



# THE "BERRY" GOOD NEWS



News and Notes from the Strawberry Anglers Association

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## Briefly . . .

- It's now time to renew your Strawberry Anglers Association Membership for 2001. Start the 21st Century out by supporting your favorite fishing hole. SAA Membership dues are \$10 per person. Membership renewal forms can be found inside.
- The annual International Sportsmen's Exposition will be held this year March 15-18 at the new Sandy Convention Center.
- The SAA has filed for recognition as a non-profit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code. Determination of our status is pending.

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## A "Berry" Successful Year In Review

By Jim Carter

This past year has been a great year for the Strawberry Anglers Association. We have accomplished some of our goals and have learned a lot about Strawberry Reservoir and its inhabitants. The Association has had hands-on experience in helping improve management and operations at Strawberry.

One major thing we accomplished this past year was the overhauling of the Division of Wildlife Resources fish planting barge. SAA members provided hundreds of hours of work, and, with the aid of Roger Wilson (DWR), SAA members Dale Mckey, Robert Spratt, and others, a new and more efficient system to plant fish was designed. The overhaul helped make our fish planting efforts quicker, safer, and, most of all, better for the fish.

With the help of the DWR, Outdoor Resources Fund of Utah, Fish Tech owner Byron Gunderson, and Stan Bell of Eagar, Inc., the SAA was able to finance the necessary parts and equipment to do the job as planned. A big THANKS to those who provided money and man-hours, especially Western Sheet Metal for the necessary shop space and welders to do the job, and to SAA members for dedicating their labor to this project. Last June we launched the barge and planted the first fish—it worked beautifully. Now we need to do something about the old, worn out outboard motor to power the new and improved barge.

Again, this year, SAA participated in spray-marking fish to be planted at Strawberry and gill netting operations in the spring and fall to track the fishes' health, growth, and harvest rate. (Roger's complete report on this information is available). Wildlife Resources and SAA members planted over 3 million fish in the spring, summer, and fall at Strawberry in the year 2000.

The SAA had input into fishing regulations for 2001 and saw our suggestions passed into law to aid angling this year. We also had input into a study to be conducted in



Refurbished DWR fish planting barge was a major SAA success in 2000.

2001 for possible changes in the regulations for 2002. Our voice is being heard and our opinions are asked for. (Good job, SAA!)

Last year, we participated in the International Sportsmen's Exposition and we are planning to do so again in 2001. This gives us an opportunity to inform fellow anglers about Strawberry Reservoir and the SAA.

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# Fall Gill Netting at Strawberry

By Merrill Peay

A fine fall day last mid-October found a handful of Strawberry Angler's Association members joined with DWR fisheries biologists and U. S. Forest Service personnel to gill net, analyze, and assess the health, size, and number of fish in Strawberry Reservoir. On hand for the survey that day were Roger Wilson (DWR), Alan Ward (DWR), Zack Howick (DWR), Dave Fogle (USFS), Rod Barney (SAA), and Merrill Peay (SAA).

Findings of the survey provided both good news and concerns. The nets captured a good number of healthy rainbow trout with no sign of whirling disease. Very few chub turned up in the survey, but a lot of crayfish were captured. Both the

number and size of kokanee salmon were impressive. However, volunteers noted with concern that large-sized cutthroat were few in numbers.



SAA Volunteer Rod Barney assists US Forest Service Aquatics Biologist Dave Fogle in recent gill net survey.

*Thank you, Sally  
for the wonderful  
job as our  
newsletter editor  
the past 15  
months. Your  
excellent work will  
be missed!*

## Thank You, Sally Archer

By Jim Carter

Every once-in-awhile a non-profit organization gets a real good deal, like a volunteer who is outstanding and moves the organization forward in its goals. The Strawberry Anglers Association has been the beneficiary of such a deal in Sally Archer, who, for the past 15 months has been our editor for *The "Berry" Good News*.

