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President's Message

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by Dennis Baker, GBF President

Here we are in May alread, y and time to fish to our heart's content. The Member's Night on April 14th was a huge success. Tom Petty did a superb job of coordinating this event which was attended by over 90 members. These member's meetings are designed to show new and old members alike what we are doing, and give those who attend a better perspective of things we take for granted.

Our 2011 fishout calendar is filled with over 30 fishing opportunities this year, with four in the month of May alone. To sign up for these opportunities, you need to log on to the website and click "fishouts." In order to sign up online, you must register on the message board, as this will soon be the primary way of signing up for GBF fishouts. It is believed this method gives equal access to the membership, as everyone has an equal opportunity to sign up online, not just at a meeting.



GBF's Annual Picnic is coming up on June 2 – 5. This event is for all members and their families. The camp sites are paid for by GBF, so do not miss out on all the fun. On June 4^{th} we will have our annual One Fly Tournament at Fuller Lake. Don Van Sant is doing a great job putting together the day's activities, including the one fly tournament, the Not So Special Olympics' Lunch right after the one fly tournament by Tony Fabian, and dinner of BBQ ribs and chicken by Tony Hamamoto. This is a club event not to miss, as it is all put together just for our Members.

Bill Carnazzo has offered to allow each of us to improve our nymphing skills at the Yuba River Nymphing

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Clinic. We are so fortunate to have such a knowledgeable and experienced guide and teacher as a member of GBF. I have always enjoyed Bill's clinics, and always found things in each one, which has improved my fishing production time after time. Sign up soon, as space may be limited.

Situation Unravels for Knot Tiers

by John Hogg



Tuesday, March 15, a dozen or so knot tiers managed to squeeze in between two big groups of fly tiers at the clubhouse, and practice their own kind of tying – blood knots, perfection loops, Albrights, and a few more. Without a doubt, participants were tying some great knots after a little instruc-

tion, and in the future, there will be far fewer fish escaping their clutches due to broken or unraveled knots.

See the accompanying picture of Diana Soukkhaseum and Bobby Bricchetti applying their skills.

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MAY ²⁰¹¹						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
		7:00 PM Conservation Committee Meeting	Jenkinson Lake Fishout			
8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.
				Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM	Hot Creek Fisho Bridgeport/Twin 13 th -	Lakes Fishout
15. Hot Creek Fishout 13 th	16.	17.	18.	19.	20.	21.
- 15 th Bridgeport/Twin Lakes Fishout 13 th - 15 th		Fly Tying Jam		Board Meeting 7:00 PM		Frenchman's Lake Fishout
22.	23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.
29.	30.	31.				

Monthly Program

Time to get Hexed!



As the sun goes down, the Hex begin their emergence

The May program will be on stillwater fishing, specifically the famous Hexagenia hatch on Lake Almanor. Our presenter, Lincoln Gray, will discuss the best times, the most productive flies, techniques and locations to fish this hatch.

Anglers will find that fishing the Hex is not about the number of fish caught. Most memorable are the explosive strikes to a surface fly or the arm wrenching pulls from a trout as it takes your subsurface offering. Witnessing the emergence of the gargantuan Hexagenia mayfly is itself memorable. In addition to Lake Almanor, other locations such as Lake Natoma in Sacramento offer the Hexagenia experience. If you have not yet experienced the spectacle of a Hexagenia hatch, perhaps it is time you get Hexed!

Lincoln Gray has been fly fishing for 34 years. The passion for the sport began early, with his father and brother learning the sport on the well-

known Rogue River in Southern Oregon. Lincoln continues that passion with his <u>Stillwater Fly Fishing Adven-</u> tures business that includes schools and guided trips.

Lincoln lives in Chico, CA and has fished Lake Almanor for over 19 years; the Feather River and Lower Sacramento River for over 25 years. Lincoln will now be guiding both rivers along with many private water venues.

