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## ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

### CAL BIRD FLY TYING SEMINAR

Jim Pratt reports that Cal Bird, one of the greats in fly tying, will be giving a tying seminar on April 8th. The seminar is sponsored by the Tahoe Truckee Flyfishers. Call the Reno Fly Shop at (702) 827-0600 for more information. A small admission will be charged at the door.

### TROUT UNLIMITED'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY ISSUE

If you haven't picked up the Winter 1989 issue of "Trout" magazine, published by Trout Unlimited, do so! They are running a series of the best articles published over the last 30 years. And they are good! Pick it up at your local fishing shop.

### DFG IS GIVING AWAY 4.5 MILLION DOLLARS!

The California Department of Fish and Game is giving away about \$4,500,000 to individuals and groups for fishery habitat or education projects. Although the deadline for application is April 25th, the application process is fairly simple. Call Bill Stobbe at 726-4346 or Frank Stolten at 725-6894 for more information. Coincidentally, this month's program is about fishery habitat improvement projects in our local El Dorado National Forest, and ideas for starting such projects.

### GRANDMA'S BAKED FISH

by Jim Pratt

Clean and wash fish thoroughly. Place on a large piece of foil, rub inside and out with a little butter, sprinkle any spices you like, add a little water to make steam, wrap and seal foil. Bake at medium heat until you think it's done. For non-Grandmas, try onions, lemon slices, garlic and wine if you prefer. The fish is done when it becomes flaky. Personally, I prefer Brad's "Blackened Trout". Maybe we can get him to describe the process next month.

## LEADER'S LINE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### *CLUB PHOTO ALBUM*

One of the club's photo albums is missing. It contains a pictorial history of many of the club's early activities (activity center construction, first picnic, first annual dinner, etc.) that we would like to preserve for future members. If you know it's present location please contact our club historian, Warren Schoenmann.

#### *FREE CASTING CLINIC IN GOLDEN GATE PARK*

On April 22, Mel Krieger and the casting team from the Golden Gate Anglers will conduct a free one day casting clinic starting at 10:00 A.M. until about 3:00 P.M. Lunch will be available for \$3.00. Call Gary Kaplan at (415) 822-5259 for more information, or just show up. This is a great chance to learn from some of the world's experts! It will be held at McLaren Lodge Casting Ponds in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco: across from the buffaloes?

#### *HAT CREEK FISHOUT*

Marie Stull reports that three spots are still available for the Hat Creek Fishout on June 15th through the 18th. Cost is \$115.00. Call Marie at 663-2414 for more information.

#### *SAGE SCHOOLS*

Both Kiene's Fly Shop in Carmichael and Stan Hellickson's Fly Fishing Specialties shop in Roseville will each be hosting a full day Sage fly fishing school. Instruction will be by Les Eichhorn and Lani Waller. The class will cover four main areas: fly casting, fly fishing knots, tackle, and entomology and fly selection. Kiene's class will be Saturday April 23rd. Stan's class will be on May 6th. Spaces are limited so call the stores to reserve a spot. Cost is \$75.00.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Leader you'll find a tentative monthly fishout schedule put together by our Fishmaster, Mike Glasson, for the balance of 1989. They've been planned to provide a variety of fishing opportunities for trout, bass, shad and steelhead throughout the year with a mix of stream and still water fishing to accommodate the diverse interest of our members. Most are within a 2 hour drive and many are or could be camping fishouts. As a general rule they'll be on the third weekend of the month except where there is a conflict with other club activities.

One thing I'd like to emphasize is that the fishouts are for flyfishers at every skill level. We don't have a bunch of experts, just average flyfishers wanting to pursue their sport and have some fun doing it. We especially welcome female and youth members to participate. So if you're new to the sport, the area or just don't know where to go, this is a great opportunity to sample some new fishing areas, improve on your technique and have a lot of fun doing it with other club members.

Also, this month we'll be kicking off a new skills development program called the Golden Trout Award. Two of our longtime dedicated members, Warren Schoenmann and Marie Stull, have organized it and can fill you in on the details. This is a fun and educational program that you can participate in at your own pace and be recognized for your accomplishments. It will not be competitive. Your only competition will be yourself in trying to do your best. So give it a try and I think you'll enjoy participating.

