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## CALENDAR/DATE OF EVENTS

June 11	General Meeting* 7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse
June 18	Board Meeting** 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
July 9	General Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse
July 16	Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse

\* NOTE: Be sure to be at the gate before 7:30 p.m., because the gatekeeper must lock the gate at that time.

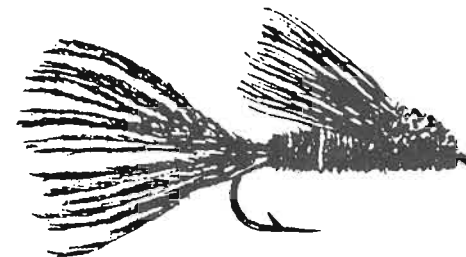
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**CHECK THE OUTING SCHEDULE FOR OTHER EVENTS.**

**Tentative Outing Schedule--1992  
(Revised)**

<b>May 10-11</b>	<b>Arcularius Ranch. Reservations full.</b>
<b>May 30-31</b>	<b>Mill Creek-backpacking trip</b>
<b>June 6-7</b>	<b>Indian Creek Reservoir</b>
<b>June 13-14</b>	<b>Fuller Lake</b>
<b>July 25-26</b>	<b>Kings Canyon</b>
<b>Aug. 21-24</b>	<b>North Umpqua</b>
<b>Aug. ??</b>	<b>Lake Natoma Hexagenia Evening Fishout</b>
<b>Sep. 12-13</b>	<b>Trinity River</b>
<b>Sept 26-27</b>	<b>Robinson Creek</b>
<b>Oct.</b>	<b>McCloud River/Squaw Valley Creek</b>
<b>Nov.</b>	<b>Steelhead trip</b>

**Note: other outings may be scheduled, and announced at our regular meetings.**



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Warren Schoenmann

Summer is here and the time for intensive fishing is now. If you haven't already make some plans for a fishing trip call a club member from the "Fishing Buddy List" and make plans for a fun trip somewhere.

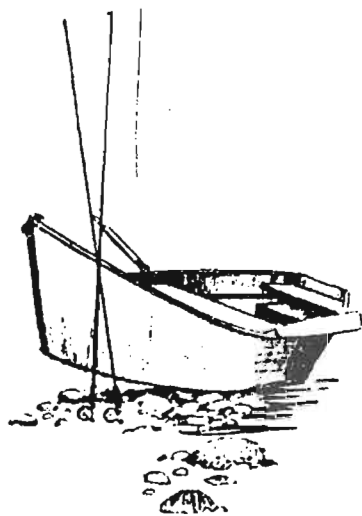
Yours truly will be spending the next week on Lake Shasta with the family chasing trout on the McCloud, Pit, and Sacramento arms of the lake. I even get to try out the Pram that was Grand Prize at the dinner. (Remember who won it?).

Check the fishout schedule in the Leader. There are some great family outings this month (as every month). June 6 & 7 to Indian Creek, and June 13 & 14 at Fuller (PG&E campground is reserved, and is a great place to spend the weekend). Call the Fishmaster for complete details if you haven't already signed up.

President  
cont'd.

The annual Picnic was a wonderful success again this year. The food was great, the games were fun for all, and many nice prizes were given in the raffle. The Grand prize, a Sage 4-pc 5-wt rod went to Bruce Cline, who has just completed the casting clinic and said he really needs it. Terry Eggleston won the blindfold flytying, Dave Baker took first place in the scavenger fly tying, and Marie won the casting competition again this year. There were also many first place winners in the kids balloon toss and turtle races. Congrats to all of you. A special thanks to Paul Orcutt who organized and directed the whole event, and to those who helped make it a huge success, thanks a million. Mark,,, the ribs were terrific.

Tight lines..., catch 'em, release 'em.  
LET'S GO FISHING.....



Next month -  
Royal & ATE will  
have an "affair de bear"  
Tune in!

## THE YUBA RIVER NEEDS YOU!!!

Set out below is a notice regarding the hearings on the Yuba River at the State Water Resources Control Board. Since the notice is reduced it may be a bit hard to read...but, please make the effort and assist in the campaign to get more water allocated to fish. If this does not occur now, other interests (development, agriculture, exporters of water and others) will most assuredly leap on the opportunity to grab what may be perceived as "excess" water (a true oxymoronic term). Take the time and write a courteous, precise letter for the resource.

# YUBA RIVER ACTION ALERT!!

For months now, the California Sports Fishing protection Alliance (CSPA) has been making the case for a fair share of Yuba River water for fisheries to the State Water Board. The hearings are slated to wrap up within the next two weeks. State Senator Leslie made a policy statement to the Board asking that no more water be allocated for fish!! We need to let the Board know what fishermen think about no more water for fish.