Lincoln is a well-known instructor, guide and fly tier. Several of his Hex designs were featured in the Summer 2008 issue of Fly Tyer Magazine. He also works as a manager for Sierra Stream & Mountain, a company that includes Sierra Stream Fly Shop, Tie-Fast Tools and Jay Fair Eagle Fly Fishing.

Lincoln is a pro-staff member of Ross Reels, TFO Fly Rods, Cortland Line Company, Jay Fair Eagle Fly Fishing and Peak Fly Fishing.

May 13 - 15	Hot Creek Fishout	
	May 13 - 15	

We will be arriving on Wed., May 11, and will stay to Sunday. We are going to stay at McGee Creek campground (760) 935-4233 or http://www.mcgeecreekrv-campground.com. We had always stayed at Convict Lake in the past, but last year they cancelled our reservation due to snow....we discovered that when it is snowing it is really nice to have electricity! Anyway you can also opt for Convict Lake; they also have cabins for rent. We will not be in CA for the April meeting, so if you are interested please call our cell phone (preferred) or e-mail us.

Location is the eastern Sierra about 5 hrs. drive from downtown Sacramento. It is close to Mammoth Lakes for condo lodging. We have also stayed at **Convict Lake** campground; next to the campground is Convict Lake Resort, 800-992-2260, which has cabins for rent. Hot Creek is about 10 minutes from the campground.

The lake can be fished along with the creek and there are other waters within a short drive from the campground. The weather can be 30°F. at night and 70°F. in the day. 2008 fishing was the best it has been in 10 yrs. More and bigger fish were caught that year. My son Isaac's girlfriend, with a little guidance from Isaac, caught 5 fish the first day, and she was a beginner, first time out.

We will help beginners and people not familiar with Hot Creek as to flies, methods of presentation, and rigging. We will also help on the stream. On-stream insect samples will be taken to match fly selection to what is in the water. **Give us a call if you are interested in going**.

Ron and Jeanne English 530 677-7169

Frenchman's Lake Fishout
May 21 (no host)

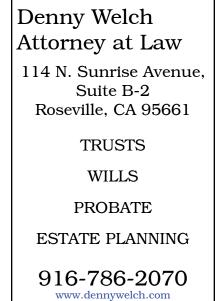
Frenchman's Lake is at 5,599 ft. above sea level, and is smaller than Lake Davis, with 1,580 surface acres. It has upper and lower sections, with a channel connecting them. The upper section, with shallow coves and summer weed beds, is the preferred area for fly fishers. A gravel road goes all around the lake, and there are a number of side roads that offer fishing access. Do not drive off the roads or park outside of the parking lots; a few years back I paid a \$250 fine for driving 50 ft. to the water edge to launch my float tubes.

Two of the better access points for fly fishing anglers are on the northwestern shore, Snallygaster Point and Nightcrawler Bay. They are big, shallow areas with weed growth where the fish like to cruise to slurp up bugs EARY in the morning. There are two boat ramps on Frenchman's Lake, one is at Lunker Point on the north end of the lake; the other one is at Frenchman's campgrounds on the south end of the lake.

A float tube that you can carry, and a 6 weight with intermediate line, and a size 12 sheep creek or a black wiggle tail will put you into the fish. DFG keeps this lake well stocked with planters 13-15 inches, you just have to locate where the pods are working and you will be into all the fish you want to catch. With a 5 fish trout limit, close proximity to Reno, no speed limit, or boating restrictions, and all night fishing for catfish this lake can turn into a zoo on a warn Sunday afternoon. With all that said, there are some fine holdover fish to be caught. Big holdover fish are smart and have seen it all, last year I took the time to fish for holdover fish, and the fish count went down to 6 fish a day but the size of the fish went up to 20+ inches. The bigger fish would be around the weed beds, and the shallow coves before the sun hits the water. Also, you need to cast and retrieve to catch these bigger trout.

