

The TFC Update is usually sent out with fishing passes at least 30 days before the TFC Annual Membership Meeting. Due to unresolved issues surrounding the payment of TFC dues, the TFC Update could not be completed in time to announce the meeting that took place on Saturday, May 22, 2010 -- 10:30 a.m. at the Jefferson Community Center, Jefferson, Colorado, or to mail with fishing passes.

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## **TFC Dues Agreement**



TFC, LPROA, and SOA have reached an agreement that will keep TFC annual dues at \$21 and establish a new process for raising dues.

The agreement was reached by the three boards after attend-

ing a day-long mediation session in April and a Memorandum of Understanding was signed by all three boards in May. Per the agreement, TFC will forego the \$4 annual dues increase that was passed at the 2009 TFC annual membership meeting. TFC will ask for any future dues increase by mail-in ballot.

You, as TFC members, and as owners in Stagestop or Lost Park Ranch, have an important part in finalizing the deal. All three organizations must amend their bylaws to adopt the agreement. The TFC approved necessary changes to its bylaws on May 22. We hope the new process will promote cooperation among the SOA, LPROA, and TFC.

What this agreement means to you -

- You will get fishing passes if your owner association dues are paid in full.
- You will know that a TFC dues increase will not be voted on at the TFC annual membership meeting.
- You will know that a TFC dues increase will not be voted on at your owner association's annual membership meeting.
- You will know that your vote by mail-in ballot will be counted as you intended.

A summary of the agreement follows.

- "Free" membership in the TFC is defined as meaning no *initial* cost.
- A new procedure to raise TFC dues has been worked out:
  - All requests to raise TFC dues will be handled by mail-in ballot, regardless of the amount requested.
  - The cost of the mail-in ballot will be paid by TFC, with the exception of this year when SOA

- and LPROA boards agreed to pay for the cost, if TFC requests a dues increase.
- When TFC decides it needs a dues increase, it must present a budget to SOA and LPROA at least 15 days before their annual membership meetings so each owner association will have an opportunity to discuss the request at its annual membership meeting.
- TFC members may attend the owner association meetings to present the TFC budget and the rationale for a proposed dues increase.
- An election committee representing the three boards will conduct the election and TFC, LPROA, and SOA will each be able to include a statement of up to 500 words in the mailing.
- Ballots will be mailed out after September 1
   when both owner associations have had an op portunity to hold an annual membership meet ing.
- The measure will pass if over 50 percent of the total combined ballots received from members of LPROA and SOA are in favor. (Note: Votes will be counted at the rate of 1 vote per dues-paid lot.)
- Any increase passed by mail-in ballot will be recognized as the TFC dues amount. The dues will be collected and remitted to the TFC by both owners associations without further need of approval.

You can read the full Memorandum of Understanding on the Newsletter and Minutes page of the TFC website at <a href="https://www.tarryallfishingclub.net">www.tarryallfishingclub.net</a>.

We urge you to support the changes to your owner association bylaws necessary to permanently enact this agreement, otherwise, we could find ourselves in the same predicament in the future.

If you cannot attend the your owner association's annual membership meeting, please send a proxy to someone you know who will support these changes.

## **Ponds in Lost Park Ranch**

The upper pond in Lost Park Ranch is empty. The state engineer has determined that it is not safe to refill the upper pond until SOA makes repairs to the outlet works. The pond is not expected to be filled this year and therefore will not be available to the TFC for fishing. The lower pond may have to be drained before the end of the summer for repairs to begin in the fall.

TFC Website: www.tarryallfishingclub.net.

## Who Can Use a Membership Card?

Membership cards are for the use of lot owners (whose name is on the property deed and a spouse or one other adult owner whose name is on the property deed – a maximum of two adults per lot). If more than two adults own a lot, only two of the owners may be issued a membership card and all other owners must use guest passes.

