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## Granite Bay Flycasters

**Mission:** The organization is dedicated to conservation of fish habitat and promoting Fly fishing 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 Denny Welch at (530) 889-8562.

The doors open between 6:30 and 7 p.m. 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 dynamic 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 Lester Snow 916-967-7563

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# FEBRUARY

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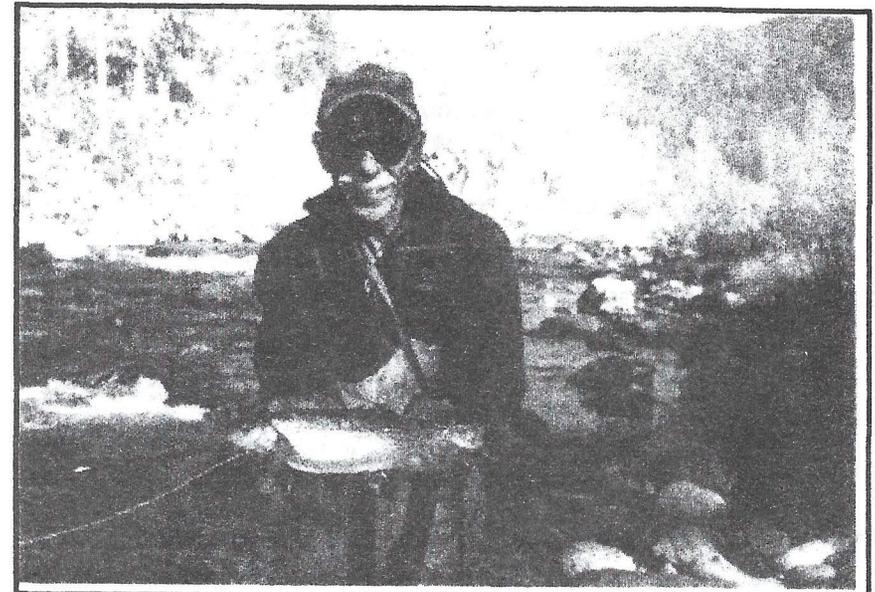
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## Flytier's Corner

BY  
**BILL CARNAZZO**  
 January, 2003  
**Bill's Simple Stonefly**  
 (Yuba version)

If you were born a "squalla" stonefly in the Lower Yuba River, spring would be a time of immense danger for you. Beginning in January (sometimes a little earlier) these little stoneflies become the insect *de jour* for Lower Yuba River fish—steelhead and trout. Other insects remain important to the fish (caddis, and maybe even mayfly species), but stoneflies predominate their menu. As the larvae crawl amidst submerged rocks and debris, their piscatorial predator feasts on them. Imitation of this larval behavior pattern through proper drift and depth control is crucial. Your fly must, in other words, drift naturally at or close to the bottom.

Larvae are dark in color, shaded with an olive-yellow hue. This month's stonefly pattern is "generic" in that it can be used for any color or size of stonefly. It serves as an excellent imitation for the golden stone, as well as black species. The fly can be tied with or without a bead. For simplicity, the bead is omitted here.

The adults begin hatching in mid- to late February. Next month we'll feature a stimulator pattern that seems to work well on the Yuba.

### MATERIALS

Hook	Daiichi 1260 or similar, size 8-12
Thread	Black or olive 6/0 or 8/0\
Tail	Black or olive fine rubber leg material
Body	Olive-yellow dubbing, shaggy
Rib	Fine olive v-rib or other vinyl ribbing material
Wingcase	Dark turkey, with a few strands of crystal flash
Legs	Black hen
Eyes	Monofilament or tiny "dumb bells"
Head	Black thread
Weight	.015 lead wraps

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Apply between 5 and 10 wraps of lead where the thorax will later be tied. Cover it with Flexament and wrap it tightly with thread, securing it front and rear.

