



... featured presentation
for the May Meeting

Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery

...past, present, and future

This month's speaker is the one and only Bruce Ivey. Bruce is a life long resident of Independence and the Eastern Sierra. He has worked from the hatchery in the employ of the Dept of Fish and Game for most of his life, starting there right out of high school. Bruce led the effort to save the Mt. Whitney Hatchery when the DFG decided to close and eliminate it. He and a loyal group of volunteers, many from our club, have

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"The Early Days"

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almost completely rebuilt the historic building and hatchery. It is going to be a world class visitor destination and wildlife interpretive center, when complete. Bruce will be here to update us on their progress and enlighten us to the future of the Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery.



"Packing Trout to the Backcountry"



"Holding Cage for Trout"



"Hatchery Operations"



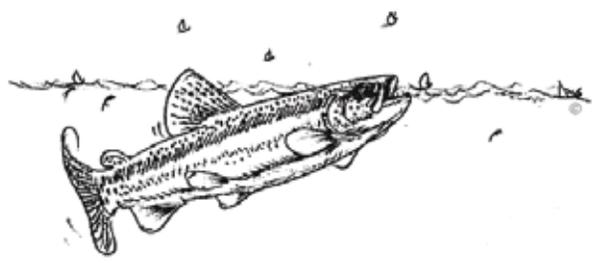
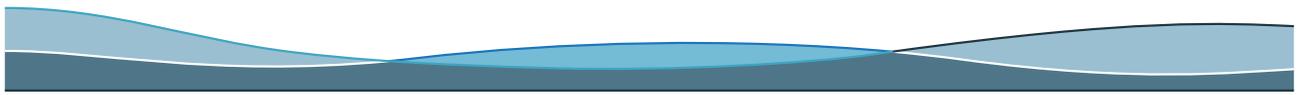
"Devastating Flood of 2008"



"Trout Herding"



"Renovating the Building"



The Leader's Line

Hardy Tyson, President

The 2011 regular fishing season opens the last Saturday in April. The creek and river flow rates reflect the fact that we have had lots of precipitation in the high country this year. The South Fork of the Kern is flowing at 1050 cubic feet second (cfs). The North Fork of the Kern is flowing at 3508 cfs. We have had 140% of the average water content in our year-to-date precipitation. The snow pack this year was the sixth highest on record. The flows are their highest in 13 years. Boy am I looking forward to fishing the South Fork of the Kern. Hopefully all the sand in the river from the fire a few years ago will get washed out and make it a good fishery again. And maybe some beaver dams will get washed out and get rid of the stagnant water. Here's to a great fishing season!

><(((((> Hardy <')))))><

Up Around The Bend

Allen Bell, Programs

The tentative schedule of general meeting speakers and events is listed below.

- May** Bruce Ivey
Friends of the
Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery
- June** John Linder
Experiences and Impressions
of the 2010 FFF Conclave
- July** No monthly meeting
- August** Picnic
- September** To be announced
- October** Mike Sinclair
Bamboo Rod Building
- November** Chuck Newmyer
Alaska Fishing Trip
- December** "Festival"
- January 2012** Dave D'Beaupre
- February 2012** Boomer Stout
Green River



On the Hook

Oscar Felsen, Weekend Fly-Tying

The next fly-tying session will be Saturday, May 21st from 9:30 am to noon at the Aguabonita's classroom, 145B Panamint Street.

At this tying session, there won't be any selected pattern, just providing an opportunity for tying. Maybe we will hear from the tiers that made the recent outings.

Fly-tying sessions are open to all. You don't have to tie the suggested pattern, just come and tie or kibitz. This is also an opportunity for you to have access to the club's library.

For further questions, contact:
Oscar Felsen
felsenjo@verizon.net (760) 446-7103



Hooked on Fly Fishing

Chuck Newmyer, Education

If there is enough interest, we can have either a Fly-Fishing class or a Fly-Tying class on the weekend of May 14 and 15.

