

The Leader

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Leader's Line

by Kim Lloyd, GBF President

Rick Radoff's Annual Dinner presentation about some earlier club projects was killer. It identified several high-profile conservation projects the club has undertaken. These included the building of an information kiosk at Heenan Lake, and the rehabilitation of a Bear River meadow.

The information kiosk is still being used. In fact, it can be viewed on YouTube. Click here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=84eG01i6TLQ> for a 7-minute video. Start to pay attention around the 55-second mark as the kiosk is being shown. About that time the video becomes focused on an information sign, and at the bottom right-hand corner of this sign is the GBF logo. It is satisfying to know the kiosk and signage are still being used.



What about the Bear River project? Well, here are some "before" and "after" photos:



As you can see, there is a significant difference between what "was" and what "is."

This project was recently visited on a hot Friday afternoon. Although triple digit temps were being

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Monthly Program

Our speaker this month is **Maury Hatch**, a northern California guide who has been fly fishing the western United States and Mexico for 35+ years. After honing his skills with trout, he hooked his first striped bass in 1995, and has been chasing, catching, and releasing stripers ever



since. As a Captain, he guides both out of the San Joaquin Delta in a center console bay boat in the fall and spring, and then on a jet sled on the Feather and the American Rivers in the summer for Stripers and Small Mouth Bass. His presentation will focus on the many opportunities available to fish for stripers in the bay/delta/American River areas.

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AUGUST 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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6.	7. Tenkara #1 Fishout	8. Board of Directors Meeting	9.	10. Monthly Meeting	11. Prosser Reservoir Fishout	12. Advanced Tenkara Clinic Truckee Fishout
13.	14.	15. Fly Tying Jam	16.	17.	18. Tenkara Fishout Silver Fork	19. Independence Lake & Streams
20.	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.
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recorded in Folsom, the ambient air temp under the tree canopy was a refreshing 82 degrees. The water temp was 54 degrees. Throw in a couple of feisty brown trout and presto, one just experienced heaven on earth.

The result of the club's conservation effort at the Bear River is nothing short of amazing. In just a decade, the club transformed a fish-less wasteland into nirvana. But that, of course, begs the question: what will be the club's next high-profile project?

That's it from me, I'm heading out to enjoy our home waters.

Manzanita Lake Fishout - New Date

by Michael Kaul, Fishout Leader

Hey there GBF'ers. After the June Manzanita trip had to be canceled, we have rescheduled it for August 27-31. We chose these dates because there were quite a few open camp sites available. We already have 15 folks signed up and have 9 sites in the A & B loops (we are in A48). There will be a chili/cornbread dinner provided to all attendees tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, but check with us.

I have no idea about what to fish with, as I have only fished it in early June, but we'll figure it out. The fish are wild (no plants for over 40 years) rainbows and browns in the 18-20" range that are beautiful. New members are very encouraged to attend fishouts, as it is a great way to meet people. Gear to try—tubing if you don't have anything—can be provided upon request. Let me know.

Check the fishout template [HERE](#) for more info, or call me at 916 337-5468. Hope to see you there.

Signing Up for GBF Fishouts and Clinics Under Membership Works

by Eric Palmer

Executive Summary

With the July rollout of our new membership management system, there are two paths we will use on our website to register (formerly "signup") for fishouts and clinics, but they both lead to the same place; a new **Register Now!** button. One familiar option remains, the [fishouts](#) or [clinics](#) schedule page where you will now click "Register." The new alternate method is to locate the event of interest on the new **My Calendar** (which replaces the previous calendar), and left-click on what you're interested in. The paper signup sheets on the front table at the monthly meeting are now eliminated (except for special cases), as are email, text or phone sign-ups. Although, you can still communicate directly with an event leader from the familiar contact info. provided on the fishout templates, which are preserved but managed a bit differently.

The Details

Event registration (sign-up) from the usual website [Fishouts](#) or [Clinics](#) schedule:

Step 1: Open the desired schedule, browse and locate the event of interest.

