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## President's Message

by Dennis Baker, GBF President

I would like to say "Thank You" to all of you who donated your time at the ISE Show. Our booth collected contact information from over 50 interested potential members. Great Job to all of you, and a special thanks to **Tony Fabian** for his considerable effort in organizing and coordinating this year's event.

**Henry Sandigo** and 20 other members had a very successful clean-up of the Sailor Bar access on the American River—look for the article inside.

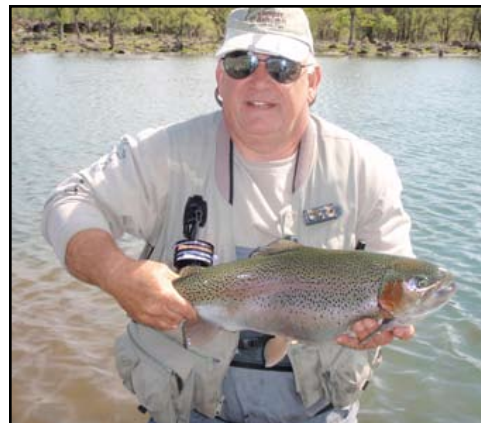
**Frank Stolten, Rick Radoff** and a host of others recently completed steelhead egg deliveries to 28 area classrooms as part of GBF's long standing classroom education program.

We have several clinics on the books, so check out the message board/website for dates and sign-ups. They include *Fly Tying Beyond the Basics* with Bill Carnazzo and others, three separate *Casting Clinic* dates with John Hogg and others, and for those who signed up for *Net Building* with Art Hawkins, you will have a great time. If you are a new member, please take the time to participate in these clinics; our instructors are outstanding.

Our Annual Dinner was February 25<sup>th</sup>, and was attended by about 171 members and family. They were treated to a fabulous meal from Back Forty Texas BBQ, lots of great Raffle Prizes and plenty of opportunities to purchase guided trips, name brand equipment, and flies from our fellow members in the silent auction plus some live auction items. We all had a wonderful time. Kelly Galloup provided an energetic and entertaining presentation for all who attended.

Our club house is progressing through its remodel, and we hope it will be ready for our April Meeting.

Last, but still very important, if you have not renewed your membership by March 1, 2012, you will be deleted from our membership roster, stop receiving *The Leader* and e-mail blasts, and not be eligible to attend clinics, classes or fishouts until renewed. When you consider all that GBF offers, membership is a true bargain. So, if you forgot to renew, take this opportunity to go on the website and renew your membership today.



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### Lots of Monofilament on the American River

A group of 21 Granite Bay Flycasters met at Sailor Bar on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, and not one fish was caught. A testimony to our ineptitude? Not exactly. We actually met with the intention of removing tangles of discarded monofilament trapped under rock and dangling from willow branches. The GBF conservation group, under **Henry Sandigo** and **Harry Schoonbaert**, organized the club's effort to clean up Sailor Bar.

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## MARCH 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1.	2.	3.
4.	5.	6. 7:00 PM Conservation Committee Meeting	7. Beyond the Basics - Fly Tying	8. Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM	9.	10. Casting Clinic One
11.	12.	13. Fly Tying Jam	14. Beyond the Basics - Fly Tying	15. Board Meeting 7:00 PM	16.	17. Casting Clinic Two
18.	19.	20.	21.	22. Beyond the Basics - Fly Tying	23.	24. Casting Clinic Three
25.	26.	27.	28. Beyond the Basics - Fly Tying	29.	30.	31.

## Monthly Program



Our speaker for March is John Hyde who will present a program on fishing the Williamson River in southern Oregon.

He has been fly fishing since he was five years old. Now 52, he has lived, studied and fished the Williamson River all his life. John is an FFF Casting Instructor who has fished Salt, Steelhead and Trout waters all over the country. His latest passion is enhancing the river he grew up on and makes a living with.

Managing the Yamsi Ranch along with his family, John has developed an interest in the lands and their restoration for the upcoming generations to enjoy. He realizes the value of not only managing the river, but the animals and lands that contribute to the health of the whole ecosystem.

