



## Bay Area And Beyond *with Maury Hatch*

While many of us are still nervous about airline travel, what better time to consider a drive to our neighbors in the North. Fall season caters to all tastes from saltwater to fresh, and few people know the area better than our October presenter, Maury Hatch.

Maurice Richard Hatch was born in Marin County, CA and moved to Sacramento with his family when he was four years old. As the third child of four, he was always interested in animals of all kinds. His first love was birds, and then reptiles, before finally focusing on fish at the age of 15. He was fortunate enough to have a grandfather who had a private bass pond in the foothills of Northern California. He was influenced by his grandfather and uncles who were avid fishermen of bass and trout. As a senior in high school, he was introduced to fly fishing by some close friends. After that, he was hooked and decided to forget conventional fishing and only pursue fish on the



*Maury Hatch*

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### OCTOBER 2020 MONTHLY MEETING

**In person meeting canceled due to Covid-19. Will be moved to a Zoom meeting, look for an email link from the club.**

Date: Tuesday, October 20th  
 Wet Flies: 6:00 PM / Dinner: 7:00 PM / Program: 8:00 PM  
 Place: Seaside By-the-Sea Episcopal Church  
 1227 4th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401  
 Cost: \$30 per person with dinner or \$10 per person only  
 Parking: City parking structure across the street, is most convenient.  
 Posted rates: 1st 1/2 hr., free, \$2 first add'l hr., \$1.50 - \$2.50 add'l 1/2 hr., \$20 daily max. Extra parking pay \$5 to \$7.  
 1234 4th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401  
 TO MAKE RESERVATIONS: [RESERVE ONLINE](#)  
 OR CALL THE HOT LINE 310-315-3459  
 OR MAIL IN THE FORM ON PAGE 9

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fly. He also enjoyed careers as a ski instructor/coach and restaurant manager, as well as racing road bikes before focusing his full-time attention on guiding. Maury has been fly fishing the western United States and Mexico for 35+ years. After honing his skills with trout, he hooked his first striped bass in 1995, and has been chasing, catching, and releasing stripers ever since. As a Captain, he guides both out of the San Joaquin Delta in a center console bay boat in the fall and spring, and then on a jet sled on the Feather and the American Rivers in the summer for stripers, smallmouth bass and shad. All trips include top-of-the-line equipment as well as custom-tied flies. Maury is also an ambassador level, pro-staffer for the following products: Costa sunglasses, Simms clothing, Sage rods, RIO lines and Galvan reels. He is the Co-event Manager for the Costa Bass-N-Fly Tournament on the California Delta and annually hosts trips to





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Baja with Gary Bulla, Tarpon Cay Lodge in the Yucatan and Christmas Island.

For more information on Maury Hatch, check out his web site: [firsthatchguideservice.com](http://firsthatchguideservice.com)



## Board of Directors

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## Club Activities & Committees

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[www.wildernessflyfishers.org](http://www.wildernessflyfishers.org)

## Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

The monthly Board Meeting, held the Tuesday, one week before the monthly dinner meeting, will be held at 2330 90th Street, Santa Monica, Ca 90405. Parking will be provided by hosts. Meetings start promptly at 7:00 PM. All members are welcome. New members are strongly encouraged to attend, taste and see how your club has and you might pick up some fishing tips, too.  
Minutes of Board Meetings are available to members on the website's Document Room.  
**On line for Oct. Board meeting will be done via Zoom on 10/13. Contact Celia Carroll at cccarroll86@aol.com for an invite.**

## COMING EVENTS

For more information go to the WFF website [CALENDAR](#)

WFF Fly Tying Via Zoom Sat. Oct. 24  
WFF Hot Creek Outing Fri.-Mon. Oct. 30 - Nov. 2

## WFF Fly Tying

The classes are from 6 PM to about 12 PM on the 4th Saturday of the month. August 1st, 1227 4th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Put across the street in the city parking lot. See page 1 for parking rates and address.  
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This month we are tying the CDC Caddis in size 16 and 18 for the Hot Creek trip the following weekend, but late afternoon caddis there have dark grey wings for which we will use (deer or elk) instead of light deer hair shown in this Oglesby's fly. Also hackle stems for antennas, not mono.

Here is an example and a recipe of a CDC Caddis from the book Federation of Fly Fishers, Fly Pattern Encyclopedia, Edited by Al & Gretchen Beatty. Tiers will need to have their own supplies for this as we are on line. Remember to have deer or elk hair for the wings and some hackle stems for the antenna.

CDC Caddis



Hook: TMC 100 #12 - #16  
Thread: Gray  
Rib: Fine copper wire  
Body: Peacock herl  
Wings: Deer hair over gray CDC  
Head: Thread  
Antenna: Monofilament (optional)  
Fly Tiers: Pat & Carol Oglesby



# It's Official! Hot Creek Ranch Has Opened!

We have four cabins for the weekend of October 30 - November 2, 2020. Please note the rate increase to \$450 per angler; two anglers per cabin. We have kept the cost to members constant for many years despite increases in the Ranch's rates. Simply put, WFF can no longer afford to subsidize fly fishing.

**Trip full, some room on the waiting list. Contact Larry Carroll if you want to be added to the wait list in the event someone drops out.**

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\*\*\*\*PLEASE if you love Hot Creek Ranch and you are ill or showing any symptoms of COVID-19 such as a frequent cough, fever, difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, recent loss of taste or smell, or if you or someone you live with have been diagnosed with COVID-19, DO NOT COME TO THE RANCH! There will be another time.



