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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 10	Fishout - Gordon's Pond
April 14	General Meeting 7:30 at Clubhouse
April 16	Fishout - Sacramento River
April 21	Board Meeting 7:00 at Clubhouse
April 30	Fishout - Davis Lake
May 7	Fishout - Manzanita Lake or Indian Creek Res.
May 12	General Meeting 7:30 at Clubhouse
May 14	9th Annual Club Picnic
May 19	Board Meeting 7:00 at Clubhouse



**GBF FISHOUT SCHEDULE--1994**  
**[INCLUDING FLY OF THE MONTH LIST]**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**APRIL 1994**

**April**

10 (Sun) Bass.....Gordon's Pond.  
16 (Sat) Sacramento River at Redding  
30 (Sat) Davis Lake--Damsel hatch  
*Linesider*

**May**

7 (Sat) Manzanita Lake or Indian Creek  
21 (Sat) San Luis Reservoir--Stripers  
28 (Sat) Shad--American or Yuba River  
*Fuller Lake Special*

**June**

10, 11, 12 (Fri, Sat,  
Sun) Fuller Lake One Fly Contest  
and Campout  
25 (Sat) Spicer Lake  
29 (Sat) Bass (poppers)  
*Royal Wulff*

**July**

8, 9, 10, 11 (Fri, Sat,  
Sun, Mon) Backpack trip to Wolf  
Creek area  
23 (Wed) Downieville area  
(North Yuba Area)  
*Prince Nymph*

**August**

13 (Sat) Fall River/Burney  
area  
20 (Sat) Lake Natoma Hex  
hatch  
27 (Sat) Davis Lake  
*Rockfish Fly*

**September**

10 (Sat) Robinson Creek  
24 (Sat) Alpine County--Walker River  
*Caddis Emerger*

**October**

1 (Sat) Saltwater bottom fishing trip  
8 (Sat) San Luis Reservoir  
15 (Sat) Trinity  
29 (Sat) Sacramento River  
*Cate's Turkey*

**November**

12 (Sat) Putah Creek  
26 (Sat) Pyramid Lake  
*Thunder Creek Anchovy*

**December**

10 (Sat) Kings Harbor (Long Beach)--Bonita  
*Green Butt Skunk*

A new idea! How about a weekly after-work fishout? Interested members can simply show up at a regular time and place (say, Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.), and decide where they want to fish--e.g., Fuller Lake, Rancho Nuko, American River, Folsom, etc.

Welcome to all of our new members, the club has really grown over the last few years. We have had over 100 people in attendance at all of this year's meetings.

One of the questions that keeps coming up, especially with new members is, "how do I get into this flyfishing experience?" Well flyfishing is like any other sport. To learn you have to do it! The best way I know is to get involved in the many programs that your club has organized to help improve your skills. The Golden Trout Program was designed to do exactly that. If you are interested in more information call Bill Carnazzo or Ron English. Their numbers are listed in the front of the leader.

The way to improve your on-the-water skills is to attend one of the many Fishouts that your Fishmaster has arranged each month throughout the year. You will fish with people who know the area and which techniques and flies work best for the conditions at hand.

In June (date to be announced), we are planning to have a basic casting clinic and next fall we will start the fly tying class. Both classes are always a big hit and provide an excellent opportunity for the beginning flyfisher and flytier.

