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# Headwaters

Newsletter of the  
Stanislaus Fly Fishers

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April 2015  
General Meeting

April 14, 2015  
6:00 PM

Mill Creek Church,  
147 Auto Center  
Court  
Modesto, CA

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## President's Message

*By Pat Roe*

Greetings!

By the time you may read this, the club will already have an outing, Pyramid, and a event, Trout Fest, under our belt. April is proving once again to be our busiest month.

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, will be the Earth Day event at Graceada Park where we will have a booth to promote the Rivers of Recovery fundraiser with movie and raffle tickets for sale.

April 25<sup>th</sup> is the opening of trout season in the sierra streams and rivers, and April 30<sup>th</sup> is the Rivers of Recovery presentation of the Fly Fishing Film Tour at the State Theater in Modesto. So yes, April is a busy month. Volunteers are needed to help sell tickets on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Please help if you can.

As mentioned, opening of trout season is upon us. Many of us like to go up into

the mountains and use our skills for the beautiful trout there and fish the flies we worked on over the winter.

With this in mind, I like to start preparing a pack along with my fly gear of 10 essentials that might be needed in case of an emergency. Here are the items in my emergency kit: knife, fire starter/waterproof matches, small flashlight/head lamp, compass/map, water/purification tablets, hat/sunscreen, waterproof shell/jacket, trail food, first aid kit and gear bag. It is a big list, but most can be condensed for your use. Also, always try to fish with a friend or let someone know where you'll be.

So enjoy the month, get out there and fish and be safe.

Pat

# Stanislaus Fly Fishers Membership Information

Membership dues are \$36 per year for members.

Members must also join the International Federation of Fly Fishers. Dues vary, but do not exceed \$35 for a single, one-year membership.

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## Club News

### Dave McCants - Putah Creek



Dave McCants been an avid fly fisherman for 45 years and has tied flies, both personally and commercially, for 44 years. He's also [taught fly tying](#) for over 18 years. While he tie flies designed to be used streamside, he also produces presentation flies that catch people instead of fish. Just as big steelhead flies can be elegant and graceful, he's just as happy teaching about and tying size 26 Yong Specials or big flies for saltwater. You can view flies he has tied in his [photo gallery](#).

In addition to being an expert fly tyer, Dave is a passionate supporter of Putah Creek, and will provide a comprehensive overview of where to fish, what to bring and how to catch beautiful trout close to home. Key topics will include:

- \* About this Water
- \* Access Points
- \* Fishing Techniques
- \* The Right Gear
- \* Flies

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## Membership

Membership Dues (\$36) are past due. Please pay at your earliest convenience.

The Board has voted to upgrade all memberships to "Family Membership" status. Spouses, significant others and children are now all included in every membership.

In addition, we wish to update our membership information and we are requesting all members to fill out a new information form (this will be provided) at the meeting.

## Stanislaus Fly Fishers 2015 Board of Directors

President – Pat Roe  
Vice-President – Jim Bowen  
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*Board Meetings are held on  
Thursdays two weeks before a  
General Meeting. Wish to  
attend a Board Meeting?  
Contact any board member for  
time and location.*

## Club News (Cont.)

### Dinner

Dinner will be served at the club meeting.

***There is a \$6 suggested donation to cover expenses.***

### Raffle News

When held, the small item raffle is \$5 per ticket or 3/\$10 and only for members in attendance the night of the meeting. The items will be on display and the raffle tickets sold prior to the meeting. The raffle will be held at the end of the meeting time.

### DOOR PRIZE

The monthly door prize is for members only. When you arrive and sign in at the meeting, you will receive a ticket for the door prize raffle of a half-dozen flies tied by one of our members. ***Members who donate flies for the door-prize drawing, will receive two regular raffle tickets.***

### LARGE RAFFLE

There will be a large raffle coming! More info at the meeting!



Thursday, April 30, 2015  
at

**The State Theater**

**\$10 Admission**

**Vets Free with ID**

**Doors Open 5:30 p.m.**

**Film 6:15 p.m.**

The Stanislaus Fly Fishers is holding our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Fly Fishing Film Tour to benefit Rivers of Recovery. There will be twin raffles with great prizes, including: a 1-day guided fishing trip w/AC Flyfishing, a custom Anadromous Epic Fly Rod, a 39" flat screen TV, and many more! The SFF will be hosting a booth with the Vets' Center at the Earth Day celebration in Graceada Park on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> to pre-sell event and raffle tickets. We will have sign-up lists for both events at the April meeting.

# Upcoming Outings

## **PYRAMID LAKE OUTING**

April 10-12, 2015

FISHMEISTERS: Pat Roe and Chris Mills

Pyramid Lake is the geographic sink of the Truckee River Basin, 40 miles northeast of Reno. Pyramid Lake is fed by the Truckee River, which is mostly the outflow from Lake Tahoe. The Truckee River enters Pyramid Lake at its southern end. Known for its monster Lahontan Cutthroat trout and fishing from ladders!

## **DAVIS LAKE OUTING**

June 5-7, 2015

FISHMEISTER: Jim Bowen

Fly fishing Lake Davis is a must experience for the still water fly angler, it is one of the best trophy trout lakes in the western United States. Lake Davis was made for fly fishing with its fertile shallows that offer the finest trout stalking from shore. Sitting at 5,700 feet this beautiful lake in Plumas County is surrounded by tamarack pines and lush meadows.

## Photos

