In 2009, we will devote two general meetings for “Member’s Nights.” September’s general meeting will be the second membership night of the year. These nights provide our membership with information and displays of what Granite Bay Flycasters offer the membership. We don’t have a guest speaker, or a long drawn out introduction by the president. What we do offer are displays at several tables of club activities.

Activity coordinators will have informational displays set up for many of the following activities:
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Club Fishouts
- Entomology program and clinic
- Salmon/Steelhead Egg Programs (CAEP)
- Fly Tying Jam
- Casting Clinics
- Rod Building Clinic
- Conservation Projects
- Golden Trout Program
- President’s Picnic and One Fly Contest
- Membership Table
- Knot Tying
- Equipment display of items that can be checked out by members like rods, reels and fly tying kits etc.

A lot of our long-time members have said this meeting is the most enjoyable evening of the year because it affords them the time to just hang out and visit with other GBF members.

I would like to take this moment to “Thank” Robin Egan, Conservation VP, for demonstrating a “can do” attitude in setting up the hands-on work parties for conservation. Hearing grumbles from members that we were just donating money to conservation, and not seeing anything for it, she decided to do something about it. She spoke with several members to determine what they would like to see in our support of the local fisheries. A more hands-on approach seemed to dominate the discussion. Robin researched, contacted, attended meetings of outside (outside of GBF) groups to find out what was needed and/or could be done. Her efforts were successful. Her objective is to have a work party every two months. One of the work parties is: GBF will now be responsible for ridding a portion of the American River of a non-native plant called Red Sesbania. The first work party was held on August 29th. Robin will have a readout on our efforts at the September general meeting. Please take time and volunteer to help our conservation efforts. If you would like more information on how you can help, contact Robin at tggr514@yahoo.com. “Thank you” Robin.
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Mike Howes
Third Annual Veteran’s Day Delta Fishout

by Denny Welch

The time is coming up for our Third Annual Veteran’s Day Delta fishout. Veteran’s Day is Wednesday, November 11th. There will be a sign-up sheet at the September meeting, and I’ll want to know how many boats are going to be available, and how many non-boaters want to attend. Last year we had about 15 boats, and we were able to accommodate about 35 anglers. I expect we’ll do about the same this year.

For those of you who haven’t attended this fishout in the past, you’re missing the boat (little play on words there). This fishout is an absolute blast. It is timed to coincide with the annual striper run, so stripers, black bass and smallies will all be on the agenda. With any kind of luck, fishing will be fantastic.

The planning for this fishout is still a work in progress. A lot of what happens depends on the number of boats we have, and the number of non-boaters that want to attend the fishout. I’ve been fishing out of Paradise Point a lot lately, and I feel it would be safe for kayaks and larger pontoon boats. Paradise is located at the end of Disappointment Slough and Bishop Cut. Depending on the response, we can schedule a couple pre-fishout meetings. For those of you who have heard of the Delta, but haven’t fished it yet, this is a perfect opportunity to do so. It is a total, absolute blast. There will be more to follow as we get closer to November.

For those of you with boats, fill ‘em with gas and make sure they can start. We’ll have some special rules regarding the Delta for this trip, and I’ll make all that public later. What I’d like to do ASAP is get a preliminary headcount. Please email me (dennywelch@jps.net) and let me know if you’re interested in the trip, and whether you have a boat. If there are any questions, give me a call at (530) 889-8562 or (916) 786-2070. As time goes on, I’ll be posting email blasts giving further information regarding the trip.

If anyone is interested in co-hosting this trip, please contact me. Thanks.

HELP WANTED

It’s never too early to start thinking about how to make the club’s next Annual Dinner even better! Discussions are already underway on topics ranging from food, drinks, and entertainment to raffle prizes, auction items, and selection of the evening’s speaker.

Club member input is critical to making the annual dinner work – and annual dinner proceeds are critical to making the club work. This cycle represents the perfect opportunity for those who want the club to succeed to pitch in and help the club to succeed!

DON’T WAIT... STEP UP TO THE PLATE!

