



Ring of the Rise

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Gary Silveira, Newsletter Editor

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

I hope everyone had a great holiday season. Things have finally settled down at the Club and we have a lot of good things happening for 2014. We had a great January meeting with the Buhler Brothers, Rob and Ryan. They presented "How to Catch Big Trout." They had a lot of pictures of their 20"+ trout and those were the small ones. They also taught a fly tying class during the day, which was well attended. I believe everyone in class had a great time; learning how to tie new flies, meeting new members and learning different techniques. The Buhler Brothers are fantastic instructors and also are very knowledgeable of the history of fly tying. I would encourage anyone interested in fly tying to take their class. We should have another class in the upcoming months.

Due to February being a cold month, we won't have a meeting in February. However, the Club will have a booth at the Whiskey Flats Days festival on February of 14th – 16th in Kernville. We will be at Riverside Park next to the Hatchery booth. We will hold casting demonstrations and fly tying. We will also help kids catch trout, which is always too much fun. We could use additional assistance at our booth. Please let me know if you're available to help at this event. The more, the merrier.

We will hold our Fly Fisher of The Year awards banquet on March 8th at the Kernville Golf Course Clubhouse. Voting will be through Feb. 10th by "casting" your votes to me: email:haramic@aol.com or PM on the Kern Forum. While you're casting your vote, please also RSVP to attend the awards banquet. Cost is \$20 for dinner with a no host bar. Please attend and roast the Fly Fisher of The Year.

During the day on March 8th, Mark Allen and his casting instructor partner, Larry will be holding casting lessons. Both Mark and Larry are IFFF Certified Instructors and are fantastic instructors. I took their class last year and learned how to properly cast. Please come up and make it a SSFFC weekend.

Our Outings Chair, Chris Chamberlain has been working hard scheduling fun trips for the coming year. February 21st and 22nd will be the Lower Owens trip. The Club will be hosting our Saturday night dinner gathering at the Pizza Factory in Bishop. It's always a fun time to hear everyone's fish stories and the one that got away. 2FlySue and I plan on attending this fun trip.

Final details are being worked on for outings to; San Diego Bay or the Surf, Creeks of the Kern, backpacking, eastside

of the Sierras, Kings and the Forks. Announcements will be made in the coming months.

The 2014 Rendezvous date is April 5th at Frandy's. We have reserved the same corner of the campground, around Circle Drive. Give Beverly, owner, a call at (888) 372-6399 to reserve your spot. This is the Club's biggest membership drive and fund raiser for the year. It's the time to get together with old friends and make new friends. Vows applications should be on the Club website very soon.

We have appointed two people to new Club positions: Amy Kileen – Membership Chair and Liam Haselhorst – Inter-club Tourney Chair. Amy will be maintaining the membership roster, creating a welcoming packet, renewals and getting the pulse of our membership and their needs. Liam will be coordinating our Teams for the SWC Inter-club Tourney, which we host in November. Liam has also been instrumental in the rules, scoring and beat layout for the SWC. I welcome Amy and Liam and look forward to their contributions to the Club. They will be a big help to everyone.

The interest in Spey rods has increased over the past year. Randy has worked with the Southwest Council of the International Federation of Fly Fishers (SWC IFFF) and has secured two casting instructors for a Spey Casting class: Marshall Bissett (Spey CI) and Ray Bianco (Spey Master Caster). Randy will announce the date as soon as it's finalized. It's through our affiliation with SWC, that we are able to receive this great opportunity. There will be no charge for this unique class; you just need to be a SSFFC member to participate.

I hope to make 2014 a fun and exciting year for our Club members. Please let me know if there's anything you would like from the Club. We are here to help the members have a great fly fishing experience.

Chiaki

River Report: by Guy Jeans (*Flyguy*)

Hello everybody, this is a fly fishing report for the week of 01-14-14 written on Monday, 01-14-14.

