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Granite Bay Flycasters

Mission: The organization is dedicated to conservation of fish habitat and promoting fly fishing skills and good sportsmanship.

Meetings: Granite Bay Flycasters general meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Granite Bay clubhouse located in the Granite Bay Group Picnic Area at Folsom Lake. For directions call Drake Johnson at (916) 783-0343.

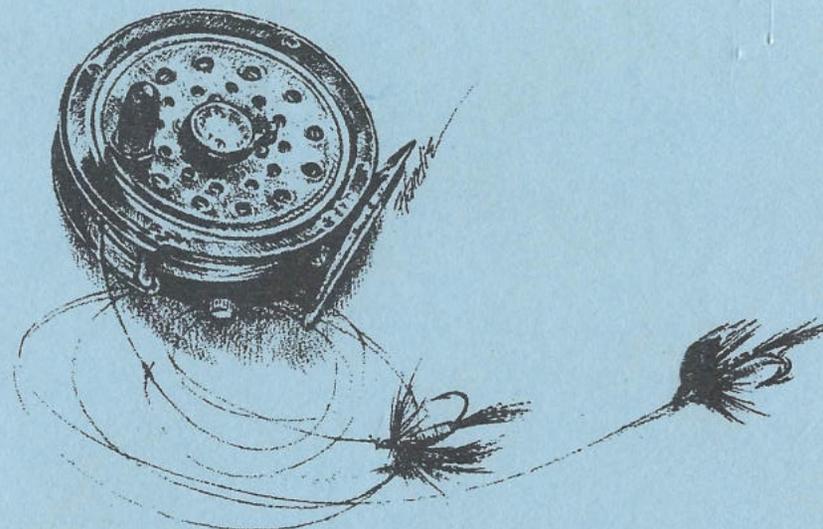
The doors open between 6:30 and 7:00 PM for socializing and fly tying demonstrations. The business portion of the meeting begins at 7:30 followed by a quick refreshment break after which the main program begins, which usually consists of a slide-show talk and/or demonstration. A dynamite raffle follows the show.

Membership: To become a member of Granite Bay Flycasters, a nominal fee is required: \$35 for a family; \$30 single; and youth (under 18), \$10. There is a \$7 initiation fee for new members. The cost of membership is pro-rated throughout the year. For membership information, call Jim Ferguson at (016) 781-2358.

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January at a Glance

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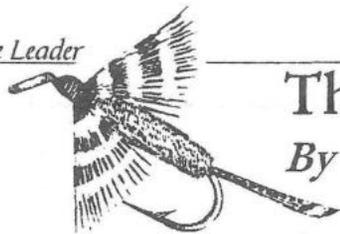
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"Yeah, Thursday sounds good, man; I don't have to work. All I have to do is twist up a couple of 'Stones'."

It's Friday, the week before. The plan is coming together in my mind. It'll be a good day: middle of the week (fewer people); fair weather; no honey-do's (yet) assigned; and the fishing report is good.

"Check this out Chris. My friend has private access above the highway 20 bridge. He caught several good sizer's the other day on adult stones."

It's Sunday. So far so good. Yeah, I've got to get that last Christmas present, but that won't be tough. There'll be no one on the river the day before Christmas Eve—too busy shopping. Haven't had a chance to tie yet.

"Hey, it turns out, Chris, that my friend can't use his Dad's 4 wheel drive which he needs to access that spot. But we can check out another spot that's open to the public."

It's Tuesday. Haven't tied yet. Got called in for an extra shift. Extra money. Haven't gotten that last gift yet. I'll do it tomorrow after I do the yard.

It's Wednesday night.

"I can't go M____. I'm not at all prepared. I've had no time to tie; I've got to get that last present; my sister-in-law is coming, and I've got to do stuff around the house: I just can't go!"

Turns out he couldn't go either—girlfriend thing.

The alternative plan: fish on New Year's day. Early New Year's Eve: "Hey Chris, I can't go; I don't have a license!" Neither did I.

January Program

What better way is there to enter the new year and millennium than with an experienced overview of the conditions of and successful fly fishing techniques for some of Northern California's most valued rivers?

