

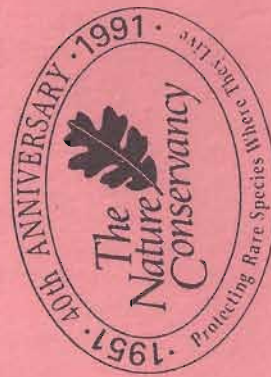
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December 1997

6	Swap Meet and Chili Cookoff Clubhouse	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
11	General Meeting Holiday Eats, Elections Program: Idaho Adventures	7:30 p.m.
16	Fly Tying — Clubhouse	7 p.m.
18	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.

January 1998

7-11	Cal Expo Sportsmans Show Visit the GBF booth	
8	General Meeting Program:	7:30 p.m.
11	Fly Casting Clinic Carnazzo Pond, Newcastle	1:00 p.m.
15	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
17	Tuolumne River Fishout Contact Nick English	677-7169
20	Fly Tying — Clubhouse	7 p.m.

The Leader is published monthly by Granite Bay Flycasters, a nonprofit association of flyfishermen and flyfisherwomen who meet once a month at the clubhouse located in the Granite Bay Group Picnic Area at Folsom Lake. The organization is dedicated to fostering fly fishing skills, good sportsmanship and conservation of fish habitat. For membership information, contact Rob Ferroggiaro, 791-0887.

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December Program

Idaho Adventures with Mark Niece. This former GBF member couldn't stand it any longer. Fly fishing when he could just wasn't enough. He needed to be on the water every day. So he did what many of us just dream about: He abandoned California for the wilds of Idaho, hung out a shingle as a fishing guide and outfitter...and discovered Nirvana.

At the December meeting Mark will tell us about the kinds of trips he offers — a pack-in service into the Idaho high country wilderness, where fish grow big and plentiful, and jet boat trips on the mighty Snake River to catch rod-bending steelhead.

Come, enjoy the program, the fellowship, and the **Holiday Goodies**. Refreshment Chairman Terry Wasserman says there will be special munchies at the December meeting to celebrate the holiday season. So don't miss out.



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President's Message

by Bill Carnazzo

Well, here it is — my swan song.

This is my last President's Message, since you will have a new President as of January.

I have greatly enjoyed this year. It's a bit of work heading up GBF, but with the help of an outstanding board of directors, excellent officers and tireless volunteers who head our various committees and projects, it has been a pleasure.

As I see it, we exist for a number of purposes; have we lived up to those purposes this year?

I hope the membership feels that we have.

I believe that we have at least tried hard.

What are those purposes?

First, to fish — and we have indeed done that. And the club is already planning more fishouts for next year.

Second, to educate members on fly-fishing. We have accomplished this purpose through having fly tying clinics, casting clinics, outings, educational meeting programs, tying sessions at meetings, a "help desk" at meetings, Leader articles, and other educational opportunities for members.

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fishers for education, fellowship and angling company. This purpose was addressed by placing a large bulletin board in the clubhouse to foster a "fishing buddy" program, as well as the monthly article in the Leader — both of which were instituted after the survey of members produced a "wish list."

Fourth, to promote conservation. To address this purpose, GBF has furthered the Bear River project and donated \$900 to various conservation organizations. In addition, we have an active conservation education program.

There are other purposes which GBF serves, of course. But the point is that GBF is an active, capable, and fiscally sound organization.

I am pleased to now pass its leadership along in that condition to the next President, Officers, and Board.

Have a peaceful Christmas season, and..."See ya on the creek!!"



GBF Activities

Swap Meet/Chili Cookoff December 6, 1997

There's nothing like a GBF swap meet to help you clean your closet of unused fishing gear to make room for the new goodies you'll be getting for Christmas.

So gather up the rods, reels, waders, and flytying paraphernalia that you thought you needed...but didn't...and bring them to the Clubhouse Saturday, December 6 for a day of swapping, selling, trading, and all around good times with your fellow fly fishermen.

Bring along an appetite, too. We'll be cooking up some fearsome chili and fixings for everyone to sample, which means that the chili chefs among us ought to take this opportunity to show off their prized recipes. So stew up a batch to taste alongside the others. We'll see who's is the favorite, and/or the meanest.

Remember, this is a swap meet, your offerings should have some inherent value (i.e. no junk, please).

There's no charge and no "commission." See you at the Clubhouse Saturday, December 6. We'll be there — rain or shine — from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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ted will be placed in the raffle for the evening's meeting.

