



BRITISH EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr Bud Lilley
c/o The Superintendent
Yellowstone National Park
Wyoming 82190

21 October 1975

Dear Bud

Having you and Greg with us at Lake Shoshone was a great pleasure. We are most grateful to you both for giving up your weekend to join us - and we are humbly apologetic to your wives! You added significantly to our enjoyment of the fishing, which not even the recalcitrance of the trout could mar. It was a fisherman's paradise, and my good luck to be in the hands of an expert and a delightful companion.

You will know how strongly I shall be tempted to return to those perfect waters. I hope that, if I can arrange another visit, I shall have the pleasure of fishing with you again. And if you have visits from members of the British Embassy or other British visitors, don't forget the Montana nymph!

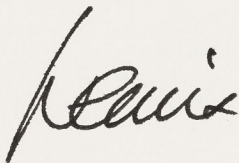
*Yours sincerely
Peter Ramsbotham*

(Peter Ramsbotham)

Dear Bud,

Just a note to thank you again for everything you did to make the flyfishing event another success. I'm sorry your back was giving you fits but in the words of your old friend, Calvin Dunbar; "If ole Bud let a little go in front, maybe what ails him in the back would disappear". Anyway, I'm glad you could make it and look forward to our sixth year reunion, especially since we now have the Governor's blessing. Take care of yourself.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Calvin".

July 5, 1989



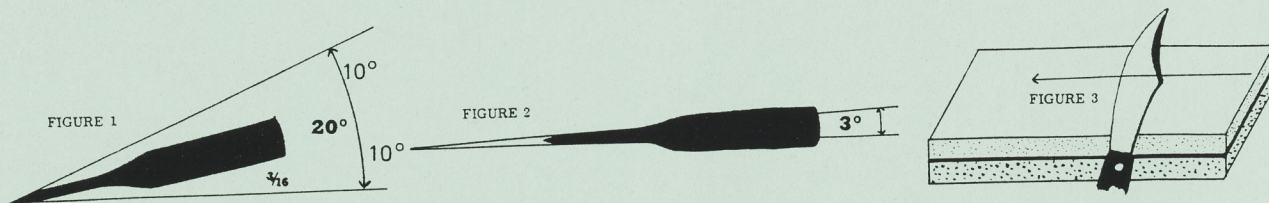
HOW TO SHARPEN

AN EDGE SHOULD BE FITTED TO ITS JOB:

10° to 20° EDGE ANGLE FOR BEST CUTTING, 30° to 40° FOR DURABLE CHOPPING

An edge that is right for one purpose can be wrong for another. One difference is in the angle of bevel, another difference is in the relative fineness of the edge. Edge and blade bevel angles are graphically presented in the drawing below, representing a cross section of a hunting knife blade. (Fig. 1 and 2)

In every edge tool there are two angles of bevel to be considered. For the purpose of illustration let us call these (1) "EDGE BEVEL" and (2) "BLADE BEVEL", meaning the part back of the edge. It is the "EDGE BEVEL" that concerns us most. Since in most tools and knives the "BLADE BEVEL" is fixed, and is seldom touched in sharpening.



The Hunting Knife is a general purpose cutting tool. Its edge must be sturdy, and thus the edge bevel should not be too acute. An angle of about 10 degrees will serve most purposes. The hunting knife is one tool in which the edge bevel only is touched in sharpening, the blade bevel, or flat of the blade, being left as the manufacturer designed it.

The BOWIE KNIFE is used more as a chopping tool. The blade is designed more like a wedge, to give it an acute edge bevel would merely cause it to pinch and check the edge when hit into hard bones or knots. Thus it is decidedly obtuse in both edge and blade bevel, so that in use it splits off chips and frees itself in either wood or bone. About a 20 degree edge bevel is satisfactory for average use, in exceptional rough use it may be necessary to use a 35 degree edge bevel angle.

To obtain the proper edge bevel on a hunting knife, on a 1½ inch wide blade raise the back of the blade 1/4 inch up from stone. The 2 inch wide Bowie blade requires a 1/2 inch raise. This may be varied somewhat to suit individual preference.

The basis of all sharpening is the use of correct sharpening techniques and right stones.

In sharpening a blade use a coarse side of stone first, when edge bevel is shaped to satisfactory angle, finish with fine side. (Always whet against edge. Same motion as peeling a shaving from stone. Fig. 3)

When you get a wire edge in the course of sharpening, you are approaching the end of the sharpening process. Wire edge is the very edge of the blade which has become stoned down so far that it bends away from the stone instead of remaining rigid and being stoned off.

The wire edge may be so fine that you cannot see it without a glass, but you can feel it. The easiest way to remove this wire edge is to run the blade across a piece of hard wood once or twice, which will break it off.

For use on meat and skins etc., some knife users prefer a slight wire edge. This can be kept centered with a steel, strop or fine hone.

For a lasting edge it is important that the wire edge be carefully broken off. If it is merely stoned down, the root of the wire edge may be left on the blade — a very poor foundation for a lasting edge.

(Remarks) Too acute an angle leaves a long wire edge, which is impossible to remove. (This long wire edge will either crumple or waver and refuse to stay centered.) Too blunt an edge bevel angle makes a blade hard to work with, so it is up to every knife user to determine the edge angle most suited to his work.

The edge bevel is paramount in importance, as no blade can be made to cut just by tempering. The quality of the edge, however, can be as fine as the user cares to make it.

If edge fails to meet and sharpen with moderate pressure, use heavier pressure as the heavier the pressure used in honing final finish on edge the longer lasting and better cutting qualities it will have. To test edge, hold thumb nail at 45 degree angle and rest edge lightly on it, if it slides down continue honing till it grips nail. Hone only till sharp, do not overhone.

The steel used in the Ruana knives has its best cutting and longest lasting edge, when edge angle is sharpened to a 10 to 20 degree angle. (Fig. 1)

With flatter than 10 degree angle, the edge rapidly loses its strength, and at less than 10 degrees angle may wrinkle or chip.

Sharpened to the blunter edge angle 30 degrees, the edge loses some of its cutting efficiency, but will stand the rougher use some people put their knife to in the field. (So it would be well to remember, if you intend to put your knife to the work you expect from a cleaver or axe, sharpen it with the same edge angle as these tools have — 30 to 35 degrees). Check your edge angle before chopping bone.

A fine razor edge is not the longest lasting, for field use a rougher edge will stay sharp longer, this is a matter of personal preference.

Oil should never be used on the soft sharpening stones, as it creates a grinding compound that takes off the edge as quick as it puts it on. If stone has become oil soaked, wash in solvent or gasoline. Dipping in warm water while using stone gives good results. The India and Arkansas oil stones, use hydraulic or any fine oil, as these stones are intended to be used with oil.

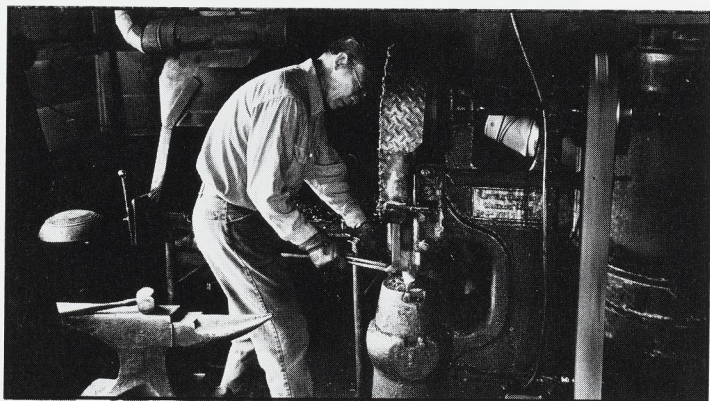
A knife edge under a microscope shows millions of teeth, whetting with strap, steel or hone keeps these aligned and strait, which is all sharpness consists of. A properly sharpened edge only takes a few touches on the hone to keep it in its best cutting shape.

This has been written in an effort to give all Ruana knife users a chance to learn to sharpen and enjoy in full the fine cutting qualities of which (the knife with the bite), is capable of.

Ruana Knife Works, Inc.

Established 1938 - Incorporated 1984

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Victor Hansas hammer forging a blade.

Ruana knives are made by a combination of handcraft processes and the use of modern power tools. The blades are made of the finest hi-carbon spring steel, hammer forged, free hand ground, individually oil-quenched and heat treated. The handles are made of aluminum, cast directly on the tang, with native Montana elk horn inserts beveled and riveted. All knives and sheaths are hand made in our shop in Bonner, Montana.

These knives have proven satisfactory since the 1930's and will provide years of good cutting service if kept properly sharpened. Please note: "The Use and Abuse of Knives — a knife is designed as a cutting tool. Ruana knives come with a fine cutting edge, not recommended for prying, chopping, cutting bone, to be hammered on, etc. Hatchets and saws are made for these purposes."

All knives are made of sound materials, are guaranteed to be as pictured, to cut properly when sharpened correctly, and to stand up under all reasonable use. Our knives are sold with a money-back guarantee. If not satisfied after inspection upon arrival, return the knife within **five** days and your money will be promptly refunded. Please allow **10 to 180 days for delivery**. (Sizes may vary slightly.)

PHOTOS DO NOT SHOW EXACT PROPORTIONS - PLEASE READ DESCRIPTIONS FOR SIZES.

Letter designations following catalog numbers of knives (not including Bowies) signify: A - Sticker, B - Skinner, C - Custom, D - Drop Point.



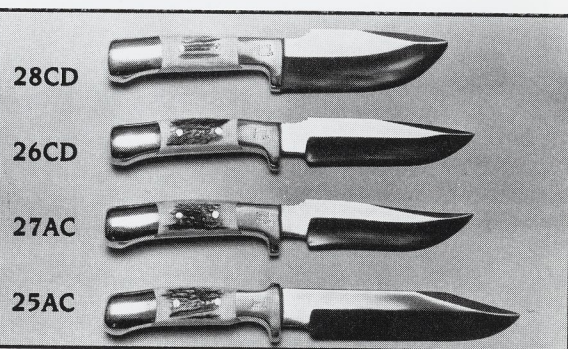
Free hand grinding blade.

CUSTOM KNIVES

Requests for knives equipped with full-length sheaths and streamlined handles to fit all sizes of hands and hands with gloves on, combined with a variety of recommendations for blades have induced us to manufacture four models of CUSTOM knives.

