

FINNY FACTS

April 2022

San Diego Fly Fishers
Cleaner Water, Brighter Streams, Better Fishing

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April Club Meeting
Monday, April 4th, 7:30 pm
with guest
RUSSEL BARABE
CDFW Coldwater Fisheries Biologist
Presenting live at SWYC!



If you haven't done so already, it's time to renew your membership to the San Diego Fly Fishers!
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President's Message



Jim Castelluzzo
April, 2022

president@sandiegoflyfishers.com

Please pardon my digression from Fly Fishing Topics for the moment: I woke up one morning last month and believed I was transported to Poland in 1939. An image of Brando appeared from *Apocalypse Now* whispering: "The Horror, The Horror". I will always remember and admire the young Anne Franks' words of wisdom and compassion from her diary after having tolerated years of repression and dehumanization at the hands of the Nazis, and dying in March of 1945 at the age of 15: "In spite of everything I still believe that people are really good at heart. I simply can't build up my hopes on a foundation consisting of confusion, misery and death... if I look up into the heavens, I think that it will all come right, that this cruelty too will end, and that peace and tranquility will return again"

I too believe there are many people that are good at heart. I choose to look for the good in people, hope for an end to the human carnage and celebrate the great works of the good people. I celebrate my friends and fellow fly fishers and our many good works.

The San Diego fly fishing club is dedicated to promoting the art of fly fishing, to share our sport with newcomers, conduct important works of conservation of fish habitat in our rivers, streams, lakes and ocean. Our club works with local students with our Trout in the Classroom Program, teaching our youth about the trout lifecycles, the eco systems in our rivers and tidal wetlands that promote and sustain new life. Our conservation program supports Hubbs Sea World Fish Hatchery, The Golden Trout Wilderness Habitat Restoration Projects, The Surfrider Foundation, The San Diego River Park Foundation, Project Healing Waters and Casting for Recovery Programs. **Support our May Garage Sale Fundraiser benefitting all of our programs!** Consider making a donation to San Diego Fly Fishers on our new [web site link](#).

Gary Strawn will lead another group of volunteers into the Golden Trout Wilderness June 24-27, working with the USFS on fence installation and repair projects, protecting important Golden Trout Habitat in 9 mile creek. Tim Huckaby will lead a group of volunteers into the Forks of The Kern Area working on 2 miles of trail repair. Tim's group also installed our new Forks Trail Head sign. This will be an exciting adventure from April 28-29.

For a listing of our exciting upcoming spring and summer outings and trips, refer to our Newsletter, Indicator and our web site.

Excerpts: "*Come you masters of war, You that build the big guns, You that build the death planes, You that build all the bombs, You that hide behind walls, You that hide behind desks, I just want you to know, I can see through your masks.... You might say I'm unlearned, But there's one thing I know, Though I'm younger than you, That even Jesus would never Forgive what you do.*"

— Bob Dylan

Speaker Program

Monday, April 4th, 7:30 pm

Southwestern Yacht Club

Come early for food, drinks and swap some fish tales!

Russell Barabe

Russ began his fisheries career in 2001 working for the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The four years spent here cemented his love of fisheries and led to work for the USGS in Twisp Washington and Klamath Falls Oregon. From there Russ headed over to Mississippi State University to obtain his Masters in Fisheries Management.

He currently works for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife in the Heritage and Wild Trout Program and has been with the dept since 2009.



The Program

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) conducts monitoring and management of inland fisheries throughout the state. CDFW's South Coast Region which includes Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, and San Diego counties will be the focus of this talk. Recent surveys have shown some positive developments while drought and wildfires have proven detrimental. Highlights will include recent translocations, drought monitoring, fire impacts, angler survey box data summaries, and invasive species removal.

This presentation will be broad and will cover non-game species as well as rainbow trout work.



Happenings

Monday, May 2

The Sdff Annual Garage Sale

Great Buys on Fly Fishing Gear with all sales support Sdff Programs
6:00 pm at SWYC

Fly-tying Event:

Saturday, April 9, 11:00 am

Bay Park Fish Co.

Contact Kai Schumann at: [Outings](#)

Women's Program

Our women's program is in need of gently used Fly tying vices and tools. If you have any gear you no longer use, please contact Brooke Sargent: [Women's Programs](#)

Rod Building

Stay tuned for when classes will resume

Space will be limited to ensure quality time for each student. Dates will be announced in the *Finny Facts*.

