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The Carson Fly Fishing Club

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President's Message

Our meetings are held the first Monday of each month at the Carson City Sherriff's Office on East Musser Street. All meetings start at 7pm and the doors are open at 6:45.

Craig here, delivering this month's president's message. After a nice vacation in California and Oregon, where I fished some wonderful stillwater, I am back in Carson. Last Friday, Koop, Rob and I did Hobart Reservoir proud, catching 142 between us, with brooks, rainbows, and tigers in the mix. It's good to be back. If you go up, try dry damsels, damsel nymphs, or small dark buggers. This summer promise's to offer low lakes and slow warm streams (see below). The earlier you fish these waters the better. Remember too that warm water holds less oxygen so extended fish battles may place them in a world of hurt. When you release them, be sure to give them plenty of recovery time so that they have a better chance to survive. Please try to remember to post stories on our website corkboard. I would like to give a big 'Thank You' to Dave and Deb for hosting our annual July family barbeque at their home. There were ribs, burgers and dogs with plenty of fine side dishes. A great time was had in a wonderful setting. Now is banquet planning time, so if you have ideas, please share them with a board member. See you Monday at the general meeting....

CFFC Board

President Jason Koop
Vice President Craig Steele
Treasurer Paul McIlwee
Secretary Bill Hammons
Board Members:
Dave Conklin
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Stan Zuber
Ed Latour
Kurt Redmond
Rob Brehm
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August Fishout

Our August fishout is scheduled for Antelope Lake on the 10th. With the summer's hot weather and low water levels throughout the state, it's not known if Antelope will have decent fishing conditions. We will try and have a definite decision at the general meeting whether this fishout will happen.

August Program

Our program for the August general meeting will feature Bill Hammons at the vise tying his variation of the stimulator. Bill has been tying flies for over thirty five years and has tied at dozens of clubs, conclaves and expos. His flies have been displayed at the Federation of Fly Fishers museum in Livingston, Montana. In the early eighties he developed a technique of utilizing a thin strip of closed cell foam spiraled around the hook shank to form the abdomen – in place of the standard dubbed body. Below is a photo of the 'Foamulator' which won the 2005 Southeastern State's Brook Trout contest.



At the 2006 FFF International Competition, Bill's royal coachman was awarded the Southwest counsels gold medal. Later that year at the FFF International finals his fly was recognized with a silver medal.

The August meeting will allow the club's members to view and take notes regarding the various tying techniques of the modified stimulator.

Monthly Fly-fle Drawing

After a one month break for our annual barbeque the very popular Fly-fle drawing is back. Simply bring any two flies to the general meeting. One fly from each participant will be placed in the general raffle drawing and the second fly will be place in a drawing limited to those who tied flies. Everyone is welcome and this event is open to tiers of all levels.

Fly Fishing Faire in Mammoth Lakes

The Southwest Counsel will be hosting their second annual Fly Fishing Faire in Mammoth Lakes on September 20, 21 and 22. The “Everything Fly Fishing” event will be conducted by about 100 FFF volunteers and local fly fishing guides at Cerro Coso College with ‘classrooms’ stretching from Bishop to Bridgeport. Admission for the entire three day event is \$15 per adult or \$20 per family; ages 16 and under admitted free. Some workshops and seminars are included in the admission price and others will have separate registration, materials or participation fees.

Faire proceeds will be utilized for fly fishing with Boys Scouts, conservation and education projects including Trout in the Classroom and Project Healing Waters activities with wounded veterans in cooperation with VA Hospitals.

Last year club members attended the faire and participated in several of the fly casting and fly fishing seminars. Click on the link below for more information and details regarding each of the classes and activities offered.

<http://southwestcouncilfff.org/component/content/article?id=75>

Bridgeport Lahontan Cutthroat Project

The California Department of Wildlife is currently working on eradicating the brook trout from Silver creek near Bridgeport. These efforts are being made in order to reintroduce lahontan cutthroats back into their native waters. The Southern Sierra Fly Fishers club, which is based in Kernville, Ca. has asked our organization to join them in working together on this project the weekend of August 17 and 18. Those members interested in participating with this elector shocking project and making the trip please click on the link below. Additional information will be available at the general meeting.

http://www.spff.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=746952&module_id=134139

2013 Ten Spot Certificates

This year our club will be presenting 'Ten Spot' certificates in November at the annual banquet. The requirements are simple, just fish ten different waters between Jan 1 and the banquet which is Saturday Nov.9. It doesn't matter what state, lake, river, stream, species or even whether a fish was caught. Just the effort to get out and fish is all that's necessary to be recognized. The certificates will be framed and are similar to last year's popular 'Nevada Challenge' awards. The waters fished and the dates will be printed on each individual's certificate.

Next week a list of waters will be sent to all members as a suggestion. Print the list and write the date when the water was fished. Give the list to Bill at the Nov. general meeting so that certificates can be printed before the banquet.

From the 7/25 Reno Gazette Journal:

The state's two year drought is taking its toll on stillwater fisheries. Due to low water levels, high temperatures, and high irrigation demand, Knott Creek has had an algae bloom and already lost 500-600 of their trophy trout. Knott Creek lost about 95% of their trout in 2000.

At Wildhorse Reservoir, in Elko County, water levels and temperatures are so bad that NDOW has removed the limit on trout. Conditions there now are similar to 2007 when an estimated 20,000 fish died in August.

At Lahontan and Rye Patch the water levels are so low the boat ramps have been closed. Folks are getting stuck when trying to launch from the beach.

Tahoe is still in good shape, but low water levels may happen early enough to drop flows in the Truckee this fall, where temperatures on the lower reaches is already climbing.

Calendar

July 31 - Board Meeting

Aug 3 – Stillwater Classic Fly Fishing Tournament – Crowley Lake

Aug 5 – Regular club meeting – 7pm at the Sherriff's Station

Aug 10 -11– Club Fishout at Antelope Lake

Aug 16-18 – Lahontan cutthroat - brook trout project – Bridgeport

Aug 28 – Board Meeting

Sept 2 – Regular Meeting (Labor Day)?

Sept 20-22 – Fly Fishing Faire at Mammoth Lakes

Nov 9 – Annual Banquet at Gold Dust West