

Kaweah Flyfishers



Visalia, Ca

2010

Newsletter

Monthly Meeting:

Date: December 3th
Day: Friday
Place: Life Style Center,
Address : 5105 W. Cypress, Visalia
Time: 7:30pm—9:30pm

There is no fly-tying before the meeting this month

Monthly Board Meeting:

Date: Dec 6th
Day: Monday
Location: Life Style Center,
Address : 5105 W. Cypress, Visalia
Time: 700pm-900pm
All members are welcome to attend.

Meeting Program: Chili Cook off and Gift Exchange



Come and join the good times at the Club's Christmas get together.

The gift exchange is always a fun time, and the gift exchanging and re-exchanging the gifts until the third time is always FUN! You can try to plan it to where you can get the one you want or by just plain luck you end up with the one you want. That's the fun of it. This year the gift limit is \$20.00. Good food, great company, friends and a good time is in store so on-come-down and enjoy yourself.

BRING A GIFT—GET A GIFT



**BUT BEFORE THE GIFT EXCHANGE.....Chili time
MMMMMM, MMMMMM.**



The club's **Annual CHILE COOK-OFF and Gift Exchange** will be held. Last year we had 7 different kinds of chili: beef, steak, vegetarian, and from really spicy, to spicy to mild. So if you have a favorite chili or corn bread recipe ,cook it up and bring it to the meeting. We also had some great corn bread and breads. **So prepare your favorite chili recipe and bring it with you.**

We will also need other things like *corn bread* or sour dough bread, crackers or some type of dessert.

So when you bring yourself bring something good to eat too.



SEE YA ALL THERE !!!!!!!

**There Will Be Elections for the 2011
Officers and Board of Directors.**



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well it is that time of the year again. The weather sure looks promising for a good water year. Early snow pack levels look the best in many years. Early rains have been good for the valley and mountains. The trout definitely have smiles on so far this winter!

It is also that time of the year for the Kaweah Flyfishers event of the year. That's right. The chili cook off and cutthroat gift exchange! I hope everyone has been working on those great chili recipes for the event. I cant wait to taste all the great offerings of chili and cornbread.

This is always a fun meeting to come visit have fun and enjoy the holidays with friends.

This is also a special meeting for the club for a very important reason. Club elections are held at this meeting. The club really needs your help here. The Kaweah Flyfishers runs and works because of members stepping up to help. All of the events that you might enjoy take work from the membership and the board. Do you enjoy club meetings, Trout in the Classroom, casting classes, club outings? All of these events take work from special people trying to make your club better. Every member has special talents that could help the club and board. We need fresh ideas and faces on the board. Has the club added value to your fly fishing experiences? Maybe you were taught about a new area to fish, helped in your casting, helped you tie a better fly. Hopefully participating in club activities has had rewards for you.

Now is the time to step up and help this club grow. I hope everyone will think about taking an active roll on the board or different committees. Being a member of this club and participating in club activities has enormous rewards. Think about it. We get to share our passion with other fly fishers. We learn new things and make lasting friendships. We get to do good deeds and strengthen our communities and environment. The Kaweah Flyfishers will prosper and grow because of you!

Jim



Kaweah Flyfishers Aims and Purposes

To improve and promote the sport of fly fishing as one means of enhancing and conserving high quality fisheries.

To educate the public as to conservation practices needed and used in fishing.

To promote and provide instruction in fly tying, fly rod building, fly casting and general stream-manship.

To promote and work for the betterment of all fisheries in the Central Sierra with particular interest in the Kaweah, Kings, Tule and Kern River watersheds.

November Striper Fishing on the San Luis Reservoir Fore Bay November 6th



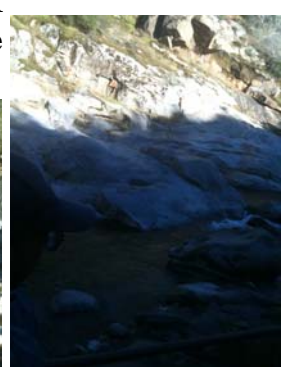
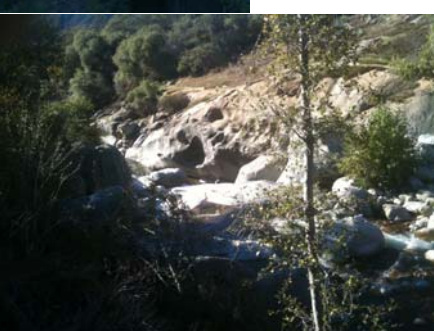
Kaweah River

Over the Thanksgiving Holiday my brother and I was thinking of something to do. We wanted to go to the mountains and just drive around and thought of Grants Grove, Lodge Pole the Potwisha area on the Kaweah river. We decided on the Potwisha Area just because it's been a while since we have been there.

