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1990 Granite Bay Flycasters Fishout Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>LEADER</u>
Sept. 15	Fuller Lake-Trout	Mike Radoff
Oct. 6 & 7	McCloud River-Trout	Ed Stull
Nov. 10 & 11	Trinity River-Steelhead	Dale Wahl

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 13, 1990: General Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse. Conway Ranch Reps.
 September 15, 1990: Fuller Lake Fishout.
 September 20, 1990: Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse.
 September 22, 1990: Feather River Fishout
 September 25, 1990: Fun Night at Clubhouse, 7:00 p.m.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Marie Stull

WARM WATER FISHING

By Joe Bania

Have you ever tried fishing for bass, crappie, or bluegill? One of the most available types of fishing to the angler living in northern California is warm water. There are more opportunities to fish the hundreds of lakes, ponds and streams in Northern California than anywhere else in the state.

The Northern California Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers (NCC/FFF) is developing a special warm water fisheries committee. In 1990-91 they will be developing objectives that include:

- Council Fishout. Similar to Pyramid Lake but at a warm water area; proceeds go to enhance warm water fisheries.

- Education. Develop an educational program to increase general knowledge of warm water habitat. Adopt a pond concept. Keeping warm water fish in an aquarium.

- Sacramento Perch. Investigate the possibility of introducing our "only native sunfish" into more lakes and rivers.

- Fly Tying Session. Promote skills of tying the unique flies for bass and bluegill along with adopting a strategy of "catch and release" in bass fisheries.

- Fishnet. Collect and disperse a list of many close to home fishing opportunities available to anglers.

If this looks like something you would like to be a part of please contact Mike Parrish (chairman) at (408) 484-9587. They are looking for a few good individuals to help!

The Granite Bay Flycasters deserve a big round of applause for their participation in the KVIE Channel 6 Pledge Drive last Sunday morning. I was amazed at the turnout of members, especially all the new faces. I especially want to thank Frank Stolten for organizing the event and the fine, on camera, interview promoting the club.

As the year starts to wind down, it is time to think about the annual elections which will be held at the November meeting. You, the membership, will nominate a slate of Officers, two, 3-year term Directors, and a Director-At-Large. This is a good opportunity to get involved in the operation of the club and an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Also, several committee chair positions are or will be vacant for those interested in serving in that capacity. Contact me if you are interested in accepting or helping with one of these positions.

See you all at the September meeting, and until then, keep a tight line.

We would like to welcome the following new members to the club and hope that they get many enjoyable memories from being a part of it.

Gary Eblen

Sturmer White

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRIS & ELLYN IMPENS ON THE ARRIVAL OF:

Evan Michael Impens
Born: 8/9/90 @ 4:50 a.m.
7 lbs. 13 ozs. 21 inches

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Michael Radoff

Our September program will be presented by the people from Conway Ranch in Nevada. Conway Ranch has private access to the east Walker River where giant rainbow's are raised for your fly fishing enjoyment. So come on out and see some pictures of these nice fish.

FLY TYING CLASS

There will be Basic and Intermediate fly tying classes held concurrently this fall, tentatively scheduled to begin October 15 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for a six week period. Both classes are limited to eight persons each. The Basic class will be no-charge, and the Intermediate will cost \$10.00/person. Sign up at the September meeting, there won't be much time from then until the first class.


Skip Foster will be the instructor for the Basic class and Bill Carnazzo will conduct the Intermediate class.

FULLER LAKE FISHOUT

The Fuller Lake Fishout will be held on Saturday Sept. 15 and will be lead by Mike Radoff. Mike says to meet at the dam at 9:00 a.m. for a fun day of fishing. For more information, see Mike at the general meeting Sept. 13.

(Mokelumne cont.)

Sunday, we bumped into John Lewis and the four of us tried to find clear water to fish. Wolf Creek and the upper end of the East Walker river did not yield anything. The West Walker along highway 88 was clear but gave up fish very reluctantly. Chris and I finished off Sunday hiking down the creek that comes out of Silver Lake and catching a few little trout. So I guess you would have to say we did lots of hiking, some fine swimming, some great exploring of areas I had not seen before and a little fishing with mixed results. Next year, I am sure that the river will be back to its normal crystal clarity and things will go a bit more as planned. But as Dale says, "that's fishing".



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MOKELUMNE RIVER FISHOUT

By Ken Winkleblack

The 3rd annual Mokelumne River weekend backpacking fishout turned out to be a little different than planned. Chris Impens, Dale Wahl and I hiked in on Friday night, as planned, except that darkness caught us about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles in, with a mile and a half to go. That was no real problem since we all had flashlights. The real problem came when I put my pack on an ant hill while we rested, and Chris and Dale had to wait for 10 minutes while I jumped around and went through all sorts of wild gyrations in my attempt to rid myself of the hundreds of ants that crawled from my pack to me.

