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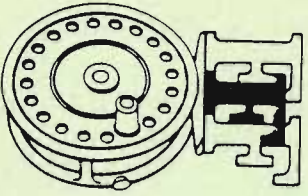
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# • GRANITE BAY FLY CASTERS •

To: The members.  
 From: The officers, and Board of Directors.  
 Subject: Election of Officers and Directors  
 Article VII, sections 1 through 5 of the bylaws of the GBFC.

The following are the nominees for officers in the Granite Bay Fly Casters as required. Additional nominees are eligible to be nominated from the floor at the election/program meeting on December 4th (the first Thursday). The new officers and directors will be installed at the Dinner/Awards banquet on December 11th (the normal program night). Mel Krieger is the illustrious speaker.

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### President

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Morris Schlesinger	<input type="checkbox"/>
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### Vice President

Jim Victorine	<input type="checkbox"/>
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### Secretary

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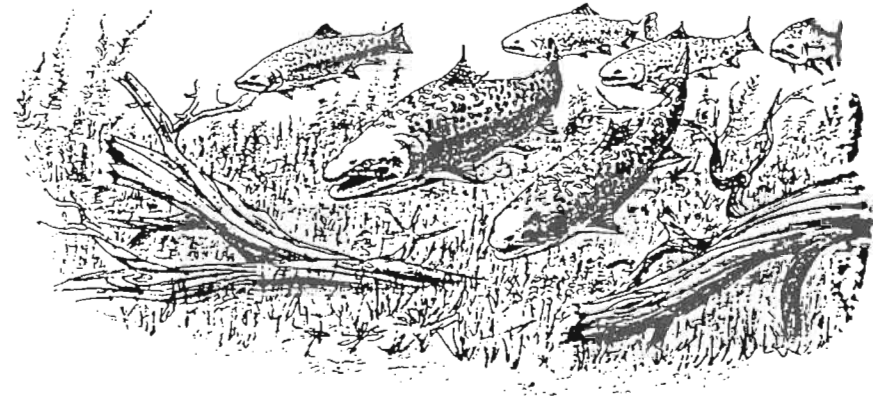
### Treasurer

George Henry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dave Davy	<input type="checkbox"/>
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### Board of Directors

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Jim Pratt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Frank Stollon	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marge Vingom	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don Segur	<input type="checkbox"/>
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## GRANITE BAY FLYCASTERS

### The Officers

President	Nicolai Laquaglia	783-4001
Vice President	Morris Schlesinger	782-5277
Secretary	Warren Schoenmann	725-2542
Treasurer	Fred Zimmerman	652-0678

### The Directors

David Davy	885-0289
Jim Ferguson	781-2358
Nicolai Laquaglia	783-4001
Fred Rollins	988-9319
Morris Schlesinger	782-5277
Warren Schoenmann	725-2542
Ken Winkleblack	988-7129
Fred Zimmerman	652-0678

### The Committees/Chairpersons

Conservation	David Davy	885-0289
Gatekeeper	Position Open	
Librarian	Warren Schoenmann	725-2542
Leader Editor	Jim Ferguson	781-2358
Raffle	Morris Schlesinger	782-5277
Workshop	Keith Havilland Jr.	885-9092
Youth Advisor	Russ Randall	332-7547
Programs	Ken Winkleblack	988-7129
Refreshments	Stan Hellekson	786-3470
FFF Membership	Stan Hellekson	786-3470

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Decembers meeting will be an excellent finishing touch to a great first year for the GBFC. We have the great distinction of being honored with the prescence of the illustrious Mel Krieger. Mel krieger is an individual who has been instrumental in developing the raw talents and energies of beginning fly casters here on the west coast for quite some time. I personally first learned to cast, in my backyard, by watching and rewatching his vido tape from Terry and Stan Hellekson's store. This presentation and fellowship should be entertaining and enjoyable. We also are pulling the winning ticket for the pram on that evening. I doubt that anyone expected our young club to be able to give such great raffle prizes. We have given many fine prizes away, rods, reels, fly lines and all sorts of paraphernalia that we fishers use. I admit that this year was a lucky one for me, having won a float tube, a rod case, a book and a sharpening stone. The boat is on display at Fly Fishing Specialties and is one nice tri-hull pram. Come on out to the dinner on the 11th of December and let's all have a ball.

Tight Lines and Wild Rivers,



## FISH OUT

WHERE: Pyramid Lake, meet north of the rearing ponds.

HOW TO GET THERE: Take I-80, 35 miles north of Reno; in Sparks, turn left into 445 to Pyramid Lake. Keep alert, you may see herds of wild horses grazing along the highway.

WHEN: Saturday, December 6, 1986, at 9:00 AM.

WHAT: LARGE Cutthroat Trout.

