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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE GRANITE BAY FLYCASTERS



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Chef Tony Hamamoto and helper, Denny Welch,
preparing the barbequed ribs for the
Annual President's Picnic.

May 2006



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President's Message

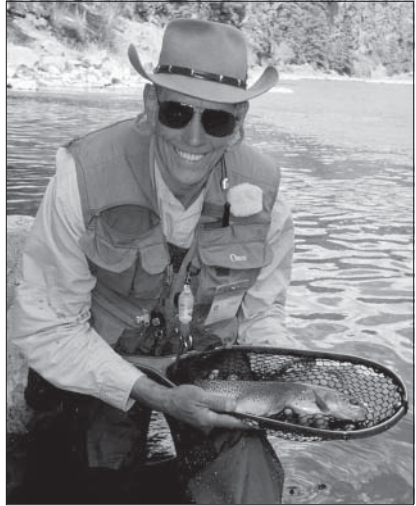
Gee, a month ago I was writing my article for *The Leader* and thinking how great April would be with warm weather at last. I'm still waiting, will it ever arrive? Even though the rains were still around we had the best ever turnout for our Annual Dinner, a first time sell out. My hat is off to the Dinner Committee which did a stellar job in bringing it all together.

Each year at the Annual Dinner the Club recognizes individuals that have made significant contributions to the Club in two categories, the Jim Coleman Conservation Award and the President's Award.

The Conservation Award was presented to two individuals, Ken Davis and Gary Flanagan, for their work on the New Zealand Mud Snail intrusion. Ken was the individual who first discovered the NZMS in Putah Creek and has continued to monitor its presence as well as participate in efforts to find a way to prevent its migration to other fisheries in the State. Gary worked tirelessly to get the California Department of Fish and Game to take action to stop the spread of this invasive species. He contacted other clubs and several conservation groups to get them involved, and attended numerous hearings that resulted in widespread awareness of this new invasive pest. As a result of their efforts there are now stream postings alerting fishers to their presence, and studies are underway on ways to treat boots and waders and to limit the spread of the snail to other waters.

Two individuals were recognized for their extensive involvement in

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the Club and the assistance they have provided me, making the President's job more enjoyable. The first recipient, Joe Aichroth, has been a very active member; willing to help out wherever he is needed. He participated in Creek Week, the Salmon Count, the Salmon Festival and the Club's booth at the International Sportsmen's Expo. He led last October's Upper Sac Fishout, was elected to the Board this year and volunteered to be the New Member Coordinator. In 2004 he joined the Dinner Committee obtaining raffle prizes and chaired GBF's presence at Fly Fishing Awareness Day. In 2005 he chaired the Dinner Committee and since he had so much fun (and I might add success) he volunteered to do it again this year. In short he has taken the initiative to volunteer repeatedly and never let anything fall

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Annual Dinner Donor Recognition

GBF's 20th Annual Dinner was the most successful one yet in terms of attendance and funds raised to operate the Club. The Dante Club was filled to capacity; there were 3 special Live Auction Items, 76 Silent Auction Items (43 last year) and 158 Raffle Items (140 last year). The Silent and Live Auctions generated over \$11,000 in proceeds for items purchased by the winning bidders at a fraction of their retail value.

The year-after-year success of our annual fund raiser can be attributed to the dedicated work of the Dinner Committee, the generosity of the fly shops, local businesses and members who donate funds for the purchase of raffle prizes and actual raffle prizes either purchased or made by the donor. Listed below are the 45 generous members who donated cash and/or merchandise in excess of \$5,000.

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In addition to winning the myriad of prizes, those in attendance enjoyed a lively PowerPoint presentation showcasing the members involved in the many events and clinics that make up the Club's activities during the year as well as pictures of those prized "catch and release trophies" held by our successful anglers. The success of this single event makes it possible for the Club to keep dues low yet still provide speakers at monthly meetings, provide local schools with the renowned Salmon/Steelhead Egg in the Classroom Program, underwrite conservation projects, support conservation organizations

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that protect our watershed and fish habitat, award scholarships to deserving college students working on conservation issues and sponsor our Annual Picnic/Campout Weekend. Special thanks goes out to all our members who helped make this the most successful Annual Dinner yet.

Thank You Wal-Mart

In March Wal-Mart was contacted by Gary Flanagan to see if they would donate an item for the raffle at our Annual Dinner. When the contact person in the Personnel Department learned about the work GBF does in the local schools with the Salmon/Steelhead Egg Program and our scholarships awarded to college students working on conservation issues she took it a step further. On April 7th, the Roseville Wal-Mart Employee Committee presented GBF with a \$500 check from the Wal-Mart Foundation to be used in one of our upcoming Conservation Programs. GBF gratefully accepts this generous donation and will put the funds to good use.