Step 2: Click on **Register** in the far right-hand column. If you have signed in under **Membership** recently, you will immediately see the familiar "fishout template" if it's a fishout, or a short information page for a clinic. Now jump to **Step 4** below to continue. If you have not signed into **Membership** lately, jump to **Step 2 – Signing in** below and continue.

Event registration (sign-up) from the new **My Calendar**:

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Step 1: Open the GBF website as usual, then locate the new **Membership** menu item, 2nd from far right. Mouse over it for the dropdown menu. Select **My Calendar**, the 4th item down. If you have recently signed-in to the Membership system, the calendar will appear. Skip to Step 3. If you're prompted to sign in, continue at Step 2.

Step 2: Signing in: If you have not recently logged in under **Membership**, you will see the member **Sign In** window. Sign in with your usual email address that's on file and new password you assigned yourself. Before attempting to register for fishouts or clinics, you should have explored the new membership system, including setting all your personal privacy and other preference settings.

Step 3: You are now viewing the new calendar. While called "My Calendar," this is the same calendar all members see. General members cannot add events to the calendar. Scroll down till you locate the event of interest and click on it. For fishouts, a refined version of the familiar "fishout template" will appear. If it's a clinic or other event, you will see a short description page.

Step 4: After browsing the fishout template or clinic description, if this is what you want to register for, scroll down to the bottom of the page to the big blue **Register Now!** and click on it. If you are outside the two month registration window, you will see a digital "count-down" display indicating that it's too early to

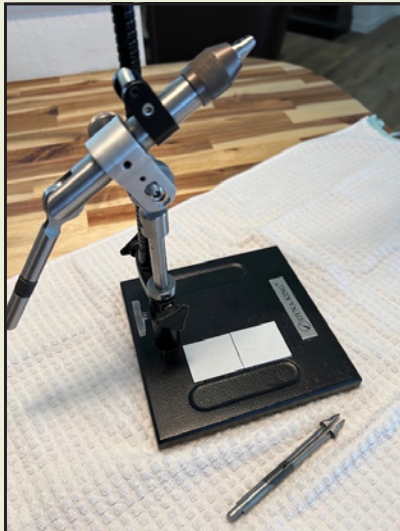


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Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

For Sale



Selling my Dyna-King Professional vise. This vise is like new and has had very little use. It's been my traveling vise. It includes midge jaws, upgraded materials clip, heavy duty base and flexible light attachment.

Retail price with all accessories: \$558
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Please contact Jim Hunter at:

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register. Check back later. If the day's date is within the two-month registration window, you will see a new **Register!** window with all of your contact info. pre-filled in. You're all set...almost.

Step 5: Locate the **Qty.** field just below the gray bar and on the same line as the name of the fishout or clinic. Set this to a "1" if you're attending alone, or "2" or more for a family group as a heads-up for the event organizer. Now click **Register!** That's it! Within a few minutes you will receive an automated acknowledgement email, as will the event leader.

"But what if I need to cancel later?" This is still a manual process where you'll email, text or phone the event leader to cancel using contact info. from the fishout template, as we've done in the past.

Note: If at any time you want to backtrack from the current display, simply use your browser's ← in the top left corner to return to the previous screen. Click **Home** in the far top right (blue background) to exit Membership and return to the GBF website home page.

If you experience any difficulties or problems, or have questions about our new system, please contact gbf-webmaster@gbflycasters.org.

Conservation Corner

Bruce Emard, VP Conservation

Sierra Trout Camp

Over the June 16 - 17, 2023 weekend, the Truckee River Chapter of Trout Unlimited hosted fifteen youths—ages ten to twelve—to its annual Sierra Trout Camp on the waters of Greenline Resort at Olympic Village and Sawmill Lake at Northstar. Granite Bay Flycasters donated \$300 to TU to sponsor two youths. Two of your members, **Kyle Krummel** and **Bruce Emard**, volunteered as fly fishing instructors.

At the camp, the budding flycasters learned rods, reels, lines, leaders, knots, fly tying, casting, fighting, and conservation. Then, they hit the water with their new or improved skills. All caught fish, made new friends, and had fun. The future of our beloved sport is bright!



