

The Cast



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Member Walt Kruse with one of his Pyramid Lake
Lahontan Cutthroats. Story page 2.

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President's Message By Penelope Gadd-Coster

March! I'm out fishing. April is just around the corner, and we are closing in on the last days for the steelhead run.

I had a few days to fish in March. It just wasn't enough though. I made it out to the Gualala River, a river I had not fished before. What a great find, thanks to Ed Barich. He introduced that river to me. His emails to club members kept us informed when that river might be fishable for steelhead. I didn't land a mature steelhead, but I did land a couple of the "half-pounders" (an immature steelhead that returns to freshwater within about four months of entering the

ocean and is primarily found in rivers in Northern California and Southern Oregon).

Also, I was able to get some spey casting mentoring. It is always great to have the ability to take what you learn on land or at our casting pond and use it on a river, like the Gualala. It was great!

Speaking of Spey casting, the Spey-o-Rama event will be taking place April 19th–21st which is free to the public. This event is put on by The Golden Gate Angling and Casting Club. Please [click](#) to check out the event. Bring a lawn chair, watch event from the lawn, buy a lunch there. I will be there on Sunday for the Men and Women's Finals. This will be my first time to this event and I'm looking forward to seeing The Golden Gate Angling and Casting Club's casting pond

and their facility. I will report my experience in the next newsletter.

Also, the Casting for Recovery Retreat will be held on April 12-14. I am so proud that our club and individual members support this organization for women with breast cancer. This will be my second year as a “river helper” for this event. It is an honor to assist one of these women to learn the different ways to fly fish. That process heals all of us. There are a few other club members that will be helping with this important event. I want to send out a big thank you to them. Two members that have been long-time mentors for the program are Paul Matzen and Leafa Fiore. THANK YOU! And thank you to all of you for being RRF members. Your dues help us to financially support organizations like this.

The Steelhead in the Classroom program is going strong and moving forward with some of the first steelhead fry planned to be released during the first couple of weeks of this month. I love this program and how it teaches kids not only about the life cycle of these anadromous fish, but also about the importance of conservation and why, what may seem like a small piece of life to some, this life cycle is so important to the bigger picture of maintaining our Earth’s biodiversity. It is programs like this that introduce the younger generation to the sciences.

Continuing the topic of youth, we are planning to help sponsor a Sierra Trout Camp for youth organized by the Truckee Trout Unlimited chapter. I hope to be able to bring more information about this topic to our RRF General Meeting this month as we continue to work out some of the program’s details.

Lastly, it is time for our club to have its annual RRF Board Elections. The month of April will bring the ballot to you all, but we are also looking for members that are interested in serving on the Board. I would love to hear from anyone that has an interest. I want to remind you that you are always welcome to attend the meetings. They are the third Wednesday of every month. Please contact me so that I can pass along the time, place and/or Zoom invitation. So, in closing, I hope you are getting your fly rods and reels ready. We

have some GREAT trips planned. Do not forget to check out our Calendar and Trip Signups, [click here](#).

Penelope

RRF General Meeting By Mike Borba

Mike Copithorne and Johnny Feaster of *Off The Hook Fly Fishing* – Guide Service in Napa will team up to give a presentation about our local warm water lakes and how to fish them. Spring bass fishing is just around the corner, so their presentation will help you get ready to catch some bass!

Steelhead in the Classroom

Important Message

Karl is looking for volunteers to deliver steelhead eggs to Sonoma County schools.

When: Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 10 am – 2:00 pm (can be an approx. 2-hour commitment).

Where: Meet at Sonoma Water, 404 Aviation Blvd., Santa Rosa, at 10 AM.

What: Help deliver steelhead eggs to Sonoma County classroom teachers.

Equipment: Bring a small cooler to keep the eggs cool during transport.

If you can volunteer, please reach Karl by [clicking here](#), leave a message and I’ll quickly respond to your questions. Thank you, Karl Joost, RRF Board Member.