In the interim, if you are beginning your own project and would like some advice or recommendations, please free to contact [Jack Duncan](#)



Please send news, updates, reports, notes, tips, etc., to be shared on this page.

Editor: editor@sandiegoflyfishers.com

A man wearing a brown hat, a light blue short-sleeved shirt, and light blue shorts is standing on a rocky shore, fishing. He is holding a fishing rod with a reel. The ocean is in the background with waves breaking. The sky is clear and blue. A yellow oval highlights the text 'Feature Article' at the top of the page.

Feature Article

Parts Unknown

By Joel Steward

(See the full story on Joel's site crazygoof)

Seven degrees south of the equator lies a rocky atoll in the Indian Ocean called *Diego Garcia*. This article is a "Fly Fishing Primer" for those anglers lucky enough to find a way there. Most of the credit goes to Ben (you know who you are) for allowing me to incorporate his work into this article.

Editor's note: Not likely that we will get a chance to fish this spot, but the story is awesome, and the skills suggested are surely transferable. Joel is a member of SDFF and has spoken to the club in the past.

Feature Article, cont.

The Indian Ocean is a vast stretch of open water. Right in the middle of it is the Chagos Ridge and subsequent island chain. Part of the archipelago is Diego Garcia; perhaps the finest inaccessible tropical fly-fishing location anywhere in the world. The south atoll in the Chagos Ridge, Diego Garcia, supports a diverse environment that has abundant fish, beautiful natural scenery, and ample opportunity for anglers of all skill levels. Few people ever have the opportunity to experience it firsthand because access is controlled tightly. Diego Garcia is part of the British Indian Ocean Territory (BIOT) that exercises jurisdiction over the region. The island serves as a base for US ships and aircraft. It is not a vacation destination. The only way here is to have a job. The military controls all flights so you must have orders, country clearance, and travel approval to board any aircraft bound for the island. Sail here on a boat and you may find your yacht impounded along with a stiff fine.

Not all of the island is accessible for fishing. The north half of the lagoon and its west flats are the only fishing areas inside the atoll. About 21 miles of surfside on the western coast are open to fishing but limited to wading no more than knee deep. This is not a managed fishery but a military base that allows recreational fishing. There is no flexibility in the rules.

During the fall/winter (March-September), prevailing winds blow from the southeast, making the western ocean side more favorable for fly fishing. During the spring/summer (October-February), the winds come from the northwest making the lagoon side slightly more favorable. The best tides for the flats occur during the first 1/3-1/2 of the flooding spring tides which range about 1.75m. Fishing the inside sand flats is best on a .5m or lower tide with little to no wind (the fine sand muddies up the water very quickly). Neap tides can allow for decent fishing as well but water levels are usually quite high limiting accessible areas. Different places along the outside support different tides. There is a spot for just about everything except the highest spring tides.

Recommended Equipment

This list of recommended equipment is pretty straight forward. The most versatile rod is a fast-action 8 weight that can handle almost all of the flats species, although rods as light as 6 and 7 weights or as heavy as 9 and 10 weights can be used successfully. An 8 or 9 will allow for opportunities at larger trigger fish, bluefin trevally, and the "baby" Giant Trevallies (GTs). Giant trevally, some exceeding 80 pounds, are an occasional target. An 11 or 12 weight rod is ideal for these bruisers. Floating lines handle the bulk of the work, although there are limited applications for sinking lines from boats and piers. I recommend "up-lining" a size as most shots are within 50 feet and the wind can be fierce at times (e.g. put an 8 wt line on a 7wt rod). A back-up line or two is recommended due to large amount of coral. Standard salt-water, disk drag reels holding 200+ yards of backing are appropriate. Medium-fast action rods are preferred due to frequent high winds. This is not a place for your trout rod here... leave it at home!

Fluorocarbon leaders between 9 and 12 feet will cover the vast majority of situations. (I like 15# as an all-round choice but 20# is better around coral heads). Bring spools of 12, 15, 20, 30, 40, and 60# mono or fluorocarbon tip-pet to cover the bases. A leader formula that works well is 30in 60#, 18in 40#, 18in 30# 18in 20# 24in 15#. A simpler leader is the 4-3-2 4ft 40#, 3ft 30#, 2ft 20#. Don't use loops, they hang in the guides. Blood knots are the way to go.

