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Leader's Line

by John Hogg, GBF President



Our March 18th Annual Dinner and Fundraiser was a smashing success please take a look at the report on a later page of this newsletter. Thanks to you, the members who attended and supported this important event, we are fully funded for the upcoming year!

At the dinner, we also presented the Five Annual Awards for Outstanding Achievement. The deserving recipients are listed within along with their Award Category.

Casting clinics are on the schedule right now, and two are scheduled for the two Saturdays of April 1st and April 8th. Not too late to attend if you want to—just contact me at johnhogg03@gmail.com.

Our general meeting on April 13th will feature **Clay Hash**, who guides many of the popular waters, including the North Yuba and Lake Davis.

And don't miss the Annual Expo at *Kiene's American Flyfishing Store*. It will be held on Saturday, April 16th. Check their website for details.

Monthly Program



Clay Hash

Our speaker this month, **Clay Hash**, has been fishing the Lower Yuba River for over 35 years. Through his educational guide service, *Ely Fishing Traditions*, he focuses on improving the skills of every angler,

whether it be nymphing, dry fly or spey techniques. He is a past President of the Gold Country Fly Fishers in Grass Valley, and currently teaches fly fishing courses through the Sierra College Community Education program.

His presentation, "**The Lower Yuba Through the Seasons**," will cover fishing tactics and insect hatches for each of the seasons, as well as fly patterns to match the hatch. This information is applicable for most northern California rivers and streams, and a handout will be provided listing the information covered in the presentation.

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SUNDAY MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
					1. Casting Clinic #2	
2. 3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8. Casting Clinic #3	
9. 10.	11. Board Meeting 7:00 PM	12.	13. Monthly Meeting	14.	15. One-Fly Contest	
16. 17.	18. Fly Tying Jam	19.	20.	21. Cameron Park Fishout	22. Youth Casting Clinic	
23. 30. 24.	25.	26.	27. Rancho Murieta Fishout	28.	29. Youth Casting Clinic	

One-Fly Fishout Will Be April 15th at Rancho Seco!

Expect to have a good time catching, as the annual SMUD/Rancho Seco Fishing Derby will be held April 1st and 2nd, and there should be lots of freshly stocked fish still waiting for us.

The Awards Presentation will be held lakeside, along with hamburgers and all the trimmings. Fishout details, time and guidelines have been posted to our website under "Fishouts."

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Save the Date

President's Annual Picnic will be held June 17th at Rancho Seco Park.

We will gather in Group Picnic Area 2b starting at 11:00 AM. GBF will provide all the food, including tri tip, chicken and hotdogs at 1:00 PM! You bring your easy chairs and your family for a fun-filled day at the lake and beach.

Details about all the upgraded amenities at Rancho Seco are posted on the website under $\ \underline{``Events}.''$

Look for sign-up sheets at upcoming meetings.

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Cameron Park Lake Fishout Friday, April 21st

by Ray Ito

I'll be leading our annual fishout at <u>Cameron Park Lake</u> on Friday, April 21st. We'll meet in the parking lot adjacent to the picnic area at 8 AM. Last year bass were caught, although not in big numbers or size. The weather conditions were perfect. Hopefully, the weather will again cooperate.

The lake is a catch-and-release fishery, and is managed as a recreational fishery for residents and visitors to Cameron Park. The lake holds black bass, crappie and blue gill. Standard bass patterns such as woolly buggers, poppers, and leaches fished along the weed beds should produce. There have been some large bass caught in the lake.

The lake has tennis courts, a swimming area, a walking/jogging path around the lake, non-motorized boat rental, and grassy areas with barbecues and picnic tables. The lake can be fished by float tube, non-motorized boat (there is a small boat/pontoon launch area near the entrance), or from the shore.

BBQ burgers and some side dishes will be served. A fee of \$5 will be collected for lunch to help offset the cost of food. Please let us know if you plan on having lunch so I can plan accordingly. There will be a sign-up sheet at the next general meeting. Come join in the festivities.

