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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July
8  Hat Creek Fishout - (Bill Carnazzo)
13  Club Meeting - Clubhouse 7:30
15  Umpqua Fishout - (John Lewis)
20  Board Meeting - Clubhouse 7:00
21  Youth Meeting - Clubhouse 6:30
29  North Yuba Fishout - (Bill Carnazzo)
Rucker Lake Bass Fishout - (Roccofortes)

August
5  Stream Techniques
10  Club Meeting - Clubhouse 7:30
17  Board Meeting - Clubhouse 7:00
18  Youth Meeting - Clubhouse 6:30
19  Sierra Golden Trout

September
14  Club Meeting - Clubhouse 7:30
21  Board Meeting - Clubhouse 7:00
22  Youth Meeting - Clubhouse 6:30
23  Robinson Creek Fishout
Greetings fellow flyfishers! One hundred degree days, in July, we must be in Sacramento! Can it be that “normal” temperatures have returned? The groaning of my air conditioner, or is that my reaction to my PGE bill, tells me that summer has indeed arrived. We have been waiting patiently and it looks like we can finally begin our search for trout.

Your Board of Directors has been busy and I wanted to update everyone on the goings-on. The State of California has made contact with GFB to try and get started with the casting pond project. A meeting is scheduled for the near future to discuss the site, costs, and labor commitments. Some folks in the Club (Terry Eggleston), have literally waited years for this project to get off the ground and it looks like it may be reality soon. Stay tuned to general meeting and Leader announcements regarding this project.

In an effort to better acquaint new members to the club a new committee has been formed. Paul Roccoforte has been kind enough to chair this committee which will follow up with new members to answer questions and talk about club activities. Contact Paul if you would like to help with the “new member hot line”. While we’re discussing committees, we are going to have a changing of the guard in the Golden Trout Program. Bill Carnazzo and Ron English are going to “semi-retire” and hand the reins over to Steve Bertrand and Vern Stubbs. Bill and Ron will now become highly paid, err, I mean high respected consultants for the program. A big thank you to Ron and Bill for their participation with the program and thanks to Steve and Vern for stepping forward.

The Bear River restoration project has begun again with crews planting willows, moving timber, and preparing the stream for its eventual return to the once-proud trout habitat it was. For those of you interested in helping out, please contact Jim Coleman. This would also be a good opportunity for Golden Trout credit.
PRESIDENTS MESSAGE (Con't)

I hope that everyone who attended the June meeting enjoyed Denny Rickards’ presentation. Denny put on a real good show that was chock full of information and techniques. He also pointed out some prime waters that are will within reach of the Northern California angler. You missed a good one if you weren’t there.

Hope to see all of you at the next meeting (July 14th). Until then, call a fishing buddy and go catch some fish. I want to hear some good reports at the next meeting. Have fun and “let em’ go alive”.

Michael Wasserman
President

ADVANCING YOUR CASTING

by: John Hogg

Time for big thank-yous for all of you who attended GBF’s first two casting clinics. We hope you enjoyed them, learned a little, and will attend future clinics. I would certainly appreciate your feedback on the conduct of future clinics. What worked, and what didn’t?

And I also want to express my thanks to the casting staff who made everything work so well. Bill and Judy Carnazzo for the generous use of their pond for the Novice clinic, and Bill for his expertise with nymphing rigs at the Advanced clinic; Sturmer White for arranging the use of a casting pond for the Advanced clinic as well as his know-how in tossing those oversize bass plugs; Terry Eggleston for teaching the double haul, and use of shooting tapers - (sorry to say that one of his rods was damaged in the process). Rick Radoff for that effortless reach and curve cast technique, Ron English for more ways to throw a stop cast than I ever knew, Jeanne English for her expert assistance with the novice clinic, and Wayne Dahl for his generous help with the Novice Clinic.

The next clinic will be on Saturday Sept. 9. It will address preparation for becoming a Certified Casting Instructor with the FFF. This clinic will concentrate primarily on the demonstrations of casting proficiency the applicant will have to perform, and is geared for those who want to become certified at the NoCal Conclave in late September.

EDITORS NOTE:

Lets all express our appreciation to John Hogg for putting these two classes together and for his expert teaching. John you make it easy for everyone to improve.

