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Leader's Line...

Target Talk is a Great Resource: Read and Learn!

TOM OLSON, PRESIDENT

I would like to encourage you and any other members you know to read Target Talk every month. Most of you who are reading this make it a habit to read TT every month, and we appreciate that. When you see or talk to other members, how about asking them "Did you read about this or that in Target Talk"? It's a first-class publication, considering the wealth of information and all the work that goes into it each month. Let's spread the word: it keeps us up-to-date on the Club and connects us to the stories members write.

LBCC is fortunate to have two very dedicated volunteers who put in 40-60 hours a month to bring each edition to us: our editor, Rob Peterson, and our previous editor, graphics expert and amazing fly-tying contributor, John Van Derhoof. They do this out of the kindness of their hearts and to keep the Club well informed. Show them some love by reading Target Talk regularly.



Target Talk archives, instead of YouTube, and learning more about the Club?

I hope to see you at the Club, and don't be surprised if I ask you whether you've read the recent Target Talk edition. Please also encourage others to read it regularly, and consider writing an article on something you think will be helpful to other members. It's a lot of fun to be "published".

Every publication is available in our archives online, so our members and the general public can read and learn from them. There are how-to articles, stories of fishing locations and some incredible fly-tying tutorials. How about scrolling our

Remember, our club is all volunteer-based, and the more hands, minds and talent we can share, the more the Club grows by connecting us to one another and hopefully making new fishing friends.

Club Trips for 2026

ANDREW FAIRBANKS, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

TRIP DATE	TRIP & LEADER
Mar 5–8	Lower Owens Trip #3 w/ Dan Rivett and John Lincoln. Pre-Trip Feb 28, 9:00 am.
Mar 27–29	Heritage Trout Kern River w/ Bob Mayfield.
April 26–May 1	Green River Trip #1 w/ Andrew Fairbanks. Pre-trip TBD.
May 1–3.	Heritage Trout Fish Creek & Clicks Creek w/ Bob Mayfield.
May 3–8	Green River Trip #2 w/ Colin Kumabe. Pre-trip is TBD.
May 26–30	Fall River Trip w/M. Bonvouloir. Pre-Trip May 16, 9:00 am.
May 29–June 1	Heritage Trout Eagle Lake & Wolf Creek w/ Bob Mayfield.
July 10–12	Brookie Bash 2026 w/ Armando Palomares, Pre-Trip TBD.
July 10	Tenkara Event at Brookie Bash w/ Cecil O'Dell.
Aug 15	Yards and Inches w/Mick Woodbury, Pre-Trip TBD.

Trip locations, dates and pre-trips change, so monitor Target Talk or the web calendar for the latest information. Deposits for trips which are "double occupancy", and require deposits in advance, are non-refundable. If you cancel, your deposit will only be refunded if a Club member replaces you.

If you would like to be a streamkeeper and need help organizing a Club trip, or if you have suggestions for a Club trip or any questions, please email me at: andrewfairbanks7@gmail.com



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March Speaker: Frank Burr

Freshwater Fly Fishing on the Island of Oahu

TONY DAUS, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Franks Burr, the Golden Trout Dude, has more than 55 years of experience, beginning with Tenkara in Japan (at six years old), followed by traditional fly fishing and fly tying the following year. A lifelong angler and industry veteran, Frank has guided and instructed across the U.S., with a special passion for heritage trout.

Frank has worked in the industry for 13 years, first at Orvis and then Snowbee USA, helping design ultralight fly rods and other products. He now works with the Fly Fishing Show, and is the Trout in the Classroom director for the Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International.

Whether chasing trout in mountain streams or exploring species like tilapia, peacock bass and native freshwater goby in Hawaii, Frank's knowledge and enthusiasm for teaching shine through. Check him out at: goldentroutdude.com, oasisflyfishing.com and tenkaraguidecalifornia.com

His presentation will introduce you to freshwater fly fishing in Hawaii. Chapter One covers research and actual fishing time on Oahu, and one public freshwater fishing access with a variety of species, including peacock bass.

Frank will also present some other fishing locations to explore. Several golf courses on the island have ponds stocked with a variety of freshwater species such as tilapia, bass and sunfish, and there is a pay-for-play fish farm and ponds, in case you didn't bring equipment with you but wanted to get in some easy fishing. A nice diversion from hanging out on the beach and sipping cold drinks.



**Join us on Thursday, March 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm,
at the Clubhouse or on Zoom.**

JOIN ZOOM MEETING

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89946699587?pwd=T4V2axbyFbgM69kcUk5TfgaZBGZfQm.1>

Meeting ID: 899 4669 9587

Passcode: 078780

LBCC Date Changes!

TOM OLSON, PRESIDENT

There's no April monthly meeting, but we have two other Club meetings, and we encourage you to attend. Please mark your calendars.

Our **Annual General Meeting is Thursday, April 9, at 7:00 pm**. We'll vote for the nominees for our new Board of Directors. Voting is only in person. We will also review the previous year, our 100th anniversary. Please attend, cast your votes, and show your support for the Club.

Our **Awards & Installation Dinner is Thursday, April 23, at 7:00 pm**. We changed this date so members could attend before the first Green River trip. We'll give awards for the year and install our new Board of Directors.

