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*Flycasters*

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## FISHOUT SCHEDULE

October (late)	King Salmon-American River
November 9-10	Eagle Lake outing*
November 16-17	Steelhead outing--Trinity River
November 23	Putah Creek Outing

\*Joint fishout with C.F.F.U. If you need lodging, call  
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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 4	Flytying Classes (Session 3) 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 11	Veterans Day (holiday)--no classes
November 14	General Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 18	Flytying Classes (Session 4) 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 21	Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 25	Flytying Classes (Session 5) 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
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 25	Annual Club Dinner Gary Borger Programs



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President's Message

Rick Radoff

Yes I had a great vacation, I fished some nice water in both Northern Idaho and Western Montana. I would like to thank Robert Naegle for filling in for me at the general meeting. I also missed, what I heard was a great fish-out to Hot Creek. There are still several fish-outs scheduled for the rest of this year, and if you haven't attended one yet, put one on your list of things to do and I assure you that you will have a good time. Now is the time to buy your diner tickets for our annual diner, see Marie Stull, Warren Schoenmann or myself for diner tickets. Marie Stull is the chairperson for the annual diner, and is looking for volunteers to help, so if you can help, please see or call Marie. There will be a sign-up at the November and December meetings for people interested in helping at our booth at the Cal Expo Sports Show, which will be in January. We hope to have in the December leader the list of all people running for officer and board positions, we would like to have had them in this issue, but the response has been slow and we do not have people to run for all positions (board and officer positions) so please call me or any board member so that we can include you in the December election at the general meeting. This is the time of the year to ask yourself, not what your club can do for you, but what you can do for your club, get involved and help shape the future of the Granite Bay Flycasters.

Until I see you at the November 14th meeting, tight lines.

**ELECTIONS**

Elections will be held at the December club meeting. Here are some important positions which will be vacant: **Conservation chairperson**--this highly important position has been ably handled by Joe Bania, but Joe will be unable to serve next year although he will continue to work on projects he has begun; **Program chairperson**--ably handled by Bill Furst this year; **Secretary**--ably handled by Fran Radoff this year. There are others also, so please volunteer.



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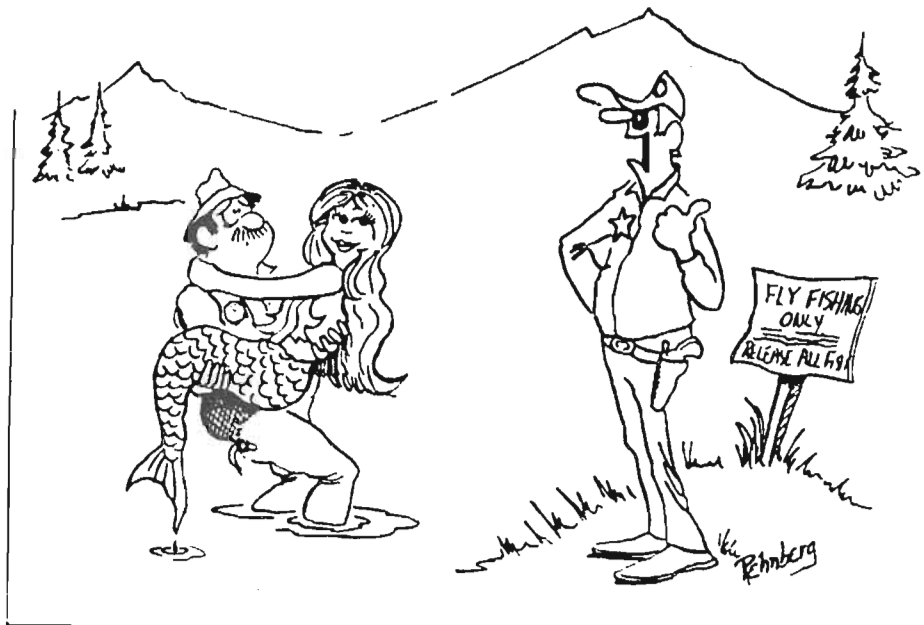
I've been busy trying to get all the fishing in I can before November 15 so this won't be a very long article!

We still have not heard from PG&E regarding the Bear Valley Project, nor has DFG set the date to sit down with us so we can complete the contract for the Auburn Ravine Creek Project next spring. The Fish and Game Commission is still hearing public testimony regarding sport fishing regulations to be in effect for the next two years so there is no outcome to report from the hearings yet.

At the next meeting, we'll be distributing a special pamphlet, "Catch and Release Guidelines" produced by the Federation of Fly Fishers. Please take one and enjoy it.