Fly Tying Jam, May 16

By now the heavy rains of April should just be a distant (or not so distant) memory and we all should be thinking of the summer ahead. Last month we shared damselflies; this month I was thinking of caddis, a bug that we should all duplicate in all stages in our fly box. It is time to check your fly boxes and be sure that you have some pupas, larva, emergers, and dries ready to go for this great hatch. Most of these flies are easy to tie; I will have

samples that we can practice! If you have "special" caddis imitations, bring them along!

Most caddis are green-brown-tan so you will need matching thread, dubbing, winging material, and your fly tying equipment. Hooks are standard 1x or 2x long. The fly tying jam is not just about the focus fly, but about anything you wish to tie. Some like to tie bass flies, shad flies, or anything else that seems fun. If you are having problems with tying some fly, this is the place to come for help! The jam starts at 6:30 sharp and ends whenever, usually about 8:30 and is held at the GBF clubhouse. It is a FREE event!

If you have any questions, give me a shout!

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Rancho Murieta Fish Out - May 25th

This year's fish out at Rancho Murieta should be at the prime time of the year. The weather will be great and the fishing should be the same.

The three lakes you will be able to fish are Lake Clementia, Bass Lake and Lake Calero. The outing will begin at Lake Clementia where we will meet between 9:00 and 9:15am to start fishing. A very large bass has been caught already this year.

This fish out will be limited to 15 members, just as last year. We will have a BBQ. The cost of the BBQ will be \$5, payable the same day as the fish out. Knute Anderson is the chef, which may or may not, determine if you eat. Sturmer White will vouch for Knute's hot dogs.

Please indicate on the sign-up if you plan on eating at the BBQ.

Equipment: a fast rod between # 6-9 weight and 8-10 ft. in length; a floating or intermediate line; a float tube or pontoon boat; bring black and brown wollybuggers; leeches, clousers, poppers, gurglers and your favorite bass fly.

We will meet at Lake Clementia at the boat launch between 9:00 and 9:15 a.m. Your name will be left at the gate; tell the security that you are a guest of Bill Ossolinski or Knute Anderson. To get to the lake Clementia, drive straight down Murieta Parkway to its end, where you will take a right on Camino De Lago. Go through the gate, which takes you to the lake. Lake Clementia is on the left.

Rancho Murieta is located along the Jackson Highway (Highway #16). For information, contact Bill Ossolinski at (916) 354-8474, or Knute Anderson at (916) 354-1165.

Annual Elections Announcement

The annual election of officers and directors takes place at the June general meeting. Below is a list of positions to be voted on during the election.

- President
- Vice President- Membership
- Vice President- Conservation
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Director, 1-Year Term (Two Positions)
- Director-at-Large (1 Year Term)

The slate of candidates is shaping up nicely but that doesn't mean there isn't room for anyone else that would like to offer their time and assistance. 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 about 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 the 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.

Past President's Picnic June 15 - 18

WHERE: Bear Valley Group Picnic Area (PG&E Group Campground)



DIRECTIONS: From Roseville, take I-80 east to the Highway 20 (Grass Valley) exit. Go approxi-

mately 5 miles to Bowman Lake Road. (This is the road to Fuller Lake.) Go approximately 1D4 mile on Bowman Lake Road to the campground. The campground is on the left.

WHEN: We have the campground reserved for the entire 4-day weekend. You can come up Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday or you can camp out for the entire 4 days. Make it for part of the weekend or for the whole weekend...it's entirely up to you. We'll be setting up on Thursday morning and tearing down sometime Sunday afternoon.

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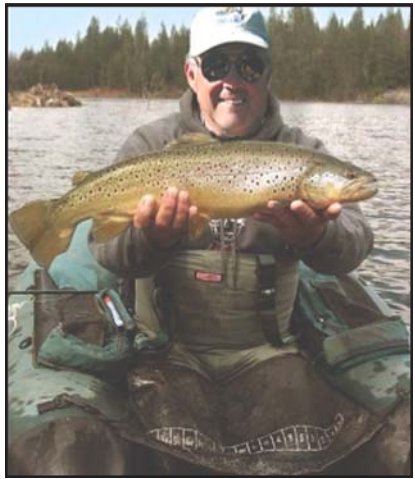
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Sly Park (aka. Jenkinson Lake) Fish Out: Tuesday, May 23