28CD CUSTOM SKINNER - This knife is specially designed for a woodman's use: blade sharp to hilt for powerful leverage in whittling, curved for skinning, thumb rest with large serrations for use with glove. Short and compact, streamlined to fit the hand. Blade 4½" long, hollow-ground drop point, 3/16" thick. Handle: 4½" long with elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**

26CD CUSTOM SEMI-SKINNER - Good all-around knife for hunters and general use. Blade: 5" long, hollow-ground drop point, 3/16" thick. Handle: 4½" long with elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**



27AC CUSTOM "FINN" - Versatile blade, practical as a craftsman's tool, suitable for skinning or sticking. Blade: 5" long, hollow-ground, 3/16" thick (6" available, not pictured). Handle: 4½" long, with elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**

"FINN CAMPER" - (not pictured) 9" blade, 3/16" thick, model 20B finger grip handle 4 3/4" long, excellent light duty camp knife. Full convex grind. **Full length sheath.**

25AC CUSTOM WORKMAN - This is a modified-type Bowie blade, classed by members of the Armed Forces as a superior work, fighting and survival knife. Good for all-around general use. Blade: 6" long, 3/16" thick. Sharp on top of blade 2". Handle: 4½" long with elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**

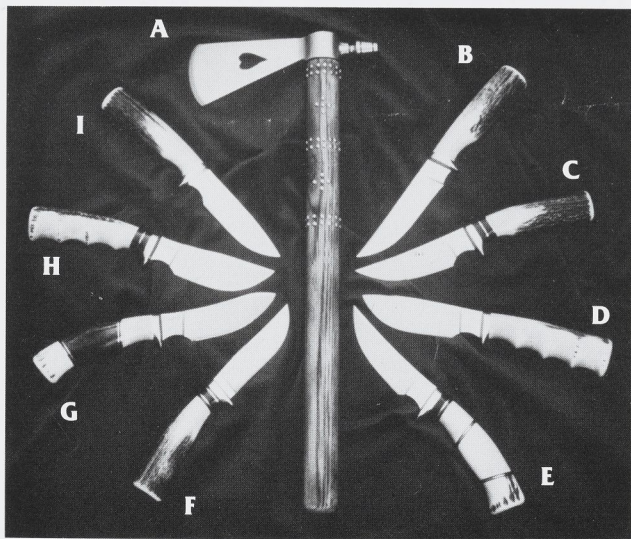
Ruana Knife Works, Inc.

A SELECTION OF NEW CUSTOM KNIFE MODELS

A — Ceremonial Tomahawk: Bit $6\frac{3}{4}$ " long. Handle 16" long, hickory decorated with brass. **Comes without sheath. \$250.00**

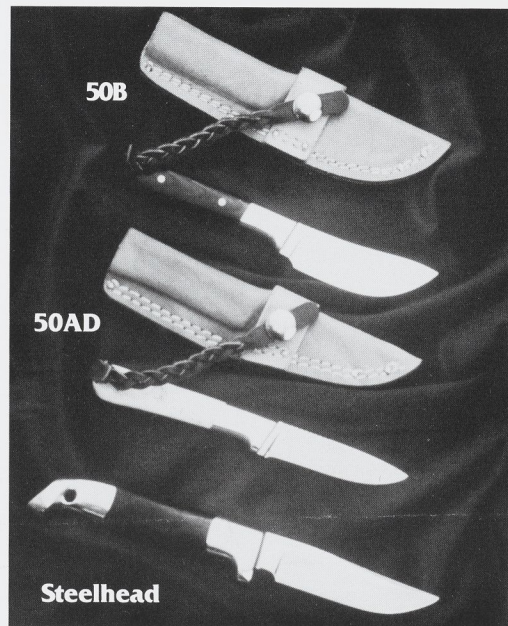
Custom Brass Knives — B through I: Blades $4\frac{1}{4}$ " long, $\frac{3}{16}$ " thick. Handles vary — all made of elk horn (Knife G also has ironwood) and have brass guard and recessed butt cap. **Full length sheath.** Prices of Knives B - I:

B: \$180.00 C: \$190.00 D: \$190.00 E: \$220.00
F: \$190.00 G: \$220.00 H: \$200.00 I: \$180.00



Please note that all items pictured on this page are considered special orders and therefore generally take longer for delivery than standard items from the main catalog. Prices subject to change without notice.

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shipping charges.



50B, 50AD, 50A (Not pictured, same as 50AD but top of blade is straight): Blades $2\frac{3}{4}$ " long, $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick. Handles $3\frac{1}{2}$ " long, full tang, brass insets with scales available in elk horn, wood, or black micarta. Braided lanyard snaps to sheath pictured. **\$110.00.**

Steelhead: Blade $3\frac{1}{2}$ " long, $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick. Handle $4\frac{1}{2}$ " long, inserts available in elk horn (with aluminum rivets), wood, or black micarta. **Full length sheath. \$85.00.**

SKINNERS AND STICKERS

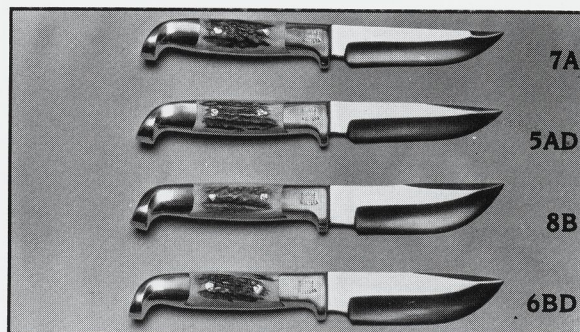
In 1984 we introduced four new models of knives with 4" blades and longer handles, comfortable for use by all hands - large or small. Their uses vary from dressing and skinning large to small animals and birds to other all-around, general needs for knives.

7A STICKER — Blade: 4" long, 1/8" thick. Handle: 4½" long, elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**

5AD DROP-POINT STICKER — Blade: 4" long, 1/8" thick. Handle: 4½" long, elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**

8B SKINNER — Blade: 4" long, 1/8" thick. Handle: 4½" long, elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**

6BD DROP-POINT SKINNER — Blade: 4" long, 1/8" thick. Handle: 4½" long, elk horn inserts. **Full length sheath.**



SKINNERS

Hunters' favorites — used for dressing and skinning game.

10B — Blade: 3½" long, 1/8" thick. Handles: 2 ¾" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**

13B — Blade: 4" long, 1/8" thick. Handles: 3½" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**

14B — Blade: 5" long, 3/16" thick. Handles: 4 ¼" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**

17B — Blade: 6" long, 3/16" thick. Handles: 4½" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**



STICKERS

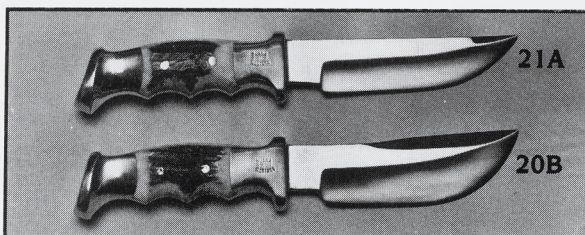
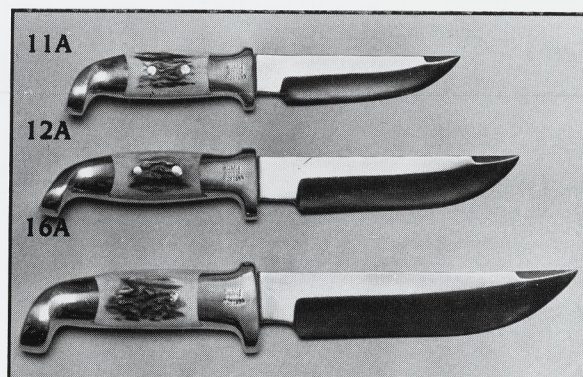
The all-around knife for any use — carpentering, fishing, hunting.
A favorite with servicemen.

10A — (not pictured) Blade: 3½" long, 1/8" thick. Handle: 2 ¾" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**

11A — Blade: 4" long, 1/8" thick. Handle: 3½" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**

12A — Blade: 5" long, 3/16" thick. Handle: 4¼" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**

16A — Blade: 6" long, 3/16" thick. Handle: 4½" long, elk horn inserts. **Standard sheath.**



DELUXE MODELS — STICKER & SKINNER

Finger grips on handle, blade notched on top.

21A STICKER — Blade: 5" long (6" available, not pictured), 3/16" thick. Handle: 4¾" long, elk horn inserts. **Deluxe sheath.**

20B SKINNER — Blade: 5" long (6" available, not pictured), 3/16" thick. Handle: 4¾" long, elk horn inserts. **Deluxe sheath.**

SHEATHS

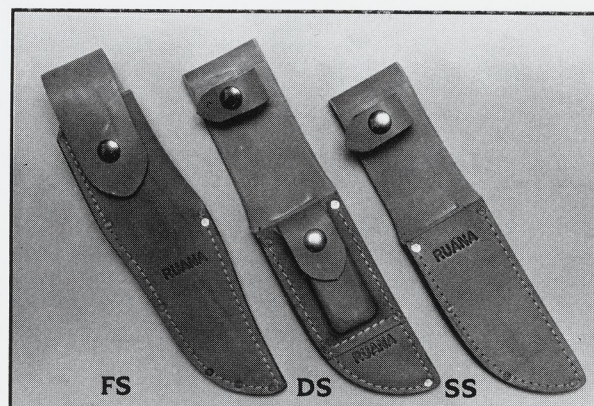
Sheaths are made of natural tanned leather sewn with 7-ply harness thread and brass nailed for safety. All knives are supplied with standard sheaths **unless otherwise specified**. Deluxe sheaths come with stone and stone pouch. The full length sheath covers the entire knife. Deluxe or full length sheaths may be obtained for knives that come with standard sheaths for an additional cost.

FS — Full length sheath.

DS — Deluxe sheath (stone included).

SS — Standard sheath.

FDS — Full length deluxe sheath. (Not pictured.) (Not available for model 10B Skinner & 10A Sticker.)



HATCHET

This hatchet was developed to fill the demand for a light hatchet, yet is strong enough and balanced correctly to cut a 6" tree or quarter large game animals. For the outdoorsman who travels light.

22H DELUXE HATCHET — Blade: 4¾". Overall length: 10½". Heavy leather sheath.

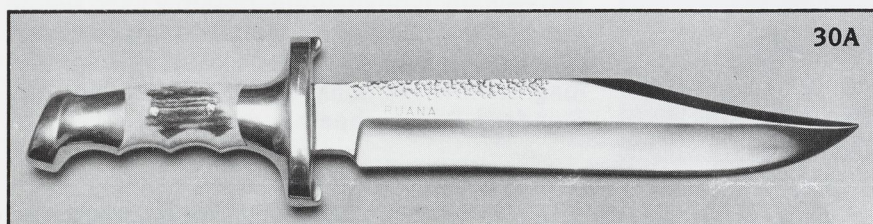
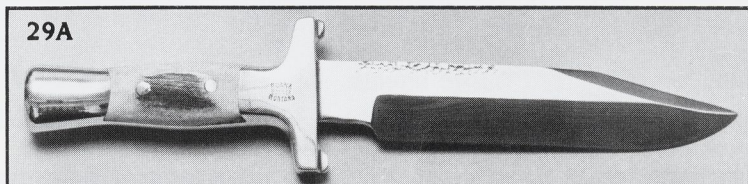


BOWIES

Bowie knives played an important role in the lives of early American settlers, being just as useful and necessary as their rifles and axes. The Bowie knife was designed as a fighting knife, but is also widely used as a trail knife, survival knife and camp knife. The heavy blade and edge angle make an excellent tool for chopping. Ruana Bowies are also highly prized as collectors' items.

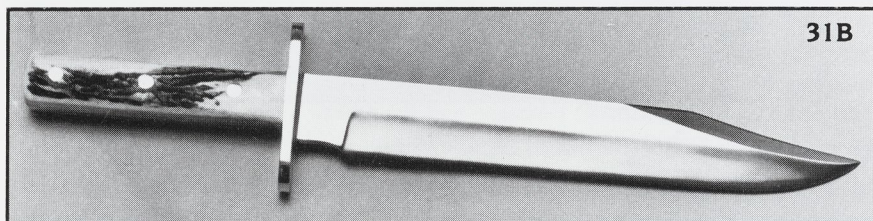
Specifications for our Bowies have been furnished to people from all over the United States. All Ruana Bowies are made of chrome alloy spring steel, hammer forged, hand ground, individually oil tempered and heat treated. Each one is handcrafted to highest quality standard. Sizes may vary slightly.

