



Ring of the Rise

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Gary Silveira, Newsletter Editor

President's Message: *by Chiaki Harami (haramic)*

I want to thank everyone involved with our 9th annual Rendezvous. Many people worked long and hard hours to make this event the success it was. I also want to send a big thank you to all the attendees for joining the Club, buying raffle tickets and participating in our C & R Tourney. Your dollars will go a long ways in helping the Club in its mission to promote fly fishing, conservation and Club functions.

The following are some of the individuals whom were instrumental in making the Vous such a success:

Tim – *Antiqueguy* found 3 bamboo rods at garage sales and quickly bought them for the Vous. He also found many other fly fishing items and donated them for our worthy cause. Tim's been doing this for many years and I think he really enjoys the "hunt". He's an expert at garage sales and can smell them miles away. Tim's a good friend. I can always count on him to come through helping the Club. Every year, its different items and a fun surprise to find out what treasures his found in his adventures in people's front yards. The Club is the big beneficiary of his passion.

Shane and Keith are the ones that brought the lights and generator to the Vous so that the Stoneflies to could play their fun music. I know it wasn't easy driving up the canyon with those items hitched to the back of their vehicles. They are both very busy individuals and I really appreciate the time they devote to the Club. They make the Club special.

For the second year in a row, I'm amazed at the cooking talents of Freddie, Phil and Tim. Once again, their BBQ was delicious. Everything tasted great and it made for a fun start to a very enjoyable evening. They make it look so easy, but I know it's not easy bringing everything from Fresno. I'm sure many hours were spent shopping, packing, driving, etc. When Freddie first approached me about cooking for the Vous, I was pretty sure they knew what they were doing. It sure looked like Freddie enjoys his cooking, so I knew everyone else would as well.

Another big thanks goes out to the Woodward Brothers for their donation and raffle of their Montana Cabin. The Club has benefited tremendously over the years and I can't thank them enough. Bev, the owner of Frandy's Campground also thanks them this year for their outstanding attitudes and behavior.

We sure were entertained by Guy and the Stoneflies again this year. They are a tight band and practiced very hard the

night before our event. They practice many hours of singing making them very thirsty. I'm told they were able to quench that thirst by drinking many beverages into the night. Even after the numerous beverages, they played great at the Vous.

Thanks to everyone that donated to the raffle. There were many great and valuable items; the tables were full of awesome fly fishing stuff. The item that had the most raffle tickets was the Go-Pro camera. Thanks to Adam for his donation. Let me know if I can ever do anything for you. Another run to Acid Rods, no problem.

Where would we be without 2FlySue? She makes sure everyone buys their share of raffle tickets and makes everyone's wallets that much lighter. She does a great job keeping me in line and out of trouble. Many times, I'm flying by the seat of my pants. 2FlySue makes sure I have both feet firmly planted on the ground.

Pete did another outstanding job with our Vous Rod Swap. He changed it up this year with all the custom built rods going to Casting for Recovery. Well done Pete!

I'm sure I forgot to mention many others, but thank you all.

As you can tell from this list, many people are involved in making the Vous a success. We have already started planning for next year's Vous, the 10th Annual. I want to make the 10th very special by doing things we haven't done in the past. I would like to get many of our old friends together for this special Rendezvous. It will be a challenge and I'm looking forward to it. I do believe we have the best club in the world.

Chiaki

River Report: *by Guy Jeans (Flyguy)*

Hello everybody, this is a fly fishing report for the week of 04-23-14 written on Wednesday 04-23-14.

The upper river has started to runoff the last few weeks reaching a high this week at 800+. The cooler weather the last few days has dropped the cfs to 700 or so. Anglers are catching fish in the 20 mile stretch but it seems to be difficult for most anglers below Fairview dam. Water clarity is much better above the Fairview dam. Nymphing with bigger brighter flies is getting the job done. Try using flashy

patterns that fish can see like Kern Kandy's and or Robo PT's in size 12.

Other go to flies are Hares Ear nymphs of various colors. Great attractors right now are Tungsten Teddy size 12, BH Pink Kern Emergers, Chartreuse Copper Johns and BH Prince in size 18.

Remember to catch and release those trophy fish so somebody else has a chance to enjoy those big fish too.

Upper flows are at 750 cfs.

