



The Flypaper

The Newsletter of The Carson Fly Fishing Club

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President's Message

Fishouts are for fishing!

Unfortunately Mother Nature did not cooperate for our February fishout. Only two members braved the elements for the fishout at Hinkson Slough. Each averaged 7 fish for the day, including a couple of fat guys, holdovers from last year, a 22" and an 18". Due to inclement weather and thus low member turnout, there was no club barbeque. The previous weekend was opening day for Hinkson; several members enjoyed beautiful sunny weather, even bringing their campers/trailers. I was fortunate, caught a 19" holdover.

The purpose of our fishouts is primarily for the camaraderie between club members, but is also to better one's knowledge, gain experience and become a better fly fishing person. Our club has a wide variety of experience which is shared by those who attend these fishouts. As President, my goal is to work towards improving our level of experience as a club, for every member. It's important to be hands on. The BBQ's are to help bring more members to the fishouts.

We've started trying to have a meeting place in Carson so that members can follow those who have been to certain fishing locations in the past.

The board has proposed that if there are any members who are interested in trying to qualify as an FFF certified instructor, the club would pay the fees associated with certification upon successful completion and certification. Gaining this certification is not an easy task. Once it is obtained, the real responsibility begins, sharing the knowledge with members who are willing to learn. In addition to the benefits to our members, the fact that we have one or more FFF certified instructors in the club could only improve our club's image with the public.

Enough said!!

Updated bylaws are going to be presented to the general membership at our March meeting. These have been on the table since this time last year. A committee has been putting the final touches on these bylaws and we are hoping to vote on them and have them become part of our club's guidelines. Our speaker for Wednesday night's meeting will be doing a power point presentation on California's Northern Sierra waters. Jay Clark is a licensed guide and a great asset to the fly fishing community.

See you at our next meeting on March 2nd.

David Conklin

February 2011

Minutes of the Board Meeting 2/23/2011

Roll: D. Conklin, J. Koop, E Walsh, C Steele, S Zuber, , J Baily, CK Baily, A Weise, E Latour, B Hammons, P McIlwee, R Brehm, D Leatherman, Mike York.

Old Business- The Board approved the 2011 Bylaw revision. The Secretary was directed to forward the bylaws to the general membership for final approval at the March 2nd club meeting. Come to the next meeting and vote on the bylaws!

2011 Banquet. Dave Conklin reported that he has opened the banquet discussion with Gold Dust West, the venue is booked, and GDW is committed to making this our best banquet ever.

Next Meeting will be at the **CC Fire Station on Stewart Street**, just south of 5th Street. Note: the May meeting will also be there..... (but not April) all other meetings will continue at the Sheriff's Office.

New Business. CK updated the Board on the fall Kids Fishing Day at the Baily pond. The CC Lions Club and CC Parks and Rec Dept will co-host the event. Another fishing day is being planned by an Eagle Scout candidate, for single parents. Stay tuned for more info, and possible opportunities to volunteer.

Bill Hammons has spoken with Chris Vasey of NDOW about potential club contributions. Instead of grass carp, one suggestion was to renew or construct some sign boards for the Mason Valley Wildlife Refuge. Bill estimates the cost of each sign to be \$200 for materials, and labor, foundation excavation, etc would add a bit more. MVWMA could use up to 5 signs, Craig volunteered to talk with Mark Warren of NDOW to see if there might be other projects which NDOW would like to fund, or which we might consider when deciding how to invest our funds.

Koop re-raised the issue of the FFF Certificated Fly Casting Instructor. Discussion ensued, and the Board decided to remove the limit of two individuals that could be reimbursed. We have two individuals already contemplating attempting this certification and there are several potential benefits to having instructors in our club. Within limits, our club members could receive free instruction. Certain training events could be hosted. Membership in the CFFC might be more prestigious, and more persons may desire to join the club. As reported last month, the club's reimbursement to our new instructors will be for tuition and lodging only, and is paid only after the candidate receives his/her certificate. This looks like a sure bet!

Dave Conklin announced the upcoming speaker schedule. At our March meeting, Jay Clark, a northern California guide service, will present a power point covering still water,

moving water, and Lake Davis. He is also known to fish Pyramid, so come prepared with your questions.

For the April meeting we will have Don and Liz, guides, and owners of Angler's Edge in Gardnerville.

The Board meeting was adjourned by President Conklin at 8:15 PM.

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Calendar

Mar 2 nd	General Membership Meeting - Stewart Fire Station
Mar 17 th	Tier's Cabin at Dave Conklin's
Mar 19 th	Fishout – Pyramid Lake – Beach selection TBD at club mtg.
Mar 30 th	Board Meeting at Pizza Factory Hwy 50
April 6 th	Regular Club Meeting – CC Sheriff's Office
Apr 16 th	Fishout – Indian Creek Reservoir
Apr 27 th	Board Meeting
May 4 th	Regular Membership Meeting – Stewart Fire Station
Jun 6 th	Stan's beginning fly fishing course begins. See website for details.



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