Jenkinson Lake is located on Sly Park Creek, a tributary of the North Fork of the Cosumnes River. Jenkinson Lake is a 640-acre lake at 3500 feet elevation in the Sly Park Recreation Area of El Dorado County, and is the lowest elevation reservoir in California to hold a viable population of mackinaw with fish up to 18 pounds. The lake also has a decent population of brown trout; the lake record for a brown trout is 21 pounds. The lake is stocked with catchable rainbow trout from the late winter to early spring. Most of the planted trout are 12-14 inches with some hold-overs 2-3 pounds. Smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, and bluegill are found in Jenkinson Lake, but smallmouth bass are the predominate species because the lake offers the rocky points, ledges and flats that smallmouth prefer. Every year I hook a couple of smallmouths between 17-19 inches, 4 to 5 pounds of hard fighting fish. A six-weight rod, clear or camo intermediate line will keep you into the fish this time of the year, 10 ft. leader with 8 lb tippet, a size 4-8 woolly bugger, streamers, leeches pattern. My favorite way to fish is to cast to the shoreline and rippppppp a gold - olive streamer back, or slowly troll a leech in 10 ft. of water along the rocky points or rocky shoreline. A watercraft is the best way to fish this lake, something you can pick up and move to a new spot if fishing is slow in that spot, a float tube is best for this

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Granite Bay Flycasters Classifieds

For Sale: 12' Aluminum Boat - by Smokercraft. Great car-top boat. Light enough to load by yourself, yet still sturdy in the lake or stream. Does not leak. Price: \$400. Call Steve Mueller at 536-9550 (home) or 806-9219 (cell)

For Sale: 10'6" Dave Scadden Skykomish Sunrise Pontoon Boat, perfect for all types of water. The boat has never been used (won at the Annual Dinner). Retail value: \$1,100 - asking \$800. Pete Serano (916) 773-0433.

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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Members' Night - May 11

Each year, GBF selects one meeting to provide its members the opportunity to learn about the activities and programs that are available to our members.

Our May meeting will provide you with the opportunity to meet and talk to many of our very active members and to learn from their vast experience. Besides information on annual club events and our numerous clinics, several members will be discussing their favorite areas to fish for both bass and trout.

There will be over 20 different activities featured such as:

- Rod & Net Building
- Fly Tying & Knot Tying
- Golden Trout Program
- Conservation & Education
- Where to Fish Locally & How to Fish
- Our May and June Fishouts
- August Casting for Recovery – Burney area
- September — Pack Trip in Wyoming

Come prepared to learn and explore. The talents and expertise of our members comprise decades of experience. Many of our members have fished internationally and want to share their stories. If you are a new member, this is an excellent way to learn and become involved in GBF. It is also a great social time for all our members.

When: May 11, 7:00 PM
Where: GBF Clubhouse

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type of fishing where you can fish 3 or 4 places in a day. The fishout is May 23 we will meet at Chimney Camp day picnic parking lot at 8 am bring a lunch. Directions: Take highway 50 east to the second exit for Pollock Pines, turn right on to Sly Park Road for 5 miles, turn left into the park entrance across from the store, drive to the back of the park to Chimney Camp day picnic parking lot, we will meet and start fishing there. Fishon Gene Goss (eugenesusan@aol.com) (916-962-7375)

... Gene Goss

Lake Davis Fishout June 2, 3, 4, 2006

Lake Davis is home to big trout and great fishing. The first week in June can be cold and windy, just windy, or calm and spring like. Sometime in late May or early June the damselflies will be in full hatch from about 9 am to mid-afternoon and damselfly patterns work well. The fish will probably be going for the nymphs swimming deep or just below the surface even if the weather isn't warm enough for a full hatch. Also blood midges, small copper johns just below the surface or at intermediate depths will be effective with or without damselfly nymph action. Small (10-14) dark olive (crystal flash or dull) wooly buggers mimic damselflies or snails and fish well at intermediate depths. Snail patterns in green or orange work around weed beds and deep. The best plan is to have 2 rods (5-6 wt) with one rigged with

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President's message

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through the cracks, a most deserving recipient.