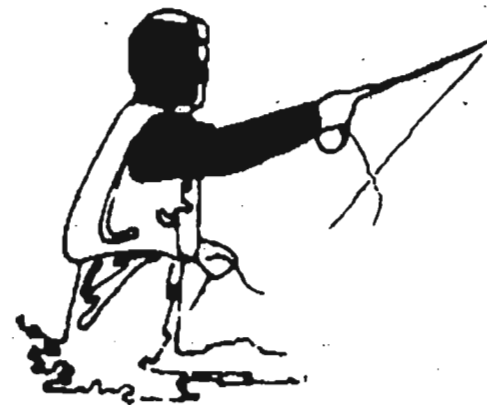
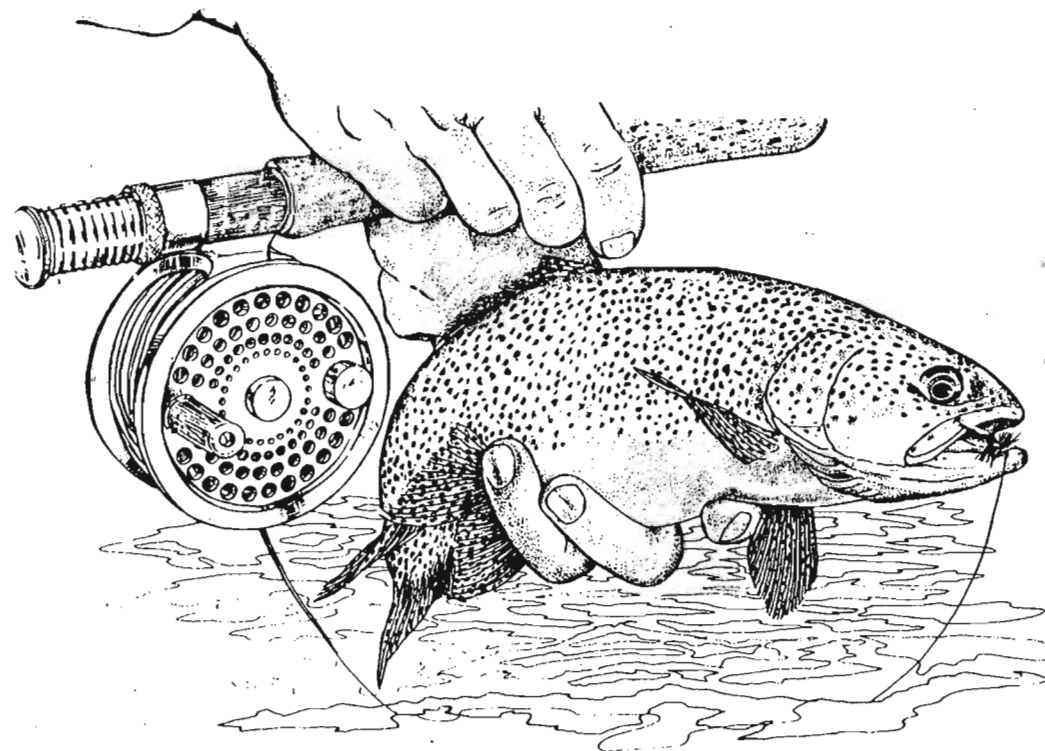
In the mean time, if you have a question about anything: a trip, what flies or tackle to use, casting, knots, etc. give some of your fellow club members a call. If they don't have the answer they will put you in contact with someone who will. There are many resources available to club members, use them it's your club.

I would like to thank Jim Holmes for all time and effort he has put into the Leader over the past few years. Jim helped save the Club a lot of money over the years and we all appreciate his involvement with the Club.

I would like to welcome Mike Wasserman as our new Editor. It's a big job and please help him with any new ideas or articles you would like to submit. Give him a call if you can help or would like to submit an article. All Club members are invited to submit articles.

Thanks, see you on the water.

Terry  
President GBF



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## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

A policy of collecting overdue fines on books and videos has been in effect since October of 1993. If you have a library item which is overdue please bring \$5.00 per item to the next meeting (along with the item of course) or you may donate \$5.00 in merchandise (flies, boxes, etc.) to the Club raffle. Please remember that the point of fines is to keep the library materials circulating.

If you know in advance that you will not be attending a general meeting and you have library items to be returned please make arrangements with another member to return your items. Also, Ed Stull has been good enough to volunteer to collect library items at his barber shop Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m. His shop is: Golden Shear Hair Design, 10721 Fair Oaks Blvd. Fair Oaks, CA 95628.

The following is a list of members with overdue library items. This list is being printed simply as a reminder:

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# FLYTYER'S CORNER

by

BILL CARNAZZO

LINESIDER

APRIL, 1994

[NOTE: THE PATTERN FOR THE APRIL FLY TYING CONTEST WILL BE THE DAMSEL NYMPH FEATURED IN THE MARCH LEADER. BRING YOUR BEST VERSION TO THE APRIL GENERAL MEETING. REMEMBER--THE WINNER GETS A FREE G.B.F. FLYBOX. BRING THOSE FLIES IN--DON'T BE SHY!!!]

