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April Speaker

A Grand Tour of New Zealand

A New Zealand show will be presented by **Sam Mihara** - highly rated lecturer, author, photographer and fly fisherman from the Long Beach (California) Casting Club.

Sam will be the guest speaker for the April club meeting. He specializes in finding affordable long-distance fly-fishing – seeking the best locations around the world at a low cost. Sam started going to New Zealand 20 years ago and has gathered valuable information from the islands down under. For this show, he took a month-long driving trip to record and photograph his experiences on both North Island and South Island. The slide show covers the sights, flies and important waters on both islands.

The North Island portion features the famed Tongariro, Rangitikei, and Rotorua regions. The region is the home of native Maoris. A difficult hike and fishing

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REMINDER

Volunteer hosts for the
April meeting

(report at 6:15 PM):

**Richard and Matthew
Louv**

Thank you, Mona Morebello

Chollas Lake Fishing Derby

by Gary Hilbers



The 2004 Chollas Lake Fishing Derby held on February 21st was a great success by any measure. Things actually got under way on Friday the 20th. At noon ten or so members of the SDFF showed up to help the Police Athletic League (PAL) assemble rods and reels. Everyone pitched right in and in short order had an assembly line set up and where cranking out rods

and reels. The only break in action was when the PAL volunteers served everyone a great lunch. By 4:00 over 600 rods & reels had been assembled, set up and where ready to go.

On Saturday morning 28 SDFF volunteers showed up at 7:00 AM to get things started. People where assigned to their various stations and got to work. Some helped kids sign in and then sent them over to the station where others passed out rods and reels. If they didn't know how to use them, they where sent over to a station where **Jay Dunkelman** and other volunteers taught them how to

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MEETING NOTICE

Monday, April 5th, 2004
7:30 PM

Sequoia Elementary School
4690 Limerick Ave.
(See map on back page)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: APRIL 2004

You read a lot about how crowded our sport has become. A trip to the San Juan can certainly be a shock and leave you wondering how even one more person could possibly fish the river. This past meeting we were visited by Bob Miller of Italio River Adventures in Alaska. What Bob showed us was a wonderful fishery in a

wilderness area where only a very few people venture each year. A few hardy souls from San Diego Fly Fishers will be such a lucky group later this year. I wish I could join them. Bob did a great slide show, more than just fish pictures. He showed us the landscape in the area near

his lodge and some of the wildlife that can be found in the area. If you missed the presentation, he has a great web page, www.italio.com. A special thanks to member Wally Johnson who arranged for Bob's visit and was his gracious host.

The only experience I have with a fly fishing club is the San Diego Fly Fishers. I imagine that is true for most of you as well. As president, I get copies of the newsletters of several other clubs. Reading them has been quite informative and has allowed me to see how we are similar too and different than the other clubs. Most have club trips, tie flies, an annual banquet and a raffle. But we are different, let me explain.

At least one club, one with a very recognized name, has a nut that seems to be the main focus of much of their activity. This same club is about to have their annual casting clinic on three consecutive Saturdays with a \$45 price tag. Compare that to our



GEORGE GATES

club which holds casting clinics at least 50 Sundays a year for free. What is the difference? The numerous SDDF volunteers who are giving back to the community by teaching fly casting to anyone interested, not just club members. That is what makes our club so different from all the

others.

The Chollas Lake kids program organized by **Joe Bain** and **Gary Hilbers** is another example. This past month the lake hosted the STAR/PAL Kid's Fishing Derby. Several hundred under privileged kids were given the opportunity to go fishing. These events don't just happen. They take hours of planning and lots of volunteer help. Again, SDDF members made the effort to support this program by volunteering. Thanks for a great job to each and every one of these volunteers:

Jay and Noushin Dunkelman, Tom Smith, Larry Sorensen, Paul Woolery, Lucky Ketchaum, Robert Erb, Fred Gregory, Lee McElravy, Jim and Donna Gottfried, Louie Zimm, Bob Wisner, Floyd Lee, Rich and Matt Louv, Robert Pharoah, Lee Anderson, Lloyd Jefferies, Dick Mount, Buck Parker, Howard Knop, Don Davis, Ken Armer, Joe Bain, Gary Hilbers, Kim Jones, Marv Darling and Warren Lew

While I am thanking people, thanks to **Bob Pharoah** and **Chris Johnson** for doing the room setup for the March meeting.

