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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 30	Beginning Flytying Rodbuilding 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 7	Beginning Flytying Rodbuilding 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 12	General Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse*
November 14	Beginning Flytying Rodbuilding 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 19	Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse*
November 21	Beginning Flytying Rodbuilding 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
November 28	Beginning Flytying Rodbuilding 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
December 5	"Swap Meet" at Clubhouse
December 10	General Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Clubhouse
December 12	Steelhead Fly Fishing Clinic With Al Perryman
December 17	Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse

*Be prompt. At this time of year the park rangers close the gates early.

Outing Schedule--1992

- Nov. Steelhead trip
Dec. Baja trip (tentative)

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

*Exact date will be announced at the October meeting.

As you can see, our outing year is drawing to a close. This is a good time to extend our thanks to our Fishmaster, Ron English, who has seen to it that we have had a full and successful outing year. Fortunately for us, Ron is going to handle this "job" for us next year also. He says it's the best job he's ever had--the pay's not so good, but there are other "benefits".



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Warren Schoenmann

Now is the time to buy your dinner tickets for our annual dinner. All who purchase dinner tickets before December 1 will get a chance to win a Powell rod (not to mention a seat at the best annual event of the year) so hurry and get yours. You can get tickets by contacting Dinner Chairperson, Marie Stull, or myself. We are looking for members to help with preparation for the dinner also, so if you would like to assist in the background fun please see or call Marie.

There will be a sign up sheet at the November and December meetings for people interested in helping at the club booth at the Cal Expo Sports show which will be in January contact Rick Radoff for details.

Missy Arnold is serving as Nominations Chairperson for Officers and Directors for the coming year, and will have a slate of nominations to present at the November meeting. If you would like to serve in one of the club positions contact Missy. We will also accept nominations from the floor at that time. All nominations will be published in the December Leader, and election of the 1993 Officers and Directors will be held at the December meeting. Plan to attend and support your club.

John Shewey will share his excellent program with us this month, hope to see you all at the November meeting.

Tight lines..., Catch 'em, Release 'em.



GBF Library

Hooray!! There was a big return of over due books and videos in October! Thanks for rejuvenating the library.

Forgot to mention at the last meeting that we have the book, " A River Runs Through It ", McClean.

Overdue 60 Days:

Videos:

Trout in Still Waters; Borger.

Books:

The Fly Tyer's Primer; Talleur
Lake Fishing With a Fly; Kaufmann

Overdue!!!

Videos:

Fly Tying, GBF Clubhouse; Borger. Wayne
Sigmund, 7/9
Tying Western Dry Flies; Dennis. Bob
Cummings, 6/12

Books:

Designing Trout Flies; Borger. Bill
Siska, 7/9

Jim Hornberger, Librarian



5. Take wind around pulled back base of hair in front of wing, while still holding hair rearward. **NOW** take a wind in back of wing, and several more to the end of shank. These winds should be medium-tight. If you have done it right, the hair will be evenly distributed around the shank, and not twisted or distorted. It will take practice. **KEEP HOLDING THE TIPS OF THE HAIR.**

6. Now comes the hard part. Hold the remaining hair tips up and wind the bobbin around and up the hair shafts, using 3 winds. At the top, near the base of your fingers, take two wraps around and **UP** the hair and then take 3 winds around and **DOWN** the hair, back to the shank. Now take a couple of winds around the shank, returning the thread to a point behind the wing.

7. Attach a hackle parachute style, add dubbing to thread, and form a thorax. Wind hackle and tie off.

8. If eyes are desired, use the burnt-mono method of creating a set of eyes, and apply just after the hackle is tied on.

9. The body/tail should be covered with flexament. The best way to do this is to tie off after completing the wing/body/tail portion, and then apply flexament. Set these **partials** aside to dry, to be completed later.

CONFUSED? Well, we will be tying this challenging fly at the end of our beginning fly tyers class. Go for it!!

FLYFISHING EQUIPMENT BARGAINS

GBF member Bruce Cline purchased the remaining inventory of Feather River Ltd. fly shop, and is offering to pass on savings to members. He has tying tools; tying material; wading boots; rods; vests; waders; foul weather gear by Patagonia; flies; pants; shirts; belts; reels/spools. There is more--too much to list here. Call Bruce for prices, etc.: 985-6745 (home); 444-3910 (work).