Your ideas, opinions, or expertise are needed! If you can help in any way, please contact Dennis Baker by phone (916-580-7876) or e-mail (gerrie9819@aol.com). Join the 2010 Granite Bay Flycasters Annual Dinner committee and make a ‘reel’ difference!

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The High Plains Drifters Guide Service will host the ’09 GBF OWYHEE RIVER BROWN TROUT OUTING GROUP PACKAGE, September 25 - October 2.

**Steve Cooper**, Owner/Operator, offers this group package tailored to meet the needs of GBF.

Steve will provide:
- Streamside tent lodging
- Meals in camp: breakfast, dinner, streamside lunch.
- Daily AM fishing workshop & streamside fishing guidance for the group.

We will provide daily on-stream seminars geared to the group after breakfast. Topics may include up-to-date hatch information, fly selection, and instruction on the most productive techniques. We are also available throughout the day to work with individuals and small groups. The Owyhee offers only unimproved camping. There are port-a-potties. No lodges here. Our base camp will accommodate tents, RVs and campers. The base camp serves as an outdoor dining hall and social arena.

Steve is offering full or partial service. Full service charge is $75 per person per day, and includes tent lodging, meals, and group guide service. Members can also arrange for just part of the package with Steve for campsite tent, meals, and/or guide service. We will need to finalize your individual preferences, days of attendance, and travel plans in advance so Steve can plan and procure adequate food, and stake out the campsites.

So, bring your tooth brush, sleeping bag, and camp chair, and we do the rest (don’t forget your fishing gear). The $75 per day per angler cost is a real bargain!

We have one airplane with five seats. We have 6 seats in a (reserved) mini-van (driver to volunteer), and space for pickups, cars, and RVs at the streamside campsite.

We invite those who want to fish 10 miles of Owyhee high desert cool tailwaters that flow into the Snake River near Adrian, Oregon to join us as we take on large brown trout w’small flies.

John Peterson previously fished the Owyhee with Steve Cooper, and says: “...this fishery was not crowded, very accessible, able to camp right on the river, and the fishing was incredible!! The river offered water for every type of fishing, from swinging fly to indicator, pocket water, and dry-fly.”

Bill King will report current sign-ups on the GBF message board. Reply at the GBF Message Board for your signup, and see online discussion of the ’09 Owyhee trip. [http://gbflycasters.websitetoolbox.com/post?id=3630042&pid=34992197#post34992197](http://gbflycasters.websitetoolbox.com/post?id=3630042&pid=34992197#post34992197)

There will also be a signup sheet at the September 10th monthly meeting. If you have questions, contact Bill King at (h)530.677.4439, or (c)530.545.0581, or e-mail at bill.king4@sbcglobal.net.

Hope to see you on the river!

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**Fly Tying Contest Winners for August**

- Beginners: No entries
- Advanced: Paul Egan
- Advanced: $25 Certificate to American Fly Fishing: Jim Holmes
Upcoming classes and clinics

No assigned date yet—Ken Hanley will be conducting a tying clinic for GBF members sometime in the late Fall. Ken’s newest book, *Tying Furled Flies*, will form the backdrop for this class. Ken recently received a prestigious award for his book from the Outdoor Writers Association of California. To view this award, click on the following link: [http://www.billcarnazzo.com/links/files/hanley-news-on-furled-flies-books.pdf](http://www.billcarnazzo.com/links/files/hanley-news-on-furled-flies-books.pdf)

No assigned date yet—casting classes (Sturmer White will do a class in November), and an intermediate knot/rigging class. I’ll be working on getting these set up in the coming months. Right now I’m on the river guiding most of the time, and it will likely be that way through September, so my time is limited.

Members should always feel free to suggest classes and clinics that would be of benefit to the membership. It can be anything—simple and basic, or advanced and more complex. We like to do a good mix, but give preference to basic classes and clinics in order to help newer members advance their skills.

And, remember—classes and clinics are great, but one of the fastest ways to flatten the learning curve is to attend fishouts. Karl Wolff, our Fishmaster, has set up an outstanding lineup of venues. Here is where you can find assistance in casting, angling strategy and techniques, and stream/lake lore. So sign up—early and often.