The name Potwisha was proposed by Colonel George W. Stewart for an old Indian campground at junction of Marble Fork and Middle Fork of Kaweah River. The Potwisha Indians lived along the river above the Wikitsumnes. They were the highest people on the river, and in the summer-time went high into the mountains. The name of the tribe, or sub-tribe has been called *Padwisha*, *Padwoosha*, *Palwiska*, *Patwisha*, and *Potwisha*. He believed that the correct pronunciation of this tribal name to be Potwisha, or Patwisha. The headquarters of this tribe were near Three Rivers in the winter months and in the summer the headquarters were at Hospital Rock above the junction of the Kaweah River and the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River. The Potwisha are the best known and remembered of the Monache bands in the parks region. Apparently, they ranged throughout the watersheds of the Marble, Middle, East, and South forks of the Kaweah.



We went to the Potwisha area, parked the truck and hiked to the and crossed the suspension bridge to the south side and hiked the river trail east as far as we could go; which was not much more than a mile. The hike took us along side the

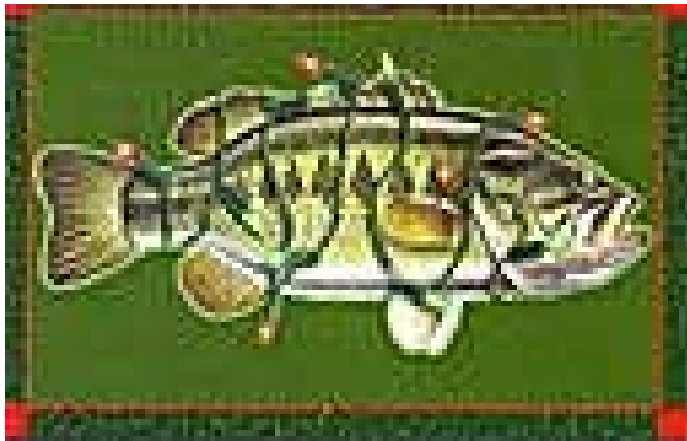


flume, which is still in use, then walked for a while on walking boards on the flume then back on the ground until the trail ended at a large 'V' shaped gully that was too wide and deep to go any further.

The nice thing about this hike was the great fishing water we saw. I haven't fished the Kaweah River much in the past and when I did I didn't do very well in the catching department. But the water that we saw looked great. We couldn't get to the river because the trail was too far above the river and the steep banks but there were places where we could get, but we found some great access points and with a little climbing we would be able to reach some great water.

I guess it's a little early for a New Year's Resolution, but mine is going to fish the Kaweah River more in 2011!

CHRISTMAS FISH



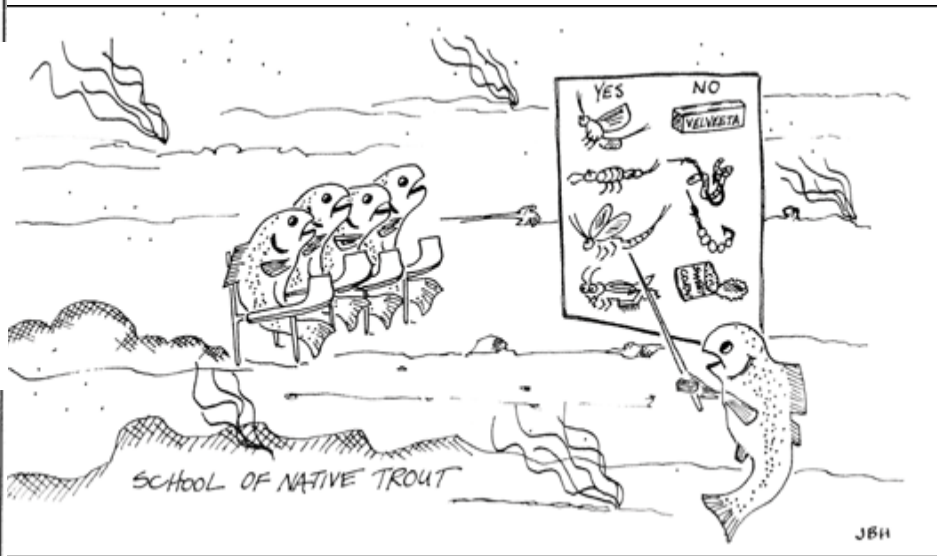
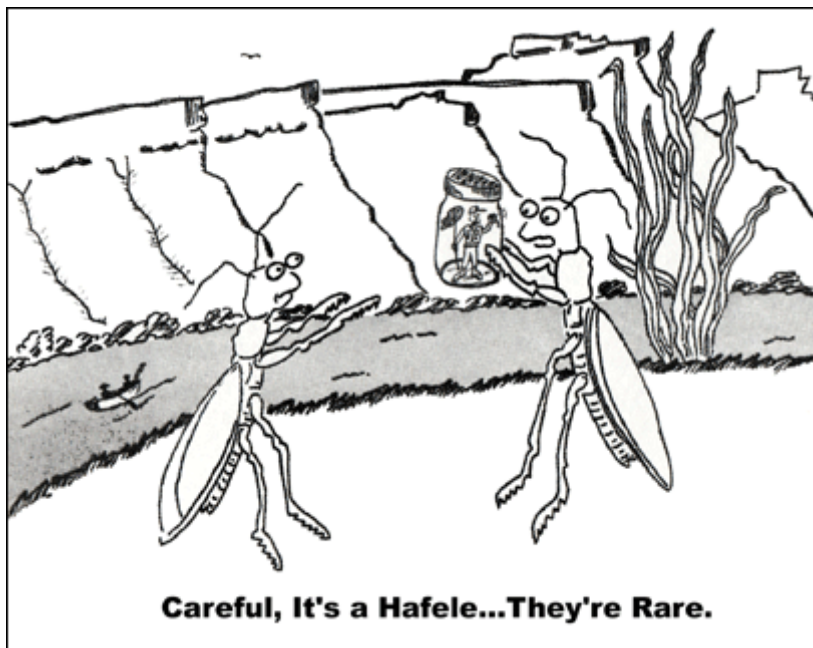
Fishmas Tree



