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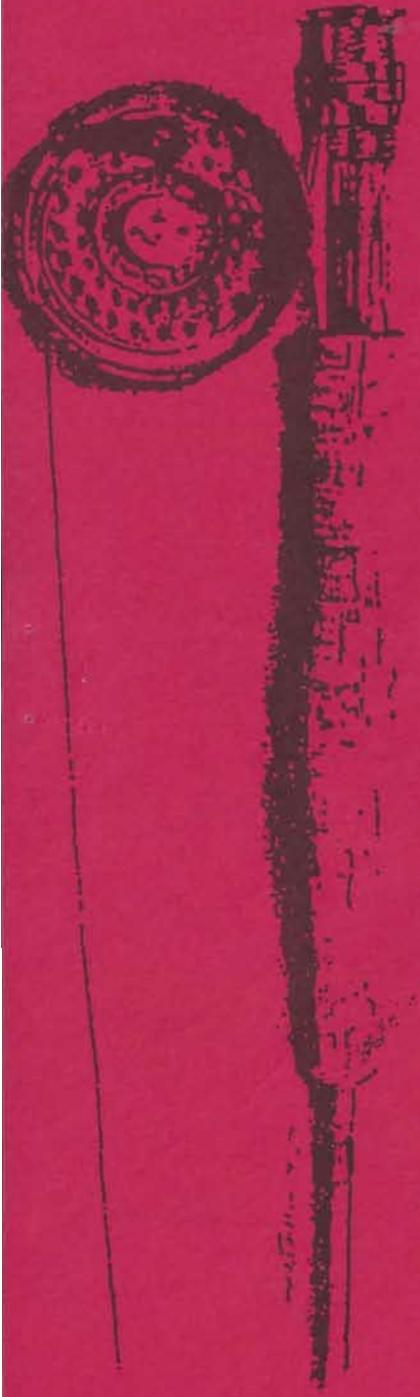
GRANITE BAY
Flycasters

December 1991

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FISHOUT SCHEDULE

December 4 Pyramid Lake

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2 Flytying Classes (Session 6)
7:00-9:00 p.m. at Clubhouse

December 12 General Meeting
7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse

December 17 Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse

January 9 General Meeting
7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse

January 16 Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse

January 25 Annual Club Dinner
Gary Borger Programs



Hot Creek Fishout--October

In attendance were Bill & Judy Carnazzo, Terry Eggleston & Cecelia, Ed & Marie Stull, Jim Homes, Tom Hoeffel, and The English Family.

Big Springs campground was closed so people that camped settled at Convict Lake Campground. The only campers were the English Family and Jim Homes. The rest of the group camped at Mammoth Lake in a plush condominium--tough camping!

Friday fishing at Hot Creek was poor at best. We returned to Convict Creek and met Jim. We caught some small fish with Jim catching a nice rainbow. Bill & Judy arrived in time for the camp fire. Judy brought the ingredients for some mores so we passed the night talking and eating some mores.

Saturday morning the fishing was fair with fish ranging between 12 to 14 inches. Marie staked a homestead claim on a rock and luckily there were fish in the area. Nick joined Marie and Terry and was fishing with a Madam X. He soon lost his fly on a fish so he nosed up to Marie and said "If I had another Madam X, I could catch that fish". Marie being a softy, gave the kid a new fly to see what he could do and what do you know, he caught a fish. We quit fishing about three P.M. and decided to try the Owens River but it was high and not fishable. L. A. must have needed some water!

The next day, Sunday, the group went in different directions. We checked out Robinson Creek area for a possible fishout next fall.

Trinity Fishout--November

The following people traveled to the Trinity River for the Steelhead fishout: John Peterson, Jim Coleman, Bill Carnazzo & his friend Mark, and an old friend of mine, Jim Steel. Jim acted as our guide on Saturday.

Friday afternoon John and I caught a few small fish next to our camp site at the Steel Bridge Campground. Saturday we headed down river to Junction City in search of Steelhead. We fished jon great looking spot after another and the end result was no fish.