Next month's meeting will take us to New Zealand with Sam Mihara. Sam has spoken to us before on Argentina and Alaska. He is one of the most knowledgeable travel speakers imaginable. He really tells you what you need to know.

I hope you will join us for the April meeting.



Call for Help for San Diego River Day

The San Diego River Park Foundation is asking the San Diego Fly Fishers to help with their first annual San Diego River Day, Saturday, May 22, 2004. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with fishing related activities at Mast Park in Santee should contact Gary Strawn, days: or evenings: Or see Gary at the next meeting.

We can help make the San Diego River a healthy, beautiful, clean and safe asset to our communities.



A reprise article from January 2000

Teaching Her to Fly Cast

No Honey, remember? It's like this-and you show her again. After you've shown her a few times and she still can't get off a good cast, don't beat on her; give her more time and try to dredge up some increasingly scarce patience. Think back how many tries did you need to learn to cast well.



BOB WISNER

If you're trying to teach your lady to fly cast, you should read the following item appearing in the Spring, 1999 FFF *Flyfishing*, written by Dorothy Schramm, national co-coordinator of the FFF's Women's Education program.

In my experience teaching women's fly fishing schools, I often hear stories of disaster and frustration from women who were exposed to fly fishing by their husbands or some significant other person in their life. The worst one was of a woman pulling the rod apart, throwing it on the ground and storming off in tears. The reasons for frustration are many, the most prominent being years of relationship dynamics coming into play. There are strong emotions involved. The guy sincerely wants to share his love for the sport, and the woman is feeling pressure to perform her best for him. After listening to years of complaints, I have put

together a list of *do's* and *don'ts* that may help you bring that special person into the sport to stay.

Don't: Give her used, unsuitable hand-me-down equipment. She can't concentrate on casting if the river is dragging against oversized waders and boots or her hand hurts because

the rod grip is too big. **Do:** Provide equipment that fits and a balanced outfit.

Don't: Try to teach everything you've learned in 30 years in one outing. **Do:** Limit what you teach on the first outing. You may just want to take her to the river and give her a simple task like looking for caddis larvae, adult insects emerging or locating a fish. There is a great satisfaction in these simple tasks, and you are setting up the situation for success. Let her set the pace.

Don't: Make the first outing a marathon. You may want to fish from sunup to sundown, but this is probably too much for a novice. **Do:** Plan a reasonable, non-tiring outing and let her know it is OK to not fish. A common complaint from women is that men ask "what's wrong?" if they are not fishing. Let her know it is OK to stop, read, watch birds, nap, etc.

Don't: Take the rod out of her hand (number one complaint). **Do:**

Understand how she learns best; auditory (by verbal instruction), visual (by demonstration) or tactile (actually doing the tasks herself), and then present your information by these methods or a combination of them. Use your own rod to demonstrate.

Don't: Comment on every cast (ouch!). **Do:** Tell her what she is doing right followed by suggestions to change the problem. "Your back cast is great, and the forward stroke smooth, but don't forget to stop."

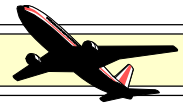
Don't: Dismiss her concerns and fears. Even if they seem silly to you, they are real to her. **Do:** Help her through her fear of wading, bears, etc. with honest answers that put things in perspective. "Yes, there may be bears in this area, so these are the precautions we are taking," or "you are well-belted in your waders, and in this type of water you will be carried to another shallow area."

