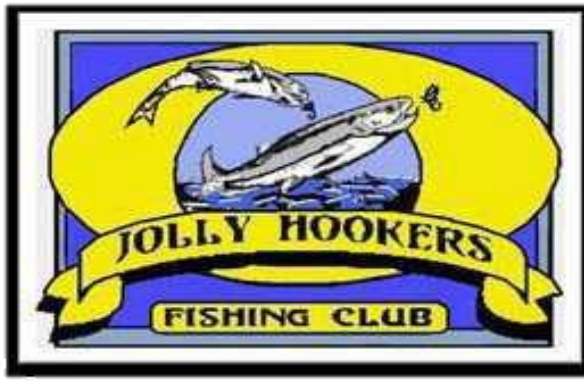




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**MARCH 2026**

### **HEAD HOOKER'S MESSAGE**

**STEVE MILANOVICH**



Greetings fellow Hookers

How are you doing this wonderful March... you would think the water would be clearing up pretty darn soon and will be ready to fish the lakes and the rivers..

I think I have Striper fever and can't wait to get out there and catch another one but wait, to do that I think, I need to be with Rene.. lol

The Washington Outboard Club is going to have a striper derby real soon, so I like to gear up for that..

Before we go to Lake Berryessa, I wanna go another time to Amador and try and bring in that golden trout we missed the last time haha..

Some of us, Jolly Hookers closed out February with a wonderful sendoff to Lloyd Willoughby.. I miss being part of the club when he was in charge I would've enjoyed fishing with him. I know cause I like cheese, pepperoni and Cheez-Its also.

Off the top of my head, I don't have anything more to say, but I'm getting anxious to go out and go fishing and getting in that boat again.. bless you all and keep your hooks sharp.



### **FISHING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**BOB SCHMIDT**

Where do I begin? Mother Nature threw us some bad weather last month. The weather for our first outing was definitely worth canceling, lots of rain and wind. Cancelling the second outing was questionable. The news made it look like it was going to be very bad day and it wasn't. I have gone out in much worse weather. You can't predict the weather, it's better to be on the safe side when it comes to being out on the lake on a bad weather day.

On the bright side I stayed home and was reviewing my prepared tax statements. For days I was in disbelief that I owed the IRS for the first time many years. I knew there had to be an error somewhere in the paperwork when my tax person prepared them. After hours of looking at the tax returns I sat back in my chair and was about to give up and go ahead and pay what I owed. I closed my eyes and when I reopened them it was like someone put a spotlight on one number. I had found the error. My tax person didn't enter the Federal taxes withheld on Debbie's Social Security Statement. What was a big payment now had now become a very big return. The "Big Beautiful Bill" more than doubled my usual Federal yearly return. For your information the "Big Beautiful Bill" for 2025 to 2028 taxes years has a \$12,000.00 deduction right off the top of your income. This goes for seniors 65 and older. That's right \$12,000.00 for married couples filling together if income is under \$150k. Filling for singles its \$6000.00 if income is under \$75K. So, if you have not done your taxes make sure this deduction is included in them. I'm sure glad

we didn't go fishing that day, or I might not have found the error in my taxes.

Collins Lake: Debbie and I just got back from there. We spent 3 nights camping (3/1 to 3/4) along the shoreline in our trailer. A makeup trip we missed because of bad weather during Christmas. I did not have my boat but instead we had our 2 kayaks. The lake is full and water has been going over the spillway for a few weeks. Fished 1 day from the kayak and got 1 small trout. The lake is a murky brown color. The guys that were camping next to us only got 9 regular size trout trolling all day for 2 days. Pink was the color the fish were hitting on.

Went to Englebright Reservoir to Kayak but they had the entire lake closed to all watercraft due to the waterline pipe break. Instead, we went to Bullards Bar and Kayaked out of Dark Day and spent almost 4 hours on the lake. The lake was crystal clear green as always. Didn't see a boat all day, only 2 boat trailers in the parking lot. Did not fish, as we spent the day together sightseeing and enjoying quit day of kayaking.

When I got home and opened the door on the truck the sound of neighbor's dam ass roosters brought us back to reality once again.

### **ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**PAUL WELLS**

Hi Guys and Gals,

Hopefully, this finds everybody well and ready for a new season on our lakes and rivers! While fishing is going to be difficult because of the Golden Mussel situation, I think it is still going to be doable. Different ones will be getting their boats tagged for different lakes, which will make it possible to fish a variety of different places by going with each other.

I would like to thank Brett Brady for coming to our last meeting and giving us the benefit of a lot of his knowledge on Striper fishing. Personally, I thought Brett gave one of the better talks on fishing for Stripers. He talked about a variety of methods that could be used. I found it to be very interesting!

Our speaker for this month is Gary Coe, Kokanee Power. He attends once a year. His main objective is promoting Kokanee Power and collecting dues from current members and new members alike. He also, has a lot of information about what is happening in the organization and what is going on at the different lakes. Gary is usually pretty much up to date on the status of the Golden Mussel.

Hope to see everybody at the meeting and bring a friend!

Until then, "Keep your lines tight and your nets ready!"