So, we headed back to Lewiston to Mamma's Cafe for coffee and Apple Pie to discuss out options. It soon began to rain so we decided to head home.

As Jim says, " The fishing was great, the catching was bad."

Eagle Lake Fishout--November

The group consisted of Rick & Fran Radoff; Ed and Marie Stull; Bill Furst; Mike, Kathy, Curtis, & Sabrina Radoff; Ron English & Jeff Blunden (who stayed in a cabin). The rest of us camped on a lot in Spaulding owned by Bill Furst's friend. We need to send a Thank you to Bill's neighbor, Sonny.

Saturday morning I joined the group at the North end of the airport. The group had been fishing for about an hour before I arrived with no luck. They warned me the bottom was muddy. This area was a great place for a duck or any other creature that loves mud but, no fish. No one caught a fish so after lunch we moved to a new spot, which started slow. Rick luckily spotted some feeding fish. The group, in desperation to catch a fish, formed a circle surrounding the pod of fish. Marie was first to score with Ron and Marie on a double hook up for the second fish caught. Poor Lucky Ed failed to catch a fish.

Sunday morning we returned to the same spot with Mike catching a nice 20 inch fish. The rest of the group varied from several fish to none.



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President's Message

Rick Radoff

As this is my last message, I would like to label it as a State Of The Union/Club message. First I would like to thank all of the members that attend the general meetings, as this is a good indication as to the health of the Club, and let me tell you, the Club is in excellent health. For the last two and a half years, we have averaged 50 to 60% attendance of the general meetings by the membership. I would next like to thank the Officers and Directors, this group of individuals are the reason that our attendance at the general meetings and the fish-outs and all of the special events have been so high. I feel that we have the best Flyfishing Club in Northern California. We have a lot of energy and enthusiasm, and we have just begun. The past year started with Cal Expo, which was a success and then next was our annual dinner, which was a huge success. We had flytying lessons for beginners and advanced tiers in the winter months. In the spring, we sponsored a fly-tying event at our clubhouse for the NCCFFF and proceeds that we made from serving lunch, we added to and donated \$300 to the Calif. Sportfishing Protection Alliance. Also in the spring, we held a Flyfishing Day (open house), this was also a success. In early summer, we held our annual picnic which was enjoyed by all that attended. In the summer, we held a rod building class and also a casting class. Now it is late fall and early winter and we are again holding beginning flytying and intermediate flytying classes and we are gearing up for Cal Expo and our Annual Dinner. Last but not least, thank you Ron English for all of those great fish-outs throughout the year, most were well attended and everyone always had a great time. I wish the new officers and directors the best of luck in the upcoming year, and I know that they will keep the energy and momentum of this young club moving forward and upward.

I want to thank everyone for making my job as President an enjoyable one as well as rewarding, thank you.

Until I see you at the December 12th meeting, tight lines.



Conservation Report by Joe Bania

As we approach the New Year, I will be stepping down as Conservation Chairman. I have really enjoyed the past two years as chairman, and really appreciate all the support that you have given me.

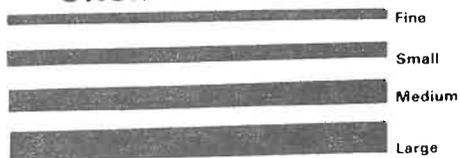
I will continue to take an active role in the club's activities, and will assist the new chairperson in the transition. If you are interested in serving as chairperson, please let one of your boardmembers know!

As part of my last report in the Leader, I would like to ask a favor of you! ... Are you be willing to contribute some time in 1992 to maintain this organization as one of the leaders? Great! By each one of us taking on an activity or helping with an activity, we can accomplish many things, and feel good about the outcome. I look forward to seeing each one of you participating in an activity.