A Pyramid Brief By Walt Kruse

Ed Barich, Chris Castellucci, and I made reservations and secured a trailer at Sutcliff on Pyramid Lake a month out. Hard to predict the weather then but if you want a reservation at Pyramid, you must pull the trigger. Trouble is, at that time of year, it is likely you might not be able to make it over the pass in a snowstorm or the weather can be too good which typically makes catching and netting Lahontans tougher. Our trip was the latter with easy drives, sunny calm days, and nice warm weather—great for the fishermen. We had reports prior to standing on the shores of Pyramid that the catching was going to be tough and other reports we heard from anglers on

the lake confirmed it. No one was catching anything stripping and nymphing was also slow. But the weather was supposed to get a bit colder and windier over the weekend which would hopefully improve the bite. We would be gone by then, darn it. Those anglers who had scheduled to stay the weekend were looking forward to the weather change.

As usual, upon arrival I made rounds of likely fishing areas and found empty ladders and heard disappointing reports that a couple to no fish were being caught. There were very few fishermen scattered about and most were stacked up at Pelican watching some fish moving along the beach and the rocks. The water was very clear even up near Blockhouse and very high making it difficult to reach the drop off at the North Nets.

The three of us separated and tried different areas to see if any patterns developed. We noticed cui ui (the large sucker fish endemic to Pyramid Lake) staging near the shore and saw an occasional cutthroat surface or cruise past in the shallows. For the first time I did see midges hatching. They were in the size 24 range.

At lunchtime we met, compared notes, and again went our separate ways looking for active fish.

I like to fish transition areas either drop-offs or transitions between rocky and sandy shorelines. When indicator fishing, even on a lake, my general strategy is to actively fish and not just watch the indicator. If it's calm, give the indicator some movement. I will change depths depending on what I see fish doing or whether fish are eating at the top or at the bottom fly of your or my neighbor's rigs. Also, I would ensure a dead drift by mending my line as it drifts left or right, take up slack if it is blowing straight towards me, and I would strike my line even if I only see a slight unnatural movement of my indicator. As conditions or observation dictate, I use as little weight as possible and change flies as little as possible too (time off water is wasted time fishing). I would wade when I could as ladders are not stealthy, and I keep my indicator and fly line as far apart as possible in

case I fish shallow or it is super calm, and I want to be stealthier and "hide" my fly line.

Pyramid Lake is the Nevada home of the Lahontans Cutthroat Trout. These fish have been in that lake for eons. But not long-ago there was a time when the lake became a commercial fishery "supplying fish that fed the California '49er' towns, railroad camps, and even the people of San Francisco as recently as the mid 1930s." At this time water needs had grown exponentially for those expanding populations causing Pyramid Lake[click](#) to read more.

In a brief time, and we had only a short time stint, I stayed with indicator nymphing but watched anyone stripping to see if a bite was turned on by that type of line movement. Two more cutthroat and a Cui-Ui came to net the next day, and the last morning we landed one more cutthroat. The best fly seemed to be a thin burgundy nymph with a white bead as the bottom fly.

Being at the right place at the right time was of course, also helpful. For instance, Chris, Ed, and another angler watched one active fish swim in front of all of them heading toward me a bit further down the shoreline. About a minute later my indicator, set a bit shallower at that time, went down. It seemed like a heavy one, but I chose to execute a long-distance release, perfectly (damn it). That told me that they would eat but that there just was not an abundance of trout within casting distance near the shoreline during our stay.

Highlights of the trip were the camaraderie, watching Ed and Chris make beautiful Spey casts, Ed's delicious stew, and Chris's homemade chocolate chip cookies. Overall, we were very fortunate to net 6 large colorful trout. Can't wait to see you all there in May.

Coming Back to Earth

By Greg Jacobs

I always start planning a fishing trip with great hopes. We all do. We remember a fantastic outing when we caught many, many trout—not too easily but with good frequency. Then we are brought back to reality. Nothing is certain in fishing especially when the trip is

some distant location which requires traveling by plane, or a long-distance drive. You make a significant investment of time and often, an outlay of a large sum of money too. You know where this is headed.