Bill Carnazzo Fly Tyer's Corner
(Taken from the Article Written in August 2008)

Fly Patterns - Spring Pupa



Spring Pupa

Materials:

Hook:	Tiemco 2457 or Daiichi 1120, #12-16
Thread:	Chartreuse 8/0
Bead:	Gold bead, sized to match hook size
Underbody:	Pearl crystal flash
Abdomen:	Chartreuse Ultra-Chenille
Ribbing:	Pearl crystal flash
Legs:	Partridge, sparse
Antennae:	Barred wood duck fibers
Head:	Black ostrich herl

Description

I know, it's not springtime. But that doesn't mean that this little fly won't work for you. If you turn over rocks in most any freestone stream, you'll find little "green rock worms." These bugs are caddis larvae. Without getting into the entomological intricacies of caddis species, some caddis larvae make cases and some are free-living. If you look closely at what you find on rocks or amongst the debris on the stream bottom, you'll notice that the bright green "worms" can be of both types. In other words, there will be some crawling about, and others inside their cases. If you grab one of the little square cases and open it up, you will see what I mean. The little cased variety engage in "behavioral drift" from time to time at certain times of the day. This just means that they leave their cases and drift downstream where they establish a new home and build a new case. I don't know (and entomologists say they don't know either) exactly why this happens, but it indeed does. And, luckily for fly anglers, the fish know about this phenomenon.

The Spring Pupa is actually just a chartreuse Fox Poopah, tied in exactly the same way as the regular Poopah series flies. In my experience, this fly works well as an imitation of either a free-living caddis larva caught in the current, or a cased caddis larva engaging in behavioral drift. I use it as a "stinger" (a third fly) off the bottom fly in a two-fly nymph rig. It saved the day for me and my client recently just above Pollard Flat on the Upper Sac, where it accounted for a good number of very large rainbows.

Tying Instructions

For best viewing: (1) Maximize your Computer Screen Window. (2) Type "Ctrl + or -" to enlarge or contract the photograph display. (3) Use the Horizontal and Vertical Scroll Bars to scroll right and up/down to display larger photos on your screen.



Steps 1 & 2

1. Smash the hook barb unless you are using a barbless version of the hook, and slip the bead around the bend. Cover the shank with thread.
2. Tie in a piece of crystal flash (will be used as ribbing) just above the hook barb, and move the thread to the bead. At that point, tie in another piece of crystal flash.

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3. Wrap this piece of crystal flash back to where the first piece was tied in, and forward again to the bead. Tie it off there. This forms a shiny underbody.

*Step 3**Step 4*

4. Cut a piece of Ultra-Chenille to 1.5 times the length of the shank. Using a lighter held away from its tip, singe it lightly so that it is rounded off. With the singed end pointing to the rear, tie it in just behind the bead.

5. Rib the abdomen, using 4 or 5 wraps.

*Step 5**Step 6*

6. At the same spot, tie in the legs on the underside of the hook, "beard" style. Make this very sparse; otherwise, it will detract from the principal elements of the fly. In other words, we want a hint of legs—nothing more.

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Step 7

7. From a wood duck flank feather, cut two barbules and tie them in behind the bead, tips to the rear. When tied in, they should be just a tiny bit longer than the end of the body. This represents the antennae.

8. Tie in a piece of black ostrich herl behind the bead, and take 2 or 3 wraps. Tie it off and whip finish behind the bead.



Step 8

Tying Tips

1. Don't add weight to this little gem; in my opinion, it kills the action of the fly, and distorts the shape of the underbody.
2. Cut and singe a dozen bodies at a time; it will save you a lot of tying time, and will result in more uniform, consistent bodies.

Tie the Spring Pupa on as a dropper, or as a third fly off of your point fly in a nymph rig. Set the hook at the slightest hesitation of your leader. Go rip a few lips, and....see ya on the creek.

Enjoy, and see ya on the creek...!!!



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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.

Membership: Applications are available on-line at <http://gbflycasters.org> and at general meetings. Single membership: \$35; Family memberships: \$40; and youth (under 18): \$17.50. There is also a \$15 name badge charge for all new members. Membership is prorated. For membership information, contact Mike Bean at 208-244-1153, or visit the website at <http://gbflycasters.org>.

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