## Lower Yuba Mini Fishout Report

by Pete Koistinen

GBF anglers Pete Koistinen, Corley Phillips, Steve Pitts and Ted Way fished the Lower Yuba River on February 11th. This was a mini fishout, with Pete leading a tour of the river and discussing stealth dry fly tactics. The weather

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was perfect, and everyone hooked fish using skwala stoneflies and PMD mayflies. A few tactics discussed were:

Take your time, be observant, and carefully plan your approach.

Fish the shoreline before getting in the water.

Use a long (12 foot) leader.

Assume any fish in shallow water, under your fly line, while casting, will be spooked. Under a fly line already on the water, maybe OK, but while it's flying through the air it will scare the fish. Use this assumption when planning your cast.

Overall the day was fun and everyone learned something.

We need more anglers to step up and lead fishouts. If you're not comfortable leading a big group then take a small group. You don't need to be an expert angler or fly fishing instructor. If you know what works, and where, and when, then you know enough to pass it on. Even if you don't know, and it's just an exploration, take a few anglers with you, I bet you'll all learn something.

After all, we are a fishing club, so..... Go Fishing!! And, take some fellow members with you!!

Send any ideas to our Fishmaster, Eric Palmer (ejpalmer@pacbell.net). He'll help you put the word out and set it up.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Pete Koistinen

### The GBF Library — Check It Out

*by Kim Lloyd, Librarian*

Is cabin fever setting in? Are you starting to miss the Oprah show? Well, if so, then you've apparently gotten this copy of *The Leader* by mistake. Clang your coffee cup on the bars and let the guard know you've made a terrible mistake. Everybody else, stick with me.

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# KIENE'S ANNUAL FLY FISHING EXPO

**APRIL 21, 2012 - 9:00AM - 5:00PM**

Spring time is here finally. This means a new fishing season is just around the bend. Come to Kiene's fly fishing expo and get inspired. Visit top fly fishing celebrities, guides and fly tiers like Hutch Hutchinson, Jeff Putnam, Jay and Glen Fair, John Mircetich, Ken Hanley, Jay Murakoshi, Lincoln and Lance Gray, Pete Peterson, David Lee, Charlie Bisharat, Kevin Doran, Gary McConnell, Leo Gutierrez, Terry Eggleston and Bob Scheidt. For you gear heads, there will be fly fishing manufacturer

reps with the latest products for 2012. Also take the opportunity to try out new fly rods in the casting area. Try your luck at the casting competitions, there will be mens, womens and kids groups for great prizes. There will also be raffles with lots of top prizes donated by the manufacturers, factory reps, fly tiers and guides. Most of the local fly fishing clubs will be in attendance too. As usual, we will have free hot dogs, chips, bottled water and sodas for lunch so bring the entire family. Hope to see you there!



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Here's the thought: we've got a great library with a wide range of books and DVDs, but no magazines. So let's collect some issues of a single magazine, one that carries articles that remain fairly relevant over time, and find out if members are interested in checking them out.

You may recall that a couple months ago members were asked to drop off their old magazines and we got a great response. But we, OK it was me, didn't think the thing through and we simply gave them away to members at subsequent meetings. What was I thinking?

In any event, here's the plan: Let's start simple, bring in your old copies of California Fly Fisher (CFF) magazine and then we'll lend them out. Why CFF? There are a couple reasons. First, it comes early in the alphabet. Second, it is focused on California and members do most of their fishing within the state. Third, it is fairly easy to research past articles because their website has an "Article Index" search. This is important because it means the Librarians won't have to help members do any research - and can be first in line for refreshments...kind of a "win-win" situation. So everybody bring in your old copies of the California Fly Fisher magazine, we'll get them into the system and then see if anybody wants to check 'em out.

As mentioned last month, it is club policy that items are to be checked out one month at a time. So if you've checked something out, be sure to return it at the next meeting ... or not. Just remember this column is always looking for different topics to write about.

### Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

*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](mailto: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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to be included in the following month's Leader.*

Spey rod for sale: Albright EXS 13'6" 6wt 4 pcs, with an extra tip section. Comes with a sock and tube. Rod is in great shape, other than a little cosmetic issue, please call for details. I'm selling for \$150.00.