29A JUNIOR BOWIE — Popular with servicemen; also handy for hunting. Blade: 6½" x 1¼" x ¼". Sharp 2½" on top. Brass along top of blade. Guard: 2½" long. Handle: (Ruana design) 4½" long, aluminum cast on tang with elk horn inserts. **Standard Bowie sheath.**



30A

30A DELUXE BOWIE — Finger grips make this knife easy to hold even with chilled fingers. The slim blade makes this one of the best fighting knives, an excellent survival knife. Blade: 9½" x 1 5/8" x 5/16". Brass along top of blade, sharp 4½" on top edge. Guard: 3" long. Handle (Ruana design): 4 7/8" long with finger grips, aluminum cast on tang with elk horn inserts. **Deluxe Bowie sheath.**



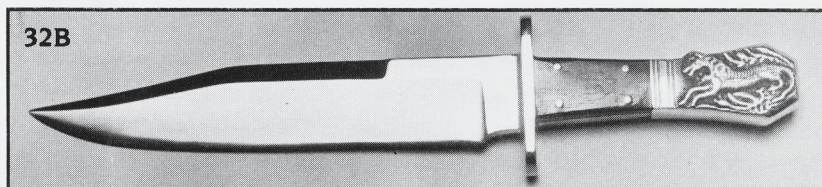
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31B EARLY AMERICAN MODEL — Made in large numbers in England from 1830 on. Blade: 11½" x 1 5/8" x 5/16", sharp 3½" on top. Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle: 5½" long, elk horn slabs. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

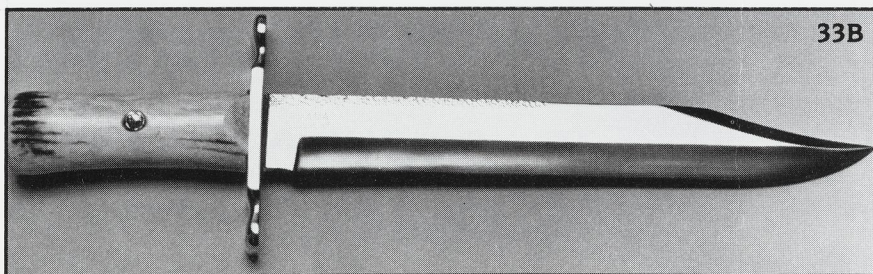
31BA (Not pictured.) Blade: 9¼" x 1 7/16" x 5/16", sharp 3" on top. Guard: Brass 3" long. Handle: 5¼" long. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

31BB (Not pictured.) Blade: 7" x 1¼" x ¼", sharp 2½" on top. Guard: Brass 2¼" long, handle 4¾" long. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

32B — Davy Crockett's personal Bowie with his horse and alligator insignia carved on Dural butt cap. Blade: 9" x 1 5/8" x 5/16", sharp 4" on top. Guard: Brass 2 7/8" long. Handle: Rosewood and Dural 4¾" long. **Standard Bowie sheath.**



32B

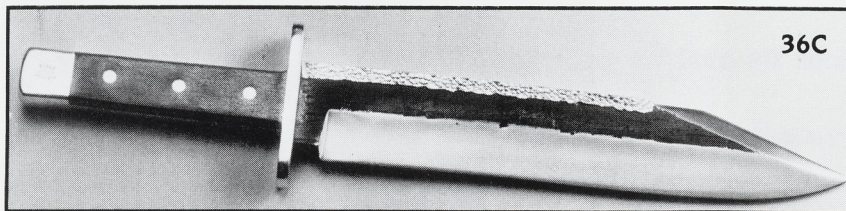
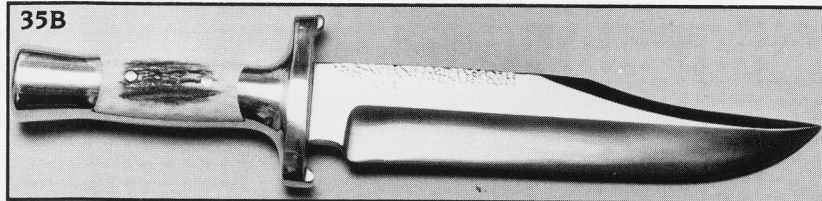


33B

33B — Copy of knife possibly carried by James Bowie (original lost at the Alamo). Blade: 14" x 1 7/8" x 3/8", sharp 4" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 5 1/2" long. Handle: 5 3/4" long, elk horn. has a recessed butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

33BA — Same as above, only ¾ size. Blade: 10½" x 1½" x 5/16", sharp 3" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle: 4½" long. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

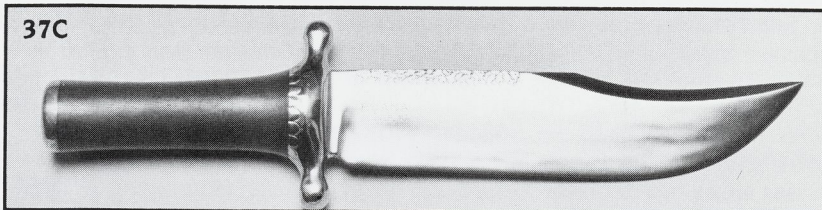
35B STANDARD BOWIE — Designed as a fighting knife, but is also widely used by outdoorsmen. Blade: 9½" x 2" x 3/8". Brass along top of blade, sharp 4¼" along top edge. Guard: 3¾" long. Handle (Ruana design): 5½" long, aluminum cast on tang with elk horn inserts. **Standard Bowie sheath.**



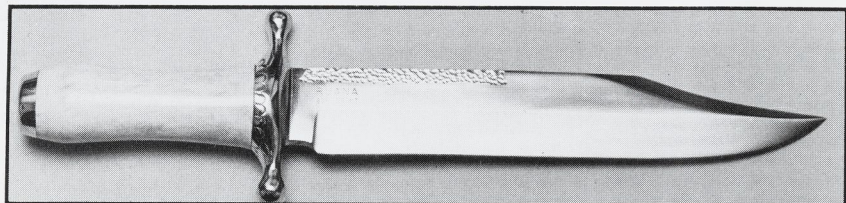
36C

36C — Blade hammer marked. Period of use unknown. Blade: 11½" x 2" x 3/8", sharp 3¼" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle 5½" long, walnut slab riveted. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

37C — Copy of Bowie presented to Gen. Sam Houston by Daniel Webster. Blade: 9¼" x 2" x 3/8", sharp 4½" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle 5½" long, rosewood. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

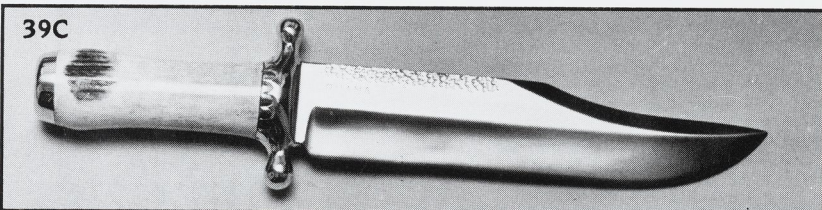


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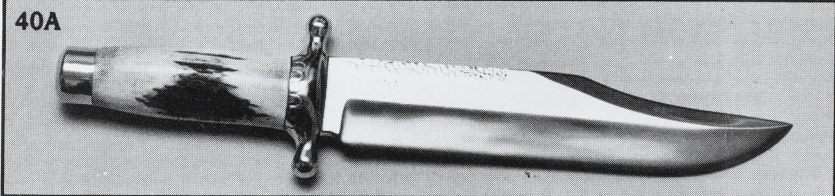


38C — Early type of Bowie, possibly used before the Civil War. Blade: 12" x 2" x 3/8", sharp 4¼" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 4½" long. Handle 5¾" long, elk horn. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

39C — Another early type of Bowie. Blade: 9½" x 2" x 3/8", sharp 4" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle: 5¼" long elk horn. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**



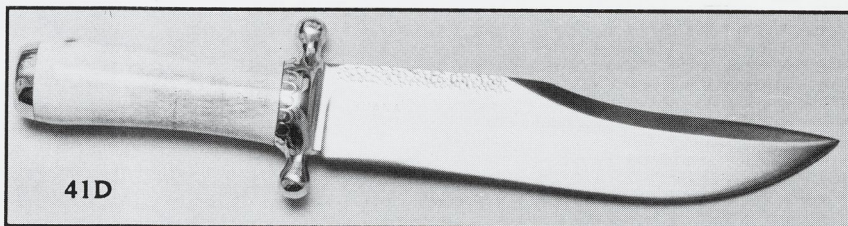
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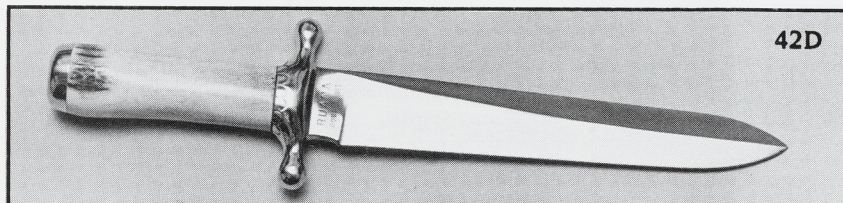
40A

40A — Our own personal design. Blade: 10" x 2" x 3/8", sharp 4½" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle: 5½" long. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**

41D — Type of Bowie blade found on Mexican border. Blade: 10" x 2" x 3/8", sharp 5½" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle: 5½" elk horn. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**



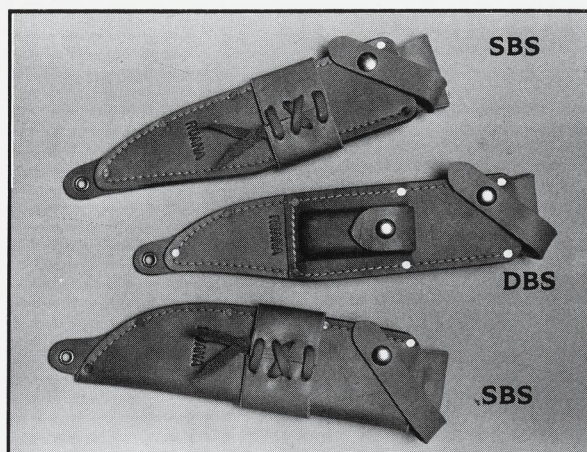
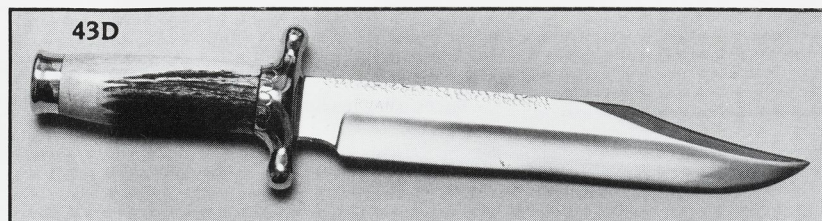
41D



42D

42D — Toothpick Bowie. Early southeastern model. Blade: 9½" x 1½" x 5/16". Guard: Brass 3½" long. Handle: 5" long elk horn. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie Sheath.**

43D — Another model of the toothpick type, sometimes called the "Arkansas Toothpick." Blade: 9½" x 1½" x ¼", sharp 3½" on top, brass on back of blade. Guard: Brass 3". Handle: 5" elk horn. Brass butt cap. **Standard Bowie sheath.**



BOWIE SHEATHS

SBS & DBS — Pictured are Standard and Deluxe Bowie Sheaths (stone included) — center. These come with Bowies as described.



ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Pictured above are additional items to help maintain your Ruana knives, and caps that you might enjoy wearing. See complete descriptions below.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE:

SPYDERCO, INC. CERAMIC STONES

We have Spyderco, Inc. Ceramic Stones available for purchase. These stones are composed of "High Alumina Ceramic." The Alumina particles (man-made sapphires) are mixed with a special ceramic bonding agent. They are compressed and shaped at very high pressures. Then they are fired in sophisticated kilns for as long as three days at temperatures in excess of 3,000°F.

The resulting stone is capable of cutting any metal and it will not wear out! The stones remain flat after years of use. Because there is no wear, no oil or water is needed for lubrication. The material removed while sharpening is loaded onto the surface of the stone. When the surface is completely plugged with metal, the metal is easily washed out with household cleanser and a nylon dish pad (such as "Scotch-Brite").

Because the metal removal is clean and dry, the sharpening surface will acutally be polished.

302M — Medium grit bench stone, grey, 2" x 8" x ½", plastic box. (Our favorite for all-around field use.)

302F — Fine grit bench stone, white, 2" x 8" x ½", plastic box.

303MF — "Double Stuff" pocket stone, 1" x 5" x ¼", fine grit (white) on one side, medium grit (grey) on other side, leather carrying case.

303M — Medium pocket stone, 1" x 5" x 1/8", medium grit both sides, leather carrying case.

FLITZ METAL POLISH

Flitz Metal Polish cleans, polishes, and protects virtually all metals. This revolutionary product is great for protection against rust, tarnish, water stains, and salt or fresh water corrosion up to 6 months. Flitz Metal Polish is a fine complement to our knives, and the maintenance of knife blades. Available in 1.76 oz. (50 gram) tube bulk pkg. Highly recommended for care of Ruana knives!

MONTANA PITCH BLEND LEATHER DRESSING

Montana Pitch Blend Leather Dressing was developed by a Montana wilderness guide and is Made in Montana. It possesses a unique combination of pine pitch, mink oil, and beeswax. The adhesive properties of pine pitch make Montana Pitch Blend Leather Dressing superior to similar products. It works excellently on knife sheaths, boots, and other outdoor leather goods as a water repellent and protective coating. An added benefit for outdoorsmen is the pitch blend scent, which is natural to animals. The proper use of Montana Pitch Blend Leather Dressing will greatly increase the life of your leather goods. Available in 4 oz. containers.

"RUANA KNIVES" CAPS

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5AD	Drop-Pt. Sticker	\$ 85.00	38C	Civil War	\$395.00
6BD	Drop-Pt. Skinner	85.00	39C	Early Bowie	330.00
7A	Sticker	85.00	40A	Personal Bowie	330.00
8B	Skinner	85.00	41D	Mexican Border	330.00
10A	Sticker	55.00	42D	Toothpick	295.00
10B	Skinner	55.00	43D	Arkansas Toothpick	295.00
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13B	Skinner	70.00	303MF	"Double Stuff" pocket stone	18.00
14B	Skinner	85.00	303M	Medium pocket stone	12.00
16A	Sticker	100.00	FMP	Flitz Metal Polish	8.00
17B	Skinner	100.00	MPB	Mont. Pitch Blend Leather Dressing	4.50
20B 5"	Skinner	115.00	RKC	"Ruana Knives" Caps	10.00
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21A 6"	Sticker	120.00			
22H	Hatchet	135.00			
25AC	Custom Workman	120.00			
26CD	Custom Semi-Skinner	115.00			
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27AC 6"	Custom "Finn"	120.00			
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FDS**	Full Length Deluxe Sheath	13.00
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150.01 to 200.00	6.75	150.01 to 200.00	9.50
200.01 to 300.00	8.00	200.01 to 300.00	10.75
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150.01 to 200.00	10.50	150.01 to 200.00	12.25
200.01 to 300.00	12.25	200.01 to 300.00	13.25
300.01 to 400.00	14.25	300.01 to 400.00	15.25
400.01 and over	3.00 for each additional \$100.00 or portion thereof.	400.01 and over	3.50 for each additional \$100.00 or portion thereof.

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The internal echo begins with the ears
 a constant " . . . , 'ing, 'ing . . . "
 Then fills the body, which glows
 with every swing
 Finally rendering the heart
 A melody that harmonizes the beat.

Gnarled hands thick and hard
 Hands black, and old from years at the forge,
 Swing with a proud grace,
 Hear the hammer . . .

The soothing, clean smell of leather,
 A grinding, grating of steel on steel
 Dry, metallic smell, bone dust
 That fills the air and coats the skin.
 The final, eternal echo that fills the soul.

— Amy Nordstrom,
 Granddaughter of Rudolph H. Ruana

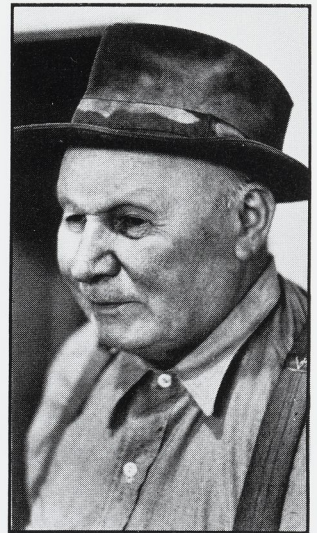
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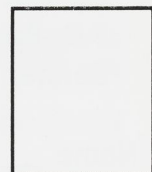
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September 24/2009.

Hi Bud, I hope that this note finds you well & prosperous. Well, we are all back in Annapolis making an effort to come enough \$ to come back out to Montana. We are probably a distant memory at this point, but I feel like I just had breakfast with you yesterday. I can't begin to tell you how much I enjoyed your world from Three Forks & Willow Creek, the Gardiner, the Gibbon, Tamar Valley & the Soda Butte, the Fire hole. . . . and many other wonderful experiences. Thanks for sharing a morning with us, the back and all of your "honey holes". Look forward to seeing you again! Sincerely, Don & .

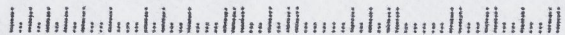


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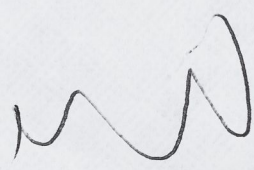
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MR. LILLY -

Here are the addresses you wanted.
I hope everyone had a nice day on
the place! I know I enjoyed the day,
and believe me not everyday guiding
is enjoyable.

If you get that shoulder loosened up
and you're in area it would be great
to fish with you! Enjoyed visiting with
you also.

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Sept 8, 1997

HODGE PODGE LODGE

Dear Bud,

I want you to know how much I appreciate the time you spent with me last week. That little stream provided one of the most exciting fishing days of my life. I will not forget those two huge brown trout.

You should be very proud of the role you have had in developing that stream. It really is a natural treasure. It is really pleasing to know that new great places are developing as some of the old ones get over fished.

Many Thanks,
Bill Reynolds

14 July 1992

Dear Sir:

Please send me the book written by Bud Lilly and Paul Schullery in paperback titled "a Trout is Best Friend".

Please find a check for \$11.00 which I hope will cover postage and mailing.

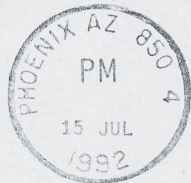
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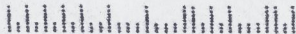
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4/27/98

Hi Bud,

Bud
Done
?

Here is the deposit for guides for our planned outing on May 15.

at least 3 of us will arrive at your Inn at about 9⁰⁰ on May 14 for wade fishing with you.

We will need 2 suites for 2 nights May 14 + 15.

See you then.

Bob Raney

THE
PERFORMING ARTS
CENTER



Mr. & Mrs. Bud Lilly
13013 Frontage Rd.
Manhattan, MT 59741

Dear Bud & Esther:

As a member of the Board of Governors of the Gallatin Performing Arts Center, you are invited to a special party being held at the home of Jean and Alan Kahn on February 28, 2002 from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. This party is specifically designed to bring you up to date on the progress of the Performing Arts Center, inform you of the new direction we are taking with the Board of Governors, and to provide an opportunity to mix and mingle with your fellow Governors.

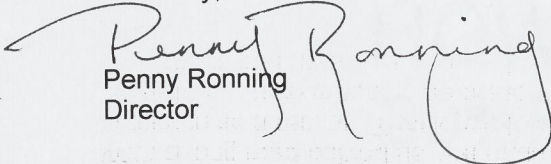
The Board of Directors has created a new position which is titled, Board of Governors Coordinator. Jack Leddick has been named to this position and will be one of the hosts the evening of the party. In this position, Jack will be the spokesperson for the Board of Governors at all Board of Directors meetings during this fiscal year. It is our goal to involve the Board of Governors more effectively to further our great progress. Each of you has something special to contribute and we want to open the door of opportunity for you to do so!

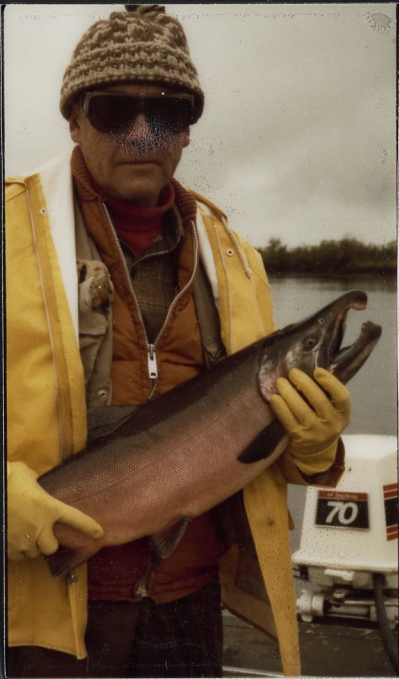
We will be asking each of you for recommendations for additional members. The criteria for membership is two fold. The person(s) is to be recognized as a leader in the community and/or in his/her respected field and the person(s) is to be in a position financially to be a donor. Along with your recommendation, we will be asking if you would be willing to talk with these individuals about the Performing Arts Center and a possible donation.

With a long road behind us, the future looks bright for the Performing Arts Center and this dream is becoming a reality. Thank you to all of you who have paved the way in making this dream come true. In your honor, we present this evening of enjoyment and inspired planning. Beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have questions or need further information, please call me at the Performing Arts Center office 586-4669. RSVP is also requested to the same number.

Sincerely,


Penny Ronning
Director



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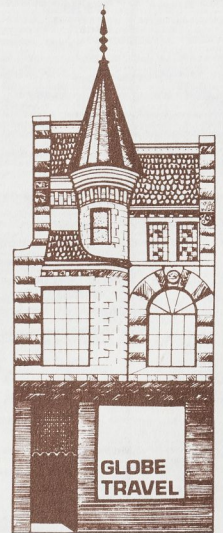
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November 01, 1982

Dear Bud...

Found your nice letter on my desk following our return from Sante Fe....good to know you are not snowed in..yet.

Had a good trip to Santa Fe..Taos...and Albuquerque..left on a Thursday and came back Sunday...Weather was OK...not great just OK.

