

# Auburn Flycasters



## *The Tailing Loop*

The Newsletter of the Auburn Flycasters

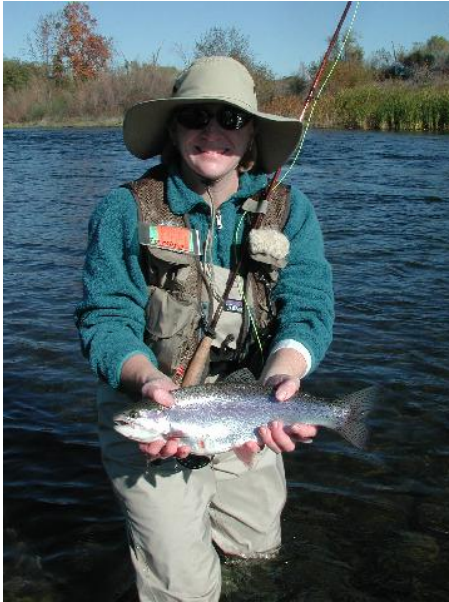
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March Fishout at Pyramid Lake

<b>AFC 2008</b>	<b>General Meeting</b>	<b>Fly Tying</b>	<b>Officers Meeting</b>	<b>Outings</b>	<b>Other Stuff</b>
<b>May</b>	14th	20th	27th	17th <b>Lower Yuba River</b> Led by Don Steffa	Shad Clinic with Al Smatsky
<b>June</b>	11th	17th	24th	14th <b>American River (Shad)</b> Led by Dave Flood	Knot Tying Clinic
<b>July</b>	9th	15th	22nd	26th <b>North Yuba River</b> Led by Ed Cummings	
<b>August</b>	13th	19th	26th	23rd <b>Fuller Lake &amp; Picnic</b> Led by Audrey Flood	Idaho Expedition
<b>September</b>	10th	16th	23rd	tbd <b>TBD</b> Led by TBD	Owens Valley Backpack



## **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

**BY AUDREY FLOOD**

Welcome to the May/June edition of the Auburn Flycasters Tailing Loop!

Our annual dinner was well attended and a good time was had by all!

Thanks to

Bill Carnazzo for speaking and donating a day of guiding that we all know Ed Cummings will enjoy! Thanks also to Diana Hale and Dave Reese for their extra effort in making the evening a success.

Don Steffa led the group to Pyramid in March and Mike Sexton headed for Jenkinson Lake in April. Thanks to both guys for taking the lead on

these excursions. Don will be leading the May 17<sup>th</sup> fishout to the lower Yuba.

Our March clinic was provided by Jim Victorine. He instructed us on casting. It was a great day, and if you ever get the chance to see this man cast, do it! He is amazing! Larry Goodell led our April clinic, a gear check up, in preparation for opening day. Although no one attended, we appreciate Larry's time.

Our May clinic will be a "Shad Clinic" on the American. Al Smatsky, of Excellent Adventures will spend about four hours with us, teaching appropriate gear, casting, and finding where the shad hide. Cost for this clinic is \$25.00 per person and is limited to eight attendees. Email me if you are interested; we have three open spots.

Greg Robinson, former employee at Sierra Fly Fishers, and teacher at Placer High, has started a student Fly Fishing Club. He is seeking donations of gear, books, etc. to get them started. If you have anything to contribute please contact him at [gregoryjrobinson@gmail.com](mailto:gregoryjrobinson@gmail.com) or telephone him at 530-906-6363.

I hope you are all getting out and enjoying some fine fishing!

Enjoy!

