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NEWSLETTER

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HEAD HOOKER'S MESSAGE

STEVE NELSON



Hi Guys,
March 16, we had our outing at Lake Camanche. It was cold in the morning with a nice cool breeze in the afternoon. Turned out to be a good day on the water. I was in the boat with Paul Wells and we left the dock about 7:30 in the morning. After

boating down towards the Dam across from Big Hat Island we started fishing. Paul picked up a nice large healthy trout almost right of the bat. Before he could finish getting his line out again, he had another one on, but lost it up to the boat. Paul was using his side planner with a new pole and main line setup which seemed to be the trick of the day, using a red and gold speedy shiner just under surface of the water. He ended up losing one more in the same area (well, he said he did) and catching another later in the afternoon down in the Narrows on the east end of the lake with the same color shiner. I tried using two different colored shiners on one pole at different times, along with a white grub and a streamer fly on the other pole. I wish I didn't have to say I ended up being skunked; however, I did bring good luck to Paul's fishing by being on the boat. Ha.. For Paul anyway, keeping the lure out away from the boat with the side planner worked well, making me a believer. One still cannot complain about not being out on the water getting a line wet. We'll have to wait and see how the outing goes at Lake Pardee. That's one fickle lake.

Well, here it is after the Pardee outing and I think we can all give it a thumbs down as far as the fishing goes.

The topic of dues has been brought up before. I can't express enough how important it is for each member to have their annual dues of \$30 dollars paid as quickly as possible. It is important for each member to know, that by their paying dues it provides monies for club liability insurance, producing our club directory, our facilities at the elk club, helping with NDO refreshments and several dollars worth of fishing gear to be raffled at our monthly breakfast meetings. It also allows you to have a 10% discount on many fishing items at Fisherman's Warehouse. Most importantly which should have been stated first; by paying your membership, places you on the membership roster. If you are not listed as a member, you are not covered by the club insurance policy which jeopardizes you and other members in club activities. If you are not insured through our club insurance, you will be unable to participate in member club outings. We are looking for everyone to be caught up as much as possible at the next breakfast in March. Ben LaSala will take cash or check at the door for dues.

See Dan Fisher our new Assistant Head Hooker for new membership applications. After the new member application is complete, please return it to Dan.

Just a sidenote, there were some nonmembers (fishermen) down at the Camanche fish cleaning station on the day we were there. One gentleman seemed very interested in our club complementing to me how friendly we were as a group together. I was able to tell him about our club and handed him one of our calling cards with my name and phone number on the back. I gave an invitation to have him come and join us at breakfast. So, if you don't have any calling cards get some from Ben LaSala when you come in for the monthly meeting and be ready to hand them out to someone that may be interested in joining our club. There's a space to write your name and phone number on the back side of the card.

I want to have a sign-up sheet for deep-sea fishing at our next meeting only to see how many people may want to go out of the San Francisco Bay for rockfish and lingcod. The

trip is open for yourself, your family and friends but, we have to guarantee a minimum of 25 people at \$150 ea. to reserve the boat. Normally the cost is \$225 per person. The captain is looking at going out during the week Monday through Thursday on any one month.

One other thing that was briefly mentioned at the Steering Committee Meeting, but not really discussed, was shore fishing at some of the lakes that are selected for Club Outing's. Something to think about anyway. There's a lot of fish to be caught on shore as well as being in a boat. It will still allow us all to be together as a group and enjoy the reception at weigh-in. It may work out better for some of the wives being closer to a rest room facility. Again, just a thought.

FISHING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

BOB SCHMIDT

Greetings everyone we are now into the month of March of the new year already. We did some outings in February starting with Camanche. I would rate it as a good day of fishing for many of us. No big fish but a lot of nice quality trout. We moved the outing from Tuesday to Thursday because of strong winds predicted on Tuesday. Thursday turned out to be the better day, and the winds held off to later in the afternoon. The Castaways Fishing Club also fished that day and also caught some nice trout. We had a nice get together at the fish cleaning station before heading home. We were considering canceling the Pardee outing due to wind, but we went on with it, only canceling the lunch. The weather was cooperative, but the fish were not. Only a 3 fish were caught out of the 5 boats on the lake. It was a nice morning and the wind held off till later in the afternoon.

We need to pick our fishing locations for March. I have no recommendations at this point. We normally fish Pardee. The last few times I fished Pardee, including last season I have not had a productive day. Past years I have done very well, I don't know what has changed. Either their planting operation have changed or something. Maybe they are not planting enough fish, or the shore fisherman are catching them all before they reach main part of the lake. The shore fisherman have no problem catching limits of fish. I have seen the game wardens checking for over limits of the shore fisherman on several occasions. They do not check the boats on the way out, most boats don't get limits for some reason.