An assortment of medium-weighted bonefish and permit flies size 2-6 will handle most of the work. Pale (white, cream, and tan) work best inside the lagoon on the sand flats. Darker flies (orange, olive, and brown) and a chartreuse/white Clouser minnow are best for surfside flats. A few poppers and baitfish patterns in #1-4/0 will be handy for barracuda and trevally. Successful flies tend to be slightly heavier here than in the Caribbean. Specific gear, fly and leader information is provided in the species-specific recommendations below.

Dress for sun and heat. Long sleeve breathable shirts, gloves, and face protection. A wide brimmed hat and good quality polarized sunglasses (copper/green are best on the flats) are a must. Your feet are vital and the reef is brutal. Lats sneakers/wading boots, sun protective clothing, polarized sun-glasses, a wide brimmed hat, and a pack to carry water and gear is essential.

Feature Article, cont.

Specific Species, Bonefish



Ample opportunity exists for small to medium sized bonefish on both the inner and outer flats. It is not unusual to spot multiple 20+ fish schools during a tide. Normally, there is a realistic shot at 2-5 very large adults and often more. There are potential world record-sized fish occasionally on these flats! Bonefish are notoriously difficult to spot and it takes time to learn to “see” the fish. Most people find it easier to spot them on sand flats than the coral flats. Often, you can find them feeding along the edges of parrotfish and triggerfish schools which are easy to spot. They rarely tail in Diego, but when they do, it is a marvelous sight.

Rod: 6-8 weight Line: WF-Floating Leader: 9-10', 12-16# mono or fluorocarbon (less than 12# is unnecessary and will result in coral breakoffs) Flies: Larger and more heavily weighted bonefish flies (#2-4) are generally required due to the water depth on the outside flats (1-3 feet) and wave/swell action although a selection of lighter bead chain patterns is recommended in the shallow and protected inside sand flats. Oddly, chartreuse flies perform very well on the outer flat. Tan and pink are top performers on the lagoon side.

General advice for bonefish flies

- The most important factors are color/flash, size, weight and style. Here are some general thoughts: Start with weight. The fly should sink at the rate you want. As a general rule, the deeper the water on a flat, the heavier the fly should be. However, there are exceptions such as trigger fish where you want the fly to immediately sink to the bottom (use a heavier fly). In surf conditions, it generally helps to have a heavier fly to reduce the amount of wave action. In skinny water, weightless or lightly weighted flies are appropriate. You want to give the fish a reasonable chance to see the fly before it hits the bottom but not an unnatural amount of time. Use very light flies (unweighted or bead chain) when fishing for tailing fish in very shallow water to avoid spooking them.
- Size is an important factor. Fish key in on certain prey. The size of the fly should mimic the bait. Most shrimp, worms and small fish should be in the #2 -6 range (#4 most common). Most crabs should be in the #2-#1 size. Consider decreasing a size if the fish turn away from a fly or increasing if you are looking for larger fish.
- Color is probably least important. The conventional wisdom is to use natural colored flies mimicking the general flat color (e.g. tans and pinks in sand and browns and greens in coral). Also, it is said that light colored flies with minimal flash work best on clear days and bright, flashy ones are the choice for cloudy days. However, there are many people who are successful with bright “attractor” patterns. If you ask 10 people, they will probably give you 10 opinions. Several anglers have found that gaudy chartreuse flies work very well on the ocean-side flats here.
- The style of fly should be chosen based on prey (shrimp, crab, fish, etc), conditions (castability, sink rate), movement (jigging, sliding, or crawling action), and weedlessness (hook up, weed guards, etc).
- Never, ever touch a fly with sunscreen on your hands. The smell will turn off most fish and you may never clean it off.



See Joel's blog [krazygoof](#) for more advice on tropical species (including Giant Trevally!)

Planned Trips 2022

April 16-17 Squaw Lake with Arizona Fly Fishers

May 14 Coronado Dog Beach, Shorepounders

June 4-11 Estero Coyote, Baja Sur

June 18 Lake Henshaw Shorepounders

June 24 (pending permit approval)

July 9 Bayside Park

August 13 North Torrey Pines Shorepounders

September 1-4 Stillwater Montana unguided,
(Arrangements with Huckaby)

September 4-7 Stillwater Montana guided

October 22 Lake Cuyamaca

November Shelter Island

December Otay Lakes



Your host, Two-Fisted Kai.

For more information contact [Kai Schumann](#)

or look for details in *The Indicator*.

Questions? Contact us at outings@sandiegoflyfishers.com



Fly of the Month

The Jalopy



(from Joel Steward)

Never know what is going to grab a **Jalopy**! This is my favorite flats fly. I can't keep track of the species I've caught on it: GTs, permit, bonefish, bluefin trevally, yellow spot trevally, golden Trevally, big eye trevally, snappers, groupers, darts, threadfin and so on.

