



## THE NEXT MEETING

**February 21st 2008**

**Fresh year, fresh start, fresh skills**

The theme for the meetings between now and opening day will get you tuned up and ready to fish.

February will have two sessions. **Bring your rod tip**

**Basic Casting**– This is from the casting chapter in “Fly Fishing Strategy by Swisher & Richards. It the basics.

**Video** - The main presentation will be **Bugs of the Underworld**, a new video by Ralph Cutter. This film was 11 years in the making. Follow this link:

[http://www.flyline.com/shop/bugs\\_of\\_the\\_underworld/](http://www.flyline.com/shop/bugs_of_the_underworld/)

To see the trailer and learn more.

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## Dave's Fishing Report

**Dave Angelo**—Here's a little fish report for the newsletter. Local ponds here in Mosquito as well as Cameron Park Lake are cold and muddy and unless you bounce them on the nose you'll probably come up with zeros. Lots of casting practice though. I did see one nice bass caught at Cameron Park, but since I was the only human fishing and I got skunked, who or what caught that nice 3 pound bass. See you on next Thursday for the answer. Sly Park is clear and cold, again with no fish, but I was only there for 3/4 of an hour in the float tube. About 6-8 inches of snow around the lake, berm by the road side was most chal

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## OFF the HOOK FLY SHOP TO EXPAND

Frank Seifert, owner of Off the Hook on upper Broadway, reports that the shop will be closed while the store expands to about double the current size. The club will send out an e-mail as soon as we know when Frank will open again. Frank thinks maybe the end of the month

## Spring Bugs

**Todd Gillinhan** – We'll folks this time of the year can be exciting yet frustrating at the same time. As we all anticipate spring trout and bass fishing we must not forget that there are several streams open to fishing year-round. The water temperatures seem to dictate when hatches occur and most of the streams and/or lakes on the West slope near Placerville have yet to see enough sun to produce prolific hatches of insects. Although one might see many different types of bugs during an outing, there isn't any one insect hatching in great numbers during these cold months. As temperatures begin to rise, so will the fish! Subsur

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## THE LAST MEETING

Good attendance, not much fishing activity in the fishing report. The mini sessions all provided good helpful info. Todd Gillinhan brought some great bugs and the imitations. See his article on what will be first up this spring. Frank unraveled the fly line mystery and Karl wrapped up guides . Byron showed

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### Last Meeting

the basics of fly tying and seemed to get the most attendance.

Most of the members who showed up to meet **Jack Dennis** on Tuesday at Off the Hook came away very impressed. That man had some stories to tell and kept us all laughing while we watched him tie some really good flies. Some of you may have caught up with Jack at the Sacramento Sportsman Expo.

### Fishing Report

lenging, 2-3 feet where I entered but did see most places with 4-5 feet of berm. It's been over a week since I was up there so it's probably diminished a bit since then. You might send out a reminder that we are scheduled for an outing at either Rancho Seco or Lake Amador, we'll decide at the meeting on Thursday. I plan on being at the meeting and will discuss the fishouts planned for the remainder of the year.

### Spring Bugs

face fishing is the way to go in the streams unless you absolutely see bugs popping off of the water and fish rising to take them. Various types of *Mayflies* (Baetis, March Browns, Duns, etc.) are slowing morphing towards the adult stage. Mayfly hatches can be very sporadic and being at the right place at the right time is crucial. Although one might see *Stoneflies* (Golden Stones, Salmon Fly) in the streams, they will most likely continue in the nymph stage until late spring/early summer. Various *Caddis* flies will continue to show in greater numbers as stream and lake temperatures begin to

### Editors Notes

- Spelling is not proofed all that welll.
- Not responsible for typograpefruitable errors, omissions or the like .
- If I do a "stupid" get over it, I often drink while I write and my eyes are not that good to begin with.
- This is sent as a PDF. After that, it's up to you. I may have printed copies at the meeting, depending on my memory, which is worse than my eyesight

### Club Stuff

Here 's a list of the officers of the club:

**President** - Byron Stanton

**Treasurer** – Karl Weiland

**V P- Communication** Tony Kowalczyk

**VP – Outings** Dave Angelo

**VP Meetings** – Frank Seifert

**VP Conservation** - Todd Gillihan

They can all be contacted through the club web site:

<http://hangtownflyfishers.org/index.html>

March is dues month. You will be getting a e-mail later this month, or early next month, depending on when we get to it. Last year dues were \$20 per person and \$30 per family.

**The Editor solicits articles for this erstwhile, young but struggling beacon of illumination on the dark and mysterious world into which we delve for respite.**

If you didn't understand that, you have the makings of a fine contributor to the newsletter. If you knew exactly what I was talking about, you could be the next editor. In any case please submit articles in Word and e-mail them to: [weiland@hughes.net](mailto:weiland@hughes.net)

## IT'S SHOWTIME

**The Fly Fishing Show—February 22nd-24th. Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. This is all fly fishing, with some of the top experts in the sport. Follow this link**

<http://www.flyfishingshow.com/>

**At the February Meeting, there will be an opportunity to work out details on ridesharing and carpooling. This is a great chance to spend the day with club members and soak up enough fly fishing to get you through till opening day.**