A lot owner's dependent children between 16 and 21 may also use a membership card. Once they are over 21, they must use a guest pass.

Children, age 16 or under, do not need a guest pass or a fishing license but must be in the company of an adult with a membership card or quest pass.

Everyone else is considered a guest and must use a guest pass.

## Who Should Use a Daily Use Guest Pass?

The guests of a lot owner should use a guest pass. Anyone who is not entitled to use a membership card as defined above should be using a guest pass.

Owners are responsible for proper use of guest passes, including signing and dating in ink.

## **Vehicle Hang Tag**

Each lot owner is issued one vehicle hang tag. This hang tag should be used in your vehicle while parked near the area you are fishing. The hang tag does not substitute for a membership card or a guest pass.



## **Tarryall River Access Points**

TFC has specific ingress/egress points to access the river. Please access the river ONLY at these authorized ingress/egress points:

- 1. The firehouse at Stagestop is the uppermost point.
- 2. The LPROA water aug pond near Stagestop
- 3. The stream gage downstream from the pond near Stagestop
- 4. The Forest Service land next to the Topaz Mountain Ranch road.
- 5. The State land before you get to Lost Park Ranch is the end of our fishing lease.

If you are not familiar with the access points, please look at the map on the TFC website www.tarryallfishingclub.net Contact a board member if you have trouble finding the access points.

## Fishing License Requirement.

Anyone over 16 year of age who fishes in the ponds or the stream lease is required to have a Colorado fishing license.

## TFC Website—www.tarryallfishingclub.net

The TFC now has its own website, thanks to a donation from a member. The website is at www.tarryallfishingclub.net. Members can find TFC information such as where to order more guest passes, and where to access the fishing lease. They can get a copy of the fishing rules, the bylaws, or minutes of past annual meetings.

Sign up for TFC notices. You will get notified when we are going to stock and what days will be "no-fishing" days or when other events are taking place.

Note: If you attempted to sign up for TFC bulletins before April 25, your e-mail address may not have been added due to technical difficulties. Please try again!



## Looking for your fishing passes?

Fishing passes were mailed mid-May to property owners whose dues and assessments were paid to their HOA.



## NOTICE OF TFC BOARD MEMBER ELECTION

Paul Grossnickle was reelected to a 3-year term at the 2010 TFC Annual Membership Meeting. 2010 TFC UPDATE PAGE 3

## **TFC Bylaws Changed at 2010 Annual Meeting**

Changes to TFC Bylaws Section 8 incorporating the new process for raising TFC dues as outlined in the MOU were adopted at the May 22 Annual Membership Meeting. Section 8 now reads:



#### 8. Assessments.

- a. Purpose. The assessments shall be for the purposes as shown in paragraph two.
- b. <u>Rate</u>. Annual dues of \$21per lot shall be payable on January 1 of each calendar year. TFC dues may be lowered by the TFC Board of Directors but a dues increase over the amount levied in the previous fiscal year or a special assessment proposed for any purpose shall require an affirmative majority vote of all ballots received by 5:00 PM on the specified due date in a mail-in election called by the Board of Directors of the TFC as detailed in Paragraph 8.d. below. Only those ballots returned which indicate lot number, signature of owner(s) and a telephone number, should verification become necessary shall be considered valid ballots.
- c. Cost of Mail-In Election. The cost of conducting a mail-in election to raise the TFC dues or to levy a special assessment shall be paid solely by the TFC.