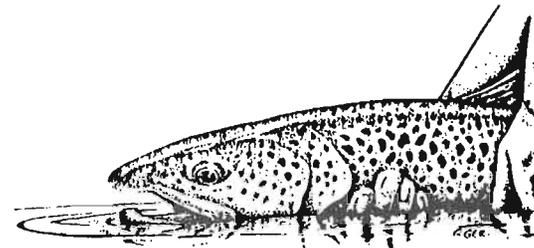
The State of California and many conservation groups are becoming increasingly concerned with the problem of plastic debris endangering our wildlife. As fly fisherman, you can prevent proliferation of this debris by disposing of your used monofilament line and other plastics. It can be placed in the pockets of your fly vest to be carried home, and disposed of in garbage cans or recycled.

Thank you again, and keep up the good work.

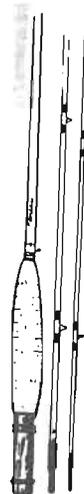
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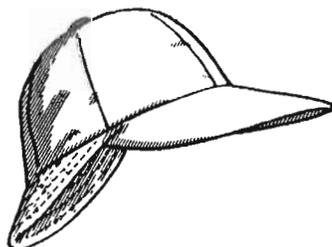
NORWEGIAN MUSTAD HOOKS

- 94840** Standard dry fly hook. 1x fine wire, turned down tapered eye.
- 94842:** Same as 94840 only upturned eye.
- 94831:** Is 2x fine and 2x long. Hoppers, adult stoneflies, etc.
- 94833:** Same as 94840 only 3x fine, extra light hook.
- 94838:** Same as 94840 only shank is 1x short. Larger bite, smaller fly.
- 94843:** 3x fine, 4x short, spiders, shrimp.
- 94845:** Same as 94840 only barbless. Highly recommended.
- 94859:** Like 94840 only ring eye, many uses, chironomid fishing.
- 94863:** Like 94842 only barbless and with loop up eye.
- 3906:** High quality wet fly hook, our favorite.
- 3906B:** Same as 3906 only 1x long. All purpose wet and nymph hook.
- 3399A:** Inexpensive wet fly hook similar to 3906.
- 9048X:** Barbless low water salmon. Turned up loop eye, black.
- 3682:** Double steelhead/salmon hook. Rogue River favorite.
- 3682C:** Double salmon fly hook looped oval turned up eye heavy black wire. Salmon/steelhead hook.
- 36890:** Up eye, black salmon fly hook of standard weight. We tie our steelhead flies on this one.
- 3407:** O'Shaugnessy hook, ringed eye rust proof, strong, turned finish. Excellent saltwater hook.
- 34007:** Same as 3407 only stainless steel. Best saltwater hook.
- 7948A:** Is stronger and slightly shorter than the 94840. Heavy duty dry fly hook, big fish in heavy water.
- 7957B:** Slightly longer, stronger and heavier than the 94840.
- 7957BX:** X-Strong wire. 1x long nymph hook
- 79580:** Same as 9671 only 4x long. Useful for all types of streamers, wooly worms and small streamers.
- 79582:** Like 79580 only 6x long shank. Perfect for x-long streamers, nymphs and wooly worms.
- 7970:** Heavy duty 6x stout steelhead/salmon and bass hook

- 9676:** limerick bend has advantage of a long shank and narrow gap. Our favorite hook for streamers, stonefly nymphs, etc.
- 9671:** 2x long popular for streamers, nymphs, oversize dry flies.
- 9672:** Same as 9671 only 3x long. Wooly worms, streamers, nymphs.
- 9674:** Same as 79580 only straight ring eye. Tanden, Streamer, Wiggle patterns.
- 3263B:** Ringed, gold plated, long shank
- 90240:** Low water salmon fly hook used for dry flies. 1x long 2x fine up eye with black finish.
- 3665A:** Limerick bend 6x (1/2" long shank) popular for streamers.
- 37160:** English bait hook design. Up eye popular with latex patterns and many other nymphs.
- 36941:** Hollow point 3x long, nymphs and streamers.
- 640L:** Tiny midge hook 1/8" long, gold plated.
- 33903:** Double hump in shank, 3x long, ring eye for poppers.
- 36620:** Limerick bend, 6x long, ring eye, thunder creek, streamer hook.
- 277:** Size 32 gold hook, no eye. Tie leader onto hook before tying.
- 37187 Stinger:** All our Whitlock bass flies are tied on these. They are the lightest, yet strongest "stinger" hook made.
- 9174:** Ring eye, 3X short, extra strong. We tie our "egg" flies on this hook.

