

The Leader

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE GRANITE BAY FLYCASTERS



Photo taken by Greg Vinci

Club Member Jim Drake with a 35 inch Steelhead caught at the Upper Sunrise area of the American River on February 14. Jim was fishing with an egg sucking leech on ten pound tippet.

April 2006



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President's Message

Well, by the time you read this April will have arrived and with it comes the start of a lot of activities. The 20th Annual Dinner will have taken place and I'm sure it will be another rousing success; ticket sales are approaching a sell out of the Dante Club's capacity. Joe Aichroth and the dedicated members of the Dinner Committee have put in many hours to insure that it is a memorable occasion. This is Joe's second year as the Dinner Chair and third year on the committee. Mike Lang volunteered to head up the Raffle for the second year and he has surpassed last year's record number of raffle items. Michael Kaul has assisted Mike L. with the raffle prizes again this year. Tom Bartos and his wife, Karen, volunteered to do the decorations and the two of them have done an outstanding job (I got a sneak preview). Mike Brune came through for the umpteenth time as the Dinner's Publicity Chair creating a poster, several articles in *The Leader* and the evening's printed program. Ever faithful Frank Stolten is heading up the Silent Auction as he has done (I believe) for the past 20 years. This year Karen and Gary Flanagan went out and sourced items for a new Silent Auction category ~ Non-Fly Fishing. While they were at it they also rounded up numerous raffle items to add to Mike Lang's treasure trove. Ron Rabun, with Mike Brune's assistance, is putting together the PowerPoint slide show that features our members engaged in fishing and club events during the past year. Other committee

Art Hawkins



members are Dick Davis, Jim Hunter and Bill King who are helping in various areas. My hat is off to this hard working band and I want to thank all the members who helped during the evening as well as all the members who attended the dinner to make it a success.

Well the infamous team of Frank Massey and Michael Powers are scheming to make the Past Presidents' Picnic another memorable event. Last year's Not-So-Special-Olympics with never-done-before events (backward fly cast, two-person horseshoes and the fly tying scavenger hunt) were a real kick so I'm sure that they will outdo themselves this year. We are so lucky to have Tony (Yan can Cook) Hamamoto agree to be the Head Chef once again and slow cook Saturday evening's dinner of BBQ Baby Back Ribs and Chicken along

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Past Presidents Picnic & Fishout

It's getting to be that time to make the sign "Gone Fishing" so mark your calendar for June 15th - 18th for the *PAST PRESIDENTS PICNIC & FISHOUT*. Things get started on Thursday, or whatever day you want to arrive, and ends on Sunday. GBF will provide free camping in a private group campground; Tony Hamamoto is once again on the grill for the best ribs ever. The Third Annual ONE FLY CONTEST is on Saturday morning followed by the Second Annual "NOT SO SPECIAL OLYMPICS" and then the infamous BBQ dinner.

WHEN - June 15th - 18th

Where - The Bear River Campground, it is only an hour's drive from Granite Bay.

Take Highway 80 towards Reno. Exit Highway 20 west to Grass Valley. Right on Bowman Lake Road. PG&E's Bear River Campground is on the left before you cross Bear River.

Events

Thursday - arrive and set up camp, maybe fish.

Friday - Fish on Fuller Lake, Rucker Lake, Bowman Lake, Spalding Lake, Truckee River, Upper American River, or the Bear River (try the area GBF restored) I hope to get a tour of the restoration project. This river requires full camouflage, stealth and a one cast only technique for very shy brown trout.

Friday Night - we start a fire and pass the "lying stick" for those who want to tell fish stories.

Saturday - One Fly Contest, Not So Special Olympics and Tony's Famous Ribs. The Barbecue and Awards will be between 4-6 pm on Saturday.

Sunday - Just Fish!

RSVP AND QUESTIONS: Let us know via email if you're going to be there; how many are in your group; and what days you'll attend. We need the headcount for food. You can email us with any questions. (However, no questions about contest rules will be answered, as we will make them up as we go.) At the April meeting we will have signup sheets for attendees, volunteers, and participants. Email Frank Massey (fmassey@jps.net) or Michael Powers (powers@cwnet.com).

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Greenstone Country Fish Out

The fishouts at Greenstone Country this year are scheduled for Saturday, April 15th and April 21st 2006. A signup sheet will be available at the general membership meeting in April. This fish out will be limited to twenty members each day. If you cannot attend the general membership meeting in April, have someone else, sign you up.

