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<td>January 16</td>
<td>Fish-out Stanislaus river with Don Steffka (209-478-2197). See fishout schedule for more information.</td>
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<td>Annual Dinner 5:00 p.m. at Roseville Elks Club.</td>
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Honest ma, going fishing is part of going to school

HERE'S THE homework:
Take a No. 18 caddis fly, tie one for extra credit, and go out and catch an 18-inch trout. Release it and come back and give a report.

That's homework? If it is, it's one of those classes you don't mind flunking. It's not the grade that counts, it's the experience.

Well, you won't find Fishing and Hunting IA on the curriculum at Oakmont High School, but it is an option. Second-year teacher Burnell Pinkerton, an avid fisherman and hunter, thought there was a need for high school kids to experience the outdoors as well as get involved in a public service project that would benefit fish and wildlife.

Pinkerton, who coaches sophomore basketball and teaches history, grew up in a little village in Ohio called Westfield Center. The kids in Westfield Center were exposed to plenty of hunting and fishing.

"We didn't have a club like this. But when opening season came around, all the kids left school," Pinkerton said. "It was an unapologetic truth that on opening day, everybody got off!"

With his background in the outdoors, it was natural for Pinkerton to bring that enthusiasm to the campus. At the end of the school year last spring, Pinkerton put out a notice to all juniors, sophomores and freshmen, to see if there was interest in forming a hunting and fishing club. He received 60 applications.

"It was unbelievable," Pinkerton said. "I was getting kids who usually didn't sign up for anything all the way to the kids who sign up for everything. I got more girls than I thought (20).

CARY VOET Outdoors

"I knew we couldn't go hunting, mainly because of the insurance, but we can do a lot of things related to hunting without hunting. Plus, I wanted to get them involved in hands-on stuff, get them involved so they could feel like they accomplished something."

Pinkerton got an assistant this year when first-year teacher Scott Brady was hired by Oakmont. Brady, an Alaskan fishing guide in the summer and one of the early club programs this year was to put on a slide presentation by Brady on fishing — bears — in Alaska.

"The kids were really fascinated by the show and the information," Pinkerton said.

So far, the club has gone on two fishing expeditions — Folsom and Fuller lakes. Several more field trips are planned, including visits to the Nimbus Hatchery and to Gray Lodge after the duck season.

"Pinkerton is eager to get the club involved in a public service project or projects. He has contacted Fish and Game, telephoning the club and offering help in any project.

"Maybe help them do some trapping, or work at Gray Lodge after it closes," Pinkerton said. "These kids really want to learn and help out the outdoors. The biggest obstacle right now is finding a project for them to do."

If you have a project involving critters or the habitat, give Pinkerton a call at Oakmont (782-3781). These kids are eager. Help them out and we all benefit.
Finally, as fly fishers, we must involve ourselves in ecosystem issues. After all, the health of the wild trout and salmonid population is at least one of the major indicators of the health of the ecosystem in general. In other words, streams are but one part (albeit an integral part) of a very complex and interrelated system. As a club, and as individuals, if we fail to actively oppose projects (public and private) which portend damage to the ecosystem on which our sport is so dependent, we should not be heard to complain later when a river, a meadow, a species (however insignificant) is forever lost to us and our children. Native Americans recognized, and lived based upon, the principle that all things are interrelated, and damage to one part affects the whole. So, please support the club in its efforts to speak out on these issues, and support organizations such as California Sport Fishing Protection Alliance, which constantly fight on our behalf.

Now...string up the rod, tie on your favorite fly, don those waders, slip on the corkers, and tighten up those lines!!! See you at Cal-Expo, and remember there is NO GENERAL MEETING IN JANUARY due to the Annual Dinner.
CAL-EXPO BOOTH

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. If you have not signed-up, contact the chairpersons. This is a fun event and gives you a chance to meet a lot of interesting people.

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

ELECTIONS

Elections were held at the December general meeting. Your new Officers and Chairpersons are listed at the front of the January Leader. Congratulations, and may this year run as smoothly as the last.

THE LEADER

Jim Holmes is the new newsletter editor. If you would like to contribute special files, information, or just see your name in print, please call or write me at:
4200 Natoma Ave
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967-6709
and I will try to get your information in the Leader.

BADGES

All Awards, our badge making firm, has come up with a new design for our badges. It is a bit larger with the club logo. If a member wants a replacement badge, the cost is $4.00. Orders may be placed through Terry Eggleston, membership chairman.