The 4 Mile Wild Trout Section Water is off color up here and the fishing tough. **Catch and Release barbless hooks only!!** Flows are at 700cfs and the water temps are cooler at 50 degrees up here. **Open year round.**

Lake Isabella Crappie are in and trout fishing is good. The lake is very low and fishing various streamers with a floating line or sink tip is getting the job done. Rainbows are looking up early in the morning and taking midges on the surface with some great top water action near French Gulch, Paradise Cove and the main dam.

Crappie are fishing good and showing in French Gulch and the usual crappie hot spots around the lake. Bass fly fishing is good in about 15ft of water the first hour of light, Carp fly fishing is tough.

Lower Kern The lower Kern is fishing ok. Small Baetis patterns are working. Water temps down on the lower are about 5 degrees warmer than the upper. The water is at a good flow as of today, about 350 cfs, between Borel and Democrat.

Tributaries of the North and South Fork Kern Closed

South Fork of the Kern from Rockhouse North Closed

Guy



Conservation Report: by Shane Goslin (fishinXJ)

Wayne Swanson, aka "Swanee" was part of a recent conference call meeting and posted the following report.

Edison Trust Fund meeting and progress report for the Kern River Rainbow Restoration Project

The emergency power generator and fuel tanks are complete.

Management plan draft is due to be completed in 2 to 4 weeks. May, per CDFW Biologist.

A public meeting is tentatively scheduled for September to engage the community to showcase what has been completed and where the project is headed (\$250,000 hatchery). The public will be asked their desires for improvement and what their vision of success would look like.

The park service has shown concern that a true restoration is not possible for the Kern River and would not support any harvest of pure strain trout from within the park. CDFW is considering a true restoration of feeder streams and a "re-introduction" into the main Kern River as part of the "Kern River Rainbow Conservation Plan." This strategy would be similar to the "Golden Trout" project and possibly keep the KRRT from being added to the threatened species list. The park service would probably then cooperate and work with CDFW in permit process with the FED's to use a helicopter to retrieve brood stock from locations within the park.

We have two hurdles in our way. One is timing and the other is the severe drought we are experiencing now. The park service and CDFW are wanting to monitor the stress effect of this year's drought and are afraid that by September (when they had planned the harvest) the trout may not be able to survive a relocation. The other problem is that the permit process would extend beyond September and prevent harvest anyway.

With the input from the public in September and the final revision of the "Conservation Plan" after that, combined with "help" from the park service, the biologist said that the summer of 2015 would be harvest time for the Kern River Rainbow brood stock.

With all the agencies in attendance or listening on the conference call, I felt it was time to set some wheels in motion. With hundreds of thousands of dollars plus time and effort already spent, it is apparent that these will be very valuable trout. Don't you think it is time to propose some protection of such a valuable fish instead of stocking it in a river then letting someone take it home and put it in a frying pan or a freezer? I proposed making it a restoration on the feeder streams and a re-introduction above Fairview Dam with protection.

If they want a balance between conservation and sport, the put and take area should be below Fairview Dam which is a barrier already in place. We have experienced the planting of larger fish in winter on the Kings River and the same thing could be done on the Kern and if they are concerned about mixing species even triploids could be stocked.

So here is where the fly fishers come in. **The public meeting is in September.** That is the time to make a showing and voice your opinions on how the Kern River is managed. I am not proposing fly fishing only or all catch and release. There has to be a balance to improve the Kern River. All I want is to make it better by active management instead of letting the public beat it to death.

Additionally there is \$129,000 available for this year. Proposals are due by July 15, 2014.

The following press release was provided by Bennett Mintz SWCFFF for our member's information.

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Need More Helpers

**NATIVE LAHONTAN CUTTHROAT TROUT
AIDED BY CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS**

BRIDGEPORT, Calif. – Volunteers from fly-fishing clubs, the International Federation of Fly Fishers and Trout Unlimited in cooperation with the California Department of Fish & Wildlife will attempt to restore native Lahontan cutthroat trout in an Eastern Sierra stream.

The native California Lahontan trout were all but eliminated from their native Sierra habitat by illegally planted brook trout, according to Gary Applebee, Redlands, representing the Deep Creek Fly Fishers.

Target area is Silver Creek in the West Walker River watershed near Bridgeport. Project volunteers are needed for Aug. 13-20; Aug. 25-28; and Sept. 3-10, said Applebee.

A base camp will be established at the headwaters of Silver Creek and a team of 4-5 people will assist the CDFW with electro-fishing. The goal of this multi-year event is to eradicate the non-native brook trout so the stream can sustain a currently imperiled population of Lahontan cutthroat trout. Upon completion, Silver Creek will be opened to angling.

