

TFC UPDATE

**April 2015** 

Tarryall Fishing Club Website: www.tarryallfishingclub.net

# ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE The TFC Annual Meeting will be held Saturday, May 2, 2015 -- 9:30 am Jefferson Community Center, Jefferson, Colorado



Note the earlier 9:30 am start time. Another activity is scheduled in the Community Center so we must be out by noon.

**NOTICE OF TFC BOARD MEMBER ELECTION**—There will be an election for Tarryall Fishing Club, Inc. (TFC) board members at the annual meeting. Nominations will be taken for candidates to fill two board positions. Note: The term has expired for Gary Belk and Judy Sylvester. Gary is willing to run again.

**VOTE BY PROXY** If you cannot attend the TFC meeting, you may vote by proxy. Fill out the form below and mail it or ask someone to bring it. Your proxy must be received prior to the meeting.

### 2015 TFC Annual Membership Meeting Proxy This proxy form must be completed, signed and dated by you, the proper-Printed name of owner: \_ ty owner. The form must be in possession of the Owner's Lot #: \_\_\_\_ TFC no later than 9:30 am Saturday, May 2, 2015. (Earlier would be bet-Owner's Subdivision \_\_\_ Stagestop \_\_\_Lost Park ter to allow time to verify eligibility to vote.) I am unable to attend the 2015 TFC Annual Membership Any TFC member may be designated as your proxy. Meeting. I assign my voting rights for the purpose of voting on all issues which may come before the general membership at the 2015 TFC Annual Membership Meeting to Mail or deliver to: Theresa Pugh (Print name of person voting on your behalf) 10133 W Powers Ave. Littleton, CO 80127 owner of Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_ Stagestop; \_\_\_Lost Park Date/Time received Owner's Signature **Date Board Member Signature**

### **Antero Reservoir Update**

On Saturday, Jan. 10, 2015, Colorado Parks and Wildlife increased the bag and possession limit at Antero Reservoir to 8 trout with no size restrictions. The increased limit will remain in effect until the closure of the reservoir.

Over the last several years, Antero Reservoir has undergone a series of repairs and assessments and has been operating at a reduced water level since 2011. As part of a major rehabilitation project, Denver Water will begin draining Antero this summer. They will set the date to begin drawing down the reservoir based on the progress of the construction project and weather conditions, particularly the spring snowmelt. Once runoff season begins, Denver Water will monitor conditions and work closely with CPW to salvage the fish in the reservoir.

Both the reservoir and park will close to the public once the drawdown begins and will remain closed for the duration of the project. The park will re-open for recreation once the reservoir has been refilled. The entire dam rehab project is tentatively scheduled to be completed in 2018 but refilling could begin as soon as spring of 2016. Usually it takes from one to four years to refill the reservoir, depending on the amount of snowfall and timing of snow melt so a good guess is that the reservoir will return to its normal operation by late 2018.

Members of the public with questions about Antero's draining, the dam work, and the refilling plan can contact Denver Water at 303-893-2444. For fishery related questions, contact CPW at 303-291-7227.

### **South Park Fly Fishing Opportunities**



Since 2002 a
Park County
group, South
Park Fly Fishers,
has secured
fishing leases on
several ranches
in South Park.
(See red dots on
the map to left.)

The program is open to the public and allows a limited number of anglers per

day to fish by reservation for a rod fee between \$40 and \$70, no refunds or rainchecks. The majority of each rod fee goes directly to the participating rancher. The balance is used to actively manage and enhance each property contained in the program. For more information, you can view a bigger map at <a href="http://www.southparktrout.com/areamap.html">http://www.southparktrout.com/areamap.html</a> or contact the program administrator at 719-836-4177.

### **Fishing Etiquette**

Always give an angler already in the water the right of way. Try to move on up-river, if possible.

Take your line out of the water for an angler that has a fish on to give that person plenty of space to land the fish.

Be quiet on the water because sound carries incredibly over water. Not only do you want to preserve the peace and quiet of the river or the lake to avoid spooking the fish, but you also want to avoid disturbing other anglers.