I will not be at the general meeting this month because my wife and I are taking a special course on tracking and tagging at the Zzyzzyx Desert Studies Center in the Mojave Desert near Baker, California. It is obviously not a fishing course (not out there in the middle of the sand dunes!!! ... although they do raise "chubs" that can be found no where else in the world...with no fishing signs posted!) but it is related to locating various species of wildlife we see and enjoy while fishing in the eastern sierras.

I hope you can take some extra time to go fishing in the areas that will be closing November 15; the fishing ought to be great this time of year -- and don't forget to try and set a good example while you're out there, by releasing the fish to reproduce and be enjoyed "more than once."



"Sorry Buddy...this is catch and release water."

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## GOLDEN TROUT PROGRAM

Warren Schoenmann

There are two new participants in the Golden Trout program. Dan and Kathy Gaffney enrolled in the program under the family plan in September.

Dan is hard at work to complete his home built custom rod so they can take it with on their vacation to Ohio in October. Dan will acquire two credits in the program when his rod is completed.

Kathy sat in on a Rod building refresher last week with Dan and may be building a rod later this year. Kathy also expressed interest in fly tying and I'll bet she is in the October beginners class.

Welcome to the program folks. Have a good time with your program during the next twelve months.

If any of you are interested in participating in the Golden Trout Program and would like more information and an outline of the program activities contact Marie or I. We're listed in the front cover of the Newsletter.

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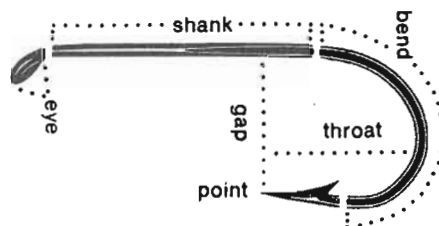
Now that you've made out the check, please fill out this easy form and send it in with your check (to the club's P.O. Box).

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club jobs/activities in which you are interested (see inside front cover): \_\_\_\_\_

Activities you would like to see more of?

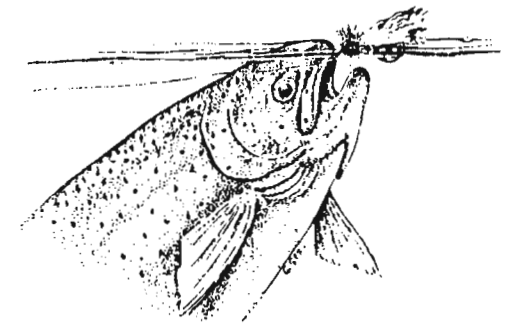
Program suggestions?

## Hooks



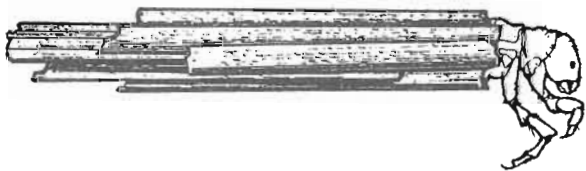
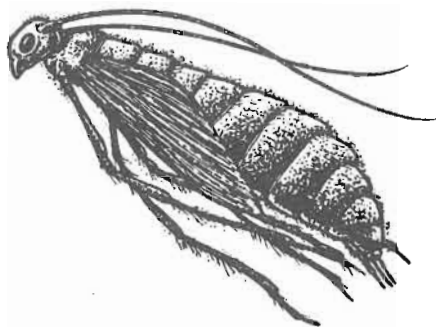
Dry Fly Hooks (Mustad)

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Apologies to Pat -  
forgot to put his  
ad in last month.



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# What is The Public Trust?

Public Trust Doctrine states that navigable waters and fish and wildlife resources belong to the people of California and the state acts as "trustee" of these resources for the benefit of the people.

The roots of Public Trust Doctrine reach back to Roman times and the Institutes of Justinian which held that, "running waters, like the air and the sea, were *res communes* -- things common to all and property of none."

Under English Common Law, the King was the trustee of public trust resources. When California joined the Union on Sept. 9, 1850, it adopted English Common Law and accepted the public trust concept. Both the California and U.S. Supreme courts have recognized the Public Trust Doctrine.

The U.S. Supreme Court held in a landmark decision (*Geer vs. Connecticut* - 1895) that the wild fish and game within a state belong to the people in their collective sovereign capacity. In another major decision (*Illinois Cent. R.R. vs. Illinois* - 1892), the U.S. Supreme Court held that the public trust was inalienable and could not be given away and that the state could not abdicate its trusteeship responsibilities.

