

The Barbless Hook



**September
2013**

Editor: Tom Vargas

President's Message

Daniel Kitts

Welcome back from the summer hiatus. I hope everyone has had a safe and relaxing summer, taken time to recharge your batteries and spent some relaxing time with friends and/or family. And if you have been able to wet a line a time or two that would be even better!

Since our last newsletter and meeting in June we have had several fishing outings and club events. I hope you have had the opportunity to participate in one of them. I enjoyed a great trip to the McCloud Nature Conservancy with several club members. The area experienced a forest fire last year that burned right to the edge of the McCloud River across from the conservancy but did not cross the river. The burned section was very evident but you could already see the start of new life. It appeared from uprooted trees along the river the water flow had been significantly increased at some time in the last year, maybe during the fire to act as a barrier. I felt I caught more smaller fish than in the past, but still had several 16"+ rainbow's, and wonder if the run off from the fire had anything to do with the smaller fish.

When you spend time in the wilderness I am often amazed at what you see. While fishing on the McCloud I saw this white streak coming down the side of the steep hills that disappeared behind a boulder with a big splash. A few seconds later an Osprey flew up with a trout in its talons. Now the McCloud isn't all that deep and I wonder how the bird did it without breaking its neck or wing. We later saw a large Osprey nest with Fledglings sitting on the edge waiting for Mom or Dad to return with dinner. I guess life's the same when you're a parent caring for your kids. And we did see our bear friend at the same location we saw him last year so it appears he survived the fire.

In August we participated in Pleasanton's 1st Wednesday Street fair with a booth for TVFF. We had about 35 people express an interest in TVFF

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Photo:

Yours Truly with a nice rainbow caught on a summer trip to the N. Fork of the Stanislaus.

Remember to send your fishing pictures to the editor!

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activities and about 27 of them wanted more information about our Fly Fishing Fundamentals Class. We will probably be doing another class in the fall if you are interested watch for the announcement. It is interesting how many local people either Fly Fish or interested in Fly Fishing but know nothing about TVFF! Thank you to Jim Broadbent, Gary Prince, Tom Vargas, Derrell Bridgman, Richard Tarbell, Robert Nishio, Martin Plotkin, Marty Loomis and Mike Bordenave for all your help with the booth. I apologize ahead of time if I have forgotten someone.

We are now off to fall fishing and there are several upcoming club trips and events such as the always popular trip to the N Stanislaus. Take a look at the outings list to see if there are any you'd like to participate in. For you new and old members, participating in the outings is one of the best ways to meet fishing buddies and get help with your fishing game if you are looking for it.

We have some great programs scheduled for September and October. Richard has a write up about the September meeting and the October program on Surf Perch is part of a separate fishing clinic so be sure to read about them in the newsletter.

As we enter the fall we also need to start thinking about the change in officers, board members and committee chairs for 2014. The successful operation of your club is directly related to participation of members. Consider getting more involved in TVFF! If you are interested in being on the board or a committee please let Tom Vargas know.

A reminder that we will be opening the LPR&GC club house at 6:30 to allow additional social time without having to cut the meeting presentations short. The general meeting will start at 7:00.

NEW *FluRaffle* at the meeting! See the description later in the newsletter.

BLAST FROM THE PAST...We are going to reintroduce Member Fishing Trip Sharing. We'll take some time to let members share any great fishing stories of trips they may have done. Nothing to prepare just a few minutes on whatever...

And as Bob Thaves creator of *Frank & Ernest* says;

The Problem with the sport of fishing is that the fish always have home-field advantage!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting.

Daniel



September Program-Tricks and tips for fly fishing

Richard Tarbell

Ron VanderHeiden will be our featured speaker on September 5th. His presentation will focus on "Tricks and tips for fly fishing". He will cover Baja, saltwater species, Northern California salt water, fresh water bass, trout steelhead, fly lines, rods, support equipment, casting techniques, and more.

At the end of the presentation he will encourage club members to share their own personal tips and tricks with the club and himself.

If members choose to send him an Email with a tip, after the presentation, and their tip for fly fishing is added to his future presentations he will acknowledge them for the tip.

First Wednesdays, downtown Pleasanton

by Tom Vargas

Our booth signed up more than 35 interested people and potential new members at the August 7th event.