Our January program will be presented by Terry Edelmann, guide and very creative fly tyer, who has spent most of his life fishing Northern California waters. A 6th generation California resident and 5th generation fly fisher, he began his angling career early. His grandfather said Terry could read water before he could walk and could catch fish from the falling rain! At age 10, Terry received his first fly rod, an 81/2 foot 7 weight fiberglass Pal. And at age 11, Terry received a new flytying kit which provided the foundation for some incredibly creative flytying in the years thereafter and into today. For his flytying talent, Terry has been published internationally. He is also the founder of an organization called Northern California Fly Tyers Association, a west coast club with members from San Diego to Hayden Lake, Idaho.

Twenty-two years of personal experience and generations of passed-down information has made Terry one of Northern California's premier guides. Terry has mastered several effective fly fishing techniques employed on these varied waters and will describe some of these techniques at the General Meeting. **Come meet Terry on Thursday night and find out why he is one of the more sought after guides in Northern California.**

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President's Message

Drake Johnson

Now that the Christmas rush is over and we have celebrated the beginning of the new Millennium in whatever way was right for each of us, our lives will return to a more normal pace. For me it is a time to focus on my responsibilities as President of the Club along with the myriad of other responsibilities that go with my life. I thank you for your vote of confidence and giving me the opportunity to serve you. I will do my best to continue the quality of leadership that has been provided by Rob and Bill, our most recent Presidents.

I am proud of our club and the contributions we are making to the sport of fly fishing and to our conservation efforts. This year will provide many new opportunities for us as individuals and as a club to contribute to the improvement of our fisheries and to share with others an appreciation of our sport and our love of the environment that surrounds it. I look forward to doing this with you.

For those of you that have not yet joined one of the organizations like Cal Trout, Federation of Fly Fishers or The Nature Conservancy, I encourage you to do so. These organizations are what provide the political clout to get our concerns heard. It is our support both as members and as individual letter writers that makes a difference. The benefits of membership with these organizations are worth it even if you have to give up a few new leaders and flies to pay for your membership.

Enough of the heavy stuff. I hope that Santa was good to you and your Christmas stocking was filled with fishing toys. I am looking forward to this year with great anticipation. I hope to spend more time on the water with old friends as well as new ones. This sport can become all consuming, something I must guard against in order to keep peace at home. I know, I know. We need to have balance in our life, more interests than just fishing. But how can one stay home when we have the Cal Expo show this month and the San Mateo show next month. And as long as the weather remains as beautiful as it has, who can refuse a day on the river?

In any case, I am looking forward to working with all of you this year. Hope to see you at the next meeting or on the water soon.

TIME SLOTS	WED., JAN. 12	THURS., JAN. 13	FRI., JAN. 14	SAT., JAN. 15	SUN., JAN. 16
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	1. Michael Gervais 2. Frank Stolten	1. English Family 2. Ditto
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	1. Christine Johnston 2. John Bergman	1. Don Cook 2. Drake Johnson	1. Jim Bennett 2. Tom Klinefelter	1. Pete Peterson 2. Jim Coleman	1. Pete Peterson 2. Scott Peterson
4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	1. Robert Tamson 2. John Sanchez	1. Mac Hunter 2. Jim Hunter	1. Joe/Barb Bania 2. Jim/Marty Holmes	1. Steve Hand 2. Steve Rickey	1. Drake Johnson 2. Ron Calvert
6:30 p.m. to Close	1. John Peterson 2. Michael Gervais 3. Frank Stolten	1. Chris Ronshansen 2. Rick Radoff	1. Vern Stubbs 2. Bus Gehring	1. Tom Sims 2. Bill Avery	1. N/A 2. N/A
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Support A Cause, Win A Prize!

By Rob Ferroggiaro

As most of you probably already know, Gary LaFontaine, the fine fly fisherman and author, has been diagnosed with ALS, better known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Gary has dedicated his life to fly fishing and has made contributions to our sport that benefit us all. *Now is the time to show your appreciation for this fine man.*

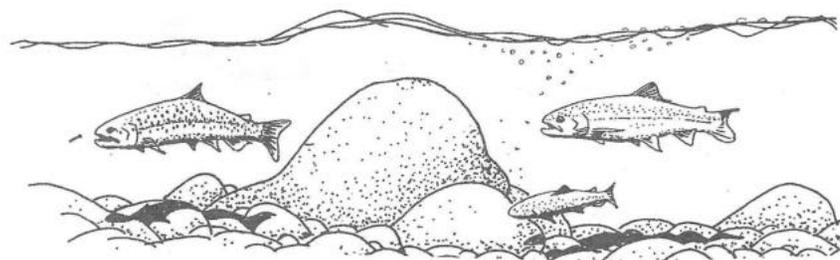
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Announcements

The Votes Are In!