For more information, contact Ray Ito, <u>itor@pacbell.net</u>, (530) 677-5250, cell 530-401-3896, or on the website under "<u>Fishouts.</u>"

Award Winners Honored at the Annual Dinner

by John Hogg, GBF President

At the March 18th Annual Dinner, several club members were honored for their ongoing contributions to the Club. Here are five awards and their recipients:

Please convey your congratulations and best wishes to our winners.

President's Award – Frank Stolten Conservation Award – Dave Fujiyama Communications Award – Eric Palmer and Don Whitecar Education Award – John Peterson and Sturmer White Participation Award – Ron Fay

Additionally, a special award honoring **Joe** and **Barbara Bania** was presented for their long-time financial contributions and support to the Club.



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Conservation Corner

by Mel Odemar, VP Conservation

The annual meeting where the Conservation Committee selects the recipients of our financial conservation support was held March 13th at Round Table Pizza. Present were **Tom Kuzmich, David Jones, David Fujiyama, Barre Norman, John Hogg, Ron Fay**, and **Dan** and **Aeron Lopez**. The total amount awarded was \$3,700. Recipients were: **TU Truckee** for a habit improvement project on the Truckee River; the **Save the American River Association**; and the **Dry Creek Conservancy** in support of their important work. There was an additional \$100 donation to **TU's Sierra Trout Camp** by **Joe** and **Barbara Bania** in support of youth fishing. The amount of the awards may be adjusted upward, depending on the success of our annual dinner and fund raiser held on March 18th.

I also received notice from Humboldt State University on the most recent awards of our annual Bill Carnazzo Fellowship. Two \$2,000 awards were given to two students whose theses deal with estuarine ecology and anadromous fish biology. Their research fit nicely into the guidelines we have recommended for these awards.

Welcome to Our Newest Members!

by Don Whitecar, VP Membership

Please join me in welcoming new members who have joined us recently. Make sure you keep an eye out for them at our meetings and events so that we can make them feel that they are an important part of our club.

Clyde Campbell Chris Campbell Ernie Fernandez Aaron Lopez Gary McGee Ignacio Martin Bill Quinn James Robertson Bobby Simpson





Youth Fly Fishing Clinic

by Gordon Tornberg, Director of Education

This coming April, 2017, the Granite Bay Flycasters will have a special opportunity to get young people interested in fly fishing. The Cameron Park Community Services District has asked us to put on a fly fishing clinic for up to 10 students in ages from 12 to 18 years old.

The clinic is scheduled to be held on Saturday, April 22nd and 29th, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 NOON. It will be a two-day clinic, and cover the six essential elements of a fly cast. Students will learn the role cast, the pickup and laydown forward cast, and false casting. In addition, students will learn basic fly fishing needs, including the various types of fly rods, reels, lines, and flies.

In order for the club to make this a successful clinic and encourage an interest in fly fishing, your help is needed. Since the clinic will be limited to 10 students, we should have at least 5 or more members as teachers/coaches.

So, please help out and sign up for this very worthwhile clinic at the February or March meeting, or email me at <u>tornberg2@sbcglobal.net</u>.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Lance Gray and Company, Lake Almanor Stillwater 3-Day Campout/Clinic & Hexagenia Evening Hatch

Date: June 9,10 and 11, 2017

Granite Bay Flycasters rate: \$60 a fly fisher per day, \$180 for the long weekend (maximum of 8 fly fishers).

"Hosted Camping and Fishing Trips": The trips will include rigging instruction, personalized workshops and handouts with equipment overviews. LGC takes care of lunches every day and our "meet-and-greet" dinner the first night. Campers will reserve

and pay for their own camping site (LGC will assist in this process), breakfast and following dinners. Usually we recommend Pot Luck dinners with the group. Trips will take place on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Guest will arrive on Friday afternoon and leave Sunday afternoon.

Campsite: Lake Alamanor South Campground - \$18 a night for campsites

The campground is located just 250 yards or so from Lake Almanor. It's also right next to the Lance Gray and Company Fly Fishing Cabin. The campground has over a hundred sites. It's an open campground with tons of room between camps. Old timber to wide-open meadow camps available. The campground is mainly equipped with vaulted toilets, but also has

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flushing toilets in certain areas of the campground. The campsites can hold travel trailers, RV's and tent camping. Some sites can be reserved, others are first come, first served.