## FISH OUTING, FEBRUARY 15-16, 2003

Where: **Rancho Seco Lake**; on Highway 104, 1 - 2 miles east of Clay Station Road

(water & electricity) = \$15 pWhen: **Saturday & Sunday, February 15 & 16 (rain or shine!)**

Contact: **Joe and Barbara Bania, Phone 530-677-4263**

This beautiful, clear 160-acre lake is a gem in the Sierra foothills. Where can you catch rainbow trout (up to 8 plus pounds), largemouth bass (up to 15 pounds), black crappie (dinner plate size), blue gill, red ear sunfish, and catfish all in the same day!!!! No live bait is allowed, only *plastic* worms -- but we use only flies, don't we? This is a put-and-take fishery so you can keep several fish for the frying pan or let them all go. Boats with gas motors are not permitted, but electric motors are OK. It is frequently breezy in the afternoon so bring a wind breaker. Cool weather is the norm during this time of year so dress warmly and be prepared for rain. Water surface temperatures are usually in the high 40's to low 50's with a few hatches coming off in the late morning or early afternoon. Midges are also abundant. I prefer to go dredging for larger fish and will use an intermediate or type II sinking tip/line. Five to seven weight rods, 8½-10 feet will do here. Since the water is clear you sometimes have to go to 5X tippet or lighter.

Various size beadhead olive woolly buggers with sparkle (#14 to #6) have been the most consistent fly for me. Both purple and black buggers with sparkle are also good. However, I have caught them on matukas, leeches, crayfish and small minnow patterns. Experiment! Change if you are not getting any strikes, try a variety of patterns; many unusual flies work at this lake.

Be careful and think about your safety. A person was killed climbing trees looking for bass several years ago. Ticks can be a problem here, too. Check your clothing if you go hiking.

Activities for non-fishing members of the family include hiking paths, bird watching, wildlife viewing (including Amanda Blake Memorial Wildlife Refuge), horseshoe pit, and picnic tables on which to do crafts/games/etc.

The park opens at 7 AM with no entrance allowed after 6 PM. Discounts are available for seniors (age 62 and above) and disabled persons with placard. Fees are as follows: Day Use = \$5 per vehicle, seniors \$4.00; Boat on trailer = \$8.00, seniors \$6.00; Tent Camping (water at site) = \$10.00 per night; RV sites er night, seniors \$12.00; Solar-heated showers = 25¢ for 3 minutes (bring quarters!). Campsite reservations are required two weeks in advance. Phone 916-732-4913 Mon-Thurs 9 AM - 3 PM.

I will be in RV site #17, and will keep hot water and a fire going all day if the weather is cold. See you there!

[More detailed information and sign-up sheet at next general meeting.]

# FLY TYING SKILLS PROGRAM

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Pattern for January Program:  
(featured in the December Leader)

*Don't be shy submit a fly! Ask for a critique from a more experienced tier; it will ultimately increase your chances at catching fish and winning certificates to help support your habit.*

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

**Beginner: \$15 Gift Certificate**

**Non-beginner: \$25 Gift Certificate**

\* The winner of the gift certificate in the non-beginner category will be determined by a drawing between those who have entered that specific contest.

## December Winners:

Experienced: **Ron English**

\$25 Gift Certificate

Bragging rights **Mike Gervais**

Beginner: \$ 15 Gift Certificate

No Entry

### Program rules:

\* judging will be during the meeting

\* best tied fly announced 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.

2. Fold it in half and, with the loop to the rear, tie it in just above the barb. Don't cut it yet, as the rest of the fly is easier to tie with it intact.
3. Tie in the ribbing material at the same point, and let it hang to the rear out of the way.
4. Tie in a dubbing loop at the same point, and move the thread to the front of the hook.
5. Using a dubbing loop tool, create a shaggy "rope" of dubbing by filling the loop with the dubbing material and twisting the tool.
6. Wrap the "rope" forward to the rear of the lead and tie it off.
7. Wind the ribbing material forward to the same point. Use only 3 to 5 wraps, depending on hook size. Tie it off securely and add a drop of super glue to the wraps.
8. Using a piece of velcro (hook side), tease the dubbing out from beneath the ribbing, creating a shaggy look. Trim the bottom and top of the abdomen, and then the sides. The finished product should have a taper to the tail area.
9. Cut a few strands of crystal flash and tie them in on top of the lead, with the ends pointing to the rear. Tie in a piece of dark turkey approximately 1/4" wide on top of the lead; wrap it down well, making sure that there is no gap between the abdomen and the rearmost spot where the turkey is wrapped.
10. Dub the thorax, using a bit more dubbing than was used for the abdomen...the thorax should be more robust than the abdomen.
11. Tie in another loop of rubber leg material just behind the eye, with the loop facing out over the eye. Don't cut the loop yet.
12. Tie in a pair of mono eyes behind the eye at the same spot.
13. Strip the fuzz from a hen feather. Then cut the stem about midway down its axis, leaving a "v" shaped remnant. Place this remnant on top of the thorax, with the concave side down. This will represent the legs. Tie it down just behind the eye of the hook.
14. Bring the turkey over the top of the thorax and tie it down behind the eye. Bring the crystal flash over the top and tie it down at the same spot. Place a bit of dubbing over the tie-in spot and whip finish. Place a small drop of super glue over the thread winds.
15. Cut the rubber leg material loop at the rear in half to form the tails, and shorten them to about 1/2 shank length. Cut the loop at the front, leaving the antennae long. That's it. Sounds more complicated than it is.