Derrell, Jim, Daniel and Richard

OUTINGS AND EVENTS

Hal Wilson

Below is the tentative/probable outing schedule based on the best information available at the time of publication. This schedule is subject to change. Please consider being the fishmaster in 2013 and contact me if you're interested. Here is a link to the sign-up sheet: [http://www.tri-valleyflyfishers.org/TVFF Outing Signup Form.pdf](http://www.tri-valleyflyfishers.org/TVFF_Outting_Signup_Form.pdf)

OUTINGS AND EVENTS

HAL WILSON

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>EVENT / LOCATION</u>	<u>FISHMEISTERS</u>
SEPTEMBER	9	FLY TYING*	JIM BROADBENT
SEPTEMBER	14	CREEK CLEAN-UP ROBERTSON PARK - LIVERMORE	DERRELL BRIDGMAN
SEPTEMBER	27-29	L. ALPINE & NO FORK OF STAN	TOM VARGAS DERRELL BRIDGMAN RUSS GEORGE
OCTOBER	5	SURF PERCH**	MARTIN PLOTKIN
	6	POSSIBLE SECOND SURF TRIP	MARTIN PLOTKIN
OCTOBER	7	FLY TYING*	JIM BROAD BENT
OCTOBER	TBD	LOWER SAC	DON GARDNER
NOVEMBER	4	FLY TYING*	JIM BROADBENT
	13-17	TRINITY RIVER	BOB MC CULLOM
DECEMBER	2	FLY TYING*	JIM BROADBENT
	7	DELTA STRIPERS	TOM VARGAS

- Locations to be determined

** Trip limited to 6 TVFF members, to be clinic-style, led by Bill Scharninghausen of California Fly Shop
Second trip possible if sufficient interest – Contact Martin ASAP for details

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2013 Dues

TVFF Club dues for the remainder of 2013 are \$10.00 and they are payable now at the club meeting or by mail.

The mailing address is:
TVFF
PO Box 2358
Livermore, CA 94551

Surf Perch Clinic

Martin Plotkin, Fish Master

Bill Scharninghausen will be doing a presentation on surf perch fishing for our October meeting. Two days later on October 5 Bill will do a clinic for up to six people on the beach at Moss Landing. The clinic will cost \$300 for the group which should break down to \$50 per person. If there is sufficient interest there will be a second clinic the following day on Sunday, October 6. So far nine people have expressed interest in the clinics. The first six people to give a me a \$50 deposit at the October meeting are in the Saturday clinic and the second six people will be in the Sunday clinic.

The clinics will start at 6 AM at the entrance to the Pajaro Dunes resort next to the entrance to Palm Beach state Park. To get there take Highway 1 South from Santa Cruz toward Watsonville and Monterey. Take the California 129/Riverside Drive exit. Stay to the right and turn right onto the road. At the first light take a left onto Lee road. At the first light take a left onto W. Beach St. and follow it West until it dead ends at the entrance to the Pajaro dunes resort. Park diagonally on the right side next to the state Park. I estimate an hour and a half driving time from Livermore.

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Plan on being on the beach at 6:30 and you should be able to fish in good incoming tide through the morning cycle. It is expected that we will finish around 10:30 or so.

Several of us will probably rent a condo at the Pajaro dunes the night before the clinic. Please let me know if you are interested in joining us.

What to bring:

- 7 or 8 weight rod 9 foot or 9 ½ foot
- integrated shooting head (250 to 300 grain) or a shooting head setup with a type IV or type VI head
 - tipset 10 – 15 LB. Use this for leaders instead of traditional tapered leaders.
 - hemostats
 - nipplers
 - flies
- chest pack (no fishing vests)
- waders (boot foot is great if you have them)
- SCUBA booties or Tiva sandals (don't use traditional wading boots)
- wading belt (must have)
- good wading jacket or kayak dry top
 - hat
 - sunglasses
- stripping basket (optional, if you are comfortable using one)
- if you feel more comfortable, inflatable PFD, such as Sterns collar PFD is great insurance.