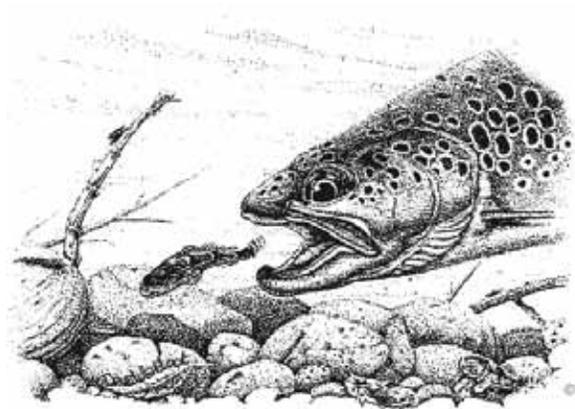
Also, if there is enough interest, we can have one of these classes in June. We will also schedule a Rod Building Class.

If you are interested in any of these classes you can get information at the club meeting or contact Chuck at (760) 375-1126 or email hisifly@iwvisp.com.

— Participant Testimonial —

“I wanted to share that my 11-yr-old son Chase and I recently completed Chuck's fly-fishing class and had a great time and tremendous learning experience. Thanks to Chuck and the gang for doing such a good job with our group. Chase is excited and looking forward to our first fly-fishing outing.”

— Richard Cracraft



Tale of the Fly

Hardy Tyson, President

Fishing a high (10,000 ft.) mountain lake a few years back, I noticed a number of fish facing the bank about three feet out. I didn't comprehend what they were doing. As I fished, I kept thinking about it and kept returning to see if they were still there. They were. Finally I got it! There were overhanging pine trees on that edge of the lake. They were waiting for the big sierra ants to fall out of the trees and into the water. This was a perfect opportunity to fish an ant pattern. This is my daughter's favorite pattern. It is by Ralph Cutter he calls it a Perfect Ant: Tie on a clump of black deer hair so that it sticks out past the bend of the hook. Starting from the bend dub black Antron forward, over the tied-in deer hair, to a point about mid shank of the hook. Pull the hair that extends beyond the bend over the Antron, Humpy style and tie it down just in front of the Antron. Post the deer hair and trim it about a half-inch tall. Parachute wrap a brown hackle around the post then dub an Antron thorax in front of the post. Whip finish and cut the thread. Trim the post just above the parachute hackle and drip a glob of head cement into the post to secure the hackle.



Materials for THE PERFECT ANT

Hook:	14 to 18
Thread:	Black
Abdomen:	Black Antron and Humpy style Black Deer Hair
Thorax:	Black Antron
Legs:	Parachute Wrap Brown Hackle



*"When I'm asked, "How do you catch fish?," my answer is "Find hungry fish!"
— Hardy Tyson*

Tippets from the Fly Addict

Allen Bell, Vice-President

For some of my friends, the word 'Prototype' brings chills of fear. To some, it brings chills of excitement. To all it usually means they are about to be forced to fish a fly that has never been wet. A fly that has just been born. Maybe it will work, maybe it will not. I think everyone that ties their own flies has at some point or another changed an existing fly pattern to suit their needs. Most call that a variant. My great fly-tying teacher and mentor, calls mine mutants. I call them....well, let's just stick with mutants.

Most of the time, I really don't have problems getting my friends to try my new inventions. They know how much effort goes into one of my freshly created flies. Hours studying the internet bug sites, my hatch guide propped in front of my face at my vise, my usually neat and organized tying bench a total mess, different materials piled everywhere. Usually some event I witness or a fish I couldn't catch triggers this quest for the perfect or at least workable fly. I have several success stories. A caddis hatch on the Kern that had many fish taking anything but my nicely floating caddis flies, brought about the 'Half Grown'. This is an emerging pupa that is meant to fish deeper than a normal caddis emergent.