On the water this week along the upper river above Kernville you will find water temps are about 34 degrees in the morning and warming up to 40 degrees by 2:30 pm. You

will see a slight hatch of BWO's hatching and possibly a few sippers rising. The fish we caught this week were on a size 22 Parachute Adams as well as a size 22 WD40. The best fishing is around 2 pm as the water temps warm up to 40 degrees. Some good advice is to fish the lower Kern below Lake Isabella in the morning then come up to the upper Kern and fish.

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

Upper flows are at 110 cfs below Kr3 and above Fairview Dam and lower between these 2 points.

The 4 mile wild trout section Open year round Water is clear up here and the fishing is ok. **Catch and Release barbless hooks only!!** This is running at about 150cfs and water temps are cooler at 35 degrees up here.

Lake Isabella trout fishing is better and the lake is very low. 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 fishing is slow. Bass fly fishing is ok in about 15ft of water the first hour of light while Carp fly fishing is tough.

Lower Kern The lower Kern is fishing ok! Small Baetis patterns. Water temps down on the lower are about 5 degrees warmer than the upper. The water is low as of today between Borel and Democrat for some tough fishing.

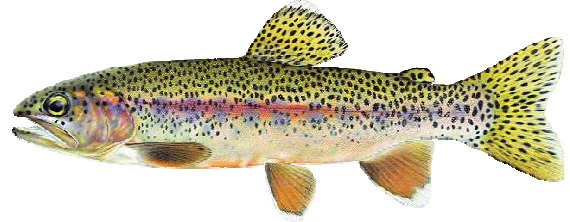
Tributaries of the North and South Fork Kern Closed

South Fork of the Kern from Rockhouse North Closed

Guy



Conservation Report: by Shane Goslin (fishinXJ)



Kern River Rainbow Project

Work at the hatchery is complete, minus a small pipe repair to the water storage tank. The contractors have been paid from the Edison grant monies awarded to the club and we've nearly depleted the grant funds accumulated around \$125,000. The wells, pumps, backup generator system, timers, and storage systems are ready. The next step is waiting on the DFW to work out the fish collection permits with the federal agencies the National Park Service and US Fish & Wildlife Service and determine the dates, amount of fish taken, and method of transporting the wild Kern River Rainbows out of Sequoia National Park. It took around 27 years to get this far and was part of a vision started by our comrades the Kern River Fly Fishers, KRFF, way back when the Wild Trout Section above Johnsondale Bridge was established. It's exciting to start a new phase!

Shane

Outings Report: by Chris Chamberlain (ChrisC)

No report submitted.

Chris

Rod Building: by Pete Emmel (Pete)

A Love Affair with Fiberglass

(Originally published in "Eat, Sleep, Fish" a not for profit fly fishing ezine bringing you fly fishing adventures from the U.K. and further afield.)

So you have been fly fishing for quite a long time and you feel like there is a little something missing. You know, that feeling like you have been there and done that in your fly fishing journey. You are past the stage where it's all about catching as many fish as you can. At this point in your fly fishing journey, doesn't it feel good to just take a break, find a rock or log to sit on, under a willow tree and just enjoy

everything? Sitting there with the afternoon breeze in your face, listening as the water gently caresses the rocks in a small riffle. Watching as a lazy afternoon Mayfly hatch comes off. Maybe you are sight casting a #16 Parachute Adams to that big Brown lazing under the overhanging branches in that secret back eddy only you know about. Can it get any better than that? You bet it can.

You have reached that special place in your journey where a quality fiberglass fly rod can fill a gap in your fly fishing adventure. I am not saying fiberglass rods are the be all and end all when it comes to fly fishing, but they will fill the gap between graphite and bamboo. And fill it extremely well. Not everyone can afford a high dollar bamboo or graphite rod. Enter fiberglass.

Why fiberglass? Well in the rest of this article I will try and explain fiberglass as I see it.