I complained to the person at the entrance and I call and talked to the manger on February 27. I asked why they don't plant the fish in the main part of the lake. I was not the first person to complain about this. At this time 100% of the fish are planted at the boat ramp, and the fish have to make their way out to the main lake. They only stop the shore fisherman from fishing for only a half hour after the plant. After that the fish don't stand a change, most fisherman will limit out in about an hour. It's not sport fishing but how fast you can catch them. I was told they are thinking of putting a tank on a boat and boating the fish out to the main part of the lake. Also planting fish in the main part of the lake before the opener. This sounds good but this has not happen yet and don't know when it will start. There is no location on the lake where they can drive the fish truck down to the water's edge. If you have fished there lately and feel like I do about their fish planting operation, give them a call, they are interested in hearing from you. 209-772-1472

Boater Safety Class went quite well. Rich said our group had one the highest grade averages of the test. There were a few 100% scores and lots of us that just missed 1 or 2 questions. That might be due to our many years on the water. I applied for my card and paid my \$10 on line and 5 days later I received my card in the mail. If any of you are having problems getting your card let me know and I can help you.

If you are interested in getting your boat inspected by the Coast Guard, they do it at West Marine on Micron Ave. off Bradshaw Rd. They do it almost every second Friday of the month till about noon. It's the same day we have our JH meeting. If you are missing something for your boat, you can run inside West Marine and get it. You should check ahead with West Marine to make sure they are there before pulling boat there and finding out they are not there. After our next meeting I'm planning to go home get my boat and head there to have it inspected.

Good luck Fishing & be Safe!

ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

PAUL WELLS

Guest Speaker for March Meeting:

Brett Brady, Bare Bones Guide Service


TREASURER'S REPORT

BEN LASALA

We should all take some time to thank our new liaison at the Elks Lodge, Sandra. Sandra facilitated us in changing the date and time of our "Christmas Dinner" as well as helping us with our Boating Class and lunch. She even saved us \$50 by feeding the five Coast Guard Auxiliary personnel that put on the class, lunch, at no cost to us.

Just a reminder for those of you that have not already done so, **don't forget to bring some extra cash or your checkbooks to pay for your \$30 – 2023 membership dues.**

A big portion of our club insurance is due to be paid in March.

 Treasurer's Report By Ben LaSala February 2023	
Starting Balance	\$4,638
Income	
Breakfast	416
Boating Class Lunch	240
Non-eaters	4
Member Donation	4
Membership Dues 2023	210
Hat Sales	20
Subtotal	894
Expenses	
Breakfast	312
Boating Class Lunch	240
Derby Pot	0
Guest Breakfasts	0
Insurance	
Subtotal	552
Ending Balance	\$4,980

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

JOHN KINSLOW

Let's not forget our Club Members and Spouses that are dealing with different health issues.

Club Roster Book's. I have held up getting our 2023 books printed; but can't hold up much longer! If you wish to continue as a Jolly Hooker member and have your good looking picture in the Club Roster please pay your dues and help decide on our monthly club outing locations.

OPEN LETTER TO CLUB MEMBERS

RON MADSEN

Jolly Hooker's

For a good time, think about joining an outing to Wiskeytown Lake. **May 8,9,10th (2 nights)** It's about a 3 hour drive from Sac.

We're just trying to get an idea of how many will be interested. It's okay to invite a friend.

Stay at motel in Redding (or on your own).
Fish 2 to 3 times
Have 1 day small derby – best 3 fish/boat
Eat 1 dinner together.

Full details will be provided at a club meeting. The last time we went (pre covid) we had 10 boats & 22 fishermen. The more the merrier!

Select a partner and call Ron Madsen 916-895-2181



FISHERMAN'S WAREHOUSE SEMINARS:

3/2 Sturgeon Fishing w/ Ricky Acosta
3/9 Fishing Rods Gary Dobyns – Dobyns Rods
3/16 Trout Fishing w/ "Big" Nates Guide Service
3/23 TBD
3/30 Stripers w/ Rustic Rob Reimers
on Minnows

All Seminars Start At 6 PM Sharp!

2023 Steering Committee

<u>Head Hooker</u>	Steve Nelson
<u>Asst. Head Hooker</u>	Dan Fisher
<u>Treasurer</u>	Ben LaSala
<u>Secretary</u>	John Kinslow
<u>Activities Chairmen</u>	Paul Wells
<u>Fishing Chairman</u>	Bob Schmidt
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