



# The Flypaper

The Newsletter of  
**The Carson Fly Fishing Club**  
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## **President's Message**

As we begin our new fishing year, it must be noted we are now meeting on the first Monday of the month at the Carson City Sherriff's Station - 501 E. Musser Street. (Enter on west side) All meetings begin at 7pm and the doors are open about 6:45. We wish to thank the Carson City Fire Department for allowing us the use of their training facility.

Once again the club has lots of activities planned. The board has all of the monthly fishouts scheduled and the list includes two new waters, Antelope and Crowley lakes. The club's first fishout of the year will be at Hinkson Slough on Saturday Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>. And as an extra incentive, all members attending will be included in a noontime drawing for a 2013 Nevada fishing license.

### **CFFC Board**

President Jason Koop  
Vice President Craig Steele  
Treasurer Paul McIlwee  
Secretary Bill Hammons

#### **Board Members:**

Dave Conklin  
Ernie Walsh  
Stan Zuber  
Ed Latour  
Kurt Redmond  
Rob Brehm  
MJ VanEmmerik  
Mike York  
Kat Howe  
Sam Howe

The club's annual Fly tying classes are scheduled to begin in March and the fly fishing course will be starting in May. Stan has additional information.

Last year's Nevada Trout Challenge was well received and this year in addition to the NTC, Bill has another unique fishing challenge in store for us. One which will allow credit for waters not found in Nevada.

Kris Erquhart of Ndow will be our guest speaker at our February meeting and will be informing us of recent activities and changes regarding the Mason Valley Reserve.

Do you have an idea for a presenter, or presentation you would like to see at a future meeting? Let a board member know, perhaps we can make it happen.

## **Fly tying and casting classes**

In March, the club will be sponsoring four nights of introductory fly tying classes. These lessons will be held at the Sherriff's station and Stan Zuber will again be the lead instructor. Stan has developed these classes over a period of many years and has introduced dozens of members to the art of fly tying. Tying tools and materials will be provided. Those members who already have their own vice and tools are encouraged to bring them. Contact Stan for additional information.

Flyfishing classes are scheduled to begin in May and will also be held in the evening at the Sherriff's station.

## **Fly-fle Drawing**

Don't forget the very popular 'Fly-fle' drawing. All members are encouraged to participate by bringing two flies to the general meeting. Flies are then placed in two baskets and tickets are drawn to determine the winner of each set. Any type of fly is acceptable and any level of tier is welcome.

## **Annual 'Polar Bear' Day at Pyramid Lake**

What a great turnout – if only the fishing had matched the club's participation. Sixteen members met Saturday Jan. 26 around 9 am on the shores of Pyramid Lake and were greeted with wet fog and pancake flat waters. Conditions at the South Nets never changed throughout the day as anglers probed the waters from ladders and pontoons. Unfortunately for all but one, the wily Lahontan trout remained elusive and never made an appearance. John VanEmmerik was the lone member who managed to bring fins to the net.

The real catch of the day was indeed a memorable one, as a complete rod and reel which had earlier in the day plunged to the lake bottom was recovered from the depths a short time later. (Guess those spinning rods do have a purpose.)

At noon everyone gathered on the shore and enjoyed another fine lunch prepared by master chefs Dave Conklin and Mike York. Be sure and let these men know their efforts at our fishouts are greatly appreciated.

Now we just have to wait until the November Banquet to see what 'Polar Bear' award Dave has in store for those who braved the elements.

## **Fly Tying Considerations**

The traditional system of describing the size of fly-tying thread in pattern recipes – 3/0, 6/0, 8/0 etc. is giving way to a more accurate method of rating thread. The garment industry has used the denier standard for many years, and

some suppliers of fly-tying threads are adopting it to describe the products they offer. Why make the change?

Under the old system, there was no standard for listing the diameter of a thread. And one company's size 6/0 thread, for example, might differ from another manufacturer's size 6/0. With the denier system, the listed size is based on the weight (in grams) of 9,000 meters of a thread. This improved method allows for a more accurate diameter sizing of different brands of thread.

Use the following chart when selecting thread to tie most of the flies found in books, magazines and on the internet.

3/0 = 220 denier

6/0 = 140 denier

8/0 = 70 denier

Examples of how some brands of small diameter threads differ.

Gudebrod 10/0 (45 denier)

Euro Thread 12/0 (45 denier)

Benecchi 12/0 (70 denier)

UNI 17/0 (50 denier)

Ultra GSP (50 denier)

## Calendar

February 4 - Regular club meeting, 7pm. at the Sherriff's station  
Kris Urquhart of Ndw will be speaking regarding Mason Valley

February 9 - Season opener at Hinkson Slough

February 13 - Tiers Cabin 7pm at Dave's house

February 16 - Club fishout at Hinkson Slough

February 27 - Board meeting - 7pm Pizza Factory

March 4 - Regular club meeting, 7pm. at the Sherriff's station

Steve Dexter will present a program regarding the Green River

March 11&12 - Fly tying class, 7pm. At the Sherriff's station (Stan)

March 21 - Tiers Cabin 7pm. at Dave's house

March 23 - Club fishout - at North Pond

March 25&26 - Fly tying class, 7pm. At the Sherriff's station (Stan)

March 27 - Board meeting 7pm. Pizza Factory

April 1 - Regular club meeting 7pm at the Sherriff's station

April 13 - Club fishout at Pyramid Lake

May 1 - Board meeting - 7pm. Pizza Factory

May 6 - Regular club meeting - 7pm. at the Sherriff's station

May 10 - Flyfishing course, 7pm. at the Sherriff's station

May 13,14&15 - Flyfishing course, 7pm. at the Sherriff's station

May 18 - Club fishout - at Frenchman's Lake (multi day event)