I started my fishing journey in the late '60s with a hand me down old Fenwick fiberglass spinning rod. Being fiberglass of the late '50s to '60s, it had as much feel as an engine hoist. Well youngsters, that's pretty close to how the first generation fiberglass fly rods felt. Basically they were to get the fly on the water without the expense or maintenance of bamboo. I mean shoot, this was a new technology!! Fiberglass stood the test of time until "BAM" graphite came busting onto the scene. Graphite was lighter, faster and they could just do more with it. Then much like bamboo with the advent of fiberglass, when graphite came out, fiberglass fell out of favor. It was the ugly duckling of the fly fishing world.



Fast forward to the present day. Graphite has reigned supreme for many years. But, in reigning for years it has, in my personal opinion, been taken to the extreme. They have become so light, and fragile that if it takes a smack with a bead head fly it's a good bet that eventually it will fail at what I'll call the bruise. Yes, they can cut through the wind and lay out casts longer than you probably ever really need. But, in going so high tech they have lost their soul. Oh no! He's gone 1960's hippie on us. Nope, no flowers in this old boy's hair. When I say soul, I am referring to the feel you get with fiberglass and bamboo. When you listen to what the rod is telling you, you can feel every little nuance. It will tell you when it has reached full extension on your back cast. But beware, fiberglass will not listen or conform to you. You must give into the rod. It will tell you how it wants to be cast. Rush it and it's all over, you will end up with a jumbled mess of a cast. Listen to the rod and you will be rewarded with a cast of a lifetime.



So why is the "New Technology" fiberglass so much different than first generation fiberglass? Why should I make fiberglass part of my inventory? Because new fiberglass ain't your Grand Daddy's glass. I won't bore you with all the technical jargon about S-glass or E-glass superiority and all that. Let's just say it's lighter, stronger and sooooo much more sensitive than the first generation fiberglass. Next to bamboo I would be willing to bet that fiberglass rods are the tough guys on the block.

Aside from the attributes mentioned above, fiberglass rods are budget friendly. Compared to bamboo and your high-dollar graphite, you can pick up a top shelf fiberglass rod for few hundred dollars less.

Now, with the fiberglass renaissance you aren't really going to find an abundance of factory rods in your fly shop's rod rack. Yet! Although late breaking news is that Orvis and Reddington are apparently bringing out their fiberglass line. My opinion on getting a great fiberglass rod: Find a custom rod builder and let them build you a one off custom. Trust me, a custom fiberglass rod will: 1) Be cheaper than your high end graphite, 2) It will fill the gap in your rod quiver and 3) Give you a rod designed to fit your personality. Give fiberglass, custom or factory, a go and I truly believe you will be more than pleasantly surprised.

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 February General Meeting of the SSFFC has been cancelled as noted in the Presidents Message.

The March General Meeting, scheduled for Saturday March 8th will be our Fly Fisher of The Year awards banquet.

Fly Fisher of the Year



The SSFFC Fly Fisher of the Year Awards Banquet is scheduled to take place on the date of our regularly scheduled March meeting, Saturday, March 8th, 2012 at Kernville Golf Course Clubhouse. Cost for the dinner is \$ 20.00 with a no host bar available.

The selection criteria to consider for your nomination are as follows.

SSFFC Fly Fisher of the Year Selection Criteria

A. Must be an SSFFC member.

B. Can be an amateur or professional. (This is a difficult area. What an amateur does out of sheer love and enjoyment, a professional must do to make a living. Nevertheless, it is often the professional who, through their skills, offers more to the advancement of the art. Therefore, it will be necessary to make some judgment on intent. Obviously, if the primary intent is to teach and share knowledge, it should merit serious consideration.)

C. Areas for judgment are:

1. Has demonstrated the ability to locate and catch fish for either themselves and/or for others.

2. Has made a substantial contribution to our biological knowledge of the quarry and the habitat and/or food chain on which it depends.