We have an active Club, great volunteers and an amazing facility. Please show your support by attending these events and learning how the Club operates. We hope to see you there!

Fly Tying Forum: This Month's Schedule

MATT MURDOUGH, MEMBER

Welcome to the March edition of the Tying Forum. Matt will start things off with a class designed to improve your soft hackle game. Rather than focusing on a single pattern, we'll look at a variety of tips and tricks such as split thread, touch dubbing, how to hackle small flies with large feathers and how to integrate flash into a hackle collar.



After an open tying night, Tony Dycks is up next to demonstrate the Little Dark Kebari and Ajari's Dark Kebari. These Tenkara patterns can be used to represent a variety of small dark stoneflies, caddis or mayfly nymphs.



Matt will wrap up the month with the Freight Train, the most popular of the Kaufmann steelhead patterns. We'll tie a floss and dubbing version with a Haas style wing, something John VanDerhoof has shown us several times at the Forum. We'll discuss how the Haas tying technique can be used to adjust wing angle to best match the current in the rivers you fish.



Anyone is welcome to join our regular sessions at 7:00 pm every Wednesday, regardless of tying experience. If you would like to join us, please email Shirley Sakaguchi (sakagusc@gmail.com) so that you can be added to the Forum email list. Shirley sends out pattern sheets for the flies covered in the coming month, and Matt Murdough will provide materials for anyone in the class who needs them.

Anyone interested in leading a tying session should reach out to Matt (mmroaringbrook@gmail.com) to get on the schedule. If you have a pattern you want to learn, please let us know; we likely have someone in the Club who can demonstrate it for us. Looking forward to seeing some new faces at the Forum!

DATE	GENRE: PATTERN	INSTRUCTOR
03/04/26	Soft Hackles 201	Matt Murdough
03/11/26	Open Tying Night	
03/18/26	Tenkara: Little Dark Kebari, Ajari Kebari	Tony Dycks
03/25/26	Steelhead Flies: Freight Train	Matt Murdough

Sad News regarding LBCC Member Howard Uller

TOM OLSON, PRESIDENT

We're heartbroken to share the news that Howard Uller, a longtime member of the Club, passed away February 4 due to complications from heart surgery. He was 84.

Howard is survived by his two sons, Jeff and Matt, as well as his daughter-in-law, Ellen and his granddaughter, Mia. Mia is a student at Howard's alma mater, the University of California, Los Angeles.

Howard ran track at UCLA, and for decades was the director of Toberman Settlement House, a nonprofit which helped gang members to redirect their lives.

Howard's passion for Spey casting, contributions to the Club and friendship will be deeply missed.



2026-2027 Long Beach Casting Club Ballot of Nominees

RICK MORI, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

The Nominating Committee presents to the membership of the Long Beach Casting Club the following nominees to serve on the Long Beach Casting Club's Board of Directors for 2026-2027. The membership will vote on the nominees at the Long Beach Casting Club's General Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2026.

LONG BEACH CASTING CLUB NOMINEES

PRESIDENT:	Tony Daus
1ST VICE PRESIDENT:	Tae Kim
2ND VICE PRESIDENT:	Andrew Fairbanks
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:	Rick Mori
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:	Tony Dycks
TREASURER:	Ed Alvarado
CO-CAPTAINS:	Mark Kocsis & Keith O'Donnell
FACILITIES & POND:	Peter Hardash
JUNIOR DIRECTOR:	Tom Olson
SENIOR DIRECTOR:	Bob Mayfield

The LBCC Nominating Committee, duly approved by the LBCC Board of Directors, consisted of the following members:

LBCC NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- ❖ Rick Hilles (Chair), Past President
- ❖ Colin Kumabe, Past President
- ❖ Shirley Sakaguchi
- ❖ Wayne Sakaguchi
- ❖ Cecil O'Dell, Member at Large

Any ten members in good standing can nominate other candidates for office from the floor of the Annual Meeting. Said nominations shall be made in writing and signed by said members and delivered to the corresponding secretary before the election.

It's Time to Pay Your Annual Dues!

SHAWN FIFE, MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

It's that time of the year again where most of you will be receiving membership renewal emails starting two months prior to expiration date (March 31). Note that by renewing now, your current membership will be extended for a year from the expiration date (eg. 3/31/2027). Also, once renewed, further automated renewal reminders will not be sent to you.

The Club looks forward to your membership renewal and appreciates your support. If you are not sure of your status, please email me at shawnefife@outlook.com.

If you forgot your login: click [here](#) to go to our website. Select "Members Only", and this screen will appear.



If this is your first time accessing the new website, click on "Forgot Password" at the bottom of the screen.



The above "Request a Password Reset" screen will appear. Enter the email address where you receive LBCC eBlasts, and click "Request Password Reset". The system will email a link to reset your password.

Check your Junk/Spam folder if you don't see the email in your inbox.

Once you've reset your password, you'll have access to the "Members Only" section. Go to "My Account —Edit My Profile", complete your profile and click on "Renew".

Follow the instructions to make your payment. (Please refer to the January 2026 Target Talk Article "[Our New Website: Take a Look and Learn!](#)" on pg. 9 that shows the step-by-step renewal process.)

We appreciate it if you can renew upon receiving the scheduled Membership Renewal Reminders. Thanks!