If my memory serves me well, I sent you a book on Santa Fe... Well, we took it along..used it..and it is GOOD....we stayed at a neat motel..the EL REY...bout 2½ miles out of the town but twas easy to get to the Plaza and back...and used the book for finding New Mexican food...the book was honest and we found good food in all instances....so, if your travels find you in that area..use the book..it is indeed good.

Cars...cars...they will be the damnation of all of us.... Yes, I dink around with them far too much..gets costly but I am a nut about a car running when I want it to..and running well...none of this stop-on-the-freeway carap for me...but we have had a BMW for 10 years..tis Jo's car and I dislike it... and it only has 35,000 on it....then there is the Peugeot... 2½ years old..41,000 thousand...my Jeep..kept at the cabin... a 1966 model four-banger....with only 6000 miles on it...I found that one used ten years ago and store it in the mountains.. but when you get to pickups..I fall down....I have lost a ton of money selling low and buying high...but I think I am finally settled with a good one...good luck in your search for a van...

The car we rented in Albuquerque was a Chevrolet Cavalier.. small 4 door...sub-compact they call it. It was OK..drove well... seats were terrible..but then I have back trouble..and sluggish... but got good mileage..somewhere around 32mpg....would not recommend one to anyone I liked but they seem to be acceptable as a car...

The plastic card job on your "retired" card...Hey Man, you are looking at the "doer"...we have a machine here in the office that laminates those things...we use the baggage tag variety of plastic insert but there are others...

-2-...change in paper..this came to hand quickly...

Somewhere around here, I have a small catalog of the various types of plastic laminating supplies one can get to run thru the machine..operates under heat and does a good job..the real expense was the machine..I seem to recall about \$275 or \$300... I will look that up when Jeff gets back..he and Mimi flew to Las Vegas over the weekend and I know nothing of his return plans...

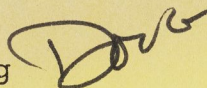
See enclosed bag tag as an idea of what we can do...

Only takes a few minutes to do them..

Well...back to the grind..I prefer taking time off to working..

See you

Doug



P.S. I have heard nothing from the Phantom either..but Dan in good order..crying "broke" now....but that will be temporary, knowing him.....haven't talked with MK for a while..altho Dan is "hot" for our United Airlines sales rep...a divorced gal of about 39 years... Same old thing, I guess...

Charlie Brooks will be in Portland tomorrow night to talk to the Flyfishers Club of Oregon..about what else..the Madison...Don't know if I am going to make it or not...have to wait till tomorrow...

DGR

Sorry about the "NOSE" JOB - something like my finger got a smudge - maybe mosquitoes - or cold breath - or - were you Boozing -
Also found the info on the Sleeves -

May 3rd, 1982

Dear Pat & Bud...

Got your long, newsy letter last week...and been busy with office junk so didn't have enough time to properly respond...our business has picked up appreciably since January and we are running full bore again...a pleasant sensation.

I am glad to hear the "anti-divorce kit" arrived in time... The new books for that area had just come in and I was able to latch on to them and get them away from here. The "misunderstandings" cannot be precluded by ANY book... that's part of being married..and I have not..no, will not, take up counseling. You are on your own.

I can't find San Juan on my maps...is that a place or a river ?..your description of the river is vivid...the only water we have ever had the inclination to wet a line in was in or near Chama, New Mexico..way north..up by the Colorado border.

Our plans..at present..call for us to take off from here in mid-October..for 2 weeks..no fishing gear..and return to the southwest area for some R & R. It is so lovely at that time of year..and uncrowded....we go strictly casual on those driving adventures and seldom make any definite plans...just go and stop when and where it pleases us. I am really looking forward to that one.

The LaFonda in Santa Fe...we have never stayed there..always wanted to but it was either full or the thought of that area for parking did me in...typical cause for a "musunderstanding" but I can sure agree with you note on the location..ze shops..ze indians..and that neat bakery right next door...but then bakery goods just add pounds..which I sure don't want right now...maybe in the fall.

The buffet at the Cross Roads MOtel..Buffalo, Wyo..now that sounds like all lo-cal food...I looked it up on the map and I can see how we have missed that one..a tad bit south and east for us to hit on the way to Yellowstone..although I may hit Cody again this spring. Love the Buffalo Bill Museum there...but I may have to route us thru Buffalo...sounded terrific...

Page 2...

We are so happy to hear the good news about Pat...
I know she will get this under control and be a happy
lady for a long time....not good to scare all of us
that way tho...

Montana Spring Fling '83....now that sounds like a super
idea !!!...almost can't wait. Your report on your day
on Armstrongs gave me the clue as to the method Barry
was using there last fall...big, ugly flies..when I
was using the dainty "right" things...but hell, neither
one of us could make a dent in the action...not even
Super Guide, Annette could coax more than an 8 incher to her
fly..must have been "one of those days"....but at \$25
a pop..can't afford many of "those" days..

Loved your comment about the down catalog. I can really
highly recommend the idea of down bedcovers. We are old
hands at this game and can't hardly sleep without them..
We even have down pillows..and while they are getting tired..
we even bring them with us to West...can't be without my
pillows for 2 weeks !!!! And you are right..the price is right
up there with the Mercedes....but as Dan will tell you..
We do indeed love that down..

Your idea...WESTERN RIVERS CLUB.....has terrific potential...
I like the idea very much.

Ok, from here on in, you will get pro and con about the
list of ideas you laid out.

First of all...doubt that you will do anything that could
smack of being a travel agency..you need your head examined
if you take that route....but...why not place bookings for
reputable motels ?....Guides....and accept a small fee for
doing so ? I see nothing wrong with it...cuz as I look at it,
your reputation is on the line....if you feel that you can indeed
recommend a spot or guide...make it worth your while. You
haven't put in the last 30 years for fun...become a "consulting
service"..for fisherman..and I think as long as you stay within
the geographical boundaries of what you know...it will be a winner.

This is going to get long-winded..I can see it coming...

Let's get one point out of the way so we can move on to positive things....I thknk the \$75 Initial fee/annual dues for the first year is too high....should maybe be in the \$50 range..then \$20 or \$25 per year after that....

You, much better than I, know how many folks come to the West for their first fishing trip in that area..and go away disappointed cuz they didn't know that they were doing.. and were either:

1. Too shy to admit it to anyone..least of all a shop owner...
2. Too tightass to pay anyone for anything they think they already know..or can learn themselves for free...

So, assuming there are enough in the first category to make this work....I think it is superb. The main theme is to assist anglers in having a super trip while they are in the area....without pressure to do this or that with any one shop or guide or whatever...good premise...but I also think you would have to be in a position to try to fit the angler to the situation. Wihtout trying to seal them a condo on the Madison..you have to be able to steer them to the right type of fishing at the right time of year...and with the right guide if they so desire....the guides is a tough one as you never know who is going to be working till the season is upon you...but that's your problem.

Places to stay...most motels do NOT pay a travel agency commmission...which is normally 10%....so you would not run afoul of anyone's feelings in the travel business anyway..plus most of us are too lazy to book motels for fisherman..figure they are all a bunch of flakes anyway..so why not sign up a few GOOD reliable motels for you to recommend and get some bucks from assuming you can do them some good....sure, they will tell you they have all the peak season business they can handle...but you would have to convince them you could provide some off-season trade also....such as Jo and I when we stayed in Ennis last October. Let's face it..October can't be a big month in Ennis...but June/July is another story....but there are fools such as us who do indeed head that way in late season.

Dan and I could tell you a long..funny yet sad story..of the two of us elk hunting in Idaho...got the ad from Sports Afield.. wrote letters..did all the right things..and got screwed royally... same thing could apply to fishing..and wow..would we ever be glad to pay \$25 a year for the info you could provide for fisherman...

Guides....touchy one here....but you know what you are doing in that field....doubt that you could get any money from them... probably better not too....suggest a name and let the nimrod make up his mind...avoids lawsuits....we don't touch them with a ten foot pole....will book with you for our friends..and then I get slippery whenever anyone asks about a certain guide or shop.

Page 4..Pat, wake Bud up...I knew this would happen....
get me going on something like this and I get
diahrea of the typewriter....this must be why we always
seem to leave you two..feeling that we only got half of what
we wanted to talk about..talked about...does that make any
sense.

Ok..back to Western Rivers....I like the idea of patches..
hats..pins..you name it...al for a small sum...with
something in it for you....

Geez, I can see THOUSANDS of folks in the East..good fishermen
who are dying to come west..but somewhat afraid of the big
rivers..fancy guides...etc...and would gladly fork over \$25
for some reliable info....getting away from some of the
hype they get in the vrious fly mags..(notice that my typing
has gone to hell)...I really can spell...

I can see a questionaire....sent to a prospect for a trip
west...to your area....with a bunch of questions...like
dry fly ??...how about BIG nymphs....can you wade big roiling
rivers..or do you prefer "cricks" likethey have in the east...
About gear...got a good rod for 7+ wieght lines ?...use
felt soled waders ?....got any good bug repellent ?

Hell, Bud..I am the classic.....came to West...I thought I
was a capable fisherman....but soon learned that there was so
much more to learn in Montana that I better eat the humble pie
and listen..and learn...sure, I was capable of fishing on
my home waters..could catch as many as the next guy...but
I spent a lot of fun times...not catching fish..but fun..
around your area till I got squared away..thanks to you
and Barry.....now, I still have fun..but once in a while
I tangle with the famous fish of the area...land a few..lose
a lot...and I am still trying to outfox the Firehole...
There is so much water of the Firehole that I haven't even
seen yet that I think I am good for a lifetime membership in
Western Rivers...just picking your brain about one river...

The trick is going to be to get the fisherman to rely on you...
and your information....but with your untarnished reputation
I can see no trouble there....any conflict with the SHOP ?

Public access....Jesus what I would like to know about that...
In the area near Twin Bridges...saw lots of water..but I am too
timid (or scared of bulls) to cross fences just cuz I saw a
fish rise...super idea.....I'd like to know a hell of a lot more about
the Big Hole...the Jefferson....rivers I am yet to try...and what
is in the area ?...As you know, I do like to sightsee too...
and some of that area is really lovely...totally different from
the Madison Valley...and did you know that the Winston Rod Co.
was in Twin Bridges....etc...that sort of info in a printed
format would be terrific....

I am still using the motel list from Charlie Brooks..got it
when we came to the FFF Conclave in '79 or '80...forget which...

Page 5..still with me ???

Anyway..I think you can see that I think it would work...
Yes, there is a market for it....how to get to that market...
that would take some thinking....Did I detect Pats' hand in
there when I see mention of Prints..Bronzes....good idea...
Why not shirts with a fly logo...talk to you about that one
when we get to chat--face-to-face...

And by the way...Rivergoods now has two terrific products
for the "snob" fisherman...the one above aluminum and
vinyl...Bill Meier has been making some LEAD-R-PAKS...
with super leather covers instead of aluminum...gave
Jo and Me one..engraved the brass plate on the end...I
will have it with me in June....then I have finally
gotten the Fly Log under way...after many delays in
production...I am now the leatherworker myself..and I
love it...did five notebooks last night..and Jo did the
coverplate for the insert..got it back from the printer
last week...so we are in gear..but without blowing our horn,
this is the type of product I can see WESTERN RIVERS offering..
in limited quantities for the discriminating fisherman...
and one with a few loose bucks to spend on the better end
of the equipment scale....pride of ownership..and a "feely"
too...something not readily available in your local tackle
shop....made especially for WESTERN RIVERS...Geez..I could
go on and on....