*Some photos from last year that include a couple of views of the ranch and the creek, Marcelo, Richard & Derek creek side and Marcelo cooking. Photos courtesy of Celia Carroll*



## New Program Chair

Dear all,

Based on the feedback from everyone on the board, I have informed Scott Clark of the Board's decision to install him as our new Program Chair.

This is the bio he provided for us:

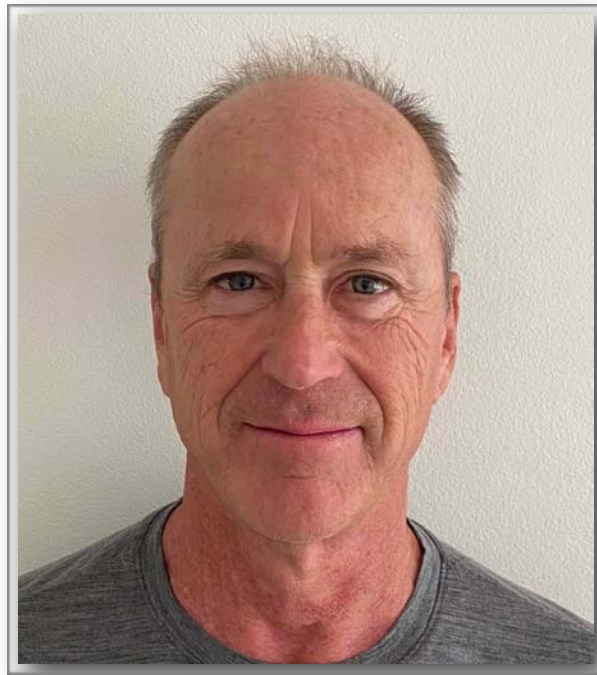
"I grew up in upstate New York. My father and I were avid fly fishermen, primarily for trout, and we fished many of the well known and not so well known streams throughout New York. I planned everything around fishing, but then I moved to the big city in 1980 and fishing took a back seat to my career and later starting a family. I would occasionally fish the Mammoth area over the years, but in the last 10 years I jumped back into the sport. About 5 years ago, I sold my partnership interest in a commercial mortgage banking firm that I co-founded, so now fishing has taken a front seat. I'm abundantly blessed to be married to my wife, Cynthia, for 33 years, who is a native of Santa Monica and we have two absolutely fantastic kids: Evan 29 and Caroline 26. Along with fishing..... camping, mountain biking, road biking, photography, traveling and motorsports are a big part of my life."

I'm thrilled that he stepped up and volunteered and will be helping him as needed.

Be well, stay safe!

All the best!

Art



*Scott Clark*



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## SPEAKERS FUND - DONATIONS NEEDED!

Despite the coronavirus curtailing many club activities, we still have ongoing expenses including outing reservations (Hot Creek, Kelsey, etc.), liability insurance, and monthly speaker fees among others. Annual dues don't cover everything and month by month we are slowly depleting our cash reserves. Sadly, this is also a situation some of us are facing in their own lives.

To address these issues, the Board of Directors has charted a double prong strategy. The first is that, like a number of other SoCal fly fishing clubs, WFF will no longer charge for Zoom meetings. Everyone, member or non-member, is invited to participate at no charge.

The second prong is a request that those who can, make a tax deductible donation to our Speakers Fund. We spend about \$3,500 annually on speaker honorariums. We need members to step up and keep our speakers program solvent.

[With your donation of \\$30 one-time or \\$15 monthly recurring, you can support our speakers program.](#)

If you wish to donate by mail, please send a check to **Wilderness Fly Fishers, PO Box 3358, Santa Monica, CA 90408-3358.**

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## Club Corner

Fall is a good time to target smallmouth bass on the Snake River and local reservoirs in central Idaho.





## Print & Mail Coupons

*If you prefer not to use our website, mail in a coupon with your check.*



### Wilderness Fly Fishers Membership Application

\_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Annual Dues:

- ☐ \$50 Single - Regular  
☐ \$70 Single - Golden Trout  
☐ \$60 Family - Regular  
☐ \$80 Family - Golden Trout

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Donation

\_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL enclosed

### Mail Check With This Form To:

**Wilderness Fly Fishers**  
**P.O. Box 3358**  
**Santa Monica, CA 90408-3358**

### Monthly Meeting Reservations

Please make your dinner [reservations online](#) or send in this coupon.  
Your check must be in the club mailbox by the Wednesday, the week before the meeting.

Names \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dinner(s) and Program(s) x \$30 per person

\_\_\_\_\_ Program(s) only x \$10 per person

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make check payable to W.F.F.*

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# October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28 Yom Kippur	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Columbus Day	13 WFF Board Meeting Via Zoom this month	14	15	16	17
18	19 WFF Deadline for Newsletter Articles	20 Via Zoom WFF Monthly Meeting: Maury Hatch: "Bay Area & Beyond"	21	22	23	24 WFF Fly Tying Via Zoom this month, check website or email for invite.
25	26	27	28	29	30 WFF Hot Creek	31 WFF Hot Creek Halloween
1 WFF Hot Creek Daylight Saving Time Ends	2 WFF Hot Creek	3 Election Day	4	5	6	7