Upon getting to camp, we went to wash off in the river, and as Dale said "it's awful muddy". The next morning we could see just how muddy. There was only about 1" of visibility. Chris and Dale tried fishing while I hiked up river a couple miles to see if I could find a slide that must have been the cause of all the silt. I never found it and Chris managed to bump one fish on the nose with a wooly bugger. By noon we had decided to hike out, so back we went down the trail, past the ants and around the reservoir. We did stop for a couple of refreshing swims in the lake.

We drove up past Markleeville, stopping at every little store we passed for a drink, and made camp in Pleasant Valley. Chris and I fished the last hour of daylight in the flyfishing only stretch of the little creek that runs through the big meadow in Pleasant Valley and each managed to catch a couple (Chris got a real fat 11"er). Dale was back at camp enjoying cocktail hour.

FEATHER RIVER FISHOUT

Dale H. Wahl, Fishmaster

We previously announced this fishout in the August edition of the Leader, however since that time we have further details regarding the trip.

This steelhead fishout will be guided by Dave Simmons of the Powell Fly shop in Chico, California. The cost for this walk/wade day on the Feather River will be \$40.00 per person payable when you make your reservation with either Dale Wahl (791-2502) or Marie Stull (663-2414). We require 10 people to finalize our arrangement with a maximum of 20, so sign up soon.

There will be one guide for every five fishermen. We will move up and down the river and some transportation will be required from participants. A late afternoon lunch will be provided as part of the event and will consist of a barbecue held at the Palm Riffle. We can compare notes at this time and enjoy the comraderie of the group.

Our meeting spot on September 22nd will be the Cornucopia Restaurant in Oroville at 6:30 a.m. This is early but steelhead never sleep!

The last day to sign up is our Granite Bay Flycasters regular meeting day September 13, 1990. In the meantime, I'll be happy to take your telephone reservation and tell you where to mail your check. If I'm not home my answering machine is like a steelhead - it never sleep.

(Conservation cont'.)

McCLOUD RIVER FISHOUT

Ed Stull will be fishmaster for the October club fishout (5th and 6th) on the McCloud River near the Conservancy. There are unimproved camp sites available at the Ah-De-Na campground which is just upstream from the Conservancy. This is a very good pocket water stream ideal for nymphing. Contact Ed at the September meeting for more detailed information about the fishout. See you there.

KVIE-TV PLEDGE DRIVE

I'd like to thank everyone who rose at the crack of dawn and gave up their Sunday morning to help the club support our local public broadcasting station, KVIE-TV, in their pledge and membership drive. We had an excellent turnout. All 35 phones were covered and I even had a waiting list!

With your assistance the station raised over \$5,000.00 during our morning shift to help obtain quality programming, much of which is oriented toward nature and the outdoors - including several fishing programs - that I believe most of us enjoy.

This is the first time the club has participated in a community service event like this and I'd like to know your reaction to it. Would those who participated be interested in doing it again next year? Are there other community service events the club should consider participating in? Please let me have your comments at the next meeting, through the club's P.O. Box or just call me at 725-6894.

Frank Stolten, Public Relations

The need for conservation became painfully clear to my wife and me as we took a fishing tour of northern California in early August. Our trip took us in the areas bounded by Interstate 5 from Sacramento north to the Oregon border, across to Alturas and down the Nevada stateline to Markleeville. Many of our favorite areas are being destroyed by thoughtlessness; people who break down the stream banks (silting the streams, filling in feeding lies, destroying overhanging cover, etc.) and leave trash behind to entangle fish and other wildlife or pollute the water. We also found fewer fish because many fishermen still take as many fish as they can instead of practicing "catch & release" conservation strategies.

At Hat Creek we came across three individuals fishing in the wild trout waters with live bait and trebled barbed hooks. They were later apprehended after being turned in to a passing DFG warden.

The trip was very productive in spite of the problems encountered; many browns and rainbows in the 16 to 20 inch range were caught and released by yours truly. A magnificent brown (over 30") was discovered living in a land locked pond fed by an artesian spring which kept the water clear and cold. We watched and left quietly.

Here is hoping your next fishing trip will be as enjoyable as ours.

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CONSERVATION REPORT

By Joseph Bania

The Conservation Committee was busy this past month researching activities that meet the guidelines developed from the completed membership surveys.

Locating grant sources for conservation projects (such as streambed restoration) is a time consuming process and several leads are being pursued through both Federal and State sources.