Long Beach Casting Club New Members

SHAWN FIFE, MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

The Board of Directors approved these new members at the last Board meeting:

- ❖ James Graham of Trabuco Canyon
- ❖ Tom Marnocha of Huntington Beach
- ❖ Lewis Wemyss of Long Beach
- ❖ Cyril Fernandez of Azusa
- ❖ Charles Kepford of Orange
- ❖ Joel Phillips of Walnut Creek
- ❖ Steve Morris of Welches, OR
- ❖ Aaron Calsadillas of Hawthorne
- ❖ David Porter of Lakewood
- ❖ Reyne Rocha of Gardena
- ❖ Andy Chambers of Long Beach

Please greet and welcome all of our new members at the Club's monthly meetings. Here's wishing them a lifetime of healthy hatches and tight lines.

Members: if you see visitors at Club meetings, let's make them feel welcome and inform them of the activities we have to offer!

LBCC SPEY TOURNEY 2026 & RESULTS

TOM OLSON, PRESIDENT
KEITH O'DONNELL, CO-CAPTAIN

LBCC hosted our Eighth Annual Spey Tournament January 24 and 25. It keeps growing: we had a record turnout of 37 casters, from 10-year-old Oliver Dees to Ken Sandstrom, 86 years young!

Three very special guest casters came all the way from Glasgow, Scotland: world-famous fly-rod and fly-line designer James Chalmers, the owner of Gaelforce Flyfishing, a global Spey casting company, Milos Vasiljevic, the 2025 Senior winner at Spey-O-Rama and his son Sacha (both are excellent casters). The Scots wanted me to tell you how wonderful Long Beach Casting Club is, and how much they enjoyed visiting.

Our other casters traveled here from British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Arizona, Northern California and San Diego. Incredible.

Thanks to all the casters and volunteers who made our tournament a huge success. We had two full days of casting, and everything ran smoothly and efficiently. Our new speaker system worked great and was key for communicating with everyone. All the meals, setup and takedown, judging, scorekeeping and timekeeping were handled by our volunteers, who gave of their time.

ELITE

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
HENRY MITTEL	1	624	164
DUNCAN GASIEWICZ	2	593	157
DAVID ROSS	3	583	153
JUSTIN HIGGINSON	4	579	167
WHITNEY GOULD	5	574	153
JOEL PHILLIPS	6	555	155
GREG BENCIVENGA	7	543	145
TOM OLSON	8	532	154
MATTHEW DONALDSON	9	525	139
SACHA VASILJEVIC	10	508	145



OPEN

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
MATT ABRAMS	1	513	143
CONLEY DEES	2	492	132
CHRIS CHRISTENSEN	3	484	131
RIX GANO	4	453	120
MIKE PETERS	5	432	116
DENNIS PANISH	6	398	119
MARIO RODRIGUEZ	7	392	106
ANDREW FAIRBANKS	8	369	105

WOMEN'S OPEN

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
DONNA O'SULLIVAN	1	459	127
GRACE CHERRY	2	162	62

SENIOR

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
MILOS VASILJEVIC	1	563	149
GLEN NAGUMO	2	491	139
THOM THORNTON	3	489	135
LARRY ALLEN	4	486	147
ED FELICE	5	474	123
STEVE LANKEAU	6	400	125
TONY OGDEN	7	391	112
MARK FLO	8	311	108

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Conservation Corner

Long Beach Casting Club Conservation Opportunity

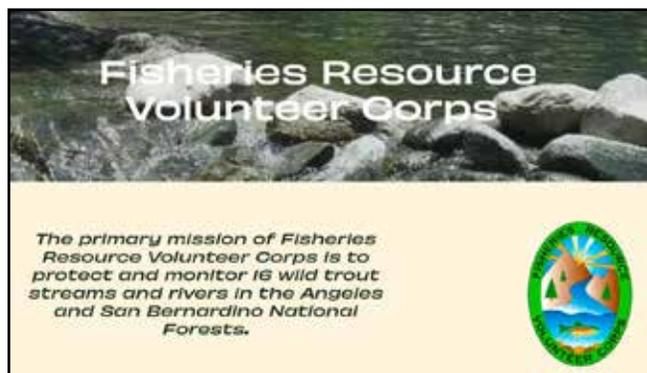
BOB MAYFIELD, PAST PRESIDENT

The Long Beach Casting Club has been exploring ways to become more involved in conservation efforts throughout Southern California. One of the organizations we are excited to connect with is the Fisheries Resource Volunteer Corps. Fisheries Resource Volunteer Corps (FRVC) is dedicated to environmental quality, water resource protection and watershed conservation.

WHAT THEY DO

FRVC volunteers engage in hands-on conservation and public education, including:

- ❖ Monitoring and protecting wild trout streams in the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests.
- ❖ Stream patrols to educate visitors about fishing regulations, fire safety, camping practices and natural resource protection.
- ❖ Conservation projects, including: removing trash, invasive plants, graffiti and illegal fire rings, maintaining and repairing signage, assisting with water quality studies and supporting national forest fisheries projects.
- ❖ Public education, focused on responsible recreation and stewardship of public lands.