The Tree Wise Fish



I caught this on the first cast. It put up quite a fight but I landed it.



BE INFORMED!!!

If you are going fishing on the Kern River there is some information you should be aware of. Names have been omitted.

KRFF members and fly fishing friends,

Below is an email from one of our members, regarding the escalating car theft issues occurring on the Upper Kern. Thanks for sharing and we are sorry you were one of the unfortunate victims. Hopefully they will get these crooks sooner than later. Likely other incidents have occurred that may not have been reported.

You might want to let everyone know that four people got windows broken out on the Kern yesterday 11/7/10. They didn't steal anything though. So, we are sure that someone is targeting fly fishermen. Seven vehicles have been hit, that we know of, and the locations were Salmon Falls, Camp 3, Rodeo, and the Airport parking areas.

We had the Tulare and Kern County Sheriffs show up, two BLM enforcement guys, and the Forest Service. They are thinking about a bait car next week.

Yes my jeep was one of the cars!

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FOR THE YEAR 2010

Date submitted / /

Name (s) _____
 First Names to be on the badges _____
 Address _____
 City, State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone _____ Other Phone _____ FAX _____
 Email (1) _____
 Email (2) _____

Please highlight your preferred means of contact (email, phone or fax)

Annual dues are Pro-rated in the year of joining so that all memberships will renew on the 1st of January. To renew you should pay the full amount for your category shown on the right. Members without Email will receive the Kaweah Fly Fishers Newsletter via the U.S. Mail. Family memberships consist of your spouse and all children under the age of 18 residing in your household. Please provide the name and ages of the children.

Individual	\$48
Jr. (<18)	\$24
Sr. (>64)	\$24
Family	\$60
Ind. Life	\$400
Fam. Life	\$600
Initiation (1 st year only)	\$10

Total remittance \$ _____

I would like to help with or be included in the following club activities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Outings | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Meetings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clinics | <input type="checkbox"/> TIC | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Fly Rod Crafting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Tree | <input type="checkbox"/> Lower Kings River | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Fly Casting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Habitat Improvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Fly Tying |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emailing | <input type="checkbox"/> Tule River | <input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising | |

I can help mentor members in on-stream fishing; fly tying; casting

I would appreciate help with on-stream fishing; fly tying; casting

Occasionally we may rent our roster to fly fishing related vendors. If you do not want your name to be included, please so indicate by checking the following: I do not want my name included on mailing list releases.

A 2011 Kaweah Flyfishers Calendar has been created for the club membership and will be available at the meetings.

As part of the 2011 membership renewal/drive, one of these great looking calendars will be given when the dues are paid; great incentive don't ya think

Z-wing Caddis Pupa (olive)

Don Lieb

Steps tied by Don Lieb

Photos by Chuck Wilcox

Mike Mercer developed this fly. I have found it very productive on the lower Kings where there is an abundance of Caddis flies most of the year. The pattern can be tied in various colors. I have found olive and tan to be the most effective.