Jim Hunter  
916-408-8966

### "Beyond the Basics" 2012 Fly Tying Class

This class is for tyers who are in the intermediate to advanced category; **it is not a beginner class.** We have to be firm on that point because it is a limited enrollment, and the various tyers are counting on that. The goal of the class is to hone skills of more experienced tyers. The format consists of six consecutive evening sessions from **6:00 PM until 9:00 PM. All sessions except one are on Wednesdays; the exception is Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The first Wednesday session will be March 7<sup>th</sup>.** So, the dates will be March 7, 14, 22, and 28, and April 4 and 11. There will be a different tyer at each of the six sessions, which provides members with a very interesting variety of opinions, techniques, styles, and viewpoints. Each of the guest tyers will be very experienced, and each will do something different. **The class is limited to ten (10) members.** Here is the lineup of tyer-instructors:

March 7	Bill Carnazzo
March 14	Jim Holmes
March 22	Ray Ito
March 28	Dennis Lee
April 4	John Daniels
April 11	Jim Hunter

We have done this class annually for quite a long time; each time it has been a resounding success. There is no fee, except that individual guest tyer-instructors who opt to provide materials, hooks, etc., may need to be reimbursed by class participants. Reimbursement is expected at the beginning of the session. The cost, if any, will be nominal. The classes will be held at the clubhouse, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. A materials list will be sent to participating members sufficiently in advance to allow for purchase of the necessary items.

To sign up, please send an email to Bill Carnazzo at [bcarnazzo@sebastiancorp.net](mailto:bcarnazzo@sebastiancorp.net); or, you can sign up at the February general meeting. If we have more than ten members sign up, a lottery will be held.

## 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

#### **Date(s)**

Third Tuesday Each Month (Continuing)

#### **Upcoming Clinics/Classes**

Net Building: Art Hawkins & Michael Kaul

Rod Building: Larry Lee

Gurglers: Jim Holmes

Beyond The Basics Fly Tying: Bill Carnazzo

Casting: Sturmer White and John Hogg

Fly Tying Basics: Jim Holmes

Stillwater Fly Fishing: Jim HOLmes & Gene Goss

Jan, Feb, March 2012

Ongoing

March 13, 6:00 PM @ Raley's

March 7, 14, 22, 28 and April 4 & 11 @ Raley's

March 10, 17, 24 @ Gibson Ranch

Dates To Be Determined

Dates To Be Determined in Spring

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## Caster's Corner

*by John Hogg*

You might find my nomination arguable at first, but read on and I'm sure you will be convinced that the most important, most versatile, and happily one of the easiest casts to master is the humble roll cast.

Why so important? Well, we first see its value when you've stripped a pile of line off your reel, and now have to get it straightened out and on the water. That's the first of many tasks that are uniquely handled by the roll cast.

Of course, this cast usually comes to mind when there is no back cast room. When you're knee deep in the river and backed up against the willows, the roll cast is just about the only way you are going to make a cast.

But how about this? On a blustery day, with the wind blowing into your face, which cast will carry the line loop closest to the surface so that it is not blown back in your face? And conversely, if the wind is coming from your back, (difficult for a normal back cast), you can use the roll cast to roll the loop high above the water and catch the wind to add distance to the cast.

Speaking of distance, it's often assumed that you can't get any distance with a roll cast!? Well, how about an easy 60 feet with a simple modification to the cast that adjusts the starting position by not only extending the rod tip up but also pushed back so that a lot of extra line is now behind the caster. This will then load the rod more effectively and thus achieve a longer cast.

And if 60 feet isn't enough, a 70-foot-plus cast is achievable when we modify the roll cast into a switch cast. A sharp uplift of the rod aerializes the line as it travels back toward the caster, the leader momentarily hits the water creating an 'anchor', and at that precise moment the caster starts their forward stroke. Most of the line is already off the water, the anchor helps the rod fully load, and off goes line and fly to land 70 feet away.

Now here's another secret! Have you been thinking about spey casting? Those swooping majestic movements, a gigantic two handed 16 foot rod, and a cast that sends your fly clean across the river a 100 feet away? Well guess what?