Have You Changed Your Address?

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. 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.

Send any changes to me at [http://www.wndycty3@aol.com](http://www.wndycty3@aol.com)
Pullover-hackle Flies

by Bill Carnazzo

This month we’ll learn a tying technique called “pullover hackle” rather than tying a specific pattern. I’m not sure who originated the pullover-hackle technique for dry flies. I first learned it from the venerable Ned Long, who passed away a few years ago after a long and productive life. A long time fly tyer well-known in the tying community, Ned created many original (and very effective) fly patterns. The Northern California Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers named its coveted annual award to the “fly tyer of the year” after Ned (I was fortunate enough to have been selected for this prestigious award in 2009). Bob Quigley, another very creative fly designer, also uses this technique in some of his spring creek patterns.

There are several standard techniques for applying hackle to dry flies: the standard Catskill technique, whereby the hackle is wound on perpendicular to the hook shank; and the parachute technique, whereby a post is created for the wing, and the hackle is wound around the post. The pullover-hackle technique is a third way to hackle a dry fly.

The pullover-hackle technique requires that a piece of material (typically 4x tippet material) be tied to the shank at some point in the tying steps, to be used as a post. I utilize this technique for “Bill’s Big Fish Fly” which can be found in the fly pattern archives on GBF’s web site. For dry flies, the post is typically (though not always) tied in at the front end of the abdomen. The hackle is wound around the post from the bottom up and then back down to the shank, where it is tied off, pulled back out of the way, and remains until the final tying step. Once the thorax is dubbed (immediately in front of the hackle post) the post and hackle are pulled over the top of the thorax and tied off just behind the hook eye. Hence the name “pullover-hackle.” As an alternative to inserting the post at the front of the abdomen, you can tie it in just ahead of the tail and then pull it over the entire fly—abdomen and thorax.

The beauty of this technique is that you can get a lot more hackle on the post and, when it is pulled over the top of the thorax, all of it stays on top of the fly. This creates a very buggy fly profile and a high-floating attitude. Pullover-hackle flies are one of my go-to pattern types for late afternoon and evening fishing on creeks and smaller rivers such as the North Yuba (small caddis patterns work well also—see July 2009 fly of the month, the Shambles Caddis). Fly color/hue is limited only by your imagination. For example, you can try using two hackles (one brown and one grizzly) for an Adams pullover; or a cream colored hackle for a Light Cahill pullover. For purposes of this month’s fly, we’ll create a generic dry fly with a tan body and a grizzly hackle. You generally won’t find this combination in the fly bins at the shops—but don’t underestimate it. Also, we’ll tie in our pullover post at the rear of the fly, to be different (besides, it makes learning the technique a bit easier). You will need a gallows tool or some other method to secure the tippet material in an upright position so you can wind the hackle around it. If you don’t have a gallows tool for your vise, try attaching a pair of hackle pliers to your light.

Tying Instructions

1. Crimp the hook barb and cover the rear half of the hook shank with thread; leave the bobbin hanging so that the thread intersects with the back of the barb.
2. Cut a small section of well-marked wood duck flank feather barbules. Measure the tail fibers so that they equal the length of the shank. Tie the bunch right above the back of the barb, take a few winds forward to secure the tail, and leave the thread there. Clip the excess feather.
3. At the same point, tie in a 8” section tippet material and wind back to where you tied in the tail to secure the tippet material. Place a tiny drop of superglue on the winds.

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4. Secure the tippet material post in your gallows tool (or the hackle pliers you’ve attached to your light). Tie in a properly sized grizzly neck hackle at the base of the post. Wind the hackle clockwise around the post 3 times, moving upward in wide turns. Begin winding back down toward the shank, using very closely spaced turns so that you get most if not all of the feather’s hackle on the post. After the last wind, hang your hackle pliers over the shank, cut the tippet material about 2” above the top of the hackle, and tie the hackle down. Avoid tying down any of the wound hackle. Once the feather is secured, you can pull the post and hackle rearward out of the way for the time being.