Trip #1—Oregon. But first, my favorite fishing guide told me about a three-day outing last year on the Fall River. I signed up and stayed at the old Spinner Fall lodge where the owner of Travel Creel Hospitality, Joshua Schwarz, chef (and sometimes guide) would prepare all the meals while I fished two days. It was great, both catching and eating. My guide then told me about **another** outing by Josh, on the Oregon coast March 4-9. He thought it would be “interesting,” but not cheap. However, I signed on anyway.

I flew into Portland and was met by Josh’s *aide-de-camp*, Mike Kaplan, who drove me and several others south to our lodging near Tillamook, about 2 hours from Portland. We settled in the first night and found out which river we would be on the next day, and who we would be fishing with—guide and a buddy-companion. Tuesday morning, we launched amid snow in the upper reaches of the Trask River, reputedly a good steelie river. We heard a group of fishermen came the week prior and faced blown out rivers, so they had to fish for trout in a nearby lake.



Preparing to launch from snowy Trask Riverbank.

We had a good guide, Jaime, who rowed our raft safely through some gnarly rapids until the river flattened out. Not one grab. It did not help that my

companion, a guy from Texas who had never cast for salmonids before, was constantly hung up. Still, I had many good drifts. Fortunately, dinner was great, and eight other fly fishers were fun to talk to. I admit I was just a little jealous when a husband-and-wife time hooked four steelies on another river that same day.

Second day. I tried the Nestucca River with Jaime again. I was lucky enough to land a 9 lbs. steelhead early on, which was a good thing because it was the only action that day. After lunch we were still looking for more fish, again in a raft, when I lost my balance and tumbled into the river. Fortunately, I am a good swimmer and had my wits, and hung to the raft until we got to shore. And fortunately, my guide had extra clothes. And even more lucky, another raft came along with two clients from my group with additional clothing. I had my wading belt cinched tightly enough that my legs and long johns stayed dry. I never got used to fishing from the guide’s large rafts. The raft’s flooring was spongy, and you know they have a metal framework that constantly grabs your line.

Third Day. No need to repeat in detail that the food was great. My assigned companion and I went out with another guide, again on the Trask. Of interest, we launched the guide’s raft down a wood track from the road to the water. No luck that day, not even a grab.



Wooden slide-ramp to the river.

Fourth Day. Our best guide so far. He probed the runs and back rowed. He changed the depth of our bobbers, something I did see much of the first three days. On this outing, I did not go overboard, so that was a bright spot. I finally hooked a great fish near the

end of the day, but it simply ran up and down the river, and back and forth, and then swam away.

Of those four days, two fish on, no other grabs. I must tell the truth—just before I fell into the river on the second day, I hooked my ear. Remind me not to do that again. I know steelhead trout are the fish of a thousand casts. At the end of four days, I netted two steelhead, therefore chalk me up for 2 fish and 4000 casts. Whew!

Trip #2—Lower Sacramento River (March 18, 19).



Greg on the lower Sac and his good-looking rainbow.

Well, the hex (not the hatch, the bad luck kind) continued to show on the Lower Sac at Redding a few days later. I try to go in mid-March every year because it has always been good fishing at that time. The DFW closes the upper stretch of the river on April 1 on behalf of the Salmon. This time my longstanding family doc and fishing buddy went out with Jay Cockrum, my go-to guide. The Board of Reclamation, however, in their infinite wisdom, decided to drop the flow the night before we fished, and even more on the second night. Fishing, (for whatever reason caused by dropping flows) became difficult to near impossible. I am not saying we did not hook and land fish, but it was two days of many long and unproductive drifts between the Market Street Bridge and Anderson. A lot of people and guides came out the second day with us. All I heard that day was wailing and gnashing of teeth from everyone on that

section of the Sac. But I stayed dry and did not require ear surgery.

I am signed up again for the Lower Sac in April with friends. This time I am trying not to think too much about it!

RRFF Women's Program Monthly Update By Catherine Miller

Hello RRFF Women,

This has been quite a year. The RRFF Women's Program is gradually growing in number thanks to our enthusiastic participation and the gracious guidance of our RRFF mentors. We are currently at 28 members. It is gratifying to know that our growth contributes to the growth of the total RRFF membership which is currently 201 members.



Pam Doyd DeCoite & Rosa Sanchez ready for float tube training at Spring Lake.