See ya on the creek!!!!

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means your line is dragging behind it and a downstream mend is needed. And if the toothpick is pointing downstream then your fly line is dragging the fly, and an upstream mend is needed. At least one BB size split shot is needed unless you are fishing water that is relatively flat and calm. In faster riffles and slots you may need up to 3 BBs to get your fly down. If you aren't hanging on the bottom at least every once in a while, your flies aren't getting down to the fish.

When fishing the redds, stay back and cast above them to give your flies time to get down before drifting through. **DO NOT WALK THROUGH THE REDDS.** You can kill thousands of unborn salmon with just a couple of steps through a redd.

When fishing glo-bugs with a dropper, let the rig swing when it gets to the end of the drift as the Yuba fish are known for taking nymphs on the swing and will also occasionally take a glo-bug on the hang.

The end of fall and beginning of winter bring adult steel head in to take over the spawning grounds. They prefer finer gravel than the salmon but can also be found in the same areas.

Higher flows don't mean the fishing shuts off; it only changes to bank fishing. When the flows are in the 2000-4000 cfs, fish the shallows with nymphs, stone flies, and caddis pupas.

Stoneflies are a prime source of food this time of year. January is the month when we start to get the smaller squalla stoneflies. These are best imitated with a poxy-back rubber legged stonefly, a large bead-head gold-ribbed hare's ear, or for a dry, a little yellow stimulator dubbed with an olive tinged yellow and hackled with black.

Don't miss out on the tremendous fall fishing offered by the Lower Yuba. These fish are wild and put up a killer fight; it's not unusual for a sixteen inch Yuba trout to take you into your backing! Remember, salmon are spawning during this time and caution should be taken when fishing amongst the redds. Before you go out, stop by my shop in Nevada City for more information and to gear up for a fine fishing day on the Lower Yuba.

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flies in front of stripers (all year) and shad (May through July).



The stripers range in size from 1 pound to over 50 pounds! They are fierce battlers, and aggressively chase flies. They are no dummies, however, so catching the big ones isn't always a snap

Shad, in contrast, are frequently easy to catch. They don't grow as big as stripers—the biggest are 6 or so pounds—but they fight really hard and are far more numerous. In a morning or afternoon session an angler can catch more than 20 of the ras-cals!

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## Fishing the Lower Yuba River

Jeremy Gray

The Lower Yuba has been a secret treasure of Northern California fly fishing for quite a while, but the secret is getting out. Today, the river is enjoying its greatest popularity in years, but it is still far from being over-fished and is still wide open except on big fishing weekends. The lower Yuba River between Englebright Dam and the Daguerre diversion dam offers over eight miles of wild trout, steelhead, and salmon waters, and it is just a little over an hour drive from Sacramento.

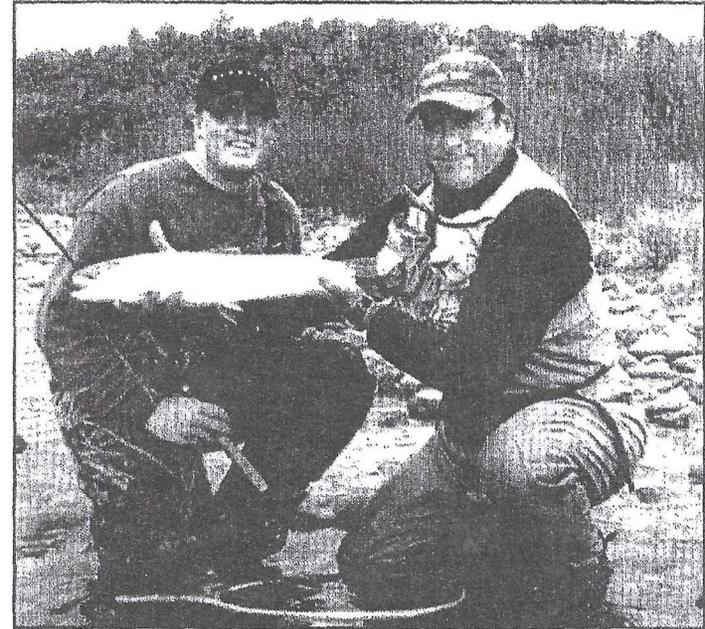
The fall is the most productive time for fishing the Yuba. Fall brings the salmon to the redds, and dead drifting glo-bugs and nymphs under an indicator can make for some 20+ fish days. The Salmon redds are identified as white patches in the gravel on the bottom of the river. The salmon stir up the gravel with their tails as they build their nests, shaking off the algae coating on the gravel and turning it over. This action also stirs up mayfly nymphs, stone fly nymphs, caddis lava and pupae.

