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HEAD HOOKER'S MESSAGE

PAUL WELLS



Hi Guys,

Due to Omicron, we will have a Zoom meeting on Friday, February 11, at 9 a.m. instead of an in person Breakfast meeting. I will send out an email with the details a few days before the meeting. Hopefully, we can

resume our regular meetings soon depending on the pandemic. We will have to play it by ear.

A few of the Jolly Hookers went to a seminar at "The Hooked Tackle Shop" in Lone last Saturday. The seminar was held outside with some spacing. Talking to the guides that were there, Camanche is low but is fishable. Although, the fishing report was not all that glowing. Rick Schrichfield went to Camanche several weeks ago and stayed on the water until noon without a strike. At the boat ramp, he talked to some other guys who fish there quite a bit and who had the same luck. On his way out, he saw some people at the cleaning station so he stopped and talked to them. They had limits that they caught from the bank.

Hope to see you at the Zoom meeting!

Until then,

"Keep your lines tight and your nets ready"

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

BOB SCHMIDT

Greetings everyone once again. With the Omicron Wave still going strong it's hard to plan anything. The steering committee will get together here soon and determine if we should have a meeting this month. Not having the NDO's and Derbies I'm not really motivated to go fishing.

By now duck season is now done with for next 9 months. The last day was Jan 31. It was not one of the better years. Our club had plenty of water and so did the fields around us. The ducks seem to like those fields better than ours. I wonder why.

I went to the Sportsman Show at Cal Expo and what a big difference since the last one in 2020. I don't know how many of you went but there was hardly anyone there and lots of empty booths. On the plus side you weren't pushed around by the crowd as you were able to talk to the vendors at length.

What I'm hearing is Camanche is doing well kicking out some nice fish both from shore and boat. I plan to go there next week if possible. I also heard at the show that February might be a good time to go the delta for stripers. I have never fished the Delta in February it might be something different. Let's not forget Lake Pardee opener on Friday Feb 18.

On the home front after 2 years of interior remodeling the completion is in sight. The carpet will be arriving late February and once it's in place there's not much stopping me from going fishing.

Signing out for the last time this season at my trailer at the Broken Wing Duck Club.

Good luck Fishing and be Safe

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

JOHN KINSLOW

Hello to all. Hoping you and your families are well and to those who are not, that your all better soon. I have heard that there are few fella's and wife's that can use our thoughts and prayers.

I apologize if you had issues in opening last month's newsletter, I believe we have that resolved now. Feel free to contact me if you have any issues with the newsletter. I am also looking for pictures and or notes from you club members for your newsletter.

On another note: I sent out an email regarding club dues. Out of 65+ emails, I received only 31 responses back. (30 would stay if the club had to charge dues for insurance and 1 was dropping from the club due to health issues). The club Steering Committee would appreciate your input. I will be sending out another email to those who I did not receive a response from and would appreciate it if you could take a minute and reply back as the subjects of insurance and dues will be discussed at our next Zoom meeting on Feb. 11th.

Fishing Report from The Stockton Record by Dan Bacher

ANGELS CAMP — The stars lined up for angler Bobby Aperocho of Yuba City on Jan. 26 when he tied the New Melones Lake brown trout lake record of 13.4 pounds while fishing from a kayak.

"He had a fight on his hands, nearly more than his 6-pound line and fishing from a kayak could handle," Gene Hildebrand of Glory Hole Sports said.

Aperocho was fishing for crappie with a Notorious Jig near the Glory Hole boat ramp at 2:30 p.m. at 50 feet deep when the big brown hit.

Aperocho's fish tied the 13-pound, 4-ounce German brown caught by Michael Oliveira of Hilmar on Dec. 30, 2011.

"This recent brown trout brown trout catch just reinforces the fact that New Melones Reservoir remains one of the best fisheries for a multitude of species in the western United States," Hildebrand said. "Year after year, big fish like this, including big black bass, rainbows, browns and other fish species, keep being caught."

Trout fishing has been excellent at New Melones since the beginning of the year. The Moccasin Creek Fish Hatchery has completed several trout plants on New Melones over the past two months with an estimated 20,000 pounds of rainbows, along with brown trout fingerlings, stocked in the reservoir.

"The plants have had time to spread out on the lake, so both trolling and bank fishing will bring action," Hildebrand said. "To target browns and holdovers, rolling shad is a great way to troll. An easy way to rig shad is using a double hook rig with one hook in the mouth and the treble hook in the side of the bait from surface to 15 feet deep."

Boaters are fishing in the Angels Cove and Mormon Creek inlets and up past first Parrotts Ferry Bridge. They are trolling with Rapalas, Apex and other lures or drifting crawlers in the top 10 feet of water for rainbows.

Plants of large trout from Lake Amador's on-site fish hatchery continue to boost trout catches at Amador. 500 pounds of cutbows were stocked on Jan. 31 at Lake Amador, Lee Lockhart at the Lake Amador Resort said.

"The lake is nearly full, the water is clear and you can almost see 12 feet down now, so the fishing has been awesome," he advised. "Fish shallow in the top 10 feet for the best action."

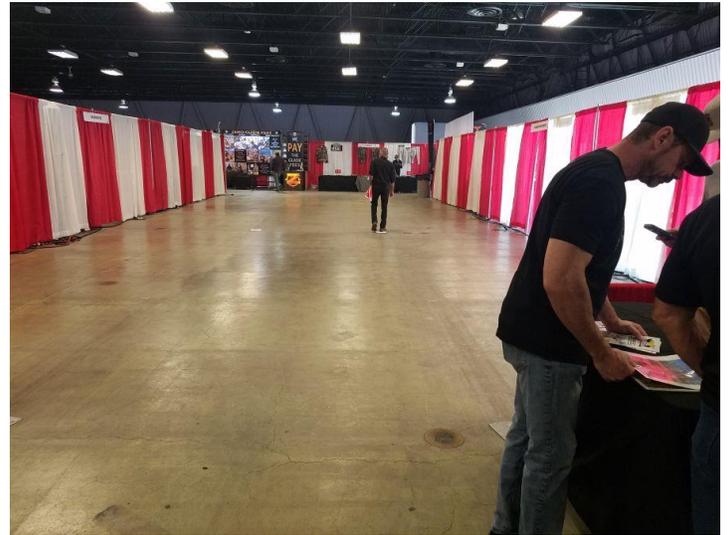
Trollers are using Speedy Shiners and Rapalas while shore anglers are tossing Kastmasters and PowerBait.

The lake level is 8.5 feet from full and the surface water temperature is 51 degrees. **Information:** (209) 274-4739.

FYI

Alan Fong, has added “What would Alan Do” to his You Tube Channel. Alan responds to questions that are asked by his followers and post his video answers on his You Tube channel on Friday mornings. As Alan and Fisherman’s Warehouse supports our club members with a discount on purchases, you might want to check out “**Alan Fong Outdoors**” on You Tube. Maybe even hit the Subscribe Button.

Collins Lake, for the latest info on fishing Collins Lake, check out Cal Kellogg’s You Tube Channel “**Fish Hunt Shoot Productions**”



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