



Santa Barbara Flyfishers

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Meeting News

When:

Monday, March 11, 7:30 pm
Fly Tying 6:00 pm
General Meeting 7:30 pm

Where:

Italian American Boot Club,
3970 La Colina Road

Speaker:

Nick Curcioni

Information:

Mike Clevenger 564-3092

Upcoming Events

March 14, 1996:

Fly of the Month,

Free Methodist Church Annex,
1435 Santa Cruz, 7pm.

March 16-17, 1996:

SWC FFF Conclave,
Orange County Fairgrounds

March 23, 1996:

Casting Clinic Cabrillo Park
1:00 to 5:00 pm

March 26, 1996:

Board of Directors Meeting.

March 30, 1996:

Lake Piru Outing

April 8, 1996:

General Meeting,

John Shewey, expert steelhead
fisherman and guide.

April 11, 1996:

Fly of the Month,

Free Methodist Church Annex,
1435 Santa Cruz, 7pm.

See full calendar of events on page 5

President's Report

On the anniversary of our first General Meeting it rained, as it did on our first General Meeting. It not only rained but there was fog at Santa Barbara airport. Our speaker was **Dave Simmons** from Orland (near Chico), California. Dave was flying in to tell us about fly fishing on the Sacramento River. Dave arrived in Santa Barbara from Los Angeles, by bus, at 9:15 p.m. Monday night. Needless to say, we missed Dave's talk and slides of big fish on the Sacramento River. Better luck next time.

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URGENT!!!

ATTENTION MEMBERS

If you have not renewed your membership for 1996 by **March 26th, 1996...**

THIS WILL BE YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER!

If you renew your membership after March 26th you will be required to pay the Initiation Fee again.

RENEW NOW

and support your club and its conservation and community efforts

Speaker of the Month: Nick Curcioni

Note saltwater flyfisher Nick Curcioni will be our March 11 speaker. Nick has published both nationally and internationally, and is currently on the Orvis saltwater advisory staff. He wrote the Orvis Guide to Saltwater Flyfishing and is the regional editor for Flyfishing in Saltwater.

Mr. Curcioni grew up in Southern California and became a pioneer of Westcoast saltwater flyfishing. He is presently on sabbatical from Loyola Marymount University.

The talk on Monday night will center on the Baja area and includes fishing for dorado, sailfish, rooster fish, pampano, and croaker. Nick will arrive at the meeting early so we can have a chance to see him tie some flies, and observe techniques for leader set-ups and materials. Plan to attend this informative talk.



WOMEN IN FLYFISHING By Jean Sedar

For those of you who were unable to attend our last meeting on February 5, I gave the group a synopsis of an exciting program the Federation of Fly Fishers has created to get more women involved with fly fishing. This is especially momentous as 1996 marks the 500th anniversary of the publication of the "Treatise of Fishing with an Angle," attributed to Dame Juliana Berners. The "Treatise," for the angling world, is recognized as the first writing on modern sport fishing.

The Southwest Council Women's Educational Fly Fishing Program is a pilot program beginning within our very own Southwest Council of the national FFF, of which Santa Barbara Flyfishers is an affiliate. Maggie Merriman, noted flyfisher, instructor, and now the National Coordinator for this new FFF program, envisions a

"Grass Roots Level" involvement with one woman representative from each of the clubs within our Southwest Council. Women's classes have proved to work, and whenever possible, this program will provide women teaching women.

Both national and international events are happening which indicate women are wanting to learn about and become involved in fly fishing. Locally, this was proven by last year's high attendance and rave reviews of the Becoming an Outdoors-Woman program the DFG put on at Rancho Alegre with on-site fly fishing classes at the Santa Ynez River. This year the demand is so high they will choose attendants by lottery. (I will be teaching the Basic Fishing and On-Water classes and hope to see some of our local ladies in those sessions!)

Some of the first events the Southwest Council Women's Educational Fly Fishing Program will sponsor are scheduled for March 16 and 17 at the Southwest Fly Fishing Show at the Orange County Fairgrounds. I will be co-instructing the Introduction to Fly Fishing seminar on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 12 noon for any age and gender. My partner there will be Kate Howe, a colorful character with an excellent reputation as a guide and fly tier. (I have humbly offered my services to be her go-fer during her fly tying seminar from 3 to 4 p.m. that same day.) "Catching Fish and Releasing Stress" will be my slide show on fly fishing Alaska on Saturday. Come on by the FFF booth at the fairgrounds if you attend this renowned event!

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However, due to extreme depth of talent available in the Santa Barbara Flyfishers, we were able to hear in detail **Jean Sedar's** report on the FFF Women's Educational Fly Fishing Program and **Craig Fusaro's** update on steelhead and the Santa Ynez River. Both were informative and well received by our 80 members and guests.

At our General Meeting on March 11, 1996, the nominating committee will present its nominations for President and 15 Board of Directors. Please attend this important function at our Club.

Please renew your membership and sign up a new member. The more the merrier.

Mike Clevenger



The Flyfisher's Gallery



Arizona Brown Trout

Ed Spaw

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