This fly can be tied in a variety of colors and styles. The style featured here is a popular one. The fly is designed for the May San Luis Reservoir Forebay striped bass outing, scheduled for Saturday, May 21st. Try tying it in black, purple and white. The white version worked for me last year.

#### MATERIALS

Hook	Mustad 9672, or equivalent (#2-10)
Tail	Marabou, with crystal flash
Body	Chenille (standard or flash-type)
Rib	Palmered saddle hackle
Line	Crystal Flash
Wing	Marabou, with crystal flash
Collar	Bright red or orange 8/0 thread
Head	Glossy, black
Eyes	Painted
Thread	2/0 or 3/0, to match
Weight	Lead, or substitute of choice (opt)

#### TYING INSTRUCTIONS

1. After jamming on the white thread, add weight by wrapping shank beginning well behind where head will be located, and ending above barb point.
2. Mount white marabou just above rear end of barb; mount crystal flash color of choice on top of that, leaving butt ends intact and extending forward over eye of hook. Tail should be approx

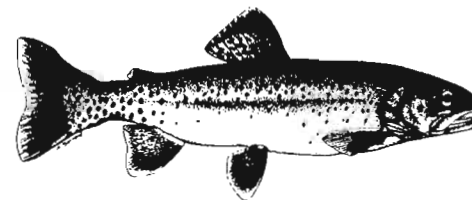


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## YOUTH PROGRAM UPDATE

The Junior Flyfishers participated in their first conservation project on March 12th. The project was the Storm Drain Stenciling Project for the City of Folsom. We were assigned to the new Briggs Ranch development. The message on the stencil was "No Dumping" and displayed a picture of a fish. We painted between 60 and 70 storm drains.

Participants included: John and Robert Hogg; Rich and Cody Brown; Mark and Brandon Neice; Justin McCarthy; Terry and John Burkes; and Ron, Jeanne, Issac and Nick English. The kids did a great job and most of the paint ended up where it was supposed to !

The Junior Club now has 20 members signed up so we are planning to have a meeting to elect officers. We would like to have this meeting on Friday April 8th from 6:30 - 7:30 at the Clubhouse.

At the April 10th fishout (Gordon's Pond) we will have samples of the starter rods and reels that can be purchased for those of you who are looking for a rod/reel for your child.

For more information on the Youth Program call Ron English at 677-7169.

## GOLDEN TROUT PROGRAM

Three new participants signed up for the program at the March general meeting: John Ramsey, John Bergman, and Wayne Dahl. For others interested in joining, there will be a spec sheet on the program available at the April meeting. For information before then, call Bill Carnazzo or Ron English.

Those who are in the program but have not completed it, are encouraged to keep at it. It's a good learning experience, and experience gained has a beneficial effect on the club as a whole--not to mention the participant.

the same length as shank.

3. Attach chenille at tail tie in point; attach white saddle hackle by its tip at the same point.

4. Wrap chenille forward in close wraps, to forward end of lead, and tie off. Take the first full wrap behind the saddle hackle.

5. Take the butt ends of the tail crystal chenille and divide them into two equal halves. Bring one half up along each side of the body, and tie it off at front end of body. This puts a "line" along each side of the fly.

6. Palmer up the saddle; when reaching the front of the body, add a few winds to create a soft hackle effect.

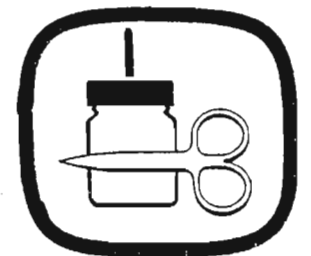
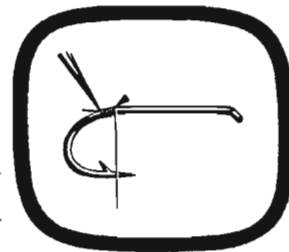
7. Mount a white marabou wing, topped with crystal flash (same color); wing should extend to middle of tail. Leave the crystal flash butts, allowing them to stick out over the eye

8. Now build a nice, tapered full head of the black thread. Because white thread has been used so far, you will have to change threads at this point. You will be winding over the crystal hair butts in the process; keep them sticking out over the eye, and on top of the hook.