For those who do not know about Greenstone Country, it is a privately gated community nestled in the foothills of El Dorado Country. Opened in 1985, Greenstone has grown to about three hundred homes on parcels of three acres or more. Most of the residents, do not fish even though there are three fishable lakes with the biggest being a 12-acre lake, Indian Creek Reservoir. The lakes hold Largemouth Bass and Bluegills.

Indian Creek is best fished from a float tube or any non-gas motorized watercraft measuring 14 feet or less. If the temperature has been around 70 degrees for three continuous days, then there will be a lot of surface action. Otherwise, I recommend using an immediate sinking or a floating line with long leader. Rod weight depends on the fly you desire to use. Since the lake is not fished much, almost anything works, from big poppers to woolly buggers to damsel nymphs. If the weather is clear, I recommend using white poppers or chartreuse colored

flies, however if it is overcast, then dark colored flies.

Please provide your own lunch for the fish out on Saturday. Tony and others will provide free instructions on Stillwater fishing for Largemouth Bass for the beginners. Watch Tony try to teach his wife, Alison to Stillwater fish.

At the Friday fish out, Tony will provide lunch for less than ten dollars. He plans to barbeque his famous Teriyaki Beef, almost as delicious as Kobe Beef, but not nearly the price.

Tony has requested that we do not arrive before 8 am at Indian Creek Reservoir. To get there from Sacramento, go east of Hwy 50 towards Placerville and take the Greenstone Road exit, #41. Proceed north under the freeway and take a right, (eastbound), on Green Valley Road travel $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile and make a left to the entrance gate. Tony will provide you with the access code.

If you have any questions, please e-mail Tony at: hamamoto@cwnet.com. Also check the Granite Bay Flycasters Bulletin Board for updates.

New Members

Individual membership: Jeff Bryan, Tom Hughes, Tom McCready, Peter Morelli, Tony Nardella, Ron Happe
Family membership: Martin and Jeff Meier, Vaughn and Terry Yost

Don't be shy, submit a fly
Fly Tying Skills Program

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Non-beginner: \$25 gift certificate

Observe a fly tying master tie this fly at this month's general meeting and bring it to next month's meeting to be eligible for gift certificates donated by American Fly Fishing Company. Get input and critiques from experienced tiers. This will help you improve your skills and help increase your chances of catching fish.

Rules:

- Judging takes place during the general meeting.
- Winning flies are those that best match the specific pattern recipe published. No other pattern is accepted.
- Non-beginner category certificate winner will be drawn at random from among entries in that category.
- Beginners will be moved to non-beginner category after winning their category twice.

To make the club an active club, it takes volunteers. Help GBF remain active. Take the time to volunteer.

**Monthly Fly Tying
Winners for February**

Beginners: - No entries

Non-Beginners:

Best Tie and

\$25.00 Gift Certificate

Jim Holmes

(first time we've had a dual winner since I've been Pres)

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Kiene's Expo 2006

Granite Bay Flycasters encourages members, family, and friends to attend the Kiene's Expo 2006 on Saturday, April 22, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at 2654 Marconi Avenue. The Expo will be located inside the shop and out in the rear parking lot.

Kiene's will have many top fly fishing celebrities and fly tiers like Chico Fernandez, Steve and Tim Rajeff, Ken Hanley, Jay Murakoshi, Jay Fair, John Razanych, Lee Haskin, Leo Gutterres, Bob Scheidt, Lincoln Gray, Gary McConnell, Chuck Echer, Terry Eggleston and Jeff Putnam.

Participants will be able to visit most major fly-fishing manufacturers representatives with their new lines of great products for 2006. You can get accurate technical information from them, one on one. There will be a casting pond available, so that visitors can cast many of the new rods. Kiene's will have some top fly tiers that you can sit across from and ask questions about their particular fly tying expertise.

There will be a series of fly casting contests for the general public with great prizes for the winners. There will also be lots of top raffle prizes donated by the manufacturers, factory rep-

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representatives, fly tiers and guides. Free hot dogs, chips, bottled water and sodas for lunch will also be available.

Granite Bay Flycasters will also have a booth setup there to attract potential new members. If you have any questions, contact Larry Lee at larrylee@l3rods.com or phone (916)-962-0616.