At December's General Meeting, votes were cast to elect new Officers and Board Members. **Nathan Joyner** "threw his hat in" for the President's position at the meeting which was a surprise to all. As is customary, the two candidates, Nathan and **Drake Johnson**, spoke to the group in turn, describing what each would bring to the club. Both candidates had much to offer, but in the end Drake Johnson was the victor. Congratulations Drake! We look forward to your leadership.

Jeff Medina stood up with a nomination for Vice President of Conservation. **Cindy Leggett** was the target of confidence for this new position. She was surprised at Jeff's bold proposal but well poised and quick with an answer: "yes!" (How could she refuse with all those eyes on her? Good job Jeff!) Cindy was not challenged for this position (but will be *with* it) and was voted in unanimously. You were chosen for a reason Cindy!

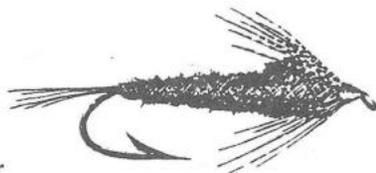
The rest was a no-brainer. Votes were tallied and the following positions have been filled. Take note of the vacancies for Director positions. Your name could help fill those spots. If interested in participating on The Board and developing a keener understanding of how our club is run, talk to **Drake Johnson** about how to join. See him at the General Meeting or give him a call at (916) 783-0343.

Officers

- President: **Drake Johnson**
- Vice President - Membership: **Jim Ferguson**
- Vice President - Conservation: **Cindy Leggett**
- Secretary: **Chris Ronshausen**
- Treasurer: **Rod Leggett**

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 Director at Large: **Christine Johnston**
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Building Leaders on the Net

By Bill Tierce

Did you ever consider constructing your own hand-tied tapered leaders? Tying your own leaders (like tying your own flies) is a win-win situation. You get an education in what makes a tapered leader work, *and* you get the feeling of success when you land that monster fish with that leader.

So the first question you're asking yourself is, "How do I start?" There are a number of variables to be considered: length, diameter, leader material properties, intended usage and knots. Fortunately, this is a subject that a number of people have written about thoroughly. You have only to read a few short documents to obtain this information. Hand-tied tapered leaders range from simple three segment designs to more complex leaders with eight or more segments.

The exciting news is that the documentation and formulas for leader construction are readily available on the Internet. While surfing the net, I came across a couple very instructive sites for those interested in tying their own leaders. These sites provide easy to follow formulas for well balanced leaders for a variety of fishing conditions. Check them out, and let me know what you think.

<http://globalflyfisher.com/fishbetter/leadercalc/index.html>

I have this template on disc if you don't care to download it; it's yours for the asking. Search me out at the General Meeting or give me a call at (916) 723-7617.

If you are not into spreadsheets, try this short document:

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FLYTYING SKILLS PROGRAM

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*Pattern for January Program: Extended Body Caddis Emerger
(featured in the December Leader)*

Note: This is an educational program/contest. Don't be reluctant to submit a fly! And ask for a critique from a more experienced tier; it will ultimately increase your chances at catching fish--and winning certificates to afford it!

For the winner of each category, American Fly Fishing has generously donated the following prizes for each month's contest:

Beginner: \$15.00 Gift Certificate

Advanced: \$25.00 Gift Certificate

This is an educational program for those who wish to advance their tying skills and/or just enjoy this aspect of the sport. The winner in each category will be announced at the meeting and in that month's Leader.

Winner(s) for December:

Beginner: n/a

Non-beginner: Jeanne English

Program rules:

- * judging will be during the meeting
- * best tied fly announced just before program, and name of tier featured in the next month's Leader
- * fly 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), in order to keep the playing field level. The judges need to make a choice based on a single pattern.
- * two categories: beginner and advanced. Anyone who has won the beginner category twice will have to compete in the advanced category from then on.

Reminder!

2000 dues are due, as you know. Talk to Jim Ferguson at the General Meeting if you'd like to "square up". Otherwise, send a check or money order for the level of membership you require to the club's P.O. Box printed on the back cover of The Leader.

The ISE at Cal Expo--Be There!