9. Once the head is formed, tie off black thread and cut it off. At the rear of the head, and against the wing base, tie on bright orange or red thread. Take the crystal hair butts and bring them back across the top of the head so the butts are now to rear, and will blend with wing. Tie them off with the red thread, at the same time creating a narrow band. Tie off and cut thread. This is intended to imitate gills, or something similar.

10. Use Joli-glaze or similar product to create a deep gloss on head. When this is dry, paint on eyes with a drop of white or yellow paint. Later add a pupil of a contrasting color.

See you at San Luis.



## APRIL MEETING PROGRAM

The guest speaker for the April meeting will be Mr. Ken Hanley. Ken is a well-known saltwater fly fisherman. His program will be "Flyfishing For Surf Perch of the California Coast". For those of you interested in a saltwater adventure this program will be very informative.



## ANNUAL DINNER UPDATE

Just a quick note on the next Annual Dinner. YES we have Lefty Kreh (you didn't think we would let you down did you?). The dinner will be February 11, 1995. Mark your calendars now, we will keep you posted as plans develop.

## 9TH ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

The 9th annual Club picnic will be held Saturday, May 14th at the Granite Bay Clubhouse. This is always a well attended, fun-filled event for the whole family. This year's main menu item will be a barbecued pig! Sign up at the April meeting if you would like to attend. Cost is only \$2.00 + a side dish for adults and kids 17 and under are free. The \$2.00 fee will be returned in raffle tickets.

Volunteers are needed to help with the picnic. Please contact Gordon Evans (887-8227) or Bill Lockhart (344-0110). Help your Club out! Call Gordon or Bill. Thanks.

## TECH TIPS

### KEEPING RODS TOGETHER AND CHECKING GUIDES

submitted by Warren Schoenmann

The following are ideas from Lefty's Little Tips book. If you don't have a copy yet get your order in, he has put together another great book of helpful tips for the flyfisher. The book is available at most flyfishing shops, or can be ordered directly from Lefty's Little Library.

Ever have the tip section of your fly rod fall off...right in the middle of a stream on a Club outing or some other inopportune time? Here's the remedy to that oopsy. Place the ferrules near each other ready to join so that the guides are at a 90-degree angle, slide the two sections together and just before they become taught (not tight) turn them to align the guides.

Now, before you jam the rod together so tight you can't get it apart let's lubricate the ferrules. 10W40 motor oil is no good for this job, beeswax is too tacky and will pick up dirt, what's left? Good old candle wax, which of course is available in 10-lb. blocks at the local candle factory. Well how about using a ready made stick of the stuff...like a birthday candle. Remember how they smoke when the wick is too long? That's because of their oily base which is just enough to lubricate your fly rod and yet not be tacky. (This is even better than the ol'paraffin I mentioned before).

Check the rod guides for damage also before they damage your expensive fly line. Just run a Q-tip or piece of panty hose through the guide, either one will snag on a nicked or cracked guide.



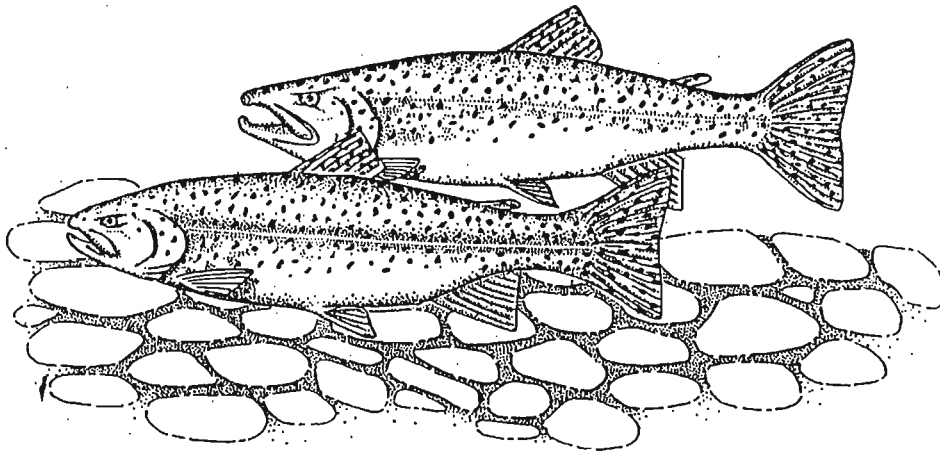
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Are you looking for something different in **BIG TROUT** !? Treat yourself to a trip to Mount Lassen Trout. This is truly an experience you will never forget.