FLYTYER'S CORNER

by
Bill Carnazzo

THE PARADRAKE

Let's try an extended body pattern, using deer hair. This will require some patience and concentration [and practice], so bear with me on this. The colors can vary; the olive selected here is designed to imitate the "green drake", a large species of mayfly that causes large trout to abandon all instinctive caution--a boon, of course, for knowledgeable anglers.

MATERIALS

Hook	Mustad 94840 (bend the barb); size 10-16
Thread	Olive 6/0 or 8/0
Wing	Post; grayish deer hair
Body/tail	Olive deer hair
Thorax	Olive dubbing
Hackle	Olive

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cover hook shank with thread, and cut small bunch gray deer hair for post wing. Clean & stack hair; measure wing 1.25 times length of shank.

2. Using 45-degree method, mount wing at 33° point from eye, with tips extending out over eye; trim and lash down butts. Now raise hair vertical, and take a few "gathering" winds around base of wing. Take another wind around base, this time pulling to rear with thread. Repeat several times to "post up" the wing.


3. Clean and stack a sparse bunch of shiny, long olive deer hair, to be used for the body/tail. Trim butts even, point hair tips out over eye, and tie in butts directly in front of post wing. This will cause hair to flare (OK). Tie down butts.

4. Wet hair and stroke forward; separate into two even groups to be pulled rearward along horizontal axis of hook. Using hair packing tool, gently push it over eye, forcing the separated strands of deer hair back along the sides of the hook. Grab pushed-back hair and hook shank firmly to hold hair in place.

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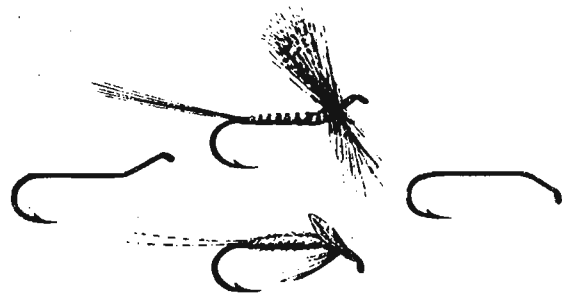
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Here's a new "twist" to try.

IF YOUR PATTERN OFFENDS, TRY ADDING A BEND

MODIFY YOUR FLY



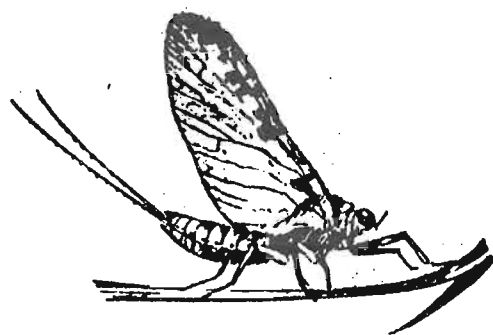
Adding a bend to your fly hook will make your pattern look more like what nature serves up.

PROBABLY THE EASIEST WAY TO IMPROVE THE silhouette and effect of your standard fly pattern is to put a bend in the shank of the hook, prior to tying, with a pair of needle-nose pliers. This will modify the fly's shape and give patterns a more natural look.

An upward bend on dry-fly hooks will give traditional mayfly patterns a look that is closer to what nature serves up. If you look at a mayfly dun resting on the surface film, you'll see that the forelegs extend out and beyond the bug's head. Hackle wrapped around the unbent portion of the hook will provide legs that are positioned very much like those of the natural's. The bend also gives your dry flies a "head up," ready-to-take-flight appearance that will often trigger a hasty strike from an otherwise cautious trout. An added bonus of adding an upward bend is an increased hook bite, which can be important on hooks size 16 and smaller.

Placing a downward bend on nymph hooks will provide a nice arch to your nymph patterns. The resulting nymph looks as if it is holding in a sustained crunch position. The finished fly shape makes sense, I've yet to see a dislodged nymph tumbling along a stream bottom in a straight-arrow position. It's important, though, to make the bend shallow, so as not to affect the bite of the hook. Adding an upward bend to nymph hooks will produce a fly that gives the illusion of a swimming nymph.