The second member to be recognized was Mike Brune. In Mike's case it should probably be named the Presidents' Award for multiple years of really taking care of business for several Presidents. He has been a long-term contributor including having served on the Board for 4 years, headed up the Club's Logo Clothing Merchandising Program for 6 years, developed and implemented the GBF Recognition Pin Program, coordinated GBF's participation in the Lyon's Club Teach-a-Kid to Cast event at Gibson Ranch, coordinated GBF's participation in last September's Great American River Clean Up, Chaired the Golden Trout Program in 2004-05 and conducted numerous rod building clinics. In addition he has written numerous articles for the Leader to promote Club events and has handled all the publicity for the last 3 Annual Dinners. This last duty has had a direct bearing on the Annual Dinner's success. So Mike, thank you from several Presidents.

Assuming that the rain will finally let up and we can start enjoying the outdoors without having to wear protective gear all the time it is time to plan on attending the Annual Past Presidents' Picnic. This will be

the 4th year of this fun filled event. Check out the article elsewhere in this issue of *The Leader* to get the specifics.

Lastly, in June, Club members will elect three Directors and the Officers for fiscal year 2006-07. GBF's success and multitude of activities are the result of a lot of members willing to contribute their time and talents. There is no better way to get more out of the Club and to get to know other members than to volunteer. I encourage each of you to get active in one way or another. If you are ready to step up to one of the elected positions contact Frank Stolten at (916) 725-6894 or Mike Brune at (916) 723-4524 (the Nominating Committee) to be added to the slate or to get more information.

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Casting for Recovery Retreat - August 4-6, 2006 Pit River Lodge - (Please sign up to be a River Helper)

As many of you know Granite Bay Flycasters & The Ladybugs Fly Fishing Club have been involved with Casting for Recovery for three years now. We organize the river helpers. This means we try to have



one fly fishing person for each of the 14 ladies that come on the retreat. They are all in different stages of recovery from Breast Cancer. I can't begin to tell you how important this one-day of volunteering is to these ladies.



It is the most heart-warming experience one can have. Helping others with a sport we love. We need 14-vonunteers. If you think you can come up to the Pit River Lodge and help us for one day, please sign up now. We need to know long in advance of the retreat so we do not have to worry about finding people

to help at the last minute.

No one gets paid for their time and effort, including the staff. Our payment is in the eyes of the ladies we are there to assist.



There will be a sign up sheet at the May meeting. For more information please call me at (530) 677-6034 or E-mail me at fishen@directcon.net



Big Horn Mountains Horse Pack Fishout w/Flatiron Troutfitters - Sept. 10-14, 2006

Saddle up and join us on a remote high country pack trip into the spectacular Bighorn National Forest. Flatiron Lake sits like a precious gem surrounded by pristine wilderness. Access to the neighboring Cloud Peak Wilderness Area is allowed only on foot or horseback and as a result is lightly visited. This area has many spectacular lakes and streams that are hard to reach, but offer superb fishing for native trout as well as spectacular high mountain vistas and wildlife. The camp at Flatiron Lake sits alone, the only outpost in this remote region.

The camp consists of comfortable wall tents with cots, mattresses and propane heaters for comfortable sleeping conditions. All of your meals are prepared by the staff cook and are taken either around a roaring campfire or in a spacious dining tent. As an added amenity, the camp boasts a private bathroom tent and shower facilities.

Flatiron Troutfitters is offering the Granite Bay Flycasters a 5-day, 4 night trip at the discounted rate of \$850 (reg. \$975) during the last week of their season. Check their web site for pictures of the plentiful cutthroat and rainbow trout: <http://www.flatirontroutfitters.com>.

Easiest airport access is Sheridan, WY, but Casper, Cody, West Yellowstone, Bozeman and Jackson might be options if you're trying to use frequent flier miles or would like to spend a few days in Yellowstone or Grand Teton National Parks.

Availability will be limited. Signups will be taken at the May general meeting. For more information, contact Jeff Sullivan at (916) 797-3643.

Monthly Fly Tying Winners for April

Beginners: - No entries

Non-Beginners:

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A big thank you to all the people who turned out for one or more of the Creek Activities.

On Saturday, April 22nd a small group went out to help put up five permanent signs around Secret Ravine to inform Off-Highway Motor Vehicle (OHMV) users – dirt bikes, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), four-wheel drive vehicles – that the area is not an appropriate, or legal, place to ride. The area of concern runs along Secret Ravine on the south side of Highway 80, just west of where Highway 65 begins and continues south to Sculpture Park. The City of Roseville owns the area and is called Stoneridge Preserve where only passive (non-motorized) recreation is allowed. The signs will help inform potential users about appropriate use. In addition, the Dry Creek Conservancy is working with the City of Roseville and the State of California OHMV Division to provide maps showing where appropriate local riding opportunities exist.