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FISHMASTER’S REPORT
June, 1995
Bill Carnazzo, Fishmaster

UPCOMING OUTINGS. For July, we have: (i) Hat Creek on July 8th, led by Bill (me). The details are not firm on this at the time we have to go to press so call me if your interested. (ii) the Upper Umpqua River outing, for smallmouth bass on the lower river. John Lewis was going to lead this one, but is now unable to do so. In order to have this outing, we need an outing Fishmaster willing to lead and make the arrangements. Please volunteer. If no one volunteers, we will have to cancel it; (iii) Rucker Lake for bass on July 29th, led by Paul and Kim Roccaforte, who will have information and a sign-up sheet at the July meeting, (iv) also on July 29th, the North Yuba outing led by Bill (me) -- information and sign-up sheet will be available at the July meeting. A full schedule!!

PAST OUTINGS: In June, we had the One-fly contest at Indian Creek. We clearly lucked out on the weather, with a weekend sandwiched in between storm systems. We reported on this outing at the June meeting, noting that Ron English’s team (Ron, Terry Eggleston, Will Keller and Brian Staab) won, nudging out the runner ups by virtue of a large one caught by Ron. Ron had the hot rod because he also caught the “Big Fish”. The “1st to loose the fly” award went to John Ramsey. All in all we had about 20 anglers entered and it appeared that all had a good time. It was a lot of fun, the campground is great; try to make it next year.

Contact the Fishmaster. If you have questions on any of the outings, or want information, please call me. (264-5346 work or 663-2604 home)
FLTYER’S CORNER
by
BILL CARNAZZO

Bead Head Hare’s Ear
July, 1995

Note: The Pattern for the July Fly Tying contest will be the Rubber Legs Kaufmann Stonefly featured in the June Leader. Bring your best version to the July General Meeting. Remember—The winner gets a free GBF flybox, and each person entering a fly gets a ticket to be deposited for the drawing at next year’s picnic ....... Bring those flies in – Don’t be shy!!

Another Note: [See next article for a rundown on the rules and incentives for the contest]

This month’s pattern is one which, although “updated with a bead for a head, has withstood the test of time. Fished properly, it is clearly a fish-hooking machine. I am, quite frankly, not convinced on the effectiveness of the bead; I have experimented with the bead-headed version on the point, with the “standard” version on a dropper — and vice versa. I seem to catch just as many fish, and under certain circumstances more, on the standard version. You be the judge (and jury if you like).

Materials:

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<td>Gold or copper colored solid bead</td>
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Last month we mentioned the “Fish for Science Day” at Martis Lake and asked for anyone that was interested to give a hand. Well you still have a chance. Martis was so high that the event was postponed to some time in the near future. Judging from what I saw two weeks ago that may be some time in the future. Never the less is still planned and we will try to keep you up to date on the timing.

Remember the story was:
Fish Martis Lake (near Truckee) from shore, a float tube, canoe or pram for Eagle Lake trout, rainbows, browns, and cutthroats. Record the species, size and whether they have been finclipped, and then return them to the water. This survey helps DFG determine how well the fish are succeeding in the lake and match it with data the Truckee Fishers regularly conduct on environmental conditions.

Several GBF members have participated in this event in past years and can attest to the camaraderie that exists that day. This year the Sierra Chapter of TU will provide lunch. If you plan to attend, please R.S.V.P. to Van U’Ren so he knows how much food to buy. Van’s phone number (with answering machine) is 731-4926. Its still a good idea to call Van if you are interested.
Tying Instructions:

1. Sharpen hook; smash barb. Slip the bead over the hook to the eye.

2. Tail: Take approximately a dozen barbules from wood duck flank feather, and tie in just above the back of the smashed barb.

3. Tie in gold wire at point of tail tie-in, and move it back out of the way.

4. Dub a tapered body of hare’s ear; you will note that the guard hairs stick out all over. Leave them; they may look messy, but they give the fly a buggy appearance. The body should be about 2/3 of the length of the shank, and not too thick.