This is a No-Host fishout, I will not be there, but if you sign up for this fishout on the Fishout Form on the website we can help you with your questions; or find information you're looking for. Also, you would share that information with the other people that are signed up making it easier for the leaders of the fishout.

Your fishout "no host" leader is: Gene Goss (916-962-7375) <u>eugenesusan@aol.com</u>



Conservation Corner

by Henry Sandigo, Conservation Chair

Hello all you fishing folk. Spring is here (hopefully), and the fishing season has begun. I want to lead you to a few places you can get to electronically, places that are dedicated to conservation, and getting things done about our fishing holes.

So, I am listing a bucket full of websites that you can save in your browser and go to when you have the time to see how they are doing, or how you can get involved.

TU Trout Unlimited, here, the stories cover places near and far, and the people that you may meet someday fishing at that special place you always wanted to fish at. <u>http://www.tu.org/</u>

Endangered Species Coalition - Find out what is happening to the protected wildlife in areas that you frequent, lived in or have known of. <u>http://www.stopextinction.org/</u>

NCCFFF - The Northern California Council serves the fish and fly fishers of the northern parts of California, Nevada, plus Hawaii and Guam. These folks are the watch dogs of our local waters, communities, working hand-in-hand with many fly clubs to protect fish and fishing. <u>http://www.nccfff.org/about-nccfff.html</u>

McCloud River Keepers - This is a stewardship group made up of clubs, organizations, fishing companies, guides, fishing folk. Their purpose is to protect the habitat of the McCloud, and protect the rights of fishers to a State licensed season. <u>http://www.mccloudriverkeepers.org/index.html</u>

South Yuba Rivers Citizens League - Is a leading voice for protecting and restoring the Yuba River and the greater Yuba Watershed Foundation. <u>http://yubariver.org/</u>

California Coastkeeper Alliance - CCKA coordinates, supports, and enhances the work of the local California Waterkeeper programs to provide a statewide voice for safeguarding California's waters, and its world-renowned coast and ocean, for the benefit of all Californians and for California's future. <u>http://www.cacoastkeeper.org/about</u>

SalmonAID, is a non profit dedicated to restoring rivers, wild salmon species, and the communities that depend on them for survival. <u>http://www.salmonaid.org/</u>

The Green Awards - Environmental community and Green Giant recognizing individuals making a difference in communities across the country. A good place to find whats happening. https://www.thegreenawards.com/Default.aspx?v=45

Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency - To reduce flood risks, minimize impact on human safety, health and welfare and to preserve and enhance the environment amongst other things. They have a good environmen-

tal plan. http://www.safca.org/

Save the American River Association - A grass roots organization dedicated to protect, enhance wildlife habitat, fishery and resources of the American River Parkway. They have many events that keep the river area clean and beautiful for all to enjoy. Check this one out as soon as you can. GBF has a spot where we regularly weed for the Red Sesbania plant, a very invasive bush - if you have a moment go to this site to see a PDF of how your participation can help (http://www.cal-ipc.org/symposia/archive/pdf/May%20sesbania.pdf) and http://www.sarariverwatch.org/

American River Parkway Foundation - The mission of this organization is to support the preservation, protection, enhancement, and appreciation of the American River Parkway. GBF partners with this organization also to control the Red Sesbania devil. <u>http://www.arpf.org/weed.shtml</u>

Save Auburn Ravine Salmon and Steelhead - SARSAS is trying to do with one stream, the Auburn Ravine, what must be done to all streams and rivers on the entire West Coast—make the stream navigable for anadromous fish. <u>http://www.sarsas.org/</u>

Cal Trout - To protect and restore wild trout, steelhead, salmon and their waters throughout California. <u>http://caltrout.org/</u>

Fish Bio - ISHBIO is a dedicated group of fisheries research and monitoring scientists, engineers, and technicians that specialize in counting, tracking, and analyzing fish and wildlife populations throughout the world. <u>http://www.fishbio.com/</u>

* Most of the explanations of each site above, I took off their sites, rather than reinvent their good intentions and deeds.