Combining this with the escape of hundreds of eggs makes for easy pickings for the trout and steelhead who get right into the redds with the salmon or wait down below them. You can see the salmon chasing the trout and steelies along with the jacks (immature salmon) as they work on the spawn.

The trick to this kind of fishing is getting a dead drift and getting the flies right down in the gravel. Lots of split shot and a good indicator are keys to success this time of year. Boles Float Right Indicators are the best for novices learning this type of fishing. They look like pumpkins and float better than anything. They are orange and have a little green and black "toothpick" sticking straight up out of the indicator. The reason these work so well for novices is that they will point in the direction of the drag. If the toothpick is pointing upstream, it

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## GBF Annual Dinner: March 29th "Four Seasons on the American River"

with Dave Howard  
The Place

**Day Program**      **10 am**      **Granite Bay Activity Center**  
on Folsom Lake, Granite  
Bay, East end of Douglas  
Blvd. In the State Park

**Evening Program** **5 pm**      **St. John The Baptist Church,**  
**307 Montrose Dr., Folsom, CA,**  
**95630**

### The Schedule

#### 10:00 a.m. at the Granite Bay Activity Center:

At the day program, Dave Howard will talk about equipment and flies, wading safety, and a demonstration of the double haul cast. All oriented to fishing on the American River.

There will be refreshments provided at this event.

#### 5:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

The bar opens at this hour. Treat yourself to a glass of wine, cold beer, soda or mixed drink before dinner and "shoot the bull" with folks.

Now would be a good time to assess the awesome trips and gear Frank Stolten has provided for the silent auction. Bring your checkbook—and good luck!

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## Yuba River Encounter

by: Ron English

Once again Super Bowl Sunday is upon us, as is the Super Bowl Sunday fishout to the Yuba River. Jeanne & I attended last year's fishout and plan to be part of this year's fishout. Last year we were faced with an ugly encounter while on the River fishing. We arrived at the UC property and headed up the river to an area I had fished many years ago. The fishing was slow but the weather was nice so I decided to take a break, with my mind wandering to days passed and how the river moved. I was sitting where I once fished in the past. I looked up and saw a person on the opposite side board his float tube and kick across the river. Upon arriving on our side of the river he proceeded to Jeanne and asked if she was with GBF and if she was aware she was on private property ( with no reference to his authority).He was hell bent to kick us out of the area. We were clearly within the high water line. He then spotted Jeremy G. and started yelling at him to get out and said he told Jeremy not to bring people on to his property/water. So we all left to avoid further confrontation.

On the way out, Jeremy stated that the person ordering us off of his private property was an owner of the fly shop in Auburn. He apparently bought access so he could bring clients to private water. Pure greed drove us from the river.

I have to wonder why I worked so hard to get the Yuba above Hwy. set aside for catch & release. I sure didn't do it for the personal gain of some shop owner or guides. I now wish I never got involved to get the Yuba catch and release. I had better days fishing the Yuba with my friend Terry long before it became "quality water". I hope this year I can enjoy the river as a dopey old fisherman!

Listen for your number later in the evening. This year there will be *many* spectacular prizes! Last year, everyone went home with something!

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., after the opening ceremonies, and will consist of your choice of chicken cacciatore with mushroom sauce OR sausage, peppers, and onions in pesto sauce along with pasta, garlic bread, caesar salad, and pink champagne ice desert.