Through Sally's skill and willingness, you, as SAA members, have received a first-class news-

letter. Her ideas have helped to improve our organization and helped us meet our goals. Sally is building her own business and is doing it so well that her time is being consumed to the extent that the SAA offered to support her time constraints by moving our newsletter editorship to two of our other very capable members.

We wish to THANK Sally for all she did for our organization and we will always have a spot in our hearts and our organization for her. Good Luck, Sally, and thanks again!

## Your Strawberry Anglers Association

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**Next SAA Meeting**  
**Tuesday, February 6th**  
**6:30 pm**

WorkForce Services Building  
5735 S. Redwood Road

**Speaker**  
John Kimball  
Utah Department of  
Wildlife Resources

# Hintze Is New Central Region Supervisor

By Kayla Willey

Dave Hintze is the newly selected Central Region Supervisor for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. Strawberry Reservoir is included in the Central Region of the state, so Dave is a good person to get to know. Although new to this position, Dave is a Utah native and has been with the DWR for over 25 years.

Dave grew up in Provo and has a master's degree from Brigham Young University in molecular biology and biochemistry. His career, however, has been in the field of law enforcement. In 1974 he worked for the DWR as a creel clerk. From there he worked as a DWR law enforcement officer in Iron County, was a Division detective for the Southern Region of Utah, moved to Salt Lake headquarters for a period of time, and was recently promoted supervisor of law enforcement for Utah's Central Region. Dave brings with him a wide variety of training, skill, and experience that benefit the Region.

Very supportive of Strawberry Reservoir and the goals Roger Wilson has in mind, Dave sees his role as getting the resources for his people so they can best do their jobs. Dave recognizes he's not a fisheries biologist and wants those with the expertise to decide what needs to be done. He will do his best to facilitate various projects at Strawberry. Dave's major overall goal is to hold onto the current resources provided for wildlife maintenance in the Central Region amidst projected population growth and pressure for land development. He also sees a need for more personnel help in the Central Region.

When asked what the Strawberry Angler's Association can do to help Dave, he felt that our continued support for the programs at Strawberry through volunteer service was invaluable. He also felt that the SAA should lobby to get another law enforcement officer at Strawberry. If successful, additional manpower would help protect the resources of Strawberry Reservoir and ensure its viability well into this century.

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## New Editors for *The "Berry" Good News*

By Jim Carter

Our newly appointed newsletter editors are Kayla Willey and Val John Halford. Both of these people bring great skills to this assignment and will help us move into the next phase of our growth and success.

Val John has been fishing Strawberry Reservoir since he was a six-year old boy. He can recall the first chemical treatment of the reservoir performed in 1961. He has fished throughout the western United States, but considers Strawberry his "home water." Kayla, a relative newcomer to the sport, enjoys all types of angling from ice fishing (her first and favorite), to spin casting, to fly fishing. She is an academic librarian by profession, but still finds time to wet a line almost every weekend at the 'Berry.

As the President of the SAA, I know these two will bring more great things to the Strawberry Anglers Association and to our sport. What makes our organization work so well are people like Kayla and Val John, who are dedicated to making

angling a sport for everyone now and in the future. If you would like to get more involved in the publication of *The "Berry" Good News* please contact our new editors. They would appreciate any input or assistance you might offer. Their telephone numbers and e-mail address are listed on Page 2 of this issue.



*Newsletter editor, Kayla Willey, shows off a fine Strawberry kokanee*

# Meeting and Event Schedule for the Year 2001

The Strawberry Anglers Association welcomes in 2001 with a complete schedule of meetings, activities, and voluntary work projects. We will be privileged to receive informed lectures and presentations by managers and biologists from the DWR. Successful fishing techniques at Strawberry will be covered by local fishing authorities, most notable Mickey Anderson of Fish Tech Outfitters. Finally, there is a project planned in conjunction with the Friends of Strawberry Valley to help improve water flow at the Strawberry River fish trap, which we will work on this coming year.

The SAA officers hope that more members can join us this year at our regular monthly meetings. The following is a general schedule of planned meetings and activities of the Strawberry Anglers Association for the year 2001.