Before participating in FRVC projects, you must complete one of their New Volunteer Training Sessions. During orientation, you will learn about:

- ❖ Fish monitoring
- ❖ Water quality testing
- ❖ Habitat restoration
- ❖ Safety procedures and radio use

The trainers provide everything you need to know about FRVC and explain the many ways volunteers can get involved.

NEW VOLUNTEER TRAINING DETAILS

Saturday, February 28, 2026
9:00 am–3:00 pm

San Bernardino National Forest Headquarters
602 South Tippecanoe Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92408

If you're interested, email me and I'll send you the details and help you sign up for class.

bob@impac-marketing.net
or call or text [714-392-2211](tel:714-392-2211)

Conservation News from Crowley Fish Foundation

CHRIS LEONARD

The California Waterfowl Association Owens River 12th Annual Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 2026. This is the twelfth consecutive year of this fantastic event. Put it on your calendar, and plan to be in Bishop, California for the fall colors, and to give back to one of the Eastern Sierra's blue-ribbon fisheries and its surrounding areas. You can help clean up Saturday morning, and have the rest of the weekend in the Eastern Sierra to fish, take fall color photos or just relax!

All volunteers meet at the Pleasant Valley Campground at 8:00 am on the morning of Saturday,

October 3. Coffee and baked goods will be offered to all volunteers. Representatives from important conservation and fishing groups will be present. This is also a great social event. Volunteers are handed trash bags, then divide and conquer to help clean up throughout the valley. Participants reconvene at noon for a lunch of Subway sandwiches, chips, cookies and cold drinks. There is a free raffle for participants. Event organizer Chris Leonard will take any swag that anyone would like to donate for the raffle. Food and beverages are sponsored by contributing organizations and casting clubs. This event doesn't happen without the selfless support of sponsors. There are many contributors, and no gift large or small goes unnoticed. If you'd like to help sponsor the event and/or donate swag for the raffle, please reach out to event organizer Chris Leonard at [818.288.3271](tel:818.288.3271). Questions can also be directed to Chris Leonard.

No RSVP to participate is required. Just spread the word, show up, and bring family and friends. Remember, safety first the day of the event! A big thank you goes out to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power for granting us permission to have this organized event.

SOUTHWEST COUNCIL FFI & CROWLEY FISH FOUNDATION JUNIOR BUGS SLING OFFS

On Saturday, February 7, 2026, the Crowley Fish Foundation (CFF) honorably joined forces with Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International (SWCFFI) in the first annual Junior Bugs Sling Off.

SWC President Leigh Ann Swanson and Youth Program Director Carl Crawford approached CFF Board Secretary Chris Leonard, with the idea to help SWCFFI with their first inaugural kids category educational event, to be held in conjunction with the annual SWCFFI Trout Rodeo competition located in Bishop, California. The kids' event was more focused on education than competition, the idea of this clinic being that more kids should get on the water. The next generation is the future of the sport, and this type of clinic aligns perfectly with the guiding principles of both CFF and SWCFFI.

Get Ready for the March Lower Owens River Trip!

DAN RIVETT, PAST PRESIDENT

The March Lower Owens LBCC trip is March 5–8. It is a fantastic opportunity for anyone who needs assistance on the trip to work with an experienced Club member on reading the water, casting, rigging, etc. Every year on the January, February and March trips, we meet at the Pleasant Valley campground on Saturday morning to team up members for a memorable day on the river. Please don't hesitate to join the trip and either ask for help or volunteer to help. I want to thank all the members that volunteer to help on these trips with their time and travel expenses. I personally enjoy working with others and watching them have success; having things "click" for them is more rewarding than my catching. So, join us and we will do our best to help with any challenges you may have on the river.

The March Lower Owens pre-trip is Saturday, February 28 at 9:00 am in the LBCC Clubhouse. John Lincoln and I will cover trip details and share what we carry on the river and answer any questions.

The February trip had about 20 members attending. The weather was 28 to 65 degrees, water was flowing at about 100 CFS and the trout were willing to take both dry flies and nymphs. People fished all over, from Five Bridges Road to above the reservoir.

These trips are a fun time to get to know members through fishing, traveling and dining together. See you on the water.

California Heritage Trout Challenge

Challenging all Anglers, Young and Old!

BOB MAYFIELD, PAST PRESIDENT

You may have heard of the California Heritage Trout Challenge (CA HTC) but didn't know how to start it. LBCC had a Heritage Trout outing to the San Gabriel River in early February. We have three more flyfishing outings planned for the first half of 2026. Join us; it will be a great way to start off the new year.

- ❖ **Kern River Rainbow Trout:** March 27–29, Upper Kern River. Walk and wade; weekend trip. Guides available through Kern River Fly Shop.
- ❖ **California Golden Trout:** May 1–2, Fish Creek. Walk and wade; fish Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, then Clicks Creek. If Sherman Pass is not open, we'll go the long way around.
- ❖ **Little Kern Golden Trout:** May 2–3, Clicks Creek. Hike in to Clicks Creek.
- ❖ **Eagle Lake Rainbow Trout:** May 29–31, Eagle Lake (Above Susanville). You'll need a float tube or kayak. Drive up to Eagle Lake May 29, fish 30th and 1/2 day 31st, then off to Walker River.
- ❖ **Lahontan Cutthroat Trout:** May 31 to June 1. Wolf Creek above Marine Corps Mountain Training Center. Camp or hotel night of 31st. Fish Wolf Creek 31st, and 1st if necessary.