The International Sportsman's Exposition show at Cal-Expo runs January 12-16, 2000. Mark these dates on your calendar and be there! It's a great event! The schedule for booth staffing is included on page 23 of this issue for those who have signed up to work. This is a great club event and well worth the commitment to spend a couple of hours in the booth having fun and meeting people—as well as promoting the club and its activities. For those attending, there will be an instruction sheet in the booth for cash handling and other matters. The "pass" to get in to the show consists of the badge which is worn at the booth only. Those who have signed up to work will have their names on a list at the "will call" ticket booth at the main gate. They can pick up a badge there. There are only six badges; so, those working in the booth need to return the badge to will call so the next team can get in. Please cooperate in this regard. For more information about this event or further instruction for those participating at the booth, call Bill Carnazzo at (916) 663-2604.

Fly Fishers of Davis Annual Dinner

The Fly Fishers of Davis Annual Dinner is being held Saturday, January 22nd, at the Davis Senior Center. The program presenter is famed Northern California fly fishing guru, Andre Puyans. Andre Puyans, an inductee to the Northern California Fly Fishing Hall of Fame, has taught over 3000 fly tyers in the art of tying. At the evening dinner presentation, Andre will provide his perspectives and anecdotes on fly fishing while showing favored slides of his 50 year fly fishing career. The dinner and program cost is \$25 per person. As usual, the program will be accompanied by a drawing and silent auction. The afternoon clinic will cover Spring angling approaches and fly tying. The clinic will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. at the School's Meeting Room, 300 C Street (C St. just north of Russell Blvd) in Davis. A clinic donation of \$10 is requested. For more information contact Ron Rabun at 800-FLY-FSHN. To get into the early bird drawing for a fly rod, send your payment to the Fly Fishers of Davis, PO Box 525, Davis CA, 95617, postmarked by January 15th.

GBF's 15th Anniversary is Here!

Annual Dinner—A pivotal Celebration

By Jeremy Gray

Not only are we lucky enough to be living in the dawn of a new millennium, we also belong to a solid club full of character and a fairly long history—15 years worth! Our club has matured in many ways through the years with increased activities and resources, diverse and stable membership, administrative sophistication, and many other fine attributes. And you know you belong to a great club when you find several members who have been aboard since day one!

There are many features, offered by the club, making membership worthwhile. Of the major events that occur within the club, the Annual Dinner is considered the most important for a couple of reasons. It provides a great diversion, good food, drink, and great raffle prizes. Second, it provides to our club a substantial chunk of our yearly revenue without which the club (and particularly our conservation endeavors) would lose steam. This year is no different with respect to our need.

This year's Granite Bay Flycasters' Annual Dinner is fast approaching. Our annual fundraising dinners have been enormously successful, with close to 200 fly fishing enthusiasts in attendance last year. This year's dinner, Saturday, March 25th, promises to be another major success! Al Kyte, PhD—Author, fly-fishing and casting instructor and member of the Federation of Fly Fishers Board of Governors—will be our special guest for the evening.

Now here's where you come in. There are a few things that you can do as a member to ensure that this year's Annual Dinner, commemorating our 15th year as a club, is nothing short of awesome. Keep in mind that without your participation as members, there would be no dinner—no club. Here's what you, as a member, can do:

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This imitates the underbody.

4. Return the hook to normal position, and rib the body and underbody with the black rug thread. You can find rug thread at the yardage shop; use a substitute if necessary.
5. Strip the fuzz from a large brown neck hackle. Put a drop of flexament on the hackle, and stroke it backward until it is about 3/16 inch in width. Set it aside to dry. When dry, tie it in atop the fly, right on top of the forward end of the body.
6. Trim the rear end of the hackle to a rounded shape letting the feather stick out over the back end of the body about 3/8 inch.
7. Tie in a nice, stiff neck hackle on the still-bare front 1/8 inch of the hook, and wrap as a dry hackle. Trim the hackle top and bottom so that only the barbs which stick out to the sides remain.
8. Form a nice head, tie it on a 4X tippet (or 5X if the water is low and clear), wade in quietly, observe what's going on, cast to a rising fish, avoid all drag, visualize the take as it drifts, and hang on!!!

See ya on the creek!!!!!!