<b>January 9th</b>	<b>Dave Hintze</b> , Central Region Supervisor Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
<b>February 6th</b>	<b>John Kimball</b> , Director Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
<b>March 6th</b>	<b>Alan Ward</b> , Fisheries Biologist Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
<b>March 15-18th</b>	<b>International Sportsmen's Exposition</b> Sandy Convention Center
<b>April 3rd</b>	<b>Annual Business Meeting</b> Election of 2001 Officers
<b>May 1st</b>	<b>Speaker</b> Central Utah Water Project

<b>June 5th</b>	<b>Mickey Anderson</b> , Owner Fish Tech Outfitters
<b>July 10th</b>	<b>Mickey Anderson</b> , Owner Fish Tech Outfitters
<b>July 13th</b>	<b>Western Region Wildlife Resources Directors</b> Meeting and Lunch at Strawberry Take Directors Fishing
<b>August 7th</b>	<b>Paul Davis</b> , Enforcement Officer Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
<b>August 18th</b>	<b>Annual BBQ And Fish Fry</b> Strawberry Bay Marina
<b>September 11th</b>	<b>Speaker</b> United States Forest Service
<b>September</b>	<b>Kokanee Days Festival</b> Strawberry Fish Trap
<b>October 2nd</b>	<b>Roger Wilson</b> , Wildlife Biologist Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
<b>November 13th</b>	<b>Chris Wilson</b> , Fish Health Specialist Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
<b>November</b>	<b>Volunteer Work Project</b> Remodel Strawberry Fish Traps
<b>December</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>

## 2000 Year In Review

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Each month we have had a speaker at our regular meetings to help us learn more about our sport and Strawberry. This past year, we heard from John Kimball, Director of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Paul Davis, Strawberry law enforcement officer, and others.

The SAA is a member of the Friends of Strawberry committee, which is helping restore the Strawberry watershed. SAA is also a signatory and member of the newly established Utah Anglers Coalition, which includes cold-water and warm-water anglers, sporting goods store owners, and *Utah Outdoors Magazine* as members. This organization is open to all and its goal is to inform the public, the

legislature, and others of the economics and importance of angling to the people of Utah.

All in all, 2000 was a very good year and next year promises to be even better. A big thanks to all of our members. Through your continued support, your organization is becoming a strong voice for angling. But, we need not only your personal support, we also need your membership dues, which are \$10.00 per person. By the end of this month, we anticipate your financial contribution can be claimed as a tax deduction to a non-profit organization.

This month, January, 2001, starts the new SAA membership year. Please take a moment to fill out and send in your renewal form, found in this issue on Page 5, along with your check. Thanks.



# Kayla's Kooking Korner



If you want to knock the socks off your guests at your next party, bring this smoked fish dip! Be careful though, you will get requests for more and more. I brought some into my office to share with colleagues last year and still have people drop by to ask when I'm bringing more!

The first step in this process is to go fishing and catch some nice trout. You will want to smoke the trout up yourself for that personal touch. It takes about 17 hours to smoke up the trout, so get a lot of movies or a project you can do while you are smoking trout (tying up those flies for ice off at Strawberry). You can purchase smoked trout or salmon, but that takes some of the fun out of it.

## SMOKED FISH DIP

- 1 cup dairy sour cream
- ½ cup mayonnaise (do NOT substitute Miracle Whip)
- 1 cup flaked smoked trout
- 3 tablespoons chopped green onions
- ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- Dash garlic powder



In a small bowl, blend sour cream and mayonnaise. Stir in remaining ingredients. Cover and refrigerate at least an hour. Serve with vegetable dippers, crackers, or potato chips.

## STRAWBERRY ANGLERS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

**YES!** I wish to renew my Strawberry Anglers Association membership and help shape the future of Strawberry Reservoir. My yearly membership dues are \$10.00 per person.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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**YES!** I am interested in volunteer work projects for Strawberry Reservoir. (Check all of the following that apply.)

- Fish Planting
- Gill Net Surveys
- Public Education
- Legislative Monitoring
- Newsletter Articles

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