Many of us began attending the RRFF Casting Clinic last spring with very little fly-fishing knowledge or skill. We have progressed from learning how to assemble a rod and reel, to tying a fly on the line, learning essential knots, tying flies, wading in a stream and most recently float tubing. We have become a visible part of the outings, both the women's outings and the yearly outings. This would have been beyond our reach a while back due to lack of awareness and necessary skills for participation. The three women's trips, Luk Lake in May, Truckee River in July which are full. However, Digger Creek

Ranch in September has a shared room opening for two women or two men or a couple. These trips provide a rich variety of fly-fishing experiences from fishing from a boat, wading the Truckee River to fishing from the banks of Digger Creek Ranch. RRF mentors have been and continue to be with us every step of the way from planning to participation. How fortunate are we? Very fortunate!

If you go to the Russian River Fly Fisher's website, you will see women have registered for other outings such as Steelhead Day Trips and Clear Lake. These and other outings offered throughout the year are such wonderful opportunities to enjoy the sport of fly fishing. Someone is always available to assist newcomers on these trips. Wouldn't it be fun to have a women's group campsite at Lake Almanor to experience fly fishing during the magical Lake Almanor Hex Hatch? It would! Come join us.

With the return of lovely weather, the Casting Clinic is open from 4:30 - 7:00 every Thursday evening. We are incorporating the Fly Fisher International Fly-Casting Skill Development Course at these clinics. Experienced RRF members are there to guide and assist us through the course. If you are new to RRF, attending the Casting Clinics is a perfect way to get to know the other members as well as to enhance your casting skills.

All women RRF members, beginners in particular, are encouraged to join us!

Catherine Miller, Coordinator
Maria de la Fuente, Angela Zahara
Assistant Coordinators
RRFF Women's Program

Practice, Practice, Practice

By Rick Baker

As another summer casting season has started at our casting pond, I wanted to stress the importance of practicing your casting and practice a lot.

Last year while sipping on afternoon cocktails in the cool shade after a great personal best day of fishing, I reflected upon the day. An overwhelming sense of gratitude washed over me, and I couldn't help but

mention out loud, "I sure am glad I have been practicing!" Everything just clicked. My casts were not rushed, the leader consistently landed straight, no tailing loops, the fly was on target. Abundant and willing fish certainly didn't hurt. Without the time dedicated to practicing the trip would not have turned out as well as it did. I'm sure I would have been frustrated.

Starting now and throughout the season, I ramp-up my casting practice session from one to two times a day. I do this for several reasons; to practice for upcoming trips, to become more proficient, as well as to exercise my dog (he loves to chase a practice fly and will sit by my rod patiently waiting). Nothing beats on the water practice; my front yard works great and is convenient.

While not everyone is able to practice the way I do, I wanted to share eight tips from certified casting instructor Sheila Hassan that may help to get the most out of your practice sessions.



Rick's tight loop heading for the far edge of the casting pond.

1. Practice For What You Are Planning to Do.

Identify the specific casting needs for your trip. Will you need long casts in windy conditions on a tropical flat? Perhaps delicate presentations with small flies on a quiet stream are required. Consider the type of fishing and the conditions you are likely to encounter. Be sure to practice the skills you will most likely use on the upcoming trip.

2. Practice For the Unexpected.

Many fishing days have been saved by making the right presentation in an unexpected situation. Make sure to practice for the unexpected. Practice your techniques for both long and short distances. Practice with wind conditions from all four sides as the wind is rarely from the direction you want.

3. Know Your Gear

Practice with the gear you plan to use on your trip. Use the same rod, reel, and fly line you will use on your trip. This is particularly important if you are planning a trip where you are using specialty gear you do not routinely fish with at home. This helps you be comfortable with the outfit and will increase your confidence in being able to make the cast when the pressure is on. Consider purchasing an extra fly line just for practice. This allows you to practice with the exact gear you will use for fishing. When you leave for your trip, you can put on your new fly line and bring your practice line for a spare. Your trip is worth the extra money of an additional fly line.