Don't: Make her dependent on you to rig or make fly choices. **Do:** Make her independent by teaching how to tie on a fly and replace a tippet. She needs her own supply of flies, divided into "wet and dry" categories, and give her some space. Let her make some of her own choices. If she wants to fish a fly because she thinks it's cute, that is reason enough. You may be pleasantly surprised.

This list is not all encompassing, but rather the beginning of a sense of awareness in your adventure. It is not meant to be condescending, but to instead encourage drawing on one's

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JACK BENTLEY

**Any Questions?
Call Jack Bentley at**

Green River Trip Ready to Go

The Green River, Utah trip is full and a great trip is anticipated. For those who are going, **be at the airport at 6:00 AM**, Monday May 10th. I will have your ticket.

Depart: Southwest Airlines Flt#548 @ 7:50 AM (May 10th)

Return: Southwest Airlines Flt#1295 @ 5:15 PM (May 15th).

We will arrive in San Diego at 4:50 PM local time.

Phone# for Flaming Gorge Lodge: 1-435-889-3773.

Call me for any last minute space available.

Lees Ferry Booked for April 6-10, 2004

Jack has reserved 3 boats with Dave Foster's Guide Service for the 7th, 8th, and 9th of April. Each boat can accomodate 2 to 3 fishermen. Travel to Lees Ferry would commence on the 6th of April with three days of fishing and return on the 10th. Call Jack for details and reservations.

Day On the Docks, Sunday, April 25, 2004

The San Diego Fly Fishers will have a booth again this year. I would like salt water fly tiers for the AM and PM shifts. We will want one of these tiers available to instruct kids on tying a basic Clauser Minnow. Call **Jim Castelluzzo** at Martinez Cutri Corporation,

Teaching Her to Fly Cast **continued from page 3**

own resources. We *are* capable and don't need to be told every move to make, what fly to use, where to stand, when to start, when to stop, when to move on to new water. There is no need to orchestrate the entire event. You would probably give up fishing if you had to experience that yourself. When in doubt, ask yourself this, "Is this how I would like to be treated by my best fishing buddy?" Or, "Does this particular interaction encourage

the benefits one can derive from the experience?" And this works two ways; it is a pretty good way to teach any beginner

And for the women? Know that maybe you are being taught by the world's best fisherman, but probably not the world's best teacher. You need to understand that to many men, their fishing is an intimate relationship with water. They fish because they seek solitude, respite, relaxation, restoration and a special connection with nature. Being invited into this realm is significant. Tread

lightly.

But fishing is fishing. Forget the "always do's, and never do's." Lighten up! It is playful exploration, making choices and making mistakes, laughing at yourself, experiencing the river at your own skill level. Consider the possibility of doing it together, but don't expect her experience to be the same as yours. Chances are it will or has changed for you over the years. And that is a good thing. a gift of growth. Oh, and guys, if she catches more and bigger fish than you, do the right thing. Marry her.





A Call To Action!

Help Stop the Spread of the New Zealand Mud Snail!



GARY STRAWN

The following was excerpted from

WWW.flyline.com,

prepared by Ralph Cutter. For the complete story check their web site or read Ralph's fine article in the February 2004

issue of California Fly Fisher.

Description: A brown to black very small (maximum size of 5 mm) mud snail with a sharply conical shell.

Natural history: The New Zealand mud snail (NZMS) lives in a variety of habitats ranging from estuaries and lakes to large rivers and small streams. It feeds on bottom dwelling algae and detritus. The mud snail can reproduce sexually or through the process of parthenogenesis, which produced clones of the adult mud snail. In its native waters the mud snail population is primarily kept in check by trematode parasites that sterilize the snail or change mud snail behavior. Around 1986, the mud snail is thought to have been imported from New Zealand into a hatchery in Idaho from which it was widely disseminated through trout stocking. Without its natural enemies, the mud snail has spread uncontrolled through some of the most productive waters in North America. More than 700,000 mud snails per square meter have been found in some waters. Their sheer numbers dominate the base of the food web and they can consume

over 80% of a river's productivity. Though quantitative analysis is not yet published, it appears quite likely that the presence of large numbers of NZMS can have a profoundly negative impact on a trout or salmon fishery. Perhaps the mud snail will take care of itself. Invasive exotics are well known

for overshooting the carrying capacity of their newfound home. NZMS populations in Lake Zurich rose dramatically then crashed. The populations in Denmark have all but disappeared. Scientists still do not know why.