OTHER HERITAGE TROUT:

- ❖ **McCloud River Redband**
- ❖ **Goose Lake Redband Trout**
- ❖ **Warner Lakes Redband**
- ❖ **Coastal Cutthroat Trout**
- ❖ **Paiute Cutthroat Trout**

Two Green River Trips Planned for 2026

***Trip 1: April 26-May 1,
Trip 2: May 3-May 8***

COLIN KUMABE, PAST PRESIDENT

Each year, Club members fish the Green River in Utah. This is your opportunity to fish in this very productive river, set in beautiful scenery. The brown trout and rainbow trout average 16 inches, with much larger fish being very normal.

Most anglers fish two days with guides, and wade-fish with a buddy. There are lots of opportunities to run nymphs through productive riffles, pools and runs, cast streamers to large trout and cast dry flies to rising fish.

DATES:

- ❖ Arrive April 26 and depart May 1. Trip streamkeeper is Andrew Fairbanks.
- ❖ Arrive May 3 and depart May 8. Trip streamkeeper is Colin Kumabe.

LODGING: \$1200 per cabin for the five nights, or \$600 per person based on double occupancy.

GUIDES: **Old Moe Guide Service**, cost per boat per day is \$700 (\$350 per day person double occupancy) plus tax and gratuity.

If you have questions please contact:

- ❖ First week: April 26–May 1. Andrew Fairbanks, andrewfairbanks7@gmail.com.
- ❖ Second week: May 3–8. Colin Kumabe, ctkumabe@gmail.com.

Fall River Trip, June 2025

MARC BONVOULOIR, MEMBER

For the sixth consecutive year, LBBC will fish the largest spring creek west of the Rockies: Fall River. More like a river than a creek, this spectacular water is located an hour northeast of Redding in the shadow of beautiful Mount Shasta. The Fall River is a 21-mile-long tributary to the Pit River. It is a designated Heritage and Wild Trout Stream. The cool clear waters of this world-class spring creek are fished from boats casting 30–40 feet downstream, with big dries or nymph rigs tempting large rainbows along the bottom.



WHEN: May 26–May 30. Arrive Tuesday, depart Saturday. 4 nights

WHERE: Circle 7 Ranch. Visit <https://www.theflyshop.com/adventures/circle7.html> to see this incredible location on the river. There are five homes on the ranch. We'll have the entire White House set up for eight members. It's the largest home on the ranch.

WHAT: With four bedrooms and 2.5 baths, the White House has ample room for eight members to spread out and fish all they want. Amenities include satellite TV, wi-fi, central air and sundeck with barbecue. Rental boats are available each day. We will be guided the first day (Wednesday) on the nuances of fishing from boats on a spring creek. The Fly Shop in Redding will supply four guides. Early June has major hatches of mayflies and if lucky, the largest mayfly hatch, Hexagenia, will have us casting size-8 dries to ravenous fish!



PACKAGE: \$866.44 per member includes four nights' accommodations, shared guide for full day on Wednesday, shared rental boat for two days Thursday and Friday. This price is \$1 more than last year. \$466.44 is due on March 20, payable to LBCC. \$400.00 is due April 20, payable to LBCC.

DINNERS: Each member will have a partner to fish with, as well as to cook with for the group of eight. At the pre-trip meeting, we will determine the meal each twosome will cook on each night. The pre-trip meeting will be May 16 at 9:00 am at the Club. Look for updates to follow. Groceries may be bought at Safeway in the town of Burney, about 20 miles before you get to the ranch. Lunch on Wednesday will be provided by the guide. Breakfast and lunch are on your own.

NOTES: Drive time from Los Angeles is 9.5 hours. Other locations to fish include Hat Creek, Pit River, Baum Lake and McCloud River.

NOTIFICATION: If you want to go on this trip you must let me know right away. Space is limited to eight members and I will be putting together a wait list. Phone/email: **213-369-9525**, mrmlb21@gmail.com.



"Spey Tournament Results"... Cont'd from page 7

SUPER SENIOR

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
KEN SANDSTROM	1	469	120
TIM LAMBERT	2	318	96

SCANDI

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
JOHN JUAREZ	1	337	90
TONY DAUS	2	307	78
ALBERT HONG	3	243	66

NOVICE

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
SAM ROCHA	1	443	125
PAUL ESPIL	2	432	125
ANDY SZOFRAN	3	385	102

JUNIOR

NAME	PLACE	TOTAL	LONGEST
OLIVER DEES	1	196	58

LONGEST CASTS

NAME	CATEGORY	DISTANCE
JUSTIN HIGGINSON	ELITE	167
MATT ABRAMS	OPEN	143
DONNA O'SULLIVAN	WOMEN'S OPEN	127
MILOS VASILJEVIC	SENIOR	149
KEN SANDSTROM	SUPER SENIOR	120
JOHN JUAREZ	SCANDI	90
SAM ROCHA	NOVICE	125
OLIVER DEES	JUNIOR	58