5. Now take the rib wire and wind it forward, using about 4 or 5 wraps. Tie it off at the forward end of the body.

6. Using a section of dark turkey tail, tie in the wingcase. See sketch below.

7. Dub a thorax which is bulkier than the body, and which extends forward to a point about one eye-length behind the eye of the hook. See sketch above.

8. Tie in a few wood duck fibers on each side of the thorax for legs. See sketch above.

9. Draw wingcase over the thorax and tie off at the head.

10. Whip finish behind the bead.

Fish this fly deep under an indicator; let it drift and do its work naturally. Hang On!!

* See ya on the creek!!!
FLY TYING CONTEST RULES

Don't be reluctant to submit your entry ... ask for a critique if you want help, or to know what the winning fly has that yours doesn't. Here's the rules:

Rules:
- Judging will be during the meeting
- Winner announced just before program
- Winner still gets a fly box
- Judge(s) will stay after meeting to give critique, if requested.
- Each member entering a fly gets a free ticket, on which name and phone number is placed.
- Tickets are deposited in a sealed box each meeting
- Drawing held at annual picnic
- Winner gets $100 gift certificate at fly shop of choice.

As you know, certain of the tyers in the club have voluntarily kept themselves out of the contest, that will continue to be the case. So, enter your flies, folks ... don't be shy!!

Note: The fly must be tied in accordance with the instructions from the Leader (right or wrong, and irrespective of whether you find another version of the pattern in a book somewhere). In order to keep the playing field level. The judges need to make a choice based on a single pattern. THANKS.

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GBF YOUTH GROUP NEWS

This month's youth group meeting will be at the club house at 6:30 p.m. on Friday the 21st. Last month they had a fishout at Gordons Pond. (Not a bad way to have a meeting). The reports I have, are that they all had a good time and I believe everyone caught some fish. Who knows what Ron and Jeanne English will come up with this month. Remember all of our young members are more than welcome to attend. This is a great opportunity to have a good time with like-minded friends and learn some valuable flyfishing or tying tricks at the same time.
Nail Knots are the most popular for joining fly line and leader but are a bit lumpy and can get jammed in the rod guides, mostly when you don’t want them to, like with a fish on!! To prevent it from happening form a football-like covering over the knot with pliobond, goop, or any other non-hardening glue. Simply coat the knot, let it set for a few seconds to get tacky, then form the tapered ends with your fingers moistened (this prevents the glue from sticking to your fingers, good old saliva works best).

Now that we’ve got the line in super shape, we need to assure that the hook is sharp. The easiest way to test a hook for sharpness is to place the point against the middle of your thumb nail with an ever so slight downward pressure and drag the point along the nail. If the hook digs in or sticks to the nail it’s sharp. If the hook slides down you nail it needs to be sharpened. Don’t forget to squeeze down or file off the barb. We all want to catch and release the fish unharmed. Warren Schoenmann

As a First-Aid Instructor for the American Red Cross, I have frequently been asked to recommend a First-Aid kit. In each book of First-Aid that I have read, there is a suggested list of First-Aid supplies. However, a kit should be customized according to where it will be kept. The safety conscious individual will probably have several kits, kept in several places. There can be one for the home, auto and boat as well as smaller types for taking on outdoor excursions such as day-hiking, backpacking or horse-packing. There should be a basic list of supplies in all kits, and additional supplies added according to where the kit will be stored or used.

A basic First-Aid kit may contain the following:

- 5 triangular bandages
- 2-4 gauze roller-bandages (conforming type)
- 6+ 3x3 gauze pads
- 1 box 1” adhesive compress
- 2 2” bandage compress
- 2 3” bandage compress
- 2 4” bandage compress
- 1 scissors
- 1 tweezer
- 2 pkg. plain absorbent gauze 1/2 sq. yd.
- 1 pair rubber gloves
- 1 tourniquet
- 1 roll adhesive tape
- 1 bottle antiseptic solution
- 2 plastic bags for disposal of gloves and (Band-Aids) soiled bandaging
- 1 elastic bandage
- 1 container pain reliever (Tylenol, Aspirin, Motrin)
- 1 pen type flashlight & batteries
- 1 first-Aid book

To this basic kit you may add items according to your need, such as insect repellent, moleskin (for blisters), antacids, antidiarrheal agent, laxatives, sunscreen, personal medications, cotton swabs, snake venom extractor, cold-packs, and various additional bandaging to be determined by the number of persons to be served by the kit.

