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HEAD HOOKER'S MESSAGE

PAUL WELLS



Hi guys,

Here we are doing the best we can with the hand we have been dealt. I know this situation has been very disappointing for all of us. I continue to be concerned about the health and well-being of

our members during this crisis. I hope everyone is doing well.

I know some of you have been doing individual fishing and I had considered doing the same, figuring that for the most part, we could do physical distancing by not assembling in a group. Now it appears, all the public parks and ramps have been closed so I guess that pretty much eliminates our ability to fish until the issue with the Coronavirus is resolved.

Also, Fish & Game has notified us that all Derbies have been cancelled through April.

While physical distancing is a must right now, we can still keep in contact with each other via email or phone. I appreciate hearing from everyone and I am relieved when I hear from members that are doing well.

As the experts tell us, "Practice physical distancing, wash your hands and the hardest one of all, "Don't touch your face!"

Hopefully, this craziness will be over soon and we can resume our normal lives and fishing once again!

Take Care & be Safe!

FISHING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

BOB SCHMIDT

I hope everyone is doing OK.
The new catchphrase now days is **"Be Safe."** With "stay at home" now in effect I am hoping this is not the new normal. Its 2:45 Tuesday afternoon and I should be at Berryessa and finishing up with the weigh-in with the rest of you guys. Instead I'm here at home wishing I had gone fishing today and it's starting to rain. It's calling for a nice day on Thursday and I'm planning to go somewhere to fish by myself. My first choice is Berryessa, Folsom, then the Delta, anywhere I can get my boat on the water. I'll do a follow-up when I get home and add it to my article.

I have been out and about getting a few things done today at a few stores and I'm trying to do my social distancing. I have been in a few lines waiting to get into the stores and spent that time watching human behavior of those around me. I found it to be very interesting. People would grab a shopping cart and stand in line with it for 30 minutes and not wipe it down then touch their face and rub their nose and eyes. The ones wearing gloves did the same thing. The gloves are

of no value if you touch something and then transfer the germs or bacteria to the gloves then touch them to your exposed face and skin. You only protected your hands. When in line at WinCo there was a rack of small planting pots by the entrance. People liked the bright yellow one, not the black one or blue one. Just the yellow one. It was picked up and handle several times and returned to its place on the shelf. Even my wife picked it up before I was able to reminder her that everyone else in line before us had just touched it. Stores have put big **"X"s** and **"lines"** on the floor at six feet apart to remind us how much social distancing we must have from me to you. Yet the employees are working in close proximity to each other like nothing has changed. Human behavior is a funny thing and we are creatures of habit. It's hard to change our habits overnight. Look around you, see what others are doing good or bad and learn what you can do better to **Be Safe.**

It's now Thursday evening and I did get out to Berryessa today. There were a lot of boats on the lake for a weekday. Mostly bass fisherman. Markley Cove parking lot was about 80% full at 2:00 and there were more boats coming in. Fishing was a little bit slow. I was targeting Kings and Rainbows only with speedy shiners. What I ended up with was 1 good size bass and 3 Kokanee. The kokanee were in 3 different sizes, 7", 11" and 16". They looked like they were part of 3 different generations of kokanee. I plan to get out into the Delta next week if they don't lock me out first. If you plan to go out fishing call ahead to see if ramps are open. Markley Cove is day to day until the state tells them to shut down. All the lakes in Lake County are closed to boating. I also received a letter from Fish & Wildlife today telling us that we must cancel all our outings through April 30. We will try to get together again in May.

Good Luck to everyone and **"Be Safe"**
Bob

NDO CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

WALT SUMMERS

Salutations, Jolly Hookers

"Here I sit broken hearted,
Tried to fish, but can't get started....."

As you know our outings for March have been cancelled because of you know what.

As things are changing daily, it's anyone's guess when our next get together will happen. But we know it will, because our Club and our members will be poised and ready.

As I sit here, trying not to "pout", my mind goes back to what it must have been like for our parents during WW2. Every day, they dealt with the fear and anxiety of loved ones being lost, of uncertainty about the future. They dealt with economic hardship, loss of breadwinners, rationing of food and fuel and curfews. Clearly, they had travel restrictions, and citizens of certain groups were discriminated against, hated and despised unfairly.

Overall, our people then, and hopefully now, began to realize that they were part of something bigger and more important than themselves. That they had a major stake in protecting our very way of life. I hope I can do my part, I hope we all can.....