4. Know Your Casting Capabilities

Mark your fly line to help you practice. Do not guess how far you are casting. You need to know your abilities and be able to measure your progress as you practice. Mark your line for distance with a felt marker. I recommend two markings: a single one-inch mark at 40 feet, and two one-inch marks at 60 feet. This helps you accurately gauge your casting abilities and distances to the target.

5. Use the Leader You Plan to Fish With

Use the same leader construction you anticipate using on the trip. This is one of the most overlooked areas of practice. Do not cut corners just because it is a practice outfit. Your leader plays a pivotal role in the layout of your cast. Only by using the exact leader construction for practice, can you be sure you are practicing for the presentation you want to achieve.

6. Do not Just Cast the Leader

Use a piece of yarn no hooks are allowed. As you practice, focus on where and how your fly lands, not just how much line you cast. If the line lands in a pile, and your fly is not at your target area, you are not achieving your goal.

7. Targets

Practice with targets. No cast is helpful if it is not on target! Practice executing the cast quickly, but in a calm, non-rushed manner. Avoid excessive false casting. This is rarely an advantage and more often helps you miss an opportunity.

8. Schedule Practice Sessions

Develop a timeline for practice sessions. Ideally, the practice should start at least a month before your trip. This will allow you to practice in short frequent sessions, rather than rushing this as the trip draws near. By allowing yourself time to prepare adequately, you will build your confidence in your skills and transfer this to execution when it matters. Keep your practice outfit assembled in your garage. This encourages you to take the time for practice. You can practice for as little as 5-10 minutes at a time. Some practice is better than no practice. As you practice, envision the fishing situation and your casting success. If you envision a successful situation, you are less likely to be rattled when the big fish and big moment arrives.

Editor's Note—

Board members Daniel Powers and Jeff Cratty fished Pyramid Lake together the weekend after Walt, Ed, & Chris fished Pyramid.



Jeff with one of his many Pyramid Lahontans.



Daniel cooking lunch for 2 at Pyramid's shoreline.

Important Notice # 1 From Mike Spurlock

Below is the nomination submission form for our annual election of RRFF Board of Directors. Please [click](#) to learn more about this form located on our website. You can easily use the on-line nomination submission process, or you can print the form, fill it out, and mail it to Brendan Galten, secretary/board member. This form is very easy to use. Please click above and go to our website for more information.

Russian River Fly Fishers
2024 Board Nominations
for Officers & Board of Directors

The following candidates have been nominated by the RRFF Board of Directors to serve for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024. According to our Bylaws, our RRFF Board of Directors can have up to 15 members.

Return this form only if you wish to offer an alternative nomination for President, Vice President or for the Board Members that have been already nominated.

The final ballot will be issued in May/June and election results announced on July 1.

RRFF Officers

President

1.) Daniel Powers
2.) _____

Vice-President

1.) Penelope Gadd-Coster
2.) _____

Board Members - (Elected for a 2-year Term)

1.) Mike Spurlock	5.) Penelope Gadd-Coster
2.) Doug Mackay	6.) Daniel Powers
3.) Ed Barich	7.) _____
4.) Catherine Miller	8.) _____

Returning Board Members (beginning second year of 2-year term)

1.) Steve Tubbs	5.) Mike Borba
2.) Gregg Wrisley	6.) Jeff Cratty
3.) Spencer Bader	7.) Brendan Galten
4.) Don Shaw	

Please return all nominations by April 30, 2024
Nominations can be submitted online at rrflyfisher.org

OR Nominations may be mailed to: Russian River Fly Fishers,
c/o Brendan Galten, 820 Western Ave., Petaluma, CA 94952.

Important Notice # 2 From Catherine Miller

Digger Creek Ranch, September 27-29. This is a fly-fishing opportunity! There is an opening for either two women or two men or a couple. Either group will share a room at the lodge on Cookhouse Lake.



The lakes of Digger Creek Ranch are known for their Eagle Lake Rainbows, German Browns, and Donaldson Trout. About two private miles of Digger Creek round out the experience. That creek offers a chance to land native rainbow and brown trout.