The Yuba is the only central valley stream with a native chinook run and the fighting qualities of Yuba steelhead and shad are renown. The Yuba needs help now!! Get out your pens and write:

Chairman Donald Maughan  
State Water Resources Control Board  
c/o Ms. Christyl Escarde, Complaint Unit  
Division of Water Rights  
PO Box 20000  
Sacramento, CA 95812-20000

DF&G has presented a lower Yuba management plan which asks for only 25% of the water for fish, but the Yuba County Water Agency wants it all and recruited Leslie for support. Without opposing letters, the Board will think Leslie's statement represents the whole district. We need organizational, and more important, individual letters letting the Board know how we feel about the Yuba. DO IT NOW. The letters are needed by May 31, 1992. Send a second copy of your letter to CSPA, PO Box 357, Quincy, CA 95971.

Points to emphasize are that the Board should:

- Adopt the DF&G management plan
- Adopt the DF&G recommendation for fish screens at diversion point
- Allow water not put to beneficial use in storage at Bullards Bar to flow down the Yuba and Feather to the Delta and Bay
- Demand enforcement action against YCWA for unauthorized river water diversions in 1991
- Require that the Yuba Goldfields, Inc, file a water rights applications for their diversions of the flows of the Yuba under the goldfields
- Require the YCWA to file a petition for a change in place of diversion for the south Yuba canal

Questions??--call Bob Balocchi at 916-283-3767. Also, the Yuba fight is exhausting their funds--send a check their way!!

Your fellow Yuba fly fisher

  
Dave Ford

## GBF LIBRARY

The library records indicate that the following people have tapes and/or books overdue from 6 months to 90 days. So will you please search your houses, cars, fishing vests, waders, or whatever, and bring the club's property back by the June meeting.

Nicolai LaQuaglia, Don Cummings (anyone who knows the whereabouts of Don please contact me), Garry Morgan, Gray Allen, Cliff Steele, Bill Siska, Ed Pettyplace.

Videos 60 days overdue:  
Tying Western Dry Flies, Nymphing  
Books 60 days overdue:  
Fishing Dry Flies for Trout.

Jim Holmes (967-6709) will be handling the library the first 2 weeks of June while I am on vacation.

Jim Hornberger

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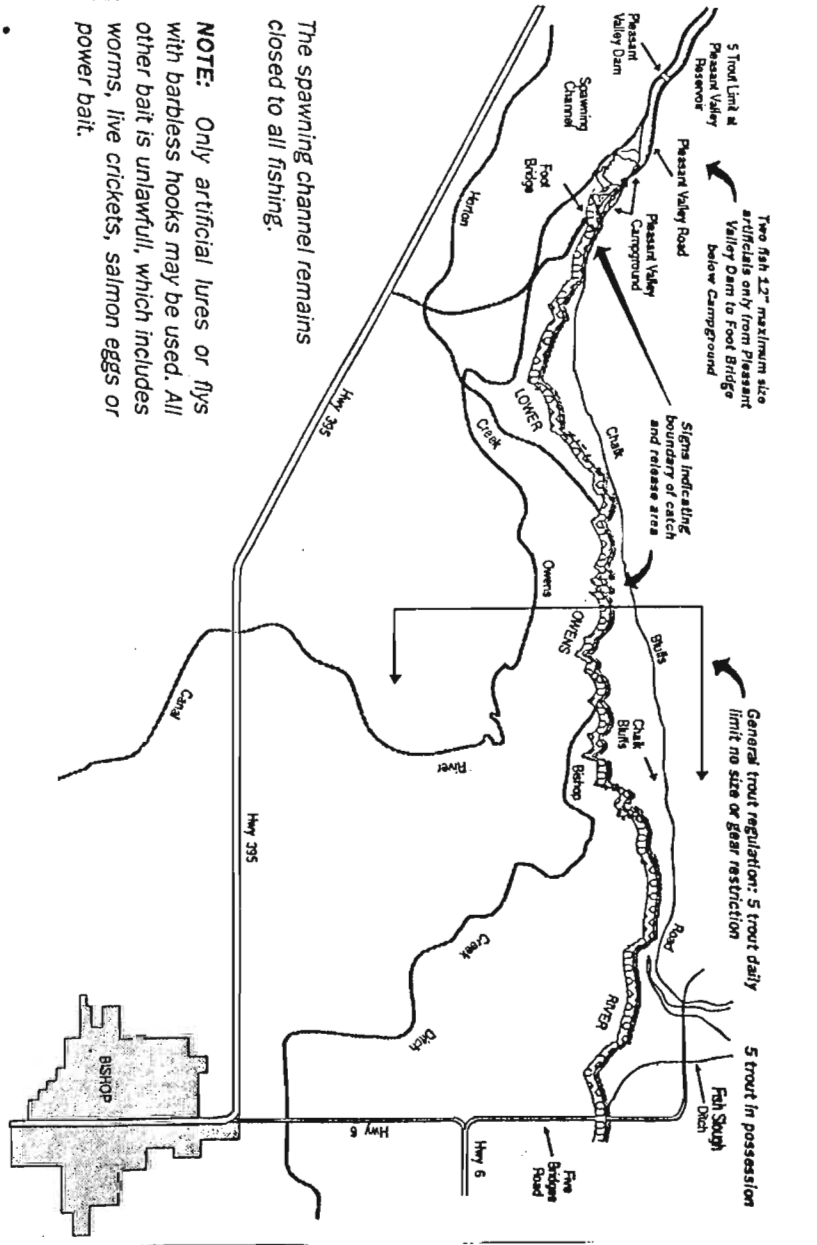
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The spawning channel remains closed to all fishing.

