



March 2023 Rooster Tails Newsletter

Message from the Board of Directors

Greetings Rooster Tails!

Winter storms seem to be turning into spring storms, so far. Record rain continues to fill reservoirs in Northern California. Hope for a successful fishing year springs eternal. Be safe and stay warm and dry.

This month's speakers will be Jerry Lampkin of TNG Motorsports and Guide Service. Jerry will be discussing how he fishes Folsom Lake. Techniques and gear will be shared with the club.

We continue to plan for more outings for the club this year and need your feedback. See the article below for details.

We look forward to seeing you on the 17th at the Elks Lodge! Remember, doors to the Elk's Lodge open at 7am, Breakfast begins at 8 and the speaker begins at 9. Fishing reports, Monthly Raffle and fellowship begin after the speaker.

CLUB UPDATES

- 2023 Jackpot Contest is open. You can sign up at the meeting.
- 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 March 13
- Rooster Tails Monthly Breakfast Meeting March 17
- Rooster Tails Board of Directors Meeting April 17
- Rooster Tails Monthly Breakfast Meeting April 21
- Live Bait Halibut and Striper Trip out of Emeryville April 27 (more info coming)
- Rooster Tails Kokanee Tournament at Stampede June 15 (more info below)

March Speaker: Jerry Lampkin TNG Motorsports and Guide Service

Our club found the answer to "Where do you Start at [Folsom Lake](#)?" with booking Pro Fishing Guide, Jerry Lampkin, [TNG Motorsports Guide Service](#), for a special seminar on techniques, tackle rigging, and strategy for fishing Folsom. His seminar will be held on Friday, March 17th at the Rooster Tails Fishing Club's monthly third Friday breakfast meeting held at the Auburn Elks Lodge.

Folsom is Jerry's home-lake where he has been rewarding his clients with quality limits of trout and salmon since 2008. Hailing from Fresno, Jerry has been a fishing guide since 2005 and operates his successful TNG Guide Service from his Meadow Vista home. TNG Motorsports Guide Service is the only certified Guide Service for [Folsom Lake](#).

His clients enjoy the comfort of his custom Rogue Jet guide boat that is equipped with state-of-art electronics and out-fitted with quality rods, reels, and all necessary tackle. Breakfast meeting attendees will have the opportunity to check-out Jerry's boat that will be on display in the Elks Lodge parking lot.

[Folsom Lake Boat Ramp Status as of 2/21/2023](#)

Folsom Lake SRA Closed Boat Launch Areas

Granite Bay Low Water: CLOSED

Granite Bay Stage 1: CLOSED

Granite Bay Stage 3: CLOSED

Granite Bay Stage 4: CLOSED

Rattlesnake Bar: CLOSED

Peninsula South: CLOSED

Peninsula North: CLOSED

Folsom Lake SRA Open Boat Launch Areas

Folsom Point: OPEN

Browns Ravine: OPEN

Granite Bay Stage 2: OPEN

Nimbus Flat: OPEN

Black Miners Bar: OPEN

Willow Creek: OPEN

California Fish and Game Commission Costal Fishing Communities Project

(from the [CA Fish and Game Commission](#) Website)

The Coastal Fishing Communities Project is a California Fish and Game Commission (Commission) initiative being pursued through the Commission's Marine Resources Committee (MRC). This project began in 2016 after an initial statewide meeting was held by commission staff to explore the concerns and needs of fishing communities, particularly as fisheries resources were being impacted by climate and ocean conditions.

In the statewide meeting, participants urged the state to more directly recognize coastal fishing community goals, and the impact that different options for pursuing conservation and utilization goals in fisheries management decisions may have on those communities.

[Read more here.](#) <https://fgc.ca.gov/Committees/Marine/Coastal-Fishing-Communities-Project>

CDFW Data Portal

(from the [CDFW Website](#))

WHAT IS THE "DATA PORTAL"?

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife's (CDFW) Data Portal provides a single point of entry to data sources which serve the needs of divisions throughout the Department. These data are made available for reporting, querying and (in some cases) editing via a series of dynamic web applications. Department employees, affiliated cooperators and the public have ready access from any computer with an internet connection. Special client applications or direct connection to the CDFW wide area network are not required.

The applications on the Data Portal employ similar user-friendly interfaces. Users will find that if they are familiar with one application in the portal, they are familiar with many elements of the other applications. In addition to live data from CDFW databases, users may retrieve data from a reporting data warehouse optimized for searching, browsing and intuitive data extraction. Users can also easily generate and print reports or query, browse, and download data which support the Department's conservation mission.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

A Central purpose of the Data Portal is to provide useful and intuitive tools for examining data. Tools for data access have been grouped into Topics that have been designed to mirror Department programs and initiatives. This allows users to work within a familiar Topic area on applications that have a specific focus. This page gives an listing of all applications in the Data Portal site... and the Topic links (in the lefthand column) group applications, tools, and services into common topics.

