



August 2022 Rooster Tails Newsletter

Message from the Board of Directors

Fellow Rooster Tails:

We must begin this months Newsletter apologizing for the last minute cancellation of the July meeting. Due to circumstances beyond our control the Lodge was not able to operate that day. We know you were interested in hearing Alan Fong's presentation and we intend on rescheduling Alan.

It is with deep sadness we announce the passing of Judy Miller, past Secretary of the Club. Judy's untiring efforts to support the club were crucial in the success of the clubs activities. We will miss Judy's smiling face at the front door of the Elks Lodge greeting us at the Monthly meetings and her announcing new members and guests.

Our speaker for this months breakfast is **Call Kellogg**, the long time owner and managing editor of the Fish Sniffer Magazine. These days Cal is a full time trout guide during the cool months, tackle manufacturer, video creator and professional prospector. Cal will be talking about Fall Trout Fishing Strategies and answering questions...You can see Cal's library of 2000 plus fishing videos on YouTube at [Fish Hunt Shoot Productions!](#)

Ongoing registration for the Jackpot contest, our raffle ticket sales and "for sale" table are in full swing mode. We still need help on the Board of Directors so if interested please let us know. See you on the 19th for the breakfast meeting at the Auburn Elks Lodge. Doors open at 7am, breakfast at 8am, speaker at 9am and the raffle will be after the speaker.

If you would like to submit a report of your recent fishing trips, please send one to info@roostertailsfishingclub.org We would love to add it to our newsletter.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you Friday the 19th!

CLUB UPDATES

-Members continue to sign up for this year's Jackpot Contest and we currently have fish entered. If you would like to participate in the Jackpot contest, sign up at the Friday meeting or contact Ed Pigeon at 707-480-3326 or info@roostertailsfishingclub.org.

-A For Sale table will be set up in the back for members to sell off unwanted fishing gear.

-Rooster Tails Board of Directors Meeting - August 15

-Rooster Tails Monthly Breakfast Meeting - August 19

-Rooster Tails Board of Directors Meeting - September 12

-Rooster Tails Monthly Breakfast Meeting - September 16

-October Breakfast Meeting will feature Mike Peckham of MJP River Adventures and Guide Service speaking on fishing Pyramid Lake

Will Fish Tackle Report by Craig Newton



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Summer conditions are in full swing with warm to hot temperatures with monsoonal rain in the upper elevations. Fishing has been good in many areas from the high Sierra to the coast. Ocean Salmon and Rockfish bites are so-so to wide open depending on the day. Kokanee, trout, and landlock kings are available at many local lakes. Kokanee are starting to turn so the time is now for big Kokanee before they completely turn to spawning condition. Water temperatures are on the rise, resulting in deeper fishing for coldwater species. Get out and enjoy the water while lake levels are still high enough and ramps are in the water.

BULLARDS BAR: Kokanee are being caught at 50 to 80 feet on the wire. Mill Creek and Willow Creek areas are producing along with School House and Garden Point. The fish will be moving up the Yuba River arm as they

begin their spawning activities. Simple presentations of dodger/hoochie or spinner combos is doing the trick. Darker colors and greens have been better as the sun gets overhead. About half of the Kokanee are starting show signs of turning with those loosing scales and jaws starting to hook. Limits are the rule for those who find the fish.

COLLINS LAKE: Collins continues to produce trophy rainbows for those willing to troll a little deeper. Speedy shiners have been consistently producing for trollers. Bank anglers soaking Powerbait are doing as well also. The Bass and Crappie bite has been great as water temperatures continue to rise.

FOLSOM LAKE: King and Trout action continues to be good with kings up to 13lbs being boated. Larger presentations like shad and anchovies are getting the big Kings to bite. Schools of shad are being reported in the main body from the dam to Brown's Ravine. Kings and rainbows are being caught trolling speedy shiner at the dam and up to the south fork. Dodgers and rolled shad or anchovies are working as well. The kings will begin their journey up the south fork soon, so the mouth of the south fork and east will be the areas to look for late summer kings. Bass action continues to be good.

ENGLEBRIGHT: Trout fishing is good at Englebright over the last month. The water quality is good and fishing for hold over rainbows is a good option. Dodger/flasher worm combos and long line Rapalas are working well early and late in the day for trout. There are still a few Kokanee to be had but they are moving up the river to stage up for the spawn.