### 7:30 p.m. Center-Stage

Following the awards ceremony (Wet Fly, President's and Conservation awards) will be a spectacular video and slideshow presentation by Dave Howard. Dave's program, "Four Seasons on the American River," will consist of a technique oriented slide show emphasizing all of the exciting fishing on the American River. Our local major river is an excellent fishery that hosts a variety of anadromous (sea-run) species throughout the year.

His show will start with the Spring season, casting surface caddis patterns to feisty, wild, spring-run steelhead. We will progress into the summer months, with its hot action hooking hard-fighting shad and stripers, then we will move to late summer and autumn with swinging big flies for the challenging early run king salmon. We will also look at indicator techniques used to hook fall run steelies. During our winter segment I will discuss spey and conventional techniques used to hook the big winter steelhead. The program will conclude with a video segment showing the hooking, fighting, and landing of a large American River striped bass.

We'll wind up the evening by calling the raffle and presenting the silent auction results. The rest is history...

*So get your tickets now and plan for a memorable night with Granite Bay Flycasters!*

Tickets to this event are available by calling Art Hawkins at (916) 725-3026.

Get them while they last!

## Nevada City Anglers

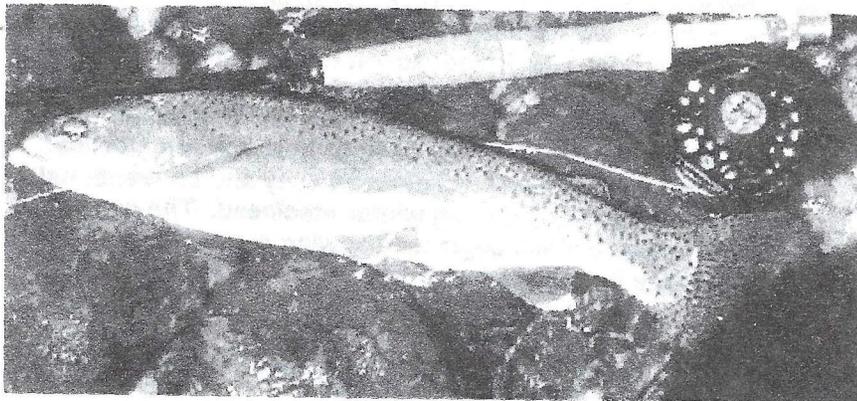
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## FEBRUARY SPEAKER LOU GUTTERRES

The speaker for February is Lou Gutterres. He will start with a short demonstration on saltwater leaders, bimini knots, and knots forshock tippets. The program will include distinations, rods and reels and basic

## FLY TYING SEMINAR

**Dates: March 10, 17, 24 & 31, and April 8, 2003 (Monday evenings, 6:30 pm)**

This seminar is for beginners and for those who have tied some, but have not reached the "intermediate" stage. The class will be limited to the first ten who sign up and pay the \$20.00 fee. Emphasis will be placed on techniques that will enable the students, with practice, to tie most trout nymphs and dry flies. For more information, call Bill Carnazzo at (916) 663-2604. There will be a sign-up sheet at the February meeting. If you don't want to wait until then to sign up, mail a check to Bill at 2079 Country Hill Run, Newcastle CA 95658.

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grab? I cast it again...let it drift...let it swing...let it swing...yeah, another grab. I threw it again...let it swing...let it swing...let it sw.....FISH ON.

I was fishing a SAGE XP 7 wt. and it didn't matter. I may as well have been using silk thread on a bobbin. I had no control, the fish had it all. It made it to the fast water and headed down stream. I was chasing it, bumping into my troops, tripping over rocks and cursing like a sailor. It stopped, but I didn't. There was slack in the line and it could have broke me off in a heartbeat. Instead, it just waited for me...and then it took off again. I looked down expecting to see smoke raising from my reel. I didn't see smoke, but I didn't see a lot a backing either. The thing was going to spool me, I just knew it.

This went on for over twenty minutes. My wrists hurt, my tongue was parched and my rod was starting to make "creeky" type sounds. I had already hunkered down the drag and was trying my darndest to break off the fish, but nothing worked. Gary stayed with me the whole time. He wiped my face with moist towletts and recited brief passages from "The Old Man And The Sea". It must have helped because the fish started coming in...not much, a couple inches here and there and then a foot. I'd back up and pick up another three feet of line. It was happening, the fish was giving up and my heart soared. It wouldn't be long now...another forty or fifty feet. The fish tried another run, but I had it's number and knew what to do.

