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## The Newsletter of **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 summer is here and it is hotter than usual. Great weather for the BBQ, which we will do July 14<sup>th</sup> for our (ir)regular meeting at Dave Conklin's house. 6PM. The club will provide ribs, burgers and dogs. Also some waters.

#### **CFFC Board**

President      Craig Steele  
Vice President   Jason Koop  
Treasurer      Ernie Walsh  
Secretary      Bill Hammons  
Board Members:  
Dave Conklin  
Paul McIlwee  
Ed Latour  
Rob Brehm  
MJ VanEmmerik  
Mike York  
Ken Briscoe  
Stan Zuber

Please bring any beer/wine etc for yourself, **and a side dish to share**. There will be a casting competition again, so practice up. Spouses are welcome.

There is no fishout this month, so invite a friend to a location you've been wanting to fish. Also, If you have a location you would like the club to visit, please let a board member know, so it can be discussed.

NDOW needs flies for Hobart. They are hosting western fishery directors and will take them up there later this month. If you can tie or buy 20 flies to donate for this cause, NDOW will be grateful. Deliver the flies to Stan Zuber at or before our Conklin BBQ.

5-Dot Ranch will be the site of another club construction project. Arrive Friday PM July 10, work until a new covered picnic table is completed, and fish some private water. The cost is \$20 per person, which will cover both construction materials and the tri-tip for a Saturday night BBQ. All persons bring a side dish Saturday night, and meals for the rest of the weekend are

See Bill Hammons for additional information

Folks we are only a couple of weeks from the deadline for entries in the Second Annual Nevada State Fly Tying Contest. Get your entries in. With the skills developed under Koop's tutelage for the IFFF Bronze Award, we should be seeing some skilled entries. Last year we had no entries for a couple of categories. Let's not let those ribbons go to waste!

It's time to start thinking about our banquet. I need suggestions for potential sponsors who we can approach for a service or product for our raffles and silent auctions. These folks can be unrelated to fishing, so restaurants, service providers, retail stores, etc are all reasonably good to ask for donations. If you can suggest popular businesses, or will help us by contacting businesses, please let me know. It's really not that difficult.

Craig

## **Bring a pair of flies for the \*\*\*Fly-fle\*\*\***

### **Five Dot Ranch Fishing Opportunity**

Our club has another opportunity to fish at Five Dot Ranch near Susanville. Last summer we built a nice covered picnic table in exchange for two days of fly fishing privileges at the 600 acre lake. July 11 and 12 are the weekend dates for the project and we can arrive early on Friday evening. While primitive tent camping is the norm (a porta-potty is available), trailer camping is also an option although the parking area is about two miles from the lake shore.

The ranch is located in the mountains about 45 minutes east of Susanville. At around 5,500 feet the evenings can be cool and the mosquitoes will make their presence known.

The cost per member for this event is \$20 and that includes a tri-tip potluck style dinner on Saturday night. The normal trespass fee for fishing at the ranch is \$125 per day, so this is a very good deal.

Pontoon boats and float tubes are the standard vessels used to fish the lake and small boats can also be launched. Stripping and indicator fishing are both very successful methods for hooking the strong fighting trout.

At this time we have at least 13 members planning to make the trip. Should you desire to attend, please respond to this e-mail or phone Bill at 887-1027.

### **The June Fishout was Tough**

Those few who attended the June fishout at Spooner Lake were greeted with very difficult conditions. While the water clarity and weather were great, the weed level and chubs simply made for miserable fishing. The water volume is way down allowing for thick weed growth throughout the entire lake. A few rainbows and tigers were netted but the outlook for the rest of the year appears bleak.

## **Knott Creek and Lake Crowley Report**

Last week several club members made fly fishing trips to Knot Creek reservoir in Northern Nevada or to Lake Crowley in the Eastern Sierra. Both waters fished very well with Knot Creek producing multiple double digit days for Dave, Ed, Ernie and Mike. Indicators and stripping both worked well for rainbows and tigers with many breeching the 20 inch mark.

Lake Crowley also gave up an abundance of fish. On July 1<sup>st</sup>, Bill and Bryan both netted over 30 trout while indicator fishing McGee Bay. Browns, cutthroats, rainbows and an occasional Sacramento perch found their way into the landing nets. Albino Barron's and gray back midges in 14 feet of water was the ticket.

Below is a photo of club member Bryan McBride holding one of the healthy rainbow trout caught at Lake Crowley.



## **July Meeting at Dave's House**

For years our July general meeting has been a potluck style barbeque at Dave and Debbie Conklin's home. Well this year we are doing it again! Six to nine pm on July 14<sup>th</sup> at 3679 Cherokee Dr. (South Carson area)

The club will provide barbecued ribs, burgers and dogs with all the fixings. Also plates, napkins, cutlery and ice cold bottled water. Those attending are requested to bring along the side dish of their choice. (chips, salads, dessert etc.) If we have too many of one type of item...so what...it's a potluck.

There will be the usual accuracy casting contest. Perhaps someone will dethrone our 2014 champion Kurt Redmond. Plan on purchasing our standard raffle tickets and bring a pair of flies for the fly-ffle. We are giving the white elephant sale a break this time and may include it again next year.

## **Fly Tying Contest Deadline Approaching**

We have only three weeks remaining for entries into the 2015 Nevada Fly Tying Contest. The cut-off date is July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

There are three tying divisions and eight categories for the required flies. Youth division has four categories. Rules and entry forms can be obtained by contacting the board at - [nevadaflycontest@charter.net](mailto:nevadaflycontest@charter.net)

## **Mystery Fish???**

Below is a photo of a fine fish caught by Craig Steele while on a family outing at Butte Lake. Sure you will get a wonderful from him at the barbeque.

Curious, how many of you know what it is. Contact Craig with your guess.



## **Hobart, Hobart, Hobart, Hobart, Hobart**

Don't miss out on fishing this beautiful piece of water. The small reservoir continues to produce great numbers of brook, rainbow and tiger trout. Stripping small streamers, indicating with bead head midges or utilizing a dry fly near the edges of the bank or weed beds will make for a productive day.

It's much easier to learn how to cast, present a fly, set the hook, strip in the fish or even get the fish in your net, when there are willing fish to be caught. Hobart is the place to be right now.

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

This month, 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.

Please bring your flies to Stan at the barbeque on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **Calendar**

July 11-12 \_ Table project at Five Dot Ranch

July 14 – Annual Club Barbeque 6pm at Dave's house

July 23 – Fly tying entries for fair

July 29 – Board meeting 7pm

July 30 – Fair begins

Aug 11 – General Meeting 7pm

Aug 17-19 – IFFF Faire in Bend, Oregon