There are two judging classes, beginners and those with more experience. Anyone who has won the beginner category twice will have to compete in the non-beginner category from then on. This gives everyone a chance to compete at their own level.

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Rob Ferrogiaro won the non-beginner category.

John Butkovich won the beginner category.

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Flytying Skills Program

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(See the November 1997 *Leader* for directions.)

Flytying Skills Program Rules: GBF's flytying skills program is held each month at the general meeting. Everyone is invited to participate.

All you have to do is tie the fly of the month (see above) and bring it to the meeting. Judging is completed during the meeting and the best tied fly is announced just before the program, and the name of the tier is featured in the next month's *Leader*.

Flys must be tied in accordance with instructions from the *Leader* (right or wrong and irrespective of whether you find another version of the pattern in a book somewhere). We have to do this to keep the playing field level. The judges need to make a choice based on a single pattern.

This is an educational program for tiers who wish to advance their tying skills and/or simply enjoy this aspect of the sport. There is a gift certificate from American Fly Fishing Company for the winner in each category. All flies submit-



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January Fishout

Tuolumne River Trout!!!

Saturday, January 17. Call Nick English for details.

February Fishout

West Walker River, Nevada

Call Ron English for details

Fly Casting Clinics

Second Sundays

(No clinic for December)

GBF began a regular series of casting clinics for members this year as part of its educational program to introduce fly casting techniques to people new to the sport as well as to help experienced casters polish and expand their skills.

Fly casting clinics are held usually on the second Sunday of each month.

There will not, however, be a casting clinic in December. Watch this space for the announcement of the next series of clinics.

Bill and Judy Carnazzo have generously provided their pond in Newcastle for the clinics. And John Hogg



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just as generously provided expert instruction.

Clinics are held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. There is no charge for attending.

For most clinics, bring your own rod with a floating weight-forward or double taper line and a 7 to 9 foot tapered leader (2X, 1X or 0X). If you don't have equipment, some extra rods and reels will be on hand for you to use.

Useful accessories to bring along include line nippers and some red yarn for a simulated fly. Also, bring sun and eye protection and drinking water. Eye protection is a must if you will be casting — especially so for youngsters!

Each clinic addresses a casting fundamentals topic of interest to novices as well as an advanced topic for more experienced casters.

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Head

Black thread

Instructions

1. Using olive tying thread, cover hook with thread. The thread should extend about 1/2 way down the bend, past the end of the barb.

2. At that point, tie in rib material, then at the same point tie in a 1/8" strip of the mylar sheeting, leaving it pointing out to the rear. (Note: This can be obtained from craft stores; it is used as a ribbon for fancy packages.)

3. At the same point, tie in the green fluorescent material. Bring tying thread to front of hook. Wind the body material forward to about 1/8" behind eye. Tie it off there.

4. Bring the mylar over the back of the fly and tie down at forward end of body.

5. **Rib** the fly with the gold wire, thus fastening down the mylar shellback. Tie off ribbing.

6. **Dub** small thorax with the rabbit; **whip finish**.

7. Tie on the black thread and form a nice small black head. Whip finish again.

Enjoy, and "see ya on the creek!!"



Flytier's Corner

by Bill Carnazzo

This Month's Pattern: *Electric Caddis*

The Electric Caddis was featured here several years ago.

I have again featured it because it is a great winter pattern, and we are planning a January trout outing (unless we get El Nino'd to death) to the Lower Tuolumne, which is open after January 1st.

The Electric Caddis is designed to imitate the smallish "free" caddis larva found on the rocks in freestone streams — sometimes called "green rockworms."

If you use a seine net while disturbing the bottom upstream, you will find the net loaded with these little wiggling caddis larva.

Fished on the point of the tippet with another fly (such as a Prince Nymph) on the dropper, it makes a deadly choice.

You will generally need to add weight to your tippet to get the fly (or flies) down on the bottom where those big ones are lurking.

Materials

Hook	Standard nymph hook, or
Tiemco 2457 —	#12-14
Thread	Olive
Rib	Fine gold wire
Body	Florescent or lime green flat nylon thread
Shellback	Pearlescent mylar sheeting
Thorax	Natural rabbit dubbing (greyish

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Becoming A Certified Casting Instructor

by John Hogg

I received notice from the Federation of Fly Fisherman that they will be conducting a Certification class at the Cal Expo Outdoor Sports show that runs January 8-11, 1998.