#### d. Procedure.

- I. Any proposal by the TFC Board of Directors to increase its annual dues or to levy a special assessment shall be presented to the SOA and LPROA at least 15 days before their respective annual meetings of members. TFC shall be entitled to attend the SOA and LPROA annual meetings to present to their respective memberships the TFC budget and the rationale for a proposed increase in the annual dues or need for a special assessment.
- II. Following a formal decision by the TFC Board of Directors to hold an election to increase the annual dues or levy a special assessment, the TFC Board of Directors shall notify the SOA and LPROA Boards of TFC's intent to call an election and the Board of Directors from each entity shall each appoint two members to an Election Committee (total of six members) within thirty days. The Election Committee shall be responsible for facilitating the mail-in election, including, preparing and mailing the ballots, receiving and counting the mail-in ballots and preparing a statement of the election results. The Election Committee shall hold the authority to conduct the election in a manner which conforms to the TFC bylaws and assures fairness, openness and transparency.
- III. TFC's annual dues shall be increased or special assessment shall be levied if the majority of ballots received by 5:00 PM on the specified closing date approve of the increase or levy. If equal numbers of ballots vote for and against the proposed increase or levy (tie vote), then the increase or levy shall not be approved. The results of an election shall be made available to the TFC membership and the Board of Directors of the SOA and LPROA on the date following the counting of the ballots by posting on the TFC web site. The statement of election results prepared by the Election Committee shall be included in the SOA and LPROA's annual assessment notice.
- IV. Ballots for a mail-in election to raise the TFC annual dues or levy a special assessment shall be prepared and mailed by the Election Committee to the last known address of all TFC members on record as of June 1 in the year of the election. The envelop containing the ballot, and any return envelope, shall list the Election Committee as the return addressee and may also be printed with additional information to increase election participation.
- V. Ballots for a mail-in election to raise the annual dues or to levy a special assessment for the following year shall not be mailed prior to September 1 and the due date for return of the ballots shall not be less than 30 days following the date of mailing.
- VI. The Board of Directors of the TFC, SOA and LPROA shall each be able to include within the ballot envelope a statement of up to 500 words regarding its position on the requested increase in the TFC annual dues or special assessment.
- VII. The language contained in the ballot to increase the annual dues or to levy a special assessment shall be made available to the Board of Directors of the SOA and LPROA by the Election Committee prior to their annual meetings.
- VIII. The mail-in ballots for an increase in the annual dues shall contain the following language: "Shall the annual assessment of the Tarryall Fishing Club be raised by \$ (requested annual increase) to a total annual assessment of \$ (requested total amount of the annual assessment) per paying lot per year, beginning on January 1, (year) and continuing until modified pursuant to the Tarryall Fishing Club bylaws? If approved, the proposed increase would result in a (percent increase) % increase over the previous year's assessment."
- IX. The mail-in ballots for a special assessment shall contain the following language: "Shall the Tarryall Fishing Club collect a one-time special assessment of \$ "(requested amount of special assessment) per paying lot for the purpose of (neutral description of the purpose of the special assessment)?"
- X. Each member shall receive one vote for each lot for which a member pays an assessment.
- XI. If the increase or levy is approved, the SOA and LPROA shall collect and remit to the TFC the total amount of the annual dues, including the increase, or assessment without further need for the approval of the members of the SOA or LPROA. If the proposal to increase the annual dues or levy the special assessment is not approved, the annual dues shall not change and the special assessment shall not be levied and the SOA and LPROA shall collect and remit to the TFC the same annual dues amount as that set for the previous year."
- e. <u>Payment of Dues</u>. Payment of dues and assessment to TFC, and cooperation with TFC decisions and policies, is a mandatory commitment that runs with property purchase and ownership. When lots are sold, dues and assessments shall be prorated to the date of purchase and paid at closing. LPROA and SOA shall have a lien against all lots the owners of which are delinquent in payment of dues. Continued failure to pay such liens may result in foreclosure on the property/lot in order to enforce payment. Purchasers of multiple lots will be charged dues for a maximum of two lots owned.
- f. <u>Returned Checks</u>. Any check submitted for payment of annual dues or an assessment which is returned due to insufficient funds or other reasons shall be subject to a \$20.00 charge.
- g. <u>Annual Financial Reporting</u>. Each party has agreed that the TFC shall provide the SOA and LPROA Boards with an annual financial report, including a balance sheet listing the TFC's assets and liabilities, an income statement listing revenue and expenditures, and a budget for the upcoming year. The annual financial report shall be emailed to the SOA and LPROA Boards no later than fifteen days prior to the date of the TFC annual meeting each year.