Your traditional spey casts, the single spey, the double spey and the switch cast are all grounded in the roll cast! And now, these spey casts are being worked back into the arsenals of single handed casters.

So how do you properly execute the roll cast? As with all casts, a picture is worth a thousand words, so I've included a [video link](#) that demonstrates what I'm talking about.

Here is one crucial tip. The down stroke of the roll cast is executed downward not outward. The big mistake is to use a motion that throws the rod hand out and away from the body, similar to throwing a dart. This is bad! Not only will such a stroke create a big sloppy loop that hits the water before the fully line extends, but it will also result in an extremely sore shoulder in a very short order! The correct stroke is straight down, like you are pulling on a bell rope.

So that's my argument for the roll cast. Now you give it a roll.



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*Lots of Monofilament on the American River - Continued from Page 1*

Monofilament has a long shelf life, and persists for many years before disintegrating. Since monofilament is practically invisible, it does not present an unsightly nuisance, but still has a deadly effect. Fluorocarbon line is even more durable and lasts for decades. The problem is that waterfowl, aquatic mammals and fish get tangled in the man-made webs of this junk. Fishermen casually cut away tangles of line off their reels and toss it aside, or sometimes they need to break off the line due to a snag. Large fish can make long runs and break off hundreds of feet of line. It is not unusual to see weighted, barbed treble hooks and other large hooks attached to the line.

Plastic bags, candy wrappers and sections of rope are also hazards to wildlife. Most of us just overlook it, and keep fishing or hiking along our way. On this day, we collected 7 black bags full of this stuff in two hours—way over 100 pounds of this hazardous garbage! Hats off to our club members who gave up their Saturday morning and pitched in—well done, gentlemen.

Harry Schoonbaert



*Left:* These fine gentlemen participated in the clean-up. A few pictures of their efforts too. Thanks for giving up your Saturday:

Bob Brown, Kevin Clancy, Bob DeRoss, Wendell Edwards, Gary Egan, Tony Fabian, Mike Gervais, Todd Hill, Mike Howes, Tony Jelinek, Ed Lloyd, Mel Odemar, Eric Palmer, John Pellegrin, John Piff, Rich Pontius, Jerry Rief, Don VanSant, & Bob Weibezahl



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## Fly Tyer's Corner

by Bill Carnazzo

### Bill's 12-step Stonefly Version 2

This pattern is v.2 of a time-tested, successful fly proven in the crucible of actual on-stream experience. The original version, originally featured in the July, 2008 *Leader*, can be found in the fly tying archives on the GBF web site; that article is worth reading for the background on the fly. The v.2 modifications, designed to streamline the bug and simplify the tying process, are few in number but are significant enough to warrant the "v.2" moniker. You will note that the additional weight to the hook shank is optional in this version; I have been experimenting with unweighted versions of various flies, including this one, and the results are interesting. Where no weight is used on the flies, getting them down near the bottom requires addition of a little extra weight to the leader. The benefit of this is that the flies will drift more naturally in the current while still sinking to the bottom where they belong. The jury is still out on this concept, but I intend to continue experimenting with it. Let's tie up a Golden Stonefly version of this nymph.

#### Tying Instructions:

1. Smash the hook barb unless you are using a barbless hook. Tie the thread in just above the point of the hook and move the thread forward to near the hook eye.
2. Tie the mono eyes on about 1 eye-length behind the hook 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 amber biot tails just above the back of the hook barb area. The biot tail should extend to the rear of the body no more than 1/3 of its length.
4. At the same point, tie in a short segment of fine copper wire.

#### MATERIALS NEEDED

Hook:	Daiichi 1260, Tiemco 947, or similar hook, sizes 6-10
Thread:	Amber 8/0, or similar thread
Eyes:	Small black mono eyes
Tail:	Amber goose biots
Abdomen:	Amber dubbing
Ribbing:	Fine copper wire
Legs:	Mini-size tan Turantulegs
Wing case:	Mottled golden stone color Thin Skin
Thorax:	Same as abdomen
Weight:	Optional—not used in instructions



Steps 1, 2, & 3



Steps 6 & 7

5. Form a dubbing loop at the same point, and fill it with the amber dubbing material. Dub the abdomen—which will be the rear 2/3 of the hook; do not go farther forward than that. 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). Turn the fly over and trim the dubbing at the bottom of the fly so that body has a flat appearance.



