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Fly Fishing in Fernie, British Columbia

by Ron Myers, HSFC Treasurer

I have been fly fishing many years in this area of western Canada that includes areas around Fernie, British Columbia and just east over the Stateline to Alberta along Highway 3. These areas are considered the southern area of Canadian Rockies just north of the Glacier National Park area.

Most of the rivers and the streams in the Fernie area flow in a southern direction and end up in the Kootenay River that is a major river heading to the United States to eventually join the Columbia River. Fishing season during the summer usually starts on June 15 which is considered opening day on the Elk River and its tributaries.

The streams and rivers in the Fernie area have only wild fish, mostly cutthroat trout and bull trout. Almost all streams and rivers are catch and release. As you will see on the following web sites the trout are very large.

The following are some web sites for Fernie where you can obtain lots of information on the area.

Best lodging in Fernie is directly on the Elk River just south of the town of Fernie.

<http://www.ferniestanfordresort.com/fernie-bc-fishing> As you can see from this web page I am the featured fly fishermen on the video show of fly fishing. When looking at the video you will see me wearing a red hat while fishing from the float boats.

For guided fishing and good source for fishing information, refer to these web sites:

<http://flyfishfernie.ca/> Spencer Schey is an excellent contact and good friend of mine.

<http://www.freestoneflyangler.com/contact-us-2/> - Contact Curtis Lamey Also click on the Elk River section and you will see me and Curtis in a photo with a large cutthroat trout.

<http://elkriver.ca/> - This is largest fly shop in Fernie.

The contact people on the above web sites know me personally, so you might use my name for an introduction.

This is the web site where you can purchase an excellent Outdoor Recreation Guide entitled Kootenay Rockies BC Backroad Mapbook that has excellent maps and information for the area around Fernie. This book has excellent maps that show all the various streams in the Fernie area and the backroads that access these streams.

<http://www.backroadmapbooks.com/shop/backroad-mapbooks-67/british-columbia-68/the-kootenay-rockies-bc-8-194.html>

This is a list of the streams and rivers to consider for fishing.

Elk River – need mostly guide fishing in a drift boat

These are a few streams that are walk and wade fishing – Michel Creek, Lodgepole River, Bull River, Sulphur Creek, and Fording River. Large Bull Trout are caught on the Wigwam River.

These above fishing locations are only the larger streams and rivers, as there are many smaller streams in the area that you will find in the backroad mapbook.

November General Membership Meeting by Mike Phillips, HSFC Editor

Our general membership meeting will be held November 16th at 7:00 P.M. at the Carson Valley Methodist Church. Liz and Don Weirauch, club members as well as owners of Angler's Edge, will be our guest speakers. They will be doing a presentation on winter fly fishing in the Eastern Sierras with special emphasis on fishing the Rosachi Ranch. Don't forget to bring some money for our raffle.

Possible Catch and Release for Part of the East Carson River

NDOW (Nevada Department of Wildlife) is considering making fishing catch and release on the East Carson River from the Nevada/California border to approximately 1,000 yards above the Ruhstroth Power Dam also known as Broken Dam. If you are interested in signing a petition to support such a change you can find it at The Anglers Edge. The petition will be presented to NDOW at a local meeting November 29th at the CVIC Hall. You can examine a copy of the petition at the following web site– Facebook.com/the anglers edge. There have been a number of attempts to get this area catch and release in the past, but they have failed. Perhaps this time with enough support it will succeed.

Fly Club's Entry into Carson Museum and Cultural Center Fund Raiser

by Bob Taormina, HSFC Publicity

Douglas County Historical Society

Carson Valley Museum and Cultural Center

Fifteenth Annual Gallery of Trees

As you all remember, we have entered our Fly Rod Christmas Tree in this fund raiser for the past two years, and ours has been been one of the most popular exhibits.

With your help we would like to do the same this year. The tree set up will be on Nov. 28th, 10:00 AM at the museum. The show opens Dec. 3rd.

Like previous years we need thirty rods for the display. I suggest not bringing your Leonards or Grangers, ordinary fly rods will do just fine. For the sake of uniformity and ease of set up please bring 8.5' or 9' rods.

You can drop the rods off at The Angler's Edge. If they are valuable rods please place them in a protective tube and BE CERTAIN TO IDENTIFY the rod with your name.

If you like you can come and help with the set up, the help is welcome.

Any questions call Bob Taormina at 265-9159, or email quillgordn@charter.net.