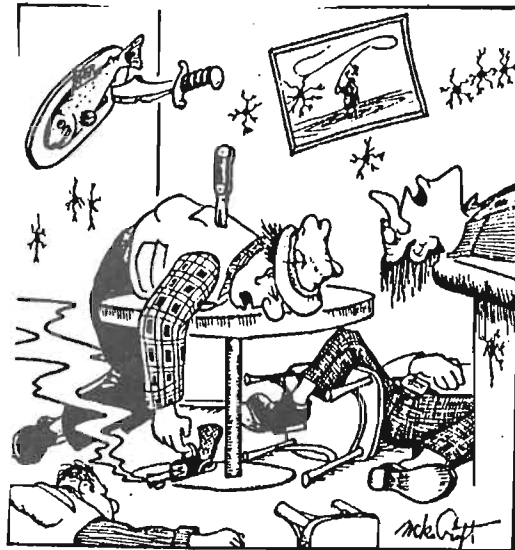
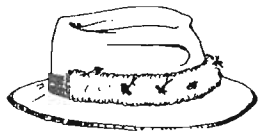
In 1983, the California Supreme Court, in the celebrated Mono Lake Decision, ruled that water rights are subject to limitations protecting the public trust in navigable waters. According to the Court, the State as a sovereign has the authority and the duty "to protect the people's common heritage of streams, lakes, marshlands and tidelands."



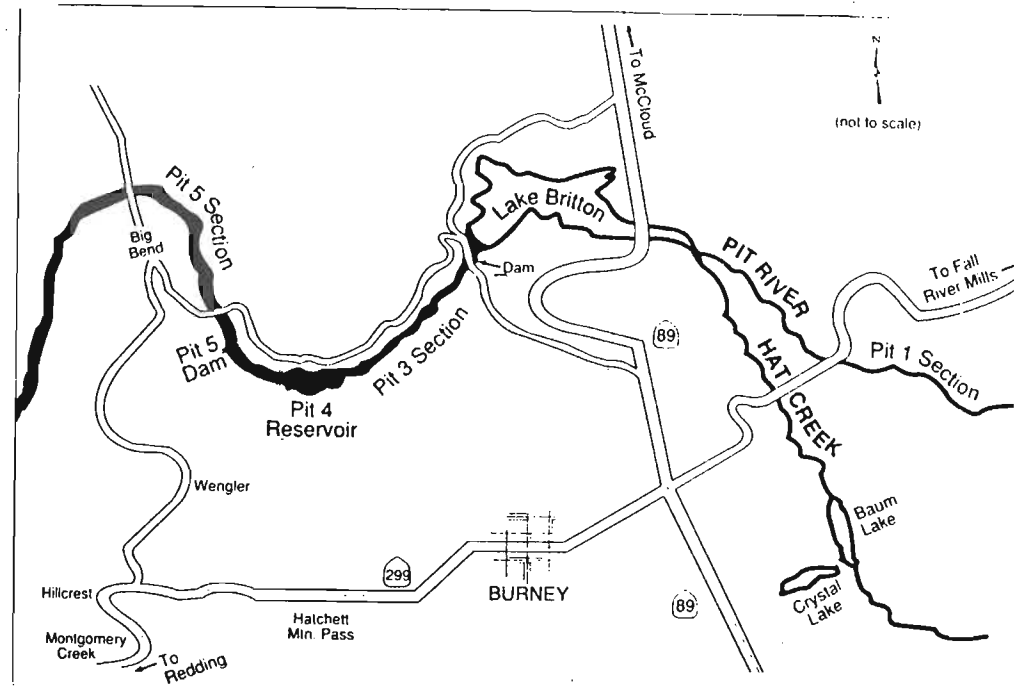
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Do our legislators know or even  
care what "PUBLIC TRUST"  
means?



The argument at the fly club started over whether the use of strike indicators was to be considered fly fishing or not.



## CALENDAR ITEMS, ETC.....

### Club Dinner

Our featured guest will be Gary Borger. The date, once again, is January 25, 1992. The tickets are \$20.00 each. The menu choices are Cornish Hen or New York Steak. **Early bird drawing:** to be eligible for the beautiful 5 wt. Feather River Ltd. rod, you must purchase your ticket on or before December 1, 1991. Gary Borger will also put on a tying demonstration on Jan. 25th, at the clubhouse, for those who purchase dinner tickets.

Those who attended last year know that the raffle was stupendous. Raffle items are already arriving, and this promises to be the event of the year. Club members are invited to donate flies for the raffle; this kind of support helps the club to build its treasury. For more info, call: Marie (663-2414); Rick (624-2107); or Warren (725-2542).