2026-27 SPFA Hosted Trip Calendar

Inquiries: kspfa@gmail.com or 714.475.4529

Destination	Missoula, Montana	Bighorn River, Montana	Argentina: Golden Dorado
Dates	April 6-11 <i>Wait list only</i>	July 26-August 1 <i>Wait list only</i>	November 30-December 5 5 spots
Duration & Cost	5 nights/4 days of fishing: \$2,400	6 nights/5 days of fishing: \$3,500	5 nights/4 days of fishing: \$3,500
Inclusions	5-night accommodation: 2 anglers per 2-bedroom unit with a kitchen, living room, and bathroom, 4 days of guided fishing, boat lunch, flies	6-night accommodation, 5 days of guided fishing, all meals & nonalcoholic beverages, airport transfers, flies	5-night accommodation, 4 days of guided fishing, all meals & beverages, fishing license, Wi-Fi
Exclusions	Flights, airport transfers, meals & beverages, fishing license, guide gratuities	Flights, fishing license, guide & staff gratuities, alcoholic beverages	International flight to Buenos Aires, transfers to the lodge extra, additional lodging & meals before or after, guide & staff gratuities, flies
Highlights	Floating Bitterroot, Clark Fork, and Blackfoot, targeting Skwala hatch	Targeting summer hatches which may include PMDs, Black and Tan Caddis, Yellow Sallies, Hoppers, etc.	Conveniently located at the confluence of Rio Parana & Rio Corriente, anglers have access to both boat and wade fishing opportunities

Destination	Argentina: Northern Patagonia (rev)	Argentina: Sea-Runs on Rio Gallegos	Christmas Island
Dates	December 7-14 6 spots	March 6 - 13, 2027 4 spots	June 15 - 22, 2027 6 spots
Duration & Cost	7 nights/6 days of fishing: \$7,600	7 nights/6 days of fishing: \$7,600 (2026 rate) if 50% deposit is received by 4/20/26	7 nights/6 days of fishing: TBD (\$4380 is the 2026 rate)
Inclusions	7-night accommodation, 6 days of guided fishing, all meals & beverages, ground transportations, private water fees, fishing license, flies, Wi-Fi	7-night accommodation single occupancy, 6 days of guided fishing, all meals & beverages, airport transfer from Rio Gallegos airport, fishing license, laundry, Wi-Fi	7-night accommodation single occupancy, 6 days of guided fishing-1 guide per angler, all meals, airport transfers, Wi-Fi, laundry
Exclusions	International & domestic flights, guide & staff gratuities, additional lodging, meals & transportation before or after	International & domestic flights, guide & staff gratuities, additional lodging, meals & transportation before or after, flies	Honolulu and international flights, guide & staff gratuities, beverages, fishing license, flies
Highlights	Two lodge program to experience diverse watershed: 4 nights in an expansive Patagonian estancia with access to prime private waters, and 3 nights in a quaint traditional estancia with access to Northern Patagonia's most iconic rivers	Private access to 95km of Rio Gallegos for Sea-Run Browns within the boundaries of one of the biggest Estancias in Patagonia and 20 km of spring creeks for resident Browns eager to take big terrestrials and mouse patterns. Sea-Runs are best fished with 2-handed rods	Wade fishing the endless flats for bonefish, Giant Trevallies, and Trigger Fish, and more. Having a guide to yourself who carries your GT rod ready to go at any moment makes a huge difference in having a legitimate shot at the King of the Flats.

Important: Unless noted otherwise, all prices quoted above are based on two anglers sharing a room and a guide

Recordings of LBCC Monthly Speakers

ROB PETERSON, TARGET TALK EDITOR

Here are our recorded speaker presentations for 2022, 2023 and 2025. Just click on a link, and copy and paste the password at the prompt.

Please see the [February 2022 Target Talk](#), p. 17, for 2021 presentations.

JANUARY 2022: Steph Albano, [Finatical Flyfishing](#), The topic was: "Global Guide Service for Women".

[Steph Albano Presentation Jan. 27, 2022](#)
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FEBRUARY: Glenn Ueda, [So Cal Fishing Guide](#)
The topic was: "Planet Carp".

[Glenn Ueda Presentation February 24, 2022](#)
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MARCH: Ernie Gulley, [Ernie Gulley Flyfishing](#).
The topic was: "Stillwater Tactics".

[Ernie Gulley Presentation March 31, 2022](#)
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OCTOBER: Lance Egan
The topic was: "Newfangled Nymphing".

[Lance Egan Presentation October 27, 2022](#)
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NOVEMBER: [Charlie Craven](#)
The Topic was: Fly Tying Demo.

[Charlie Craven Presentation Nov. 17, 2022](#)
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FEBRUARY 2023: [Steve Schalla](#)
The Topic was: "Origins of Golden Trout".
[Steve Schalla Presentation February 23, 2023](#)
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JUNE: Dave Smith, "DIY Fly Fishing New Zealand".
[Dave Smith Presentation June 29, 2023](#)
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JULY: Howard Uller and Art Strauss, "California Heritage Trout".
This was not recorded, but you can access their presentation here

MAY 2025: Mike Pease, [Mike Pease Adventures](#), "Fly Fishing the Lost Sierra."
To access the recording, click [here](#). Thanks and kudos to Co-Captain Mark Flo, who recorded the presentation and made it available on YouTube.