Lake Alpine/North Fork of the Stanislaus

September 27 – 29, 2013

Tom Vargas, Derrell Bridgman, Russ George

This outing will be headquartered at the Derrell Bridgman, Russ George and Tom Vargas cabins in the Dorrington area. Dorrington is located on Highway 4 east of Arnold, CA and Big Trees State Park (about 20 miles below Bear Valley Ski Area). It is near the 5000-foot elevation level.

There are several options for fishing destinations in the area with the following being the most noted that we have fished.

The North Fork of Stanislaus River; a beautiful mountain stream with a combination of nice riffles, pocket water and deep runs. It is stocked by DFG and also has some nice wild fish. It is fished heavily near road crossings, however, it still offers good action. The stream has a lot of area that is remote, and not readily accessible. I am told that the fishing can be fantastic in these remote areas.

Stillwater Fishing at several lakes: Lake Alpine, Spicer Meadows Reservoir, & White Pines Reservoir (near Arnold). Also available but a little farther away are Highlands Lakes (for small Brookies), & Heenan Lake (for Lahontan Cutthroat Trout).

Small Streams: Beaver Creek, & Rattlesnake Creek are within 10 miles of Dorrington. There are several popular rivers, streams and lakes on Ebbetts Pass and in the Markleeville area (about a 50 mile drive).

The water levels will be low this year and it should be noted that historically the water conditions on the smaller streams may not be the best late in the season in normal years. The main rivers like the Stanislaus and the East Carson will be fine. The water level of the reservoirs may be low and the boat ramps may not be useable as they draw them down in preparation for winter. However, we should be able to launch float tubes etc. and the fishing in the reservoirs can be very good this time of the year.

The plan is to sleep, eat, & socialize (tell about the big one that got away, etc.) at the cabins. Details will be worked out when we find out how many people will be there.

Cheryl Vargas will coordinate an outing in the local area on Saturday for the non-fishing wives. In the past they have toured Murphys, visited local wineries and taken in a play at a local venue. Specifics to be determined later.

Sign up at the June and September meetings.

2012 Pictures



Humphrey Basin 2013

No Whining Permitted!

Jim Broadbent

On July 27th five of our hardest club members set out to tackle the whisper thin air of Humphrey Basin, west of Bishop, Ca. This is the high sierra... water, wild flowers and massive granite monoliths.

After 8 miles and a 2,500 ft of elevation gain the 5 members (Keith Ones, Gary Phillips, Robert Nishio, Roger Perry and Jim Broadbent) arrived at our designated base camp on Lower Golden Trout Lake. Jim, that's me, arrived first. Oh, did I mention that mules packed our stuff in? Oh, did I mention a mule also packed me in? It's a moderately strenuous hike and the daily excursions were moderate to strenuous. Every day we headed in a different direction of the compass to a lake or stream from an elevation of 10,800 to 12,200 ft.

Hardly Spartan, the dinners were bordering on gourmet. Pasta and salad, venison chili, 1/2 lb. burgers, beef tenderloin, and spaghetti and meatballs. No one went hungry.