5. Dub a sparse abdomen over the rear 2/3 of the shank, and then dub a fuller thorax, leaving room behind the eye for the final steps.

6. Grab the tip of the tippet material with your hackle pliers and pull the entire post forward over the top of the abdomen and thorax, keeping the post directly on top of the body. At a point about one eye-width behind the eye, take 3 turns of thread over the post to secure it in position. Using your hackle pliers, pull the post tight to take any slack out of it and then tie it down securely. Carefully trim the excess post and hackle and form a nice small head. Apply a drop of superglue to the head and the spot where the post was tied down. Whip finish.

**Tips:**

1. Gallows tools are inexpensive and are made to fit the post on most vises. They are quite handy when it comes to making any type of posted wing.

2. Keeping the completed fly in the vise, turn it over and clip off any stray hackle that protrudes below the shank. This fly pattern, like any post-style fly, is designed to float in the surface film.

Go crank some of these bugs, go fish them, and…

See ya on the creek.
Our August meeting had 9 attendees! I’m so excited! Our main topic of discussion was GBF’s adoption of the Rio Americano Islands and Peninsula through ARPF.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

August 15th – Sugar Pine Reservoir Cleanup Recap
  8 GBF Members participated in this clean-up. Thank you to Bill Templin for leading this effort and cooking us lunch, to Paul Egan for helping out and taking photos, and to Dave Thompson, Eric Palmer, Mel Odemar, Bill Carnazzo and Kim Lloyd for helping out as well. Please see the separate article by Bill Templin for details.

August 29th – Red Sesbania Removal
  As most of you are aware by now, we have adopted the Rio Americano Islands and Peninsula of the American River through American River Parkway Foundation’s Invasive Plant Patrol program. The objective is to remove Red Sesbania from the area and keep it out. Our first major sweep will be on August 29th and then on the 1st Saturday of the month, beginning in October. There will be sign-up sheets at the general meeting. Please sign-up! Lunch and water will be provided.

September 19th – Great Yuba River cleanup
  We will assist South Yuba River Citizen’s League with their annual Great Yuba River clean-up. A separate article is in this month’s leader.

Sign-up sheets for all events will be at each general meeting.

LEGISLATION STATUS

AB1052 – Bay/Delta Stamp Extension To be heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 17th.
  • This bill would make the stamp or validation requirement inoperative as of January 1, 2012.
  • The bill would require the department to implement various provisions related to expenditures from the account.
  • The bill would require the department, in consultation with the advisory committee, to develop a grant program, as prescribed. The department would be required to post on its Internet Web site projects undertaken with funds from the account.

SB670 – Suction/Dredge Mining Bill APPROVED by the Governor on 8/05/09.
  • The bill would prohibit the use of any vacuum or suction dredge equipment in any river, stream, or lake, for instream mining purposes, until the director of the department certifies to the Secretary of State that
    o (1) the department has completed the environmental review of its existing vacuum or suction dredge equipment regulations as ordered by the court,
    o (2) the department has transmitted for filing with the Secretary of State a certified copy of new regulations, as necessary, and
    o (3) the new regulations are operative.

AB 39 (Huffman)—Delta Plan To be heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 17th.
  • This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish a Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Plan.

AB 49 (Feuer-Huffman)—Water Efficiency To be heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 17th.
  • This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish a 20% water efficiency requirement for the year 2020 for agricultural and urban water users.

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SB 12 (Simitian)—Delta Stewardship Council To be heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 17th.
- This bill would declare legislative intent to enact legislation to establish the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Stewardship Council

SB 229 (Pavley)—Delta Interim Actions, Water Rights, Groundwater To be heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 17th.
- This bill would declare legislative intent to enact legislation to authorize actions to be undertaken prior to the adoption of a comprehensive Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Plan.

SB 458 (Wolk)—Delta Conservancy, Delta Protection Commission Revision To be heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 17th.
- This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish a Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy and to modify the Delta Protection Commission.

The next conservation committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 1st at 7:00 PM at the Round Table Pizza in FAIR OAKS (San Juan & Winding Way). As always, all are welcome to attend.