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Flytyer's Corner

By Bill Carnazzo

Little Winter Stone (dry)

In January of 1995, while fishing the Yuba for steelhead with a couple of friends, we noticed the fish taking adult stones off the surface. After capturing a specimen, I took it home and designed an imitation. The natural's characteristics included a tannish body, a yellowish underbody, a black head and a dark wing. They seemed to average about 1 1/8 inch in length and were fairly slim of body. The result is the pattern depicted below. Because the stonefly hatch is just beginning, it seems appropriate to feature this fly for January of the new millenium.

MATERIALS

Hook	Tiemco 200R, size 10-12
Thread	Black 6/0 or 8/0
Tails	Brownish goose biots
Body	Hare's ear or substitute synthetic
Underbody	Yellow polypropylene yarn (narrow piece)
Rib	Black rug thread or other heavy, thick thread
Wing	Brown hackle (reversed)
Hackle	Brown hackle
Head	Black thread

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cover hook with thread. At a point just above back of barb, tie in two biots, concave side out (usual stonefly arrangement). At the same point, tie in rug thread on top of hook and yellow yarn on bottom of hook. Let these hang out of the way for now.
2. Dub up a nice tapered body, leaving about 1/8 inch behind the eye bare.
3. Turn the hook upside down (or rotate vise) and pull the yellow

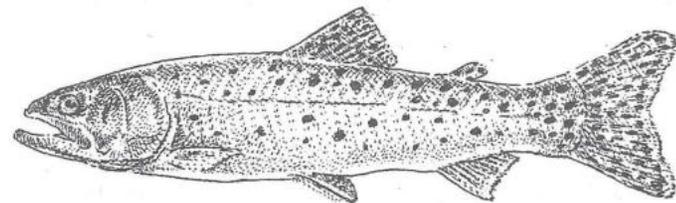
1) Purchase your ticket for the dinner by February 29, 2000. This early purchase assures your party a place, and, it also automatically enters you into an "early bird" raffle for a special prize. Also, pledge to sell at least one ticket to a fellow fishing enthusiast, associate or friend.

2) Donate a raffle prize (fishing related or not) or discount certificate for a product or service, and solicit those who have the means to do the same. All donations will be specially acknowledged during the dinner. Take note that Granite Bay Flycasters is a tax-exempt, non-profit corporation, making your donation tax deductible.

3) Sell Grand Prize Raffle tickets! This year the grand prize will be a trip to Hawaii! What an easy selling point for raffle tickets, especially when they're only \$1 a piece! The member who sells the most Grand Prize raffle tickets will be awarded a special prize.

4) Volunteer to help out behind the scenes. We need people to help coordinate the raffles, sell raffle tickets at the dinner, help with the set-up and clean up, track tickets sales and help out the night of the dinner.

So make this year's Annual Dinner a smash by participating in the above-mentioned ways and watch how we grow as a club through our 15th year because of your efforts. Seek me out at the General Meeting, January 13th, for more information about this event and for raffle tickets. Or give me a call at home (916) 797-3312 or at work (530) 478-9301. Or call Karen Losee, our enthusiastic Annual Dinner raffle manager for information at (916) 315-0708.



Up-Coming Programs/Activities

~ In order of occurrence ~



January 12-16

International Sportsman's Exposition

This is where the *real* sportspeople convene. It's the harmonic convergence of anglers, hunters and general lover's of the outdoors. This is the place to talk to experienced guides, dealer reps, shop owners and clubmembers from other clubs throughout the country who share an equal interest in our sport. Cast rods, watch tying demonstrations, check out the latest gear and when you need a rest, check out the plush velour seats offered by one of the many massive recreation vehicles on display. *See page 5 for more information*

A Look Ahead~

The year 2000 is looking great for GBF in many respects. But the most promising is the programs scheduled to occur in the coming months at our General Meetings. The Following is a brief outline of the presentations which will occur in the following months that you simply will not want to miss. **Mark your calendar now!**

February 10:

Dave Lentz of the California Department of Fish and Game will give a presentation on the efforts to restore and maintain the Lahontan cutthroat fishery.

March 9:

Bill Kiene will give a presentation on a subject not yet disclosed.

April 13:

Jeff McDaniels, President of NCCFF, will give us an overview of the esteemed conservation organization with which he's been active for years. Following that discussion, a clubmember will give a slideshow presentation of a fishing trip he (she) has been on recently.