Classes and Clinics

Art Livingston, Chair, Member Education

Below is a list of clinics and classes that will be offered to members. Some have scheduled dates; the others will be scheduled shortly. If you have suggestions as to other clinics or classes, be sure to contact me and we can discuss your thoughts. Look for specifics on classes and clinics on the web site, and in future *Leader* articles.

Scheduled Clinics/Classes

Fly Tying Jam: Jim Holmes, Pete Peterson

Upcoming Clinics/Classes

Rod Building: Larry Lee Fly Tying Basics: Paul Egan Stillwater Fly Fishing: John Peterson, Jim Holmes Fish Food: Terry Eggleston Sagehen Entomology Clinic: John Carroz N. Yuba Nymphing Clinic: Bill Carnazzo **Date(s)** Third Tuesday Each Month (Continuing)

Ongoing Dates TBD in April or May Dates TBD Dates TBD June 2011 July 16, 2011

Other Possible Clinics

Spey Casting Swinging Flies Steelhead/Shad Fishing Stripper Fishing in the Delta Map, Compass, and GPS



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Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

For Sale:

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Joe Tax, jetax@sbcglobal.net (916) 434-8860

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*.

Annual Elections

The annual election of officers and directors takes place at the June general meeting. Below is a list of the positions to be voted on, and the members who have been nominated so far

President	Dennis Baker
Vice President, Membership	John Hogg
Vice President, Conservation	Henry Sandigo
Secretary	John Pellegrin
Treasurer	Corley Phillips
Director, 3 year term	Tony Fabian
Director, 3 year term	Duane Nelson
Director-at-Large, 1 year term	Open

Nominations will be accepted and made final at the May general meeting except for any position that does not have at least one candidate, in which case a member may be nominated at the June general meeting and shall run as a write-in candidate. Like other club activities, being on the Board is actually fun while being very educational. Just ask anyone who has ever served on it. It takes very little time (usually less than 2 hours a month) and is a great opportunity to become involved in the club and help chart its future direction. For GBF to remain a great organization, we totally depend upon the support of members willing to donate their time and talents. Please consider how you can help and become more involved.

If you are interested in volunteering your time and assistance for any of these positions, or would like more information, please contact Frank Stolten 725-6894 or Mike Brune 723-4524 prior to the May meeting.

Twin Lakes Fishout May 13 - 15

by Michael Kaul

Who's ready for an early season adventure to the eastern Sierra? It could be a little dicey with all the snow, but let's give it a try. I am hosting a fishout at Twin Lakes out of Bridgeport. It will be May 13-15 (I am actually going up on the afternoon of the 12th) at Craig's Campground at the lower end of the lower lake. The elevation is around 7,000', so there could be cold involved. You can fish the lakes (some big, big fish come out of them each year), Bridgeport Reservoir, and possibly the East Walker. The other creeks are likely to be blown out still. Float tubes, or the like, is the general method with a sinking line (intermediate to faster) on a 5 wt. Patterns seem to change year-to-year, but nymphs, buggers and Matukas have been fairly consistent (a call to Ken's Sporting Goods in Bridgeport will get you more suggestions). I will be supplying a chili dinner on Saturday about 4:00 (so we can go out fishing if desired). I have an extra tube and setup for anyone who wants to try it out, and will be happy to assist anyone new or unsure about the process. Should be a blast!!!

There will be a signup sheet at the May monthly meeting. If interested, contact me at (530)677-8022, or <u>mkaul@sanjuan.edu</u>.



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GBF Annual Picnic and One-Fly Tournament June 2nd - 5th — Fuller Lake

This year our annual picnic will be better than ever. Every year we learn and improve. If you have any ideas to better the games please let us know.

Thursday, June 2nd - Arrive any time after 2 PM, set-up camp, open a soda, and kick back. Or go fish!

Friday, June 3rd - Go Fish!