This is a Stillwater float tube/pontoon boat event. We will plan this campout around the **Hexagenia Hatch evening hatch at Lake Almanor**. We will also explore other close, high mountain lakes. Dry fly, nymphs and streamer fishing will be tactics on this trip. Instruction on using float tubes and pontoon will be covered. If you need a float tube, LGC has four Outcast Fatcats U Boats to use. Lincoln Gray will join us for a night of fishing the Hex Hatch

Please Contact Doug Kytonen (916) 772-6564, or e-mail <u>travelmaster@surewest.net</u> to receive your signup packet. Or, Lance Gray at <u>lancegrayandcompany@yahoo.com</u>.

Annual Election Notice

The annual election of officers and directors takes place at the June general meeting. Below is a list of the positions to be voted on and the members who have offered to serve and been nominated so far:

Position

Nominated

Don Whitecar Dave Fujiyama David Bennett Wendell Edwards

Open

Ed Lloyd Dale Spear Ron Fay Carol Tevlin

President
Vice President, Membership
Vice President, Conservation
Secretary
Treasurer
Director, 3 year term
Director, 3 year term
Director, 3 year term
Director-at-Large, 1 year term

Note that nominations for all positions are still open and will be made final at the May general meeting with the election held at the June meeting. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions, or would like more information, contact Eric Palmer at <u>ejpalmer@pacbell.net</u>, Frank Stolten at <u>fstolten@comcast.net</u>, or Kim Lloyd at <u>kc.lloyd@comcast.net</u>.

Annual Dinner and Fuindraiser Report

by John Hogg, Dinner Committee Chairman

I want to report that our Annual Dinner and Fundraiser, which took place on March 18, 2017, was an



which took place on March 18, 2017, was an immense success! An early account shows that the evening's proceeds were well over 50% more than last year, and it is all thanks to your generosity.

We sold 192 tickets, and guests came with their wallets open, ready to buy silent auction items and raffle tickets. The grand prize winners were **Tom Dilallo** for the Sage One rod and reel (value \$1025), and **Ron Fay** for the Orvis Helios II rod (value \$825). There were 50 fishing raffle

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prizes with values ranging from \$50 to \$130 each, plus non-fishing prizes and auction items, and even five \$50 cash door prize drawings for the ladies in attendance. (Thank you **Joe** and **Barbara Bania** for funding these door prizes,)

One of the most innovative non-fishing auction items was a doll with several fishing outfits custom made by Ron Fay's wife, **Pat**. Every grandma in the place wanted it, and the bidding was up to \$200 the last time I looked!

Kim Lloyd won the beautifully crafted rod built and donated by **Larry Lee**, and a high bidder paid handsomely for the custom rod built by **Mike Baker**. Thank you gentlemen, for the contributions of your skill and artistry.

The caterer was *Buca di Beppo*, serving an Italian buffet that was highlighted by Chicken Parmasan, and that was followed by ice cream tubs that were brought by **Ron Ellis**. All I can say is, "Deelicious!!!"

This dinner did not come off by itself. Special thanks to members of the Dinner Committee who have attended monthly planning meetings since August in order to put on the best possible dinner. My thanks to the committee members: **Mike Brune, Dick Davis, Ron Fay, Bill Grigsby, Bill** and **Beverly Hagopian, Jim Holmes, Mike Howes, Jim Hunter, Dave Jones, Ed Lloyd, Frank Stolten, Don Whitecar.**

And thanks as well to the volunteers who served as runners, setup assistants, and accomplished the many tasks necessary to bring off a successful dinner.

The GBF Library — Check It Out

A copy of Mike Costello's book, "Fly Fishing the California Delta," has been obtained to augment the Library's collection of Delta and/or striper fishing publications. This is a highly informative book that discusses a variety of Delta-related topics, including: tides, navigation (Mike divides the Delta into 5 discrete areas) and how the four seasons affect Delta fishing. It also has separate chapters providing tips and techniques for catching stripers, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, spotted bass, panfish, carp and catfish. This book will be an excellent primer for anyone starting to fish the Delta.