[Fish Planting Schedule](#)

This dynamic Fish Planting Schedule is updated in real time, directly by CDFW Hatchery staff. Although it contains current information, all fish plants are subject to change depending on road, water, weather and operational conditions. Conditions permitting, the waters listed here will be restocked with catchable-size fish from CDFW hatcheries, according to this schedule. More specific dates are not given to avoid focusing excess fishing activity immediately after a plant.

If you have questions about Fish Planting activities, please call the Regional Office that covers the area in question.

Will Fish Tackle Report by Craig Newton



3/11/2023

Note from the editor:

At the risk of stating the obvious, Craig, like most of those at higher elevations, has been inundated with weather related activities not related to fishing. Things like digging out the cars, the house, the driveway, adding more firewood to the piles, etc.

While most souls have been hunkered down in warm abodes, a few have ventured out in search of fish. Reports are few and mostly consist of slow bites, dirty water and cold temps.

We look forward to Craig's report next month when we hope to hear positive results from the rain we are having.



2023 Jackpot Contest Is Open

Rooster Tail Members-only in good standing with paid dues and a signed liability waiver form on file may enter the Club's Annual Jackpot Fishing Contest by paying an entry fee of \$20.00 to the Contest Chairman or Club Treasurer. The payment must be made 2 weeks in advance of your entry and any time between the starting and ending contest dates.

No fish-entry will be accepted without a two-week prior entry fee payment. The official contest competition is from January 1 through November 30 of each calendar year. After the January breakfast meeting, only fish caught within the official contest term qualify for the contest.

Contest cash prizes and recognition certificates will be awarded at the Rooster Tails Fishing Club's Annual Jackpot Contest Awards Ceremony. Jackpot entrants that do not have a winning Jackpot Contest fish entry will have a chance to win a proportionate cash prize based on a random drawing 'for-one-that-got-away' at the ceremony. Potential random contest winners must be present at the event to receive their prize.

Pick up an entry form at the breakfast meeting or download a copy from the Rooster Tails Fishing Club [Website](#).

Members Only Stampede Kokanne Fishing Tournament Thursday June 15th, 2023 Stampede Camping Tuesday June 13th 2023 through Friday June 16th (Checkout Day)

The Rooster Tails Fishing club is planning this year's members only Stampede Kokanee fishing Tournament (June 15th) and group camping trip (June 13th -16th).

The club has reserved the Prospector group campsite for club members at the Emigrant Group campground starting on Tuesday June 13th through Friday June 16th, 2023 (checkout day). The Prospector group campsite has room for 15 vehicles and 50 guests and is the 1st group site on the right as you enter the campground. The site has water and bathrooms with no showers. Members can review information about the site at www.Recreation.gov, Emigrant Group Campground, Prospector Group site. Members do not need to participate in the group camping to sign up for the tournament.

Members who would like to sign-up for one of the 15 vehicle sites within the Prospector group site can sign up at the March 17th Breakfast meeting or contact Shawn Conlan at 831-320-3671. The fee will be \$ 40 per vehicle for all three nights. Paid to Rooster Tails Fishing Club by check only. As of 3/6/2023 we have 5 signups for the group camping site.

The Club will host a Kokanee Salmon Fishing Tournament on Thursday June 15th, 2023. A separate tournament signup sheet will be available at the March 17th breakfast meeting. Sign-up fee will be \$ 20 for the tournament. With 100% of the tournament fees being awarded to the top four fishermen with the most weight. 40% first place, 30% second place, 20% third place and 10% fourth place. Members who have signed up for the tournament can start fishing at first safe light on June 15th. The weigh in will start at 1pm sharp at the launch ramp parking lot and end at 2 pm sharp. Members cannot fish with a guide for the tournament.

As of 3/6/2023, 11 members have signed up for the tournament.

Contact Shawn Conlan, club Treasurer to sign up or for more information 831-320-3671 or sconlan@aol.com or sign up at one of the breakfast meetings.

Rooster Tails BOD Needs Your Feedback

Each year the Board of Directors plans and organizes events the club members enjoy. We are seeking your input as we develop the calendar for 2023. You can see above some of the outings we have so far but we would like to hear from members regarding other events.

We will have sign up sheets in the back of the room to gather your ideas or you can send them to info@roostertailsfishingclub.org. Or grab any of the directors at the breakfast meeting and let us know your thoughts.

We continue to update the [Rooster Tails Fishing Club website](#) and hope you will visit soon. There you can find membership lists, archived club newsletters, a membership form, Jackpot Fishing Tournament Entry Form, and the **Active Buddy List**. We continue to work on making it a useful website for members. We encourage your [feedback](#).

The **Active Buddy List** is in the Members Only section of our Website. There you can let everyone know what type of fishing you prefer, whether or not you have a boat, do you prefer salt or fresh water fishing, etc.

Check it out and add your name to the list. Sign up sheets will be at each Breakfast Meeting or you can send us a note at info@roostertailsfishingclub.org

Rooster Tails Monthly Quote

From "The Fisherman's Guide to Life - Nine Timeless Principles Based on the Lessons of Fishing" by Criswell Freeman.

"The two best times to go fishing are when it's raining and when it's not." Fisherman's Saying