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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE GRANITE BAY FLYCASTERS



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President's Message

Mike Howes



A new fiscal year is upon us. I am looking forward to a fun and exciting year. I would like to "Thank" Rick Radoff for the last two years, and the outgoing Board members: Fran Radoff –Secretary; Art Hawkins – Past President; Mike Kaul and Joe Aichroth – Three year Directors for their dedication to the Board. I would like to welcome the new board members: Robin Egan – Conservation VP; Chuck Honeycutt – Treasurer; Ray Ito and Larry Goodell as Three-Year Directors; Tom Pettey as Director at Large; and Jerry Devlin to complete the last year of the 3-year term previously held by Karl Wolff, who is our new Secretary. The new Board will have it's first meeting on July 17th. We will be taking a first blush look at the 2008-2009 budget.

A short background on myself—I am retired, married to my wife (Sharon) of 40 years. We have two adult children and three grandchildren. I joined the Granite Bay Flycasters six years ago, and during this time I have held the positions of Librarian, Membership

VP, Treasurer, and Annual Dinner Chair for two years. I enjoy laughing and having fun.

Speaking of fun, I just returned from the GBF Annual Picnic. Mike Powers really outdid himself. The One Fly contest is one competition you have to compete in. From the spying on the other guy's secret fly, to the shotgun start, to the awards ceremony is pure unadulterated fun.

The following may be true, but I am not sure. Bill Hagopian saw what team he was assigned to in the One Fly contest – Ron English and myself; and knew his chances to win a prize were thin, so he lost his fly 5 minutes out. Bill won the lost fly award. Mike had plenty of help to put on this event. Dave Thompson, Dan Lovesee, Don Van Sant, and Tony Hamamoto chipped in time. Don't miss this enjoyable event next year.

At the Annual Picnic Robin Egan, Conservation VP, gathered eleven of us to venture out to the former GBF Bear River project. It has been almost 10 years since GBF worked to shore up the banks of the river. The river has come back, but over the years some of the bank reinforcements have fallen. Robin will be contacting PG&E and the Fish and Game Department to find out how GBF can help in shoring up the structures.

And the fun just keeps on coming. Vicki Fenner has set up a barbeque on the Truckee River

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on July 12th. The hosting club is the Truckee-Tahoe Fly Fishers. There is a \$15 a head tab for the barbeque featuring ribs, chicken and dogs. If you didn't get a chance to sign up at the June meeting, give Vicki a call (916 216-3898) and tell her you are coming. It will be a great way to meet other Fly Fishing people, and to learn how to fish the Truckee River and the surrounding area. I am told they will even share some of their secret fishing spots.

There's another special outing/clinic being held in July. On July 19th (Sat) Bill Carnazzo will once again be holding a Nymphing Clinic on the North Yuba. Bill uses a technique call an "in-line" indicator. This is a great opportunity to learn this technique, and possibly catch some fish.

Bill Hagopian has volunteered to take on the position of Fishmaster. If you want to lead, or have an idea for a fishout, contact Bill at billh@comcast.net. We are always looking for new lakes and streams to fish.

We are looking for volunteers to fill in for "Librarian" and editor of "The Leader." If you would like to help out, contact me at Lifeisreel@aol.com.

. . .Life is reel

MEMBERSHIP

The official total number of memberships (family and individual) is 235 as of this writing. Persons wishing to join Granite Bay Flycasters can go to the appropriate page on our fabulous web site and download the appli-

cation form. Once it is downloaded and filled in, it can be sent to our club address or to me with the appropriate fee check.

Anyone wanting a copy of the membership list can obtain it by sending me an email message at bcarnazzo@ftcnet.net, and I'll send it in a reply. It is in Excel format. The board's policy is that the list is not to be used for any commercial purpose, and is not to be distributed to persons outside the membership—so please observe those restrictions. I will have membership application forms at each club general meeting.

If you have changed your email address, or your physical address or phone number(s), please notify me of the new address and/or phone number. The email address is very important since your President sends out email blasts containing interesting and useful information. The physical address is also important because that's where the Leader will be sent. We don't want our membership list to become stale, so please help us out on this. Also, **please check your email spam file periodically, or change your spam filter settings so that it automatically sends you a message telling you which messages have gone into that file; it appears that club-originated messages and some from individual members (including me) are going into spam files.** This will result in you not receiving important information about clinics, classes, outings, and other events, as well as email blasts from President Mike.