-Frank Stolten  
President

#### APRIL FISHOUT - DREDGER PONDS

April 22nd, meet at 6:30 A.M. (yech!) at the "Ham & Eggs" restaurant (yum!) in Lincoln and proceed en masse to the Oroville wildlife area to fish for large mouth bass and other warm water species. This will be a derby fishout! Call Frank Stolten at 725-6894 or Mike Glasson at 885-0848, or come to the April 13th monthly club meeting for more information.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 6, 15 & 16  
GBF FLYFISHING CLINIC at the GBF Clubhouse.
- April 13  
GENERAL MEETING, General meetings are always the second Thursday of each month, at 7:30 P.M. at the Granite Bay Activity Center (GBF Clubhouse). This month's program will feature Karl Stein on the general fisheries of our local El Dorado National Forest! See the program article by Ken Winkleblack elsewhere in this issue.
- April 20  
BOARD MEETING, 7:00 P.M. at the GBF Clubhouse. Items of interest to the club will be discussed and as always the membership is invited to all board meetings.
- April 22  
DREDGER PONDS FISHOUT, Oroville Wildlife Area. See announcement in this issue.
- April 29  
SCOUT CAMPOREE at Finnon Reservoir. Volunteers needed. See announcement in this issue.
- April 29  
Trout season's OPENING DAY. Look out fish, here we come!
- May 1  
GBF FLY TYING CLASS, 7:00 P.M. at the GBF clubhouse. See article in this issue.
- May 13  
GENERAL MEETING, 7:30 P.M. at the GBF Clubhouse
- May 18  
BOARD MEETING, 7:00 P.M. at the GBF Clubhouse
- May 20  
GBF ANNUAL PICNIC at the GBF Clubhouse  
Buy your tickets now!



## NEW GBF FLY TYING CLASS!

The Club will have a new beginning fly tying class to be held on four consecutive Monday evenings, starting May 1st. Stan Hellickson of Fly Fishing Specialties in Roseville will be teaching the class at our clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. A nominal cost will cover the cost of all materials (hooks, thread, feathers, etc.): \$10.00 for members, \$15.00 for non-members. If you have basic fly tying equipment (vice, bobbin, scissors, etc.) please bring them. If you do not have equipment, let Marie Stull or Warren Schoenmann know in advance, so we make arrangements. This class qualifies in our Golden Trout Program. Class size is limited to 15. Please make payment to our P.O. box, or pay at our monthly meeting on April 13th. This looks like an excellent opportunity to learn fly tying or brush up on your skills while meeting new friends. If you have any questions, call either Marie at 663-2414 or Warren at 752-2542

## SCOUT CAMPOREE AT FINNON RESERVOIR, APRIL 29TH

We have an opportunity to experience the same great time that was had by those of us who, last year, helped out at the annual scout camporee at Folsom Lake. This year a few hundred boy scouts will be at Finnon Reservoir just outside of Placerville on April 29th and 30th camping and learning scout lore. Last year a few GBF members set up a "learn about fly fishing" station where every half hour or so a small group of scouts would learn from us about fly fishing basics: fish habitat, food, catch and release, fly fishing gear and basic casting. Apparently it was the hit of the camporee and this year the scouts have asked us to please come back! So we need a few volunteers for Saturday the 29th. Expertise is not needed, just enthusiasm. Please call Jim Pratt at 361-6774 (work) or 966-0136 (home) if you are interested or have any questions. Jim says "we will probably fish for bass afterwards and possibly camp over if we can stand the Boy Scout singing." This event qualifies as a "Youth Program" in the Golden Trout program.

## PYRAMID FISHOUT

*Last month's fishout was at Pyramid Lake for large cutthroat. Here are two reports on what happened.*

Those of you that missed this outing, missed a good one. The weather was terrific and the entertainment was unbeatable. I'm not certain where Warren kept finding all those jelly beans, but I did see a few rabbits in the area. Our sincere thanks to Mike Glasson for the use of his super trailer, but next time do I have to sleep in a rolled up mattress? Chuck Echer caught the most and the biggest with Frank and Mike not too far behind. Naturally, Jim Pratt got the wettest. In Brad's absence, we all pitched in and prepared our normal simple meal of fresh garden salad, stir-fry vegetables and baked Cutthroat Trout.

- Jim Pratt

Speaking of fishouts...a lot of folks missed a great time at pyramid lake, a great education from Jim Pratt and Chuck Echer, and a dynamite meal supplied by all, but expertly prepared al la Pratt. All of this followed by an evening of your favorite beverage, fly tying, story telling, and lie swapping. We all had a really great time. Try to make the next fishout. They are fun! Thanks.

- Mike Glasson

## NEW PYRAMID REPORT

*Jim Pratt goes on to report...*

The new colors are all purple, all black, black with three wraps of red or blue in the middle of your Wolly Bugger or even a pink and white model. A few strands of crystal hair might help. The sizes are #2, #4 or #6 and weight the end fly. Popcorn has lots of snags (Frank donated his shooting head to the Cutthroat Princess) and Dago Bay was the most productive. The fishing is best when the wind is in your face and the swells are at about two feet. Try wearing a rain jacket outside you waders to prevent them from filling with water on the larger swells. No, I didn't wear mine and guess what happened.