Caught fish first time out, deadly before a caddis hatch starts.

On the Lower Owens, I learned the importance of midges to a trout's diet. Mainly, by watching Chuck and Lew catch fish. I learned to tie the normal stuff, then me being me, had to expand to my own flies. Midges are really interesting creatures. Being very small, they exist in incredible numbers. I have many midge patterns, this is one that didn't work until this past weekend, producing a 20" Brown for my friend James.



As James and I fished the East Walker, I was fishing a nice pool, when I noticed I had Blue Wings flying up into my face. I looked down to see many little BWO Duns on my waders. I fished on, not wanting to disturb the little bugs. Soon, James hooked a nice fish and wanted a picture. When I went over to him, I noticed hundreds of Blue Wings on my waders, in all stages of their growth. Really cool!!



Lots of Bugs!!

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This is why I like it....

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This triggered a new batch of flies, Blue Wings to be fished near the surface. Off we go on another quest for the perfect fly. This is what I came up with.



Why is all this effort important to me? I could get all the flies I want with a call to any number of companies. It's just the feeling I get catching a fish on a fly that exists nowhere but in my fly box. Creating a fly that just works better than the normal, like this little midge fly below.



Nice 21" Brown, caught on Big Headed Tiger.

This is why James and many of my friends don't really mind when they hear me mention a 'prototype'. Truth is, I'm much happier taking the picture.



Blue Skies and Fishy Flies!!! Allen



Tip of the Month

Hardy Tyson

Tea Bag Recycling

I'm always looking for stuff to tie flies with, from road kill to cats and pets of all kinds, (My Pet Fly). Some tea bags are a great material for a number of things: wrapped bodies, wing cases on nymphs or wings on dries. The Kirkland tea bag is a fine woven polymer which I burn like I'm making feather wings.

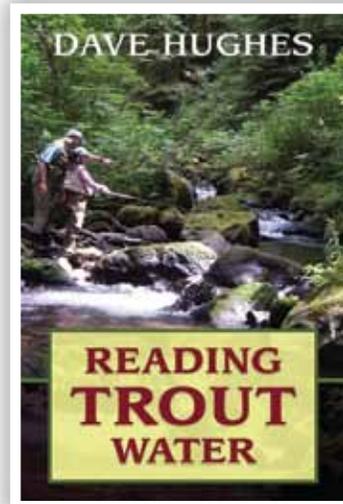


Here is the outcome of one pattern I've tied, a no hackle pattern using my wife's pet goat hair for the body.



Book of the Month

"Silent Auction"



The book for the Monthly Silent Auction will be "Reading Trout Water" by Dave Hughes. This is a comprehensive source-book to the water needs of trout. It will teach you all you need to know about stream structure, trout food, and trout lies so that you can improve the time you spend on the stream by concentrating on the most likely places to find fish. You will learn how to identify, read, and fish riffles, pocket water, mountain creeks, meadow streams, pools, runs, flats, banks, freestone streams, spring creeks, and tailwater.

If you can't make the meeting but want to bid on the book of the month, you can contact Chuck at (760) 375-1126 or hisifly@iwvisp.com to submit your bid. **Minimum bid is \$9.**

Acknowledgements from the 32nd Annual Aguabonita Flyfishers Banquet

Thanks for all the generous donations! Several members were a great help to me this year and I appreciate that greatly. Most of the donations were from our members, which saved quite a lot of expenses. If you got one of these nice donations thank your fellow member, when you see them. Feel free to give feed back to myself, Karl Zellner, or to Bob Smith and Lew Albright, so we can increase your enjoyment at next year's banquet.