To receive the certification, you must attend a two-hour class and take a casting test. The test includes proper execution of the rollcast, forward cast, false cast, curve cast, mend, and a distance cast of approximately 70 feet.

Also, casting faults such as tailing loop, bad timing, open loop, etc. must be performed on demand. And you must be able to identify casting faults and demonstrate solutions.

It would be great to have more certified casters in our club., who can help the many novice and intermediate casters who are interested in becoming proficient casters. And as in any field, you the instructor will find your own interest and skills develop immensely as well.

If you are interested in becoming certified, please contact me, John Hogg at 823-9744, and I will be glad to work with you in preparing for the test.

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Annual Dinner

March 28, 1998

Annual Dinner Chairman Rich Brown informs us that he and his committee have set March 28 for the Annual GBF Dinner and good times event. Tickets for the dinner and for the grand prize drawing will go on sale at the January 8th general meeting.

Rich points out that the dinner will be held in a new location this year: St. John's Parish Hall in Folsom. The program will be well-known California author and book review editor for Fly Rod and Reel, Seth Norman.

According to Rich, inflation has not hit GBF, the \$30 ticket price for the dinner is the same as last year. Tickets purchased on or before February 28th include a chance at the "early bird" raffle prize.

This year, says Rich, each club member will be asked to sell a minimum of 10 grand prize tickets to non-members. The person who sells the most grand prize tickets will receive two fly lines of his/her choice.

The raffle and silent auction will once again be the talk of northern California, promises Rich. You may win anything from a premium fly rod to a free fishing trip to an artist's rendition of our favorite sport or any of dozens of other tempting prizes.

The annual dinner is one of GBF's major fund raising efforts. Proceeds go to the many conservation and educational programs and activities that the club undertakes each year.

Put it on your calendar now before something else can interfere.

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contributing 400-plus hours of labor. The pre-scheduled monthly work weekends seemed to be effective. Next season, it might be wise to delay the start until late June, depending on stream flow."

Next time you see Jim, offer your congratulations for a job well done, and volunteer for next year's work and play days on the river. The fishing is good. The work is satisfying. The fellowship is memorable.

A Message from Jim Coleman

Thanks to all of you Bear River Rescuers. You can all feel great about another season of successful work on the project. It has been put to bed until next year and probably has a little snow covering it now.

You regulars keep up the enthusiasm for next year. Our efforts are working. You first-timers now know why we keep coming back to the valley for more.

Those members who haven't had the privilege of breaking a sweat on the river should plan now to join us in 1998.

Thanks again, and Happy New Year!!!!

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Monthly Fly Tying Get-together

Third Tuesdays

December 16 at the Club House

by Bill Carnazzo

On Tuesday, November 18th, we had our regular monthly fly tying get-together at the clubhouse. There

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Sugar Creek Ranch Special for GBF Members

For GBF members, we have set up special weekend trips to Sugar Creek Ranch, which is located just west of the City of Mount Shasta.

The dates available are: February 14, February 28, and March 7 (all Saturdays).

Brochures will be available at the December and January general meetings.

What's Included:

■ One guided day (Saturday) on Sugar Creek Ranch, which has two ponds with very large trout, eager to take well-presented nymphs, dries, streamers and other flies.

■ Instruction on stillwater techniques, gear, and flies while at the ranch.

■ Two nights' lodging right on the upper Sacramento River in a private house in Dunsmuir.

■ Breakfast on Saturday before going to Sugar Creek Ranch.

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were five members there for a couple of hours, all having a good time sharing techniques, patterns and fish stories.

These sessions are a good way to get to know other members, meet fishing partners and pick up skills and tips on tying.

Whatever your level of skill or interest, you are welcome to sit in. The monthly fly tying get-togethers are for everyone — beginner to expert. The sessions start at 7 p.m. and end at or before 9 p.m. We meet at the Clubhouse the third Tuesday of every month.

The next get-together is scheduled for Tuesday, December 16. If you have questions, please call me at 663-2604.

See ya there!!!

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plete, says Jim. Much remains to be done and redone as Mother Nature takes her due from the feeble efforts of humankind. Here's Jim's latest report on the Bear River Project:

"This year saw a mixture of repair and reconstruction and new work, primarily planting. The project was damaged by the January flooding and high runoff, but the river in the meadow was healed to a great extent by the effects of nature. The narrow channels created by the brush traps that we installed the previous summer helped the high flows dig the stream bed deeper in those areas. The brush traps caught more sediment than anticipated for one season, therefore the hoped for narrow, deep channelization is occurring more rapidly than imagined.

