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President's Message

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



I was reminded at our December board meeting about how well our annual banquet went. It was an evening to enjoy with many new items in the raffle, and for bidding in the silent auction. The Gold Dust West served a fine meal, with excellent service. And of course, we had a good turnout of members and friends!

This brings to mind the upcoming Polar Bear Fishout this month. At the banquet we were able to recognize those participants who made it to the 2011 fishout. We reflect back on the beautiful weather we had. I don't know what the weather will be like this year, but conditions have changed, in that Pyramid Lake has a lot more water, making it more difficult to reach the fish from shore. We will have our barbeque for those fishing, as well as those who come for the camaraderie and the chance to visit with fellow fishers.

In November, we held our elections for new officers. Paul McIlwee will be taking over the duties of Treasurer, replacing Ernie Walsh. Thanks to Ernie for his many years of keeping the books in balance!

We have had many new ideas presented to the board for our up and coming year. Stan has dates set for his tying workshop, and we have new areas to discuss for fishouts. Several new workshop ideas have been presented, and some changes to our general meeting need to be ironed out.

Hope to see you at our general meeting at the Carson City Sheriff's office on January 4th. Wishing everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!
Dave Conklin
President

September 2011

Minutes of the Board Meeting 12/28/11

Roll: D. Conklin (Pres), J. Koop (V Pres) , E. Walsh (ex Treas), C. Steele (Secty), B. Hammons, P. McIlwee (Treas), K. Redmond, M. York.

Dave started the meeting asking for suggestions for new member retention. Several ideas to help new members become comfortable and engaged in club activities were discussed.

Ernie reported that there are probably 10-15 members who have not yet renewed their memberships for 2012. Those of you who have not yet paid and who want to remain in the CFFC, please send your membership checks (\$20 individual, \$25 Family) to the address above.

Web Site Manager... After many years of club service managing our CFFC website, MJ VanEmerik has resigned. Transition to new managers will start soon. Presently Debbie Conklin and Lisa Koop are considering the post.

The speaker for Wed's meeting will be Bill Hammons, who will describe the process to earn the California Heritage Trout Award. He may also describe a potential CFFC Nevada Heritage Trout Award for our qualifying members.

The speaker for the February meeting will be Pat Kelly, who has recently been promoted to State Hatcheries Manager, but who recently was manager of the Mason Valley NDOW District. Pat will provide us the history of the Mason Valley Wildlife Refuge.

Fishouts were discussed again, with more suggestions for ripe fisheries each month. Candidates for new fishouts include: Knott Creek Reservoir, Rye Patch, Topaz, Lahontan, Bridgeport Reservoir, Rosacci Ranch, Independence Lake, North Pond and Kirman Reservoir. Traditional fishout venues (i.e. Pyramid, Indian Creek, Hinkson, etc.) may be rearranged to place them on the calendar at times when they produce better. More moving water fisheries may be considered. Let any board member know if you have a suggestion for a water we should try together.

Stay tuned on our meeting location. January and February will be our normal Wednesdays at the sheriff's office. From March on, however, the first Weds at the CCSO are booked. We will be looking to see if we need to move the day of the week, or which week of the month for our regular meeting.

Dave reported that Stan has reserved dates for the fly fishing classes he teaches.

To enhance the value of our monthly meetings, we are looking at adding a learning workshop of some kind or another. An element of fishing skill, tackle maintenance, or fly tying, may be offered, either during the regular meeting, or perhaps 30 minutes before the meeting. If there is a skill you would like to learn, let a board member know, and we will make a list for some future clinics.

After years of generous service to the club as BBQ Master, Dave Conklin would like to reduce his responsibility. The task involves procuring, preparing, cooking, storing (food,

condiments, and gear), and cleanup of our BBQ equipment and supplies. It may be a job easily divided among our members. Let Dave know if you can pick up a piece of this job. Perhaps we can have a BBQ Team on duty for our next Fishout!

A short discussion followed about building/buying a BBQ trailer. More discussion will be required.

Mike York proposed that the Club initiate a private group on Facebook. Here we could post success photos, tips, rides wanted, rides available, social fishing calendars, and any other CFFC business which we might want distributed to club members only. Let Mike know if you have ideas which could influence how this develops.

Bill Hammons described a process for dyeing fly tying materials. As examples, he brought deer hair, elk hair, saddle hackle, spay feathers, which he had dyed orange. The process was simple, successful, and permanent. He may hold a dyeing clinic, including materials, for a nominal fee.

Koop has signed on as a Trout Buddy for Reel Recovery. He'll be helping a cancer patient on the Pleasant Valley Ranch private water (near Markleeville), on July 17, 18, and 19 this year. He volunteered on-line at Reel Recovery's website, and was contacted by Bob Macias (our banquet speaker) to confirm the dates. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Koop for more info.

Calendar

Jan 1	Happy New Year
Jan 4	Regular Club Meeting at CCSO
Jan ??	Fishout--- To be determined
Jan 25	Board Meeting - Pizza Factory Hwy 50E
Feb 1	Regular CFFC Meeting - CCSO
Feb ??	Fishout - TBD
Feb 24-26	FFF Fly Show – Pleasanton CA
Feb 29	Board Meeting - Pizza Factory