The supplies may be purchased in one of three ways. The first is a unit type kit, where everything is packaged in standard rectangle boxes (this...
First-Aid Kit (con’t)

makes it easy to find each item you are looking for. The second is a First-cabinet kit which is sold in a wide variety of sizes as small as a pocket kit to a size suitable for industrial use. The third way is to assemble one of your own from purchased and improvised materials. All kits should be waterproof. If you assemble your own, you can use a freezer type zip lock bag or Rubbermaid type square container to hold your supplies. If you make your own kit, you should label the kit in large letters and store in a place that is both accessible and easy to remember.

When you purchase or assemble a kit, remember that the further you will be away from a 911 emergency response system, the more complete your First-Aid kit should be. The best First-Aid is to use caution and avoid injury!

What could be a more appropriate subject than fishing in our own back yard in High Water? Randy Johnson of Johnson’s Tackle and Guide Service in Tahoma, CA. will be here to help us out. Randy is very familiar with the Tahoe Region, Truckee River and Martis Lake. He has put together a special program describing how to cope with all the high water, rain and snow in these areas and the Tahoe back country. Come and listen, Randy is very knowledgeable and I’ll bet we all learn some very handy tricks. It’s a sure bet that we haven’t had much practice working with high water conditions the past few years around here.

See you there!!
LIBRARIANS REPORT
By: Kim Roccojorte

Thank you to the GBF Club members that donated to the library in May! Bruce Bartholomew donated 6 hand-tied nymphs to the monthly raffle on behalf of the library.

Frank Stolten donated a new John Gierach book "Dances With Trout". This new addition to the library has proven so popular that there is even a waiting list forming!

Marie Stull at her last meeting attendance before moving to Big Sky Country left the library with a new video which is a Cal Trout Special Edition.

At the June meeting:
• John Bonato donated $5.00 to the library.

• The club purchased John Van Vliet's "The Art of Fly Tying", thanks to Terry Eggleston and his special discount. Thank you to all GBF members that keep the library growing and circulating!

Fishing Report
You have noticed by now that we have the latest Fishing Report reprinted here for everyone again. Make sure you let the good people at FISH FIRST know how much we appreciate this. They are kind enough to fax this to us about two times a month on their nickel. If you get a chance stop in and say hello and thanks. They are at 1404 Solono Ave. in Albany, (N. Berkeley) or just give them a call at 510-526-1937. Maybe you have some information that would fit in the next report.

The Leader
Remember the Leader is your publication and as such needs your input. Every member is encouraged to contribute. Weather you have an idea, criticism (be gentle), a story, an article or you are a good artist that can draw a picture for us please don't hold back. Contact your editor and lets hear what you have to say. Inputs are required by the 23rd of July to make the August publication. My number is 726-1584 and it is both phone and fax.
RUCKER LAKE FISHOUT
July 29th
WHERE IS IT?

I don't know. Well, so much for reading this informative publication. Maybe next month I can tell you. I did talk to Kim Roccobre though and she promised me that they would have all the information including a map at the next meeting. She did say that it is only about 1-1/2 hours from Sacramento off highway 80 on the way to Truckee. Sounds like that will be an easy trip on the 29th of the month. She also said it would be a good idea to go up on Friday night so you could get the big ones early Sat. morning. If you can't make the meeting be sure to give Paul or Kim a call (642-2929) so you get all the right stuff.