Volunteer Board

Librarian

What better way is there to keep aware of the printed resources that the club has to offer its members than by tending them? The position requires that you show up (a *little* bit early) to the General Meetings each month. You'll be responsible for laying out the books/magazines for members to peruse and check out, and for keeping track of inventory. Not a tough job, but one that is essential. There's no particular time commitment for the position, but we're looking for someone to "take ownership" of the position and make it run efficiently. Contact Cindy Leggett for more information about this important position at (916) 791-4710.

Merchandising

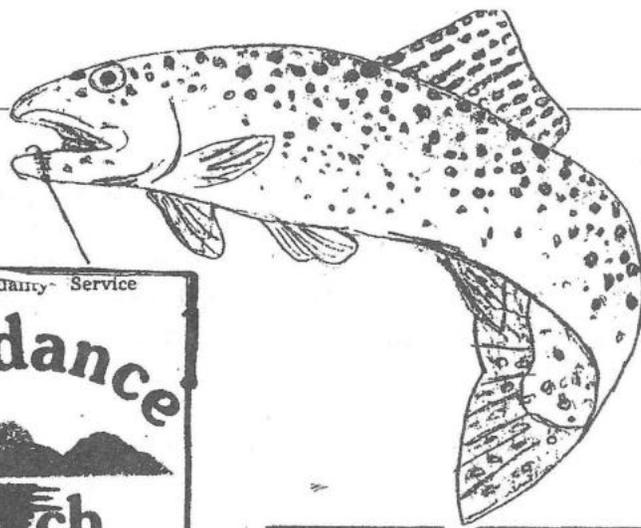
Got a knack for merchandising? The purpose of selling club merchandise is twofold: to give members an article that will identify them with the club; and to gain (a little) revenue for club functions, conservation endeavors, etc. throughout the year. It's important that we have this merchandise on hand at the General Meetings each month, prominently displayed, for people to select from. Inventory must be kept track of and new merchandise ordered to replace that which is sold...a no brainer. This is an important position, however, that requires some cash handling and accountability. Contact Drake Johnson for more information about this position at (916) 783-0343.

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The Big Ed Fish Society

May 11:

Members night is scheduled this month. This event provides an opportunity for fish stories to be exchanged and skills to be shared. Tables will be set up and manned by veterans and masters of the sport to provide members--new and old--with "tricks of the trade," if you will, to increase fishing success on your favorite lake or stream.

Fish Outs

January 30

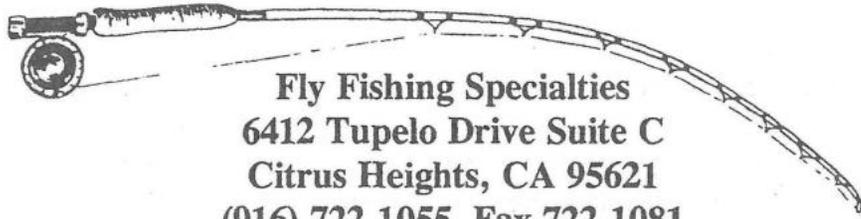
The Yuba: Steelhead on Superbowl Sunday!

It would be nice if *everyone else* was watching the "big game" while our club had the whole river to ourselves! Although the way the Niners are playing this year, we may just have some company. The only football talk allowed on this river will be in reference to the size of the fish we catch. Chances are good that Golden Stones will be chosen on the first round pick of flies to match the formidable steelhead teeming along the Yuba. We'll see. Ron English will lead the team to victory on the water this time 'round. Check with him at the January Meeting for more details, or give him a call at (530) 677-7169.

February 18-20

McCumber Lake: Bruiser Browns

Rod and Cindy Leggett are going up here early on Friday to secure a campsite on the lake; there are about 10 at this PG&E campground, first come first serve. However, there are several campgrounds within a short distance of the lake. The lake isn't too big, Rod says--about 4-5 hundred acres. There's some big browns in this lake--and some planters too. Callibaetis in the afternoon (Timberline Emerger) and mayfly patterns at night (Parachute Adams). "It's a great place to float around," says Rod. "It's a nice area, and you don't see a lot of people around." Check out www.theflyshop.com and click on to "Stream Reports" for more info on this lake, and (or) call the Leggetts for more information at (916) 791-4710. More info next month in The Leader



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kill of fish in the next two years.