Rivergoods itself..is going slowly..as I expected....altho
I had high hopes that having Dave Inks showing it..and his
going to the Los Angeles FFF show..and the Denver Tackle show that
something would have come of it..but so far I have heard little
or nothing from him....beginning to wonder about his touch
with the trade....we hope to have a national ad in the fall...
but the travel business has been a bit trying this year and
I have had to keep an eye on things rather closely...but that
part is looking better...

Lots of production problems with Rivergoods...all of this end..
not with the outfit in Nebraska..they are ready to go...but
we tried to locate suppliers for the leather goods and they took
forever to quote me prices higher than I paid retail for the
two notebooks that prompted this idea...so I made a wholesale
arrangement with a Portland leather company and put on
my headband and sandals and went to work...have three done
and five will finish tonite...and now that I am getting the
hang of it, I can make about 3 an hour....and its fun...love
working with leather...have to stop and remind myself that these
must all look somewhat alike as I have a tendency to want to
experiment as I go along....

Page 6.....had nuther Western Rivers thot...

Get that great dotter of yours in gear....and offer something for the ladies in this program....the female side of fly fishing is really growing...and Annette is too good a guide/instructor to waste her skills...plus she is such a neat lady...lots of guys might get more fishing in if they knew someone was around to assist in getting the ladies interested or taken care of...got to be careful of that wording...anyway, you know what I mean.

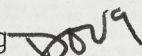
Hell yes, I am getting thin...will join by the pound... assuming you open the membership soon..as I do not know how long this fast will continue....Since I saw you last, I have "lost" 17 pounds...getting down to what I feel should be my fighting weight....I have either 4 pounds..or 9 pounds to go..by June 26 when we leave for Jellystone..the variance is predicated on how I look..in the buff...in front of the full length mirror..when I have lost the 4 pounds...if I am as sveltd and trim as I want to be..I will quit there...if the middle aged tummy is still sagging out there..I suspect I will have to go for the full 9 more pounds...muscles are getting too tired to suck it in whenever a good looking lady goes by so I thought I better just lose it....the neat looking ladies still spot the bald head so I am dead in the water.. but its fun...and I must admit, I feel a lot better... don't sweat as much for a fat man...

Nuff...the end...Holey Moley..this has gone on and on...

See what happen when I get white paper in the typewriter... Need anything written..I am just getting going....I have no idea what the staff thinks I am doing up here....firing the whole lot...but being windy as I do it...

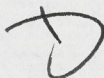
So....It;s been fun to write....bet you won't run another idea past this typewriter... and remember..you got what you paid for..

Till then... and may the sun shine and no wind blow in late June and early July...

Doug 

P.S. ...PAAt....Julies arrives Bozeman on June 30th..but I have been hearing rumbles that she might be bringing her boyfriend along....a fly in the ointment of matchmaking...darn..

Doug



→ you could certainly print ~~of~~ up a selection,
all enlarged, of various areas you will
be talking about. Ready to put in an envelope to
your client, Silver Creek area - Ennis area - Yellowstone etc.

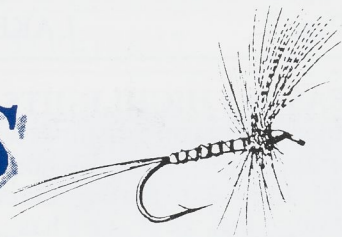
Just wanted you to know I think your
idea is great too. Not nearly as tiring as talking
to folks all day long.

regards: J

START! →
↓

Fortunately I'm not at my typewriter so this will be short.
You've probably already thought of this. Mags. I can see
you looking me straight in the eye over the counter in
the shop but your hand is reaching behind you for a map.

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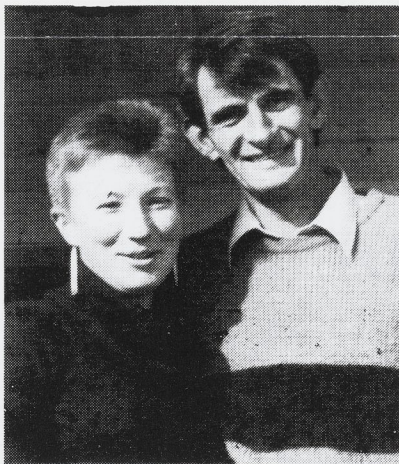


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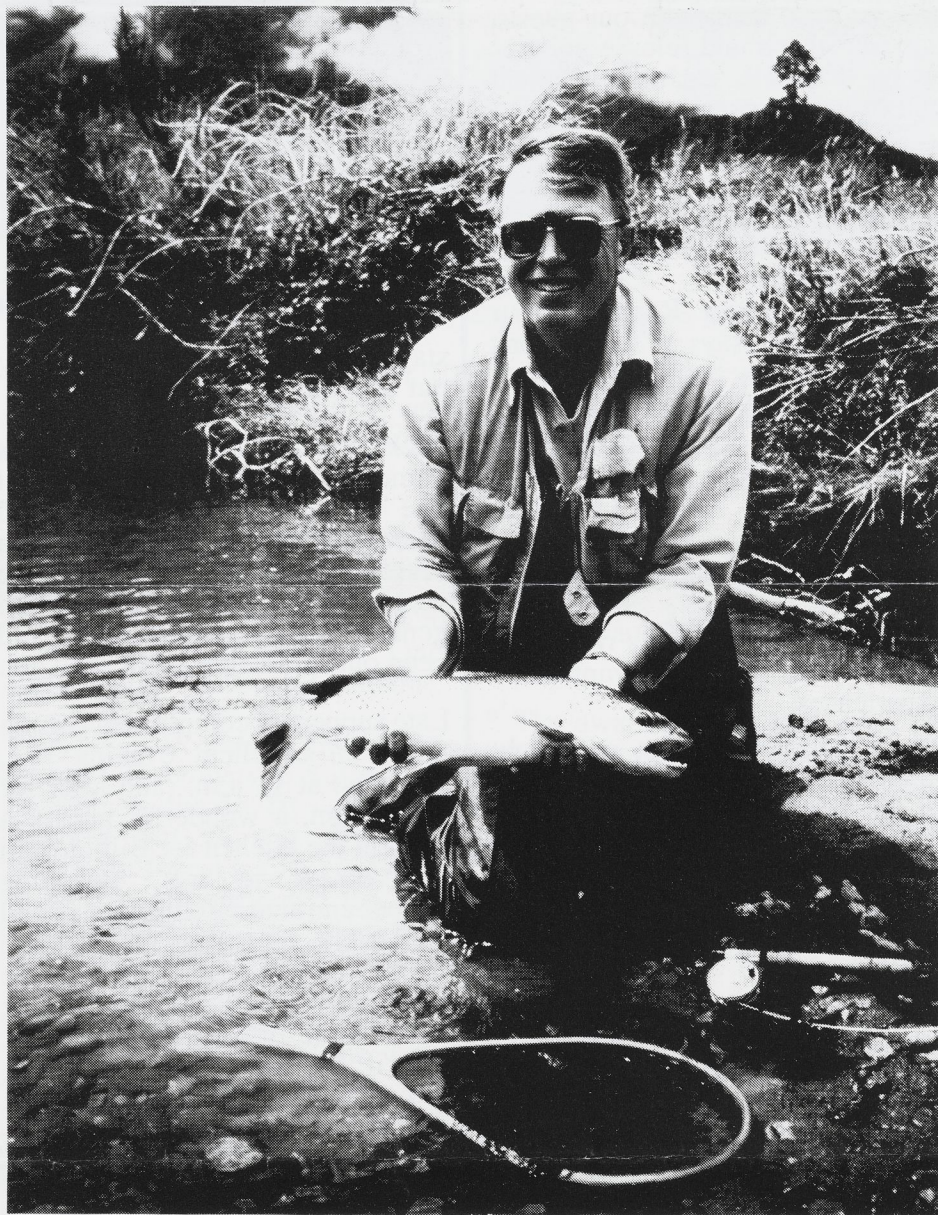
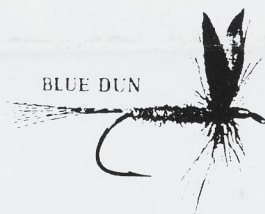
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NEW ZEALAND'S PREMIER WILDERNESS RETREAT

WELCOME to "The Trout Papers", the first journal of trout fishing seasons at Lake Brunner Lodge. Marian, Ray, Stephanie, Bruce, Pam and Brian, have immensely enjoyed their first year. The credit goes to you our guests, whose angling skills and achievements and obvious enjoyment of our Lodge made this inaugural season most memorable and also to associates and friends in the trout fishing and tourism world who have been so supportive. "The Trout Papers" is our record of your season. We hope you enjoy it. - Ray Grubb.



Marian and Ray



JIM GLENN

7-1/2lbs of Brown Trout - Guide Ray Grubb

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SEASONS HIGHLIGHTS

Our first season's fishing was best summed up by Les Eichorn, who said that our spring creeks are among the best he has fished anywhere in the world.

The quality of those creeks and our other streams, rivers and lakes, is reflected in the results - our guides' diaries show:-

* an impressive average of over 3 trout landed per angler per day.

* all (except one solitary rainbow) were brown trout, with our guests, and our, catch and release policies seeing 90% released, once weighed and (usually) photographed.

* rewarding and challenging fishing in clear-water. In a season marked by the high number of trout landed, almost all were first seen, then stalked. Challenging because, as Bruce Robertson our Head Guide says, "trout don't grow that big by being stupid", and big browns in clear water are very wary.

* average weight of trout - better than 4lbs.

Some of the days were exceptional. For instance Bud and Hugh took ten browns averaging 8 lbs, all on dry fly in a wilderness river, and others had equally impressive experiences.

The weather was great with only three and a half days fishing "lost" in the 7 months open season. It can rain in New Zealand and on the West Coast, but the rivers here rise and fall so rapidly. The day after a tremendous deluge, Tom Dent spotted, stalked and landed 6 big browns in clear water.

We are particularly fortunate to have inherited the traditions associated with Mitchells. As we become more widely known we are seeing the people who used Mitchells as a trout fishing base years ago.

Ted Owens from England stayed for 2 weeks this season and told us he was thrilled that we had managed to regain the atmosphere he had enjoyed in the past when he had been an annual guest.

Similarly, visitors from Christchurch first satisfy themselves that the restoration is true to the original, then become regular guests. A number have been to



RAY GRUBB, BRUCE ROBERTSON and a dilemma over a size 10 Humpy

stay frequently, to fish or to simply put their feet up and relax.

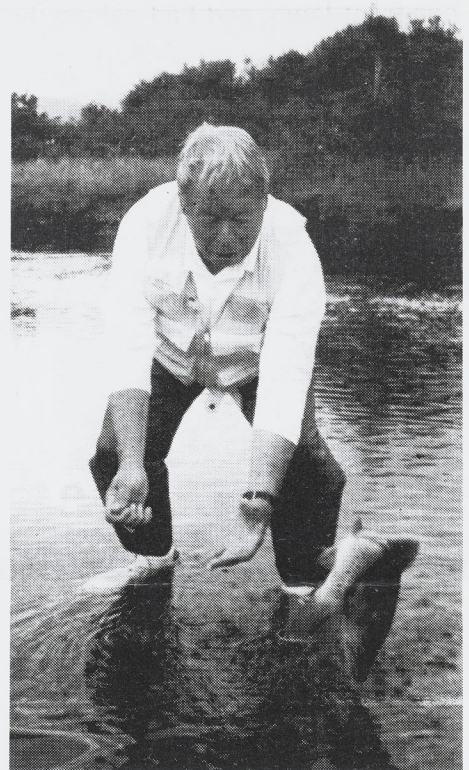
Nick and Freda Caldwell's comment of "top cuisine" was just one of the complimentary and heartening remarks made. In a season where we were sure we would have lots to learn, we found general agreement that we should keep our arrangements as they are.