Trout Season Opens
Saturday, April 29th

Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

For Sale: Outcast 8" ft long Pontoon Boat in great condition. Good for lakes and all local rivers. Price: \$275. Contact Michael Susslin (916) 759-9730.

For Sale: "New" - Outcast PAC 1000 Pontoon Boat. Price: \$1,000. Contact Gary Flanagan (916) 223-4240

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: artlivings@comcast.net with subject line: 'GBF: Classified'. Or mail your info to: Art Livingston, 8330 Newbridge Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. All ads must arrive by the 15th of the month to be included in the following month's *Leader*.

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Bridgeport Fishout May 19-21, 2006

the East Walker River, a prime fly-fishing stream.

Bev and I will be camping at Lower Twin Lakes Campground; we have reserved campsite # 3. It's located approximately 10 miles southeast of Bridgeport, off of Twin Lakes Rd. Camping can be very cold at night since the campground is at 7000 feet. For



Bridgeport is situated in the Eastern High Sierra. Historic Bridgeport Valley has changed little since cattlemen, and miners discovered its grassy pastures in the 1850's. Surrounded by vast National Forest lands, the region is an unspoiled recreational playground with pristine lakes, rivers, and streams. There is good fishing in both Robinson Creek and Twin Lakes, which provides excellent fishing for large rainbow and brown trout and Northeast of Bridgeport is

those who would like to fish and not camp, there are many creekside cabins, bed and breakfast inns, and motels in the area. I will put up links on the Club's message board.

Directions: From Sacramento area, go to Highway 395 and go





Best to fill up in Minden or Walker.

CAUTION: Bears frequent the area. All food must be kept in approved containers.

For more information about lodging, contact Twin Lakes Resort at (760) 932-7751. Upper

Twin Lakes (760) 932-7071. Bridgeport Ranger District (760) 932-7070. Camping Reservations (800) 280-CAMP. Mono Village (760) 932-7071. Doc and Al's Resort (760) 932-7051. Also see GBF's website with links.

Ken's Sporting Goods has a good selection of fishing tackle, flies and is generous with fishing tips. Guide services are also available (760 932-7707).

. . . Bill Hagopian

south. US Highway 395 runs through Bridgeport. At the first street in Bridgeport, (at the Gas Station) turn right on to Twin Lakes Road. Travel on the Twin Lakes Road for about 9.5 miles, then make a left turn onto South Twin Lakes Road, and go approximately 0.6 miles across the bridge. The campground is on the right.

Equipment: See Website.

A word to the wise: Bridgeport is famous for its HIGH gas prices.

Caption Contest

The top three (the only three) entries were all winners.

1. "WARNING". Objects in mirror are closer than they appear. By Frank Headley.

2. Who's in charge of this @ \$%#*&%(#^\$% Fishout. By Tom Pettey.

3. So, where are the fish? Anonymous.



Fishing and Adventure Specialty Programs

Ken Hanley has been conducting fishing and adventure specialty programs since 1970. Over 14,000 students have taken advantage of Ken's varied programs both in the field and on the water. His award-winning instructional programs are well respected throughout the adventure industry. He's a founding member of the "Pacific Pro Surf Association."



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His popular instructional DVD and video are titled "Saltwater Salmon on the Fly" and "Coastal Fly Fishing with Ken Hanley & Friends." He is the author of six books. Ken also writes and photographs for na-



tional and regional publications in the outdoor industry.

Ken's extensive field experience spans the globe; from the highest peaks in Tibet and the Himalaya, to the remote wilderness regions of Asia, New Zealand, Mexico, Europe, and North America.

From panfish to roosterfish, he's caught over 90 different species of fresh and saltwater gamefish.

Ken holds numerous Pro Staff positions, and is sponsored by the following companies: SAGE, Bauer Reels, RIO Products, SIMMS, Patagonia, and Daiichi.

Ken Goes To The Hall! Ken has been chosen as a 2005 inductee into the NCC/FFF Fly Fishing Hall of Fame. For more than twenty years, The Hall of Fame award has been presented to the individual who has made outstanding contributions to the sport of fly-fishing. The criteria for this distinction include the improvement of the art, science, literature, techniques, enjoyment and conservation of fly-fishing and the resource.