Member Donors

Donor Name	Donation
Allen Bell	Fly-tying Cabinet
Bill Huntmacher	Two Unframed Prints
Bob & Alice Campbell	Mammoth Cabin 2 Night Stay
Bob Ziesler	Flyfishing Glassware
Chuck Newmyer	Custom Sage Fly Rod & Gear
Craig Rae	Fishing Belt Buckle
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Dennis and Barbara Mason	Tying Lamp - 2X Draw
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Don Heyden	Fly Box w/3 Doz Flies
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Gary Davis	Framing Services
Jim Netzer	Pizza Peels
John Linder	Tying Materials & Freezer Paper
Julie Smith	Gift Basket
Mike and Jerry Mumford	17 River Journal Vols & Tattings
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Phil Dixon	Fly Plates, Net, Vests, Bar Set
Ray & Ellie Blackwell	Packs of Smoked Salmon
Reuben Gomez	Several Pieces of Artwork
Tony Kratz	John McKim Artwork
Chuck & Charlene Newmyer	Dessert
Moriah Garrison	Dessert
Jim & Trish Hoover	Dessert
Bob Zeisler	Dessert
Christy McGuire	Dessert
Karl & Theresa Zellner	Dessert
Neal & Kathy Barry	Dessert
David & Tiffany Calvert	Dessert
Bob & Barbara Caldwell	Dessert
Garry & Karen Davis	Dessert
Dennis & Barbara Mason	Dessert
Don & Karen Bowling	Dessert

Vendor and Friend Donors

Donor Name	Donation
Angler Book Supply	2010 DVD Sampler
Beryl Rae	6 Dozen Flies By Beryl Rae
Brock's	\$100 Dollar Gift Certificate
BT Fly-fishing Products	Two Tying DVDs
Cabela's	Two \$25 Gift Certificate
California Flyfisher	California Flyfisher Subs. (1 yr)
Carl Ronk	Several Vises
Casey's Barbecue	Casey's T-Shirt
Charlene Hanson	Toffee
Clear Creek	Fishing Vest
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Fisherman's Spot	3 Simms Ball Caps
Fly Logic	Discount Certificates
Fly Tying Specialties	"Flies as Art" by Paul Whillock
Frey's Gun Shop	Serving Tray
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Ken Johnson	Rod, Flyrod Building & Tying Materials
Loon Outdoors	Streamside Kit & Discount Price List
Martha Cherry	Many Books & Tying Materials
Mas Okui	Tying tools, Forceps, & carbiners
Merco Products	Rite Half HitchBobbins - 5 X Draw
Mike James/Scott Peterson	Fly Line Scientific Anglers Ultra WF4-F
Pauline Orozco	Jalapeno Jelly
Rio Products	Rio Gold WF 5F Flyline
Saltery Lake Lodge	2 Two For One Trip Saltery Lake Lodge
Sierra Fisherman	Sierra Fisherman Subs. (1 yr)
Sierra Stream and Mountain	Tying Materials, hooks, DVD
Simms	G3 Guide Wader Certificate Discount
Simms Sales Manager	10 T-Shirts
Steamboat Flyfisher	1/2 Day Guided Trip For Two
Stream Works	River/Lake Kit 1
TMS Matting & Framing	Framing Discount

Aguabonita Flyfishers Rod & Reel Inventory

RODS:

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|-----|-----------|------|-----------|
| 1. | G. Loomis | 7'9" | 2wt |
| 2. | Fisher | 8'6" | 3/4wt |
| 3. | Sage | 9'0" | 4wt |
| 4. | Fisher | 9'0" | 6wt |
| 5. | Fisher | 8'6" | 5/6wt |
| 6. | Fisher | 8'0" | 6/7wt |
| 7. | Fisher | 9'6" | 7/8wt |
| 8. | Fisher | 9'0" | 10wt |
| 9. | Sage | 9'0" | 5wt |
| 10. | G. Loomis | 8'0" | 3wt |
| 11. | Winston | 8'6" | 6wt |
| 12. | Cortland | 8'0" | 5/6wt |
| 13. | Powell | 9'0" | 5/6wt |
| 14. | St. Croix | 9'0" | 6/7wt |
| 15. | St. Croix | 9'0" | 3wt (NEW) |

REELS:

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|----|----------|--------|
| 1. | Berkley | DT2F |
| 2. | Cortland | DT3F |
| 3. | Cortland | DT4F |
| 4. | Cortland | DT5F |
| 5. | Cortland | DT6F |
| 6. | Cortland | WF7F |
| 7. | Cortland | WF9F |
| 8. | STH | 10 F/S |

We also have 3 pairs of wading boots. 2 pair at size 10 and 1 pair at size 14.