. . .Bill Carnazzo

Outing Committee Report

With the help of Denny Welch and Mike Susslin, I've handled the Fishmaster position for about a year and a half. I've enjoyed this gig immensely, but it's time to pass the torch. Your new Fishmaster is Bill Hagopian, a stolid member who is up to the task. We're planning on splitting off the clinics/classes from the Fishmaster position, as it has proven to be too much work for one person. I will continue to handle classes and clinics, and will have a hefty number of them for members during the upcoming year. I really want to thank all of you who helped with outings by leading and/or assisting with individual events. The willingness of members to step up to the plate made my job so much easier, and it has been much appreciated. Outstanding job, one and all.

Past outings

The **Sly Park** outing was held on May 28th; Gene Goss and Jim Holmes handled this one. Members in attendance caught smallies and trout.

The **Davis Lake** outing was held May 31-June 1. Once again Gene Goss and Jim Holmes, along with Ken Stram, handled this exciting fishout. Ken volunteered to allow members to camp out at his place near the lake. No one caught a pike, fortunately. The trout fishing was tough, but members had a good time.

The **Annual Picnic** and one-fly contest was held June 12-15; approximately 45 people attended, with most camping at the PGE

campground. Some of us fished the Truckee on Friday, and had excellent rainbow "catching." The one-fly contest was a resounding success. Mike Powers will be preparing a summary of the outing, including prize winners and a lot of funny "happenings" either for this issue or for the August edition—depending on his time schedule. Once again Mike Powers has done a fabulous job of organizing and implementing this major event. Tony Hamamoto, of course, did his usual wonderful job of preparing the ribs and chicken. Yum!!

Soon-to-be-past outings

Natoma Lake—Jim Holmes has postponed this outing because the Hex mayflies were not hatching. As Jim put it, this is a single-purpose outing that relies on the Hex hatch which occurs during the last 45 minutes or so of the day. No bugs—no fish. Jim said he'll try to reschedule it, depending on his schedule.

Rubicon—this outing is scheduled for June 21-22. About 10 members have signed up. The outing will be on the river above Ellicott Bridge, which is at the bottom of the Georgetown/Foresthill Divide. I visited the river on June 16th; it's very low and warm, and it is my belief that the fish are already stressed. Fishing for these smallish wild trout during such conditions raises ethical questions, especially in the case of a multi-member outing. I intend to discuss this with those who signed up; my recommendation will be to wait until early October for this outing.

Manzanita Lake—Denny Welch and Hans Geyer are leading this

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outing. It should prove to be an excellent outing for members wanting to fish in a pristine, lovely setting. Either Mike or Denny will do a wrap-up article after the outing.

Virginia Lakes—this 9000 foot elevation outing is always a hit with members—especially Mike and Sandy's Taco dinner on Saturday evening. The outing is scheduled for June 27-29. Mike will do a wrap-up article after the outing.

Upcoming outings

You can view the fishout list (through (July, 2008) on the website; also, keep up with the message board for "impromptu" outings. If you don't have access to the Internet and want a copy of the outing list, just give me a call or send me an email and I'll see to it that you get the list. Bill Hagopian will be developing the July '08 through June '09 outing schedule shortly, and it will be posted for all to see. It will also be published in *The Leader*.

2. Upcoming outings

Truckee River. On July 12th, we'll be doing a first-ever joint outing with the Tahoe-Truckee Fly Fishers. Vickie Fenner has an article on this outing elsewhere in this issue. This will be a great opportunity to fish the Truckee and Little Truckee with folks who know the river. Signups were taken at the June meeting,

and will be taken at the July meeting. More info on this to come.

North Yuba Nymphing Clinic

This popular event will be held this year on July 19th, on the North Yuba River above Downieville. Members who want to learn how to successfully catch trout on nymphs, or improve their skills in that regard, are encouraged to sign up. I will conduct this clinic, with the help of some Granite Bay Flycasters stalwarts. We have to limit this to 20 members, so we will likely have to use the lottery format due to the traditionally large response. We'll take signups on this in June and July, but for now place the date on your calendar if you want to participate. **Check the club's web site for details of this outing.**

Shad outing: We're working on getting a shad outing scheduled, assuming that there are fish to be had. This will be an impromptu event, so watch the message board.