When: April 13, 7:00 PM

Where: GBF Clubhouse

President's message

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with the help of some GBF volunteers. Let's not forget the infamous Fuller Lake One-Fly Contest that gets underway on Saturday morning. It is truly amazing to see the flotilla of pontoon boats and float tubes when the contest gets underway. It looks more like a carnival ride of bumper boats than a fishing contest. The neat thing about this contest is that you don't have to be a great fly fisher to win a prize (e.g. awards go to the first to lose their fly, person who got skunked, smallest rainbow, smallest brown and the list goes on). If that weren't enough, members get to camp in the PG&E campground from Thursday through Sunday for free. So look for the signup sheet at the April meeting.

Coming up in May is our Annual Members' Night meeting. We don't have a guest speaker that night but instead showcase all the activities that Granite Bay Flycasters has to offer its members. This meeting is really a great way for new members to get acquainted with other members and learn first hand what goes on in the Club. You will have an opportunity to check out various displays and ask questions of the activity leaders who are there for that very reason. There will also be a new member orientation table

where you can ask questions and get answers about the Club.

The elections for Officer and Board positions is just around the corner for those of you who have been enjoying your membership and want to give something back to the Club. One of the prime reasons GBF is such a successful club is that it isn't a small core group that does everything. Instead we have a lot of members who volunteer their time. Contact Mike Brune or Frank Stolten (our Nominating Committee) to learn how you can participate. We've already had a couple of members volunteer to run for office. However, we have a need for more members to step up. Remember, you get much more out of being a member if you get involved and give back.

And finally, Bass fishing will be heating up as the spring weather warms the ponds during the month and Trout Season opens April 29th. "Warm", that sounds so good because as I write this it is cold and rainy outside and the snow level has dropped down to 1,000 feet. "Warm", I can't wait.

Tight lines,

....Art Hawkins



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Rod Building 201C: Preparing and Gluing a Reel Seat Together Using Epoxy

The purpose of this article is to provide guidance for gluing reel seat components together for assembly on the blank. The reel seat is important because when casting a fly, it holds the line to the rod.

Reel Seat Preparation:

Reel seats come in several styles, colors, and shapes. The reel can hold various types of line such as floating, sinking, sink-tip, shooting-heads and others, depending on the fish you are attempting to catch.



Photo 1 shows four different unassembled (also called a *skelton*) reel seats that are manufactured by Batson Enterprises. Notice that Seats (A), (B), and (D) all have different types of wood and graphite inserts that must be glued to the reel seat threaded barrel. Reel seat (C) has no detachable insert and the threaded barrel is located below the insert area. Also in the photo (located on the left side of the photo between reel seats (C) and (D)), there is a fighting butt assembly that can be glued into the reel seat, instead of an end cap. Fighting butts are

typically used on rods 7 wt. and larger. Also shown in Photo 1, reel seats (A) and (B), there is a single locking ring that provides the pressure against the rear sliding hood of the reel seat. On the larger reel seats ((C) and (D)), there are two locking nuts to hold the rear sliding hood against the rear sliding hood.

Prior to mounting the reel seat to the blank, the rod builder must glue the unassembled reel seat components together. The reel seat pieces must be in the correct position and facing the proper directions before the epoxy glue is applied. The next step is to prepare the epoxy for application. Both Flex Coat and Trondak have great epoxy for gluing reel seats and handles. In addition, Flex Coat has a 5-minute curing epoxy that works very well for reel seat assembly. This allows the rod builder to glue and cure the reel seat quickly, which consequently allows the rod builder to be able to move onto the next step of rod construction (mounting the reel seat onto the blank) sooner rather than later.

When the glue is properly mixed (see directions for mixing on the epoxy label) and ready for application, apply the glue between the threaded barrel and insert, between the end-cap (or fighting butt insert) and barrel, and finally between the insert and the upper

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fixed hood. As you to glue the parts together, continuously clean any excess epoxy from the threads of the barrel and from the insert and the upper fixed hood. When applying the glue, it is important to avoid getting glue on the threaded barrel, which can prevent the locking nuts from turning freely. Also be careful to prevent the epoxy from filling in the hole for the upper hood, so that reel seat can be inserted properly. Acetone, paper towels, and a toothbrush work really well in keeping the unwanted epoxy away from critical areas. There is no particular order in which the pieces must be glued, so whatever feels the most practical to you.

Another word of caution: all very quick drying super glues do not stand up to impact, so I would recommend not using it. If you have the time, slower curing epoxy glue (which will take about 2 to 8 hours to cure) is the most dependable and will work the best to keep the reel seat assembled. Also, make sure you work with the epoxy in a well ventilated area. Rubber or vinyl gloves and a facemask that filter fumes originating from the epoxy are highly recommended.