### Programs

From Bill Furst, Program Chairman: the **November** program will be presented by Mark Pento of Stockton. Mark will tell us about Putah Creek. He has been a professional guide for three years, with Homewaters Guide Service, which is an Orvis-endorsed company.

The **December** program will be presented by Harry Gualco of Modesto. Harry works with Rod and Reel Adventures, and will discuss ocean water fishing off the Mexican coast.

### Library

Librarian Jim Hornberger, after thoroughly organizing the club's library, has found that the following two publications are missing: **Waters of the Golden Trout Country**, by Charles McDermant; and **The Essence of Flycasting**, by Mel Krieger. If you have one of these, or know who may have them, please let Jim know (961-2212).

### Cal-Expo Booth

As we have in the past, the club will have a booth at the Ed Rice International Sportsman's Exposition at Cal-Expo in January. 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 there from the club, raffle tickets, and membership forms. Please volunteer to help---it's a lot of fun. We'll print the dates later.



again turn.

Lines and leaders. We-l-l-l-l-l-l, you've got to be flexible here, but since normally backwoods streams are small for the largest part of the troutable year, a floating no. 4 or 5 is a good bet, together with at least 9 feet of leader tapered to 5x (but stand ready to attach spidery 6x or 7x, especially late in the season).

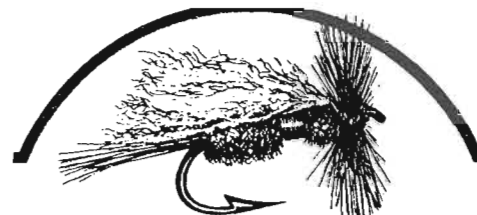
Flies? "OK, Royal, what'd you get that little guy on", shouts Andy the Companion as he watches the grinning Royal gently redeposit the chunky 'bow. [Now mind you that Dante describes an especially "warm" place for those who are shall we say less-than-accurate in replying to this, the most common streamside inquiry]. "No. 14 Royal Wulff" (true) mutters Royal. "Last one", he lies, figuring AATC's boot heel will be reaching for his own posterior for not tying any. Unimpressed, however, ATC calmly pluck's one of four identical small fly boxes from his fanny pack and selects what he affectionately terms an "Adamus illegitimus", whose white upright wings catch and play with the morning light as he holds it up to the sun. Resisting the temptation to change his mind and select a Yellow Humpy, an Elkhair Caddis, and Olive Paradun, or a BWO, ATC deftly knots the barbless\*\* fraud to his tippet, strips out a short expanse of line, and shoots a nice cast upstream, bouncing the fly off the big rock wall into the swirling scumline at its base. "Ah, justice..." he thinks as he furtively glances upstream to see if Royal has noticed the deep bend in his rod. "Where the \*&X\*\$ did he go, dammit!" The words were hardly out of ATC's mouth when he heard the distinct "click" of Royal's small 35MM Olympus just behind him.

Stay tuned for more adventures of Royal and ATC.

Epilogue on flies: contrarians such as Royal love one-liners such as this--"If I could only fish with one fly, I would not fish". John Gierach, *The View From Rat Lake*.

\* OK, Chris--Hairwing Coachman

\*\* Quick, give me 8 reasons to use barbless hooks! More on this in the future.





**Flyfishing Backcountry  
Sierra Streams  
by**

Royal B. Pocketwater

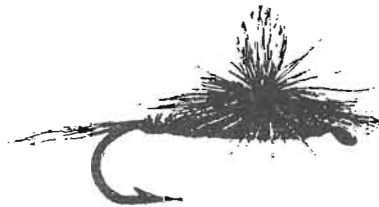
**Part III**

Last month we painted a picture (of sorts) of our prototype bushwhacker, and got into his head a bit. Now let's look into his backpack and elsewhere on his person to see what oddities he is inclined to: (a) carry with him; and (b) adorn himself with.

First (of course), the angling accoutrements. Any discussion in this area is risky business, meaning that for every opinion on every detail there are at least a dozen others, most of which are at least as valid as those expressed here. One could say that fly fishers resemble (perish the thought!!!) lawyers in that regard.

Rods? Assuming that a hike in/out is necessary, a DURABLE four-piece model is Royal's rod of choice. Why? It fits, in its cloth glove, into a day pack or backpack, freeing the hands to help climb over rocks, push through manzanita, and swat mosquitoes. How many tips on two-piecers have you damaged against rocks or on overhanging branches? In other words, bamboo rods do much better in their case in the closet, as do two-piecers, for this type of fishing. Rod length and weight are purely personal choices, but Royal likes "short and light"-- partly because that how most of the fish can be described, but mostly because streamside obstacles bug him.