For information on the individual outings, call or send an email to the outing leader (as listed in the article or on the membership list,

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which is available to all members) or to one of the Outing Committee members—we are listed at the back of the Leader.

Classes, and Clinics As of this writing, we haven't established dates for a number of clinics that are on the drawing boards, including one on advanced knot tying, another on lines and leaders, a spey casting class, a stillwater fishing class, and a few others. Ample notice will be provided for these, as well as fly tying classes.

Please help us prepare the new outing schedule—your input is valued and will be used

It's time to plan our outings, classes, and clinics schedule for the second half of 2008, and beyond. We've had a great time with our outings during the last year (July, 07 to present), but we need to keep up the momentum. We've already had offers from Chuck Honeycutt to chair a Heenan Lake outing late this summer; Ron Hayashi and Sturmer White to do an advanced knot clinic; Ron Hayashi and John Peterson to do an introductory spey clinic; and Jim Holmes and Gene Goss to do a class on still water fishing. Members have also asked for a clinic to demystify lines, leaders, etc., and we will do that.

We need input from members on suggested outings for this upcoming period, as well as volunteers willing to lead the outings. The response for the last year has been terrific. We also want suggestions for classes and clinics, which are an important part of our education mission. We are, first and foremost, a fishing club--so we need to do outings, and we need to pass along

our skills to members wanting to improve theirs.

Here's what we'd like:

1. Suggestions as to fishout venues.
2. Volunteers to lead outings.
3. Suggestions as to classes and clinics that would be helpful, in addition to those mentioned above.

You can send your suggestions to Bill Hagopian, whose contact information is set out below. From there Bill will take over and come up with specifics and a schedule. Thanks.

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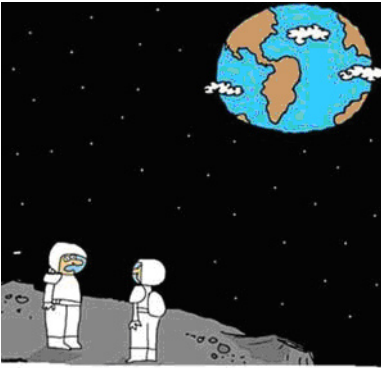
...Bill Carnazzo

Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

For Sale:

Like new Tioga Model 10 Large Arbor reel and 3 extra spools. Reel: \$110; Spools: \$60 each. All spools have backing, but lines are not included. For information, contact Bill Carnazzo at bcarnazzo@ftcnet.net.

To place a classified ad, you must be a member in good standing of the Granite Bay Flycasters. Classified ads will run for only one issue of *The Leader*, unless the seller requests it to run longer. Submit your listing to: fstolten@comcast.net with subject line: 'GBF: Classified'. Or mail your info to: Frank Stolten, 8290 Country Lake Dr., Orangevale, CA 95662. All ads must arrive by the 15th of the month to be included in the following month's *Leader*.



"Dude, look at all that water! I can't believe I haven't caught anything the last 10 times I went fishing."

Unfortunately, I was not able to hold June's conservation meeting, but there is still plenty of news to talk about.

First, I wanted to thank all of you for electing me for this position for the 2008-09 fiscal year. I just hope I can meet and/or exceed everyone's expectations. Just a little about myself, Paul and I have been married for 16 years and we have a 14-year-old son named Mitchell, for those of you who haven't met him. I work full-time as a QA Technician and Sales Account Manager for a company named DFI Technologies in North Natomas. My company builds computers that go inside casino and arcade game cabinets, and other service kiosks. I just began my fly-fishing journey a little less than two years ago, and simply fell in love with this beautiful and exciting sport. My favorite kind of fishing is for top-water largemouth bass in the delta. I'm just learning to tie flies, and I am currently working on earning my Golden Trout pin. Other hobbies include reading, crocheting, quilting, beading and other crafts.

Ok, enough about me, and on with the news.

I will get the full schedule of our 2007-08 donations on the web page in the very near future. I have asked each of the committee members to pick one of the organizations as their own to research and report back to the group. I'm looking for things like what the organization's primary purpose is, what their conservation activities are, and where does our money go? These things will determine their eligibility for continued donations for this year's budget.

I signed the scholarship/fellowship agreement and had it sent with our \$2,000 check to Humboldt State University last month. I hope to be able give you updates as we receive them as far as which student our grant was awarded to, and what progress they are making as they proceed through the year.

