

Downey Fly Fishers

October 2017

Club Meeting:

Tuesday, October 10th

from 6pm - 9pm

Fly-tying demonstration from
6pm - 7pm



The Q-Man

Al Quattrocchi (aka The Qman) was born and raised in Brooklyn, NY where he developed his love for saltwater fishing early in his childhood while living in Sheepshead Bay, which was once home to the largest commercial fishing fleet operating in the U.S. As a teenager he spent his formative saltwater fishing years on party boats, piers, bridges, beaches and jetties in and around Sheepshead Bay, Breezy Point, Rockaway and Raritan/Jamaica Bay.

After moving to California in the late seventies to attend college, he was inspired to switch from plugs to the fly rod and begin his flyfishing journey in the Pacific after years of reading articles written by his east coast saltwater flyfishing luminaries; Joe Brooks, Lefty Kreh, Frank Woolner, Lou Tabory, Bob Popovics, Ed Jaworowski, and Nick Curcione.

Al lectures and presents to many fly fishing clubs and fly shops in Southern California in the hopes of promoting saltwater flyfishing through Southern California. His articles, fly fishing photography and flies have been published in many fly fishing magazines over the years. Al founded the popular One Surf Fly which lasted nine seasons and raised thousands of dollars for fly fishing non-profits, he and fellow flyfishing friends continue to host the Double Haul Ball which is a free educational day held once a year in Long Beach. Conway Bowman and Al also host the Carp Throwdown catch and release tournament in San Diego once a year. He hopes to expand his passion and love of saltwater fly fishing, through teaching and mentoring one angler at a time through "The Fly Zone", a comprehensive casting program he and FFF casting master, Jim Solomon have created to help anglers learn to be better all-around fly anglers.

Al is currently on the pro tying staffs for Umpqua, Tuffleye and Enrico Puglisi, and Diaichi. His popular surf fly patterns, the Q Beach Bug, Qs Corbina Candy, Qs Thin Lizzie, and the Qs Ghost Whisper can all be found through Umpqua Feather Merchants.

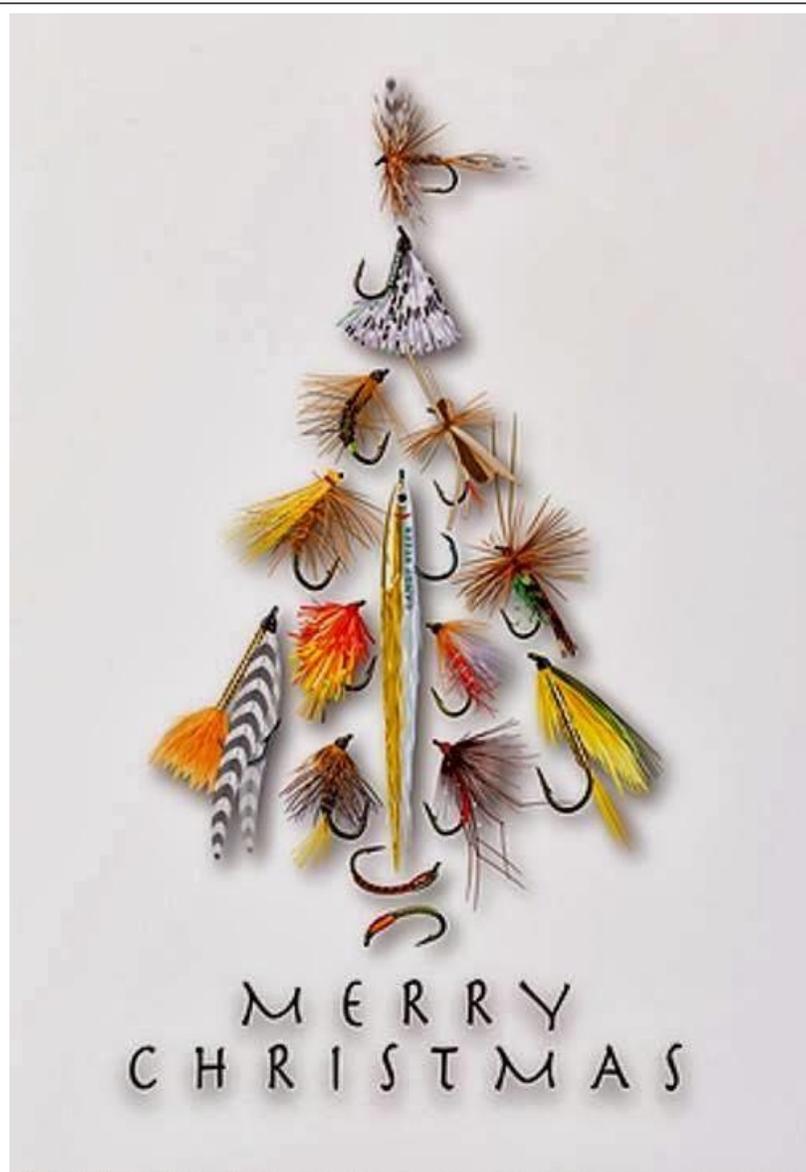
Al resides in Westchester, CA with his wife Janet and daughter Quinn. He is a creative director at the award-winning design agency, Tornado Creative located in the historic Helms Bakery in Culver City, CA. www.tornadocreative.com.

Al's fishing blogs include:

www.alquattrocchi.wordpress.com

www.carpthrowdown.com

www.theflyzone.net



Mark Your Calendars:

DFF is having it's Holiday Pot Luck on Saturday, December 2nd at our familiar Westminster location. Pot Luck and contact information will be coming soon. Hope all of you and your families can attend this casual and fun event! Stay tuned for more details and we hope to see you there.