Saturday, June 4th -

9:00 AM - Start the One-Fly Tournament on Fuller Lake.

12:00 noon the tournament ends.

This is a chance to put your skills in a friendly competition for bragging rights and some great prizes. In categories of most fish, largest fish, smallest fish, first to loose their fly, etc.

After the tournament ends, the barbeques will be fired up. While chef Tony Hamamoto and the assistant chefs are busy cooking we'll hold the 7th annual "Frank Massey not-so-special Olympics." This is open to all. It's like picnic games combined with fly fishing skills, drinking or not.

Dinner will begin at 6:00 PM. After dinner the Awards ceremony for the One-Fly tournament and the Massey games will be held. At dark we will start the bon-fire and roast marshmallows.

Sunday June 5th: pack up and Go Fish!

WHERE: Bear Valley PG&E Group Campground

DIRECTIONS: From Roseville take I-80 east to the Highway 20 "Grass Valley exit." Go about 5 miles north to Bowman lake Road. This is the road to Fuller Lake. Go approximately 1/3 of a mile on Bowman Lake Road to the campground. The Campground is on the left before you cross Bear River.

THE DETAILS:

1. Bring your family

2. Have a great time

3. GBF will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and sodas thanks to Grillmeister Tony and all the volunteers on Saturday eve. In the spirit of a potluck event we are requesting members to bring a dish to share per the chart below:

- A-H Salad
- I-R Appetizer
- S-Z Dessert

Campsites are first-come/first-served. We have limited space at the main campground for RVs, but plenty of space within walking distance just outside the campground.

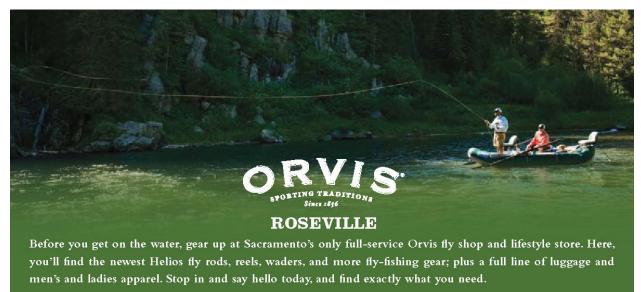
We will have signup sheets at the April and May meetings or you can email either of us with your name & headcount. All are welcome; but we need to know how much food to buy and who is participating in the 1-Fly Tournament.

Don VanSant, <u>donvansant@pacbell.net</u> (916) 927-9824 Mike Powers, <u>mikepowers@g-mail.com</u> (916)606-5558



2011 Fishout Schedule

Date	Location	Fishout Leader
Jan. 29, 2011 (Sat.)	Yuba (Lower) #1 - UCD Field Station	Eric Palmer
Feb. 12 (Sat.)	Yuba (Lower) #2 - UCD Field Station	Pete Koistinen
Apr. 4 (Mon.)	Rancho Seco (no host)	Gene Goss
Apr. 9 (Sat.)	Cameron Park Lake	Ray Ito
Apr. 15 (Fri.)	Rancho Murieta	Bill Ossolinski
Apr. 23 (Sat.) CANCELLED	Lewiston Lake with Shasta Trinity Flyfishers	Benson Kanemoto (STFF)
Apr. 30 (Sat.)	Greenstone Country	Tony Hamamoto
May 4 (Wed.)	Sly Park Jenkinson Lake (no host)	Gene Goss
	Bridgeport	Michael Kaul
May 13 - 15 (Thu Sat.)	Hot Creek (see new campground)	Ron & Jeanne English
May 21 (Sat.)	Frenchman's Lake (no host)	Gene Goss
Jun. 3 - 5 (Fri Sun.)	S. Fork Kings River	Bill Templin
Jun. 11 (Sat.)	Davis Lake (no host)	Gene Goss
Jun. 25 (Sat.)	Kirman Day Pack (2.75 mi.)	Scott Vaughn
Jul. 8 - 10 (Fri Sun.)	S. Fork Kings River	Bill Templin
Jul. 23 (Sat.)	Winnemucca Lake Day Pack	Scott Vaughn
Aug. date to be determined	Truckee River	Eric Palmer
Aug. 20 (Sat.)	Round Lake 1-Nite Backpack	Scott Vaughn
Sep. 9 - 11 (Fri Sun.)	S. Fork Kings River	Bill Templin
Sep. 9 - 11 (Fri Sun.)	Bridgeport	Bill & Bev Hagopian
Sep. 19 (Mon.)	Fuller Lake	Dennis Baker
Oct. 13 - 16 (Thu Sun.)	<u>Upper Sac</u> / Dunsmuir / Carnazzo Nymphing Clinic	Eric Palmer