On May 27th, a group of us presented our \$10,000 donation to the Placer County board of Supervisors. Please see the additional article in this issue for details.

We are currently supporting two bills as they proceed through the legislative process, AB1806 and AB2502. These will both be very important, especially since the governor's declaration of a state of emergency regarding our "drought" status. From Friday's (6/13/08) Sacramento Bee: "The ability to transfer water may be limited by the need to protect fish in the fragile Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Snow said no species protections

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will be set aside, but there may be periods when more pumping is permissible."

AB1806 addresses the issue of dealing with fishery disaster rescues and even more important, the bill provides full mitigation for the federal and state water projects pumping of massive amounts of water south. See CSPA's action alert on 6/08/08 for more details: <http://www.calsport.org/6-8-08.htm>.

AB2502 will create a Delta Ecological Restoration and Recreation Area that will allow increased angling, hunting and other recreational access while providing needed fish and wildlife habitat. Assemblywoman Wolk had proposed for the state to buy Prospect Island and Little Holland Tract from the federal government and Liberty Island from the Trust for Public Lands and turn them into a state recreation area. However, a Trust for Public Lands' spokesman said at the hearing that they plan to donate their land for the creation of the recreation area! (From CSPA article:

<http://www.calsport.org/4-16-08.htm>)

For the upcoming North Mokelumne Project, Barbara of Sac-Sierra TU reports: "No new update. Gary is continuing to work on administrative issues that we did not want to expend our time and money on before the grant was approved -- lots of paperwork and approvals to get through (SEQA, 1600 permit, etc.), materials to acquire (i.e., root wads, relocation of root wads), and scheduling on-site visits with providers of material and equipment. The physical installation will not begin until Sept/Oct when the water

flow is the lowest." Stay tuned for more updates!

I was at the annual picnic this past weekend (6/13-6/15), and a group of us were able to visit the Bear River Restoration project area. Thank you to Bill Carnazzo and Bill Hagopian for getting us out there! I took several photos, which I will post on the web page. Most of the riparian structures that we previously installed have been washed downstream. It also looks like someone may be doing some kind of survey work up there, so we have to find out who and what to make sure it's not going to undo any work we may be able to do when we go up. We are still shooting for an August weekend date for this maintenance/repair work. Volunteers will be needed! I plan to have a date set and sign up sheet at the July general meeting.

Well, that's a wrap for May/June news! The next conservation committee meeting will be held on Thursday, July 10th at the Raley's in Granite Bay at 5:30 pm. All are welcome to attend. Come see what we have in store!

. . . Robin
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Monthly Fly Tying Winners for June

Beginners: -

No Entries

Non-beginners: -

Jim Holmes

**\$25.00 Certificate to
American Fly Fishing
Company:**

Ray Ito

GBF - Monthly Meeting



The Granite Bay Flycasters program for July 10th will be provided by our own out-going President and Secretary. Rick and Fran Radoff spent a month in New Zealand flying, fishing and sightseeing earlier this year, and will be sharing their experiences with us. Their program will have many photos of the beautiful scenery they encountered. As you might imagine, many fish pictures will also be included in the presentation.

Come join us for a view of an angler's dream where the trout are huge and the streams are crystal clear.

July 10, 7:00 PM

Where: GBF Clubhouse

North Yuba Nymphing Clinic

Where: North Yuba River above
Downieville

When: July 19, 200

Chairperson: Bill Carnazzo

Fee: None

Signup limit: 20 members

Equipment needed: Rod—4 or
5 wt, 9' (preferably, but an 8 ½'
' rod will do); line—floating only;

leader—7 ½ leader tapered to 3x; flies—to be determined. In July waders are optional. A complete equipment list will be given to participants well in advance of the outing.

Purpose: Do you want to learn how to fish with nymphs in pocket water, or learn different techniques for this type of fishing? This is your opportunity to do so on a first-class river. You will learn rigging, reading water, spotting fish, proper approach/wading techniques, short line strategies, and much more.

Signups: Signups will be taken commencing with the June general meeting, and continuing into the July meeting if the clinic doesn't fill up in June.

More information: Bill Carnazzo—bcarnazzo@ftcnet.net; (530) 367-5209.

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Joint Tahoe- Truckee Flyfishers/ Granite Bay Flycasters Truckee River Fishout July 12, 2008

Here's a great opportunity to learn about the Truckee River and surrounding waters from people who know and fish it.