Materials:

I am a big fan of 60° hooks and tie this exclusively on the Umpqua XS506 SH in size 4 & 6.

- Hook: Umpqua XS506 SH 2-8
- Thread: UTC 140 Burnt Orange (Shell pink for blonde version)
- Eyes: 4mm brass dumbbell
- Body: Arizona Diamond Dub copper/olive (Gold olive for blonde version)
- Underwing: Calftail (gold or chartruse) (coyote for blonde version)
- Legs: Rootbeer/orange sparkle crazy legs (olive for blonde version)
- Wing: Fox squirrel tail (badger for blonde version)

Lay down a thread base starting at the eye to 1/2 way down the shank. Tie in the eyes after the front bend and wrap back to the aft bend. Dub on the body material and wrap forward to the eyes. Tie in the calftail in front of the eyes and secure it behind the eyes. Calftail should extend to the bend. Rotate the hook. Tie in the legs. Length should be 2x shank. Select wing, making sure to get a mix of top and bottom hair to give the fly a two-tone pattern. Squirrel hair does not compress, so tie it tightly. A drop of super glue will help hold it. Cover wing butt and whip finish. I glue all my saltwater flies with Solarez thin. Good luck!

To Join the Wednesday Night Fly Tying Congress Zoom meeting, 6:30 pm [Click Here](#)

Casting Corner

San Diego Fly Fishers Casting Program 2022

Sunday fly casting instruction at Lake Murray with [Alan Thompson](#) at 9:00 am.

In the meantime, if someone has a question or a trip planned and needs some assistance please email me at the email address below to discuss. I am often able to provide private or semi-private instruction.

Casting Skills Challenge Program: The FFI has reintroduced a program they call the Casting Skills Challenge. It is designed for the experienced beginner caster as well as intermediate and advanced fly fishers. It is meant to be a fun way to study, practice and challenge oneself in a progressive fashion. We will be offering this program to SDFP membership in 2022. More information on the program can be found on the FFI website.

Several of our club members have been working on completing the FFI Fly Casting Challenge Program.

Intermediate Casting Clinic: Activity continues with clinics at Mission Bay on the 1st and 3rd Sundays.



For questions please contact: [John Wylie](#)

Conservation & Education



Golden Trout Trip June 24-27, 2021



Once again this year we are planning our volunteer conservation and fishing trip into the Golden Trout Wilderness June 24-27. This is our biggest conservation effort each year. We take a dozen or two hardy volunteers on a 2 mile hike into Casa Vieja Meadow where we work as USFS volunteers erecting a barbed wire and electric fence designed to keep grazing cattle away from Nine Mile Creek that runs through the meadow. We always plan time for fishing and almost everyone catches fish. My 10-year-old grandson caught 15 golden trout on his first trip with a fly rod so this is a good place for beginners. Most of these beautiful trout are small but each trip we catch a few up to 14 inches.

We camp at the Blackrock Trailhead above Kennedy Meadows in Sequoia National Forest. It a narrow but paved road all the way and many of us sleep in our vehicles or small RVs, but there are prepared tent sites. We set up a group kitchen and share meal preparation duties. The site is above 9,000 ft so it can be cold or rainy and some folks have trouble sleeping at that altitude if they have breathing issues. The trail into the meadow is well prepared but steep. We only carry small day packs so most folks find the daily hike up out of the meadow strenuous but doable. We allow plenty of time for hiking at your own pace. This is a family friendly event, but only recommended for children 10 or older with some hiking experience.

If this event interests you, please contact me with this link: [Gary Strawn](#)

USFS places a limit on the number of volunteers we can have in the Wilderness so please sign up early.

If you know of a good conservation project that needs support, please share your ideas with the committee. conservation@sandiegoflyfishers.com

Women's Programs

Cider and Clousers

Bivouac Ciderworks, Northpark
Saturday March 26

It was a successful afternoon of tying clouser minnows and strengthening the female fly fishing community. The SDFW Women's programs Flights & Flies event went off Sat March 26th without a hitch! Hosted at the woman-owned cidery, Bivouac Cider in North Park, it was a perfect way to celebrate Women's History Month! Bobbins whirled and flights clinked as the ladies tied their flies. About half of the attendees were beginners, with the other half seasoned tyers! There was mention of this happening more frequently, so keep an eye open and an ear out!