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North Yuba Nymphing Clinic

Bill Carnazzo

This annual event is one of GBF's signature clinics—it's always filled to the 20 person capacity. So sign up and enjoy!

Where: North Yuba River above Downieville

When: Saturday, July 16, 2011

<u>Clinic Leader:</u> Bill Carnazzo, Licensed Guide (CGL #2917)

Fee: None

Signup limit: 20 members; if more than 20 sign up, we will have a lottery so that everyone has an equal chance of participating.

Equipment required: A valid California fishing license is required—please be sure to purchase it prior to the date of the outing, and have it with you. Rod-4 or 5 wt, 9' (preferably, but an 8 1/2'rod will do); floating line; leader—Bill's Short Line Leader System (3x or 4x), and an extra package of tippet sections (both available at Kiene's Fly Shop); flies—to be determined. In July waders are optional. A wading staff is also an absolute requirement, for safety reasons. A complete equipment list and other information 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 May general meeting, and continuing into the July meeting if the clinic doesn't fill up before then.

More information: Bill Carnazzo - bcarnazzo@ftcnet.net; (530) 367-5209 (home) or (916) 295-9353 (cell).

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Fly Tyer's Corner

by Bill Carnazzo

Andy Burk's Aggravator Prince Nymph

Andy Burk needs no introduction to the world of fly tying; he's practically a legend. But, he's also a darned nice guy. Andy has produced many U-Tube videos on fly tying—and, of course, these are all free. He has also made or been featured in commercially marketed DVDs on fly tying. Andy has, over the years, developed many original patterns, some of which have (at least in my case) accounted for many "nice" fish. Andy formerly wrote the "At the Vise" column in the California Fly Fisher Magazine; I was honored to take over that column once Andy moved along to other ventures.

MATERIALS NEEDED

Hook:	TMC 2312, Daiichi 1260, or similar hook, #6-14
Thread:	Black Danville 6/0
Head:	Gold bead, sized to match hook
Weight:	Lead free wire wraps
Tag:	Pearl Crystal Flash
Tail:	Brown/Olive marabou
Rib:	Gold Wire
Abdomen:	Peacock Herl
Thorax:	Peacock Herl
Collar:	Peacock Herl
Wing Case:	White goose biots
Legs:	Olive Silli-Legs

I've used Andy's Aggravator Prince Nymph for bass and trout in still water angling. The fly, with its sexy motion, attracts fish and induces strikes and takes. Tie up a few of these and toss them to still water trout and bass.



Steps 1 & 2



<u>Tying Steps:</u>

- 1. Smash the hook barb, apply the bead to the hook, and wrap weighting wire in the thorax area.
- 2. Cover the shank with thread, leaving it at the rear of the hook, just above the back of the barb. Tie in two pieces of



Steps 3 & 4

pearl Crystal Flash and wrap them down the bend to the half way point, and then back to the tie-in point. Tie it off and trim the excess.