My Dad, Walter Lee Ward Jr. did his part. He was a radio operator on a "tin can", a destroyer escort charged with protecting a convoy of ships bound for Dublin, Ireland. While traversing through an area known as "torpedo alley", his ship was blown in half by topedos from a German U-Boat.

Out of approximately 180 men 23 survived. Actually, it's not the Captain who's the last man to leave the boat, it's the radio operator. There were not enough lifeboats to accommodate all the men, so the last one's off had to go into the water.

It was December in the North Atlantic!!

A book about this event was published last year. It was researched and published by the brother and granddaughter of one of the survivors. The title is NEVER TO RETURN; THE WORST DISASTER IN COAST GUARD HISTORY.

So, fellow Hookers, as inconvenient and troublesome as this current mess is, I am resolved: I Shall Not Whine!

Thanx for your indulgence in letting me tell this story. I look forward to seeing you all again.

Walt Summers, your NDO Guy

	Treasurer's Report By Ben LaSala March 2020
Starting Balance	\$1,979
Income	
Breakfast 25@16	400
Non-eaters	12
Subtotal	412
Expenses	
Breakfast 29@14	406
Derby Pot	75
Subtotal	481
Ending Balance	\$1,910

GOOD TO KNOW DEPT.

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE WAS SUBMITTED BY PAST HEAD HOOKER **RALPH SCHUHRIEMEN** AND IS GOOD TO KNOW IN THESE CRAZY TIMES.

DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE CORONA VIRUS

The following is from a physician, whose daughter is an Asst. Prof in infectious diseases at Johns Hopkins University, quite informative.

* The virus is not a living organism, but a protein molecule (DNA) covered by a protective layer of lipid (fat), which, when absorbed by the cells of the ocular, nasal or buccal mucosa, changes their genetic code (mutation) and converts them into aggressor and multiplier cells.

* Since the virus is not a living organism but a protein molecule, it is not killed, but decays on its own. The disintegration time depends on the temperature, humidity and type of material where it lies.

* The virus is very fragile; the only thing that protects it is a thin outer layer of fat. That is why any soap or detergent is the best remedy, because the foam CUTS the FAT (that is why you have to rub so much: for 20 seconds or more, to make a lot of foam). By dissolving

the fat layer, the protein molecule disperses and breaks down on its own.

* HEAT melts fat; this is why it is so good to use water above 25 degrees Celsius (77 deg. F) for washing hands, clothes and everything. In addition, hot water makes more foam and that makes it even more useful.

* Alcohol or any mixture with alcohol over 65% DISSOLVES ANY FAT, especially the external lipid layer of the virus.

* Any mix with 1 part bleach and 5 parts water directly dissolves the protein, breaks it down from the inside.

* Oxygenated water helps long after soap, alcohol and chlorine, because peroxide dissolves the virus protein, but you have to use it pure and it hurts your skin.

* NO BACTERICIDE OR ANTIBIOTIC SERVES. The virus is not a living organism like bacteria; antibodies cannot kill what is not alive.

* NEVER shake used or unused clothing, sheets or cloth. While it is glued to a porous surface, it is very inert and disintegrates only -between 3 hours (fabric and porous), -4 hours (copper and wood) -24 hours (cardboard), - 42 hours (metal) and -72 hours (plastic). But if you shake it or use a feather duster, the virus molecules float in the air for up to 3 hours, and can lodge in your nose.

* The virus molecules remain very stable in external cold, or artificial as air conditioners in houses and cars. They also need moisture to stay stable, and especially darkness. Therefore, dehumidified, dry, warm and bright environments will degrade it faster.

* UV LIGHT on any object that may contain it breaks down the virus protein. For example, to disinfect and reuse a mask is perfect. Be careful, it also breaks down collagen (which is protein) in the skin.

* The virus CANNOT go through healthy skin. * Vinegar is NOT useful because it does not break down the protective layer of fat. * NO SPIRITS, NOR VODKA, serve. The strongest vodka is 40% alcohol, and you need 65%. * LISTERINE IF IT SERVES! It is 65% alcohol.

* The more confined the space, the more concentration of the virus there can be. The more open or naturally ventilated, the less.

* You have to wash your hands before and after touching mucosa, food, locks, knobs, switches, remote control, cell phone, watches, computers, desks, TV, etc. And when using the bathroom.

* You have to HUMIDIFY HANDS DRY from so much washing them, because the molecules can hide in the micro cracks. The thicker the moisturizer, the better. * Also keep your NAILS SHORT so that the virus does not hide there.



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