JUNE: Mike Peters, [Long Branch Fly Fishing](#), "Fly Fishing the Four Top Destinations in the US."
[Mike Peters Presentation June 25, 2025](#)
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JULY: Joe Frisch, [Wild on the Fly Fly Fishing Adventures](#), "Two short trips to fit tight schedules and tight budgets. One Fresh [Steelheading the Deschutes], One Salt [Gulf Coast Redfish]."
[Joe Frisch Presentation July 25, 2025](#)
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AUGUST: David Dempsey, "Know Your Bugs".
[David Dempsey Presentation August 28, 2025](#)
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SEPTEMBER: Dan Johnson, [Trout Unlimited](#), "Proposed Protected Designation for Hot Creek"
[Dan Johnson Presentation September 25, 2025](#)
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OCTOBER: Rich Chiappone, "DIY Fishing in Alaska"
[Rich Chiappone Presentation October 30, 2025](#)
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NOVEMBER: November was not recorded.

JANUARY 2026: Alicia Hamann, Friends of the Eel River
[Alicia Hamann Presentation January 29, 2026](#)
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Fly of the Month: Craven's Jujubaetis

JOHN VAN DERHOOF, PAST PREZ

I can it hear it calling; drawing me closer. Soon I will be heading off to fish at one of my favorite places. For me, getting ready for a trip is almost as much fun as the trip itself. And, as I am a gross overpacker, I need at least three or four weeks to get things ready. Including flies.

Now, I tie all the time. I mean daily. I also tie most of my “standards” through the year, and a lot of those flies are the same patterns and sizes. Oh sure, I do mix it up quite a bit, but since I am a creature of habit I always stock up on those flies that have served me well in the past. However, sometimes I forget about certain flies, really great flies, that have caught a lot of fish for me. This year, before it was too late, I remembered one of those patterns and I have been tying them up like crazy: Charlie Craven's Jujubaetis.

Simply put, I love this fly. **Charlie Craven** came up with this pattern 20-odd years ago, and it is a commercial success for obvious reasons: it is durable and it works. I tie the fly in a couple of color options, but I do not use the same materials that Craven uses for the body. His originals use Superhair, a nylon winging material primarily used for saltwater patterns. I don't have any—I use Ultra Wire instead. They come in similar colors, and both are small in diameter. This last bit is what I think helps make the Jujubaetis a really good imitation: it's very slender, like many of the mayflies I am usually trying to imitate.

Okay, I said I used a few different color combinations, but I didn't divulge them. My favorite is mostly olive, and also one that is more of a dark copper color. These colors are accomplished by using three strands of wire. For the olive version, I use two strands of olive and one strand of chartreuse. For the dark copper fly, I use two strands of copper brown and one strand of either bright copper or black. Obviously, there are a ton of options, and I have even heard that blue and purple makes a great attractor fly.

Fishing the Jujubaetis is easy. For me, it's a top fly in the morning with a midge below. As the hatch period nears I will put it on the bottom, with an RS2 or a soft hackle on top. I'll keep going with that until I see noses. So tie up a few and give 'em a try!

Materials for Tying the Jujubaetis:

- Hook: Firehole 317, 16–22
- Thread: Veevus 12/0, dark olive
- Tail: Mottled brown hen neck or saddle barbs
- Body: Ultra Wire, olive/chartreuse or copper brown/black
- Wing case: Over: small lime-green holographic, Under: medium Mirage opal
- Legs: White Zelon, colored with markers (optional)
- Thorax: Ice Dub or SLF Bug Dub, peacock or olive brown
- Head: Thread



OLIVE
JUJUBAETIS

Tying Instructions for the Jujubaetis:

- 1 Set your hook in the vise, attach your thread behind the head space and wind back to a point about a third of the way around the hook's bend. The hook I am using has a continuous bend, and one could also use a TMC 2487 or 2488. Keep your thread flat and resist the urge to add more than the bare minimum turns of thread, keeping this fly **very** slender. Prepare the tail fibers by first pulling them out perpendicular to the rachis, aligning the tips and then removing about three to six barbs. Tie them in so that they are short—about half the length of the body.
- 2 Pick your body colors and pull off eight inches of the primary color and four inches of the secondary. Cut the primary length of wire in half. Tie in all three lengths of wire, low and on the far side of the hook. Advance your thread evenly and smoothly (think skinny!) to the thorax. On this fly we want our proportions to be 60:40 body to thorax. Now wind all three strands forward and tie them off at the thorax. Beware: sometimes they want to separate as you begin winding, so use your bodkin to keep them together. At this point I apply a very thin coat of Bone Dry (by Solarez) UV curing resin. And I mean thin.
- 3 With the thread at the start of the thorax, cut off a three-inch length of the holographic tinsel and tie it in, pointing rearward. Do the same with the opal Mirage tinsel. These will be your wing case. Tie them in curl-side down to keep them out of the way. I add the holographic tinsel to simulate the wing case splitting open for the emerging dun adult. Select 12–16 strands of Zelon and cut off a three-inch length. On some flies I leave these uncolored; on others I will hit them with brown and black Sharpie marking pens. If you're going to color them, do so now, let them dry for a minute and wipe off any excess with a paper towel. Once dry, tie in these fibers pointing to the rear, just like the two wing-case materials.
- 4 Select a tiny amount of dubbing (and then throw away half of that!). Yes, you really want to use a



COPPER
BROWN
JUJUBAETIS

small amount to keep the thorax thin. Apply the dubbing in a very thin noodle and wind down to, but not intruding on, the head space.