WHO: Program headed up by Jim Pratt and everyone is more than welcome, bring a friend. It's a big lake.

FEE: A tribal fishing permit is required, (\$6.00 daily, \$25.00 annual), however a Nevada state license is not required. The permit can be obtained from bait and tackle shops in the area.

TACKLE: An 8 weight rod or even larger (wind works against you). Sinking line and a variety of woolly worms works best.

OTHER EQUIPMENT: Warm clothing, chest waders, a milk crate or 2 step ladder to stand on. Hot thermos of coffee or other stimulating beverage.

For additional information contact Jim Pratt at 966-0136.

the same question: Why do they feel people fly fish and are those who do it normal? Some of the answers were quite long, while others were short. I am not going to go into great detail, but will just give it to you in a few short words.

After intensive study and time spent analyzing answers given to my questions by these very learned people the result is: As a group, you bet we're normal! However, there may be some within this group, who might just be one or more bricks short of a full load. Personally I have never met, or fished with anyone who falls into this category. As far as I know, all of my fishing friends are well within the limits of normal (whatever that means). It's my non-fishing friends I tend to wonder about. But then come to think of it, a close friend and I were fishing a small stream a few weeks ago, and I did notice this habit he had.... is it normal for someone to keep opening and closing their mouth like a fish does when it's out of water?

I wonder if my wife agrees with me that I am perfectly sane? Not long ago she told a bunch of her friends that if I'm reincarnated after I die, I will probably come back as a fish. So, if sometime in the very distant future you catch a fish and you are looking into its eyes for that look of "abject surrender," and the fish just happens to wink at you, it will be me. All I ask is that you release me unharmed.

## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Nov 13, 1986

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. A little later than usual due to a small problem at the front gate.

Welcome to new members this month; Dale Wahl, Keith Johnson and Rick Edgar all of Roseville, Mike Ziem and Dennis Cooper of Sacramento, Ed and Marie Stull of Newcastle and William (Bill) Hollister of Penryn.

The main topic of the evening was the nomination of club officers for next year. The slate of nominations presented by the Board of Directors is as follows:

President - Morris Schelsinger  
Vice President - Jim Victorine  
Secretary - Warren Schoenmann  
Treasurer - David Davy  
Directors - Jim Pratt, Don Segur, Marge Vingom, and Terry Thomas

One other nomination, received from the floor, was for the office of Treasurer: George Henry. A motion was made and carried to suspend nominations until the December 4th meeting.

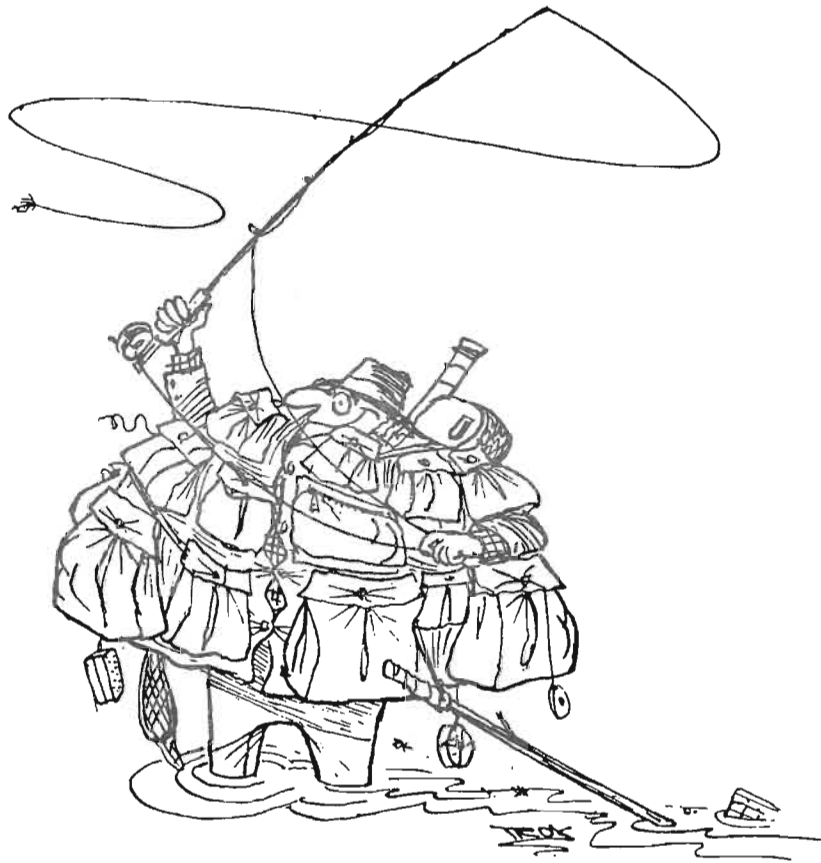
A fishout date is set for December 6, at Pyramid Lake. Details are elsewhere in the newsletter.