Photo 2 shows what the assembled reel seats will look like

when the reel seat components are properly glued together.

The next rod building article will provide guidance for preparing the rod blank for gluing the reel seat onto the blank, then gluing the handle, reel seat, and winding check to the blank. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Larry Lee at larrylee@L3rods.com or by telephone at (916) 962-0616.

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April Fly Tying Jam

Our next fly tying jam is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18 starting at 6:30 sharp at the Granite Bay Clubhouse. For those of you "in the know", this is a very informal meeting. The group ties a few flies while discussing important matters in the world of fishing. It is a free event.

This month I am going to concentrate on damsels...they are not that far away. My collection has been decimated from last year's fishing trips and needs to be replenished. Bring your favorite damsel imitation to share, so we all can learn! For those beginners (beginners are VERY welcome!) these are easy flies to tie...just have a 2x long hook, about size 10-12, green marabou, green thread, green dubbing and some copper wire. The rest we can share.

See 'ya there!

... Jim Holmes
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Conservation Outside

Here are some great suggestions about how to fulfill your voluntary, annual four hour conservation commitment this year. Simply participate in any one (or more) of the following four activities:

#1. This year Creek Week will be from April 22 to April 29. Work will include trash pick up and other maintenance along Secret Ravine in Roseville. Our date for the clean up is Saturday April 29th. Additional information and signup sheets will be available at our April 13th meeting. If you can't make the meeting, call Heath Wakelee at (916) 870-5253 for details and to sign up. There is no limit to the number of volunteers that can participate and family members are also encouraged to sign up and participate. GBF club member David Baker is leading this outing and we are cooperating with the Dry Creek Conservancy on this project. The Dry Creek web site is www.drycreekconservancy.org.

#2 A "special" Creek Week clean up is set for Sunday, April 30, 2006 when we will meet at the Day Use area located at the M.F. American River bridge at Oxbow Reservoir at 9 a.m. Because the fishing season opens on April 29 on this stream, after the cleanup we'll break out our rods and participate in a stream survey. I know, work, work, work. This is a very productive Rainbow and Brown Trout fishery so come out and work for a few hours and then "relax" by doing some boulder hopping. Bill Templin a GBF club member and the American River Watershed Coordinator will lead this expedition.

Sign up at the April 13th meeting and call Heath Wakelee at 916 870 5253 for more information.

#3. Write a letter to Senator Feinstein encouraging her NOT to alter the existing Endangered Species Act (ESA). Your letter does not need to be longer than one sentence. What counts is that you cared enough to sit down and write. One letter = four hours credit. If you need the address (Google for it?) ask - Heath Wakelee (916) 870-5253 or GBFConservation@cs.com.

Dressed to Fish?

New members, have you noticed the Granite Bay Flycasters logo shirts and hats other members are wearing at club events and outings? Jim Bitcon heads up our merchandise sales at club meetings. These quality apparel items with the dual color GBF logo are sold at cost. There is no markup. Jim has a variety of styles, colors and sizes for you to choose from. So bring your check book and look him up at the next meeting. Call him at (916) 417-8772 if you have any questions.





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“Hanley’s Furled Hopper”

This month’s fly is another of Ken Hanley’s creative flies. In the March, 2005 Fly Tyer’s Corner article, we featured Ken’s Furled Damsel—a truly deadly damsel pattern (I have the pictures to prove it). The instructions for “furling” antron yarn are set out in that article, which is available on the Granite Bay Flycasters web site at www.gbflycasters.org, where past Fly Tyer’s Corner articles are archived. Please refer to that article for the furling instructions.

In speaking with Ken about the design characteristics of the Furled Hopper, he pointed out that the fly’s appeal is in its overall profile; the seductive leg movement achieved by the flat silicone legs; the fact that it lies down in the surface film like a real hopper (so it’s important not to grease the back); and the hopper-like appearance of the foam front of the fly. The fly can be fished on top to suggest a hopper trapped in the surface film; alternatively, it will dive and pop a little if retrieved like a frog. Ken says he also ties it in black to imitate a cricket or a stonefly. One way to make it dive and work is to use an intermediate line.

With bass and panfish season rapidly approaching, you need to put this little beauty into your arsenal, folks. But don’t just put it in your bass box, because when hopper season arrives on your favorite stream, you need to be prepared with a bunch of furled hoppers in various colors and sizes in your terrestrial box to fool the wily trout.



