CHICO AREA FLYFISHERS'



MARCH 1998

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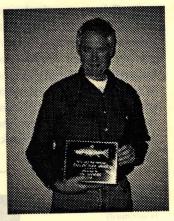
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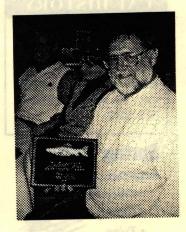
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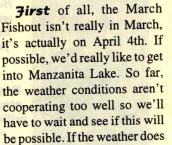
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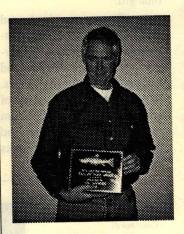
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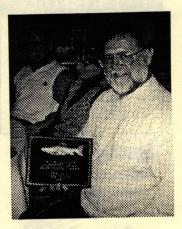
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The following list is of our upcoming programs:

April 8 - The McCloud River Nature Conservancy will be our featured host.

May 13 - Steve Beck will present his program on 'Back-packing and fishing in Yosemite Park.'

FLY TYING

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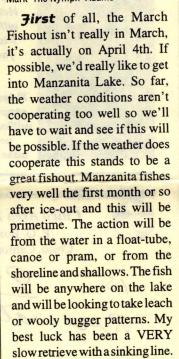
We will start re-tying some of Milt's stillwater flys and go over some beginner and more advanced tying techniques. So bring your tying kits or if you are short on materials, we will have extra.

Tyers are provided recipe handouts for the evening plus step-by-step, one-on-one guidance to complete the flys.

See you at the Music Express Inn, 1091 El Monte Ave., Chico.

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Speaking of weather, the last fishout at McCumber Reservoir had some. I seem to remember some cold stuff. I also have a vague memory of catching a few nice fish, possibly the only ones caught by our three-some which, if memory serves me right, included Ray Hanson and Jeff Richelieu.

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LOCAL GUIDES

Powell Fly Shop Chico, CA (530) 345-9983

Dick Murrell Oroville, CA (530) 532-4223

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CAF YOUTH GROUP

Roger Bevers, CAF Youth Chair

The Youth Group has gotten off to a great start this year, thanks to the many members of the club who have volunteered their time and expertise. Each Youth Meeting this year will have a guest fly tier. In January Pat Corbett explored the bass bugs / plugs.

I know that the techniques that Pat taught them were used right away, because many of the club members commented on the great flies tied and donated to the club by Tom and Nathan Barbour. Thanks to Pat and the boys.

The spruce pattern was also a hit and success was had with all the boys. This pattern works for many species of fish. A little known fact is if you tie it in small sizes 12's / 14's you can fish for crappie and 16's for blue gill.

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Our other tiers include Tom Peppas/March; Jim Gaumer/ April; Ed Bruno/May; Steve Bohnemeyer/June; Milt Jensen/ July; Redge Hawkley/August; Dick & Donna Murrill; Annette Lilly Russ/October. Not bad, huh.

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- Dick, our Membership Chairman, is getting CAF flyers to a Butte College fly fishing class to promote our presence and encourage some of those students to consider membership in CAF.
- Redge, our V.P/Program Chairman, reported that he has gotten a number of the programs confirmed with some very interesting speakers coming up.

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