The Library also has a book entitled, "The Trophy Striper" (#271). It has filled in the "Advice From the Experts" section of the Library (2nd shelf on left-hand side), but a double-check will be performed to make sure it doesn't belong in fiction.

In regards to videos, the club has two copies of a DVD titled "Strippin' For Stripers." Take one for yourself and one for your imaginary friend. Spoiler alert: these DVDs are focused on the American River, so don't expect to be entertained by a celebrity-packed cast of characters that are catching fish at high noon. Nope, this video is about local guys getting after the fish at dawn and at dusk—`nuff said. Look for DVDs #28 & 29.

Thank You, Kayakers!

by Tony Jelinek

I really do mean to thank the kayakers and those who enjoy running the rapids of the many rivers around us. It can be a little disconcerting sometimes, when you are fishing in the middle of the river, and from above a kayak or a large rubber raft full of paddlers runs right through the prize riffle that you have been working; but, usually, such disturbances are rare.

Thanks to the kayakers, we have a wonderful resource available to us—Dreamflows. Many, or probably most of you, are familiar with this great tool, as I have heard Dreamflows mentioned by many club members, but

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have never taken the time to really look at it. What a great resource for getting river flows for your favorite rivers and streams!

Dreamflows aggregates river and stream flow information from the Internet. Information is taken verbatim from the official flow sites (CDEC or USGS).

The site is full of information on rivers, flows, access points, compass locations, and even directions to get to a spot. Most of the information is hyperlinked, so very easy to access.

Check this out... Go to the homepage: <u>www.dreamflows.com</u>. Choose the hyperlink "Alphabetical List." You will be taken to a page that lists eleven states out west, including California. If you choose, California, you will be taken to a page that lists the rivers and the name of each run with current flow information. Click on the hyperlink for the gauge location, and you are taken to a page that describes where the gauge is located. Click on "map," and you can see exactly where the gauge is located, and even access points along that stretch of river. Then, you can choose the directions hyperlink, and Google maps will pop up so you can get directions, and you can even get compass coordinates.

You can register for email alerts for your favorite streams. Flows are even color-coded to indicate if the flow is low, okay, or high. Check out the site. Register to receive alerts for your favorite sections of rivers and streams, and have your gear ready so you can hit the water; and, if you see a kayaker along the way, thank them for the wonderful resource available to us as a result of their sport

Good fishing!

Bill Carnazzo Fly Tyer's Corner (Taken from the Article Written in March 2011)

Fly Patterns - Beadhead Flashback Swimming PT



Materials:

Beadhead Flashback Swimming PT

Description

Last month we featured a baetis cripple pattern. This month we'll tie a very popular *baetis* nymph.

Anyone who has experienced a *baetis* (or, blue winged olive mayfly) hatch knows that nymph patterns representing *baetis* larvae can be phenomenally successful at times. I recently had such an experience on the Upper Sacramento River on a cold overcast afternoon. At around 1:00 p.m. I began seeing tiny *baetis*

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adults on the surface, but no surface fish activity. I had been fishing two stonefly nymphs on a short line rig; the *baetis* hatch inspired me to add a tiny PT (pheasant tail) nymph as a "stinger" trailing behind the bottom stonefly. I selected a #18 "swimming" version of the PT, which also included a bead and a piece of mylar tinsel added over the wing case. The reaction was immediate—a series of large fish, all on the PT, taken from pocket water on one of my favorite Upper Sac stretches, including a lunker that I lost as he disappeared over the lip of the pool and threw the hook after straightening the hook. At around 3:00 p.m., the action stopped as if someone had dropped a curtain. Noticing that my hands and feet were nearly frozen, I headed for the truck with a smile and a loud "yes-s-s-s-s."

I talked to Bob Grace the next morning at the Ted Fay shop. When I told him about the tiny fly, he showed me his "two-minute PT"—but that's another story. I did watch him tie one and yes, it's done in two minutes. I promise to feature this fly in a future column, after I get Bob's permission. For the time being, let's build a Beadhead Flashback Swimming PT.