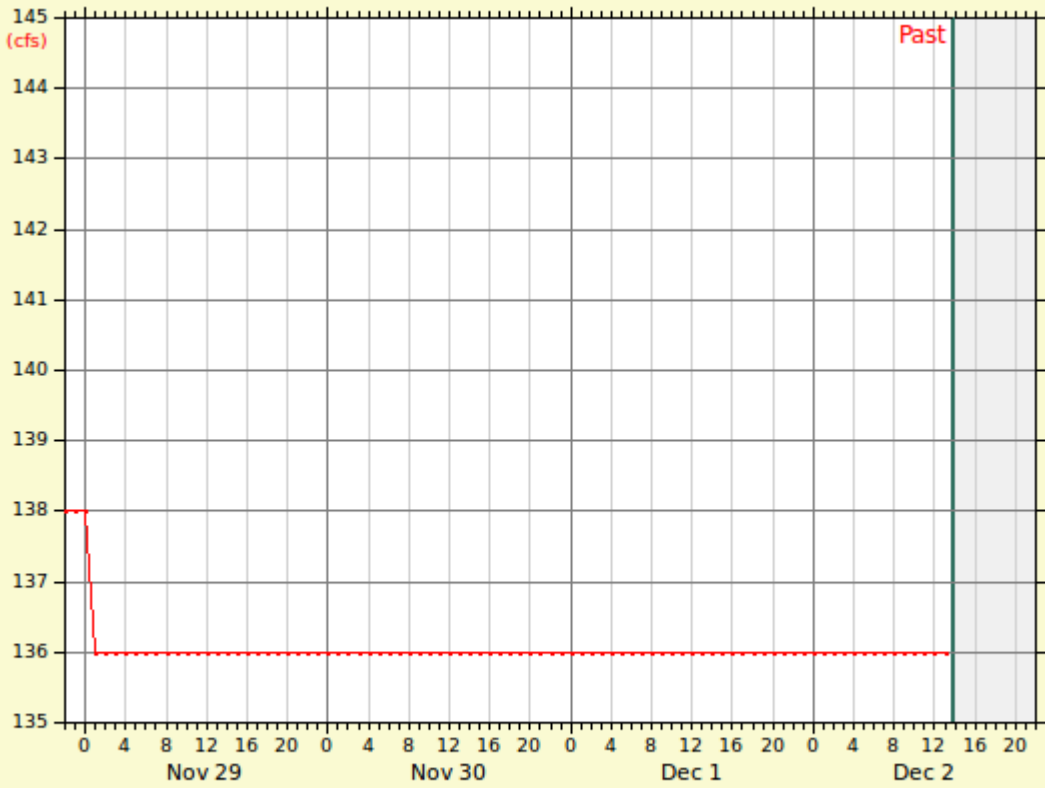
Materials

Hook: Tiemco 2457 or Daiichi 1150 sizes 12 –16
Thread: Florescent green 6/0
Back: Golden Brown Turkey Tail
Abdomen: Olive Life Cycle caddis dubbing or equiv.
Rib: Florescent green thread
Wing: Ginger Zelon
Collar: Yellow Life Cycle caddis dubbing or equiv.
Head: Brass bead and Peacock herl