The project is being spearheaded by contributions from Golden State Flycasters through a Trout Unlimited grant of \$10,000; Sierra Pacific Fly Fishers, \$5,000 and the Deep Creek Fly Fishers of \$1,500.

Removal of the predatory brook trout will be accomplished with the introduction of an Alaskan weir, modified to fit the stream, within one mile from the headwaters of Silver Creek.

Immediately downstream of the headwaters, block nets with approximately 1/4-inch mesh will be placed within the channel, where brook trout removal will occur incrementally within block netted sections, working downstream to the weir.

Information for older teens and adults wishing to volunteer on the Lahontan restoration project is available at <http://southwestcouncilfff.org/Conservation/swc-iff-conservation>

Silver Creek, a tributary to the West Walker River in Mono County, is Lahontan cutthroat trout recovery water that was illegally stocked with brook trout. Brook trout were discovered in Silver Creek in 2004 during a survey intended to collect baseline population information to support opening the stream to regulated angling. Lack of ability to utilize efficient methods of brook trout removal that could be completed within two or three seasons has resulted in the lost opportunity of angling for a native Walker Basin cutthroat trout in this mountain meadow stream.



Lahontan Cutthroat Trout

Shane

Outings Report: by Chris Chamberlain (ChrisC)

No report submitted.

Chris

Rod Building: by Pete Emmel (Pete)



Observations on Finishes

Ok, so I have a few rods builds under my belt and have made some observations. Most of them will be fairly obvious to anybody but me. Hence the several years of building before I figured this tidbit out: Good finishes start with good prep.

Stick with me here I am actually going somewhere with this. Let's use auto body work as an example. Your little pride and joy gets into a fender fight and ends up in the shop. If the body guy doesn't get the dents pulled, the Bondo applied and finishes it correctly, it doesn't matter how good the final paint job is because the ripples and pits will show up. Great!!! You have a beautiful paint job over a wavy finish.

It's the same with rod building. If you don't get it right, in the beginning, you are either going to have a bumpy finish or you will be spending too much time repairing the finish, as in sanding, shaving, applying more coats or worst ever.... starting over!!!

So.... here are some tips that might help in the overall process:

Prep those guides: Yes, even Snake Brand guides can require a bit of touch up. Don't take it for granted that every guide made is 100% perfect. You can really be in for some additional work on "inexpensive guides" due to different foot length, blunt feet, burrs etc... At least file/sand/grind whatever it takes to form a smooth ramp for the thread to

start up. The ramp is probably the one place where you can develop gaps in your wraps.

NO NUBS: What? Take your time with trimming your nubs at the start of your wraps. Go with enough wraps to anchor the thread. Then trim the tag end close so the next couple of wraps will cover the nubs. If need be use a razor blade to trim off the fuzzy end next to the blank. On the finish tag I recommend the method Chiaki teaches, in the rod building class. Once you have the tag end through your pull loop and have it snugged, trim it close. When you pull the tag end through, pull it at a 45 degree angle. This helps keep the tag end from coming through the thread. End result: NO NUBS!

Pack & Burnish: Pack those wraps!!! No packing can equal gaps and bumps. Those translate to uneven finishes which require additional work to repair them. Me? I pack as I go. Why? I can keep up on any over wraps (thread climbing over the previous wrap) and correct it before the wrap is finished. You can't correct over wraps after the wrap is complete..... at least not easily.

To sum it up, do it right at the start and you have to do it over at the end.

Pete

Also, remember that SSFFC club members receive a 15% discount at Acid Rod. When you make your next rod building purchases please make sure to give Mark Griffin (Mark Griffin) a call at Acid Rod @ 909-394-7486 or stop by his shop at 910 N. Cataract Ave, San Dimas, CA and let him or Colleen know you're a member of SSFFC. - Gary

Check out the following link to see what Mark has to offer –

<http://www.acidrod.com/>



Club Meeting & Activities: by Chiaki Harami (haramic)

The next General Meeting will be Saturday, May 10th at 7:00 PM at the Kernville Chamber of Commerce building. There will be a board meeting at 6:00 PM prior to the general meeting and all directors and chairpersons are encouraged to attend.