### Pancake Breakfast

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

### **Aquatic Hitchhikers**

Aquatic nuisance species are non-native, harmful aquatic plants, animals or microscopic organisms such as zebra and quagga mussels, New Zealand mudsnails, whirling disease, viral hemorrhagic septicemia and Eurasian water milfoil that can readily be transported to other waters. Colorado Parks and Wildlife recommends you disinfect waders or boots between uses. Scrub the bottom of waders with a wire brush and remove all mud, plants and organic materials. Perform one of the following before going into the next body of water:

OPTION 1 — Submerge waders and gear in a tub filled with mixture of 6 ounces of a quaternary ammonium based institutional cleaner (such as Super HDQ Neutral) per gallon of water for at least 10 minutes, scrubbing debris from gear and visually inspecting the gear for mud, plants or snails before rinsing. Rinse with water from ANS-free source. Dispose of chemicals properly, away from the water body.

OPTION 2 — Spray or soak gear with water hotter than  $140^{\circ}$  F for at least 10 minutes.

OPTION 3 — Dry waders and equipment completely for at least 10 days in between uses.

OPTION 4 — Place waders and boots in a freezer overnight between uses.

# TFC Annual Picnic

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Last summer, the TFC picnic had a good turnout. This summer we plan to hold another club picnic event on **August 8**, **2015**. The event will be held from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Mark your calendar now so you don't miss this fun summertime event. More details will be provided on the website closer to the date.

### Weed Control at Pond by Stagestop

Have you had the pleasure of helping TFC members rake weeds out of the pond by Stagestop? If so, you probably know what a back-breaking job it is. Given the average age of the participants, the weed-raking is not a sustainable solution.

This year, TFC plans to use Sonar AS, a highly effective aquatic herbicide (fluridone) to manage the weeds in the pond near Stagestop. Sonar is absorbed through the leaves, shoots, and roots of susceptible plants, and destroys the plants by interfering with their ability to make and use food.

The EPA approved the herbicide in 2004 and has reviewed it again in 2015. Studies show Sonar presents negligible risk to human health and the environment when applied according to label directions. After application, there are no restrictions on fishing or swimming; only a 30 day restriction on irrigation use. TFC has contacted the Colorado Dept of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division for a permit.

We plan to apply Sonar AS in the early part of the growing season – a time when Lost Park Ranch agrees it will not be required to release any water for its augmentation plan— before the plants grow much. This will minimize the amount of plant decay. We will also use dye to shade the water so the Sonar does not dissipate as quickly; and an enzyme to help break any decaying matter down into water and carbon dioxide. We will aerate as much as possible, keeping in mind the importance of maintaining a cool layer of water at the bottom of the pond for fish. The total cost of this project is expected to be around \$3,500 which will be paid from TFC reserves.

A good article on Sonar AS can be found at <a href="http://www.sepro.com/documents/Risk Guide.pdf">http://www.sepro.com/documents/Risk Guide.pdf</a> and the TFC will post additional information on its website's New Info page at <a href="http://tarryallfishingclub.net/?page\_id=28">http://tarryallfishingclub.net/?page\_id=28</a>. If you have questions or concerns, you can call Gary Belk, TFC President, at 720-506-1007.

## Thank you to our Volunteers

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Last year the TFC had several workdays and a number of you volunteered your time. Thank you for helping make the TFC a better club for all!! We especially want to thank Judy Sylvester who volunteered to fill a vacated position and served as our club secretary for the last two years.

Willing to help? If you are willing to help with coordinating volunteers, checkpoint patrolling, or general work details, please call a board member or e-mail the TFC at news@tarryallfishingclub.net. It can be a great way to meet fellow TFC members!



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### **Suckers in Pond by Stagestop**

A few years ago, people began noticing some small schools of dark-striped fish in the pond by Stagestop. TFC caught one of the juvenile fish, took it to an expert for identification, and learned we have white suckers. Breeding-age male suckers develop black stripes along their sides which explains the fish that were seen earlier.