Robin Egan, VP Conservation
(916) 396-0030 • Tggr514@yahoo.com

Upper Sacramento River Fishout
October 8 - 11

Before you know it, this summer heat will be a memory, and it will be October, which means time for the Upper Sac fishout at Dunsmuir. We have selected the second weekend in the month, and again Bill Carnazzo has graciously agreed to present his popular Short-Line Nymphing Clinic on Saturday morning. This presents an opportunity to learn this technique from the master himself, or, if you have experienced it before, perhaps it’s time for a refresher. This nymphing technique was perfected on this water by Upper Sac legend and Grand Master, Ted Fay, in the mid 20th century, and when properly applied, is deadly on the large but cautious trout lurking in the depths below the pocket water froth.

October is “prime time” on this Blue Ribbon freestone trout stream with moderate flows and temperatures, and fishing at its best. Trout average 12”, but often reach over 20”, even in the city park, with some browns encountered. Close proximity to the McCloud, about a 50-60 minute drive from Dunsmuir, is an added bonus. Weather can be variable in October, ranging from warm to light rain, so plan accordingly. We will have the usual dinner get-togethers at local restaurants for the first three nights for those interested. There is no charge for this fishout, and details and other information will be emailed to all participants. Since there is virtually unlimited river access for miles above and below Dunsmuir, there is no attendance limit. The sign-up sheet will be available at the August and September meetings.

For more information contact me at 916-987-1359 or ejpalmer@pacbell.net.

Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

For Sale:
Hodgman neoprene chest waders, XL, used twice, in almost new condition, $35. Contact Karl Wolff at karl.wolff@sbcglobal.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.
Rod Building 202B
Rod Gluing - Part 2

by Larry Lee

This is the second of two articles providing guidance on gluing rod blank components together with epoxy. Specifically, this article discusses winding check placement and gluing, epoxy cleanup, and clamping the components with masking tape while the epoxy is hardening.

After gluing the reel seat and the handle onto the blank (see previous article), the next step is to apply the epoxy with a stick around the circumference of the blank at the site where the winding check is to reside (see photo: Epoxy for Winding Check). Next, slide the winding check down the blank onto the fresh epoxy until it rests next to the cork handle (see photo: Winding Check Application). The winding check should fit snugly inside the cork handle and hide any imperfections that may have occurred when reaming the hole of the cork handle.

Next, you will need to wipe all excess epoxy off of the reel seat/cork handle and the cork handle/winding check interfaces. You should begin by using paper towels to remove as much epoxy as possible (see photo: Epoxy Cleanup). Prior to epoxy cleanup with acetone, make sure to align the center line of the slot of the reel seat with the spine (or spline) mark that you made earlier above the handle.

The next step in epoxy removal is to wipe away as much as possible using a acetone on a paper towel. An old tooth brush coated with acetone will remove most of the remaining epoxy. Lastly, another paper towel will help to finish the cleaning. It is very important to get all epoxy off at this time rather than trying to take the epoxy off when it has hardened. You can easily damaged the cork handle, reel seat, or winding check by trying to scrape the epoxy off later.

After the reel seat, cork handle, and winding check are glued onto the blank, you will need to clamp all of the components until the epoxy has hardened. For this step, lay out approximately 26 inches of masking tape, with the sticky side up, onto a table. Place the end of the reel seat onto the middle of the masking tape. Be sure to push down the winding check and cork handle so that they are tight, and then attach the tape to the blank above the cork handle (see photo: Clamping with Tape”). Again, check that your reel seat slot is aligned with the spine or spline mark. Leave your rod in a well-ventilated area for three to four hours until the epoxy has set. Once the epoxy has set, remove the masking tape. If the masking tape is left on too long, it can be difficult to clean the sticky adhesive residue off of the blank. You have now finished this portion of the rod!

If you are having trouble following these articles, you may find it more enjoyable to take a rod building class to learn these and other steps required to build your own custom rod. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Larry Lee at lllee@L3rods.com, www.L3rods.com, or by telephone at (916) 962-0616.