Digger Creek Ranch is a private water fishing and lodging facility which was once a working lumber mill. Its historical buildings are in a beautiful flowing valley located 40-60 minutes from Red Bluff and Redding. Fishing is open Friday after 3 pm arrival until Sunday 11am. Lodging is available for 8 fisherpersons on Friday and Saturday nights. The four-bedroom five bath lodge is located on the shore of Cookhouse Lake with views of the lake and meadow below it.

To pre-register with Catherine Miller [click](#) or [click](#) for Mike Spurlock or meet them at the casting pond and if desired, request to be assigned a mentor. There will be an orientation for all attendees at a Casting Clinic at Galvin Park, Santa Rosa TBA weeks before the outing to review equipment and important safety tips. Cost is \$475 per person.

We look forward to enjoying this fly-fishing outing with you. It is an outstanding opportunity to help or be helped by an RRFF member. Think of the photos that may be taken and stories that will be told!

Editor's Note—

Mike Spurlock and I recommend reading the following couple of CalTrout articles and watching the first article's accompanying video. This article was written by Michael Wier, CalTrout Field Reporter and Videographer. He also created the video titled, "Klamath River Starts to Find its Way Home."

It is fascinating to see old footage of the Kamath with the Iron Gate dam in place and what the river looks like today after it was removed. With its removal, the Klamath River has begun to heal itself. [Click](#) to view.

The second CalTrout article is titled, "Eel River Dams Headed for Removal, Water Users Support Dam-Free Diversion." [Click](#) to read.



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Calendar of Events

The RRFF Thursday Evening Casting Clinics will begin on March 14th, from 4:30 to 7 pm. Those days and hours will continue to be held every Thursday evening (weather permitting) until the end of Daylight Savings Time, November 3, 2024.

We are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Beginners are welcome...

We are planning RRFF outings for our 2024 seasons. To view the signup sheets for those RRFF Fly-fishing outings click below.

[Click](#) here for a complete list of upcoming RRFF fly-fishing outings for 2024

How to Contact Board of Directors & Coordinators

If you want to contact one or more of the Board of Directors and/or Coordinators below, then click on this link, which will bring you to our website.

[Click here.](#)

The names of our Board of Directors and Coordinators will appear. You may click on a name and leave a message for any person below and our website will send it to their personal email address, and they will respond to your message.



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Russian River Fly Fishers Membership Application

I acknowledge in this agreement, and fully understand, that it is a release of liability. I further acknowledge that I am waiving any right that I may have to bring legal action or to assert a claim against Russian River Fly Fishers (RRFF) for its negligence. This agreement is valid for all RRFF sanctioned events, (fishing outings, picnics, dinner fund raisers, meetings, pond casting clinics, etc.) some of which are open to the public and all of which are covered by RRFF insurance. As a club member you are approved to participate in certain covered events which are not available to non-members: fishing outings and training for fly-casting certification.

Note: Private activities arranged by club members (not sponsored or approved by the club) are not sanctioned and will not be covered by RRFF insurance.

I have read this statement and agree to its terms as a condition of my membership in the Russian River Fly Fishers.

***Indicates required field.**

*Name _____ *Date _____

*How did you hear about us? _____ *Referred by? _____

*Address _____ *City/State/Zip _____

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* I'm applying as a new member. Circle (Yes / No) I'm renewing my existing membership. Circle (Yes / No)

*Check the boxes below that is applicable:

Single membership - \$50 annual dues

Junior membership - \$25 annual dues (age 16-18 or live >75 miles from Santa Rosa)

Gold membership - \$1,000 (one-time) Family Membership - \$55 annual dues List family members: _____

Membership includes a woman who would like to be contacted by our RRFF Women's Group:

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

The club would like to help you meet your fly-fishing needs. How many years have you been fly fishing? _____

Check any areas you want help with:

I would like help learning or improving my fly-fishing cast. I would like advice on fishing equipment.

I would like a lesson in tying knots. I would like a lesson in tying flies.

I would like to have an experienced member mentor me on local waters or on a club outing.

Any other areas not mentioned above _____

*How are you planning to pay? _____

Note: Dues paid by a new member joining the RRFF after March 1st of any year will cover the balance of that year and the membership dues for the following fiscal year. The RRFF fiscal year runs from July 1st to June 30th.

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