**NOTE:** Only artificial lures or flies with barbless hooks may be used. All other bait is unlawful, which includes worms, live crickets, salmon eggs or power bait.

## OWENS RIVER WILD TROUT AREA.



## Owens River Wild Trout Area

New regulations are out for fishing this area. Pick up a flyer on this at the next two general meetings. The regulations and a map are set out below.

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
407 West Line Street  
Bishop, CA 93514

(619)872-1171



At its November 1, 1991 meeting, the Fish and Game Commission concurred with fly-fishing organizations that recommended that the special restrictions apply to the entire 16 miles of the wild trout area. The purpose is to prevent the overharvest of the trout resource. This original proposal instituted a 12 inch minimum, two trout limit with only the use of artificial lures or flies on the entire 16 miles of the river.

The Department has developed an alternative as a compromise which we believe will satisfy the fly fishermen, and yet allow bait fishing to continue. The upper 2.7 miles would be governed by a two fish bag limit, a 12 inch maximum size limit and artificial lures only. The maximum size limit would protect large brown trout that spawn in this area. A zero limit and artificial lures only would be imposed on the next 4.4 stream miles which should provide high quality fly-fishing much like that afforded at Hot Creek. The remaining 8.9 miles would be open to bait anglers, and the bag limit would be increased from two to five. This would conform to the five fish bag limit on the Owens River downstream from Five Bridges Road.

The Owens River Trout Regulations as They Were Adopted by The Fish and Game Commission are as Follows:

Area	Season	Take and possession limit
(134) Owens River (Inyo and Mono Cos.) downstream from Crowley Lake Dam and including Pleasant Valley and Tinemaha lakes, except (A), (B) and (C) below.	All year	5
(A) From Pleasant Valley Dam downstream to footbridge at lower end of Pleasant Valley Campground.	All year	2
(B) From footbridge at lower end of Pleasant Valley Campground downstream 4.4 miles to Department sign on Chalk Bluffs Road.	All year	0
(C) Artificial spawning channel located about 0.8 mile downstream from Pleasant	Closed to all fishing all year.	



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Many thanks have to go to Frank Stolten, Mark Neice, Steve Avery, Gray Allen, and the individuals and couples who made the Chinook Salmon Recovery Project a success. Without their help, and that of the landowners (Mr. & Mrs. Moore on Auburn Ravine Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. Sargent on Coon Creek), the trapping could not have taken place. Thanks also go to Mr. Jim Fitzer, owner of Crystal Ice, who donated the biggest ice cubes I have ever seen (300 lbs. apiece) to help keep the fish cool during transport.

### Request for Assistance From Trout Unlimited

A special project to clip adipose fins on 10,000--12,000 Lahontan Cutthroat trout fingerlings will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Nimbus Hatchery on Saturday, June 20, 1992. After this marking, they will be placed in Martis Lake to grow up and be counted in the future. This is the first phase in a series of experiments to be conducted by DFG. The next will be to monitor oxygen levels and water temperatures at various points in the lake this summer. Trout Unlimited is coordinating this activity and has asked for our help; approximately 8 to 10 people working about three hours each should do it. A luncheon is planned so call me (days: 732-5399; eves: 677-4263) and leave a message if you can help.



The traps were installed just before irrigation diversions began in early May, but by then the water temperatures in the Sacramento River, and Coon Creek were already getting too warm for the salmon. The fish we trapped in Coon Creek were larger than those of the same age found elsewhere, leading our DFG representative to conclude that our creeks provided such good habitat that the more than 100,000 baby salmon planted per creek in January had "eaten like little piggies" while becoming imprinted at the headwaters of the two creeks. As the baby fish matured and the water warmed up, the fish started their swim to the ocean. Since irrigation started late this year, the salmon got through without much help from us.

