

CHICO AREA FLYFISHERS'

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THE LINE

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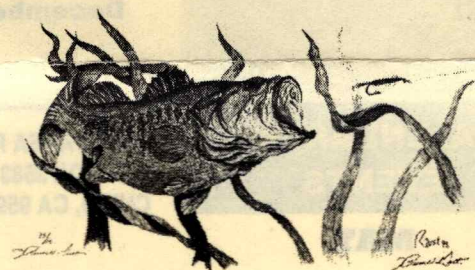
Baldwin Ponds Fishout May 19

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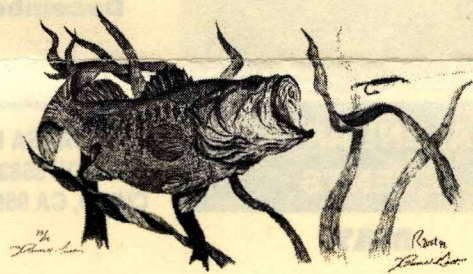
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Boy Scouts Expo

Just a quick thanks to the several club members that turned out on a blustery Saturday at the Scout Expo to teach fly tying and casting. It was very well received by the Scouting community and may lead to more opportunities to work with other kids.

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Chico, CA
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(530) 343-8300

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(530) 345-4071

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FLY TYING

Make a note that Randy McKean will host the monthly fly tying session on Thursday the 17th at Chico Fly Shop. Randy will probably be focusing on flies for the Baldwin Ponds fish out on the 19th.

The Opening Weekend

In Feb my eldest son, who I might mention is a non-fisherman, informed me that he had asked his girlfriend to be his wife. He had also obtained permission from her father and the eldest son of her family. He then told me they would have an "Engagement Dinner" in Apr for the families. 'Fine' I said, "Just don't do it on the weekend of the 28th" On Apr 12th I received an e-mail telling when "The Dinner" was. Yep, April 28th!! I have since given my permission for this marriage on the condition that it not occur in April and preferable in Feb or March.

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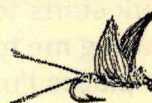
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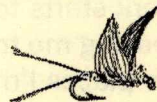
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