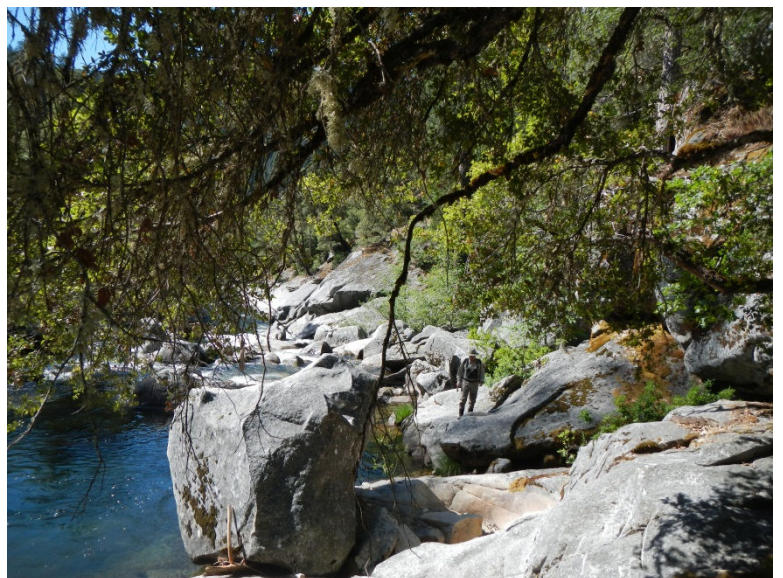
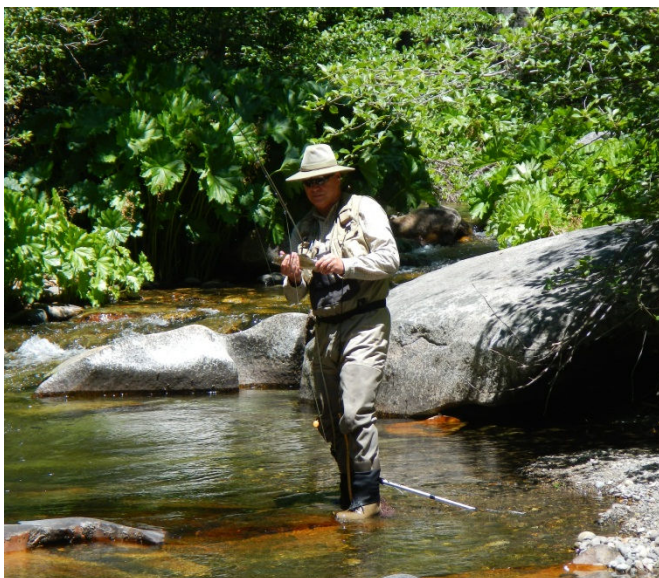
The weather and scenery were spectacular unlike the fishing. I believe the prior weeks cold front and daily 3 hour rain storms attributed to the slow catching. Everyone caught fish but the numbers were down from previous years. The goldens and brooks are dressed in sharp markings and vivid colors not found in trout of lower elevations. I never got tired of admiring these beautiful specimens.

After 7 days we walked out anticipating a cold beverage and a hot shower. The experience was enjoyed by all and should be included on everyone's bucket list.

Highway 4 Corridor

Tom Vargas

Russ George and I fished a few days together in June on the N Fork of the Stanislaus River and on Beaver Creek, both in and out of the Calaveras Big Trees state park. We had great success fishing with both dries and nymphs, in spite of the fact that the streams were flowing at fall levels.



Crooked River, Lazy Days

by Russ George

The Crooked River flows out of the bottom of Prineville Reservoir in Central Oregon and carves a six mile long canyon deep through the lava bluffs of the volcanic landscape. The barren countryside belies the fact that through its center runs one of the most fertile rivers in the state. The consistently cold water from the bottom of the reservoir along with the rich minerals of the volcanic soil combine to produce prodigious quantities of insects; caddis, mayflies and stoneflies. This, and careful management by the state, has produced a river with a reported 12,000 wild rainbows per mile. The river has not been stocked in three decades. The water is slightly stained. Good for fly fishers who want to fish over trout that need to make a quick decision and won't be easily spooked. It also contains a lot of weeds. You'll get real good at quickly cleaning off your flies.

My wife and I were in Oregon for the wedding of my nephew the week of July 15th. After the wedding we spent four lazy days in Sunriver, near Bend, enjoying the weather, scenery, trails and brewpubs. And fly fishing! I was fortunate to spend two days on the Crooked.

The first day was with a guide, Shayne Flock, out of "The Hook" fly shop in Sunriver. Tom Vargas and I have fished the Deschutes River and some of the lakes together. But beyond that, I wasn't too familiar with the area and the best places to fish.

The guide said the Crooked was "hot" and recommended we make the 45 minute drive. He said I wouldn't regret it. He wasn't kidding! We began the morning with a traditional indicator and two nymph set up. I got some strikes and landed a few fish. But Shayne said it should be better. So we changed flies often until we found the right combination and then the fun began. We started hooking and landing fish. These trout are unique to the Crooked and look like a combination of a brown and rainbow trout. They call them Red Bands. Then, about mid-day, a hatch of PMD's began to come off. And I also noticed two dozen black caddis flies crawling on my waders. "Time to go dry." Shayne said. We tied on a PMD and started casting to rising trout. They were making slashing attacks at both the naturals and my fly. It was the best dry fly fishing I've experienced. All in all, on the day I landed 25 fish according to Shayne. I'll have to take his word for it. I don't normally have to count that high when I go fishing.