Although much work went into the project, and many people who were looking forward to the morning trapping activities did not have opportunity to participate, we feel the project was a great success. GBF lived up to its part of the contract, and the salmon got through to the Sacramento River safely.

Flyfishing Backcountry  
Sierra Streams  
by  
Royal B. Pocketwater

[Royal and ATC are on vacation--guess where]

FLYTYER'S CORNER

by  
Bill Carnazzo

On vacation!!!! See you next month.



# A Safe and Painless Method of Removing a Hook

It can happen in countless ways - a fishhook suddenly buried past the barb in your anatomy. Removal can be a painful, even hazardous, procedure, especially if someone tries to cut the hook out. Here is a method that anyone can follow, and the only tool that you need is your fishing line.

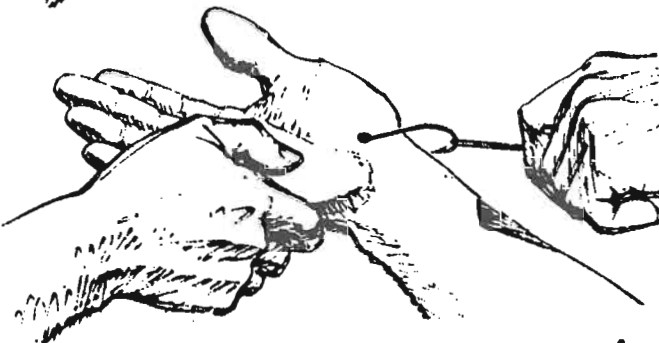
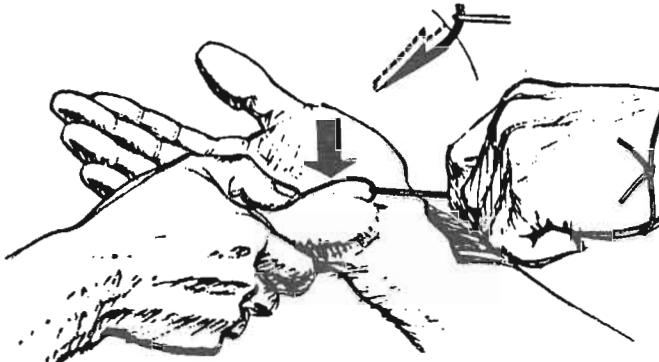
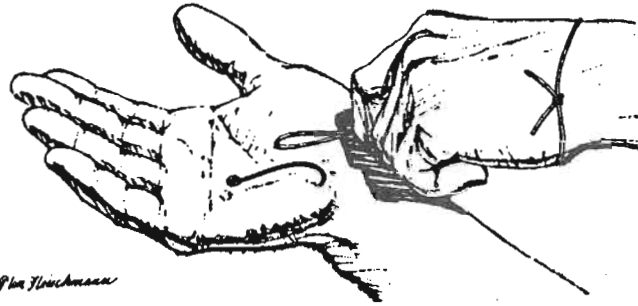
First, remove the hook if it is attached to a lure, unless it is a single hook fly, or a spoon. Next you should have a piece of fly line, monofilament, or dacron backing that is about 30 pound test, and 20 inches long. This removal technique can be used with one strand of 30 pound test, two of 15 pound test, or three of ten.

Tie a knot in the loose ends of the line, forming about a ten inch loop. Place the loop around the back of your hand and bring it out between your thumb and forefinger as shown. Place the loop over the eye of the hook and center it in the hook's bend.

Apply pressure down and back on the eye of the hook, and simultaneously give a sharp jerk on the line. The hook will neatly pop out the same hole that it entered, causing no additional pain and leaving a minimal wound to heal.

Cleanse the wound with soap, or anti-septic, and apply an adhesive bandage. A topical antibiotic like Mycitraclin or Neosporin will help eliminate the invasion of germs and promote healing.

**Two cautions to remember:** One, be certain to immobilize the finger or hand from which a hook is being removed. And, two, if a hook has entered the area near the eye, get the victim to a doctor, fast.



## June Program

The June program will be Dave Simmons, with the Powell Fly Shop in Chico. Dave is a very entertaining person, an excellent fly tyer and fisherman, and will discuss the Sacramento River fishery. Don't miss this one!!!!

## Conservation Report

by

Joe Bania, Conservation Chairperson

Chinook Salmon Recovery Project, Lincoln, Ca.

**GREAT NEWS!!!** The Salmon in Auburn Ravine Creek and Coon Creek are safely on their way to the ocean. After trapping for nine days and only catching a handful, instead of the thousands anticipated, it became evident that the salmon had already moved downstream, so we discontinued the trapping activities.