Distribution: The NZMS has been documented in the Columbia, Snake, Missouri, and Colorado drainages. The known California distribution was limited to the **Owens River** and the lower reaches of some of its tributaries. But recent discoveries in Putah Creek and the Mokelumne River, demonstrates its rapid spread. **Wading anglers almost assuredly caused the California invasions.**

Containment: Since NZMS populations can't be controlled once they become established; the first order of defense is containment. Angler awareness is paramount! Inspection of wading gear is highly unreliable, since the snails may be as small as a fleck of pepper. Therefore, a thorough decontamination of wading gear is mandatory.

Decontamination*: There is no perfect method for decontaminating waders and wading shoes. A 5% solution of **Clorox** bleach will kill 100% of the mud snails with a 5-minute exposure. Unfortunately, many branded bleaches are only half as strong as the 6% Clorox and when opened, any bleach deteriorates rapidly. Also bleach will react quickly with organic debris (mud) attached to wading shoes and can possibly lose its efficacy before killing the mud snails. Exposure to hot water (120°F) quickly kills mud snails, but it is more difficult than might be imagined to sustain. Freezing kills 100% of the snails 100% of the time. Desiccation is very effective as long as the mud snails are dried completely for at least four hours in the hot sun or for more than a day at room temperature. Copper sulfate, Quaternary Ammonia Compounds (QAF), and **Grapefruit Seed Extract (GSE)** are very potent molluscicides but all lose their efficacy at temperatures lower than around 45°F.

Suggested solutions for decontaminating wading gear (minimum 5 minute exposure):

Above 45 degrees F: 2 teaspoons GSE/gal water or 1/2 cup Clorox/gallon of water (any temp).

GSE, an organic, biodegradable food product stands head and shoulders above the other toxic alternatives and is recommended when temperatures are above 45°F. GSE is available at most health food stores.



Chollas Lake

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cast. Then they went fishing. While they were fishing **Kim Jones, Lucky Ketchaum, Bob Wisner, Lloyd Jeffries, Lee Anderson** and others were around the lake and on the piers

out there demonstrating the fine art of fly tying. Although I don't have the specific assign-



Jacob Gomez with his prize winning catch.

to help them with everything from bait-

sick, fish did not get delivered in time for

the derby. This year to ensure that that did not happen again PAL bought fish from the White Water Hatchery. White Water de-

ments, there where many others from the club out there pitching in and helping to make this a very successful event. Your work is very much appreciated.

People that I talked to who have been involved in this program longer then I have said this was one of the most successful, well-run derby's they had seen. **Roger Bowmen**, head of PAL, said that the level and quality of SDFP participation was a key factor. Everyone I talked to had a great time and really felt good about their participation. The only question remaining is why don't we get involved in kids fishing programs more often?



ing their hooks to landing fish. And if they had a tackle problem they went up to one of the repair stations where **Dick Mount, Marvin Darling, Ken Armor, Louie Zimm and Bob Erb** where ready, willing and able to help them. And if they wanted to take a break from fishing, **Tom Smith, Larry Sorensen, Floyd Lee and Lee McElravy** where

livered 2,000 pounds of trout with 15, ranging from 2-8 lbs., tagged for prizes. A couple of hours later DFG showed up with another 600 lbs. of



Kim Jones and Joe Bain at the Lend-A-Rod station Joe built.