Steps 4 & 5

6. Rib the abdomen, weaving the wire into the dubbing; this gives the dubbing the look of "gills," which stoneflies sport. Tie off the wire at the front of the abdomen.
7. Cut a tapered piece of Thin Skin that is approximately 1/4" in width on the widest end, and about 1/2" long. Pull the material from the backing. You will notice that one side is shinier than

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Steps 8, 9, &amp; 10



Steps 11, 12 and completed fly

the other—you will end up tying it in with the shiny side down (when it's pulled over the top, this will put the shiny side on top). Tie the narrow end of the Thin Skin in at the front of the abdomen and wrap it down rearward over the dubbed abdomen; this step insures that there will be no "gap" between the dubbed abdomen and the thorax. The wide end of the Thin Skin should now be facing rearward.

8. Tie in a set of the Turantulegs just ahead of where the Thin Skin was tied in.
9. Dub the thorax, starting right where the legs were tied in so that the dubbing pushes the legs rearward; stop the dubbing halfway to the mono eyes and tie in another set of legs at that point.
10. Continue dubbing up to the back of the eyes, again allowing the dubbing to force the legs rearward, and tie the dubbing loop off there. Lightly brush the dubbed abdomen, taking care not to damage the legs. Trim the legs to approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  ".
11. 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.
12. Whip finish at that point, and apply a tiny drop of super glue

where the Thin Skin crosses over the mono eyes. Using a black Sharpie, color a broad stripe down the top of the abdomen. If you examine a natural stonefly, you will note that the back is dark and the bottom is light.

**Tying tips:**

1. Be sure to leave at least  $\frac{1}{3}$  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 or any pattern where you are using a wing case.
2. When cutting out your pieces of Thin Skin, give them a slight taper so that when the material is tied in at the rear of the thorax area, the narrower end will end up at the rear of the thorax. This will give the shell back a tapered look, to match the taper of the abdomen.

Fish this stonefly through pocket water during the spring when the naturals are hatching, using a short line nymphing rig. While aggressive strikes sometimes occur, often the strikes can be subtle, so set the hook at the slightest hesitation of the rig. Go rip a few lips, and....see ya on the creek.

## Fishmaster's Corner

*by Eric Palmer, Fishmaster*

On saying "yes" ...

At the February general meeting I gave a little sales pitch on leading Fishouts hoping to motivate members who have yet to say "yes" to leading their first fishout and thereby taking that first enriching step toward widening their horizons. To help drive my message home, I read a quote I'd just stumbled across by a prominent Silicon Valley Executive:

*"Find a way to say yes to things. Say yes to invitations to a new country, say yes to meet new friends, say yes to learn something new. Yes is how you get your first job, and your next job, and your spouse, and even your kids. Even if it's a bit edgy, a bit out of your comfort zone, saying yes means that you will do something new, meet someone new, and make a difference. Yes lets you stand out in a crowd, be the optimist, see the glass as full, be the one everyone comes to. Yes is what keeps us all young."*

[Eric Schmidt](#) – Chairman and former CEO of Google

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The operative phrase above is “Even if it’s a bit edgy, a bit out of your comfort zone,...”, as some may be reluctant to take on a Fishout out of fear of the unknown. Also, some may assume wrongly that they must already be an expert on the river or lake of choice, or that they must be a fly fishing guru with decades of experience and able to out-fish any member of their outing. Of course, none of this is even remotely necessary to lead an effective and fun fishout. There are some hard requirements, however. A potential Fishout leader needs a phone and an email account and should know how to use them. A driver’s license and vehicle would also be useful. Perhaps the most important requirement is a strong desire to improve your fly fishing skills and knowledge and to make new friends and perhaps to develop new fishing partners.

Here’s my commitment to address the “fear of the unknown”: For any member willing to step forward and lead their first fishout, I will personally coach you on the process every step of the way to ensure your success. After the Fishout, I guarantee you will look back on a rewarding and fun experience and you will be glad you did it!