THE BEND, WHETHER ANGULAR OR CURVING IN form, can be placed at various locations along the hook shank, yielding a variety of subtle yet distinct changes that can enhance the appearance of the finished fly. An increase in hookups is often the result of such fly alterations, something I'm sure we can all use more of. —ROBERT DREW



Results from Manzanita Lake indicate it may not be necessary to plant large Eagle Lake trout to achieve satisfactory survival. Manzanita Lake appears to lack the cover provided by the beds of aquatic plants present in Martis Lake. Manzanita Lake also has a very significant population of 16- to 20-inch rainbow and brown trout. Yet, despite these factors, significant numbers of Eagle Lake trout stocked as fingerlings escaped predation and became an important component of the trophy-trout fishery.

Surveys have been conducted at least one a year since 1979. It is proposed to continue these surveys in spring and fall to gather data on relative abundance, size and condition of the reservoir's trout population. The Tahoe Truckee Flyfishers will help gather data for assessment by the Department of Fish and Game (DFG). Assessments should continue for the next 3 to 6 years per D.F.G.

Biologists are concerned with the decline of this 20 year old reservoir. Most baseline data was collected when the reservoir was about a decade old. Identifying possible changes in the reservoir's limnological (SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF LIFE AND PHENOMENA OF LAKES, PONDS AND STREAMS) characteristics may provide insights into understanding the decline of the fishery.

UPCOMING CONSERVATION PROJECTS

Planting of willows and working with TU for marking storm drains to help prevent oil and various toxins from entering the river and poisoning our fisheries. More information on these subjects at the Novembers' Meeting.

"A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT" by Norman Maclean

This novella has been adapted for the big screen starring Robert Redford. It is reputed to be one of the best movies made about personal relationships and flyfishing. If you get a chance, view it at your local cinema. I know I will!

CONSERVATION REPORT
by
Joseph Bania

IRON MOUNTAIN MINE CLEANUP APPROVED

The Federal Environmental Protection Agency has given final approval of a cleanup plan for the Iron Mountain Mine near Redding that is considered a major polluter of the upper Sacramento River. Discharge from the mine has killed hundreds of thousands of fish in the Sacramento River.

The EPA will collect acidic drainage from the largest pollution sources in the mine and treat it in a lime neutralization plant at the site. Construction of the plant will begin next summer and is expected to be completed before the following winter's rains.

The mine is approximately nine miles north-west of Redding.

FALL SALMON RUN PLUNGES

The teeming fall salmon run that graced the Sacramento River for thousands of years is plunging perilously low this season. Biologists estimate the fall run, the largest of the seasonal migrations, will number about 25,000 fish. In 1988, the fall run was 140,000.

MARTIS CREEK UPDATE

Catch rates at Martis Lake are among the lowest recorded on a designated catch-and-release water in California. Though about 85% of the trout landed are equal to or greater than twelve inches, the number of hours fished indicates that the angling success is too low to attract the level of use present during much of the last decade. Through a joint effort with Trout Unlimited, Granite Bay Flycasters clipped adipose fins of more than 5000 fingerlings and over 750 ten inch plus Eagle Lake trout. These were then transported from the Nimbus Hatchery and planted at Martis Lake.



SEVENTH ANNUAL DINNER

This year's annual dinner (Saturday, January 23, 1993) will feature Dave Whitlock--who needs no introduction. The tickets will be \$25.00 per person, and as in years past there will be a daytime presentation consisting of skills instruction and technical information. Buy your tickets before December 1, 1992, and you will be entered into the drawing for a Powell DF 90-1L 3-4 weight rod. Those purchasing tickets after that date will not be entered in this drawing. You will have a choice of Prime Rib or Cornish Hen. The dinner will be held at the Elks Lodge in Roseville. For tickets, contact Marie (663-2414) or Rick Radoff (624-2107) or Warren Schoenmann (725-2542).

Once again, Marie has done a superb job!!!!



NOVEMBER PROGRAM

The NOVEMBER program will feature John Shewey, a freelance writer with many credits in *American Angler*, *Fly Fishing*, *California Angler*, and other periodicals. His book, Trout & Beyond: Challenges in Northwest Fly Fishing, is scheduled for release this year.

John's program is titled "Big Trout & Big Country: Fishing the Great Basin Reservoirs. It tours you through the super-fertile, trout-filled, uncrowded lakes and reservoirs of the Great Basin West. John will focus on the country itself, and on strategies and tactics once you get there. He will discuss the seasons, the climate, the fish and the patterns. Don't miss this one!!

