

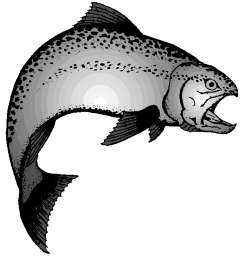
Downey Fly Fishers

"The Fishingest Club Around"

July 2008

Monthly Newsletter

Upcoming Events



July 8th

General Meeting 7pm
Fly tying Demo 6pm

July 17th

Board Meeting 7pm
Carl Laski's Home

Membership Renewals
Due by the July
Meeting

Deadline for the August newsletter is July 30th

Members who have access to
E-mail can send stories,
announcements or classified
ads to: Liz Rasmussen or
Brain Matthews

At This Month's Meeting

The Best (and worst) of Alaska, New Zealand and Argentina

For the Tuesday, July 8 meeting, our featured guest speaker is highly rated Sam Mihara, author, photographer, fly fisherman and world traveler from the Long Beach, California, Casting Club. Sam returns to our club to present a show on updating the past shows with the best fishing he has experienced in the many years of visits to these great locales. During these trips, he noted some of the worst problems encountered and he will reveal what many newcomers need to know.

For the Alaska portion, Sam will discuss the best locations, where to stay, the most important species, the best flies for each fish and typical results over the last 30 years of visits. Problems encountered include animal and biting insects - and what to do about them.



For the New Zealand section, he will describe the desirable locations in both North and South Islands, where to stay, sight-seeing, casting skills required, hatches, the best dry flies and nymphs, and results for both rainbows and browns. Recent problems include driving in NZ, the Didymo and the "falling dollar" issue with suggestions on how to reduce costs.



For the Argentina portion, Sam will show the best three locations in the country, where to stay, the best species and effective flies. He will describe some major issues for first-time visitors.

Sam will summarize the show with his memorable photos taken over the years. He will be using a new digital imaging projection system. Don't miss this opportunity to hear Sam reveal his favorite stories, flies and photos. And tell your friends.

Essential Saltwater Flies by Ed Jaworowski

Stackpole Books, Mechanicsburg, PA, 2007
124 pages, Softbound, illustrated color
suggested price \$21.95
reviewed by Bruce E. Harang from the FFF
Clubwire

This is a lovely book dedicated to creating a box of flies for saltwater fly fishing anywhere there is saltwater fly fishing. What the author has done is create a smallish collection of saltwater flies which should provide at least a few suitable flies under any condition or location.

The book opens with three chapters covering Innovation and Variation; Materials and Tools; and Techniques and Tips. Of these the third chapter directed to Techniques and Tips is particularly helpful to anyone wanting to tie saltwater flies. The final six chapters are each directed to a particular type of fly pattern class. Within each chapter each selected fly is illustrated and has step - by - step tying instructions including text and photos. These photographs are superb in every detail and very clearly show what is being discussed in the associated text. These are some of the finest saltwater fly pattern photographs in print today. The text is easy to read and to understand, very clear, concise, but with excellent attention to detail. The book finishes with a suggested reading list and an excellent fly pattern index. For the saltwater fly fisherman and saltwater fly tyer this book presents a well rounded collection of proven patterns to cover every saltwater angling situation. A must have for any saltwater fly tyer.

I am looking for someone to take over the duties of doing the newsletter. After doing it for 9 years I would like to turn it over to a fresh person! If you are interested I would be glad to help you get started and give you back up if needed.

Talk to me if you are interested,
Liz

Club Officers

President.....Carl Laski
V.President.....None
Secretary.....Brian Matthews
Treasurer.....Bob Stuart
Past President.....Liz Rasmussen

Chairpersons

Trout in The Classroom.....Randy Teeple
Conservation & FFF Rep.....Carl Laski
Education.....John Barnett & Bob Stuart
Pot Lucks.....Brian Matthews
Membership.....Brian Matthews
Outings.....XXXXXXXXXXXX
Programs..... Zino Nakasuji & Ray Sugiyama
Refreshments....Carl Laski
Video Library.....Fred Roberts
NewsletterLiz Rasmussen & Brian Matthews
Raffles.....Brad Blancett
WebsiteCarl Laski & Jerry Phan
Publicity.....Brian Matthews & John Barnett
Fly bank.....Ron Sakoda

Board of Directors

Eric Rasmussen	Frank Russick
Bill Shelly	John Barnett
Mike Jedlick	Jim Buchanan
Terry Matsuura	“Doc” Phil Soloman



Another Hot Creek Ranch photo submitted by Zino.