FLY OF THE MONTH

THE CICADA



The Cicada is a great fly for the Green River in May. Although the naturals only hatch every 2-17 years, the trout seem to hit them even in the years that they are not hatching. Dead drift them over a seam or drop off. They also make a great strike indicator if you're dropping a soft hackle or partridge and green.

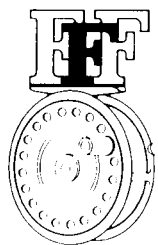
HOOK: Dry fly 2X long size 6-8 (TMC 5212)
THREAD: Black 3/0
BODY: Black foam strips
ABDOMEN: (Optional): Orange Dubbing
THORAX: Black dubbing
WING: Blonde elk hair and rainbow crystal flash
LEGS: Black rubber legs

1. The foam comes in 1/8" sheets. Cut it in 3/16" strips (I us a paper cutter) and cut a point on the end.
2. Wrap the thread back to the bend of the hook.
3. Tie on the foam body with the pointed tip hanging over the bend of the hook, and then take a couple of wraps in front of the foam material.
4. Dub the orange abdomen forward about 2/3 of the shank length.
5. Pull the foam over the abdomen and tie down at this point. Wrap thread forward over the foam and hook shank to within one eye's length from the eye of the hook.
6. Dub the thorax back to the abdomen. (This should be a buggy dub.)
7. Stack the elk hair and tie in the wing. Then tie in 6-8 strands of crystal flash.
8. Pull back the foam, tie off at the wing and trim the excess leaving a short nub.
9. Tie in the rubber legs on each side and trim so that they are about 1/2" in front and back.
10. Whip finish and go fish.



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From the FFF Clubwire News

By Jim Abbs from the September 1998 Clubwire

Do You Have an Olfactory Handicap?

Up near the south shore of the Shining Big Sea Waters (Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's name for Lake Superior) lives a psychiatrist by the name of Gregory Bambenek. Dr. Bambenek has some interesting ideas that not only have made him rich, but also are of importance to fly fishers.

Those who have read the "Guide to Aquatic Trout Foods" know that Dave Whitlock argues strongly that the chemical senses play an important role in fish feeding. For example, Whitlock notes that "Trout rely heavily upon their sense of smell to confirm the edibility of a food object. The fly tier and fly fisher should give careful considerations to how his flies smell to a trout. For example, when I fish subsurface imitations of aquatic food forms, I will rub the fly with the bottom

of a rock or a piece of vegetation taken from the stream. There is no doubt that a fly so treated performs better than one that carries human or chemical scents."

According to Dr. Bambenek's research, fish have one of the most sensitive olfactory systems in nature. A good hunting dog can smell about 1,000 times better than his master and a fish can smell 1,000 times better than a hunting dog. If you put one drop of something in Lake Erie, some fish are so sensitive they can smell it anywhere in the lake. As a fly angler, you should know that if your perspiration contains high levels of L-serine, a mammalian amino acid offensive to fish, your fishing success may be restricted.

On the other hand, fish find other

scents attractive. There apparently are unique scents emitted by wounded minnows, insects and crustaceans going through metamorphic skin changes or freshly laid fish eggs. These scents announce that dinner is served to every fish around.

As fly anglers, we have elevated our fly designs to the highest level with respect to their visual properties. Perhaps it is time we realized that no natural organism relies on a single sense to the exclusion of all others. The optimal and more realistic fly design would incorporate natural features of how a fly looks, feels (touch/texture) AND smells. Perhaps avoiding scents on flies is sort of like over zealous adherence to fly fishing rules of 19th century England to only fish dry flies upstream — foolish and a little rigid.



Join Us at FFFs International Conclave 2004--August 18-21, West Yellowstone, Montana

How many times have you had the opportunity to satisfy your fly fishing pleasures and also be a hero with the family? This year you will have that opportunity at Conclave 2004. Just think, you can attend the Conclave and increase your

skills while the non fly fishers in the family have the opportunity to tour one of the great wonders of the world in Yellowstone Park. Of course all members of the family can do both.