Suckers compete with trout for food and habitat. They stir up the bottom and reduce the water quality. TFC is trying to reduce their numbers. If you notice a cage-like contraption in the pond, please leave it in the water

If you catch a sucker, please do not put it back. However, we still ask if you catch a grass carp (stocked for vegetation management), to return it to the pond.

### **Grass Carp vs Suckers?**

How do you tell the difference between suckers and grass carp? The biggest difference is the mouth—grass carp have a mouth in front and suckers have a mouth



Grass Carp (front mouth) Return to pond



Sucker
(downward mouth)
DO NOT return to pond

### Mark Your Calendar!

Owner Association Annual Meetings—SOA June 27 — LPROA Aug. 1

TFC Annual Picnic—August 8



### **Frequently Asked Questions**

- Q. Who is entitled to use a membership card? A. Membership cards are for the use of a lot owner (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.
- Q. What if there are more than 2 adult owners of a lot?

  A. When there are multiple owners of a single lot and more than two owners want to fish, the group of owners must decide among themselves who the two membership cards are assigned to for the year. All others must use guest passes.
- **Q. May children of an owner fish alone? A.** If a lot owner has dependent children (under age 21) who want to fish alone, contact the TFC to get a child membership card.
- Q. At what age must children use a guest pass? A. Children, age 16 or under, do not need a guest pass but must be in the company of an adult with a membership card or guest pass.
- Q. Am I required to have a Colorado fishing license?
  A. Yes, anyone over 16 years of age who fishes in the ponds or the stream lease is required to have a Colorado fishing license.
- Q. Can my guests purchase additional guest passes?
  A. No. Additional Guest Passes and Vehicle Hang Tags
  may be purchased only by TFC members in good standing
- **Q. Do my unused guest passes expire? A.** No. Guest passes do not expire. Unused passes from previous years may be used.
- Q. Does a vehicle hang tag entitle me to fish? A. No. A hang tag does not substitute for a membership card or a guest pass. Your hang tag is to be used in your vehicle while parked near the area you are fishing. It helps TFC patrol and Park County Sheriff deputies identify cars that are entitled to be in a parking area.

### **Operation Game Thief**

Report illegal fishing or hunting activity to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife through OPERATION GAME THIEF. You can remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward. game.thief@state.co.us or call 1-877-265-6648.

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### TFC Parking and Access Points

TFC has specific access points for getting onto the river. See the map link on the TFC home page at www.tarryallfishingclub.net for more detail or contact a board member.



Note: Remember to place your TFC hang tag in your vehicle so it is not red-tagged by Park County.

### TFC Board Members - May 2014-2015

President - Gary Belk 303-777-2100
or 719-836-9272
Vice Pres Paul Grossnickle 303-841-5206
Secretary - Judy Sylvester 303-733-0972
Treasurer - Theresa Pugh 303-979-6269
Members-at-large –
Fred Crane719-836-2016
Stu Knapp303-985-0576
Dennis Sheeran

### **Need More Guest Passes or Hangtags?**

TFC members may order additional guest passes or hangtags from the TFC website. Use the "Guest Passes" link at the top of the page.

1-day guest pass—\$8 • Vehicle hangtag—\$5

### 2015 Fish Stocking & "No Fishing" Dates

**Fish Stocking days are no-fishing days.** Please refrain from fishing on stocking days to give the fish a chance to recover from the transport.

The TFC website, www.tarryallfishingclub.net will list stocking dates as soon as known. Fish Stocking is done on a weekday as near the middle of the month as can be arranged. The first should be in mid-May.

### Patrolling for the TFC

Although Park County Sheriff Deputies will patrol for us some days, TFC will operate some patrol checkpoints and as always, members are encouraged to check passes while out fishing. Be courteous and report any violations to the TFC for follow-up.

### **TFC Rules Violation Policy**

Owners are responsible for their guests and for insuring proper use of guest passes, including signing and dating in ink. Fines will be assessed against a lot for rules violations by the lot owner or lot owner's guests.

### Penalties as follows:

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

A copy of the rules is posted on the TFC website www.tarryallfishingclub.net.