Thanks

It's Time to Renew Your Club Membership by Don Stockman, HSFC Membership

It is membership time again! The cost is \$30 and can be paid at the meeting or mailed to HSFC, PO Box 3121, Gardnerville NV 89410. All paid memberships, received by 1/31/2012, will be entered into a drawing for a \$50 Gift Certificate at Anglers Edge. If you have a question, call Don Stockman at 265-7164.

November Fish Out– Rosachi Ranch

by Kurt Zeilenga, HSFC Fish Master

Our last fish out of the year will be at Rosaschi Ranch on Sunday, Nov. 20th. This seven-mile stretch of the East Walker River is a renown fishery for both rainbow and brown trout. It's a NV catch-n-release only, single barbless hook water. Recently the conditions have been good, mostly small midges and baetis. A 5 wt rod with a floating line, 4x leader/tippet is recommended. Dries: baetis patterns and terrestrials. Nymphs: midge and AP patterns. Streams: wooly and leech patterns.

We'll met for 8:30 at Rosie's Place for breakfast, and 10A.M. at the ranch. This will hopefully allow the temps to warm up bit.

HSFC Officers and Board Members

by Mike Phillips, HSFC Editor

Well it's getting that time of year where the club needs to nominate and elect new officers and board members. We are a great club that does a lot of good things. If you want to see that continue, then, it's time to step up and help with your time in a leadership position. Please consider placing your name in nomination for a position at our November 16th general membership meeting . If you have any questions feel free to call our club President Dan Sedergren at 265-2767.

2011 HSFC Officers

Dan Sedergren	President	775-265-2767
Jim Norton	Vice President	775-265-3121
Ron Myers	Treasurer	775-783-1725
Unfilled	Recording Secretary	

2011 HSFC Board of Directors

Don Stockman	Membership	775-265-2825
Mike Matuska	Conservation	775-884-0394
Jim Norton	Education	775-265-3121
Ken Baldwin	Webmaster	775-849-3920
Bob Taormina	Publicity	775-265-9159
Roger Arthur	Fund Raising	775-265-2825
Mike Phillips	Newsletter Editor	775-265-4610
Kurt Zeilenga	Fish Master	775-790-2166

At Large

Ron & Linda Sanstrom		775-782-1152
Bob Rittenhouse	Special projects	775-782-1201
Bob Haynes	Fund Raising	775-267-0840

TENTATIVE FISH OUT SCHEDULE FOR 2011

Feb. 20	Sunday	Hinkson Slough
March 27	Sunday	Hinkson Slough II
May 1	Sunday	Pyramid Lake
May 22	Sunday	Upper Twin Lake
June 26	Sunday	Spooner Lake
July 24	Sunday	West Walker River
August 28	Sunday	Lower Blue Lake
Sept. 25	Sunday	East Carson River
Oct. 30	Sunday	Heenan Lake
Nov. 20	Sunday	East Walker River

December and January No fish outs held

October Fish Out Results

by Kurt Zeilenga, HSFC Fish Master

Four club members turned out to try their luck on the closing day at Heenan Lake. Some had better luck (or skill?) than others. Barry Jobe landed four. Don O'Conner landed three. Norris landed one, lost one. I got one tug (wasn't paying attention enough to get a good hook set). We all enjoyed the day. While it was cold in the morning (below 25 degrees), it warmed up nicely. And there was even still some fall colors around. Eagles and osprey were spotted; one eagle even took a fish right in front of Barry. How cool is that? Photos: Don's Catch, Norris, Don.



Here are businesses that chose to support this club, so think about supporting them!

The Angler's Edge 775-782-4734 www.theanglersedge.com G'ville, NV

York Plumbing 775-782-5336 G'ville, NV Giving a 10% discount for mentioning this ad

Virginia Lakes Resort 760-647-6484 www.virginalakesresort.com Bridgeport, CA

Lone Tree Frame Company and Gallery 775-782-2522 www.lonetreegallery.net Minden, NV

Edward Jones Investments Ron Bankofer 775-782-9752 www.edwardjones.com G'ville, NV

Michael Matuska, Attorney at law 775-782-7171 www.brooke-shaw.com Minden, NV

Put your ad on this page for only \$50.00 per year!

High Sierra Fly Casters
PO Box 3121
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Upcoming HSFC Events

HSFC General Meeting November 16

Fish out at Rosachi Ranch November 20

General meetings are held at 7:00 P.M. on the third Wednesday of each month (except December) at the Carson Valley Methodist Church, 1375 Centerville Lane in Gardnerville.

The HSFC Board meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at The Angler's Edge, 1506 U.S. Hwy. 395 N. in Gardnerville.
HSFC members are welcome to attend.

We welcome contributions, quotes, jokes, stories and articles to *fishstories*.....

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