Crooked River, Lazy Days (Continued)

The second day I went fishing with my brother-in-law Mike, his brother-in-law Steve, and Mike's friend Bim. Yeah, I know, odd name. Anyway, Bim is a local. I didn't know where he'd end up taking us but it turned out right back to the Crooked River. We fished in the same six mile stretch but a different section.

The day started out slowly. I couldn't figure it out. I was using the same flies in the same type of water. I landed a few fish but I just wasn't seeing the same success as the day before. Was I just spoiled? How do those guides do it? At mid-day the hatches started coming off. I switched to dries and...nothing. I didn't have the same fly as the day before. I tried Light Cahills, Parachute Adams, Elk Hair Caddis. Even the venerable Humpy. All to no avail. In the afternoon I went back to the two nymph rig with a caddis pupa up top and a black midge #20 below. And the magic returned. In the next hour I fought and landed 12 beautiful fish. They were tough to hook. I struck three times for every fish hooked. Which meant almost every cast was either a strike or a hook up.

By now it was late afternoon and Mike and Steve, neither of whom had ever fly fished before, were tired and wanted to go home. Mike had caught one nice fish and Steve landed a few small ones on the day. Bim landed some nice ones but had spent most of the day coaching Mike and Steve. I thought that was pretty nice of him. So, with the three of them watching, I made one last cast and hooked a beauty.

As I released the last of the 17 fish landed that day and reeled in for the final time, I promised myself that this would not be the last fish I ever catch on the Crooked River.

San Diego Surf Tom Vargas

My son Matt sent me these picture with a very nice Corbina caught on June 1st after a successful day of fishing at Black's Beach. He caught 15 surf perch, a shovel nose, a stingray and this bad boy. That is the exciting part of surf fishing, you never know what will be on the end of your line!



<<<<< Corbina

Shovel Nose
Shark >>>>>



Taking Care of your Gear.

Gary Turri

I always go through my gear after every fishing trip to ensure that it ready to go for my next trip.

Here are some of the things I do.

Rod- Never put your rod away wet sealed up tight in the rod tube, especially on damp rainy days. This could damage the finish, reel seat or hardware. Leave the rod out to dry completely.

Wipe the rod down, inspect, check for damage and then coat the ferrules with ferrule wax. The wax will help the sections stay together during casting and more importantly make it easier to pull the sections apart after fishing.

Reel- Never stow the reel away wet, especially sealed up tight in a zippered case. Leave it out to air dry until you are sure that that backing is completely dry. I use a line winder to inspect, clean and transfer the line onto the original plastic spool that it came on, but leave it connected to the backing. When I'm confident that the backing is dry, I wind it back on the reel. Inspect, clean and lube the reel as needed and ensure that the drag mechanism works smoothly.

Line- Inspect and clean at least the first 40 feet of flyline. Closely examine the first 5 feet for damage and cracks in the outer coating. Minor cracks are ok but larger cracks will allow the core to absorb water and cause a floating line to sink. Cleaning the line per the manufacturers instructions will ensure that the line floats high all day. This will help during line mending and hook setting. A floating line that sinks only increases drag and hinders that drag free drift that you are trying to achieve.

Waders- Hose down to remove loose dirt and stains. Turn them inside out to dry out the inside. Next day, outside out to final dry the wader. I leave them hang in my garage for a couple of days before I store them back in the original cardboard, vented box.

Boots- Hose off dirt on the outside and flush out the inside to remove small rocks. Inspect boots for wear and invasive species. Treat the boots as needed if you were fishing in waters that are known to have invasive species. Air dry the boots for several days before storage.

Vest- Open your fly boxes to dry them out to prevent rusted hooks. Inventory and re-stock all items were used. Carefully check the remaining amount of tippet material on each tippet spool so you will be sure to have enough on your next outing.

The Tier's Bench:

JIM BROADBENT

For everyone involved in the **fly tying group** a reminder that the meeting that is typically held on the 1st Monday will be **moved to the 2nd Monday, September 9th**, because of the conflict with Labor Day. Watch for the announcement on the new location.

New *FluRaffle* at the Club Meetings




We are going to try a new and separate raffle in addition to the one we already are doing but specifically for Flies.