This is primarily a bass trip so bring along black or olive Wooly Buggers or Sheeps Creeks in size #6 or #8. This lake can be fished from the shore but it is ideal for belly boats so if you got em - bring em. See you there.
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<td>Davis Lake and Frenchman Reservoir</td>
<td>Slightly off color, cold.</td>
<td>Davis - Fishing is good one day and spotty the next. Bring both floating and sinking lines; streamers, damselfly nymphs, and blood midge pupa are top producers. Fish are running 16-24&quot;. Look for damselfly hatch to get going coming weeks. Best area is in the west side of the lake. Frenchman - Fishing is good with sinking lines and streamers near the dam and north end of lake. Blood midge pupa, red serendipity (#16). Barr's damselfly, barb's damselfly, White helicopter's damselfly, headhead damselfly, SRI mono eye damselfly (#10-12). Streamers - The little brown leech, barb's wet emerge, RS (18-20). BWO (emerger/dry), floating nymph, foam floating nymph. Harrop mayfly wing emerge, DB mayfly emerge, Lahue's yellow streamer, CDC orange body, CDC patterns (see Hat Creek). SpottedPale and yellow claret dry, Johnson olive nymph, CDC stone, gold stone.</td>
<td>Float tube or pram will improve chances. Little Last Chance Creek below the dam of Frenchman is fishing well on blood midged.</td>
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<td>Hat Creek - Lower (PH-2 to Pit River)</td>
<td>Normal flows, clear. Patchy weeds.</td>
<td>Fishing is very good. Steady trico and PMD hatches mid-morning have fish working the drifts. Micro caddis is best hatch in evening, but midges, BWO, little brown leech, yellow stone, and many spinners also producing. Green drake hatch is still going, with big fish rising from 2:00 pm to dark (hatch is especially strong on cloudy days). Indicator nymphing in the PH #2 riffle is very good with small mayfly nymphs. Green drake poxback nymph (#10). Green drake adult-paradrad, cabot, cdc emerger, Stalcup CDC parachute (#10). BWO nymph - poxback, rod poxback, burkh's leg nymph, DB hares nymph, harve-y bar, PT, brassie, olive disco midge, barb's wet emerge, RS (18-20). BWO (emerger/dry), floating nymph, foam floating nymph. Harrop mayfly wing emerge, DB mayfly emerge, Lahue's yellow streamer, CDC orange body, CDC patterns (see Hat Creek). Spotted Pale and yellow claret dry, Johnson olive nymph, CDC stone, gold stone.</td>
<td>A good number of trout in the 16-24&quot; range are being reported.</td>
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<td>Hot Creek</td>
<td>Mid 50°F. Slightly off color, weedy.</td>
<td>Fishing is fair, and improving. Indicator nymphing with small midge pupa and mayfly nymphs between the weedbeds is most productive method. Some BWO and midge hatching midday, but hatches do not have fish on surface. Micro caddis hatch in afternoon is getting stronger, with fish working the drift from 3:00 pm. Midge pupa/larva - disco, Kaufmann's midge pupa, red worm, gray midge pupa, brassie, beadhead brassie, midge-biot pupa (#18-22). Midge emerger/adult - barbs midge emerge, Harrop midge Adult, standard midge Adult, Griffith's green, palimino, CDC hatching midge, CDC midge adults, Harrop/CDC transitional midge, lite brite parachute, parachute Adams (#20-22). Caddis (see Upper Sac River).</td>
<td>Most trout running 10-14&quot; with an occasional fish to 17&quot;. If warm weather sets in, the river can blow out from snowmelt.</td>
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<td>Fall River</td>
<td>Clear, moderate flows, cold. Woods are growing in.</td>
<td>Fishing is very good from CaI Trout Access to Zug Bug Alley. BWO starts mid-morning, followed by the PMD hatch at 11 am. Lots of fish working the drifts, with the biggest trout found on the edges of the current. Indicator nymphing with PMD nymphs is very consistent. When wind comes up in afternoon, swinging streamers at the deep bends is productive. PMD nymph - Burks HB infrequent, PT, HB PT, poxback BWO, black AP, Burks leg nymph (#16-18). PMD emerge/adult - Harrop short wing emerge, Harrop CDC transitional dun, DB mayfly emerge, floating nymph, Lahue's yellow streamer. Lahue's cripple dun, Harrop captive dun, CDC comparadun, Shimazaki CDC dun, sparkle dun, thorax dun, extended body dun, light parachute, Harrop hairwing dun (#18-20). BWO patterns (see Hat Creek). Stalcup CDC parachute, CDC stone female, yellow stimulator, CDC soft hackles, Burk's CDC stone.</td>
<td>Morning spinner fall near Rick's lodge is very good. Look for Hex hatch in coming weeks.</td>
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<td>Feather River, Middle Fork</td>
<td>Clear, cold, moderate flow above Two Rivers, blown out below.</td>