If you'd like to read more on *baetis* mayflies and their behavior, go to <u>www.troutnut.com</u> for good, plain English angler-oriented information; once you are on that site, use their search tool to find *baetis* info.

Tying Instructions

For best viewing: (1) Maximize your Computer Screen Window. (2) Type "Ctrl + or -" to enlarge or contract the photograph display. (3) Use the Horizontal and Vertical Scroll Bars to scroll right and up/down to display larger photos on your screen.

1. Smash the hook barb unless you are using a barbless hook. Slip the bead onto the hook and wrap 3 or 4 turns of fine (.010) lead wire behind the bead. Apply a thin layer of Flexament on the hook shank and cover the shank with thread, including about half of the hook bend.



Steps 2 & 3



Step 1

- 2. Tie in three pheasant tail fibers as tails, splaying them out. They should be short—no longer than half the shank length. Don't cut the butts.
- 3. At the same point, tie in a piece of small copper wire. Pull it back and out of the way.

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Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

To place a classified ad, you must be a member in good standing of the Granite Bay Flycasters. Classified ads will run for only one issue of The Leader, unless the seller requests it to run longer. Submit your listing to:**editor@gbflycasters.org** with subject line: "GBF: Classified." All ads must be submitted by the 15th of the month to be included in the following month's Leader.

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- 4. Using your hackle pliers, grab the butts of all three PT fibers and wrap them forward, leaving room for the wing case behind the bead. Tie off the fibers and trim the butts.
- 5. Grab the copper wire with your hackle pliers, wrap it forward in even turns, and tie it off at the same place as the PT fibers were tied off. This strengthens the PT abdomen.



Steps 4 & 5



Steps 6 & 7

- 6. At the same point tie in a small strip of mylar ribbing material and let it lie back over the abdomen. Tie in four PT fibers at the same point. The mylar and PT fibers should be pointing to the rear and should be out of the way.
- 7. Tie in 4 peacock herls. Twist them together and wrap them into the thorax space, right up to the back of the bead, where they should be tied off.
- 8. Bring the PT butts over the top of the peacock herl, tie them down behind the bead, and don't cut the remaining butts, as t hey will become the legs.
- 9. Bring the mylar over the top of the PT Wing case and tie it down behind the bead. Pull the PT fibers back and tie them down in that position. Tie everything down firmly behind the bead and apply a tiny drop of super glue at that point.
- 10. Whip finish.



Steps 8, 9, & 10

Tying Tips

- 1. Bob Grace substitutes black midge-size sparkle braid (made by UTC, and in spools) for the peacock herl. It looks nearly identical to peacock and is much more durable.
- 2. Substitute copper or black beads for the gold bead called for in the pattern to change the appearance of the fly slightly. I like to carry such different versions in case the fish start rejecting the "standard" tie.

Fish this little gem in pocket water during an afternoon baetis hatch and hold on. Go rip a few lips, and....



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Granite Bay Flycasters

Mission: The organization is dedicated to conservation of fish habitat, advancement of the art of Fly Fishing, and good sportsmanship.

Meetings: General club meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Granite Bay Activities Center on the shores of Folsom Lake. For directions, check http://gbflycasters.org.

Doors open between 6:00 P.M. and 6:30 P.M for socializing and fly tying demonstrations. The business portion of the meeting begins at 7:00 P.M. The main program gets underway after a short refreshment break and usually involves a guest speaker and slide show, or other presentation. All meetings are open to the public and visitors are encouraged to attend.

Membership: Applications are available on-line at **http://gbflycasters.org** and at general meetings. Single membership: \$30; Family memberships: \$35; and youth (under 18): \$10. There is also an \$8 name badge charge for all new members. Membership is prorated throughout the year. For membership information, contact Don Whitecar at 916-804-5384, or visit the website at **http://gbflycasters.org**.

The Leader: To send articles, photos, ads and other materials, please e-mail to: Frank Stolten at **editor@gbflycasters.org**. Please put **GBF Leader** in the subject line. Deadline for materials is the 15th of each month. Please notify if address change

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