HELLHOLE: Great fishing for browns and mackinaw has continued. The kokanee fishing has improved with fish ranging from 12-15". Roads from Foresthill and Georgetown are open and passable.

OROVILLE LAKE: Not much new to report at Oroville. The water level is dropping as flows down the river are increased. There are sparse reports of Kings being caught on the slow troll of dodger/hoochie combos. Biggest fish are in the 5lb class. Bass fishermen continue to do well on spots with 30 fish days common. Check with the lake on ramp conditions before you go.

PYRAMID LAKE: The October 1st opening is on my calendar.

DELTA: Striped Bass fishing continues to be good with trollers getting multiple hook ups on deep diving Yo-Zuri Crystal Minnows. Summer is usually when we see a slow down for Delta stripers but that has not been the case this year. Fishing has continued to be good into August with the fall run coming.

SACRAMENTO METRO: Salmon fishing in the river opened on July 16th with some fish taken below the mouth of the American. Cooler water from the American is getting the Salmon to take a break there before continuing up the Sacramento and Feather Rivers. Not much news from the Verona area other than the ramp has been closed.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY: The bay continues to produce good numbers of keeper halibut. Live bait is the rule but trollers are getting their share as well. Berkley flats and the channel east of treasure island are the spots this week. The north bar outside the Gate has been producing as well.

OCEAN SALMON: Wide open salmon fishing when weather permits. All baits are working with anchovy being best. The grade of fish has been very good with many fish over 35lbs being landed. Capt. Brian Potter of the Sea Prowler guided a client to a 38 pound King week. The fish are south out of the Gate near Pacifica and north and offshore out of Bodega.



Fishing Report from Jerry Lampkin, TNG Motorsports & Guide Service

Klamath Springer Fishing 2022



Springer fishing the Klamath was a little slow until the super moon brought some extreme tide swings. A -3.3ft. low tide combined with a +4.6 ft high tide, triggered the thundering herd and the bite was on. That is, until the word got out and everybody and their brother showed up to fish. This time of year the river is usually low, warm, and full of grass, fortunately for us the recent rains have kept the river flowing clear and cool. The clear and cool water that triggered the bulk of the run, also made for tough fishing as the boat traffic got heavier. The best time to fish was first thing in the morning and last part of the day after the not-so, die-hards had given up on the day. The fish would hit just about anything you could get in their face, but the trusty $\frac{3}{4}$ ounce Kastmaster scored the majority of the fish caught. When the clouds and fog obscured the sky, copper or the 49ner (Red/Gold) were the one to have on your line. If the sun came out, nothing was better than good old gold. Rolled anchovies or the old school green bead/gold blade spinner scored a few fish as well.

My first Klamath springer was caught by campground neighbor Shirley Wagner and weighed in at a strapping 14.4 pounds. On the day of the super moon, we scored a nice 7.4 pounder(normal springer) in the morning on a Kastmaster, then goofed off the rest of the day until a few hours after the afternoon high tide. Later that evening we went out for a sunset cruise and scored 3 kings in the last half hour of daylight. Nothing like cleaning fish by candlelight(headlight). The remainder of the week was slow due to the heavy boat pressure, and the herd most likely moving up the river. We still caught fish, just not like the super moon day.

There's a saying in our campground, that the fishing wont get better unless somebody goes home! Well this time it was my turn to be the guy that went home. As usual, after the springers come in, the steelhead come in next, and this year was no exception, as a good push of steelhead came in as I was packing up to go home. Happy camper Shirley, struck again with an estimated 15 pound steelhead, that her husband Bill was happy to take a picture with!

We'll be back up to Heaven on August 13 to do battle with the fall run fish that should be showing up soon, so stay tuned! Or better yet, make the trek up highway 101 and join the fun!

Good luck and tight lines

Jerry



Bruce Hansen Alaska Trip

As you may recall, Bruce submitted a report, with photos, on his Alaska trip last month. Due to technical issues, wish we hope are resolved, we couldn't post the pictures. Well, here they are! Enjoy!



Jackpot Entries as of August 9, 2022

Trudy Liske - Rainbow Trout,
23", 6.3#, Collins Lake



Trudy Liske - Catfish, 25.5",
5.9#, Lake Camanche



Yvette Meador - Rainbow Trout,
21.5", 5#, Collins Lake



Bev Mierkey - Landlocked
Salmon, 20", 3# & Rainbow
Trout, 23.5", 3.73 #, Lake
Oroville.



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