Late suppers to compliment fishing many an excellent evening rise, breakfast at 11 a.m. (and after for Jim Biram, a wonderful guest), a chair in the kitchen for Bill Idelson and others to use, swapping recipes and entertaining Marian and Pam while preparing meals, were all part of our year. So was the practice of seating everyone dining at the same time at the one table, and it led to some fascinating conversations with guests from all over the world.

For our second year we look forward to exploring more water and finding even more trout, to new recipes, to the results of our landscaping, to welcome old friends and meeting new.

CATCHING TROUT occupied much of our first season - and naturally we tended to notice other firsts through the year. Such as:-

* Bill Idelson's delight when, on one of those wonderful spring creeks, he caught his first trout on a dry fly (a size 16 Royal Wulff) and then caught 3 more browns up to four and a half pounds that day to prove it was no fluke.



BILL IDELSON
Catch (?) and release

* Cathy Williamson her first ever trout, seen and stalked with one perfect cast on a beautiful wilderness stream.

* March 18, Keith and Jane McKeag caught a seven and a quarter pound and 3lb browns respectively both personal bests and landed after much difficulty in a very small creek. Bruce as guide suffered acute embarrassment later that day when, after offering excited advice to Keith he found the video had recorded sound.

* On October 1, the opening day for both the trout season and our Lodge - Allan Bramwell had both off to an excellent start with 5 superbly conditioned trout before 9.30 a.m.

* Judson and Marilyn Mabee from Mitchells, South Dakota, USA, simply had to visit our Lodge at Lake Brunner, Mitchells, New Zealand. With only a little time to spare, in 3 hours at the lake edge stalked cruising trout, Jud had his best ever on a size 14 Muddler.

* A most remarkable first for David Band, with Sue a guest at Labour weekend in October. In the space of two hours David had had his first ever casting lesson on our front lawn, and had gained the admiration of his tutor by hooking the first two trout seen in a nearby stream and then landing the third.

There were many other achievements . . .

Jim Glenn took an absolutely magnificent brown trout of nine and a half pounds, on a 6 weight Orvis rod and a size 12 Adams dry fly. It was hot, sunny, windless weather, crystal clear water and a lot of walking. Perfect weather for watching an excellent angler in action.

* Keld Ollson, an angler of superb skills, landed 12 browns in one day, largest six and a quarter pounds and smallest over three



KEITH McKEAG

A personal best brown 7-1/4lb - Guide Bruce Robertson

pounds in a small stream just 10 minutes from the Lodge, 3 were with the Hare and Copper Nymph, the others on dry fly.

* Jay Bandera fished one pool for a trout of seven and a half pounds then a short run for 5 more trout average five and a half pounds all in the space of 6 hours. Once again the fly was a size 12 Adams.

* Early December Jim Biram released 35 browns in 5 days with 29 taken on the dry fly - and when Jim ran out of size 16 Royal Wulffs he found a size 10 did just as well. He attributed the most bizarre catch of the season to Bruce's guiding skills - Jim hooked the big one, 200kg of Hereford cow on the back cast with a size 14 dry fly, and had the wit to spin round and play the first searing run by the galloping beast before the tippet snapped. It took an hour and the help of a highly amused farmer to get the fly out.

* Stuart Cox, from London, already our most frequent overseas guest, became a firm friend while losing one trout after another on a very light rod. A change to heavier equipment and his skill gave excellent results on his later visits. The award for the most persistent angler.

* The award for the best story of the year must go to Bob Gormley who spent what must have been a hilarious two days with Bruce on a wilderness stream. He caught trout, but the exact number is hazy as the two reckon they spent their time fighting off pterodactyls!

* Oliver Fourment of France, has the prize for the most innovative cast of the season. Concealed on a high bank, he used his thumb to flick a Nymph in front of a large and unsuspecting brown which promptly took the fly and was eventually landed.

Other memories are Paul Farrow, with his first ever trout on a fly, now an avid flytyer and, with wendy, a frequent visitor from Christchurch; Hughie McDowall, author, raconteur and Rotorua guide, with a seven and a quarter brownie using his speciality method, "the wee wet fly" - and many, more times with people who were a delight to guide.



NOT CATCHING TROUT

Not catching trout was for anglers and non-anglers alike, enjoying our scenery and seclusion.

Walking to the waterfall with Bondini, following our ancient but functional hydro penstock, through the forest with its luxuriant ferns and native trees and prolific birdlife, was the first excursion for most guests and the subject of many photos.

Our hydro-electric power plant was of interest to engineers such as Peter Brunyer, who was intrigued by its 100 year history.

Justin Greene and Jake Prain were visitors to Brian Rothery's milking shed (where many anglers will remember stopping on the way back from the river) and Brian also fascinated Charles, Sandy and Thad Barnes with his skill in clicking stones to attract Wekas from the under-growth.

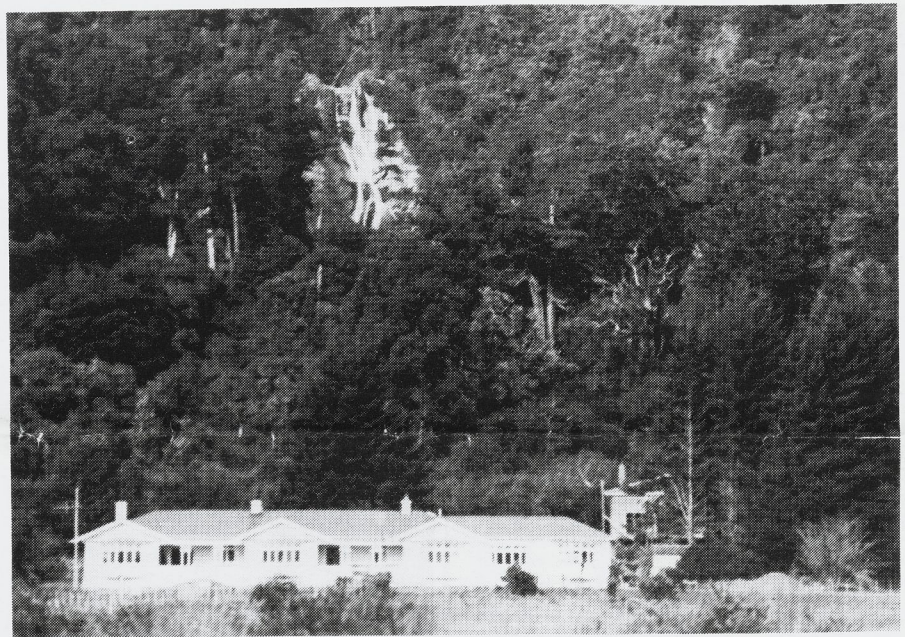
Enjoyable days for Marian taking Louise Nathan, Susan Katz and Diane Brandise with her on expeditions to town and to have the company of Barbara Dent or Gloria Allison when seeing the exquisite Greenstone jewellery of Ian Boust-ridge, rightly featured in the September "National Geographic" as New Zealand's foremost jade sculptor.

Then there was the courtesy and hospitality of our local community in showing their farms to our visitors and in providing a glimpse of their lifestyles.

MEETING PEOPLE

Marian and I, with Blondini, our pedigree Golden Retriever are the first to welcome you, as the Lodge is our home.

Blondini? The name is after the 'Blondini' gang in the New Zealand movie 'Goodbye Pork Pie', and particularly apt given early puppy antics. Now somewhat more mature and very popular, he is an avid consumer of after dinner mints in front of the fire, and wonderful company on fishing and other expeditions.



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Also living at the Lodge are Bruce and Stephnie Robertson and their three boys. Besides being our Head Guide, Bruce conducts his own guiding service, is the local expert fly-tyer, tutor in fly-fishing techniques, wet wades in all weather (to the consternation of many) and tells hilarious fishing stories.

In reviewing the season, Bruce mentions the usefulness of lightweight waist waders, and the importance of felt soled wading boots and polariods.

The dairy farm of Brian and Pam Rothery, our nearest neighbours 6 miles away, is a focus for visits to our local farming community. Hosts at our Lodge when we are occasionally not around, their very personal style has made them friends from all over the world.

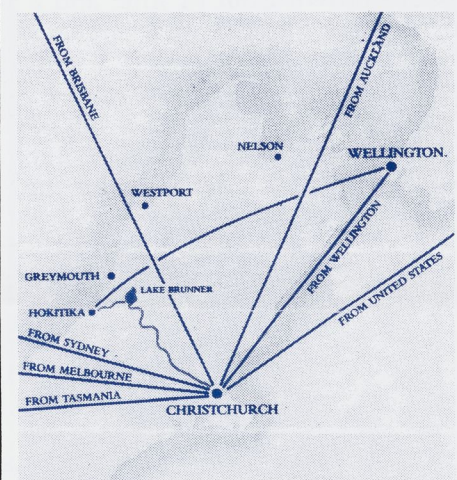
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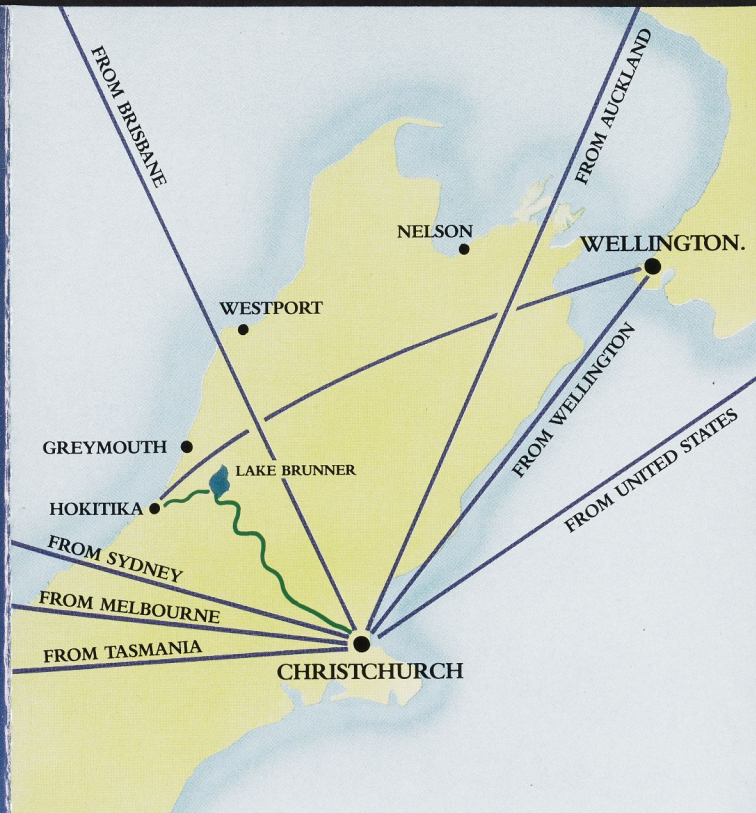


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For reservations or information contact Lake Brunner Lodge.