<td>Fishing is fair, and improving from Oleagano to Two Rivers. Early morning fishing is slow, fishing improves as water warms. Indicator nymphing with stonefly nymphs and beadheads is best bet. Stoneflies and some creamy mayflies out in late afternoon and evening, not much dry fly fishing yet. Stoneflies (see McCloud River). Creamy mayfly (see PMD for Fall River). Beadheads (see Pin Creek).</td>
<td>The river below Two Rivers will take a few weeks to come into shape.</td>
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<td>McCloud River</td>
<td>210 cfs at Ah-Di-Nah, normal color. Mid 50°F.</td>
<td>Fishing is very good. Indicator nymphing with 4-8 ft rig (golden stone with a smaller mayfly or caddis dropper) is producing consistent action all day. Concentrate your efforts on the 4-8 ft deep runs. Creamy mayflies and golden stones have some trout on surface in evening in the slower runs and pools. Stoneflies also producing in the tail water pools. Stonefly nymph - Beadhead biot stone, Kaufmann's stone, superior stone, barb's dark stone, braided hitch stone, Ted's stone, black rubberleg, chen sparkle stone, brownstone rubberleg, beaded head brownstone (#6-12). Stonfly dry - SRI irresistible stone, Kaufmann's stimulator, improved stone, golden stone rubberleg, madam X, peacock truck (#6-12). Beadheads (see Pin Creek). Streamers (see Davis Lake).</td>
<td>Try the Ash Camp area to avoid crowds.</td>
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<td>Pit River</td>
<td>Slightly off color, 150 cfs at Big Bend.</td>
<td>Fishing is excellent. Indicator nymphing with 2-fly rig (stonefly nymph and a beadhead dropper) is producing long of rainbow running from 12-16&quot;. Fish the fast riffles with plenty of shot to get the fly down. Stoneflies are hatching, with fish more than willing to come up for a big fly when the sun air off water. Caddis and small trout are also hatching in the evening. Rainbows work the pools and slower runs.</td>
<td>Fish heads - 12-16&quot; soft hackle, lime green, and 10/0 flash, CDC drab, and olive head, super tinny fly, black, olive head, white, caddis, and olive head, pecking caddis, and caddis pupa (#10-18). Stoneflies (see McCloud River). Caddis (see Upper Sac River). Credmo fly (see PMD for Fall River). Pit #3 is most consistent producer; if you want bigger fish, go downstream to Pit #5. Waiting staff and stream clean highly recommended.</td>
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<td>Sacramento River, above Lake Shasta</td>
<td>Moderately low (100 cfs at Horseshoe; 2000 cfs at Dog Creek). Clear, mid 50°F.</td>
<td>Fishing is very good. Indicator nymphing is providing for both 12-18&quot; minnows (try fishing a beadhead prince with a small mayfly or caddis pupa dropper). Hatches are intensifying, with creamy orange mayflies, green and brown drakes, golden stones, and little yellow stones out in the evening. Rainbow work the pools and slower runs.</td>
<td>Caddis pupa - SRR more eye caddis, small nymph, fish. Caddis terror, beadhead prince, Egan's sparkle pupa, New's pupa, z-wing caddis, sedge fly, blue winged olive, pecking caddis (#14-18), Caddis emerge/adult - Butte's Fly, Harrop smoky olive, clarkia, godsend, new's pupa, CDC buckle, emerger/dry, emerger/large, sparkle emerger, Maruino's x-caddis, King's River, DB bi-Bliss, royal blue, SRR bi-Bliss (#14-18). Stoneflies (see McCloud River).</td>
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<td>Spooner Lake (in Nevada, near South Shore Tahoe)</td>
<td>Clear, cold.</td>
<td>This catch-and-release lake is fishing well. Rainbows, brownies, and brookies are feeding on midge and caddis flies from 5 to 8 am. Average trout is 12-16&quot;, with some fish to 20&quot;. After the morning hatch, flooding lines with streamers and calabash nympha is the ticket.</td>
<td>Calabash nymph - braided fly, the calabash, phantom tail, physon fly, blue winged olive nymph, CDC transition nymph, CDC transitional dun, sparkle dublin, perl wing, Lawson's floating nymph, sparkle dun, Staluppi CDC biot dun, thorax dun, Harrop caddis dun, parachute (#14-18). Midge (see Hot Creek). Stoneflies (see McCloud River).</td>
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<td>Trinity River (below Lewiston Dam)</td>
<td>380 cfs, mid 50°F.</td>
<td>Fishing is fair and improving. Decreased releases from Lewiston Lake make wading easier. Steckles from 17-22&quot; are being caught on large nymphs mainly early in the day. Steelhead counts are still in the system and are running large (8-11&quot;). Use any beadhead or attractor dry. They are more than willing.</td>
<td>Adams parachute, humpback, multi-waxed (94-16). Stoneflies (see McCloud River). Submersor (or Ulova Lake).</td>
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**Shad Report - Sacramento River**