For upcoming Fishouts, as always, check the website [Fishout Page](#) and [Message Board](#) often for updates on upcoming fishing opportunities. Worth noting if you have been contemplating getting into still water fishing, there will be ample opportunities in April if not sooner at Rancho Seco, Cameron Park and Greenstone.

Thanks, and see you on the water!

Eric

### Conservation Corner

It was a long time coming, but I understand the job has been done. At our February General meeting, I announced that GBF was invited to the ceremony opening the new fish ladder of the Auburn Ravine tributary. The ceremony was held at the Auburn Ravine Fish Ladder/Gaging station in Lincoln.

I wasn’t a member, at the time GBF donated \$10 thousand dollars to Placer County as seed money to build this urgently needed ladder. The folks of Placer county who were heading this effort up, were able to obtain additional funding to move toward building and completing the project. Edmond Sullivan of Placer County was the project manager on this one, and some of you may recall him speaking to us about it at a general meeting.

In the picture below you can make out Rick Radoff (who said a few words at the ceremony on behalf of GBF), John Carroz, Mike Howe, Robin Egan, Larry Goodell, Frank Stolten, Tom Petty, David Lee, and Heath Wakelee. Good job folks, and I know you must feel good about this project coming to fruition.

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**Granite Bay Flycasters** donated **\$10,000** to the **Placer Legacy Project** at the Tuesday, May 27, 2008 meeting of the Placer County Board of Supervisors. Click [here](#) to link to the county's announcement of GBF's donation (also shown below).



Our work and donations do make a difference. So please continue to dig into your pockets for needed cash, attend the general meetings, buy your ticket to the annual dinner, volunteer where you can, inspire those you know and pass on this information to your family and friends.

Here are a few pictures of the Ravine just downstream of the PG&E powerhouse.



## Casting Clinics

### Three Casting Clinics Announced for March by John Hogg

"Nothing good comes from false casting a weighted fly"...Wise words come from none other than Lefty Kreh, along with, "By learning to double haul, you can throw your mistakes further."...And one more if I may, also by Lefty, "Standing on your line does nothing to improve your cast."

We will examine these axioms and much more in the upcoming Casting Clinics scheduled for three consecutive Saturdays, March 10, 17 and 24.

The clinics will each be three hours in length, beginning at 10 am and ending at 1 pm. (We would like attendees to be ready to go with rods strung up at 10am, so please come a few minutes early).

The location is the beautiful 9 acre lake at Gibson Ranch Park whose entrance is on Elverta Road, approximately 1 mile west of Watt Avenue in North Highlands. Please Google a map if you are unfamiliar with the area.

While GBF will pick up the reservation fee for each clinic, each car will be charged \$5.00 at the entrance.

Casting Chairman, Sturmer White, along with instructors Rick Radoff, and John Hogg will provide instruction on the various topics. They will be ably assisted by several coaches who will be able to provide one-on-one assistance.

You might ask yourself, should I attend all the clinics, or just one, or should I just skip the first one because it's Fundamentals, and I am beyond that? I would answer, that after studying and teaching casting for almost 20 years, I have learned something at every single clinic I have attended or conducted, regardless of the level. My recommendation....hit 'em all! You will be an improved caster come April 1.

### Agenda for Casting Clinics – One, Two, Three

#### **Clinic One – Fundamentals (Saturday, March 10)**

- Equipment, Grip, Stance
- Line Handling
- The 5 essentials of a fly cast
- The Roll Cast
- The Forward Cast – Pickup/ laydown

#### **Clinic Two – Presentation and Accuracy (Saturday, March 17)**

- Review of Clinic One
- The False Cast
- Presentation and Accuracy
- Shooting Line
- Specialty casts – Steeple, Pile, Slack, Reach, and Mend

#### **Clinic Three – Adding Distance (Saturday, March 24)**

- Review of Clinics One and Two
- Weighted shooting lines
- Extending the roll cast using spey techniques
- The double haul

If you are interested, please email me and I will put you on the Casters Distribution List and you will receive Workshop Notes for each clinic.  
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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](http://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.

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