The rules are simple:

- Bring at least one fly, preferably one you have tied, to put in a bucket or a glass, or some kind of container. This can be any fly of your choice, but please don't make them your rejects. Remember the fishing gods will be watching what you put in and may retaliate on your next fishing trip if it's felt your flies weren't up to snuff!
- You can bring as many flies as you'd like to put into the container, BUT YOU GET ONLY ONE raffle ticket no matter how many flies you put into the bucket.
- Half of the raffle ticket goes to the person donating the fly / flies and the other half is put into a container specifically for the *FluRaffle*.
- The winner gets all the flies.

What a great way to add new flies to your collection and find a home for some of the excess flies you may have tied. Rules are subject to change at the whim of whoever is doing it.



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Member Spotlight on Harry Levin *By Tom Vargas*



Q. How long have you been a club member?

A. Since the early 1970's

Q. Do you currently or have you ever held an office in the club?

A. News Editor in mid-90's, President 1999

Q. What occupies your time other than fishing?

A. Woodworking and turning, being a good husband

Q. Classify yourself as a fly fisherman:

A. Beats the heck out of working.

B. I can't wait to wet a line.

C. I dream about fish & flies.

D. I need some serious help for my addiction.

A. B, I can't wait to wet a line.

Q. What is the fly rod set up you use for the majority of your fly fishing?

A. Sage rods. 6 wt. trout, 8-10 wt. Stripers

Q. What is your favorite species to fish for and why?

A. Freshwater trout, the beautiful locations and Salmon with conventional gear, the thrill of big water and small boats.

Q. What body of water do you fish most often?

A. Northern California lakes and the ocean

Q. Do you consider yourself a dry fly or nymph fisherman?

A. Nymph

Q. Do you prefer fishing stillwater or streams?

A. Stillwater

Q. If you could only fish with one fly what would it be?

A. Wooly Bugger

Q. Do you have a fishing license for any states other than California?

A. None

Conservation Corner Tri-Valley Creeks to Bay Clean-up **September 14, 2013**

Derrell Bridgman

The Livermore Area Recreation and Parks District is sponsoring a cleanup day of the Arroyo Mocho and Robertson Park area as part of the **International Coastal Clean Up 2013** program. This is in the same area that we have adopted and cleaned up in the spring.



More details will be sent out in a separate e-mail but the Cliff Note version is:

7:30-8:00 AM – Check In and refreshments – we'll get you more specific information on location but it will be in Robertson Park

8:00-8:15 am– Welcome and meet site captains

8:15 - 12:00 PM – Clean up

12:00 – 12:30 pm – Refreshments and trash and recyclables tally

We will have a booth at the event manned by Derrell Bridgman with information about Tri-Valley Fly Fishers.

More detailed information along with the waiver form you will need to print off, sign and bring with along with some safety guidelines will be sent out in an e-mail to the club roster. Please respond to that message so we can give the LARPD an estimate of the number of people that may attend. Their age restrictions is that people must be at least 13 years of age and if under 18 be accompanied by an adult.



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Conservation Corner *(Continued)*

Derrell Bridgman

The Board of Directors approved the President to sign onto the following letter as requested by the Pew Trusts:

The Honorable Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20500

RE: Preserving our Natural Resources from CAFO Pollution

Dear President Obama:

As sportsmen's organizations that believe that stewardship of our natural resources is paramount to continuing America's tradition of hunting and fishing, we urge you to keep your promise to control pollution from industrial livestock operations. These facilities, known as concentrated animal feeding operations -- or CAFOs -- often confine tens of thousands of animals and generate millions of tons of waste every year that can pollute waterways and wetlands that serve as habitat for crucial fish and wildlife species.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), animal confinement facilities generate three times as much waste as people do nationwide, but factory farms lack treatment facilities for livestock waste even remotely comparable to those that treat human sewage. As a result, many of these operations release pollutants that have contributed to the contamination of rivers, streams, and lakes -- key resting areas for migratory birds and important breeding spots for fish and other aquatic wildlife.