3. Has made a significant contribution to the preservation and enhancement of those fisheries resources utilized in fly-fishing.

4. Participation in the SSFFC is not a prerequisite, but any such activity as benefits the Club should be highly regarded.

5. Is a proven fly-fishing innovator in the equipment used or techniques developed. "Equipment may include rods, reels, lines, leaders, clothing, wading gear, fly patterns, fly tying equipment, etc. etc. "Techniques" may include new methods of using the equipment such as new methods of fly presentation etc. etc., and willingly shares that information with others.

6. Has devoted his energy to youth education activities to help the next generation get started in fly-fishing endeavors.

7. Is a proven teacher or instructor in the art and sport of fly-fishing and/or fly tying and/or rod building.

8. Has promoted the sport through distinguishable effort to draw more people into fly-fishing and/or enhance the knowledge and ability of the fly fisher.

9. Has demonstrated the personality and character traits that are becoming to the sport of fly fishing.

10. Is conservation minded and sets examples in conservation for others.

11. Achievements and contributions should promote the advancement of fly fishing and qualification should be superior to other candidates.

So there you have the nomination criteria. Now it's time for you to do your part and make your nomination. I know we

have many deserving members within our ranks so who will it be this year?

Nominations/Votes must be submitted by February 10th.

Casting of all votes is through Chiaki by the following methods; email: haramic@aol.com or PM on the Kern Forum. While you're casting your vote, please also RSVP to attend the awards banquet.



2014 Rendezvous

The 2014 Rendezvous is scheduled for April 4th through 6th and is being held at the same location as the 2013 event.

Frandy Campground

(Across the street from the Fly Shop)

11252 Kernville Road, Kernville, CA 93238

<http://www.frandy.net/>

You can call the campground for reservations at (888) 372-6399. Please mention you are with Southern Sierra Fly Fishers Club as we have reserved the camp spots around Circle Drive, which is located on the upper right hand corner of the following campground map:

<http://www.frandy.net/facilities-map.asp>

Frandy also has RV spots nearby with full hookup. If you want to rent a RV, our Club member Allen Rose with Kern River Vacation Trailers has them:

<http://kernrivervacationtrailers.com/>

The Club has already reserved the following spots for entertainment, BBQ, raffles and awards: 31, 32 & 33.

More information will be available in future newsletters as well as on the Forum. Applications will also be on the Club website very soon.

We hope everyone gets an opportunity to take part in this wonderful event that is much looked forward to each year!

Chiaki

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

Another Year..... All Ready???

Here we are, facing the fact that another year has flown by....again. Is it just me, or does it seem like the years are accelerating? Time is flying by and I'm starting to wonder if this is how it is supposed to be. It seems like every year gets shorter. That's the bad news. The good news is that they all seem to get better. At least they all have better parts.



Spring on the Mighty Kern!!

I was happily surprised at how well the Kern looked this spring. I was fully prepared for the worst after a year of almost no snow in the high country. Fishing was good and I always enjoy a day on my home river. I always seem to think the worst and am happy to find the best. I guess that's just how I think. I like good news better than bad, but sometimes you can learn from both. Just because I expect things to be rough doesn't mean they will be. Spring on the Kern was a happy time this year. I hadn't spent enough time with some of my closest friends and was able to fish and laugh with many of them.

Summer and heat came early, my favorite spring river, the East Walker was too low to fish. I just don't want to hammer the fishes when they don't have enough water to get spread out. Thankfully the Kern was still going well.

My good friend Chiaki sent me a note out of the blue, asking about a Mentoring Day. What an honor that anyone would actually want me to do one of my classes. You know, one thing about the years sliding by is that we forget how long it has been between the things we do. For whatever reason, I had pulled back from some of the activities I normally enjoy being involved in. The odd thing is that I'm really not sure why. I thought I didn't have time, but in hindsight, I could have found the time. So, I planned and put on a good (in theory) old 'Raider Mentoring Day.' I do enjoy these times of fellowship with my friends. I was able to enlist a good group I truly respect as people and are great fly fishers. Good thing too, it's really helpful to have someone that can catch a few fishes involved in a beginner fishing class!! I got so much out of this day, even a mild case of overheating. Mainly, that day helped me remember how important it is to

be involved and to give back a little to this sport that has given me so much.