This evening programs were presented by Ken Winkleblack on his Babine Rive trip this fall and by Bob and Linda Brown on Babine Lake, B.C. fishing.

The Raffle was conducted by Jim Victorine.

The meeting was then adjourned





## ARE FLY FISHERS NORMAL??

By Jack L. Parker

Just what makes, or why does a person fly fish? What kind of psyche is behind the individual who will spend long hours flailing away, under any and all weather conditions, with a long pole and line, a tiny bunch of feathers tied to the end, trying to catch a fish? Especially, when it is just nearly impossible to get that same person to empty the trash for a nagging spouse, under the most perfect weather conditions.

Fly fishing as we know it today, is a relatively modern sport. However, fly fishing in some form or another is a very ancient way of angling. The Egyptians did it. The Macadonians were doing it in 300 A. D. Was it for the same reasons modern day fly fishers do it? I can just hear an

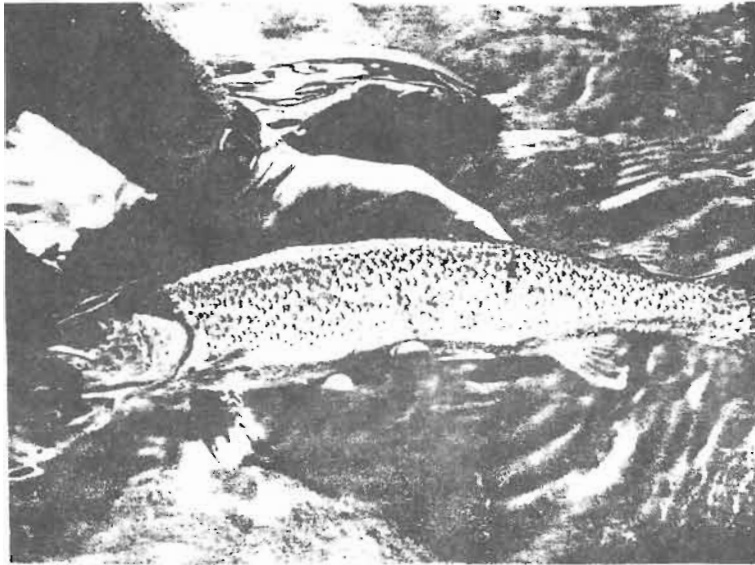
## PLACES TO FISH



MIDDLE FORK OF THE EEL RIVER (Mendocine County)  
Steelhead are trout too, arguably the king of all the trouts, and one particular Steelhead in California is precious above all others....the spring-run "Summer-Steelhead." The habitat requirements of this critter are stringent and man's activities easily harm them. In California we have almost wiped them out by a few populations remain. The Middle Fork of the Eel River supports the largest group.

When populations here began to drop, CalTrout joined with other agencies to close the Middle Eel down for fishing, then worked together to restore their numbers. When that succeeded, CalTrout proposed that anglers be given the chance to enjoy and appreciate these fish without significantly harming them: a short-season, no-kill fishery. This concept was approved and, under it, fishers get a special March through May season to try hooking one of these spectacular trout before it reaches the closed and guarded sanctuary in the headwaters. The Middle Eel "summer" have been called the finest fighting fish among all of the salmonids. Water conditions dictate when to go.

Caution: If you are caught with one of these beauties in possession, the penalty is \$1,000.00 fine and a jail term.



## HOW TO RELEASE TROUT WITHOUT HARMING THEM

The quality trout fishing waters are sustained in a large measure by mandatory and voluntary emphasis on the principle of catch-and-release. Please consider that man is the only serious predator of precious sportfish who has a choice..... a choice to forego the kill in order to improve the quality and enjoyment of his sport.

The use of artificial flies with only a single, barbless hook facilitates the quick and harmless release of fish, provided the angler takes the time to handle his fish correctly. It has been demonstrated that the use of barbless hooks and proper care achieves a near-zero mortality in hooked and released trout. By following a few simple rules you can be certain of successful catch-and-release:

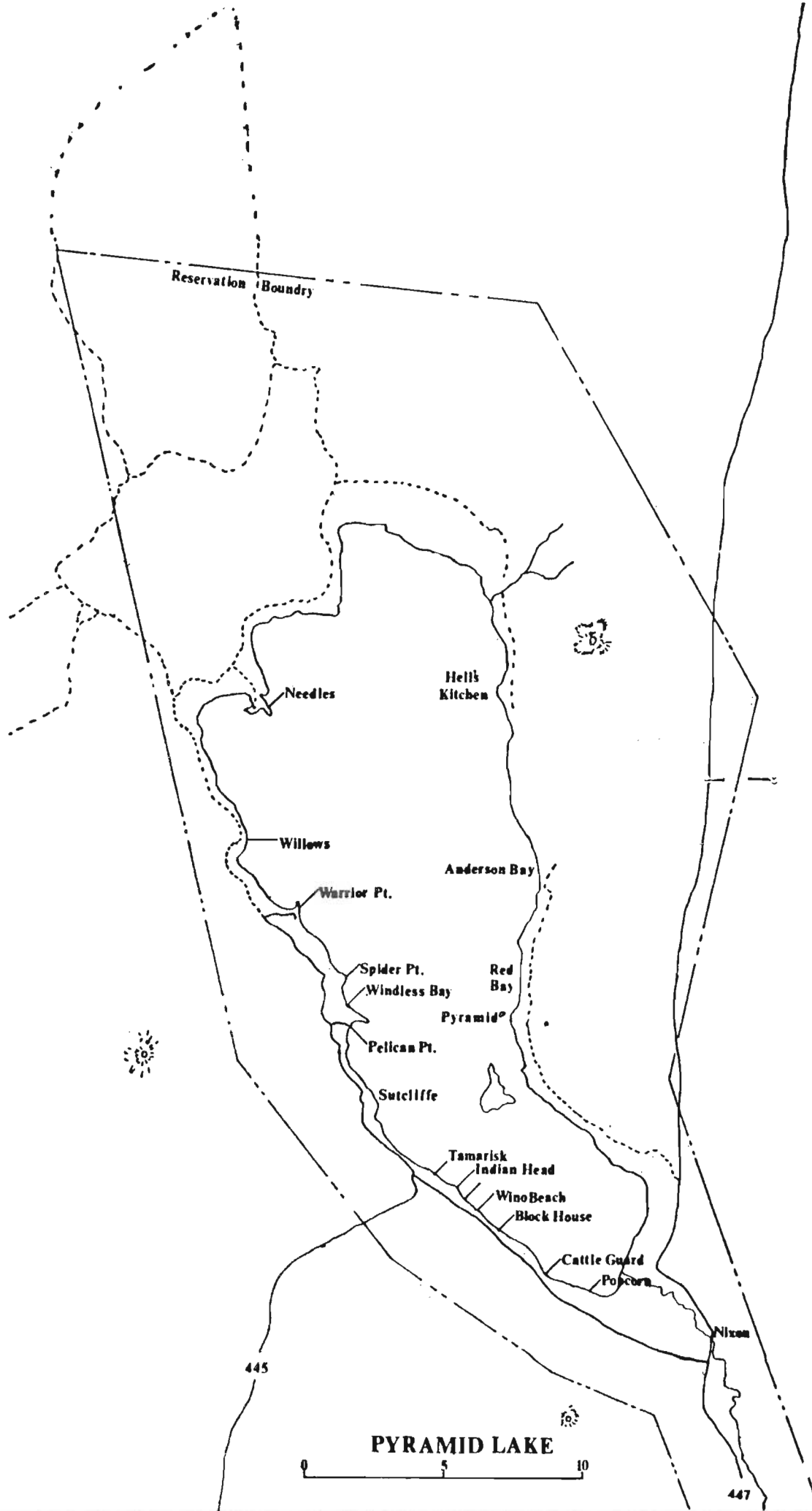
1. TIME is of the essence. Play and release fish as rapidly as possible. A fish out of the water cannot live for more than three or four minutes because of brain damage due to lack of oxygen.

2. KEEP THE FISH IN WATER as much as is possible. A fish out of water is suffocating and is many times heavier. It may fatally wound itself if allowed to flop on the beach or rocks. Even a few inches of water under a thrashing fish acts as a cushion.

3. GENTLE HANDLING is essential. Keep your fingers out of the gills. Do not squeeze fish - - small ones can be lifted and held easily by holding them by the lower lip with the thumb and index finger. Nets are helpful provided the mesh does not become entangled in the gills.

4. UNHOOKING. Remove the hook as rapidly as possible, preferably with forceps or long nosed pliers. If deeply hooked cut the leader and leave the hook in. Do not tear hooks out. Be gentle and quick. Small fish, especially may die from shock when a hook is torn out. A freely bleeding fish should be killed and kept for the pany, if regulation allow. If not, release the fish so that its body will be recycled in the ecosystem.

5. REVIVING. Some fish, especially after a long struggle, may loose conciousness. Always hold your unhooked fish in the water, upright, headed upstream. Move the fish forward and backwards so that water runs through the gills. This is artificial respiration and may take a few moments, particularly in lakes. When the fish revives and can swim, release it to survive and challenge another fisher.



**PYRAMID LAKE**