The TTFF (Tahoe Truckee Fly Fishers) has invited Granite Bay Flycasters to a joint fishout/BBQ in Truckee on July 12th. This is their annual BBQ, which will be held at Regional Park on the River. There are many locations close by to fish and enjoy the outdoors.

The main course is ribs, chicken, and tri-tip and the cost is \$15.00 per person. Anyone interested in joining TTFF for a day of fishing the upper mountain rivers and lakes can sign up at the June and July meetings. More details to follow as we get closer to the date.

Equipment needed for nymphing: 4 or 5 weight 9 foot rod, floating line and 7 ½ foot tapered leader (3x). For dry fly fishing you'll need a 9 foot leader tapered to 4x. We

will be wade fishing so you need wading boots and a staff. Camping is available in the area for those interested.

For more information, or if you have any questions, contact Bill Carnazzo at bcarnazzo@ftcnet.net, or at (530) 367-5209. You can also contact Vickie Fenner, president of TTFF, at vfenner4@gmail.com.



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Bill's 12-Step Stonefly

I've always espoused simplicity in fly design, and the 12-step Stonefly is no exception. Don't be intimidated by the fact that there are 12 steps needed to complete the fly. Each step is simple and easy enough for a beginner to manage. My main purposes in featuring this new design are: (1) to emphasize the importance of thinking about the order of applying materials; and (2) to demonstrate that a realistic-looking pattern can indeed catch fish if "action" materials are used in its construction. I've been testing this pattern on pocket water streams for some time now, in various colors and in various sizes. I like it for golden stoneflies, as well as dark olive, brown, and black stones. For this month's fly we'll tie it in brownish-olive, size 8.

Tying Instructions:

1. Smash the hook barb unless you are using a barbless version of the hook. Apply 10 wraps of .020 lead wire to the hook. Flatten the wire with flat-nosed pliers; cover the lead with Flexament and thread.



Steps 1 & 2

2. Tie the eyes on ahead of the lead and about 1 eye-length behind

the eye. It's important to leave this small space ahead of the eyes.

3. Return the thread to the rear of the hook and tie in the tails. They should be no longer than $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

4. Cut a piece of Thin Skin, leaving the backing on it for now. The piece should be $\frac{1}{4}$ " in width, and about 1" long. Cut one end to a shallow "v" and pull the material from the backing. You will notice that one side is shinier than the other; tie the pointed end in just above the back of the barb, shiny side down (when it's pulled over the top, the shiny side will be on top).

5. Tie in the ribbing material at the same point, and pull it backward out of the way.

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MATERIAL LIST

Hook:	Daichi 1260 or similar hook, sizes 6-14
Thread:	Olive or black 8/0, or similar thread
Eyes:	Small black mono eyes
Tail:	Mini-size gray Turantulegs
Abdomen:	Brownish-olive dubbing
Ribbing:	Fine silver wire
Legs:	Dark hen hackle and mini-size gray Turantulegs
Wing case:	Mottled golden stone color Thin Skin
Thorax:	Same as abdomen
Weight:	.020 lead, wrapped from mid-bend to behind bead

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Steps 3, 4 & 5

6. Dub the abdomen—which will be the rear 2/3 of the hook. Use a stiff brush, wire brush, or similar tool to brush out the sides of the body, and pull the dubbing out to the sides with your fingers. Trim the abdomen to a “v” shape (this gives it a nice taper) back to the tail (careful not to cut the tails).



Steps 6 & 7

7. Rib the abdomen, weaving the wire into the dubbing; this gives the dubbing the look of “gills.”



Steps 8 & 9

8. At the front of the dubbed abdomen, tie in a hen feather dull side up, with the tips to the rear. Later on we'll pull this forward. See the accompanying image for details.

9. At the center of the thorax area, tie in the rubber leg material so that you have a total of 4 legs in an “x” shape.



Step 10

10. Dub the thorax, working the dubbing around and between the legs.

11. Pull the hen feather forward, while at the same time sweeping the barbles rearward. Tie off the feather behind the eyes.

12. Grab the Thin Skin and pull it forward over the entire body, stretching it a bit as you do so. Tie it off behind the eyes, and then again in front of the eyes. On the remaining tab, cut a small “v” into the material, pull the material rearward, and tie it off again behind the eyes. Whip finish at that point.