Alyson Yoo showing off her perfect clousers! I can see her catching some nice spotties on those!



Kim Elliott, a beginner at tying flies, showing off her first clouser minnow! If she hadn't told me she was a beginner, I wouldn't think it! Great work Kim!



SDFW Treasurer, Andrea Rae, helping Debbie set up a vice! This was Debbie's first time tying, and did a great job as a right handed instructor tried to translate it to her left hand! Thanks for working with us Debbie!



Bonnie (pictured) trying her first clouser minnow! Bonnie is a really crafty and creative person and was able to pick up the techniques quickly, by the end she was a whip finishing pro!

Project Healing Waters

Project Healing Waters

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing is a nationwide non-profit dedicated to the physical and emotional rehabilitation of disabled active military service personnel and disabled veterans through fly fishing and associated activities including education, classes and outings. The Program has been in existence since 2006. Our San Diego Program is one of 200+ such programs in the U.S. Each Program is organized and maintained through a local fly fishing club, in our case the San Diego Fly Fishers. Our San Diego Program first started in 2009.

WHEN: The first and third Wednesdays of every month at 5:00 p.m.
Next class is Wednesday, November 3rd.

WHERE: Santee Historical Society Edgemoor Barn, (The White Barn),
9200 North Magnolia Avenue, Santee.

WHAT: Classes on fly tying, fly casting and general fly fishing information.
Some fishing outings are planned as conditions permit.

WHO: All disabled military, active duty or retired, are welcome to join us. No prior fly fishing (or any fishing) experience necessary. No charge. All fly fishing and fly tying equipment and material available free of charge.

Please RSVP to our San Diego Program Lead, [Lee McElravy](#)

We are happy to address any questions you may have to help you get started.

Please look at our Club's PHW Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/PHWFF.SDFF/>

SWCFFI



More info on **FLYBUY**, click [here](#)

ADMISSION:

- ADULTS: \$20.00. Includes lunch/drink
- UNDER 16 and VETS: Free
- NEW TO FLY FISHING: 15.00. Includes lunch and a FREE fly casting lesson to get you started
-

Long Beach Casting Club - 5201 E 7th St, Long Beach, CA 90804

ACTIVITIES:

- Fly Tying Demonstrations all day
- Raffles
- Silent Auctions
- Flies for Sale
- Used-Equipment Sale
- Casting Lessons and Games
- BRING/DONATE a new or lightly used item of 40.00 retail value and get in FREE!

Direct link the [SWCFFI](#) web page!

The **SDFF** is affiliated with the **Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International**

[John Wylie](#), Representative

For more information or to join FFI visit: <https://flyfishersinternational.org/>

Who or What is the Southwest Council?

The Southwest Council of Fly Fishers International represents all of Southern California and Nevada. Fly Fishers International is a 54 year old international non-profit organization dedicated to the betterment of the sport of fly fishing through Conservation, Restoration and Education. Fly Fishers International and its Councils are the only organized advocate for fly fishers on an national and regional level.

Membership

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

**Ready to renew your membership with San Diego Fly Fishers?
Please support your club by planning to renew for 2022!**

[Renew online](#)

We are all about fishing and having fun!

Don't miss out! Join or renew!

You can renew your membership on-line through the SDFF website, or you can renew in person at our monthly programs; or you can download an application on our website and mail a check to

**SAN DIEGO FLY FISHERS
C/O Stroud Tackle
1457 Morena Blvd
San Diego, CA 92110**

Contact: [Alan Thompson](#)

Or Renew at the next Monthly SDFF Meeting

SDFF has four membership levels

Individual.....\$40

Family.....\$50

Individual Military.....FREE (Active Duty Only)

Renew Now!

Renew your membership (or your family's). It's simple.

Click here to [Join](#) then follow the instructions.

Thank you,
Alan Thompson
Membership

Volunteers are needed

San Diego Fly Fishers is a service organization.
So please ask yourself...

"What service can I provide to my Club"?

Service Opportunities

Fishing Outings

This is a chance to help run a fishing outing for Club members. We are seeking volunteers to organize a day of fishing on our local waters. It's fun and easy. Pick your favorite water and contact [Kai Schumann](#) and we will help you get started.

- ◆ Pick a local lake
- ◆ Pick a location for the bay
- ◆ Pick a location for the surf

The whole idea is to involve more members in creating fishing events and get us on the water monthly.

Fundraising

- ◆ **We need 2 or 3 more volunteers to help serve on the committee**, please consider helping out. No volunteers, no fundraiser!