The riparian growth is increasing dramatically due to natural regeneration and planting. We are experimenting with various sizes and species of local tree transplanting. The south bank has 13 trees in areas 1 through 3 and the north bank has 31 in areas 1 through 7. Time will show any success.

The fish count seems at least as good as in 1996. No reports of rainbows in the project area have reached me. (Only brown trout have been reported to date.)

Higher-than-normal flows hampered the in-stream work until late July. We concentrated on riparian planting until then. Brush traps in areas 1 and 10 were reconstructed and the log overhang in area 2 was replaced.

During the season, 32 adults and 18 scouts from BSA Troop 277-Meadow Vista worked the project,

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tion, or better yet, volunteer for a committee position. It's fun to be at the center of things and feel that you are helping make GBF a success.

Welcome!

Membership Committee Chairman Rob Ferroggiaro offers the club's welcome to GBF's most recent new members: **Ralph and Vicki Martinez, Ron Wetherall, Dave Phillips**, and the **Roesener** family: **Scott, Bonnie, Cody, Billy, and Justine**.

We hope to see all of our members at the holiday gala general meeting on December 11. There'll be lots of food, fun, fly fishing information, fellowship and raffle prizes. **See you there!**

Bear River Project Report

Jim Coleman is a man with a mission...and the perseverance and energy to make it happen. As project director of the **Bear River Project**, GBF's primary conservation effort, Jim, with the able assistance of fellow club member volunteers and other workers, is restoring a great fishery that was all but wiped out by decades of cattle grazing and neglect.

The Bear River is again running clear, cold and deep under tree-shaded banks. And trout are once again prowling the restored habitat. But the job is not com-

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News and Notes

School Kids Reclaim Creek

President Bill received a nice note from some kids at Casa Grande High School in Petaluma the other day. The students thanked GBF for our \$100 donation to their conservation project, the restoration of Adobe Creek and operation of a fish hatchery. A flyer that came along with the note explains what these kids are doing. You may find it interesting, and inspiring.

"Since 1983, the United Anglers of Casa Grande High School have made it their business to clean up what others leave behind. This group of ordinary high school students has set themselves an extraordinary goal: to heal a stream, repair its habitat, and save a fish species from extinction. In 1983, the United Anglers adopted a "dead" creek in an attempt to bring it back to life. They have planted over 1200 trees annually to rebuild Adobe Creeks wildlife habitat. They raised over \$500,000 and built a state-of-the-art on-campus fish hatchery where they've worked with world renowned scientists from the Bodega Bay Marine Lab. And most impressively, they have hatched over 30,000 Chinook salmon, receiving federal government permission to be one of three hatcheries nationwide to raise winter run Chinook salmon, an endangered species.

In an effort to educate others, the United Anglers have opened their hatchery to the public, to share their experiences as they happen. The students who run the

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hatchery give tours to those interested in learning more about the environment and how to preserve it. If interested in a tour, call United Anglers at (707) 778-4703.

Want A Fishing Partner on Your Next Outing?

If you would like to have someone join you for your next fly fishing outing, try posting a message on the *Fishing Partner Board* at the general meeting. It works like the message boards in a college dorm or at the laundromat — if your memory goes back that far. To find a partner, write on a slip of paper provided by the club a brief description of your planned outing — date, time, destination — and your phone number. Then pin it to the board where others can see it. Anyone with a similar interest can call to work out the details.

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Board/Officer Elections In December

Once again it's time to elect officers and board members of GBF. We will involve ourselves in this annual exercise at the December General Meeting.

We will be voting for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, two directors and a director-at-large.

Frank Stolten and Vern Stubbs served as the official nominating committee and, after canvassing the membership for volunteers to serve, are offering this slate of candidates. (However, if you have some other candidates **in mind**, please don't hesitate to make your nominations from the floor.)

Official slate of candidates:

President — Rob Ferroggiaro

Vice President — John Hogg

Secretary — Gray Allen

Treasurer — John Bergman

Directors (3-year term) (vote for two) — Rich Pontius, Jim Ferguson, Ken Jablonski, Bruce Bartholomew.

Director at Large (1-year term) — Drake Johnson

Please note: The annual election is an important undertaking. The club needs dedicated, energetic leadership to develop and maintain the kinds of programs and activities that you and your fellow members want.

If you have some ideas and would like to help develop them, as well as other plans the club has, please contact a board member or officer with your sugges-

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