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California Fishing Regulation Changes

The California Fish and Game Commission, at its December meeting in Santa Monica, adopted regulation changes that affect many of our local waters. Generally speaking, anglers willing to wade and/or fall into frigid winter streams, deal with iced-up rod guides, and get blindsided from behind by silently approaching ice flows will have a few more year-around fishing opportunities. Here's a summary on changes to some of the closer streams:

Carson River, East Fork from Hangman's Bridge downstream to Nevada State Line: Open all year. Zero limit. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used.

Walker River, East Fork (Mono Co.) from Bridgeport Dam to Nevada State Line: November 16 through the Friday preceding the last Saturday in April. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Zero limit.

Hot Creek (Mono Co.). Hot Creek from the State hatchery property line to the confluence with the Owens River: Open all year. Zero limit. Only artificial flies with barbless hooks may be used.

Upper Owens River from Benton Bridge road crossing upstream to Highway 395 (includes that part of Deadman Creek below Highway 395): November 16 through the Friday preceding the last Saturday in April. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Zero limit.

There are changes on the Truckee River, too, but they're a bit complex to go into here. You can review all of changes statewide at http://www.fgc.ca.gov/2006/7_00bregs.pdf.

2007 Membership Dues Deadline: January 31

This is important, so it's getting bumped to Page 1 this month... please submit your 2007 membership dues by January 31.

In case you've forgotten already, every new and renewing member that meets the January 31 deadline will be eligible to win a **\$200 gift certificate** at The Angler's Edge, which, hypothetically speaking, could come in quite handy if an automobile ever runs over your fly fishing reel. The drawing will be held during the February General Meeting.

If you haven't done so already, please complete the enclosed membership application and mail it, along with a check for \$30, to PO Box 3121, Gardnerville, NV 89410. Alternatively, you can save 39 cents by bringing your application and a check, cash, or 3,000 pennies to this month's General Meeting. Speaking of which...

January General Meeting

Our first General Meeting of 2007 will be held Wednesday January 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Carson Valley Methodist Church in Gardnerville. Lisa Heki of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be our guest speaker and will give a presentation on the Walker River drainage.

For further information on the evening's program, please call Mike Kingston at 775-267-5250.

February Club Fishout

The February Club fishout is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, February 25 at Hinkson Slough. More information will be forthcoming as the date gets closer.

HSFC Newsletter Delivery

As we mentioned in November, you now have a choice of receiving *fishstories*... via U.S. Mail or electronically. In fact, ten “early adopters” will receive this month’s newsletter via email. If you’d like to give it a try, just indicate your preference on the enclosed membership application. You’ll need Adobe Reader (available free from www.adobe.com) to view or print the newsletter.

Fishing Report

Yeah, this is going to be a long article... there’s not a whole heck of a lot going on, at least locally. Pyramid Lake and the Truckee River are probably your best bets. Check in with the folks at The Angler’s Edge for the latest info.

HSFC’s 2007 Officers

As you’ll notice at the bottom of the page, your Club has a new President and Vice President. Let’s extend congratulations and a warm welcome to Mike Kingston and Liz Weirauch. As most everyone knows, they’ve both been actively involved in Club activities already, but now they have executive powers.

HSFC Annual Dinner – Save the Date!

HSFC’s annual dinner is scheduled for Saturday, April 14. Mark your calendar for now; and we’ll have more information for you soon.

International Sportsmen’s Exposition at Cal Expo

The 2007 International Sportsmen’s Exposition will take place January 18 – 21 at Cal Expo in Sacramento. If you don’t want to brave the elements trying to fish and the passes are open, it’s not a bad way to spend a day. While it’s not devoted exclusively to our sport, there are a good number of fly fishing-related seminars and events. Jack Dennis (from Jackson Hole, WY) and Denny Rickards are just two of many presenters this year. The seminar titled “Tying with Road Kill” (I’m not making that up) could make the trip worthwhile in and of itself. There are usually quite a few outfitters and lodges from out of our area (Colorado, Alaska, etc.) if you’re thinking about a planning a trip. You can find out more at www.sportsexpos.com.



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Treasurer’s January Report

Mr. John Cole, Club Treasurer, reports Club checking and savings account balances of \$4,775.62 and \$815.13, respectively.

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High Sierra Fly Casters is an affiliate club of the Federation of Fly Fishers

Please mail your completed application to:

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For more information about Club benefits and outings, please join us at our monthly General Meeting held on the third Wednesday of each month (except December) at the Methodist Church, 1375 Centerville Rd., Gardnerville.

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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*.....

Please send to: Ken Baldwin, 16911 Mount Rose Hwy., Reno, NV 89511 or ken@kbaldwin.net

Deadline for newsletter contributions is the first Wednesday of each month (except December)