

# If You Like Fishing The Sep's Side Kick Dodger You're Going To Love The Strike Master!

by Cal Kellogg

Leo and Dana Van Sistine, the folks behind the scenes at Sep's Pro Fishing have been hard at work perfecting a new dodger that is sure to create a ripple felt in trout and kokanee trolling circles in Norcal and beyond!

"The latest addition to the Sep's lineup is the Sep's Strike Master Dodger and it's already proven itself in tournament competition," related Dana. "When we were field testing the Strike Master last summer it caught the largest kokanee landed in the

using the Strike Master in pretty much the same ways, but it is going to increase the flash and vibration I'm putting out compared to the Side Kick and I'm thinking I might well be able to pull it a bit faster too since it's heavier... We'll see!

I do a lot more trout fishing than kokanee fishing. One of my favorite trolling combinations for trout in lakes like Eagle Lake or Caples where the trout eat a lot of insects and tui chubs is to team a Side Kick with a half a



C.I.F.F.I. tournament at New Melones Reservoir."

"The Strike Master looks a lot like our famous Sep's Side Kick, but it's larger, heavier and has a distinct action all of its own. A Side Kick measures roughly 1.5 by 2 inches, while the Strike Master is about 2.5 by 3 inches. Initially we'll be offering it in three different colors, including silver, silver/brass and watermelon," added Dana.

As an angler that has literally caught hundreds of trout while pulling Side Kicks, I can't wait to get my hands on some Strike Masters. I use Side Kicks several different ways and anticipate

threaded night crawler, a Sep's Grub or a Sep's Trolling Fly and pull the rig between .8 and 1 mile per hour.

Another thing I do that I haven't seen anyone else do is to attach a Side Kick to the rear of a larger dodger and then run a spoon or rigged shad behind the rig like I would behind a single dodger. Combining these two dodgers creates a lot of disturbance and gives the fish a look they haven't seen.

You can drop by the Sep's booth at this year's ISE Show and check out the Strike Master and Sep's whole line of fine products or you can check them out on the web at [www.sepsproffishing.com](http://www.sepsproffishing.com).