On Saturday, April 29 and 30 some hearty soles went back to Stoneridge Ravine and into the American River Watershed to do the more traditional Creek Week stream trash clean up work. Dave Baker led the Secret Ravine outing and Bill Templin led the club on the American River Watershed outing. Bill's trip-included lunch and also a little fishing afterwards, two great incentives to get out and help clean up a stream, share some food and then do some fishing. Thank you to the Dry Creek Conservancy, club member Dave Baker and club member Bill Templin from the American River Watershed Group

for your outstanding leadership efforts.

Please put our end-of-September weekend outing, being coordinated by John Carroz, to Sagehen Creek (Truckee area) on your calendars (tentative dates are September 15-17). Why? Because there will be an entomology workshop (classroom and in-stream) to learn more about the invertebrates that trout feed upon, education about how watersheds impact stream health, fishing time, good food and very likely a few fish stories will also be told.

Thank you again to all the Granite Bay Flycasters members for giving back to help protect our natural resources for both our benefit and for the enjoyment of future generations.

Intermediate Plus Casting Clinic

Granite Bay Flycasters will be offering an Intermediate Plus Casting Clinic on Saturday, May 13 2006 at Gibson Ranch Pond from 9AM until 12 Noon. . You must be a Club Member to enroll in any GBF function. Membership applications are available from our website at www.gbflycasters.org

There will be Sign up sheets available at the May meeting along with directions to the Park.

The purpose of the Intermediate Plus Casting Clinic is to concentrate on techniques that will improve your catch rate as a flyfisher.

The criteria to sign up for this clinic are the ability to do basic

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casts or have completed a beginner's fly-casting class. It is necessary to be able to double haul on many of these cast.

For this reason, the first thing we will do is to develop efficiency in the double haul.

We are interested in accuracy and line control more than distance.

The casts we will cover and perfect are as follows:

1. Single/double haul.
2. Shooting line.
3. Air mends/reach mends.
4. Curve casts.
5. High backhand cast.
6. The oval cast or Belgium cast.

Plus a few others.

The fee for this class will be \$15

in advance and is payable to Granite Bay Flycasters. A sign-up sheet will be available at the May meeting. Sorry, there will be no early registration.

If you have any question as to qualifications, please contact Sturmer White at:

(916) 791-2618 or by e-mail at sturmerwhite@surewest.net

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New Members

Individual memberships:
Jenny Yarrow, Terry Reynolds,
Jim Black, Bruce Chezem, Sue
Cole, Don Manzano

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Terry Barron's Swimming Damsel Nymph

Terry Barron has been fly fishing for over 50 years. He is one of the most knowledgeable Reno-area fly-fishing guides, fly-tier and author of the book Guide to Fly Fishing Pyramid Lake. He has tied commercially for the Reno Fly Shop and helped establish the Truckee River Fly Fishers Club, which created Nevada's first catch and release trophy section on the Truckee River. One of the patterns he created is this month's fly pattern, the Barron's Swimming Damsel Nymph.



Swimming Damsel Nymph

Damselflies spend most of their lives in the nymph stage. When the damsels make their migrations to emerge, the process is very slow and a struggle. They are not good swimmers and move along slowly. Let me restate that point, as it is very important, when fishing damsel fly imitations, they move a few inches and then rest. Therefore, if you think you are retrieving the fly

slowly, you're going to fast. At Davis Lake, when the damselfly hatch starts, the dinner bell rings for the largest trout and they come running, ok swimming. However, when they pick up a damsel, it is at full speed. If you don't have a loose drag and a good grip on your rod, you might have one less thing to do pack up for the trip home. Either a floating or intermediate line will work when using this pattern. Good luck and I hope I don't hear any reports of lost rods.

Tying Instructions

1. Smash the barb and place in the vise, giving the entire hook shank a thin coating of Dave's Flexament before starting the tying thread. Lay down a solid layer of thread from the eye-of the hook to a point about a third of the way down the hook bend.

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MATERIALS

Hook:	TMC 2487, size 10 - 14
Thread:	Light-olive Danville 6/0 pre-waxed
Tail:	Golden-olive marabou
Tail Topping:	Dyed olive mallard or grizzle hackle fibers
Abdomen:	Buggy Nymph "Damsel Tan" or any tan olive dubbing
Legs:	Dyed olive mallard or grizzle hackle fibers
Wing case:	Tan 2mm foam
Thorax:	Buggy Nymph "Damsel Tan" or any tan olive dubbing

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2. Select a small bunch of golden-olive dyed marabou, about ten to twelve fibers and break the tips off so that the fibers are even. Tie them in as a tail equal in length to the thread-covered part of the hook shank done in step one. Next, select about ten grizzly or mallard flank fibers dyed light olive and tie them in directly on top of the tail. They should be half the length of the marabou.