YES, IT IS DUES TIME AGAIN.

Your club provides a wide variety of activities and participates in a number of important conservation programs. For these moderate dues you receive (at least):

* a monthly general meeting with an excellent program,

* classes in rod building, fly tying, and casting,

* club bulletin filled with information,

* fishouts (opportunities to fish new waters with excellent anglers and make new fishing buddies),

* conservation programs and information,

* annual picnic and dinner,

* opportunity to talk to others who talk "fish".

These low dues are:

Individual $20.00
Family $25.00
Life $300.00

Please send a check with the proper amount to: G.B.F. P.O. Box 1107, Roseville CA 95678.

Name:

Address:

Phone: (Home) (Work)
10. Tie sparse clump of wood duck on either side of thorax (at front of wingcase) for legs, not longer than point of barb.

11. With dubbing needle, or other implement, pick out dubbing on bottom of thorax--gives it a more buggy look, and improves translucence.

**Techniques to practice:**

The Hare's Ear nymph is illustrative of the following basic techniques, which should be practiced:

1. The "hump" method of splaying the tail.
2. When dubbing, apply small quantities of dubbing material to sufficiently-waxed thread, and twist dubbing on in one direction only.
3. Taper the dubbing rope to assist in tapering the body.
4. If your vise rotates, the legs become easier to tie in if the vise is rotated 90 degrees to either side.

**NOTES FROM THE BOARD**

The club donated $150 to the Save American River Association to help further its goals of preserving and protecting the river from abuse at the hands of dam builders and others interested in taking water away from our fisheries. The club received a thank-you from the organization.

**SEVENTH ANNUAL DINNER**

This year's annual dinner (Saturday, January 23, 1993) will feature Dave Whitlock, a fisherman who needs no introduction! The tickets are $25.00 per person and, according to Dinner Chairperson Marie Stull, are selling rapidly. If you bought your tickets before December 1, 1992 you are entered into the drawing for a Powell 90-113-4 weight rod. The dinner features a choice of entrees, Prime Rib or Cornish Game Hen. The dinner will be held at the Elks Lodge in Roseville. For tickets, contact Marie (663-2414), Rick Radoff (624-2107), or Warren Schoenmann (725-2542). See you there!

**********DAYTIME PROGRAM**********

On Saturday from 10:00 to 2:00 on the day of the dinner (January 23) Dave will present a slideshow on "midging" and will conduct fly tying. This is open to all dinner ticket holders. Sorry, no lunch will be served by the club. This demonstration will be held at the Elks Lodge in Roseville, the same location as the dinner.

Once Again, a BIG thanks to Marie for a job well done.

**CFFU ANNUAL DINNER**

CFFU is holding their annual dinner on February 27, 1993, at the Elks Lodge, 6446 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento. It will be a western style barbeque. Trey Combs, a renowned steelhead tyer/fisher will be the dinner speaker. The evening program will be "Flyfishing Around the World". Trey will also have a daytime program of flies and information on steelhead fishing. For ticket information contact Karen Knight - 363-0596.
CONSERVATION REPORT by Joe Bania

Update on Bear River Restoration Project

Pacific Gas and Electric has recently advised us that FERC (the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission) is still evaluating PG&E's proposal for abandoning a water canal just below Lake Spaulding dam. PG&E has submitted proposals for two projects in the area but until approval is granted by FERC, no restoration work can be done in the area. We were advised that FERC may take quite awhile to complete evaluation of the proposals. Meanwhile, PG&E is still aware of our interest in helping them with a habitat restoration project and will keep us posted.

SMUD and EDCWA Hearings on Water Use

El Dorado County Water Agency (EDCWA) and the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) held a hearing December 14 to discuss a joint, multipurpose water and power project on the South Fork of the American River. The proposed project has four components which include (1) diverting 45,000 acre-feet of water per year from the South Fork of the American River to Ice House Reservoir; (2) a new 30,000 acre-foot reservoir near the existing Ice House Reservoir; (3) a new 35-megawatt Jones Fork hydroelectric power plant paralleling the existing plant; and (4) a 250-megawatt Iowa Hill Pumped-Storage plant on the southern side of the existing Slab Creek Reservoir. Several water agencies objected to the plan, stating they have rights to the water under a 1914 law, and plan to challenge this proposal in court! This was the first of a series of public meetings: we'll keep you advised of future meetings with the hope you can participate yourself.

