



# TFC UPDATE

April 2018

Tarryall Fishing Club Website: [www.tarryallfishingclub.net](http://www.tarryallfishingclub.net)

## ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

The TFC will hold its Annual Meeting followed by a Potluck Picnic  
Saturday, May 5, 2018 -- 10 am

Jefferson Community Center, Jefferson, Colorado

Come for the business meeting and election of officers. Stay for the picnic and meet your fellow TFC members. TFC will provide hot dogs, chips, and drinks – you're invited to bring a dish to share.

**NOTICE OF TFC BOARD MEMBER ELECTION.** An election for Tarryall Fishing Club, Inc. (TFC) board members will be held at the annual meeting. Nominations will be taken for two board positions for a three-year term and one vacancy. (The 3-year term has expired for Gary Belk and Keola Lobato; Fred Crane's position is open with 2 years remaining.)

### NOTICE OF PROPOSED PRICE INCREASE for GUEST PASS

TFC will propose raising the cost of Guest Passes to \$10. See Message from President - page 3.

**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.



### PROXY FORM FOR MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND THE 2018 TFC ANNUAL MEETING

- ◇ This proxy form must be completed, signed and dated by the lot owner.
- ◇ The form must be in possession of TFC no later than 10 a.m. Saturday, May 5, 2018

I will not be attending the 2018 TFC Annual Membership Meeting. For the purpose of voting on all issues which may come before the general membership at the 2018 TFC Annual Membership Meeting, I assign my voting rights to the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ from  Stagestop  Lost Park Ranch  Other

(Name of person designated to vote on your behalf ↑)

Your Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ in  SOA  LPROA  OTHER

Owner Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Mail or deliver proxy to:

Theresa Pugh  
10133 W. Powers Ave  
Littleton, CO 80127

Board Authentication:

Date/Time received \_\_\_\_\_

Board Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**TFC Picnic-Potluck**



TFC will to hold an indoor picnic following our annual meeting this year.

We will provide hot dogs with buns, chips, and drinks.

We hope you will stay and have lunch with other TFC members.

You are invited to bring a dish to share.

**Attention All Volunteers!**

**Thank you for making the TFC better for all!!**

Last year the TFC had a number of you who volunteered your time to work on club projects such as mailing passes, stocking fish, patrolling, etc.

**Are You Willing to help?**

If you are willing to help coordinate volunteers, participate in check-point patrolling, or general work details, please contact a TFC board member. It can be a great way to meet fellow TFC members!



**How Many Suckers can a Pond Hold???**

Last year, the TFC decided to build more sucker traps. Gary Belk constructed 8 traps and Dennis Sheeran or Gary checked the traps weekly. They decided to keep a count of the trapped suckers and by the end of the season had captured almost **6,000** suckers!

Dennis found a guy willing to purchase some of the suckers for bait so in addition to getting rid of a large number of suckers, we made enough to buy dogfood to bait the traps and had \$95 profit. We will be putting the sucker traps into the pond at Stagesstop again this year.

**Thank you for your cooperation this past year.** Here is how you can continue to help:

1. Leave the traps in the pond.
2. If you catch a sucker, please do not put it back in the pond.
3. If you catch a grass carp (stocked for vegetation management), or a brown trout (stocked to eat juvenile suckers), please return it to the pond.

**How Do Suckers Get Into Our Pond?**

Generally, the suckers are pretty tight lipped about the matter. We know there are large populations of suckers in many of the lakes and streams in the vicinity so we think they probably get in through the pump since . We have had people ask why we do not filter them out but if we tried to filter at the pump intake end, a filter small enough to ensure the suckers could not enter would not allow the water to flow into the pump fast enough. On the outlet end, anything small enough to keep suckers out would clog up quickly.

**TFC Webmail Unavailable**

The TFC website's free e-mail stopped functioning so we cannot send out updates directly to those who signed up. Please check the website for fish-stocking/no-fishing dates.



**Fish Identification Tips**

*Sucker vs. grass carp?*

Look at the mouth—suckers have a mouth pointing down; grass carp have a mouth in front.

	Sucker (downward mouth) <b>DO NOT return to pond</b>
	Grass Carp (front mouth) <b>Return to pond</b>

*Rainbow vs. brown trout?*

	<b>Rainbow Trout</b> Black spots on a light body and pink stripe along sides. <b>Your call—Keep or return if not injured</b>
	<b>Brown Trout</b> Black spots and red-orange spots inside light blue circles <b>Return to pond</b>

**Operation Game Thief**

Report illegal fishing (or hunting) to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife through OPERATION GAME THIEF. You can remain anonymous and may receive a reward.

E-mail [game.thief@state.co.us](mailto:game.thief@state.co.us) or call 1-877-265-6648.

**Mark Your Calendar!**

SOA Annual Mtg June 23

LPROA Annual Mtg Aug. 4



### A Message from President Gary Belk

Are you looking forward to the upcoming 2018 fishing season? I sure hope so!

Once again the TFC Board has been working hard this off-season to analyze how we can make 2018 another great fishing experience for all TFC members. Reviewing the past, looking at the present, and considering the future we have some concerns. Let me share them with you.

1. The cost we pay for fish continues to go up!
2. The two Lost Park ponds need weed mitigation, especially the upper pond.
3. Suckers, Suckers, Suckers in the Stagestop pond need elimination.
4. The effect of weather on what we do and when we do it.
5. And last but not least, funds to keep our fishing a quality and beneficial experience, i.e., "a fun and exciting occasion for all ages."