Greeters are needed at our Monthly meetings! We are planning to have 2 or 3 greeters at each event to help new people into our Club. It's a great way to serve the Club and meet new Flyfishers.

Please contact [Jim Castelluzzo](#)

Project Healing Waters

- ◆ Help with this important program that serves Veterans in need.
- ◆ If you know of a Veteran in need Please let us know!
- ◆ Contact: [Lee McElravy](#) to learn how you can contribute.

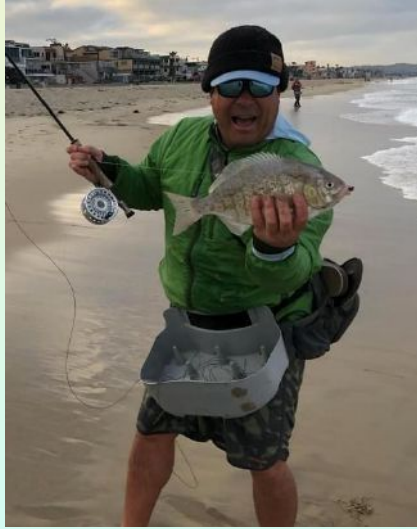
Women's Program

- ◆ Please contact Brooke Sargent [Women's Programs](#) for information and way to get involved.

Fishing!



Jennifer's lip-grips a bass on Squaw Lake!



John grabs a fat spring perch!



Judge rules a Baja Gallo!



Richard raises a sand bass from SD bay!



Brooke lifts a Loveland Crappie!



One of David's hard-earned Pyramid Lake Cutthroats

Please send us a picture from your trip! Sandiegoflyfishers.com

Guides and Resources

San Diego Fly Fishers does not endorse nor recommend any particular Guide or Business. This Information is intended to provide the reader with known providers of services related to fly fishing in our local area and in California. This is not intended to be a complete list of available services.

Guides

Eastern Sierra:

[Sierra Drifters](#)

[Sierra Troutdoorsman](#)

[Pat Jaeger Fly Fishing](#)

[Kern River Fly Shop](#)

[Wild Fly Anglers](#)

Northern California:

[Acosta Fly Fishing](#) (Steelhead)

[Fine and Far Fly Fishing](#) (Steelhead/Spey Trips)

[Baiocchi's Troutfitters](#)

San Diego Bay/Surf/Lakes:

[Conway Bowman](#)

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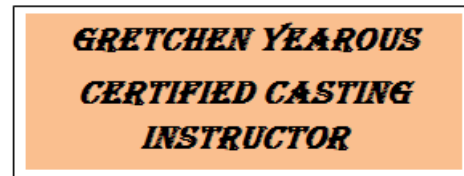
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We need your help getting rid of Carp at Lake Cuyamaca!



CARP ANGLERS WANTED:
CONVENTIONAL ROD AND REEL, SPEAR OR BOW:
Kill a Carp and FISH FOR FREE! Or, TENT CAMP FOR FREE!
PROOF REQUIRED!

LAKE CUYAMACA NEEDS YOUR HELP! KILL A CARP!

Board of Directors

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The Indicator

Emailed twice a month
with updates and break-
ing news!
Make sure you are on the
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Follow SDFF adventures
and news our FACEBOOK
page. Post your own
adventures and
pictures.

[San Diego Fly Fishers](#)

The Board meets at 6:30 PM on the last Monday of each month at the San Diego River Park Foundation Office on Pacific Hwy. (Currently held on Zoom.)

For Directions to all Club Meetings, Clinics and Fly tying classes visit our website at:
[Activities Maps](#)



Tailing Loops

April Fools' Day

(aka, Opening Day on Crowley Lake)

Poisson d'Avril or "April Fish"

This is a tradition in France but instead of calling out "April Fool" they say "***Poisson d'Avril***" which means "April Fish". One of the favorite "April Fish" jokes among the French is to tape a paper fish to someone's back without them knowing it. The longer the paper fish stays on someone's back the funnier it is!

Hilarious, right? And clearly one more reason to be thankful that our Founding Fathers were not from France.

Anyway...



Did you hear about the guy who swapped the labels on the pumps at the gas station?

It was an April Fuels' joke.

Why are babies born on March 31st the easiest to prank on April Fools'?

They were literally born yesterday!

A couple of pranksters broke into the local police station and stole all the lavatory equipment.

A spokesperson was quoted as saying, "We have absolutely nothing to go on."

