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# Headwaters

Newsletter of the  
Stanislaus Fly Fishers

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**May 2017  
General Meeting**

**May 9, 2017  
6:00 PM**

**New Location!**

**Grace Lutheran  
Church  
617 W.  
Orangeburg  
Modesto, CA**

## President's Message

*By Jim Goodwin*

I want to thank all those who came out for Rivers of Recovery – Fly Fishing Film Tour last Thursday night. It was a great time, and I am proud of the support the club made to a very worthy cause.

Do you remember the first time you picked up a fly rod? Was it as a kid with a father giving you instructions? Was it after watching Curt Gowdy fly fishing on American Sportsman? Or for the “younger” crowd seeing “A River Runs Through It”?

We all started somewhere along our life's journey. Someone took the time to explain what a leader was or tippet, how to match the fly line to a rod, or how to read a river or what hatch was coming off.

Sometimes we take it

for granted that everyone who comes to a club meeting knows what we are talking about. But that is not necessarily true.

This month we will spend time talking about Fly Fishing 101. Using a roundtable format, we will talk about fishing for trout on our local streams.

I'm not asking for anyone giving away a “secret” location but more of the how we fish. What is your favorite nymph setup or using an indicator or nymphing using a dropper. Things we do every time out that a novice may not know. Or even someone that has moved to our area that we do differently than they did.

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Jim

# 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

### Program: *Fly Fishing 101*

There will be no featured speaker this month. Instead we will be having a Fly Fishing Roundtable and share our expertise and experience with those members who may benefit from the shared knowledge.

### Fly of the Month

We are initiating a new feature to our meetings. Bud Heintz will be presenting a "Fly of the Month" for tiers to work on. This month Bud will be working on dry flies. So, grab your vice and tying gear and show up at 5:00 to take advantage of our fly tying master!

### 3ft and Rivers of Recovery

By all appearances it was another successful event. We appreciate everyone's contributions, from prize donors to raffle ticket buyers to those who gave their time to work the event. We couldn't have done it without you! The raffle raised over \$2700! Other donations have yet to be tallied.

We have several unclaimed prizes from the Rivers of Recovery raffle that did not have contact information on the tickets. Here are the raffle items and winning ticket numbers.

### Anadromous Rods Custom Rod and Abel Reel 930774

Bud Heintz BWO Flies 929407  
Arcade Wading Belt 929517

Prospect Theater Tickets 930604  
Prospect Theater Tickets 930661  
Gallo Center for the Arts Tickets 930725  
Fish Painting 929944

If you have a winning ticket, please reply/contact here or come to the meeting to claim your prize!

**Don't forget our new meeting location!**

## Stanislaus Fly Fishers 2017 Board of Directors

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*Board Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:00 p.m. at Me & Ed's Pizza on Pelandale Ave. in Modesto. All members are welcome to attend.*

## Club News (Cont.)

### Dinner

Dinner will be available at the club meeting for the first 25 members. **Suggested \$7.00 donation!**

### 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 (52 Playing Cards + 2 Jokers)

The current large raffle features a ½ day guided trip with Fish Habit Outfitters, a fly reel, and a tying tools kit, with other prizes expected. \$10 per chance. Raffle held when all cards are sold.

## Membership

Membership Dues (\$36) for 2017 are due. For your convenience, we can now accept a credit card for your dues, but there will be an additional fee of \$1.00 to cover the cost of the transaction.

All memberships are “Family Membership” status. Spouses, significant others and children are now all included in every membership.

**Reminder: These are the club dues and *DO NOT* include IFFF dues.** IFFF dues are paid directly to the IFFF and must be maintained regularly since the SFF is an IFFF Charter Club. If you are not an IFFF Life Member, or do not pay for three years at a time, **you must renew your membership yearly!** Also, remember to list the Stanislaus Fly Fishers as your **Affiliated Club**. This is important due to our Charter Club status. The online application for IFFF membership is linked below.

IFFF Membership Application: <https://fedflyfishers.org/SignUp/tabid/369/Default.aspx>

# Fly Tying Tip: Use Contrast Colors For Your Tying Desk

By Justin Pickett

## **It doesn't matter if you have been tying flies for one week or thirty years.**

Chances are, right now, your tying desk is a chaotic mess of thread, feathers, furs, hooks, and beads. It's just a fact of the tying life. Despite all of the drawers, containers, and custom pieces that are made to organize all of your tying materials, there will just about always be the scattered remnants of last night's bourbon-fueled tying session still fluttering around the table top. And, inevitably, that one thing you always need when that new "it fly" idea hits is always missing amongst the piles of marabou trimmings and bucktail clippings. Do I have the end all solution to always keeping your desk spic and span? Nope! That's all on you. However, I do have a great little tip to help you find the things that you need when cleaning up that tangled mess just doesn't jive with your mood.