“Hanley Hopper”

I haven’t asked Ken about this, but I’m wondering if a giant version, tied in the right colors, might be a good top water striper pattern (hmmmm...).

Tying Instructions

1. Smash the hook barb. Start the red thread about 1/8" ahead of the point of the hook. The space behind this point will remain free

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MATERIALS

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| Hook: | Tiemco 200R or Daiichi 1260, #6 |
| Thread: | Red 8/0 for the abdomen, and Olive 8/0 for all else |
| Body: | Olive and yellow spooled Antron yarn, furlled |
| Wing: | Deer hair, sparse |
| Legs: | Golden stone colored silicone legs (e.g., “Sili-legs”) |
| Thorax: | Olive fine synthetic dubbing |
| Head: | Yellow 3mm closed cell foam |
| Mottling: | Use olive Sharpie to make blotches on foam (optional) |

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of thread and material. Wrap forward to a point about 3/8" behind the hook eye; wrap back to the point of beginning, and then forward again. Whip finish and cut the thread. This forms the underbody of the fly. Start the olive thread at this point, covering the front of the hook. Return the thread to the 3/8" point.

2. Tie in the furred body at that point. The length should be the full shank plus one hook gape width. Don't cut the butts of the yarn yet.

3. Tie in the "kicker" legs at the same point. Do this by wrapping a long piece of leg material around the thread so that both ends are even. Holding the leg material tightly, bring the thread to the hook and place it in the correct tie-in spot. Tie over the leg material so that the kicker legs extend rearward. Don't cut the material yet.

4. Using the same procedure, but with two pieces of leg material, tie in the front legs at the same spot. Cut these so that they extend rearward no farther than the bend of the hook.

5. Clean a small bunch of relatively fine deer hair. It is not necessary to stack the hair. Tie the hair in at the same point to form the wing, which should extend rearward to the back of the bend.

6. Grasp the butts of the yarn in your left hand and pull them backward over the top of the deer hair. Tie the yarn down tightly, splaying it out over the top of the deer hair. Cut the yarn so that it extends rearward about half the length of the deer hair wing. This adds to the wing profile.

7. Cut a piece of yellow 3mm

foam about 1/4" wide and 1" long. Taper it somewhat after making the initial cut. Tie it in by the narrow end, so that the wider end sticks out over the eye.

8. Dub a nice, thick thorax. It should have the shape of a ball, and should approximate the width of the foam. The thread should end up to the rear of the thorax.

9. Pull the foam back over the thorax and tie it down at the rear of the thorax to form the head. The profile of the head is important for both appearance and function. Don't stretch the foam too tightly as you pull it back, as this will affect the flotation characteristics of the foam.

10. Cut the foam so that you leave a stub about 1/8" in length. Whip finish at the same point, and place a small drop of super glue on the thread.

11. Trim the kicker legs so that their length is approximately two times the shank length.

As you crank some of these bugs, dream of those giant bass and eager panfish that are awaiting (as we are) those wonderful warm, magical Spring days ... and see ya on the creek!

Greenstone Country
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April 15 & 21, 2006

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Kiene's fly shop

Annual Spring Expo 2006

Saturday, April 22 from 9:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m.

The Expo will be inside the shop and out in the rear parking lot. As usual we will have many top fly fishing celebrities and fly tiers. Most all the major fly fishing manufacturer's representatives will be there with their new lines of great products for 2006. You can get really accurate technical information from them, one on one.

We will have a casting pond so you can try many of the new rods on the water. There will be a series of fly casting contests for the general public with great prizes for the winners. We will have lots of top raffle prizes donated by the manufacturers, factory reps, fly tiers and guides.

Some of our top local fly fishing guides will be attending as well. You can "talk turkey" with them about the fisheries they guide.

Admission is FREE and we will have free hot dogs, chips, bottled water and sodas for lunch. So bring the entire family.

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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 Art Hawkins at 916-725-3026.

Doors open between 6:30 P.M. and 7:00 P.M. for socializing and fly tying demonstrations. The business portion of the meeting begins at 7:30 P.M. The main program gets underway after a short refreshment break and usually involves a guest speaker and slide show, or other presentation. Each meeting also has a raffle, and visitors are always welcome.

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 Paul Meyers at 916-797-1955, or visit the website at www.gbflycasters.org.

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