Tying Sequence

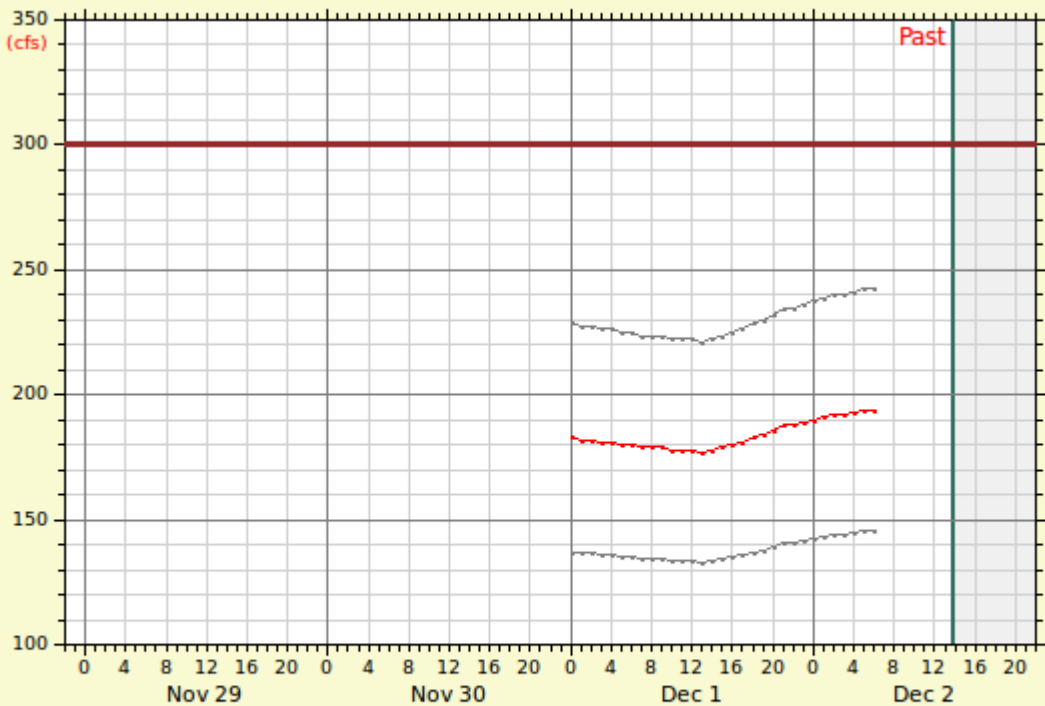
1. Secure a brass bead head on the hook with fine tan dubbing. Advance the thread to the midpoint of the bend of the hook and tie in a length of the green thread for the ribbing.
2. Tie in a section of brown turkey tail which is wide enough to extend half way down the sides of the abdomen. Dub the abdomen forward 2/3 of the hook shank.
3. Pull the turkey tail forward and tie off at the end of the abdomen to form the back, then trim. Spiral the rib over the abdomen and back with the green thread. Tie in two sections of Zelon to form wings about 2/3 the length of the body. Dub a narrow yellow collar.
4. Form the head using a twisted rope of Peacock herl. Whip finish and apply head cement.





Kings - Rel Pine Flat Lake

Note: graph was generated by Dreamflows, using Corps of Engineers gauge data.



So. Kings - Below Cedar Grove

Estimate Conf. Range Missing Data Lo Model Limit

Note: graph was generated by Dreamflows, using estimated data.
For most recent confidence info, see the applicable Dreamflows report.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For other Calendar Dates

Visit the Clubs web-site at www.kaweahflyfishers.org

Friday	Dec 3rd	Monthly Club Meeting	LifeStyle Center, 5105 Cypress, Visalia ELECTION OF THE 2011 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS. Chili Cook-off and gift exchange
Monday	Nov 8	Club Board Meeting	7:00pm—9:00pm at the LifeStyle Center, 5105 Cypress, Visalia
Tuesday	December 7,	FLYTYING CLASS with Don Lieb	7pm – 9pm Where 4520 W Cypress Ave, Visalia. (corner) Description Western Coachman, invented by Buz Buzek - it's an easy fly and very effective - accompanied by Don's reminiscences of Buz
Tuesday	Dec 21	FLYTYING CLASS with Don Lieb	7pm – 9pm Where 4520 W Cypress Ave, Visalia. (corner Linwood St) Quail Park Retirement Village Description: Quill Gordon. An old fashioned, very useful fly that is not much seen these days. Imitates Epeorus mayflies, according to http://www.troutnut.com/hatch/551/Mayfly-Epeorus-pleuralis-Quill-Gordon . We will tie a western version. <i>HAVE A GREAT AND WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY!!!</i>
Friday	January 7th	<i>Monthly Club Meeting Fly tying with Don Lieb</i>	LifeStyle Center, 5105 Cypress, Visalia 6:30pm—7:30 pm Flytying with Don Lieb before the meeting 7:30-9:30pm Club Meeting- Program to be announced
Tues	Jan 4th, 2011	<i>Fly Tying with Don Lieb</i>	7pm – 9pm Where 4520 W Cypress Ave, Visalia. (corner Linwood St) Quail Park Retirement Village Description, Doc's Twin Lakes Special. http://stevenojai.tripod.com/twinspec.htm Doc's Twin Lake Special is a cross between a Matuku and a Woolly Bugger. It has the Marabou tail and chenille body of a Woolly Bugger with a throat hackle typical of Matuku's. There is no palmered hackle through the body
Friday	Feb 4th	<i>Monthly Club Meeting Fly tying with Don Lieb</i>	LifeStyle Center, 5105 Cypress, Visalia 6:30pm—7:30 pm Flytying with Don Lieb before the meeting 7:30-9:30pm Club Meeting- Carl "Boomer" Stout, head guide for Trout Creek Outfitter will give a presentation on the Green River Utah below Flaming Gorge. He
Monday	Feb 7th	<i>February Board Meeting</i>	LifeStyle Center, 5105 Cypress, Visalia



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