing towards the shore so they all got blown back away from the water. The area we fished last year only had size 18 immature green hoppers. Henshaw's hopper bite might go off next month. Jerry and Tod showed me how it should be done! Tough, but they both managed to land decent fish. Jerry a nice catfish and Tod caught a nice carp. Jerry could have been high count, but he underestimated the strength of his hooked carp and got popped off. Hopefully we will be making the trek back to Henshaw in July, so feel free to join us.



## Southwest Council Federation of Fly Fishers

### An Evening with Joan Wulff

The SWCFFF is hosting the legendary fly-fisher at a fundraising dinner. Joan and her husband, Ted Rogowski, will fly from New York to Los Angeles where she will speak, answer questions, mingle with guests and talk fly-casting, fly-fishing, conservation and other aspects of the sport and her life.

**When:** Saturday, October 15, 2011; 6:00 p.m.

**Where:**  
The Olympic Collection  
11301 W Olympic Blvd.  
Los Angeles, CA 90064

**Dinner:** \$75 per seat  
(Tables of 10 for \$750)

**Fund Raising:** Monies to benefit the work of the Southwest Council FFF will be raised through a raffle, auction and silent auction. One of the auction *“items”* is expected to be a private brunch with Joan on Sun., Oct. 16.

**Sponsors:** The Winston Rod Co. is donating a Special Joan Wulff edition rod for raffle. Other sponsor opportunities are available to help defray the cost of dinner, transportation and hotel accommodations.

**Bluegill Bash**

Jerry Phan is organizing the first ever DFF Bluegill Bash this month. This is a private fishery located just past the Grapevine. Jerry has put a lot of effort into getting our insurance documentation submitted so we could enjoy this wonderful fishery. It is the perfect lake to float tube and if you like catching bluegill on poppers and oversized largemouth bass like the one Don is holding, this outing is for you. Lets get the attendance at our DFF outings back to where it used to be. As the “fishingest club around”, it is our duty to get a good number of anglers committed. You can call Jerry for details or talk to him at this months meeting regarding the exact date.



**Downey Fly Fishers**

# Bluegill Bash

July 2011

## Tejon Lake

Tejon Lake is an amazing fishing hole just 1.5 hrs north of downey.

Contact: Jerry Phan 714-856-4711

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### **Board Meeting**

There is a board meeting at Alan Grosdidier's house on July 19th. 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**

Please consider submitting something that interests you. The more people that contribute articles, the better this newsletter will represent the Downey Fly Fishers. Please reference the October 2010 archive newsletter for some ideas.

### **News and Noteworthy**

- Please remember to pay you membership dues for 2011. The dues were due last month, so if you have submitted yours yet, please do so.
- Remember to check out the DFF website for upcoming events and important information regarding the club and our members.

<http://www.downeyflyfishers.org/>

### **Club Officers**

**President:** Brian Matthews  
**V. President:** Alan Grosdidier  
**Secretary:** Brian Matthews  
**Treasurer:** Mike Jedlick  
**Past President:** "Doc"Phil Solomon

### **Board of Directors**

Marissa Laski                  Jerry Ferrin  
Jerry Phan                      Don Mulder  
Eric Rasmussen              Bill Steward  
Zino Nakasiji                 Alan Reising

### **Chairpersons**

<b>Conservation &amp; FFF representative</b>	Carl Laski
<b>Education</b>	John Barnett Bob Stuart Don Mulder Jerry Ferrin
<b>Fly bank</b>	Brian Matthews Tod Suttle
<b>Membership</b>	Carl Laski
<b>Newsletter</b>	Brian Matthews
<b>Outings</b>	Zino Nakasuji
<b>Potlucks</b>	Ray Sugiyama
<b>Programs</b>	Brian Matthews
<b>Publicity</b>	John Barnett Carl Laski
<b>Raffles</b>	Mike Jedlick
<b>Refreshments</b>	Randy Teeple
<b>Trout in the Classroom</b>	Richard Dekker
<b>Video Library</b>	Fred Roberts
<b>Website</b>	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: July 12, 2011  
Barbara J. Riley Community Senior Center  
7810 Quill Drive  
Downey, CA 90242



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