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**HEAD HOOKER'S MESSAGE**

**PAUL WELLS**



Hello Gents,  
Here we are 2 months plus into the Coronavirus and so far as I know, everybody is still safe which is a tribute to everyone's social distancing and staying home as much as possible. In short, just

being careful.

We are looking into having a virtual meeting. As soon as I figure out how to do that, I will send out an email to let everyone know.

It appears that most of the lakes are open now and the reports I have been receiving have been favorable. Walter Van Hoy and I went to Folsom last week and were able to get 10 before the lake got too busy. It is nice to be able to get out on the water. I am very much looking forward to seeing all the guys at our outing.

As long as we all keep up our safe practices, we will get through this and go back to the Good Ole Days!

Keep your lines tight and your nets handy!

**FISHING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**BOB SCHMIDT**

It's been another month and I'm assuming everyone is doing okay. I have talked to a few of you and also some of you have called to get some fishing tips and locations. As for the rest of you I hope you are starting to get out and doing some fishing and other things. Most lakes and waterways are now opening for launching. Be aware that some lakes still have some restrictions for the use of residents of that county only. This may change by the time our newsletter gets to you. It's best to check before you go. Restrooms will most likely be closed. I have been bringing my toilet bucket with me on my trips.

In June we are going to try to have two fishing days so we can have some time to get together after fishing. There will be no official weigh-in or points. It's just a way of getting together and seeing each other. Keep social distancing in mind and bring a folding chair because we might not have the use of picnic tables. Bring your own food and drinks. We will meet between **noon and 1:00** in the boat parking area and where we might find some shade. The time might be a little earlier due to how hot it might get. So, keep in touch on the radio. **Here are the two outings:**

**June 16 Folsom Lake at Folsom Point Launching area.**

**June 23 Berryessa at Markley Cove**

What's been going on? My pasture for the most part has stop growing and I don't need to mow as much so I took a few overnight fishing trips. The first one was a 3

day and 2-night trip on May 4. I drove to **Lake Almanor** and fished the afternoon till dark and the next morning. It was not what I expected and it was a bit slow with only 4 trout each outing. Packed up at noon and drove to **Bullards Bar** and fished until dark for kokanee. I was again very disappointed in the size of the kokanee being only 6 to 8 inches. There were plenty of them. I spent the night there and the next morning was off to **Collins Lake**. It was the third day after reopening at Collins. It was on fire with 2 to 3 lb. rainbows every few minutes- Fire Tiger Speedy Shiners from the surface to 25 feet. Since then I have heard it has slowed down dramatically. Lunching and camping were free at Almanor and Bullards. I spent \$22 to launch and 3.50 for ice cream at Collins. Add in food and gas I paid under \$90 for the 3-day trip.

Trip #2 May 22 & 23 at **Ice House and Union Valley**. Fished Ice House in the morning with light rain. The first fish was the biggest of the trip. (One in the picture) Caught 8 fish at Ice House that morning.



**BOB AT ICE HOUSE LAKE**

I went to **Union Valley** and fished it in the afternoon. This was the first time I fished Union Valley before August. I was unsuccessful with no fish and I hardly marked anything. This time of year I have no idea where they are or where they go? I spent the night in back of truck and stayed warm for the most part. Woke up to ice on the boat and 35 degrees. Went back to **Ice House** and the results were the same as the day before (8 trout) and they were all 12 to 14 in. The weather was clear and cold. Launching was free at both lakes for the 2 days. At **Union Valley** the West Point Launch (next to dam) was the only thing open on the lake. Debbie and I going back on May 26 to Kayak shoreline of the lake. It's supposedly going to be 103 degrees in the Sacramento area. I hope it will be much cooler up there and I might even go for a swim in to cool down. I'll take a rod and see if I can get something close to shore trolling.

Be Safe Out There and Good Luck Fishing  
Bob

### **NDO CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**WALT SUMMERS**

Hi guys,

Here's hoping all of you and your families have stayed safe from Covid 19. I doubt if I'm the only one dreaming about fishing; not to mention traveling and dining out. We cancelled 2 trips, 1 to Oregon and another to Europe.

Good news at last! **Paul Wells** tells me we are going to start some outings again. Obviously, this will require some changes to allow us to limit the possibility of exposure to the virus. This will be a work in progress, but it seems doable to me if we all cooperate.

I doubt again that I'm the only one who worries about increased exposure as we enter phase 2 of the reopening process. There will be an increase in the number of people getting the virus and dying, at least at first.

I've realized that, whatever we believe about this thing, it doesn't matter! It will do what it will do regardless of our beliefs. So, I know that going out again will make me anxious. However, I've learned a lot about things I can do to keep myself and my family safer. We must be diligent as we get together again.

As an American, I'm not used to living under constant threat. It's new to me and makes me realize what a luxury it is to feel safe in my world. Living through this will require a lot of us all.

I sure look forward to seeing you all again, and sharing the simple joy of being a fisherman.

Take care and be safe,  
Walt Summers NDO Guy

### **MISC. FISHING REPORTS**

**WALTER VAN HOY**

#### **COLLINS LAKE**

Wednesday June 13. **Dave Nelson** and I both had limits at Collins Lake - 1 to 2 and 1/2 pounders. Except for my almost 4 pounder.



**Walter with four lb. trout at Collins Lake**

#### **FOLSOM LAKE**

Friday June 22. Paul Wells took me fishing in his boat to Folsom Lake. We got 10 fish to the boat and boated five salmon and two rainbows (worms, speedy shiners, cut). It was a very nice day with nobody close. Several boats were on the water but always off in the distance.

Thank you, Paul for a very good time.

### **RENE FISHING COMMENTS**

Kokanee fishing off the hook at Pardee. Anything works there. Suggest sling blades with small hoochies from 40 to 60 feet depth, main body everywhere. Berry is good if you know the lake, 30 to 100 ft. setback, sling blades and hoochies. Trout are bite, anything you troll with.

So, get out and fish. Stay on the water.



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