Unfortunately, regulations for these operations have not functioned as anticipated, and according to the EPA's own estimates, more than 60 percent of CAFOs do not yet operate under permits. We must reduce manure discharges from these operations; therefore, we ask that you direct the EPA to significantly strengthen the permitting requirements for CAFOs under the Clean Water Act. Such permits are critical to ensuring that there is careful review of local water quality near CAFOs and that these operations use best practices for manure management at their facilities.

Healthy aquatic habitats are important to thriving fish and wildlife, allowing access to hunting and fishing activities by outdoorsmen. Please follow through on your promise, and act now to protect America's most precious natural resources from CAFO pollution. Thank you for considering our views.

Sincerely,

Cc;
Bob Perciasepe, Acting Administrator, U.S. E.P.A.
Nancy Sutley, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality

Items For Sale

Fishing Vests for Sale:

1. Orvis Super Wading Tac-L-Pak. Medium size, Tan color Like new condition. \$ 45.00, (\$119.00 new)
2. Patagonia Mesh Vest Medium size, Grey color Good condition. \$20.00

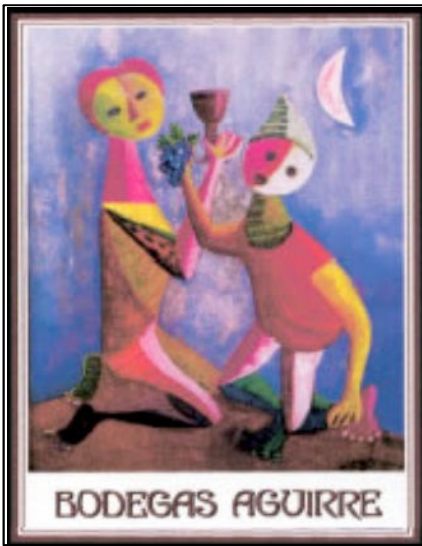
Fly lines for sale:

1. SA Mastery XPS DT4F Grey, good condition \$20.00
2. Scientific Anglers GPX DT5 in good condition \$ 20.00
3. Cortland 444SL DT7F Mist Green, very good condition \$20.00
4. SA Mastery Nymph Taper WF8F Willow, like new, great for steelhead \$25.00
5. Orvis Wonderline Striper WF10F Yellow, new in box, \$25.00

Also have some reels available for sale for these lines if interested.

Will install these lines on your reel if requested.

Gary Turri (925) 786-5184



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Vacation Home For Rent:

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Sleeps up to eight in five beds (1 queen, 1 double bed, 1 double loft bed, 2 twins).

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Modern kitchen opens onto large great room with propane pot-bellied stove. Master suite with queen bed and large bathroom. Garage with parking for one car. Ample outdoor parking. Elevation: 3400 feet. NO PETS. NO SMOKING.

Bob McCollum (925) 989-2358

Spring Creek 8' pram - \$1,400.00



Spring Creek Stillwater classic fly fishing pram. This pram is in as new condition and is a top of the line fly fishing pram. This is a bargain price at less than 1/2 new purchase. Reason for sale- I want a larger boat to fish with my grandson. For detailed specifications see www.springcreekprams.com

The boat comes with the following accessories:

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- bow pocket anchor puller
- rear anchor puller
- anchor and rope
- Scotty rod mount
- removable seat
- handles (bow & aft)
- Cataract premium graphite oars
- boat dolly

Contact: Harry Levin (925) 443-5562

Don't Throw Away Your Old Fly Lines, Recycle Them

I am a Preschool Special Ed teacher and the floating fly line comes in handy for many projects that preschool children make: necklaces, lacing, hanging art, fishing poles.....I would be happy to collect it and give it away to other preschool teachers.

Dave or I attend the meetings pretty regularly; we could have the members bring it to the meetings?

Thanks for the consideration.

-Cathy Hiromoto



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We meet at the Livermore/Pleasanton Rod and Gun Club (directions below) on the first Thursday of every month except July and August at 7:00 PM.

Directions to

Livermore/Pleasanton Rod and Gun Club: 4000 Dagnino Road, Livermore, California.

Exit Highway 580 on North Livermore Avenue

Proceed North on North Livermore Avenue to May School Road (~2.5 miles).

Turn right onto May School Road and proceed to stop sign at intersection with Dagnino Road (~1 mile).

Entrance to Rod and Gun Club is directly across intersection