Stuart after the release, Hey, get a lanyard on that net, you might lose it!!

Really, seeing a face like this makes all the effort worthwhile. Stuart had been having a hard time catching fishes, as we all do when we start out. My favorite thing in fishing is to get people like this on a few fish. It reminds me how special it really is to be able to catch and release a fish on a bit of feather and steel. I hope I never forget that feeling.

This year was a year of places. Places revisited and places discovered. It had been a while since I had really fallen back in love with the Kern. It was good to be 'emotionally home' again. I also found new waters and the cool people that live near them. I was able to rekindle the love affair I have with Montana....Even if I did miss the three days of fall they have there.



This was a difficult year in many ways, but, as usual, God causes the sun to shine on the Addict if he just keeps the faith. Sometimes things are hard, but sometimes they get better as the day goes along. Many times fishing is a reflection of life. The day that starts out with the least promise can and often does unfold into the best ever.

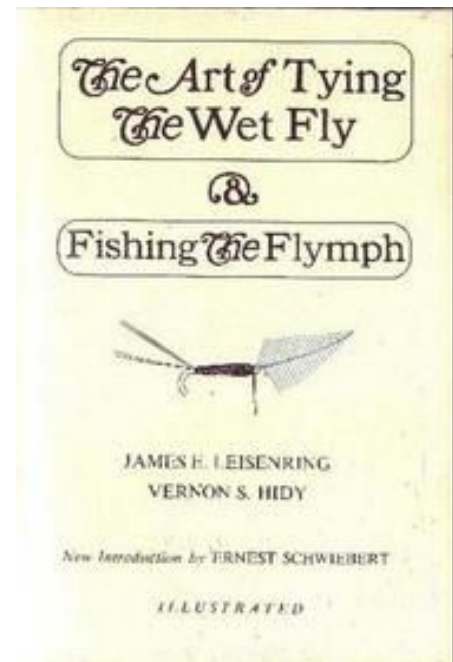


So as the years fly by, I hope to make sure I miss less of it in the future, especially I want to make sure I miss less of the people that make my life such a groovy place to be. Gray and white can turn to great beauty faster than we can imagine. You just have to keep casting one more time to be there to enjoy the show.

Blue Skies and Fishy Flies,

Allen

Fly Fishing Book Review: by Ants Uiga (Ants)



The Art of Tying the Wet Fly & Fishing the Flymph

By James E. Leisenring & Vernon S. Hidy

Published 1971 Crown Publishers, Inc., New York

160 pages

James Leisenring occupies an interesting position in US fly-fishing history. While others during the mid-1900 were waiting for hatches to fish their dry flies, Leisenring was fishing subsurface with variations of the wet fly. His fishing locations were centered around the Brodhead in Eastern Pennsylvania, but the impact of his efforts carries to subsurface fishing in any location.

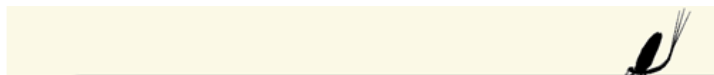
The first edition of his book, entitled *The Art of Tying the Wet Fly* was published in 1941 at the start of World War II. The war superseded the recognition that the publication should have received. Leisenring developed flies and techniques that worked in subsurface presentation. It may not be too difficult to speculate that the technique part was taking for granted by Leisenring, while the fly tying seemed new information. Unfortunately, the majority of the information on subsurface techniques was not published. This version has limited comments on subsurface techniques that were added by V. S. Hidy, but Hidy recognizes that much was not published.