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- 1197:** Popular steelhead and bass hook made by Eagle Claw, is 1x long and 2x strong. Gold, silver and bronze.
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MORE FROM THE PRES.....

The general meeting in December is when we will elect the new officers and directors, the following is a list of club members running for office, if you or someone you know wishes to run for office, there will be nominations at the December meeting prior to the election.

President: Warren Schoenmann

Vice-President: Bill Carnazzo

Secretary: Lamont Carr

Treasure: Missy Arnold

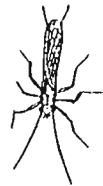
Directors: Ron English
Jim Coleman
Mark Neice
Paul Orcutt

We also need volunteers for Programs Chairman and Conservation Chairman. If you are interested in one of these positions, please call me or see me at the December meeting.
Rick Radoff

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Anchor's anguish - NBC newscaster Tom Brokaw is a recent convert to the sport of fly fishing, but

that doesn't mean he hasn't had some embarrassing moments:

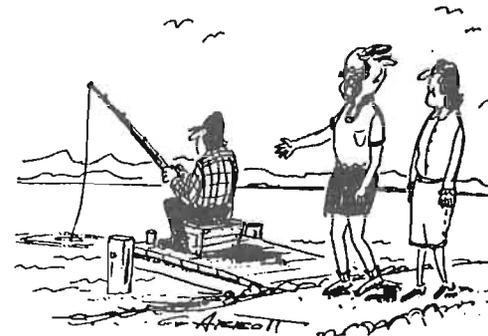
"If I were to publish my fly fishing memoirs, I'd have to include a memorable moment on the Snake River when I decided to give an approaching raft load of tourists a close-up look at a novice casting master.

"I kept a firm wrist, stopped the rod at 12 o'clock on the backcast, loaded the line and shot it forward only to watch in horror as two pieces of my three-piece rod flew out into the middle current just as the raft drifted past. The passengers looked bewildered.

"I kept my composure, as if to suggest that what they'd seen was an illusion.

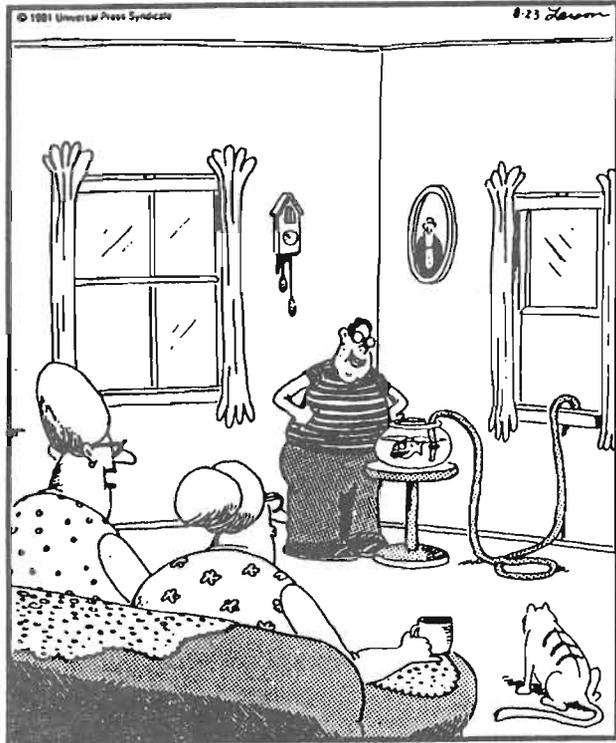
"Fly fishermen should always find a few laughs at our own expense. That captures the utter impotency that sweeps over so many of us as we attempt to tie a blood knot in bright sunlight and a high wind in a fast stream."

"You don't often see a pole with a worm at both ends."



THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Oh, there goes Lenny again — draining off the goldfish bowl. . . . He wants to one day work for the Army Corps of Engineers, you know."