To start off the day, a seminar on still water trout fishing is presented. This was a very well presented class, good instructors, and a very informative handout.

When you first arrive at the ponds your first thought is, sure, **BIG Fish** here ? It doesn't take long however for that thought to disappear as you begin to see huge fish backs porpoise out of the water. If you enjoy catching fish as much as I do, your adrenalin really gets going and you can't move fast enough to get your fly in the water.

The day we were lucky enough to spend at Mount Lassen Trout was a wet, miserable day to most people, but as soon as those fish started biting it was like the sun came out. I forgot all about the rain and had the experience of a lifetime. Of course I'm sure the 13 1/2 and 12 1/2 **POUNDERS** (yes pounders, not inches !) I caught back to back had something to do with it; not to mention all the other fish in the 5 pound and up range.

So if you are looking for a day to remember give Chuck Echer a call at (510) 689-7195 and set a date. Everyone deserves to treat themselves once in a while and have a chance to catch the **BIG ONE**.

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## FISHMASTER'S REPORT

APRIL, 1994

Bill Carnazzo, Fishmaster

1. UPCOMING OUTINGS. Please note that the Outing Schedule, at the rear of the Leader, sets out dates for each fishout. Mark your calendars if you are going to attend. The next outing will be held Sunday, April 10 at Gordon's pond, located in Pilot Hill. We will meet at the Pilot Hill Store, on Hwy 49, at 9:30. Call me for directions. Other outings scheduled for April are the Sacramento River at Redding, and Davis Lake. Details will be provided at the April meeting; if you can't make the meeting, call me.

2. PAST OUTINGS. On March 6th, we held the first bass outing at Gordon's pond. It was very well attended (approximately 30). Many fish were caught--all subsurface, to my knowledge. At lunch, after Marie flipped Ed's hamburger onto the grass (didn't know that, did ya Ed!), we told a suitable number of "exaggerations" (translation--lies), and then returned to the water for more fun and games.

On Sunday, March 20, there was a float tube hatch at Doton's Point, as GBF descended enmasse on the "north shore" of Folsom, in search of elusive smallmouth bass. According to High-tech Schoenmann's fish locator, there were numerous fish in the area. You'd never know it by the outing results. Your fishmaster had one long release, and John Hogg landed two. As of about 1:30, that was it! Eighteen club members attended.

3. BACKPACK TRIP. The Outing Schedule lists a Wolf Creek area pack trip for July 8-11. Mark Niece has graciously agreed to be the "packer", with his horses and a friend's mules. Here's the ground rules-- hike classification: difficult, 3500' elevation gain; length: 10+/- miles one way; charge: \$25/person, payable at signup; limit: first 10 GBF members (only) to sign up and pay; weight limit for packer: 40# per person; food: BYO. This will go fast; no telephone reservations, for fairness reasons.

## NOTES AND TIDBITS DEPARTMENT

As most of you already know, Jim and Teri Hornberger will be leaving us after the April meeting. Jim and Teri are relocating to a location some of us are familiar with - Yellowstone Park ! Say what you will but someone has to do it. Granite Bay Flycasters would like to take this opportunity to thank Jim and Teri for their dedicated involvement with the Club. Jim for his work as librarian and Teri for her work as refreshment chairperson. Both of them will be sorely missed and we wish them well on their new adventure. Paul Roccoforte took over librarian duties a few months ago. Terry Wasserman will be our new refreshment chairperson.

Are you in need of a good hat or shirt ? Don't forget that Granite Bay Flycasters has some excellent shirts, hats, patches, and fly boxes for sale. Get some for yourself or as a gift for a fellow flyfisher. What better way to let people know that you belong to the club.

At their recent Annual Dinner, Colusa County Flycasters presented an award to our own Rick Radoff for his outstanding work and dedication over the past five years with the Salmon and Steelhead egg rearing project. Congratulations to Rick on a great job !

Attention flytiers ! Donations of flies are needed for the Federation of Fly Fishers National Conclave to be held in Montana in August. Talk to Marie Stull for details. Let's show GBF's support for this organization.