- 3. Cut or strip a small bunch of olive-brown marabou from the quill, and tie it in at the front end of the Crystal Flash tag, to form the tail. The tail should be approximately the length of the hook shank.
- 4. Tie in a piece of gold wire at the same spot; this will be the ribbing material.
- 5. At the same spot, tie in 3 or 4 long strands of peacock herl

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Step 6

and form a loop of the thread; leave the loop with the herl, but cut one leg of the loop at the shank. Move the thread forward to the hook eye. Using your hackle pliers, grab all of the peacock herl strands and the single strand of thread. Twist the thread and herl counterclockwise until you form a herl "chenille."

- 6. Wind the peacock "chenille" forward to form the abdomen; stop winding when you have reached the 2/3 point on the shank, and tie off the herl. Don't trim it yet, as we will use the rest of it to finish the thorax.
- 7. At that same front 2/3 point, tie in the first set of legs by laying a section of leg material perpendicular across the hook shank and tying it down. Figure-8 wrap the leg material; don't trim it yet.
- 8. Pick up the herl chenille once again and take a few wraps in front of the first set of legs, sweeping them rearward. Tie off the herl again and move it out of the way. Apply a second set of legs in the same manner as the first set.



Step 8

9. Rib the abdomen and thorax areas with the fine gold wire and tie off the wire in front of the thorax.

10. Cut two long white biots from the stem. Tie them in at the front of the thorax and place a drop of glue at the tie-in point.



Step 7



Steps 9, 10, & 11 and Completed Fly

11. Using the remainder of the herl chenille, wrap a collar of peacock herl behind the bead and tie it off. Whip finish behind the bead.

Now go throw one of these beasts to some still water bass or trout with an intermediate sink line, and....See ya on the creek!

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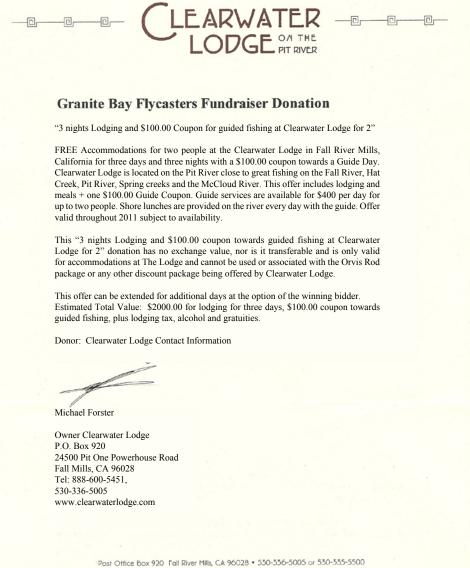
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Clearwater Lodge Special Live Auction

The following item was received too late to be used at our annual dinner. Therefore, there will be a live auction for it at the May 12th meeting. This is a fabulous deal consisting of 3 days lodging for 2 people at Clearwater Lodge with optional guided fishing on the Pit River. Value is \$2,000. Please take a few moments to read it and check out their website at <u>Clearwater Lodge</u>.

If you are thinking of going to Clearwater Lodge with a non-fishing guest and wondering what there is to do for people who don't fish, please read the following information.

The Intermountain Area has lots of outdoor activities for people who do not fish. Burney Falls State Park is 20 minutes from the lodge and has a gorgeous 120 ft waterfall, hiking trails, a beach with swimming area, rental boats and a visitor's center. Lassen National Park is about one hour and 20 minutes from the lodge and has a number of beautiful hikes and several visitor's centers as well as lava tubes to explore. The Fall River Valley is an excellent place to ride bikes (we do not rent them, but you are welcome to bring your own!). Kayakers and bird watchers can explore the waters of the Fall River Valley (again, we don't rent kayaks but some guests do bring their own). The McCloud River is about 45 miles north of the lodge and is a beautiful river to hike along. The town of McCloud is a quaint old mill town and has an interesting down town area to explore. Just 12 miles northwest of McCloud is the town of Mt. Shasta which has shopping and restaurants and incredible views of Mt. Shasta and the surrounding Castle Crags. For more information on non-fishing activities, please see our recreation page.



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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 Dennis Baker at 916-580-7639.

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 \$8 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.

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