Presently, all rods and reels are located at 145B Panamint Avenue. To check out a rod or reel, call Lew Albright at 375-8725 and he will meet you at the address above. The club requires a nominal fee of \$5.00 to check out a rod or reel. The money will be used for maintenance of the equipment. When you check out a rod or reel, please return the item as soon as possible so other club members may use them too. If you break a rod or reel, let Lew know so that it can be repaired.

Trout In the Classroom

Jay Crawford

We picked up eggs from the Fish Creek Hatchery and delivered to the classrooms on Tuesday, April 12th. Hopefully, nature will take it's course and we'll be doing trout release trips in May. So far, four classes have asked for support on May 20th. Any help would be appreciated.

Thanks,
Jay



The Alevins



The Fry

HOT News!!!

How I Do Fly Plates!!!

Gary Davis is contemplating doing a class on "How I Do Fly Plates". There will be considerable effort required on his part for the planning and scheduling of a class so, if you are interested please contact him at gdavis2@hughes.net. The class will be limited to 3 or 4 individuals and tentatively starting in the fall of 2011.



Club Library

The following Aguabonita Flyfishers Library books/videos are still missing:

- 86 Anatomy of a Trout Stream
- Rick Hafele
- 91 Fishing Damsels and Dragons
- Gary Borger
- 130 The Art of Fly Tying (CD)
- Cy DeCosse
- 314 Improve Your Fly Casting (DVD)
- Jack Dennis
- 320 Benchside Introduction to Fly Tying
- Ted Lesson and Jim Schollmeyer

The return of these items will be appreciated.

2011 Fly Fishing Fair & Conclave

Special Workshops Schedule

by Herb Kettler

Once again this year the FFF is offering a fabulous lineup of workshops designed to appeal to a broad range of interests and skill levels of attendees, and we couldn't pull it off without the help of the many volunteers who teach them. Among the 73+ workshops being offered there is something for everyone. We have some outstanding on-water workshops including those with Bob Jacklin, Craig Mathews and Bob Krumm. Check out our website for last minute additions to the on-water workshops. These programs offer a unique opportunity to get to know and master the local pristine waters.

Casting leads the show with 32 workshops this year including the certification programs. The FFF instructor's program is recognized worldwide and we have the cream of the crop with us for the Fly Fishing Fair. This is a great opportunity to take your casting to the next level. There are so many fine workshops that it would take two pages to do the program justice. Thanks to the Casting Board of Governor's for a great set of workshops!

This year's tying line-up includes 13 workshops. We have a lot of fresh faces this year with some very interesting ideas. These new faces include Craig Riendeau, Mike George, Larry Nicholas and more. Also, don't miss Scott Sanchez, the most recent Buszek winner and a very dynamic instructor. Finally, Leslie Wrixon is back with some great woven body patterns.

Check the FFF Conclave website for last minute additions to this exciting lineup of workshops

www.federationconclave.org

News from the
Southwest Council Federation of Fly Fishers (SWC FFF)

An Evening With Joan Wulff

The SWC FFF is hosting the legendary Joan Wulff for an evening devoted to all things fly-fishing. Joan and her husband, Ted Rogowski, will fly from New York to Los Angeles where she will speak, answer questions, mingle with guests and talk fly-casting, fly-fishing, conservation and other aspects of the sport and her life.

When: Saturday, October 15, 2011; 6:00 p.m.