West Yellowstone, Montana is not only the west entrance to Yellowstone Park but it sits in the middle of some of the best trout fishing in the world. You can lake fish on Hebgen, Henry's or

Quake Lakes or fish the Madison River, Duck and Cougar Creeks all within short drives of West. In Yellowstone Park the Madison and Firehole Rivers will be too warm for good fishing in August but there are enough other excellent streams to fish. The Gibbon and Yellowstone Rivers are excellent this time of the year. Yellowstone Lake is also fun.



A Grand Tour of New Zealand

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up the Rangitikei River resulted in an interesting result. Searching east of Rotorua, a river with an enormous Cicada hatch was a very pleasant surprise. And a discovery of the world's best guide will be discussed.

The South Island portion includes Nelson Lakes, Greymouth, Franz Josef Glacier, Haast Pass, Queenstown and Milford Sound. In the South Island, Sam learned about variations on common flies used in the US. And the results of Sam using these variations will be shown. He also learned about a pest that rivals the worst of the bugs in Alaska.

What do local people do for excitement in New Zealand? Sam took photos of life-threatening sports of the South Island that makes you nervous just watching. And the story ends with the beautiful sights of Milford Sound – considered one of the great wonders of the world.

All this while saving money at the same time makes a fascinating story. Don't miss this one and invite your friends.

Jim Castelluzzo



Belden Rau Silent Auction

Belden Rau, Jr.

As mentioned in last month's *FINNY FACTS*, we recently lost long time member Belden Rau. Those of us who have been around for awhile remember Belden as one of the people that preceded Ted and Tom selling raffle tickets and greeting people at the front door. When we did the Fred Hall shows and the Del Mar Fair, he was usually there tying flies and talking to folks about the club.

Belden's widow, Pat, has

generously donated some of Belden's fly fishing items and artwork to the Club. Some of these items will be sold via silent auction at the April meeting. Included in the art work are some very beautiful fly plates tied by F. McPhillips of Tempo, Co. Fermangh, Ireland. They include Atlantic salmon flies and traditional Irish trout flies. This is a great opportunity to decorate your office or home with some classic artwork and help out the Club at the same time. We invite you to take a look at these items and bid generously.

Quotes

Herbert Hoover Speaks on Fishing

From the December 03 Target Talk the newsletter of the Long Beach Casting Club

"Be patient and calm - for no one can catch fish in anger."

"The joys of fishing are not confined to the hours near the water."

"Fishermen are an optimistic class, or they would not be fishermen."

"Next to prayer, fishing is the most personal relationship of man."

"It is not the fish we catch that counts. It is the joyous rush of the brook, and the contemplation of the eternal rush of the stream."

"Fishing is the eternal Fountain of Youth."





News Release

Contact: Jim Edmondson, CalTrout Southern California Manager, 818-865-2888; troutmd@earthlink.net.

Sucker Listing To Benefit Southland Wild Trout

A significant victory for Southern California wild trout was won February 26 when the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) made a "critical habitat" designation for the Santa Ana sucker. The Santa Ana sucker is a native freshwater fish that shares habitat with wild rainbow trout throughout the headwaters of the Los Angeles, San Gabriel, and Santa Ana rivers. The long-awaited critical habitat designation follows a prior Service listing of the sucker as a threatened species in 1999, and provides added protections for wild rainbow trout from adverse suction dredging, ORV abuse and habitat degradation. It is a milestone for the region, and is one of the longest running conservation battles for CalTrout in the organization's Southern California history.