Tying tips:

1. Be sure to leave at least 1/3 of the front area of the hook for the thorax. This is true for all nymphs, and is especially essential for the proper construction of this stonefly pattern.

2. When cutting out your pieces

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Rod Building 107D: Guides - Spacing & Size

This is the last of four articles covering guide sizing and spacing on a blank. It covers the importance of considering types of fly lines when choosing guide sizes.

Fly Lines: Modern fly lines will vary in taper design and weight depending on the individual manufacturer and the company's marketing philosophy. One company's five-weight line may vary greatly from another company's five-weight line. Standards have been established by the American Sportsfishing Association (ASA, and formerly the American Fly Tackle Manufacturers Association or AFTMA) that relate a fly line weight for a given 30 feet in length. There will be an article later going into detail discussing different lines and they affect your rod.

In general, the larger the weight of the fly line, the larger the cross-sectional area of the line used and the farther it can be cast. In addition, floating lines are much larger in diameter than sinking lines. Some lines have both floating and sinking segments. Recently, some manufacturers have begun producing larger diameter floating fly lines so that the line floats higher in the water. This type of line may have a diameter up to 1/64" larger than typical floating fly lines. Beware of purchasing a new floating fly line because you may notice that you can cast the line neither as far nor as easily as when using the older style of floating fly line. If you upgrade the diameter of the line without a change in guide sizing, the line has less room through which to slide, creating less

freedom of movement for the fly line. If this does occur, you will need to clean your line more often and dress your fly line with a slick substance to reduce the friction between the line and the guides. When looking to achieve a longer cast with a larger diameter line, you may want to use larger guides when building your rod to accommodate the line.

Here are some basics to consider when choosing your guide sizes with respect to line sizing:

- Consider manufacturer recommendations, and maybe even enlarge the guides a size or two to compensate for larger diameter floating lines.
- Consider selecting a fly line size that matches your rod using the ASA standards.
- Consider trying titanium carbide eyes. They are very hard, and provide minimal line sliding resistance.
- Consider using the Fuji "New Concept" method (<http://www.fujitackle.com.au/concept.htm>). Fuji has put a lot of time and effort in developing it. I have used this method on several rods and it has worked very well. This link discusses spinning and bait casting rods, but fly rods can also benefit from this concept.

The following manufacturers also have some good recommendations:

1) Batson Enterprises (<http://www.batsonenterprises.com/>), and

2) St. Croix (<http://www.st-croixrod.com/content.asp?id=68§ion=builder>).

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I have spent a large amount of time researching many sources of what to look for in terms of guide sizing and spacing to use for a new rod (internet, books, various knowledgeable people). It can be very confusing because there are so many differing opinions. There are many guide sizes that can be used for the same weight, and same action of rod. However, in the end, if you follow the basics that have been outlined in this and the previous three articles, you will be off to a good head start in choosing the right guides and spacing for your new rod.

If you would like to discuss more about guide spacing and sizing, please feel free to contact me at larrylee@L3rods.com or call me at 916-962-0616.

\$10,000 Donation to Placer County Will Aid Auburn Ravine Project

We presented our \$10,000 donation to the Placer County Board of Supervisors at a meeting in Auburn May 27. GBF members present were outgoing President Rick Radoff, David Lee, Larry Goodell, Frank Stolten, Tom Pettey, Heath Wakelee, incoming President Mike Howes, John Carroz, and myself. This is GBF's largest single donation since its inception, and this is also the largest single donation that Placer County has ever received from a non-profit organization.

The main goal is to modify two concrete barriers in the stream:

Hemphill Dam and a Nevada Irrigation District gauging station located in the city of Lincoln. The stretch of Auburn Ravine above the two barriers is an important fish spawning ground and an area where young fish mature before migrating back to the ocean.

Our donation will become part of the matching funds needed for Placer County to spend a \$339,645 state grant through Proposition 50, the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002. Placer County has contributed \$260,000 in matching funds.

The Auburn Ravine fish-passage is part of an American River Basin Watershed Restoration Project.

(From Placer County's announcement article: <http://www.placer.ca.gov/News/2008/June/FlyCast-erDonation.aspx>)

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of Thin Skin, give them a slight taper so that when the material is tied in at the tail area, the narrower end is at the back. This will give the shell back a tapered look, to match the taper of the abdomen.