- 5 Now we can start to get rid of that stuff hanging around back there. Grab the Zelon leg material, pull it forward over the thorax and tie it off with two, maybe three turns of thread. Divide the butt ends of the Zelon in half and pull one half back along the far side of the hook, then tie them down with a turn or two. With the remainder, do the same thing on the front. Add one or two more turns to anchor them in.
- 6 First, pull the opal Mirage tinsel forward over the thorax, and tie it off at the head space. Then do the same thing with the holographic tinsel. Try to get the holographic tinsel to be centered down the middle of the opal Mirage tinsel. The fish might not care, but I do! Form a neat head and one that is a bit on the large side, and whip finish. Almost done...
- 7 Grab both the near and far ends of the Zelon legs and pull them straight back. Cut these with your scissors so that they extend just beyond the thorax, as shown in the artwork. Now, break out your UV resin and flashlight again. I use a lot of Bone Dry, which is very thin, and while it does work, it takes a lot of coats to build up and bulk across the top of the wing case materials. I have a thicker version of UV resin (Solarez Thin/Hard), and I apply a small drop to the end of my bodkin. I carefully apply it to the top of the wing case, smoothing it from front to back, and even down onto the body a short way. Zap it with the light, and you are done and ready to go fishing!

Calendar of Events

March

1	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
		11:00 AM	Sunday Women's Casting Clinic
2	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
		6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
3	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
			Beginning Fly Tying
4	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
5	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
5-8	Weekend		Lower Owens Trip #3 w/ John Lincoln and Dan Rivett
7	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
8	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
		1:00 PM	Monthly Casting Lessons
9	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
10	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
11	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
12	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
14	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
15	Sunday	9:00 AM	Long Beach Casting Club Skills Challenge Orientation
16	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
17	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
18	Wednesday	12:00 PM	Nooner Lunch
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
19	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
21	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
22	Sunday	9:00 AM	Long Beach Casting Club Skills Challenge
23	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
24	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
25	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
26	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Frank Burr, Oahu Freshwater Fly Fishing
27-29			Heritage Trout Upper Kern River w/ Bob Mayfield
28	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
29	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
30	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
		6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
31	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast

Calendar of Events Cont'd.

April



1	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
2	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
4	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
5	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
		11:00 AM	Sunday Women's Casting Clinic
6	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
7	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
8	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
9	Thursday	7:00 PM	Annual General Meeting
11	Saturday	8:00 AM	FFI Fly Buy
12	Sunday	9:00 AM	Double Haul Class
		1:00 PM	Monthly Casting Lessons
13	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
14	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
15	Wednesday	12:00 PM	Nooner Lunch
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
16	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
18	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
19	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
20	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
21	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
22	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
23	Thursday	7:00 PM	Awards & Installation Dinner
25	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
26-5/1	Week		Green River Trip #1 w/ Andrew Fairbanks
26	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
27	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
28	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
29	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
30	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting

Calendar of Events Cont'd.

May

1-3	Weekend		Heritage Trout Fish Creek, Clicks Creek w/ Bob Mayfield
2	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
3	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
		11:00 AM	Sunday Women's Casting Clinic
5/3-8	Week		Green River Trip #2 w/ Colin Kumabe
4	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
		6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
5	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
6	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
7	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
9	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
10	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
		1:00 PM	Monthly Casting Lessons
11	Monday	9:00 AM	Project Healing Waters at LBCC
12	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
			Rod Building Session #1
13	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
14	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
14-17			U.S. Fly Casting Team Training
16	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
		9:00 AM	Pre-Trip: Fall River Trip w/M. Bonvouloir
17	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
19	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
20	Wednesday	12:00 PM	Nooner Lunch
		7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
21	Thursday	7:00 PM	Project Healing Waters Evening Meeting
23	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
24	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting
26	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Tuesday Night Club Cast
			Rod Building Session #2
26-30	Week		Fall River Trip w/M. Bonvouloir
27	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Fly Tying Forum
28	Thursday	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting: Ken Johnson, CDFW, Southern Sierra Fishery
29-6/1	Weekend		Heritage Trout Eagle Lake and Wolf Creek w/ Bob Mayfield
30	Saturday	8:00 AM	Club Spey Cast
31	Sunday	9:00 AM	Open and Target Casting



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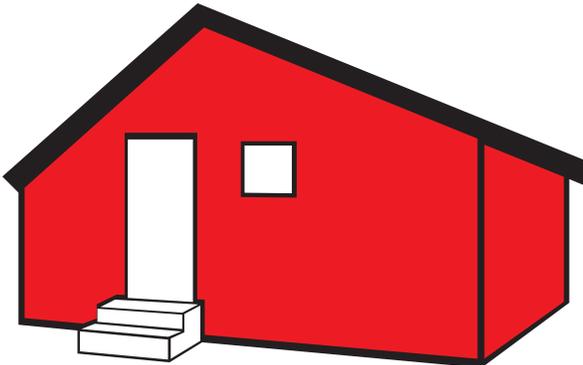
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