Where: The Olympic Collection
11301 W. Olympic Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90064

Dinner: \$75

Fund

Raising: The dinner will benefit the work of the Southwest Council FFF. Funds will be raised through sponsorships, a raffle, auction and silent auction. One of the auction "items" is expected to be a private brunch with Joan on Sun., Oct. 16th.

Sponsors: The Winston Rod Co. is donating a Special Joan Wulff edition rod for raffle. Other sponsor opportunities are available to help defray the cost of dinner, transportation and hotel accommodations.

Background: Joan Wulff is one of the world's most famous fly-fishers. From 1937 as an 11-year old tournament caster in Patterson, New Jersey to 1960, she won numerous International and National tournament casting titles. In 1951, she captured the Fisherman's Distance event while vying against an all-male line-up. Joan cast a fly 161-feet in one competition. Joan is the co-founder and chief instructor of the Wulff School of Fly-Fishing in Lew Beach, New York. She has appeared in many fishing films and authored Joan Wulff's Fly-Casting Techniques; Fly-Fishing: Expert Advice from a Woman's Perspective and Fly-Casting Accuracy. Her DVD, **Joan Wulff's Dynamics of Fly Casting**, is one of the most respected and the highest selling casting DVD ever produced.

Through promotion of catch and release, she has helped sport fishing be accepted as environmentally-sustainable. Both Joan and her late, legendary husband, Lee Wulff, have had a positive impact on fly-fishing.

SWC FFF: The Southwest Council Federation of Fly Fishers is composed of 23 individual clubs in Southern California and Southern Nevada. Funds from the dinner will be used to fund Trout in the Classroom, casting and fly-tying programs and ongoing support for local clubs.



Monthly Club Meeting

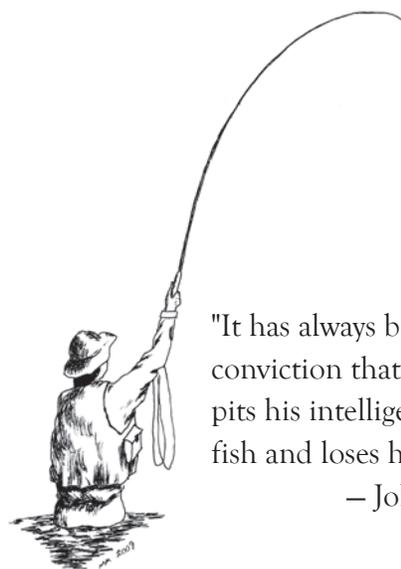
General membership meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the first Tuesday of each month at the Ridgecrest United Methodist Church (RUMC) Fellowship Hall (639 N. Norma St., Ridgecrest, CA). Everyone is welcome to attend! Our meetings feature guest speaker presentations, brief club news, refreshments, and a raffle.

Annual Cost for Membership

General membership	\$20.00
Associate membership	\$ 5.00
Youth membership	\$ 5.00
One time initiation fee	\$10.00

Board of Directors Meeting

The board usually meets at 7:00 p.m. on the last Tuesday of each month to transact the business of the club. The board meetings are open to anyone with agenda items to share. To be placed on the next meeting's agenda, please send items to Bob Smith at rdsmith1@mchsi.com



"It has always been my private conviction that any man who pits his intelligence against a fish and loses has it coming."
— John Steinbeck

Club Officers

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"The Flyline" Editor	Neal Barry	(760) 793-5800

May 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Monthly Club Meeting 7:30pm - 9:00pm	4	5	6 "Fly-tying With Madeline" Pierce School 9:00am - 10:30am	7
MOTHER'S DAY 8	9	10	11 Glacier National Park Created 1910	12	13	14 "Grand Opening" Wildlife Interpretive Center Mt Whitney Fish Hatchery 6:00pm
15	16	17	18	19	20 Trout In the Classroom Field Trips "Release the Fry"	21 Armed Forces Day "Ties & Lies" Fly-tying Session 9:30am - Noon
22 Crater National Park Created 1902	23	24	25	26	27 Deadline for June Newsletter!!!	28
29	MEMORIAL DAY 30	31 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00pm				