3. Don't flatten the lead until it is covered with thread and Flexament. This will keep the lead from breaking apart when you use the pliers to flatten it.

Bounce this beauty through pocket water and be prepared for aggressive strikes. Set the hook at the slightest hesitation of your leader. Go rip a few lips, and....see ya on the creek.

Henderson Springs

This was a wonderful fishing trip that everyone in GBF should experience. Set in amongst huge stands of pine forest are some of the best maintained small lakes full of large trout. This place is a float tuber's heaven with rentals available.

Gary Rhea and I set out on Friday, May 23rd at 8:00 AM and headed up I-5 toward Redding with 240 miles ahead of us.

We stayed in the main lodge at Henderson Springs, with four other gentlemen. Upstairs were four bedrooms with one full bathroom. Downstairs, a furnished kitchen, dining room, living room, three bedrooms and two full baths. The lodge was comfortable and provided for rod and wader storage on the porch.

Gary and I started fishing mid-day Friday afternoon after a tour of the property provided by the staff. We started on Long Lake with success all afternoon on caddis and leaches. By evening it began to drizzle so we had our dinner at the lodge. Saturday morning we chose to fish Clear Lake which is said to be really good or really bad. I experienced a great catch on a chernobyl ant shown in the photo included. By noon we had lunch and headed to Big Lake where we again had success catching both

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Dennis Baker with a Nice Rainbow

bass & trout. Later in the afternoon we fished Frog Lake where we had little success. We had pre- arranged dinner with the others at 5:00 pm so we could get back to Frog Lake for the hex hatch which was said to happen about 7:30 pm - and did. Everyone had good luck early in the hatch; we all fished until after dark. On Sunday we chose to fish the spring fed pond and had success early and then moved back to Long Lake where we hit some really nice trout 18 to 20 inches with great fighting spirit. We headed back to Rocklin exhausted and satisfied at noon on Sunday.

Mark Henderson is a true fisherman dedicated to seeing you have a great experience on his property. His staff will take great care of you. This fishery is on my personal return to list.

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FISHOUT LEADERS WANTED!



I remember when Bev and I joined GBF about 6 years ago, one of the first things we did (after a few lessons) was to participate in a fishout.

The experience was absolutely fan-

tastic and the fishout got us excited about GBF.

Having accepted the Fishmaster position for the next year, I am looking forward to the challenge of trying to continue the great job that previous fishmasters have done. The biggest job of the fishmaster is supporting the fishout leaders.

I believe that fishouts are a very important part of our club. For new members, I thought that I would list the basics for leading a GBF Fishout on the website to encourage our newer members to step forward and lead fishouts. I also hope that

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A large advertisement for American Fly Fishing Co. The background is a black and white photograph of a woman with curly hair, wearing a wide-brimmed hat and a light-colored shirt, smiling while holding a large, speckled fish (likely a trout) in a boat on a river. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

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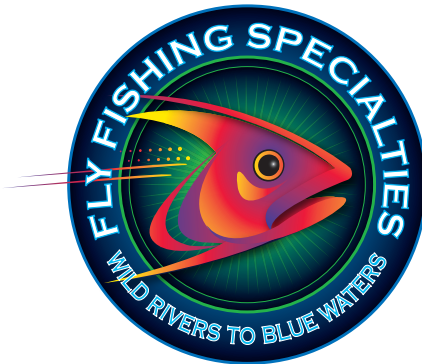
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the previous fishout leaders will continue leading their fishouts.

Leading a GBF Fishout is fun, simple and allows you to share a favorite fishing location with other club members. If you follow this simple format (listed on the GBF Website), you will have a good turnout. Everyone will be excited, informed and prepared to have a pleasant time on the water. One need not be a guide or even a great flyfisher. You may select a place you

know or one of the many waters we annually fish that are productive. Finding a place to go is not difficult.

If you would like to share your favorite fishing location with other club members, Please contact me at billh07@comcast.net. For a complete list of duties and responsibilities of hosting a fishout, go to the GBF Website, under fishouts and at the bottom of the page are links on how to

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Doors open between 6:00 P.M. and 6:30 P.M. for socializing and fly tying demonstrations. The business portion of the meeting begins at 7:00 P.M. The main program gets underway after a short refreshment break and usually involves a guest speaker and slide show, or other presentation. All meetings are open to the public and visitors are encouraged to attend.

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