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**The Carson Fly Fishing Club**

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## **President's Message**

Our meetings are held the **second Tuesday** of each month at the Carson City Sheriff's Office on East Musser Street. All meetings start at 7pm and the doors are open at 6:45 - sometimes earlier.

Hi folks!

Well our season has begun. Nevada streams are open and so are most of California's. With the Sierras dry this winter, and the drought continuing into a fourth or fifth year, both streams and reservoirs are going to be low, and the early season fishing will be better than the summer or fall. Now is the time to get out and have some fun.

### **CFFC Board**

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Fishing reports are starting to come in. The northern end of Pyramid Lake has had some good days recently (and some off days) so our tough fishout last month was not the end of the season yet.

Hobart just opened, and more than one member caught in excess of 50 fish in a day. Others came close. Fishing this past weekend was best for those stripping small streamers (orange or grey and green) but fish also bit on dries and midges.

The north end of Lake Davis was tough this last weekend for a couple of members. It may take a while to warm up or for the fish to move in.

Frenchman's is very low, (below boat ramps) and may be difficult to access. Shore parking may be a ways from the campsites. Antelope Lake campgrounds, where we had planned to have the May campout/fishout, are not yet open. They won't open until Memorial Day weekend and the first week is now booked solid.

Hence, our fishout is being moved to Indian Creek Reservoir. Indian Creek Reservoir is also low, but it is stocked by both California Fish and Wildlife and Alpine County, plus there are some nice fish there. Recently one member caught a few in a couple of hours, and on another occasion saw some float tubers at the south end of the lake getting fish. They have a nice campground with some spaces on the north side that are suitable for trailers, so if you're interested in camping in a trailer, come early to ensure you'll get a spot. I expect to arrive Thursday afternoon. It's located this side of Markleeville. Call someone or ask at the general meeting if you need directions.

Good stream fishing is still available. The East Walker is steady at 20 CFS. It's clear and slow, and easy wading, but the fish are spooky, so use stealth. The west Walker is ramping up for irrigation season... probably more difficult. The Truckee is still around 330 CFS below Boca, and it's bumping around. Downstream, the ditches are diverting irrigation and municipal water, so the flows are lower, and irregular. But it seems that the fish survived last summer well, and there are some great holdovers. The East and West Carson Rivers are both running at about 1/3 normal for this time of year. So, the better fishing will be early this spring and summer. Later on it may be difficult to save an exhausted fish in warm water.

See you at our Meeting Tuesday night, May 12th.

Craig

## **Basic Introductory To Fly Fishing Academy**

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Stan Zuber has started the 2015 Fly Fishing Academy with classes on May 5<sup>th</sup> through May 8<sup>th</sup> at the Sherriff's Office. The Thursday class will be casting at Baily Pond starting at 6:30 pm. If you would like to assist with on the water instruction please contact Stan as soon as possible. (671-2151) Fly rods, reels and lines are provided so there is no need to bring your own. Thanks for your help.

**Bring a pair of flies for the \*\*\*Fly-FFLE\*\*\***

## **Big Thank You from the Southern Sierra Club**

Our club received a big 'Thank You' from the Southern Sierra Fly Fishing Club which is based in Kernville, California. Nine of our club members provided up to a dozen flies each for their annual fundraising 'Rendezvous' weekend. All the flies were placed together in a fly box and raffled off in a special auction. We have been assured that we will have a box from them at our November banquet.

## May General Meeting Program

Our May meeting will feature author and outdoorsman Brian LaRue. He is currently the manager of the Orvis store in Reno. He will be speaking about the fishing opportunities available in beautiful Yellowstone National Park. Be sure to attend the general meeting as Brian shares some of his adventures.



### **Orvis Store Manager: Brian LaRue**

Brian La Rue, a Southern California native, enjoys sharing his passion for traditions and the outdoors. In addition to managing operations, Brian writes for outdoor publications including Colorado-based *High Country Angler* magazine and

California's *Western Outdoor News*.

You can also enjoy his work on [Examiner.com](http://Examiner.com).

Brian spent a decade living in the Rockies and is always happy to help anglers plan road trips. When Brian isn't working or writing he spends time with his wife Rhoni, his son Barrett, and his daughter Samantha, soaking up the great outdoors.

## Marlette Egg Taking Session Scheduled

The annual cutthroat egg taking session at Marlette Lake is currently scheduled to begin the first week in June on Tuesday's and Thursday's. This is a loose schedule because the trout attempt to spawn when they want to, not when Ndown desires. If the conditions dictate, the schedule could be moved up or back a week. Depending on the amount of fish this year, the event could take one to three weeks. All volunteers must be registered ahead of time with Ndown in order to participate. Go to the Ndown website to register. As more details are known, e-mails will be sent to all club members with the latest information. It is possible that some volunteers will be needed to assist with streambed clearing ahead of the planned spawning workdays.

## Fishout for May has been relocated

The club's annual three day family fishout is coming up on May 15, 16 and 17 and as usual, there will be a few folks arriving and setting up camp on Thursday afternoon. Due to the dry winter and low water level, our fishout had to be moved from Frenchman's to Indian Creek Reservoir. There is a nice campground with multiple spaces for trailers or tents right along the shoreline. There will be a potluck style dinner on Saturday evening with Mike and Rob cooking up some fine Tri-tip. Those attending are requested to provide some type of side dish for everyone and also bring their own beverages. More details at the general meeting.

**Bet this guy quickly releases the fish back into the wild...**



### **Request from the folks at Ndow**

In July, Ndow will be hosting the 2015 Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies conference. As part of this gathering, Ndow will be taking the Fisheries Directors to Hobart reservoir for fly fishing. They are requesting the three local fly fishing clubs to tie some flies for this activity. They need about twenty flies of each pattern submitted. So if you're a tier, consider tying up twenty of your favorite Hobart pattern for this worthy cause. Who knows what good might come our club's way in the future?

Flies need to be submitted by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please contact Stan for additional information. (671-2151)

### **Calendar**

- May 5-8 - Annual fly fishing academy at the Sheriff's Office
- May 12 - General Meeting
- May 15, 16, 17 - Family Camping Trip at Indian Creek Reservoir
- May 27 - Board Meeting
- June 9 - General Meeting
- June 24 - Board meeting
- July 14 - Annual Club Barbeque