DUES--DUES--DUES

It's that time again, folks. Your club provides a wide variety of activities, and participates in an number of important conservation programs. Yet, our dues are moderate. In short, your contribution goes a long way. Here's a sampling of what you get: a monthly meeting with an informative program and a generous drawing; classes in rod building, fly tying, and casting; the best club bulletin in the west (editor not modest); fishouts galore--real opportunities to fish new water with some excellent anglers; satisfying conservation programs and information; an annual family picnic and an annual dinner at which well known guest speakers present a valuable program. Here's the dues structure:

- Individual.....\$20.00
- Family.....\$25.00
- Life.....\$300.00

Now that you've made out the check, please fill out this easy form and send it in with your check (to the club's P.O. Box)

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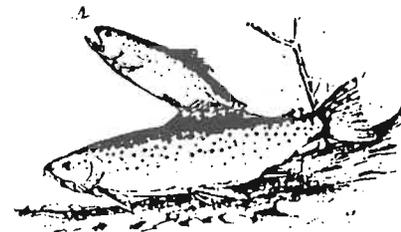
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Club jobs/activities in which you are interested (see inside front cover): _____

Activities you would like to see more of?

Program suggestions?



ELECTIONS

Exercise your right to vote--be at the December meeting to vote on your officers and directors. Better yet, be a candidate!!! Call Rick to see how you can help your club.

GRANITE BAY GATE

The gatekeeper will lock the gate at 7:30 so he too can attend the meeting. So, it is important that you arrive at the gate before that time.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The club has a great selection of hats, sweatshirts, shirts and other items for that special someone for Christmas. It also is a great way to help the club.

GARY BORGER DINNER

The dinner will be a fun time, as was last year's. The raffle inventory is building--rods, trips and a variety of fishing equipment. You can make this even better by donating an item--and it does not have to be fishing related. It can be a bottle of wine, for example. Flytyers: a dozen flies makes a great raffle item.

The Grand Prize this year is an 8-foot Keaton fiberglass pram. Believe me it is a beauty. Tickets for this will be \$1.00 each, or 12 for \$10.00. This is a bargain, folks.....don't miss out. The pram's value is \$800.00!!!!

DECEMBER PROGRAM

The December program will be presented by Harry Gualco of Rod and Reel Adventures. He will discuss ocean water fishing off the Mexican coast.



Remember that day last November when we got caught in that rainstorm and it got dark so we had to stay in the canyon overnight?" asked Royal. "Yeah", replied ATC, "good thing we had that unit, and those stick matches. That fire saved our bacon. What the hell else do you keep in that pack anyway?"

"You should know; I used your checklist", replied Royal, as he dug a small laminated copy out of his compact waterproof first aid kit. "Read it for yourself--it's all there".

Duly impressed, ATC examined the tiny plastic-encased list, muttering to himself: "Tylenol; allerest; surgical tape; snake bite stuff; gauze bandages; band aids; cleansing towelettes; small scissors; neosporin. H-m-m-m-m-m.....looks like old Royal has embellished on my list a bit." He reads on: "kerchief (handy to dip in water & put on head on hot days to avoid heatstroke); insect goop; extra socks; hat with brim; sunscreen; matches; knife; compass; small flashlight. Smart guy, that Royal--likes to be prepared."

"C'mon, ATC, let's rip some more lips before I fall asleep on this rock and roll off into Ice Box Hole down there and freeze myself to death." "OK", replied ATC, "but let's rig up with a nymph and indicator--I'd like to hook old hookjaw and you know how he lays right on the bottom. Got any of that soft lead you can spare?" "Yeah, and it's nice and warm here in my shirt pocket", muses Royal. "Why don't you try that Peeking Caddis and I'll slap on a big Grey Nymph?"

Gazing down into the emerald depths of Ice Box Hole* as he rigged his tippet, Royal's practiced eyes caught the faint flash of what he thought was a very large slab side of a deep-nymphing trout. His hands lost their coordination amid trembling fingers, and suddenly he had to find a tree to answer nature's call.