Reels? In a word both of them are DURABLE AND DEPENDABLE, yet relatively inexpensive. "Both", because into the pack is tucked a spare. Who hasn't slipped on a streamside rock and, forgetting to throw the rod aside, tried to use the rod to break the fall? It's not a pretty sight, folks--the angler weeping and gnashing his teeth as he sits in the stream trying to straighten the reel frame and/or spool so it'll once



**Buy these....**

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Large (100) Dri Seal Waders--\$40.00; Large Columbia Rain Jacket (shorty)--\$20.00; Medium Columbia Rain Jacket (shorty)--\$20.00. See Ed Stull, or call 663-2414. **Note:** this is a free club service; if you have any angling-related items you wish to sell, just call your bulletin editor, Bill, at 989-2012, before the 20th of the month.

**Bulletin articles....anyone?**

If you have been fishing and want to tell about it, or have a humorous anecdote to tell, or just want to test out your writing skills, type something out and send it to Bill Carnazzo, Bulletin Editor, 5230 Long Canyon Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628.

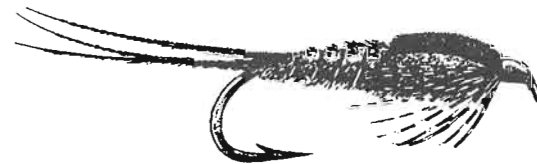
**About litter....**

Here's something simple you can do to help with the effort to clean up the environment: take a small plastic bag with you when you go to the stream, and make a point of picking up two or three cans, bottles, etc. People will notice this; perhaps you will shame someone into not tossing that can on the ground. How long will litter last? Cigarette butt: 1-5 years; nylon line: 30 to 40 years; tin can: 50 years; plastic six pack holders: 100 years; aluminum can: 500 years; plastic bottle: 1000 years. Think about it: does anyone have the right to toss such items aside?

**News items**

**Arcularius Ranch**--this Owens River gem is in danger! Plans have been filed for a private resort development on the ranch. Private homes, cabins, guest lodge, and other recreational facilities would included. This would end fee access for public fishers. CalTrout has commented to Mono County officials on the proposal.

**Auburn Dam**--keep your eye on this one, folks. The Corps of Engineers is itching to build something at Auburn, endangering many miles of fishable waters of the American River. The environmental documents are a disaster, as reflected by the comments submitted by numerous environmental and angling organizations. More on this later.



## FLYTYER'S CORNER

by  
Bill Carnazzo

### The Flying or Winged Ant

The ant plays an important role in the life of streambred trout--and, hopefully, in the arsenal of the angler who pursues them. Since they represent a significant trout food, it makes sense to have a few ant imitations stashed in a corner of a flybox. Last month we featured the "Ruby Ant"; this month we'll build a simpler, yet very effective winged ant, using readily available materials and basic techniques.

#### MATERIALS

Hook	Mustad 94845 or equal, sizes 12-18
Thread	Black or cinammon 6/0 or 8/0
Body	Black or cinammon fine synthetic dubbing (such as Flyrite)
Wing Hackle	Dun Hackle Tips Dun

#### TYING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Mount thread near bend of hook; wax thread.
2. Pull a small segment of dubbing from the wad of material as it comes from the package. Stretch it out and lay it along the thread.
3. Using thumb & forefinger, twist dubbing onto thread. Do not twist back & forth. Rather, twist in one direction. Try to taper the dubbing on the thread.
4. Dub a ball on the rear third of the hook, to represent the rear segment of the ant's body--or the "gaster", is the technical types call it. This segment must be larger than the front segment, or thorax--since that is how ants occur naturally.
5. Next pluck 2 small dun hackles for the wings,



which are to be tied on "delta" style--i.e., swept back across the body but at a rearward 45 degree angle. Without stripping away any fibers, sandwich the two hackles together with the dull sides together. Hold these between your left thumb and forefinger, across the top of the gaster, tips rearward. Measure length to equal the shank, and tie in immediately in front of the gaster, being certain to keep them atop the shank.

6. Now spread them apart so that they stick out from the body at a 45 degree angle to the rear. Figure-eight around the wings to hold them in this position, and cut off excess.

7. Select an appropriately sized dun hackle, strip the fuzz and mount it where the wings were tied in. Take two or three winds and tie off.

8. Dub another ball in front of the hackle, to represent the thorax. This segment is smaller than the rear segment.

9. Form small, neat head and whip finish. Trim hackle on bottom in a "V" shape, or trim it off flush with the bottom of the body. This will allow the fly to sit flat on the water.