Our May 10th guest speaker is our own Bill Hammons. Bill primarily belongs to the Carson City Fly fishers Club, but he's also a member of our Club. Bill is a retired Fire Captain and lived in Bakersfield before retiring to Carson City. He is an excellent fly tyer and a great poker player. He won our Kids Academy Poker night a few years ago. Bill joined 2FlySue and I last year on the Silver Creek Lahontan Recovery outing. He's a great guy, has a funny sense of

humor, excellent fly fisher and I'm very proud to call him my friend.

Bill will be presenting the **"California Heritage Trout Challenge."** He will address just about all areas regarding the Heritage Trout Challenge, such as the history of the program, clarification of native, wild and heritage trout, isolation of each species, general location of each species and the mileage.

Bill will also describe the different waters and the types of flies utilized. He'll bring his framed certificates and it should be very informative for everyone.

If you have any interest in the Heritage Trout Challenge, this is a must attend presentation. I'm 2/3 the way to completing the Challenge, so I'll be there, all ears.

Raider will also be hosting his mentoring day so you can learn how to fish the Kern and attend the meeting and learn about our California Trout. Make it a SSFFC weekend!

Raider & Co. - Mentoring Day

This class will be held on Saturday, May 10th. We will meet for breakfast at the Broken Egg at 7:00 am. This is an on stream fishing class. There will be a short stream side class room presentation, followed by a day of fishing with Raider's crack Mentoring staff.

The class will be divided into groups, each group specializing in a type of fly fishing. Mark Sweat (*one2fish*) is going to teach nymph fishing. Allen Bell (*Raider*) will mainly be teaching dry fly fishing. As a special treat, Randy Skidgel (*Randy*) is going to be conducting a swing mentoring day.

Students will be limited to 3 per Mentor. The nymphing and dry fly portions of the program are mainly for newer fly fishers while the swing program would probably be for more advanced fly fishers. Mark and Allen will meet at River Kern Store for lunch and switch groups. Randy may or may not be able to make this, depending on where he is fishing. If members of his class want to move through the group, or the regular class members want to try swing fishing, I'm sure that can be worked out.

Another great thing is being offered by the club is the Mentoring staff will be staying in the 'Big Room' at Kern Lodge. So, plan to stay the night, hang out with the Mentoring staff and have a hard core fly fishing weekend!

SSFFC membership is required to participate in this event. If you are not currently a member, you can join through the club website.

To get on the list, send Raider a PM or email him at: Fly_Addict@hotmail.com. These events tend to fill up quickly, so if you are interested, sign up soon. Also, if something comes up and you can't attend, let Raider know as soon as possible so your spot can be filled. There is usually a waiting list for this outstanding program.

Chiaki

Tippets from the Fly Addict: by Allen Bell (*Raider*)

Just a Little Thing

Little things. Sometimes I am amazed at how little things can affect others so much. One little thing can lead to another and so on until you can look back on a period of time and wonder "How did all this happen?" This is one of those stories.

A few years ago, the SSFFC and Pete Emmel started a program to build fly rods and donate them to a group called "Casting for a Cure," a breast cancer support organization.

I had just begun building rods and while far from perfect, I built a couple rods that I wasn't too ashamed to pass on. It was for a good cause and I enjoyed building rods. I decided to do a third rod, no big deal, I'd done two before, each getting a little better.

This one, I wanted to push my limits as a rod builder. I procured a lathe to turn my own wooden spacers for the reel seat, got special pink metallic material for the wraps; I was going all in on this one. I decided to name it Hope. Turned out, this rod was hopeless, well, almost. After 5 tries at getting the wraps like I wanted, dealing with finish that wouldn't dry and finally finishing the rod only to see the exuberance of finally casting it crushed by a minor mistake. I'd made the spacer too long and the reel wouldn't clamp on. The program I was to donate to ended before I finally finished the rod. I bought another blank and finished the rod just out of some stubbornness to complete it I honestly didn't understand.

Flash forward to a trip to the Owyhee River with Mark and Ellen. We were sitting and talking about fishing and I told the now funny story about Hope. I was thinking I could give it to Ellen to distribute to some Breast Cancer group she knew of. Really, it had sat in my fishing room for over a year and I just wanted to be rid of it.

Ellen asked if I would consider giving it to a friend of hers, Sherrie. That was fine with me; tell me where to send it. The address looked weird, New Zealand.... I was going to ship a small 4wt blank to New Zealand?? Ok, off it went.

This began a wonderful relationship with a very nice lady, cancer patient and now survivor, Sherrie Feilert. Sherrie heads up 'Casting for Recovery, New Zealand.