*More on Ice Box Hole in next month's episode of the antics of Royal and ATC.

Flyfishing Backcountry
Sierra Streams
by

Royal B. Pocketwater

Part IV

Last month we looked at the rods, reels, lines and leaders favored by Royal and his friend ATC, while scratching around in the woods in pursuit of *Salmo Gardeneiri*, *Salmo Trutta*, and their relations. Let's take a look at some of the other miscellaneous items tucked and perched here and there on & about their persons.

"Hey Royal, isn't that new day pack a little large for your scrawny body?", asks ATC slyly as they settled onto the big conifer-shaded, moss-covered flat rock on a grassy cliff top above the big emerald pool they'd somewhere in the misty past dubbed "Ice Box Hole". "Just how heavy is it, anyway? Looks to me like it's full of rocks".

"Don't know. No heavier'n usual, & a darn sight handier than that old ratbag you're totin' around", replied Royal as he pulled his lunch from the recesses of his pack. "Eating this will lighten it considerably, I'm sure", he grinned.

"I'll say--three apples, a banana and a bagel for openers, eh. What else ya got in there? A side of beef?", said ATC, laughing loudly at his own joke.

Refusing to rise to the fly, Royal calmly ignores the needling. "Itching yet, Andy? That was poison oak back there, in case you didn't recognize it--nasty patch of it too, and I saw you crash through it to get to that gorgeous riffle before me. If I were you, I'd take this bar of biodegradable soap and wash my hands, arms and face quickly with the water in that water bottle in your pack".

"Yeah, I'd better do that. I'll need your water purifier to refill my bottle. Did you bring it?" "Yep--wouldn't leave home without it, as they say.

CAL-EXPO BOOTH

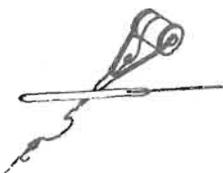
The club once again will have a booth in a great location at the Ed Rice International Sportsman's Exposition at Cal-Expo January 15-19, 1992. This is a great event, and a way to meet a lot of people while touting the benefits of GBF. We have always had a lot of people stop by, chat and buy things from us. There will be a tyer from the club, raffle tickets and membership forms. You can volunteer to help on this project by signing up at the December meeting. Rick Radoff and Bill Carnazzo are in charge of this, and will have a time-slot signup sheet. We ask for at least two hours of your time in the booth.

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FLYTYER'S CORNER

by
Bill Carnazzo

The Brindle Bug

This month let's shift gears. Thus far in this column, we've concentrated on "trout" flies. For most waters, the 1991 trout season is unfortunately behind us. It thus seems appropriate for the next few months to feature flies for a "close cousin"--the Steelhead Trout. Most Pacific coast steelhead patterns are simple, attractive and effective. The Brindle Bug has all these qualities, with its variegated chenille and gold ribbing.

MATERIALS

Hook	#4-10 steelhead hook of choice
Weight	Wrapped lead (optional)
Tail	Stiff brown hackle tip
Body	Butterscotch/black medium variegated chenille
Rib	Gold oval tinsel
Hackle	Brown or olive hen hackle

TYING INSTRUCTIONS

1. After mounting thread and covering shank, wrap lead as desired--preferably toward front of hook.

2. Tail mounting point is directly above point of hook (this is "traditional" in steelhead flies). Take a stiff brown hackle, & strip webby barbules from stem. Measure tail to length of shank, and tie the hackle in, tip to rear.



3. Strip fuzz from end of chenille, exposing the 2 inner threads. Attach latter to underside of hook at tail tie-in pt.

4. Take first wind of chenille behind tail to cock it up at a 90 degree angle to shank. Wind chenille forward to a point about 1/8" behind eye. Reverse wrap gold rib to same point--about 4 or 5 wraps.

5. Strip all barbules from side of hen hackle which will abut hook. The shiny side goes forward. Now tie hackle in, take 2 or 3 winds, & tie off excess.

6. With left thumb & forefinger stroke hackle back & wind over butts so that it lays back evenly along & around hook. Form even head & lacquer to shiny finish.