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**BEN LASALA**

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|  | <b>Treasurer's Report</b><br><b>By</b><br><b>Ben LaSala</b><br><b>February 2026</b> |
| <b>Starting Balance</b>                                                             | <b>\$6,045</b>                                                                      |
| <b>Income</b>                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| Breakfast 36x\$15                                                                   | 540                                                                                 |
| Non-eaters                                                                          | 15                                                                                  |
| Member Donation                                                                     | 12                                                                                  |
| Mmebership Dues                                                                     | 120                                                                                 |
| Hat Sales                                                                           |                                                                                     |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                                                                     | <b>687</b>                                                                          |
|                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| 36x\$12                                                                             | 432                                                                                 |
| Tip                                                                                 | 20                                                                                  |
| Raffle Prizes                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| Derby Pot                                                                           | 40                                                                                  |
| Guest Breakfasts                                                                    | 48                                                                                  |
| Liability Insurance for the club                                                    | 1,068                                                                               |
| Insurance for Steering Comm                                                         | 298**                                                                               |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                                                                     | <b>1608</b>                                                                         |
|                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| <b>Ending Balance</b>                                                               | <b>\$4,826</b>                                                                      |
|                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| *One of 3 Installment payments                                                      |                                                                                     |
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## SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

JOHN KINSLOW

*As the days continue to fly by, we continue to see more of our Club Members, Spouses, Family Members & Friends dealing with different Health & Life issues. Let us not forget to keep them in our prayers & give them a call if you have the opportunity. I am sure they would appreciate hearing from you!*

### 2026 Steering Committee

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| <u>Head Hooker</u>         | Steve Milanovich |
| <u>Asst. Head Hooker</u>   | Bill Ott         |
| <u>Treasurer</u>           | Ben LaSala       |
| <u>Secretary</u>           | John Kinslow     |
| <u>Activities Chairmen</u> | Paul Wells       |
| <u>Fishing Chairman</u>    | Bob Schmidt      |
| <u>NDO Chairman</u>        | Gary Kawano      |
| <i>Just Because</i>        | Dan Fisher       |
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| &                          |                  |
| <u>Webmaster</u>           | Mike Landeck     |

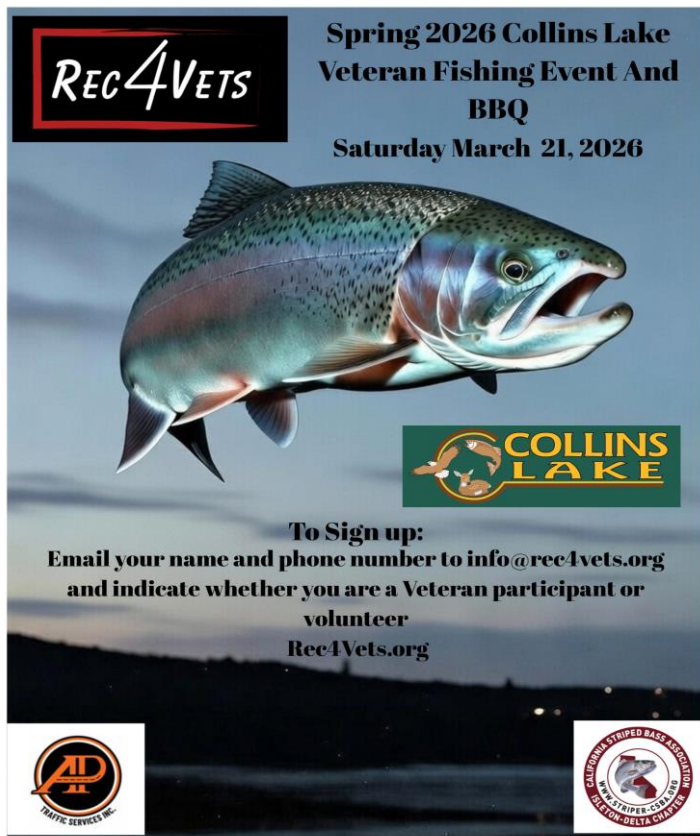
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| Jolly Hookers 2026 Standings |       |        |       |       |        |
|------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| After 2 Outings              | First | Second | Third | Forth | Points |
| Rene Villanueva              | 1     |        |       |       | 20     |
| Bob Schmidt                  |       | 1      |       |       | 15     |
| Paul Wells                   |       |        | 1     |       | 10     |

| January 21 Berryessa & Folsom |        |           |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Rene Villanueva               | Salmon | Berryessa |
| Bob Schmidt                   | Trout  | Berryessa |
| Paul Wells                    | Trout  | Folsom    |
|                               |        |           |

| January 13 Berryessa & Folsom |  |  |
|-------------------------------|--|--|
|                               |  |  |
| No Winner                     |  |  |
|                               |  |  |





**Volunteers are still needed.....Collins Lake on  
March 21, 2026**

Rec4Vets is hosting our annual Spring Collins Lake Veterans Fishing Event and BBQ at Collins lake on Saturday March 21, 2026. We currently have over 60 Veteran participants signed up....**however, about 15 of those are on the waiting list waiting for seats.** We have 19 confirmed volunteer boats and could use a several more, depending on size, to insure everyone gets a seat. Collins Lake has no mussel inspection to worry about or have to pay for, is currently full, and the fish are starting to bite. Launch and day use fees are generously donated by Collins Lake

If you are interested in volunteering and helping to get these well deserving Veterans on the water for a day, please contact me and I can get you signed up. As always, we will have a BBQ lunch provided for everyone after the morning's fishing activity.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you out there

Darren Butler

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