The Santa Ana sucker inhabits streams generally found in the headwaters and seems to be most abundant where the water is cool (less than 22°C. or 72° F.) and unpolluted.. The sucker requires instream flows that equal or exceed those required by wild rainbow trout. Although now extirpated from over 75% of their historic range, the most significant population of the Santa Ana sucker is in the West Fork San Gabriel River below Cogswell Dam where a robust wild rainbow trout population exists. Thus, where suckers are abundant, so are wild rainbows, and this cohabitation provides a means to protect CalTrout's prime mission species — wild trout.

In September 1994 CalTrout began a process to list the Santa Ana sucker as a federally endangered species. This position was taken primarily to protect both the native sucker and wild rainbow trout from further harm caused by government's ineffectiveness to address suction dredging throughout the San Gabriel River watershed in the Angeles National Forest, and to require better instream flow conditions in the West Fork San Gabriel below Cogswell. In 1997 CalTrout was joined by the American Fisheries Society, Friends of the River, and the Center for Biodiversity in an endangered species lawsuit to list the sucker.

The Service's critical listing designation bodes well for the West Fork. The stream has suffered numerous setbacks because of past Los Angeles County Flood Control operations of Cogswell Dam. Fortunately most of that former behavior has subsided since a Long-Term West Fork Management Plan was hammered out in 1989. While this Plan is good, it is only voluntary, and some have raised concern that the Flood Control could and should do more for the West Fork.

The critical habitat designation may change all that for the better, as the Endangered Species Act requires mandatory protective measures to avoid harming or taking listed species. As Cogswell is in the Angeles National Forest, the primary rules governing the dam's future operations will be developed between the Forest and Wildlife Services. Additional protective measures to the East and North Forks of the San Gabriel, as well as Big Tujunga Creek on the Los Angeles River, and Mill, City, and Lytle Creeks tributary to the Santa Ana River are anticipated.



FREE CASTING LESSONS EVERY SUNDAY 9 AM--NOON

Join the San Diego Fly Fishers at Lake Murray to cast or improve your skills. Free instruction is available.

Bring your own equipment or use the club equipment, available from one of the instructors.

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Turn left and look for people casting just as you enter the park. That's our bunch.

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Gordie Zimm

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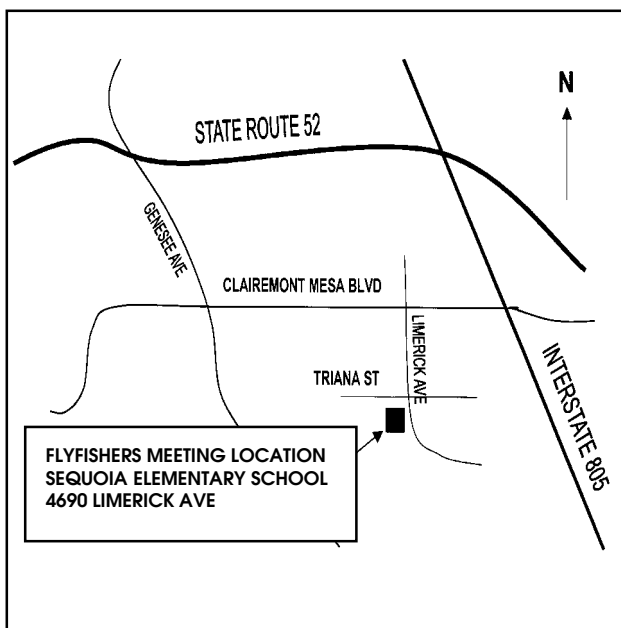
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San Carlos Recreation Center near Lake Murray. (We no longer meet at the Lake Murray Water Training Facility at Lake Murray). The address is 6445 Lake Badin Ave. To get there from Hwy. 8, take the Lake Murray Blvd. exit just like you were going to the lake. Instead of turning into Kiowa, keep going on Lake Murray Blvd. another 1.6 miles. When you come to Lake Adlon Drive, (first corner past Jackson Dr.) turn left. Go down three blocks and the recreation center will be on your right. It is on the corner of Lake Adlon and Lake Badin.



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