12th Annual Great Yuba Clean Up and Restoration Day

This event will take place on Saturday, September 19, 9 am – noon for the Clean Up sites and 8:30 am – 1 pm for the Restoration project at Bridgeport. With 60-80% of the debris on the coast originating from inland water sources, you will also be helping to keep the trash off the coastal beaches.

What to expect for the Restoration Project - All participants should arrive at their site by 8:30 am. Jen Hemmert, SYRCL’s Americorps member will be there to sign you in. The Restoration Project is a strenuous physical activity of removing and pulling invasive non-native plants of Himalayan blackberry, star thistle, Italian thistle, English Ivy, and Mediterranean grasses. Most of the plants have defensives against being eaten by animals so stickers or thorns are part of their plant anatomy. This activity is open to children ages 12 and above, but they

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must be accompanied by a parent for the day. If you are participating in the Restoration portion of the day please wear the following:

- Closed toe shoes
- Work gloves
- Sunscreen
- Filled water bottle and snack
- Paint bucket if you want to help with cleaning up of broken glass pieces
- Work clothes
- Long pants
- Long shirt

**Waiver Forms** - A waiver forms is required by each person participating in the restoration project. You may complete the waiver form at your site upon arrival. However, participants under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian signature as well. Therefore, we recommend that you download the form at this link, [WAIVER FORM LINK](#) (Additional Signature page), and bring it to the restoration project.

**Free Picnic Appreciation Celebration after the Clean Up and Restoration Projects** - From 1pm to 5 pm we will be honoring you for your efforts in helping clean and restore the Yuba River watershed with a free picnic lunch at Bridgeport. We will have a light lunch and cold drinks, music and entertainment.

**On-Line Registration** - To sign up for the restoration project, please fill out the on-line form at the Great Yuba River Clean-up and Restoration Day website. Please select the "Bridgeport Restoration Project" as the site.

If you have any questions, please contact Robin Egan at Tggr514@yahoo.com or (916) 396-0030.

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**Lake Crowley Fishout — Sept. 11 - 12**

This is a new addition to the fishout schedule, so details are still being developed at this time. I plan to have an early morning meeting at a local flyshop in Mammoth Village on Friday, Sept 11, and for those who can’t make that one, a second meeting on Saturday, Sept 12. At the meeting, we will get local information on the best flies, and which location to go to at the lake.

This is basically a float tube/pontoon boat excursion. As the wind usually kicks up by noon, forcing tubers off the lake, I will have additional information on fishing Hot Creek, and other nearby waters.

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**East Carson River Fishout - Sept. 21 - 23**

A fishout to the East Carson River is planned for September 21-23 (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday). The east fork of the Carson usually fishes well this time of year. Fly patterns vary, as do methods depending on the water conditions, the time of day, hatches, etc. Lakes are nearby (Blue, Red, Caples and Silver to name a few). Cabins, campgrounds and R.V. hook-ups are available at Carson River Resort, or in Markleville (2 1/2 miles away) with additional campgrounds all along the river. Food is also available at several restaurants in Markleville. The scenery is beautiful, the weather should be warm during the day and cold at night. For more information call Dick Davis (916) 434-1951 or Jim Hunter (916) 408-8966.
Granite Bay Flycasters

Mission: The organization is dedicated to conservation of fish habitat, advancement of the art of Fly Fishing, and good sportsmanship.

Meetings: General club meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Granite Bay Activities Center on the shores of Folsom Lake. For directions, check www.gbflycasters.org, or call Mike Howes at 916-863-6795. 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.

Membership: Applications are available on-line at www.gbflycasters.org and at general meetings. Single membership: $30; Family memberships: $35; and youth (under 18): $10. There is also an 88 name badge charge for all new members. Membership is prorated throughout the year. For membership information, call Jerry Devlin at 530-878-8934, or visit the website at www.gbflycasters.org.

The Leader: To send articles, photos, ads and other materials, please e-mail to: Frank Stolten at fstolten@comcast.net. Please put GBF Leader in the subject line. Deadline for materials is the 15th of each month.

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