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**Annual Dinner for 2009**

Position Open

**Annual Potluck in December**

Position Open

**Refreshments**

Bill Heyenbruck

**Monthly Program**

Position Open

**Webmaster**

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## AFC MEETINGS

**Monthly Meeting:**

2nd Wednesday of each month at  
7:00 pm Bowman CDF Training Center

**Fly Tying:**

3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30  
pm Bowman CDF Training Center

**Board Meeting:**

4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30  
pm Location on discussion Forum

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## OUR WEBSITE

[www.auburnflycasters.org](http://www.auburnflycasters.org)

Enter the site and find out  
what is going on in the club.  
Don't forget to click on the  
Discussion Forum button and  
let us know what your up to!

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## PYRAMID LAKE

BY DON STEFFA

March 22, 2009

On Saturday morning Bryan Woodhouse, Tony Pisanu, Ted Jensen, Carl Wiggins and I met at the Golden Ranch Casino, Sierra Café at Verdi exit about 7 AM for breakfast. After breakfast we continued up I 80 to State Route 445 at Sparks. We traveled up 445 to the Pyramid Lake Store. Here we purchased out fishing permits, some flies and supplies.



We met up with Marvin and Cece Awtry at the ranger trailers at Sutcliffe. This is also where the Crosby Lodge is located. We stayed overnight in the cabins they rent and are very reasonable rates.

It didn't take long to reach Warrior Point were we inflated our floatation devices and went fishing. Well, at least some of us. Bryan had a little trouble, so he helped others get their equipment set up and out fishing.

Warrior Point didn't produce any fish for us. The day was really great. Everyone had a chance to use some new techniques and get familiar with their equipment.

Saturday night was festive, with a great a meal of Linguisa with provolone sauce provided by Tony Pisanu and his wife. We talked about the day, joking around, and made plans for Sunday.

Sunday morning we got going early with a great breakfast provided by Ted Jensen. Ted provided bacon, eggs and biscuits with a great jam.

We packed up and headed for Pelican Point. Marvin and Cece used their great aluminum drift boat. We used float tubes and again fished our hearts out all day until about 4 PM without landing a fish. Then things began to change. The ladder fishermen had been catching fish all day. By 4 PM most had left. Tony and I began getting strikes. Before we knew it I had hooked up 6 times and landed 4 good fish from 22" up to 26"plus. Tony had several on and Bryan had hooked and landed two really nice 22". Bryan and I had hooked our last couple of fish just off the shore using strike indicators and small copper john flies size 10-12.

Everyone had a great week-end of good company and fishing. I am sure everyone on our trip would recommend fishing Pyramid Lake

## ***CASTING FOR RECOVERY***

Auburn Flycasters has donated \$200.00 to this worthwhile organization.

### **About Casting for Recovery**

#### **The CFR Board**

Casting for Recovery is a national non-profit support and educational program for women who have or have had breast cancer.

We provide an opportunity for women whose lives have been profoundly affected by the disease to gather in a beautiful, natural setting and learn fly-fishing, "a sport for life." Just as importantly, we offer an opportunity to meet new friends and have fun. Our weekend retreats incorporate counseling, educational services and the sport of fly-fishing to promote mental and physical healing.

Founded in 1996, Casting for Recovery has been offering free retreats across the country. We rely on local volunteers and organizations to support our community based retreats.

### **Why fly fishing and breast cancer?**

#### **To Fish is to Hope ©**

The retreats provide an avenue for social support and group interactions, reducing the feeling of isolation many survivors might have.

The dynamics of fly fishing provide a healing connection to the natural world, relieving everyday stressors and promoting a sense of calm.

Fly fishing techniques provide a gentle exercise for joint and soft tissue mobility.

The retreats offer a forum for women with similar experiences to meet, learn a new skill and gain a respite from their everyday concerns.

### **What we do**

Casting for Recovery provides weekend retreats at no cost to the participants including lodging, meals and professional instruction.

Any woman who has experienced breast cancer is eligible to attend a retreat (with medical clearance from their physicians).

Trained facilitators staff each retreat including: a psychotherapist, a health care professional (e.g. physical therapist, nurse), and four fly fishing instructors.

### **Contact Us Today**

Call us Toll Free at 1-888-553-3500