In a recent book (*Wet Flies*) by Dave Hughes, Hughes summarizes the initial effort by Leisenring and Hidy. Is it useful to go to the source of material instead of summary? My suggestion is yes, since the initial book may provide insight to the reader that Hughes may not have considered useful in developing his book.

The book contains a number of introductions and comments that give perspective on the book's value. Leisenring was a strong believer in having the subsurface fly match the insects that he observed in the water. His approach to achieving this goal was to have pre-tied dubbing on thread so a range of flies could be tied streamside to match his observations. This approach was useful in Pennsylvania. I am not familiar with hatches in the area, but from reading various sources, it seems the variety of hatches may be greater than we experience locally. Nonetheless, with observation, the flies needed to match our hatches can follow his approach. Fly tying techniques are described in detail. Material descriptions are included.

So, the readers of this review may wonder – does the content of the book offer insights that will improve my fly-fishing? If there were a strong interest in probing for more answers, the answer would be a resounding Yes.

AntsYour SSFFC Fishing Book Aficionado



Fly of the Month: by Rob Buhler (clouserfreak)



GOLD RIBBED HARE'S EAR

Charles Jardine gives credit to James Ogden in 1879 for the modern Hare's Ear Nymph, while others date the pattern back to the time of Izaak Walton. Regardless of its origin, the Hare's Ear catches fish, then and now, and lots of them.

Generally regarded as a mayfly nymph imitation, the Hare's Ear can actually cover many other species, easily passing for caddis pupa, scuds, plus stoneflies and dragonflies in larger sizes, depending on color, size and style tied. The modern version relies on incorporating a gold wire rib for segmentation and durability. When tied with packaged rabbit dubbing this fly will catch some fish, but it is certainly far less effective than one tied with a genuine mask. It is the spiky guard hairs on the mask that seem to make the difference, turning this fly into a real winner. Hare's masks are available in several of the most popular colors, usually not costing more than a few dollars per mask.

Variations can include the flashback, poxyback, rubber legged, soft hackle and the widely used Gold Ribbed Bead Head Hare's Ear.

A fly that is more a style of tie than a specific pattern, the Hare's Ear has spawned many other quality flies through the years including Guy Jeans' Kern Emerger. Tie up a few, toss'em in the box and go fishin'!

Materials:

Hook: Nymph 1x or 2x long

Thread: Black

Tail: Hair from forehead of hare's mask

Rib: Gold Wire (20 and smaller x-small, 14-18 small, 10-12 brassie, 8 and up large)

Abdomen: Underfur from tail fibers or cheek dubbing

Wingcase: Brown Medallion Sheeting (traditionally white tipped turkey feather)

Thorax: Spiky mix of guard hairs from ears or forehead mixed with some underfur

Tying Instructions:



1. Debarb hook, insert into vise and attach thread at the 80% mark. Wrap thread back to the bend and up again to the 60% mark on the shank.



2. Select a mask and remove a small tuft of fur from the forehead area. Remove the underfur (save for later) and align in your tying hand.



3. Measure tail fibers to be half the length of the shank and switch the bunch to your material hand for tie in.



4. Trim the butts and align for tie in.



5. Tie in tail starting with a couple of wraps at the 60% tie in area, then working your way back to the hook bend. Keep fibers aligned along the top of the shank as you wrap back and provide a couple of securing wraps at the bend to help keep from the hair spinning on the shank.



6. Secure the wire rib along the shank and return the thread to above the hook barb.



9. Spiral wrap the wire in 5-6 even segments and tie off at the 60% mark. Twist off wire or cut tag end.



7. Create a dubbing rope from the underfur saved earlier. Many tyers like to incorporate many of the spiky guard hairs here too, but I often prefer a more slender abdomen.