Presidents Message

After returning from a 5-day father and daughter trip to the Eastern Sierras, I feel rested, relaxed and recharged. It was only a few days ago that I was sitting in my float tube at Crowley Lake watching Marissa midge fishing for the first time. I told her to keep a close eye on the strike indicator so she wouldn't miss a take. As Dad was daydreaming and soaking in the scenery, I heard, "I've got one!" Ah...music to my ears. I instructed Marissa to strip as fast as she could to take up the slack line and she quickly responded, "I'm trying!" Soon, the slack line was removed; the hook set, her 7-1/2 foot fly rod bent and a fish was on. Dad fumbled to retrieve his digital camera from inside his waders. I was able to capture a video clip until the feisty trout snapped the 4X tippet and the fly rod abruptly straightened out. I could clearly see the disappointment on Marissa's face but explained that I have lost many fish on the same lake. It's part of the game. Later in the evening, she said that she enjoyed fighting the trout and vowed to return to Crowley Lake to get "that fish".

If you haven't seen the club's website recently, please log onto your computer and check out the new and improved website. Several weeks ago, I was approached by a new member, Jerry Phan. He stated that he was a web designer in college and offered his assistance. Without hesitation, I quickly took Jerry up on his offer. Over the next several weeks, I will be sending Jerry new content for the website so check back often to see the changes. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jerry for designing and building a new website for the club!

Carl

For Sale

1998 Dodge truck, 4WD, 5.2 liter gas, automatic, long bed, power windows & door locks, LoJack alarm, 5 CD player, am/fm/cassette, 90,000miles \$5900.00

Also a pop up camper with or without the truck; two burner stove, 2 cubic ft refrig (3 way) heater, electric jacks, 20 gallon fresh water tank w pump.

Please call Terry Scott at 562-594-0697 or 562-500-0697.

1997 22ft Sandpiper travel trailer. Back bedroom with full time full sized bed. Full bath, 3 burner stove w oversized oven, large refrigerator with separate freezer, microwave, double sink, am/fm/cassette stereo, front dinette makes into a twin bed with a cabinet that makes into bunk above it. Equalizer hitch w sway controller. Stored in Kernville. \$7900.00.

Please call Eric Rasmussen at 562-429-4138



Our new club member Jerry Phan showing the nice bass that can be caught fishing the desert canals near Blythe Ca.
There are fish in the desert!

to jim thank you for
all the flies. I use
them lot hows
the fishing?
I fishd every
for 2 weedy day
lets go fishing.
I need some from
red, green, yellow
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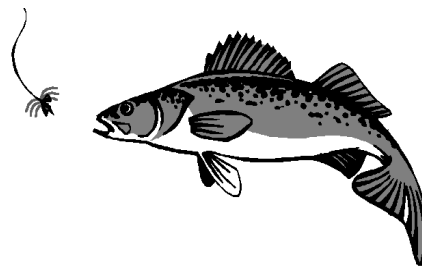
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This is Jim Buchanan's young neighbor in Wyoming. Jim has done a great job with Jared passing on the love of fishing and nature. Jared sent this nice thank you letter to Jim.

Downey Fly Fishers

P.O. Box 516

Downey, Ca 90241



2007-2008 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

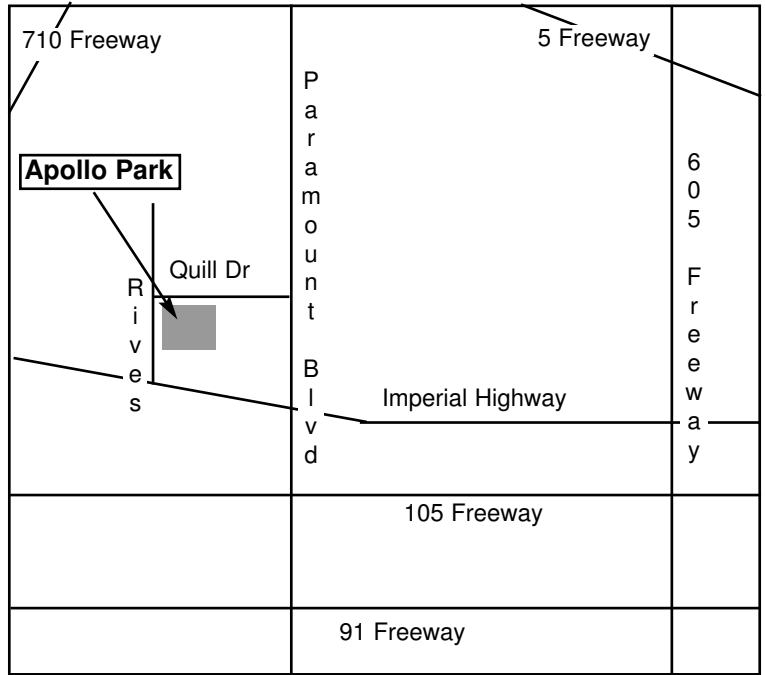
New Individual or Family Memberships add \$5.00 Initiation Fee- Total \$45.00

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*

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www.downeyflyfishers.org

This Month's Meeting
July 8th
Apollo Park Senior Center
12458 Rives Ave, Downey



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