FFF Council representatives have been involved in dialogue with DFG staff for over a year regarding this plan, expressing concern about the potential negative impacts of stocking and take of fish. During the next six weeks, fly fishing clubs throughout Northern California, including GBF, will be circulating a petition to be sent to DFG urging the following conditions:

- The put and take area should not be expanded.
- There should be 0 kill outside the put and take area.
- There should be stronger commitment to enforcement of regulations.
- Suction dredging permits be issued only after the appropriate scientific studies have been done and with ongoing monitoring.

Please sign the petition at the January club meeting. The petition will also be available at Cal Expo. Better yet, send your personal comments to:

Department of Fish and Game
 Michael Dean, Associate Fisheries Biologist
 601 Locust Street
 Redding, CA 96001

The Management Plan can be viewed on the internet at www.DFG.CA.gov in the "What's New" section. It contains a lot of interesting information about this river and isn't overly complex as far as government documents go.

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The Future of the Trinity and the Upper Sac: *Your Chance to be Heard*

By Rob Ferroggiaro

Trinity River Flow Decision

After years of delay, the proposed plan for restoration of the Trinity River was recently released in the form of an Environmental Impact Report and Statement (EIR/S). This is a key milestone in a process that started in the early 1980's when the government was ordered to make good on its promise to maintain the health of the Trinity River after the Trinity Dam was constructed. Fish counts have dropped by as much as 90% since the dam was built, and salmon and steelhead are either listed or candidates to be listed under the Endangered Species Act. The restoration solution recommended in the EIR/S would set target flows at approximately 48 percent of historical levels. Friends of the Trinity River argues that studies show a retention of at least 70 percent of the water is required for the river to recover.

Organizations that profit from the diversion of water from the Trinity have launched a major attack on this process to delay the implementation and reduce the amount of water left in the river, so it is important that we speak out for the fish. If you care about the future of the Trinity, you should send comments during this phase of the process. Comment cards have been enclosed for this purpose. Please sign and mail the cards as soon as possible. The deadline is January 20. The Northern California Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers will also be submitting written comments on the proposal.

Upper Sacramento River Management Plan

On November 2nd, the Department of Fish and Game released the long-awaited Draft Management Plan for the Upper Sacramento River. Once finalized, this plan will be the blue print used to manage this river for the foreseeable future. The draft plan recommends increasing stocking of hatchery fish and expanding the current put and take area by approximately 4 miles. Under this plan it is also likely that the river from Sweetbriar down to Lake Shasta would be reopened to the

Conservation Corner By Cindy Leggett

I am very new to the world of conservation. It's something I've always been intrigued by and wanted to be part of in the back of my mind, but either didn't have the right encouragement or wouldn't allow myself the time to get involved. When Nathan Joyner invited me to join his newly formed conservation committee last January, I hesitated for two reasons: lack of time to make the commitment and general ignorance about the complexities of conservation issues. In spite of my insecurities and lack of background in that area, I gave in and started going to the committee meetings last March because I realized I was getting involved anyway by attending local community gatherings about fishery conservation issues. **The bottom line is they are issues that I care about as a flyfisher(wo)man who wants to practice my favorite sport in pristine waters with frisky wild fish.**

What amazes me ten months later is that although I've barely scratched the surface of being "knowledgeable" about conservation, I have learned an incredible amount in a short period of time. I'm still a little confused by the multitude of acronyms, terminology, government and private agencies, legal channels, bureaucratic policies and procedures, and hydroelectric stuff. **But thanks to the hard work and patience of Nathan and the conservation committee I have gained just enough knowledge to be dangerous as well as addicted to the challenges the work offers.**

I really care about what I'm tasked to do over the next year. I'm probably going to need a lot of help, patience and forgiveness, but I'll try my best to continue to inspire the club as Nathan has done so well, and keep all of you informed on the important issues that affect the waters we fish. I've already developed some concrete ideas of things I would like to accomplish in the upcoming year that I'm very excited about, particularly the preservation of the Bear River property. I'm fortunate to have wonderful resources; the experience

Conservation *continued*

of Nathan, Rob, Frank, Jim and all the committee members, as well as the guidance and support from the NCCFF. I want to invite everyone who has an interest to attend a conservation committee meeting and see what it's about. If you feel hesitant like I did, just remember that the excitement from learning and the satisfaction from making a contribution will make your time well worth

By the Way...

Friends of the River is having their 20th Annual River Festival on February 18th-20th at Fort Mason Center, San Francisco. For more details, see www.friendsoftheriver.org.

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