10. Prepare a strip of medallion sheeting or turkey feather appropriate to the size of the fly. This is a size 14 hook with just over 1/8" wide sheeting. To strengthen turkey feather before tie in, try Krylon Fixatiff spray for durability. I feel this is easier, cleaner, and stronger than the traditional Flexament treatment, but still not as easy as the sheeting.



8. Wrap the dubbing forward to the 60% mark creating an abdomen.



11. Attach and secure the wingcase material at the 60% mark.



12. Trim some spiky fibers from the ear of the mask and mix with underfur fibers from earlier or with fibers from the cheek area. This makes a mix of soft easily dubbed hair and spiky guard hairs. Create a dubbing rope with this mix for the thorax.



13. Wrap the dubbing rope creating a bulky thorax. Stop the thread at the 90% mark, leaving room to tie down the wingcase.



14. Pull the wingcase over the thorax and secure at the head area with several thread wraps.



15. Trim excess wingcase material and create a neat thread head. Apply three half hitches or whip finish and cement thread wraps for security.



16. Olive Flashback Hare's Ear



19. Gold Bead Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear

Rob



17. #18 Brown Poxyback Hare's Ear



18. Olive Gold Bead Rubber Legged Hare's Ear

Tips & Techniques: by Ryan Buhler (ryan)



Fresh Leaders and Tippet Material

This month I was going to write about a loop knot that I like to use. Then I found out my photography skills are not equal to the rest of my families skills. So that will have to wait until next month. Instead I will talk about an experience I had recently at Lake Crowley.

Rob asked if I wanted to go fish Crowley and since I couldn't remember the last time I had fished for trout I was ready to go. I dug all of my trout fishing supplies out of the closet and we hit the road. We got to the lake early set up the pontoons and rods and hit the water. Not too much later I had my first trout on and in about the same time I broke that same fish off. Since all the fishing I have been doing has been in the harbor at home with no less than eight pound tippet, I figured I was being a little heavy handed until I hooked another nice fish and broke that one off as well. On this fish I knew I wasn't playing it to heavy handed so I started thinking my tippet material was compromised in some way.

The next morning when I went to rig up I pulled out my tippet material and found out it had abrasions all over it. So I asked Rob if I can use some of his and when I ran my hand along it, it felt smooth as can be. I didn't have any problem

landing fish that day and was reminded of an important lesson. Replace all leader and tippet material from last year. Throughout the year check and replace as needed. It is something I already know but in my rush to get on the water I neglected to do a basic check and paid for by losing two nice fish.

Make it a habit to check all leader and tippet material regularly so you won't lose the fish of a lifetime!

Ryan

Message from the Editor: by Gary Silveira (CopperDropper)

Does the thought of a new year and the "next season" to come bring excitement of all the possibilities to you? It certainly does to me. There is always that sense of the new experiences and challenges that await to pique interest and excitement.

One of the first "next season" opportunities for the club will be the Fly Fisher of the Year Awards Banquet. This year's event, March 8th, is destined, like always, to be a great time for all in attendance. Make sure to place your vote soon (by February 10th at the latest) through President Chiaki.

The second, soon to be here "next season" event will be the 2014 Rendezvous. We decided to move the event to April in an effort to take advantage of hopefully better water conditions than what we will most likely be facing later in the year. Although we all hope for some major weather changes, resulting in a good snow pack for the season, being realistic at this point dictates that we make these changes. As always, I am confident that this year's event will turn out to be fun and well attended. A time to rekindle old friendships and make new ones.

The ongoing Kern River Rainbow Project, a series of Outings already planned or in the planning stages, as well as some great skills classes and speaker presentations are really making 2014 look like a great year in the making.

I don't know about you, but I for one am really looking forward to what this "next season" has in store!

Tight Lines, *Gary*



Quotable Quotes

"If people concentrated on the really important things in life, there'd be a shortage of fishing poles."

~by Doug Larsen~



"The man who coined the phrase "Money can't buy happiness", never bought himself a good fly rod!"

~by Reg Baird~



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