

Downey Fly Fishers

July 2013
Newsletter

Join us July 9th for
DVD night including
food and refreshments



DVD Night DFF presents: Low and Clear

We have a DVD night for our July 9th meeting. Low and Clear has a story line that all of us can relate to as fly anglers. Beautiful cinematography punctuated by a great score carries the viewer into the world of two anglers with totally divergent views on what fly angling is.

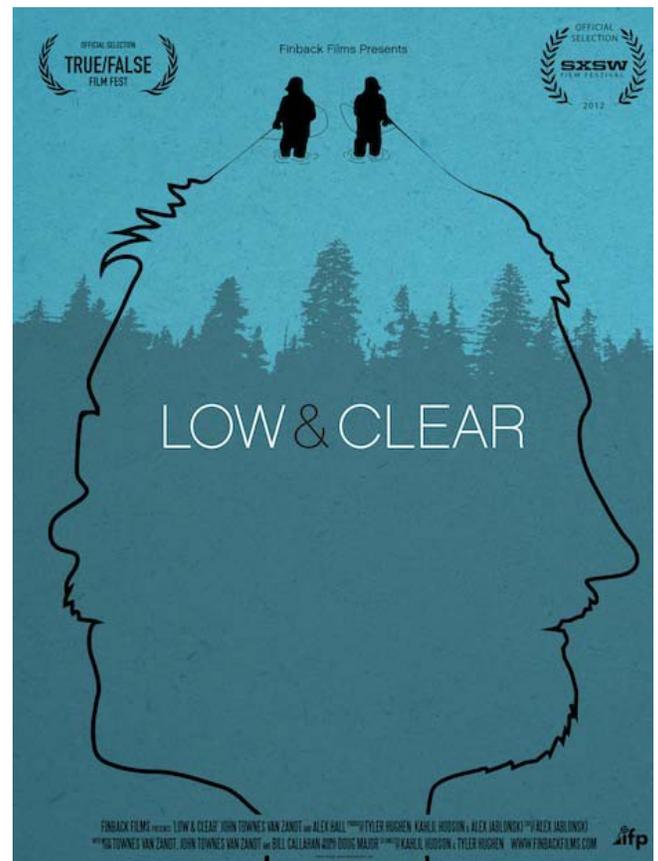
Check out the trailer at:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HreyJ_okj8c

and a review at:

<http://www.arktides.com/RockCandy/archives/2012/10/22/review-low-and-clear-at-hot-springs-documentary-film-fest>

We will provide food and refreshments for this showing. Brian Matthews will demonstrate how to tie a few steelhead patterns and Zino Nakasuji will demo a few spey casts from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.



Join us at 6:00 pm to watch
Brian tie some amazing flies and
you can pick up a few spey
casting tips from Zino.

Six Mornings Searching for Pork and Beans

Submitted by Zino Nakasuji

When Al Q clued me in last year about searching for corbina during the summer when a negative low tide cycle coincides with day break, I decided to start my quest to get a sight fished bean since I've caught corbina blind casting in the past.

Unfortunately, I only had one day when the sun was out last year and could see the beans coming up on the flood tide and moving parallel to the shore in super skinny water searching for their favorite food, sand crabs. I definitely felt the adrenaline rush of trying to swing, strip and toss my Pink Surfin Merkin in front of these ghosts of the surf. Oh so close, but no cigar! I got one to follow the fly and one to actually eat, but the hook failed to find anything to latch on to. Al was encouraging and kept saying, "don't worry...you'll get one".

Okay summer of 2013 is coming around and I have my silver-grey and pink Merkins ready cast in front of the ghosts of summer. I have a "Corbina Patrol" sticker that Al donated to the DFF raffle. My forward thinking optimistic mind decided that I would slap that sticker on the back of my truck when I finally get that sight cast bean this year. My six day quest started on a Friday morning in the dark. June gloom set in so sight fishing was out. I stand back of the water and watch tails and dorsal fins give up the presence of beans moving up and back on the flood tide. I get a bump on the strip and finally, after many casts, my rod bends from the run of a nice bean. Unfortunately, the fish was hooked on the pectoral fin. I quickly took a picture of this (to me) rare fish. I keep casting on that flood tide and get another bent rod. Wow, feels nice, but it turned out to be a shovel nosed shark. It actually ate the fly, which is an aberration because they usually get foul hooked in the head or tail.