I own a cool roll top desk that is no doubt circa 1983. I purposely purchased a roll top desk because A) they have a ton of drawers to keep stuff in and B) I can close it up and hide the mass destruction that even a taxidermist might gawk at. However, one of the things about my roll top, as well as many others I've seen, are that they are often stained with dark tones to accentuate the wood. This makes for a pretty desk, but when it comes to finding a #20 hook amongst the clutter, it's a damn nightmare.

### **There's an easy fix for this.**

Just grab a quart of light blue or seafoam-ish green paint and change the color of the surface of your desk. These colors provide a great contrast and allow you to view what's on your desk much easier. The lighter color will also brighten up the dark corners of your desk. This will make finding hooks, beads, and tools much easier when that next binge comes around. It's an easy project for a rainy day and will certainly make life at the vise a little easier!

*Justin Pickett*

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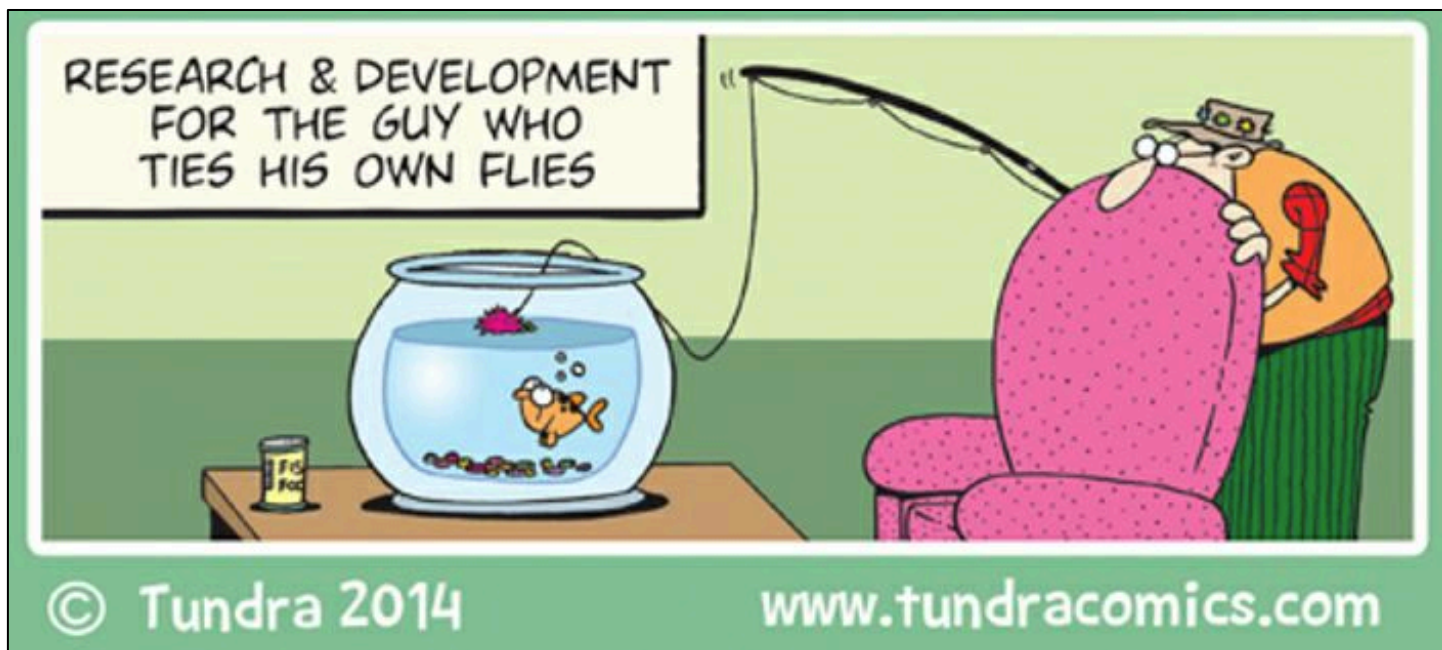


# Upcoming Outings

**YUBA RIVER OUTING** - Saturday, June 24, 2017 - Postponed from February

**Watch this space for future announcements!**

## Tundra Comics



## Photos