SWAP MEET

The club will hold a "swap meet" on Saturday, December 5, 1992 at the Clubhouse. The purpose of this event is to allow members to take some time during those frosty (and hopefully nasty-weather) winter days to examine and inventory their fishing gear and decide what should be retained, and what might fetch the price of yet another piece of flyfishing accoutrement. By the way, "fishing gear" can be liberally interpreted to include clothing, books, shoes, tying gear/materials, fru-fru, etc. Start thinking about this event now, and plan to exhibit your wares (for free, and no sales tax)!!! Mark Niece is chairperson for this event, with Joe Bania as co-chair

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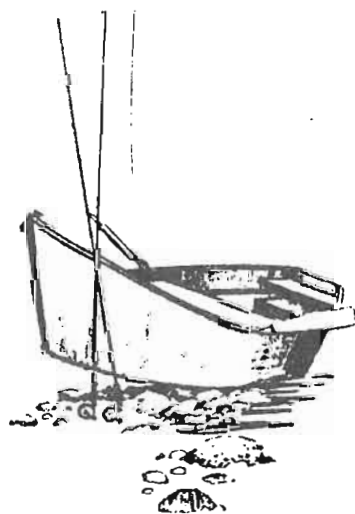
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STEELHEAD FLYFISHING CLINIC

Here is an unusually good opportunity. The club has arranged for a steelhead clinic with Al Perryman, to be held on Saturday, December 12, 1992. The schedule for the day, the price, and other details will be available at the October meeting. Signups will be limited, so be sure to move on this one. Al puts on a "good show", and you will be certain to learn a lot.

XMAS IS COMING!!!!

Let Granite Bay Flycasters help you with your XMAS shopping. May we suggest a nice warm hooded sweatshirt, hats, shirts--all with the club logo. Or, perhaps, a dinner ticket for that special person. These items will be available at the November and December meetings.



CAL-EXPO BOOTH

Once again, the club will host a booth at the International Sportsman's Exhibition in January at Cal-Expo. This event will be co-chaired by Rick Radoff and Bill Carnazzo. They will be looking to the membership for help in managing the booth during the show hours. This is a rewarding experience, as it allows the club to tout its benefits, sell memberships, sell tickets to our annual dinner (if any are left), and sell tickets to the drawing at the annual dinner. The public is always interested in this booth, and we have met a lot of interesting persons at the past shows. More information will be provided in the coming months.

The grand prize for the annual dinner, another Keeton 8-foot pram, will be on display in the booth as it was last year.

The club is also being asked to help out in the NCFCC booth this year. The plan is to use this booth as a means of attracting members for the clubs themselves, as well as for the Northern California Council.



YUBA RIVER

The Fish and Game Commission, based on recommendations made by DFG staff, and on input from the public, establishes the stream and other water-body fishing regulations on a biannual basis. This process is now underway.

Ron English has drafted a letter to the Commission requesting designation of the Yuba as a catch and release stream for steelhead. He will have copies of this letter available at the

November meeting. Anyone who has fished this stream knows that it can and will be ruined by poaching and overkilling unless something is done. These fish are just too valuable to kill, and the time to act is now. You can help by picking up, signing and mailing one of these letters.

BAJA OUTING

SHAKE THOSE POST-XMAS BLUES!!

Your fishmaster is planning an outing for the week after Christmas, to Baja California to do some surf fishing. This is tentative at this point, but anyone interested should contact Ron English at the October meeting, or call him at home (677-7169). Ron will talk about this at the October meeting.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We've signed up three new members: Jim Wycott, Walt Dombrowski, and Larry Eubanks. This brings our membership to 115. New members are the lifeblood of a club such as ours--keep them coming, we're all recruiters.

ELECTIONS

Elections will soon be held. The club bylaws specify that nominations will be taken in November, and the election will be held in December. President Warren mentioned this at the September meeting, and will do so again at the October meeting. There are openings on the Board of Directors, and all of the officers' jobs are up for election. The Board determined that there should be at least two candidates for each opening---so, be thinking of persons who would be willing to serve, and to be a credit to the club, in the officer/director jobs.

Also open are a number of the committee chairs. Volunteers are needed for these positions, as will be announced at the meeting.