One of the first of many caught on Hope!! By the way, this is called a 'dink' in NZ

So, a little thing made Sherrie very happy, I got a great feeling also, it's always nice to bring a little cheer to others lives.

As I was preparing for the Kids Academy, I thought of another little thing. I would get a couple of get well type cards, have the kids sign them at the fly tying station as they passed through. After we were done, I sent the cards on to Sherrie in NZ. I had no idea that so many would enjoy a couple cards signed by the great kids we have involved in our club.



My awesome fly tiers, instructors and students!!!

So, as I opened the Email from Sherrie a few days ago and read the wonderful words she wrote, hearing the impact that a few little things had made upon her and the nice cancer ladies she serves so selflessly, I was struck by one thought. The more I fish, fly fishing just becomes less and less about the fish. Life has to be more than hang out and fish, thinking only of myself. It feels so good to do something for others now and then. Just a little thing..... Just one more little thing.



I love ya Sherrie, but please get a heavier rod!!!!!!



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Dear Shane

Re: Special Flies for our CFR Participants

On behalf of the CFR trustees and myself, will you please accept our most grateful thanks for your gift of flies. We make special mention of this and where they have come from and the smiles say it all when the participants realise someone from the USA, way over there, has taken time to do a caring thing for them. So here goes the story of their arrival.

It was with great excitement I noticed a card in my mail from the postal system saying I had a parcel to pick up in July last year. What could it be?

My heart was filled with joy and tears streamed down my cheeks as I opened the parcel. The bit that got me the most were the comments from the amazing children you had with you when this was done.

Our heartfelt thanks go out to the kids of the Kids Academy and the special 'big' kids that helped them.

Please be assured these flies are packaged up and the cards put on display for all to read over the retreat weekend.

Our summer fishing season is over, Easter is upon us and we have storms and rain but I will be wetting a line at some stage over the weekend on our Tongariro River in Turangi. You may like to look that up, it holds both browns and bows and we are able to fish it all year around. God Bless you all for a safe and happy Easter weekend.

Most respectfully yours

Sherrie Feickert
National Programme Coordinator

Blue Skies and Fishy Flies,

Allen

Fly of the Month: by Rob Buhler (clouserfreak)

Rob is out of town on business and asked for this re-post from June 2011. Enjoy.



RALPH CUTTER'S E/C CADDIS

With the long, warm days of summer quickly approaching, all creek, river and hatches are in full bloom. Caddisflies are extremely abundant in the Sierra's, second only to the midge.

The E/C Caddis, originated by Truckee, Ca. legend Ralph Cutter, has turned into one of the most effective and popular flies in the Sierra's. He developed the fly while noticing that the trout were taking crippled emergers (adult winged caddis stuck in their pupal shuck during the emergence

from pupa to adult). He noted that unlike mayflies, which may spend minutes drifting on the surface to dry, caddisflies become airborne, sometimes instantly after breaking through the surface film. The exception to this is the so called crippled caddis that cannot free itself from its pupal shuck making themselves easily available with even the largest trout ready to capitalize. After this Ralph created the E/C Caddis (Emergent/Cripple Caddis), a pattern that closely simulates the real thing and is easy to tie and fish.

The tail of Z-lon and lighter abdomen dubbing represent the rear of the adult still tuck in the pupal casing, with the head, legs, and wing having already emerged. I use this pattern not only solo during hatches, I will tie it 18" behind a Stimulator and fish as an attractor, often bringing fish to the surface that are not rising. It is natural enough that it will raise even the spookiest of fish and will pass for a spent caddis and even mayflies adding to its attractiveness. Ralph ties several variations in color and size to cover most caddis in the Sierra's. We will be tying the Olive Brown/Caddis Green version.

Recipe:

Hook: Dry Fly size 12-20

Thread: Olive 6/0

Shuck: Amber Z-lon Yarn

Abdomen: Olive Brown Haretron

Thorax: Caddis Green Haretron

Hackle: Dun

Wing: Elk Hair

Substitute materials that you have available if necessary. Antron yarn can be subbed for Z-lon and you can use other dubbings, hackle colors (grizzly, brown, and ginger) and even Deer Hair for the wing.