Have you ever had a rod explode in your hands. No fun. The sound was deafening and it took my breath away. The fish sensed freedom and tore the cork from my grip. The rod, the reel and the fly line were picking up speed and making a straight line for deep water. Gary took a couple giant steps and then dove for rod, snagging it at the last moment. We both tugged on the line for another minute and then the fish was gone.

I walked by the troops with the busted rod dangling from my numb arm. Each of them looked me square in the eye and I sensed their pride. They all knew that the battle was lost and the adversary had won. But one day does not a war make and we'll be back tomorrow.

Get involved and join us in a fishout.

Until next time.

Denny

## Wet Fly Award

The Board of Director will be taking nominations for the Wet Fly Award at the February meeting. The Wet Fly Award is given to the individual that has demonstrated the highest level of "at oneness" with the waters that we fish. In other words, one who with or without grace and finesse has taken unexpected dips in a stream or lake.

We will have nomination forms at the meeting for you to make your nomination. The nominations will be kept secret until the winner is announced at the annual dinner. If you have any nominations, please fill out a nomination form at the club meeting, with the name of the individual, a brief description of the event deserving of the wet fly award, and your name so we may contact you for additional confirming details. If you can't make the meeting, then contact a Board member with you nomination by the Feb. 20th.

## WANTED: Annual Dinner Raffle Volunteers

The Annual Dinner work is well underway and several volunteers are doing a great job in making this year's dinner a success. The Raffle and Silent Auction are the two largest fund raising activities of the club and allow us to continue our children's, education, and conservation programs.

**However, we need help to make the Raffle as successful as last year.** We had over 180 raffle prizes last year and almost everyone went home with a prize. If you could spare some time to ask for donations at local merchants, fishing shows, etc., help contact suppliers by mail, or make follow-up phone calls, please contact Paul Meyers or Karl Wolff.

Thanks,

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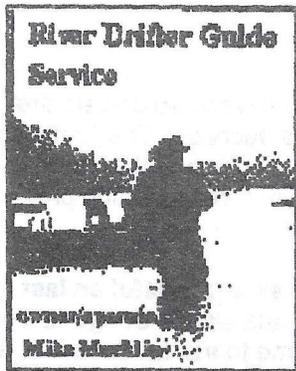
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**President's Message  
By Denny Welch**

Most of you know me and you know that I would not lie to you, nor would I ever say or do anything that would bring shame or disrepute to Granite Bay Flycasters. Based on these things alone, I ask you to believe every word that follows. This story is true.

It was a cold and windy night. I know, because I was too excited to sleep. The following morning was our annual Super Bowl Sunday fishout which was going to be held on the American River at Upper Sunrise. Rumor had it that rodbustin' steelhead the size of your leg were lying in wait and dared the faint of heart to cross the river. That didn't stop us though. Our mission was to cross the river, to look fate in the eye and spit in it's face.

We gathered at the assembly area a little before daybreak. There were about 15-20 of us. Not much was said. Our thoughts were with our families and our loved ones. We looked around...silently... and wondered who wouldn't be returning. Another special bond was made that day between Alex and his dad, Vic. You could tell from the cold determination in their eyes that they were going into this thing together and that they would proudly uphold the name "Giannini". Semper Fi, man, it was time to move out.

I led the first squad along the trail until I found a spot where we could ford the river. The river was high and the water was cold and we had to hold our rods high so as not to get them wet. We almost lost Alex, but someone must have grabbed him by the scruff of his neck and floated him across. Our objective was in sight just as dawn came upon us. The troops deployed along the river without having to be told what to do. A single tear found it way to my eye and rolled unashamedly down my cheek. Our training had paid off and I, as your leader, was proud.

The enemy was well dug in and failed to show themselves. We opened up with everything we had...leeches, egg patterns and bird's nests. Carnazzo tossed a couple caddis grenades. Sturmer and Gary were walking the lines encouraging everyone on. Jeanne was tending the sick and wounded until our troops became decimated and she picked up a rod and did her part.

Hours had passed and we had nothing to show for our hard work. I had to do something. Angry stares and threats of mutiny...what was I to do? I opened my "special" fly box just as a single star rose from the East. A laser shaft of brilliant light shot from the star into my box and lit upon my own hand tied Green Butt Silver Hilton. I tied it on my line and tossed it out...nothin'. I threw it again...let it drift...pick up the slack...let it swing...huh, was that a

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