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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.

Fellow Fly Fishers,

This will be a brief message as I am currently plying the waters of Argentina. Stan Zuber once again hosted a very successful 'Fly Tying Academy' and will be the lead instructor early next month for our club's annual 'Fly Fishing and Casting Academy'. I wish a very special thanks to Stan for all his time and efforts regarding these two programs. Check out the details in this newsletter.

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Recently two High Sierra club members made a fly fishing trip to Christmas Island. The High Sierra club has invited us to join them on May 13th at their general meeting when Mike Phillips and Mike Sevon will be giving a wonderful presentation regarding their adventure.

The Southwest Council of the IFFF has posted their volunteer opportunity schedule for the 2015 Silver Creek/Slinkard Creek Lahontan cutthroat project. This is an excellent chance to work with wildlife personnel as they attempt to restore two

small creeks in the Walker River watershed.

Our April fishout is at Pyramid Lake on Saturday the 18th. If you haven't hook into one of those big Pilot Peak fish here's your chance. Don't miss it.

See you all at the general meeting on Tuesday April 14th at 7pm.

Great turn out for the March Fishout

Once again we had a great turnout for our monthly fishout. Twenty of our club members attended the gathering at Hinkson Slough and were rewarded with good weather, good food and some mighty fine company.

The side dish potluck portion of our barbeque shore side lunch went very well and we will try it again in the future.

Unfortunately while the fishing conditions were great, we were also greeted with some very tough angling results. Looking on the bright side – if we average our February and March numbers, we still had pretty good fishing.

2015 Southwest Council's Lahontan Cutthroat Project

This is the third year of the Southwest Council's Lahontan cutthroat rehabilitation project on Silver Creek above the Marine base on Hwy 89 (near Bridgeport). Fly fishing and conservation groups are working to extend and restore the habitat of the endangered Lahontan cutthroat in their native watershed.

This year the project will focus on two upper Walker tributaries, Silver Creek and Slinkard Creek. Volunteers will assist in electro-fishing to remove the non-native brook trout from both of the water systems.

A maximum of three volunteers at any one time may work with paid interns, who will work in blocks of eight days at a time. Volunteers may work starting on the Thursday of the block and continue through until Sunday. Typical work duties include netting, measuring and transporting trout, setting up stream nets and the removal of streamside vegetation.

The work dates for Silver Creek are below:

June 25 through 28

July 9 through 12

July 23 through 26

Aug 6 through 9

Aug 20 through 23

Sept. 3 through 6

The work dates for Slinkard Creek are the middle four blocks of time.

Volunteers of the project are also issued special fishing permits for Silver Creek as this small body of water has now been closed to all fishing since 1994. As a plus the Lahontan Cutthroats landed and photographed in this native watershed qualify for the California Heritage Trout Challenge.

Rob Brehm and Bill Hammons worked on the Silver Creek portion of this project two years ago and should be able to answer any questions you might have.

Below is a link to the Lahontan Cutthroat habitat project:

<http://southwestcouncilfff.org/lahontan-project>

Basic Introductory To Fly Fishing Academy

www.carsonflyfishing.com

Starting: 7:00pm on May 5th, 2015

Where: Ormsby Room of the Carson City Sheriff's Office

Our annual introduction to fly fishing academy will be starting early next month and Stan Zuber will again be the lead instructor. The purpose of this class is learn the basic techniques of fly fishing. If you know someone who would like learn about fly fishing and casting then share this opportunity with them.

No experience is necessary nor do they have to be a club member.

Below you will find the schedule and topic and location for each of the classes.

May 5 - 7pm Introduction and equipment

May 6 – 7pm Knots and leaders

May 7 – 6:30 Casting – Baily Pond

May 8 – 7pm Entomology and where the fish are...

All materials are provided

Class size is limited

Signups: Please phone Stan Zuber – 671-2151

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

April General Meeting Program

It's time for another 'Fly Fishing Quiz'. This month, VP Jason Koop has put together a challenging quiz that will test the all of our club members fly fishing knowledge. After everyone has completed the multiple choice test, he will review all the answers. Pencils will be provided.

Fishout for April

Our April fishout will be held on Saturday the 18th at Pyramid Lake. At the March meeting professional guide, Doug Ouellette provided us with a great presentation regarding the history and cutthroat fishing of the Pyramid Reservation. April is a great time to fish the lake and a great opportunity to put Doug's advice to work.

Be sure to obtain a fishing permit online before you leave town.

There will also be a pot luck lunch. Dogs and fixings will be provided and all participants are requested to bring a small side dish of their choosing. Be sure to bring along a folding chair.

More information will be provided at the meeting and a reminder will be sent before the fishout.

State Fly Tying Contest

The Nevada Fair will be held in Carson City on July 30th through August 2nd. Our club will again host a Nevada State Fly Tying Contest and the award winning flies will be displayed in a case at the fly fishing booth.

The contest ran very smoothly last year and we plan to follow the same format with very few changes. If you have any ideas that you believe would make this event better, please contact any board member so that it may be considered.

Three divisions are being offered to participants (advanced, intermediate and youth) with twenty fly categories. The categories have mandatory flies and some have additional requirements.

A three person panel consisting of a member from each of the three northern Nevada clubs will determine the winning entries. All flies and funds in excess of contest associated costs will be donated to the Nevada division of Reel Recovery.

Awards will be mailed to all winning tiers immediately after fair conclusion.

Calendar

Apr. 14 – General Meeting 7pm at the Sheriff's Office

Program – Another fly fishing quiz

Apr. 18 – Fishout at Pyramid Lake

Apr. 28 – Board Meeting

May 5-8 - Annual fly fishing academy at the Sheriff's Office

May 12 - General Meeting

May 22, 23, 24 - Family Camp Trip at Frenchmen's Reservoir

May 27 - Board Meeting