Tying Instructions:

DEBARB YOUR HOOK BEFORE PLACING IN VISE. Place hook in vise and attach thread at the 2/3 mark on the hook shank. Prepare a section of Z-lon yarn secure to the top of the shank with a couple gathering wraps. Wrap Z-lon to the rear of the hook pulling slightly upwards with your left hand securing yarn to the top of the shank. Stop your wraps at the barb and trim the butt ends of the yarn to 2/3 the length of the body (trim some fibers shorter than others providing a natural tapered appearance).



Select a small amount of Olive Brown Hareton and apply to the thread starting with a thin layer, adding more as necessary. Wrap the Olive Brown dubbing forward to the 2/3 mark on the hook forming the abdomen. Don't worry about stray Antron and rabbit fibers. These are a good thing!



To soften the transition from the abdomen to the thorax I dub a small amount of the thorax color onto the thread and place a sparse amount of the abdomen dubbing on top of this. Wrap the dubbing forward a couple of tight turns.



Apply a small amount of Caddis Green dubbing to the thread, wrap a thin thorax leaving room for more dubbing after tying in the parachute hackle. Stop your wraps before the eye leaving plenty of space to finish the fly.



Select an appropriate size rooster saddle or neck (cape) hackle. Prepare by removing barbs from a small portion of the stem leaving a clean tie in area. Attach with concave side facing upward stopping thread toward the rear of the thorax.



Apply a small amount of Caddis Green dubbing to the thread and wrap over hackle tie in area and back toward the rear of the thorax leaving thread hanging for the wing tie in.



Clean and stack an amount of Elk Hair slightly smaller than the amount used for an equivalent sized Elk Hair Caddis. Measure the wing slightly longer than the body and tie in to the top of the shank using two gathering wraps and several tightening wraps. Trim the butts of the Elk Hair as shown and move thread over the hook but under and just behind the wing and hackle so that the thread hangs on the opposite side of the hook. Wrap the hackle clockwise 2-3 times around the base of the wing and head (butts), making each wrap below the previous one (don't worry if the wing stands upright like a mayfly, this provides a trigger for the trout and makes a more durable fly). While holding the hackle tip downward in your left hand, wrap thread

clockwise around the base of the wing and head, but under the wraps of hackle securing the stem. After three tight wraps, bring thread from the opposite side under the fly and up behind the eye taking a couple of securing wraps at the head. Whip finish or tie three half hitches and add head cement. (See Craven's Two Minute Parachute for more detail http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N_XZlX0mau0&feature=related)



Finished fly.



Rob

Tips & Techniques: by Ryan Buhler (ryan)

Terrestrials

One of the most over looked aspects of dry fly fishing is terrestrials. Most of us have tossed a grasshopper or two over the years but few fish ants and beetles regularly. Ants, beetles and other land based insects seem to hold a special appeal to trout. It is hard to find water that doesn't have ants or other terrestrials crawling around its edges even in winter. Next time you are on the water take a look around stream side and you will find bugs crawling all over the place.

There are so many terrestrials that it would take a lifetime to list them all. Luckily for us fly fishers we only need to be concerned with a few of them. Ants, beetles, hoppers and crickets are the most useful to us. It is helpful to have a few of each in your fly box.

Here is a short list of flies and sizes that will help you start to fill your terrestrial box.

1. Ants, sizes 14 to 20, colors, black, red and cinnamon. You can tie them with foam, fur, hair, dubbing or anything as long as you make the two humps distinct.
2. Beetles, sizes 10 to 20, colors, black with varying shades of under body. You can use foam, fur, hair, dubbing. Just make sure you have some with color on top to make it easier to see.
3. Grasshoppers and Crickets, sizes 10 to 18, there are tons of great patterns out there have a few with foam and some with natural materials.

I hope this will help you start a terrestrial box and remember to fish them not only in summer but year round.

Ryan

Message from the Editor: by Gary Silveira (CopperDropper)

Since there's just enough room on the page for a few select words I'll keep it simple.

If ever you may wonder why this club is the best little fly fishing club out there, all you have to do is peruse the pages of this newsletter.

From completion of our 9th annual Rendezvous, to our conservation involvement with the Kern River Rainbow Restoration Project as well as past participation and presumed future assistance with the Lahontan Cutthroat Restoration Project, we are truly a presence in the local scene and have a great impact.

To top that off we even have generous members and Kids Academy participants donating rods, flies and words of kindness to well deserving strangers, some living half a world away, and making such a strong comment about who we are and how much we care.

Long Live the SSFFC!

Tight Lines, *Gary*



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