Robert Naegle has tentatively identified some locations where the Club may wish to "adopt a stream"; he will be making on-site visits prior to the next general meeting and reporting to the group then. One of the sites is conveniently located near Foresthill.

We are waiting for confirmation that the wild trout stream surveys for which the club volunteered (Oct. 13 & 14 on the S. Fork of the American and Oct. 19 & 20 on the East Fork of the Carson) are still going to be conducted. Some of the surveys had to be cancelled due to the Dept. of Fish & Game's budget crisis; many biologists have been given lay off notices and their participation is vital to record and analyze the field data of these surveys.

Speaking of DFG, you can help get some of the fishing programs restored by supporting current legislation that would authorize funding from non-traditional sources. Historically, hunting and fishing license fees have provided most of the money for the Dept's. programs. In recent years the demands for services placed on DFG by the legislature and the public have exceeded the funds available. There are several bills in the legislature that would generate revenue from sources other than sport license fees. Please write a letter of support for increased funding of DFG to your state assemblyman, state senator and Governor Deukmejian right away—the close of the legislative session is only a few weeks away!

GOLDEN TROUT PROGRAM

Warren Schoenmann

Another new member has joined the Golden Trout Program this month. Actually he joined the Club and the program in July after the newsletter went to press, so we'll celebrate his membership this month. Welcome Terry Eggleston, hope you have an enjoyable and rewarding time during your involvement in the program.

This month's fly is Lefty's Deceiver pattern, fifth and last of the series required for the Golden Trout Program.

A now-classic saltwater fly by Lefty Kreh, the pattern variations are myriad. Many materials can be used to build up the basic silhouette, such as bucktail, neck hackle, or Maribou. In the water these flies slim down to baitfish-like proportions with fullness at the shoulder where it belongs.

LEFTY'S DECEIVER

Hook: up to 3/0, ring eye. Tail: Six long saddle hackles, three on each side, tied to flare out. Add several strands on 1/32" silver mylar on each side. Body: Silver mylar tinsel. Wing: One generous bunch of bucktail tied to be evenly distributed around the hook shank. Tie another bunch in on top to establish the baitfish silhouette and to help the fly ride upright. This last bunch can be a different color to depict the back of the baitfish. Peacock or Ostrich herl can also be added for topping.

EXPO 91


The club has decided to have a booth at the 1991 International Expo January 16th through the 20th at Cal Expo.


We need volunteers to man the booth throughout the 5-day period. Mike Radoff has constructed a nice new backdrop for the booth, now we need a chairperson and team to organize and run the event. The booth will need to be manned during daytime hours as well as early evening and will be a good opportunity for you to get involved and direct your talents towards a good cause. Sign up now and avoid the rush!!!

DINNER NEWS

Marie Stull

The dinner plans are progressing on schedule, however, there are several areas I need help in coordinating, such as the Saturday Fly tying Seminar, dinner and raffle ticket sales, and most of all a Master of Ceremonies. I only have one phone, so don't everyone call at once.



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First of all, I would like to thank Bill Furst for the "homework" he had done for this trip. The maps he provided were also a big help. Thanks Bill!

We met at Denny's in Newcastle as planned. Tom Ritchie and I arrived at 6:00 a.m., "hung the flag" and ate while awaiting fellow fishermen. By 7:00 a.m. we had 12 hardy souls ready to "invade" Truckee. (Actually I got itchy feet and departed at 6:55) Upon arrival, we strung up our rods and made lunch plans, then set out. The water was a warm 64° at 9:00 a.m. so riffles and pocket water offered the best opportunity. A few fish were taken in the morning and a couple lost. I moved a nice brown but could not entice a second chance. Our president was unable to fish but was there showing support as always. Thanks Marie! I still think, however, you could "donate" your waders seeing as how you have an "injured wing" and ----

The afternoon we looked at the map and people decided where they were going to fish. We shook hands, told everyone where each was going, and departed. Tom and I went to the flies only section below town and upon arrival checked the temperature and found it to be 74°. We decided to wade upstream with hoppers and crickets. We took 1 fish on a hopper; a 14" rainbow with not a lot of fight. I worried about his survival after release. We decided to try wets and after 1 more fish, decided to depart for home. We did talk to Bernie and he had caught his first trout up by Stampede on hoppers! Your "hooked" pal!

At any rate, an enjoyable day and good company. My thanks to everyone that came and hope to see you astream again some time. And thanks to Marge Vingom and kids for seeing us off, even though they were unable to attend, and a special guest, Sunny, who really likes to fly fish and ties a very neat fly.

Skip Foster