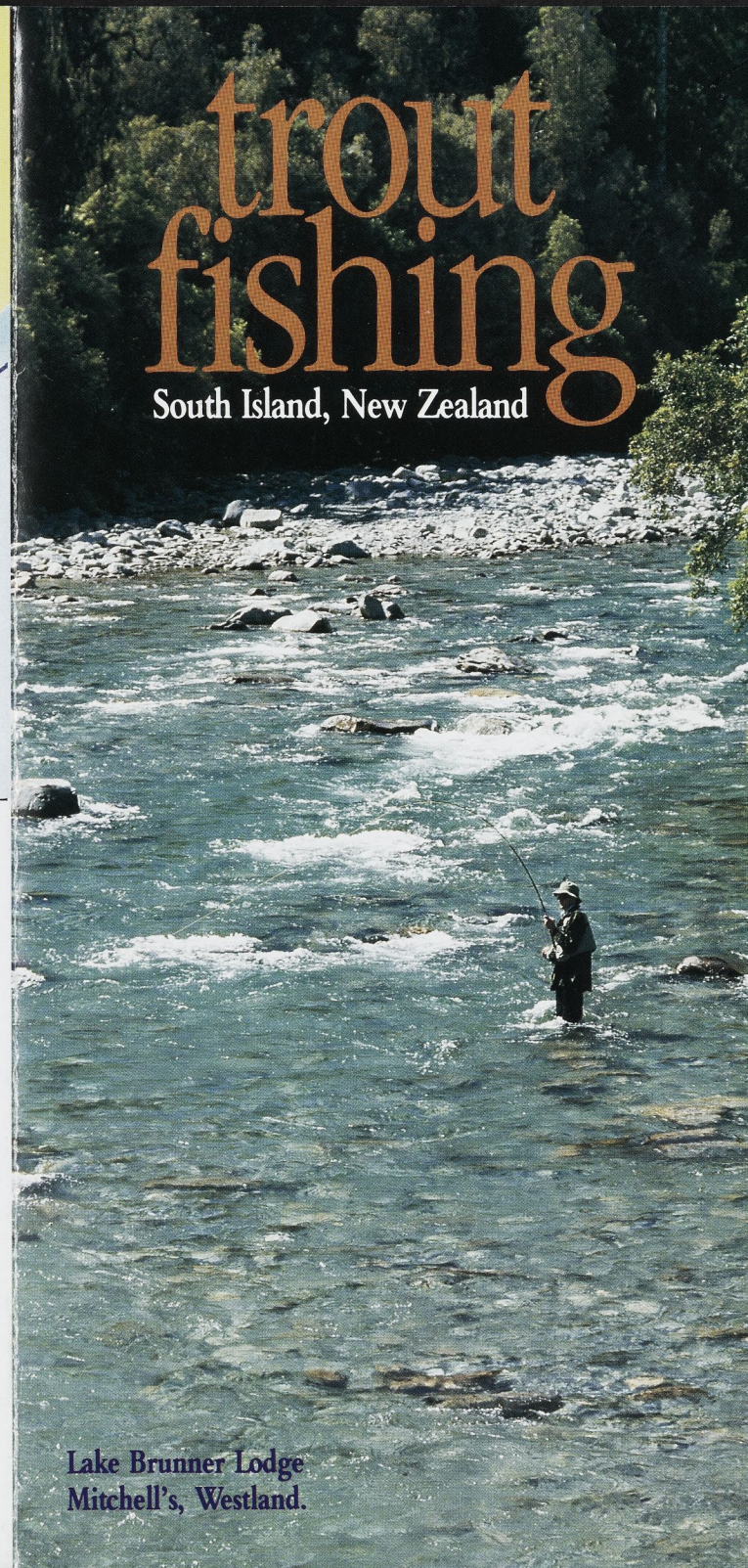


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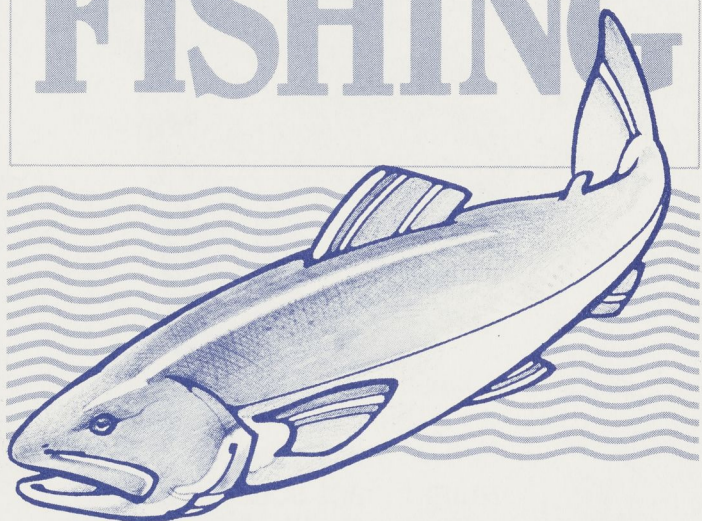
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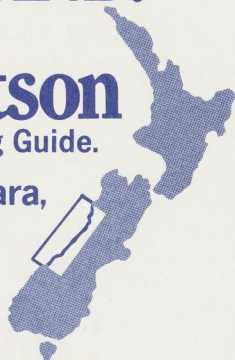
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Bruce Robertson is also resident Head Guide for Lake Brunner Sporting Lodge,



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November 5, 1987

Bruce Robertson, Head Guide
Lake Brunner Lodge
Mitchells R.D. Kumara
Westland
New Zealand

Dear Bruce:

Thank you for sending me your fine brochures...
looks like exciting and beautiful country.

Hope we will be able to direct some fishermen
your way one of these days ... as well as your
sending some to us, ~~and~~

Our August Newsletter is enclosed. Thought you
might enjoy looking at it.

Thanks for your letter.

Sincerely,

Bud Lilly



Lake Brunner Lodge

20 October '87.

Bud Lilly.

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed some information on our South Island operation. Hopefully this may be of use to your "Western Rivers Club" members if any are planning a trip "down under." If you would like any additional material ~~of~~ or info. please don't hesitate to drop me a line.

Our season has started well, (October 1) with many big browns taken, (and released!) up to $7\frac{1}{2}$ lbs 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

We would love to see you down here some day and I could show you "the" Spring Creek where this morning I had to leave a brownie of maybe 9-10 lbs because five other browns of our 5 lbs prevented a drift.

Tight lines & kindest regards.

Bruce Robertson.



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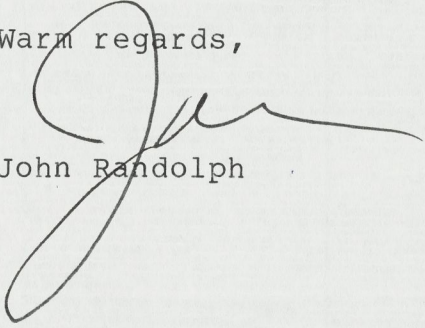
May 4, 1987

Bud Lilly
Western Rivers Club
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Dear Bud,

It looks like a good idea. I'll ask Jack Russell to mention it in his New Products (and services) column. I got a chance to read your (and Paul Schullery's) forthcoming book and enjoyed it very much. I think I can use the section on guiding, as Nick may have mentioned. Hope I see you this summer, either at Conclave or before. Greg's shop is superb.

Warm regards,


John Randolph



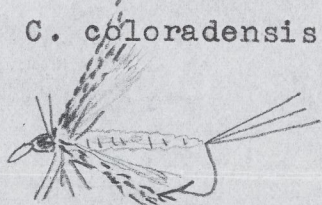
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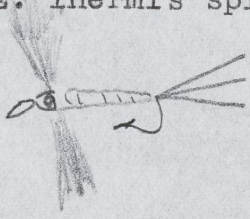
Bud Lilley's Trout Shop
West Yellowstone, Montana
Montana

Dear Bud,

As you requested I am going to draw some of the patterns I found very effective on the Snake last August. In the morning about 9:30 a.m., two different species of spinners would start to fall, one was a #14 fly I sent you a picture of called *Callibaetis coloradensis*, (since as far as I know it has no common name I called it the speckled spinner.) It is the one with the dark brown mottling on the leading edge of the wings. There were really more of the smaller spinners falling at the same time, #22 olive (*Ephemerella inermis*) and the fish were feeding on them also but they seemed to go out of their way for a chance at the larger ones. *E. inermis* is only 5-6.5 mm long.

The artificials which worked well for me in the morning were

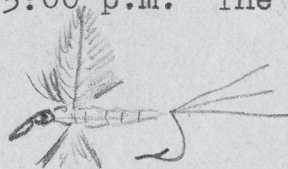
1. *C. coloradensis* (Speckled spinner) #14


BODY → DIRTY CREAM SPUN FUR
WINGS → TIED 1/2 OR FULL SPENT FRIST
4 OR 5 FIBERS MALLARD SIDES DYED
DARK BROWN, POSTERIOR PART WHITE
MALLARD SIDE FIBERS.
HACKLE - 2 OR FOUR TURNS ONLY BRONZE
BLUE DUN.
TAILS - 3 OR 4 FIBERS WHITE HACKLE.
2. *E. inermis* spinner (olive quill) #20 or 22


BODY → LIGHT OLIVE BROWN SPUN FUR
WINGS → 2 BRONZE BLUE DUN HACKLES
WOUND BUZZ FASHION + CLIPPED
TOP + BOTTOM
TAILS 3 FIBERS (BROWN HACKLE)

At about 11:00 the duns of *Ephemerella inermis* would appear and last until 4:00 or 5:00 p.m. The fly I used for it was:

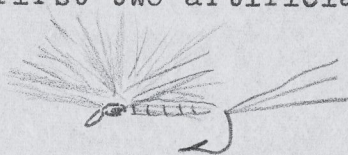
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HOOK - #22 OR 20
BODY - BRIGHT OLIVE GREEN
WINGS - LT DUN HACKLE TIPS
HACKLE - LT " 2 OR 3 TURNS + SHORT

Then in the evening the spinner would start to fall again and either the first two artificials or a #22 were good.

4.



SAME AS #2 BUT HACKLE IS ONLY CLIPPED ON BOTTOM AND YELLOW OLIVE FUR BODY. THIS WAS THE BEST IN THE EVENING.

Very large fish 5-7 pounds would feed on these tiny naturals.

Doug and I started taking pictures of the naturals because standard patterns did not seem to work as well as we felt they should during the hatch.

We began by taking an enlarged shot of the natural and tying a new pattern from it. Naturally we had to know the scientific names for the flies so we acquired an entamology lab (see picture) and went on from there. The new patterns really do work extremely well during a hatch. We are both 36 years old, Doug is a sales engineer and I am a dentist in private practice.

The transparencies I promised you are not back from the developers yet, I will get together with Doug and have the pictures taken you asked for and send it later.

My first trip to Montana next summer will be June 25th for the Green Drake hatch.

Sincerely,

Carl E Richards D.D.S.

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I LOOK FORWARD TO THE PLEASURE OF READING
YOUR BOOK.

HOPE THIS FINDS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY WELL.

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THIS TRIP WAS THE
THRILL OF MEETING YOU.

PLEASE SEND YOUR
BOOK TO ME AT THE
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