## APRIL PROGRAM by Ken Winkleblack

*"General Fisheries in the El Dorado National Forest"  
with Karl Stein*

Our April program will feature Karl Stein, El Dorado National Forest Fisheries Biologist, with his program on "General Fisheries in the El Dorado National Forest". Karl has been a fishery biologist for the Forest Service since 1982 and has experience in both Alaska and California. His program will concentrate on the various fishery improvement programs that are going on in our local forest. In addition Karl will be emphasizing programs that we as a club can get involved in. One such program that I think will be especially interesting is the "Adopt a Stream Program" which is something we have talked about as a potential club project for over a year now but didn't know how to get started.

Future programs will include Bob Beck on Cal-Trout, Mike McIntyre on "River of Rainbows", and Jim Crenshaw on the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance. Are there any of you that have a show, or you have some material (slides, demonstration, etc.) and would like some help putting it together? Please give me a call and I will be glad to give you the help you need and get you set up with a meeting night. Ken Winkleblack, work = 785-4420, home = 988-7129.

## ANNUAL PICNIC

Mark your calendar now for the Granite Bay Flycasters fourth annual picnic to be held on Saturday, May 20th at the activity center. As usual there will be plenty of food and drinks, games for the kids, volleyball, horseshoes, scavenger fly tying plus a great raffle. To do it though, we still need a few more volunteers. This is another "no experience required" type of event and a lot of fun so please contact Picnic Chairman, Frank Stolten, at 725-6894 if you can help out.

Ticket prices are the same as last year: Adults \$5.00, Children 12 and under \$2.50. All tickets must be paid in advance, at the monthly meeting or by sending a check to the Club's post office box: 1107, Roseville, CA 95661. Also if you can, please bring a dish to share with others.

## THE GOLDEN TROUT PROGRAM

The Granite Bay Flycasters Golden Trout Program will begin this month! Marie Stull and Warren Schoenmann are organizing the program. Anyone who is a current member of the club and pays the \$10.00 entrance fee may participate in the program. It is intended that each participant will complete their selected categories within 12 months after enrolling in the program. However, we feel the main target of this program is participation, so time extensions will be granted to any individual showing progress towards completion. Each participant will select seven of the eleven categories to be completed within a 12 month period. The following is a list of the categories available for selection at this time.

- 1) **LITERATURE:**  
Read one fly fishing book and write a short report.
- 2) **CONSERVATION:**  
Attend a scheduled meeting of a recognized conservation group such as NCCFFF, Cal Trout, etc.
- 3) **ENTOMOLOGY:**  
Capture and submit labeled specimens of three major insect fish foods.
- 4) **CLUB FISHOUT:**  
Attend a planned club fishout.
- 5) **CLUB EVENT:**  
Participate in one major club event (other than a fishout.)
- 6) **CASTING:**  
Demonstrate basic fly casting techniques.
- 7) **KNOTS:**  
Demonstrate proficiency in tying fishing knots.
- 8) **FLY TYING:**  
Tie one each of seven different flies.
- 9) **ROD BUILDING:**  
Completely build a fly rod from a blank of your choice.
- 10) **FISHERY ENHANCEMENT:**  
Participate in one fishery enhancement event.
- 11) **YOUTH PROGRAM:**  
Participate in one youth fishing involvement activity.

## GBF FISHOUTS FOR 1989

by Mike Glasson

We have a great schedule lined up this year for Club fishouts! Our tentative schedule is as follows. Attend the monthly meetings to hear the details, and watch for articles in future issues of the Leader. Those dates marked with an asterisk [\*] are derby outings! The fishout leaders are also listed.

|              |   |                   |
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| April 22 *   | Dredger Ponds, Oroville Wildlife Area.<br>Frank Stolten | Bass fishing      |
| May 6 & 7    | Pitt River<br>Ken Winkleblack                           | Trout fishing     |
| June 10 *    | American River<br>Dave Howard                           | Shad fishing      |
| July 29 & 30 | Mokelumne River<br>Ken Winkleblack                      | Trout fishing     |
| August 26 *  | Lake Clementine<br>Jim Victorine                        | Bass fishing      |
| Sept 23 & 24 | Tuolumne River<br>Bill Stobbe                           | Trout fishing     |
| Oct. 14 & 15 | McCloud River<br>Ken Winkleblack                        | Trout fishing     |
| Nov. 18      | Yuba or American River<br>Mike Glasson                  | Steelhead         |
| Dec. 9 & 10  | Garcia River<br>Dave Howard                             | Steelhead fishing |

### NEW FISHOUT FEATURE - TROPHY DERBIES!

For the fishouts of April 22nd, June 10th and August 26th a derby will be held for biggest fish, most fish, or wettest fisherman, etc. A \$2.50 entry fee, strictly voluntary, will help to cover the cost of the "trophy". The trophy will be presented at the following meeting.