3. Form a dubbing loop. Sparsely add the Buggy Nymph Tan Damsel dubbing and create a "rope" by spinning the dubbing loop. Wind the "rope" forward to create a slender, segmented abdomen. The abdomen should take up about two-thirds of the hook shank, leaving room for the remainder of the fly.

4. Tie in a sparse beard of grizzly or mallard flank fibers dyed light olive on the underside of the hook, forming the legs. They should extend back as far as the end of the abdomen. Tie in [on top] a narrow strip of light-tan 2mm Fly Foam that's a little more than an eighth of an inch wide and leave it dangling for a moment.

5. Dub a thorax that takes up almost all of the remaining hook shank, leaving a little bit of space for the head. The thorax should be a bit thicker than the abdomen, but not much. Pull the foam wing case forward under light pressure, tie it down just behind the eye of the hook, and whip finish. Trim the foam off to form a small head in front of the thorax and wing case.

6. Tie a few more and go fishing.

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IMPORTANT STUFF: 1. Have a good time. 2. Bring the family. 3. Charge of \$10 for each guest, not part of a GBF family membership. 4. GBF will provide food...Ribs, chicken, etc. on Saturday night. Side dishes will be assigned alphabetically. Other than that, **BRING YOUR OWN FOOD, DRINKS, AND UTENSILS.**

Campsites are first come first served. We have limited space at the main camp ground for RVs. I believe we can fit 3 or 4 at the main campground others can park at the parking lot for the nature walk just up the road and within walking distance.

Activities:

The One-Fly Contest will be Saturday morning at Fuller Lake.

The Not So Special Olympics will be on Saturday after the One Fly Contest and before the barbecue.

The Barbecue and Awards will be between 4-6 pm on Saturday.

RSVP AND QUESTIONS: If you didn't sign up at the April meeting let us know via email Frank Massey (fmassey@jps.net) or Michael Powers (powers@cwnet.com) if you're going to be there; how many are in your group; and what day's 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 May meeting we will have signup sheets for attendees, volunteers, and participants.



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floating line and one with intermediate sink line (clear or camo is best.)

Sometimes you can sight fish to or lead fish as they cruise and porpoise for subsurface nymphs. They can even be in 1 foot of water and you can cast to them from shore. Other times a floating line with foam indicator can be cast where fish are active and you can wait for a cruising fish to take your subsurface fly.

About 9 foot leaders should be fine (shorter if fishing deep with a clear line and want better control.) 4 x tippets often work, but if fish are running 20 inches plus then 3 x will give you a lot more confidence.

Lake Davis has several beautiful campsites on the lake. As time draws near I will inform everyone where we will be camping. Additionally, there are several motels in Portola that are close to the lake. In the past, we have conducted this as a day trip. It's a full day, but it is impossible to do.

It is a 3-hour trip to Davis Lake from Granite Bay. If weather is warm you don't have to be on the water until about 9, but if conditions are colder you will wish you had been there earlier. Late snows this year mean we will have to wait until just before the fishout to decide which access we will choose. When you sign up at the general meeting, try to give me your email address so I can communicate with

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Don Steffa and Davis Lake Rainbow

you about plans. You can also indicate your interest by email to me at <fmasey@jps.net>

. . . Frank Massey

Changing of the Guard

A few months ago I made it known that I was looking for someone to replace me as Fishmaster for Granite Bay Flycasters. I was hoping that someone in the Club would step up with the organizational skills needed to provide quality fishouts and clinics. I am very pleased to announce that Art Livingston has agreed to become our new Fishmaster. He possesses all the tools necessary to provide

quality fishouts and clinics for Club Members.

Because of the size and complexity of Granite Bay Flycasters, it is important to have dedicated people like Art fill such an important position within the Club.

As much as I have enjoyed being Fishmaster I believe that no one should occupy a particular position for too long. It is a new person that brings a fresh perspective and allows for positive growth. After all, we should always seek to replace ourselves.

Congratulations Art for taking on the job. You will make a great Fishmaster. With that being said I am looking forward to again pursuing the reason I originally joined the Club. I plan on doing more fly-fishing!

. . . Gary W. Flanagan



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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 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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