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FLYTYER'S CORNER

By
Bill Carnazzo

The purpose of this column has always been to help club members improve their flytying skills. The emphasis is on basic techniques, using standard, common patterns to illustrate their application. The Hare’s Ear nymph, which has been featured here before, will be featured again this month, to allow new club members and those new to tying to “catch up” on some basics, on which future columns will build.

The Hare’s Ear nymph is a study in simplicity of design, and legendary in its effectiveness when fished properly. Why? Perhaps at or near the end of the drift it resembles a caddis pupa rocketing to the surface; or, fished along the bottom, its translucence may cause it to resemble a drifting mayfly or stonefly nymph, or perhaps a caddis larva. Whatever theory appeals to you, be it one of the above or some other, you are probably at least partially correct. In any event, as an elderly mentor once told me, “toss it quarter upstream, let it sink and do its work as it drifts.”

Here is a proven-deadly formula for this favorite standby:

Materials:

Hook: Mustad 3906, 3906B, or equivalent, #10-22

Tail: Sparse lemon wood duck

Steelhead Punch Card

At GBF’s general meeting in December, Barbara Bania reported that the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) requires all persons fishing for steelhead trout to purchase a punch card to record all steelhead caught. Each card costs $3 and has room to record 30 days on which steelhead are caught. The money will be placed in a designated account to be used strictly for steelhead enhancement programs. DFG personnel will randomly check steelhead fishermen to obtain data, including inquiry by mail. Some of the members asked if they could mail their cards in to assist in the collection of data. The answer from DFG was that legislation mandated this be a random sample, and for some (but not all) to send in their cards would bias the sample. DFG asked that we express their appreciation for your volunteering to mail the cards in, but they will not be able to utilize information that is not obtained through random acquisition.

Storm Drain Stenciling

GBF has been asked to assist in a multi-agency project to stencil storm drain covers for easy identification. Many people do not know that material dumped into these drains flows directly, without any treatment, into local creeks and rivers. This project is planned for Sacramento, Yolo, Placer, and El Dorado counties. Mr. Douglas Fraleigh, Director, Sacramento County Public Works Department stated “By working together we can make a major contribution to protecting our treasured creeks and rivers from wastes that are often unthinkingly poured or washed down storm drains”. Michael Wasserman has volunteered to coordinate GBF’s participation in this project; please say “yes” when he asks for your assistance.
GBF Library

We have finished the year in good shape, having only one seriously overdue video. Trusting the borrower's word, that one will be back in the library by the time this is in print. So many thanks to all of you members who have kept the library circulating!

Thanks again to Jim Holmes, who did such a great job of taking care of the library when I could not be there.

A gentle reminder that all books and videos will be due at the February meeting.

We are always looking for suggestions for new books or videos. So if any of you have a book/video to recommend, please contact me.

Wishing for each of you a year of more days fishing and less days working! Tight lines - and don't mess in your waders!

Jim Hornberger, Librarian

LOCAL FLYSHOPS

Our local fly shops support the Granite Bay Flycasters in many ways-prize donations, new members, technical news, and many other direct and indirect ways. We, in turn, should support them with our fishing purchases. However, when purchasing from them, please do not ask for discounts, as the G.B.F. does not have any such arrangements.

PROPOSED FISHOUT SCHEDULE

Jan 16 Stanislaus—one day, Sat
Call Don Steffa 209-478-2197

Feb 12 or 13 San Luis Reservoir

Mar 19, 20, 21 Ocean fishing and late steelhead
Fort Dick

Apr 17 & 18 Sacramento river at Redding

Apr 24 or 25 Local bass fishing

May 3 (Mon) Indian Creek Reservoir

May 15 & 16 Rocky Point

Jun 5 & 6 Spicer Lake

Jun 19 & 20 Yosemite Creek (Backpack)

July 10 & 11 Carson Wilderness

July 24 & 25 King River

Aug 27-30 Williamson River, Oregon

Sep Cache Creek (Date depends on water flow)

Sep 11 & 12 Trinity River

Sep 25 & 26 Robinson Creek

Oct 22 Heenan Lake (Friday)

The Stanislaus fishout, hosted by Don Steffa, will be nymph fishing in a catch and release area. Recommended flies are Hare's ear (14-18), F.T. nymph (12-16), Green rock worm (10-14), and Herle soft-hackle (12-14).