## May 2009-2010 TFC Board Members

President -Bill VanGundy......719-836-0845 Vice Pres.- Ken Black......303-665-6835

or....719-836-2095

Secretary - Rusty Scott ......303-888-8771

Treasurer - **Theresa Pugh**......303-979-6269

Members-at-large -

**Bob Ballard**......303-773-6765

Paul Grossnickle ......303-841-5206

**Marv Thompson**......719-836-1941

# Need More Guest Passes or Hang Tags?

If you need to purchase more guest passes or hang tags, contact a board member. Additional hangtags cost \$5 and 1-day guest passes are \$8.

## LPROA Pond by Stagestop

The LPROA water augmentation pond near Stagestop was evaluated last September by a limnologist, Dr. Chris Holdren. Reports of floating blue-green scum caused concern that there was something in the water that could make the fish dangerous to eat; however, we found that was not the case. Instead, we learned that we had a nontoxic variety of blue-green algae. When the blue -green algae die, they clump together to form floating scums. The scums are unsightly and also produce odors. They also block some amount of sunlight that aquatic plants need for producing oxygen needed by the fish. Dr. Holdren gave some suggestions for maintaining good water quality, the main one being pumping in more fresh water. For the full report from Dr. Holdren, check the Fishing Report page on the TFC website at www.tarryallfishingclub.net.

## **Volunteer for a Work Day**

Volunteers are needed to complete some work around the LPROA water augmentation pond near Stagestop. If you are willing to help, call Bill Van Gundy at 719-836-0845 or e-mail him at BLVANGUNDY@aol.com with your availability.

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## Pancake Breakfast

SUPPORT THE JEFFERSON
COMMUNITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION
BY ATTENDING PANCAKE
BREAKFAST THE SATURDAY
BEFORE EACH HOLIDAY.

## Fish Stocking for 2010

Fish Stocking takes place on a weekday as near the middle of the month as can be arranged. The TFC website, www.tarryallfishingclub.net will list stocking dates when they are known.

# Reminder of "No Fishing" Days

Fish Stocking days are no-fishing days. Please do not fish on <u>stocking</u> days to give the fish a chance to recover from the transport. **Check the TFC website for specific dates.** 

## PARK COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTIES ON PATROL.



TFC has contracted with the Park County Sheriff's Department to help with patrolling.

TFC members are also encouraged to check for passes when out fishing.

## TFC RULES VIOLATION POLICY

TFC maintains a database of rules violations. Fines will be assessed against a lot for violations by the lot owner or the lot owner's quests.

## Penalties as follows:

- First violation: Warning letter
- Second violation: \$50 fine
- Third & subsequent violations: \$100 fine

Each year, a copy of the rules is sent out to all members along with fishing passes. They are also posted on the Bylaws page on the TFC website at www.tarryallfishingclub.net.

## A Special Note of Thanks

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAD A PART IN FIXING THE ROAD TO THE LPROA WATER AUG POND, ESPECIALLY TO DANNEY MCREYNOLDS WHO DONATED HIS TIME, LABOR, AND USE OF HIS ROAD-GRADING EQUIPMENT (DANNEY & HIS WIFE ALSO DONATED A DRAG BAR FOR FUTURE SMOOTHING EFFORTS.); AND TO KEN BLACK FOR DOING 14+ HOURS OF HAND-SHOVEL WORK. LPROA AND SOA PAID FOR THE ROAD BASE MATERIAL.

## **Save the Date**

Save the date for your 2010 owner association annual membership meeting:

SOA—June 26 LPROA—August 14

VISIT THE TFC WEBSITE: WWW.TARRYALLFISHINGCLUB.NET