After considering our options, the TFC Board may be asking for a dues increase, but only after trying to increase TFC revenue by raising the cost of a 1-day Guest Pass from \$8.00 to \$10.00. When you think about it, a "McDonald's Quarter Pounder" biggie sided with a large drink costs more than ten bucks and lasts only a little while. However, a Guest Pass lasts 24 hours and if you catch some fish you already know we've "biggie sized" the fish as well.

Working within our means, the TFC will continue to be good stewards of the dues we receive from the membership and with the mentioned increase we will be able to cover the cost of correcting some if not all of our concerns.

If you have any questions or suggestions let me know.

Now go out and enjoy the fishing benefit that comes with ownership in either Stagestop or Lost Park Ranch, but most of all be safe while doing so!

### 2018 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](http://www.tarryallfishingclub.net) will list stocking dates as soon as known. Fish Stocking is done on a weekday as near the middle of the week as can be arranged. First stocking is planned for mid-May.



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### Pond Conditions

**Dry Weather Concerns**—So far this year, the weather has not provided much snowpack to feed our streams. Keep your fingers crossed for late season moisture.

**Ponds in Lost Park Ranch**—The SOA ponds in Lost Park Ranch usually have fresh water running through them. Last year House Creek dried up so TFC applied some weed killer to the lower pond late in the season to see how it would work. We should know more this spring when weeds begin growing again. The upper pond is in desperate need of weed treatment and with the dry conditions so far this year, we may be able to take that project on. It will require some additional expense to set up an aeration system, even if temporary for the project.

**Pond by Stagestop**—The LPROA pond by Stagestop has been in good condition since the weed treatment three years ago. Last year, we noticed some small patches of weeds beginning to grow at the edges of the pond so the weed patches were sprayed with diquat. We intend to continue monitoring the issue.

### Sad News

Our friend and board member, Fred Crane, passed away suddenly on February 16, 2018. Fred was a board member for the TFC since 2012. He was the main caretaker for the pond by Stagestop and was usually at the pond on a daily basis. Fred was also an avid Ham radio operator and loved going to Hamfest. Fred spent summers gathering firewood to heat his house and in the process cleared unwanted trees from many lots. He was generous with his time and was quick to offer help. He will be greatly missed.



**New Picnic Tables at Stagesop Pond**

by Stu Knapp

The board has decided to replace the two picnic tables at the big pond this year. The tables at Lost Park are good for another season and will be evaluated for replacement as needed. We decided to go with metal legs for the table and bench support. The top and benches will be stained wood.



We will attach a plaque to honor our late friend, Fred Crane, for his tireless effort in support of the TFC.

**TFC Board Members - May 2016-2017**

- President - Gary Belk ..... 303-777-2100  
or ... 719-836-9272
- Vice Pres.- Paul Grossnickle ... 303-841-5206
- Secretary - Keola Lobato ..... 303-437-3597
- Treasurer - Theresa Pugh ..... 303-979-6269
- Members-at-Large -
- Stu Knapp ..... 720-209-8359
- Dennis Sheeran ..... 719-836-1458
- Vacant—Previously Fred Crane +

**Need More Guest Passes or Hangtags?**

TFC members (not guests) may order additional guest passes or hangtags by contacting a board member or by using the “Guest Passes” link on the TFC website ([tarryallfishingclub.net](http://tarryallfishingclub.net)).  
1-day guest pass\*—\$8   ▪   Vehicle hangtag—\$5

**\*Note:** If the proposal to raise the cost of Guest Passes passes at the 2018 Annual Meeting, the cost of a guest pass will go up to **\$10** the day after the meeting.

**Patrolling for the TFC**

Members are encouraged to self-patrol—introduce yourself, show your membership card, then ask to see passes of other members and their guests while out fishing. Be courteous and report any violations to the TFC board for follow-up.

Owners, be aware that you are responsible for your guests. If your guest are in violation of the rules, you could be fined. When you provide a guest pass to someone, please make sure they know the rules and be sure to complete the pass with ink.

**Reminder of 2017 Rules Change**

TFC Rule 5 was amended at the May 6, 2017 Annual Membership Meeting. It was changed as follows: Guests age 16 and over must have a Guest Pass. ~~Guests~~ **Anyone** under age 16 ~~do~~ **does** not need a pass but must be in the company of a member carrying a Membership Card ~~and/or~~ a guest age 16 and over carrying a Guest Pass.”

**TFC Rules Violation Policy**

TFC Rules include a “Warning” section which reads as follows:

*Warning - Violations of rules may be grounds for suspension. Failure of members or their guests to follow TFC Rules and Policies will result in the issuance of a “TFC Rules and Policies Violation Letter” to the sponsoring member(s). In any consecutive 2-year period, the penalties for violations are as follows:*

- *First Violation:*                      *Warning Letter*
- *Second Violation:*                    *\$50.00 Fine*
- *Third & Subsequent Violations:*                    *\$100.00 Fine (each occurrence)*

*Failure to pay a fine as outlined in the issued “TFC Rules and Policies Violation Letter” may result in temporary suspension of the member’s fishing rights. During temporary suspension, a member or his/her guests continuing to fish the TFC Leased Waters as well as the LPR pond or the SS ponds will be considered “Trespassing” and subject to civil trespassing charges.*

**TFC Parking and Access Points**



TFC has specific access points for getting on and off the river. Please be sure you use our designated access points, otherwise, you could be subject to trespass charges.

Be considerate of the landowners. If you open a gate, close it. Even though a structure or bridge is within our access, please do not fish from it.

The TFC home page ([tarryallfishingclub.net](http://tarryallfishingclub.net)) has a [map link](#) and written directions to find access points. There are also pictures in the [2012 Newsletter](#). For more details contact a board member.

Note: Place your TFC hang tag in your vehicle when you park along County Road 77 so it’s not red-tagged by Park County Sheriff.