Upcoming Events

👍 **Federation of Flyfishers** – Mark your calendars for the 46th Annual Fly-Fishing Fair & Conclave. This year's event will be held in West Yellowstone, MT. from August 30th - September 3rd, 2011. For more details and updates check out: <http://www.federationconclave.org>

👍 **Madeline Garrison** – Has arranged to do fly-tying in her classroom at Pierce Elementary School on Friday, May 6th from 9am to 10:30am. She is asking for your help. I have asked the other two teachers if they would like to tie flies also. Please respond if you can help out and for how many classes.

Contact: Steve Garrison (760) 375-3192

👍 **Hot Creek Ranch** – If anyone is interested, I have a cabin at Hot Creek Ranch reserved for June 27 to July 4. I have a few openings if someone wants to come up for a day or two (or more). Contact Chuck at (760) 375-1126 or email hisifly@iwvisp.com.

👍 **Grand Opening** – The Wildlife Interpretive Center at the Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery is having its "Grand Opening" on May 14th. The festivities start at 6:00pm and includes a dinner, live music, and cowboy poetry by Duane Rossi.

The cost is: \$15.00 Adults
 \$ 5.00 Kids

See You All There!!!



The Editor's Spool

Neal Barry

I'd like to take a moment to tell you something personal about myself. Don't worry, it's not something terrible or anything like that. At least I don't think so! I have to confess that I'm a "Mapaholic!" There, I said it. Everyone knows and by this time tomorrow, the whole world will know, well, at least those on Facebook!

I can't help it, I am obsessed with maps. I'm not sure when all this started but I think I've been this way since childhood. My dad used to play a game with my siblings and I. He would give us a name and a general location on the world map and say, "Find it." We would pour over that map and see who could find their location first. "I found it!" my oldest brother would usually holler with a smug look on his face.

Growing older hasn't changed my obsession with maps. I've had to use them for driving and trip purposes (I don't need to ask for directions, I have a map!). I've used them for many outdoor activities and especially for fishing. Back before the days of computers and the internet, Rand MacNally and USGS maps were my "go to" sources for locating

new and exciting destinations to fish. But all that has changed. We now have computers, the internet, fish finders and GPS. I don't need flat files to hold all my large, paper maps. I'm now armed with a computer with a harddrive that will hold literally thousands of "electronic" maps.

So I thought I would share one of my internet map sources I use on daily basis, both at home and at work.

Google Earth. This is a "FREE" application that you can download and install on your computer. You can go to any place in the world, zoom in, placemark where you've been, type in an address where you'd like to go, and more. Of course, I have placemarks for places that I have fished and new places to explore. I have placemarks to places I was stationed at while in the military and places overseas that I've visited. You can even explore the Moon and Mars if you want to!

So if you like maps and exploring new places then you've got to check this out. For more information, go to their web site at:
<http://www.google.com/earth/index.html>

Thank You and tight lines!!!
Neal

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The Aguabonita Flyfishers is an affiliated club of the Federation of Flyfishers (FFF) and its affiliate, the Southwest Council of the Federation of Flyfishers (SWCFFF). The Aguabonita Flyfishers is also affiliated with California Trout (CalTrout) and Trout Unlimited (TU).

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FIRST CLASS

*Aguabonita Flyfishers
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Aims and Purposes of the Aguabonita Flyfishers:

- To improve and increase the sport of fly fishing
- To promote and work for the betterment of fishing waters
- To provide assistance to club members to help them become more effective fly fishermen and to promote the fellowship of the membership
- To encourage and assist others to become fly fishermen and true sportsmen
- To encourage and advocate conservation of fisheries, waters, and watersheds