- Lots of shad in the system, and with the warmer weather, expect very good fishing. Red 48 has been the most productive area. Shad have not spawned yet. Yuba River - Fishing has been good one day and slow the next. Redfish River - Spotty. American River - Lots of shad in the river, expect good fishing, as water temps rise.

- Other reports - Stanislaus River below Tuolumne dam and 240 cfs; expect fair fishing with shad piking during the day and caddis dries last hour before dark. Fork Creek is fair; water levels are moderate (310 cfs), fishing is fair. Use a beadhead with a small mayfly dropper. Dyer Creek below Jolly Cove is high, but fishing well; stoneflies are out and some trout in 18" are being reported on both nymphs and dry fly. Yellow Drake is fair; the campground is open and the green drake hatch is on (a couple brownies over 20" reported). Butte Valley Reservoir is spotty due to cold, high inflows; look for improved fishing in coming weeks. Lewiston Lake is fishing fair; calabash hatch is good one day and slower the next. Kirman Lake (off Hwy 108 near Sonora Junction) is fair to good; brookies from 1 to 4 lb are being caught on seeds and streamers. Be prepared for and 2 hour hike in to the lake. Eagle Lake is fishing well in the shallow coves with small beaches cast to cruising fish. North Fork of Feather near Oroville is fair to good for 8-14" natives; steelhead are the ticket. Red Clover Creek near Quincy is fishing well with nymphs, dry fly action has not started. Crowley Lake is spotty for trout, very good on perch. Bass Lake is fishing well with small nymphs, dries, and a strong crow flies (16") which has fish on top in the evening. North Fork of Stanislaus Rivers, Butte Canyon, Pluma Valley Creek, East Walker blown out for at least two more weeks. Truckee Creek is high and fishing fair from Shasta City to Alpine Meadows; beefhead and streamers are the ticket. Below Alpine Meadows the river is blown out. Little Truckee between Boca and Stampede Reservoir is fishing fair with beefhead, some PMDs hatching mid-week. Salmon Creek is high and clear; fishing fair for larger beefhead. Mays Lake is dropping and clearing; some blood midge action in evening. June Lakes Loop (Silver, June, Call) fishing fair for excellent rainbow; fish streamers and beefheads on full fishing lines. Upper Sacramento Alert. The Department of Fish & Game will be collecting and analyzing data pertinent to the fishing regulations for the Upper Sacramento River. They will be forwarding a recommendation to the Fish & Game Commission, who will decide the river season for 1996-1997. These actions will take place later this summer. Your help will be needed to enlist support, write letters, attend meetings, make presentations, analyze data, and generally lobby on behalf of continued catch and release, no stocking. Please let us know if you are interested or willing to help. Call Doug Lovell at 510/528-4234, fax 510/528-2613, or email DOUGFLY@AOL.COM. Additionally, if you fish the Upper Sacramento River, make it a point to spend your money with the local businesses. That means lodging, tackle, guides, and meals. Dunsmuir and Mt Shasta City are the two important communities. Also, when you do spend your $S locally, locally, the more you are fishing and that you are fishing for the Upper Sacramento River a destination because of the catch and release regulations. Money talks. Let your voice speak silently. |

**Trout Report**

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