Carl Laski has never caught a corbina. I decided to ask him to join me the next day so he could get his first ever corbina. Well, the shovel nosed sharks love Carl and Zino. We both tail hook nice sized shovels, but no beans. Are we down from our lack of bean success? Heck no! Al tells us that the beans are just rampant at a certain popular Westside beach. We get there in the dark and meet up with Al and his friend Rick. Al says, "There will be some heavy hitters today". What does he mean by this? He is talking about guys like himself that are skilled and extremely passionate about corbina on the fly. This summer hunt is a ritual and fun time for them. Everyone there had a Surfin Merkin on at the end of their tippetts and the originator of the fly, Paul Cronin, is there to slay these ghosts with his invention! I don't know about you, but it isn't a good feeling when everyone around is getting beans and you are just flailing at the water over and over. Carl and I got skunked, but gained some insightful knowledge from some of the best bean anglers around. Now my pea-sized brain is telling me that a sight cast bean just isn't enough reason to put the sticker on the back of the truck. There was a heck of a lot of experience and knowledge out there that took years to hone. None of them come off as high and mighty. They all gave us great information about bean angling. It is just up to us to get on the water and hunt for these wonderful sliding fish of the surf.

Three more mornings hunting the beans and no beans to hand. I actually hooked one but I went into calico bass mode, didn't release the line, and the bean snapped my 12lb fluorocarbon tippet. My final fish came on Wednesday and guess what it was....a fair hooked shovel nose! So I ended up with pork and no Beans!

Downey Fly Fishers
The Fishingest Club
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P.O. Box 516

Downey, Ca 90241

Membership Application

Member's Name(s) _____

Spouse's Name (non member) _____

Participating Children (names and ages under 18) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ (work) _____

Email _____

Renewing Individual and Family Memberships- \$40.00

New Individual or Family Memberships add \$5.00 Initiation Fee- Total \$45.00

Club Objectives and Purpose

1. To promote, maintain and enjoy all phases of fly fishing.
2. To maintain a high standard of true sportsmanship and promote social relations among it's members.
3. We, individually, undertake to take at least one youth fly fishing annually; instructing them, to the best of our ability, in the art and responsibilities that are soon to be wholly theirs.
4. To fraternize and cooperate with organizations whose aims and purposes are for the protection and betterment of California fisheries, to preserve our waters and to promote our sport.
5. To promote instruction and information in fly casting, fly tying, rod building, and entomology. These classes will be open to the public and free of charge.

Downey Fly Fishers Supports;

Federation of Fly Fishers, California Trout, and Trout Unlimited

SWCFFF Fly Fishing Faire Mammoth Lakes, CA

Submitted by Carl Laski

South West Council Federation of Fly Fishers (SWCFFF) will hold their 2nd annual Fly Fishing Faire in Mammoth, September 20-22, 2013. With the help of the clubs in the council, we hope this event will introduce more people to our sport and drive even more toward a club near them. We will be offering workshops on casting, tying and on-stream techniques. More details will be coming and we want to hear any ideas that you might have. With all of our participation, this could be the biggest fly fishing event California has ever seen!

Zino's Big Bluegill from the DFF/ LBCC Dual Outing



Board Meeting

There is a board meeting on July 16th at Hof's Hut which is located on the corner of Knott & Orangethorpe in Buena Park. 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. Here is the info:

7005 Knott Ave
Buena Park , CA 90620
(714) 521-3920

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

Newsletter

Please consider submitting something that interests you. The more people that contribute articles, the better this newsletter will represent the Downey Fly Fishers.

News and Noteworthy

- 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: Carl Laski
Secretary: Brian Matthews
Treasurer: Mike Jedlick
Past President: Brian Matthews

Board of Directors

Jerry Ferin	Marissa Laski
Don Mulder	Jerry Phan
Zino Nakasuji	Eric Rasmussen
Bill Steward	Alan Reising

Chairpersons

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

DFF Supports:



Cal Trout



PO Box 516
Downey, CA 90241



-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 9th 2013
Barbara J. Riley Community Senior Center
7810 Quill Drive
Downey, CA 90242

