



THE "BERRY" GOOD NEWS



News and Notes from the Strawberry Anglers Association

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Where Are We With The Kokanee?

By
**Roger Wilson, Sport Fishing Program
 Coordinator and Alan Ward,
 Strawberry Project Leader**

Kokanee salmon have been part of the Strawberry Reservoir fishery for many years. This species was originally stocked in Strawberry in 1937 and was re-introduced to the Reservoir during the spring of 1991, shortly after a very successful chemical treatment. The role of kokanee salmon in Strawberry's present management plan is fourfold: (1) to provide an alternative fish for anglers to harvest; (2) to provide forage for Bear Lake cutthroat trout; (3) to effectively compete with Utah chub populations for forage and space; and (4) to provide an aquatic watchable wildlife program.

Like other species of salmon, landlocked kokanee undergo interesting and dramatic changes in physiology, color, and structure as they prepare for the spawning season and ascend tributaries to reproduce. In August and September, they cease feeding and change from silver to red. The males develop pronounced humps on their back, lateral flattening, and hooked jaws. Females also change physically, but not as dramatic as males. The adults put their entire effort into reproducing, and both sexes die soon after spawning.



Kokanee salmon in the Strawberry fish trap await for DWR biologists to help spawn the next generation of this unique game fish.



DWR seasonal employee Paula Friskel shows off an excellent example of a colorful male kokanee.

Kokanee are a very active fish on the end of a line, and their table qualities are unsurpassed. Kokanee are well known for their fighting qualities, aerial acrobatics, and abilities in dislodging hooks, particularly as the fish get large. Many an angler has felt the hard hit when fishing six to seven colors deep, only to find an empty line when they reel in. Kokanee have always been a favorite of a select group of Strawberry angler and are highly sought after during the summer months.

Kokanee feed almost entirely on zooplankton, which are tiny microcrustaceans about 1 millimeter in size. These fish have been shown to be efficient planktivores, and as such, are largely unaffected by Utah chub competition even in situations of extreme chub abundance. Kokanee also inhabit the deeper open waters where they are removed from the intensive competition of the near shore areas.

The kokanee presence at Strawberry also supports an important watchable wildlife program. On a typical year, more than 15,000 visitors are drawn to the Straw-

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SAA Members Help With Utah State Fair

By Val John Halford



By all accounts, the Utah State Fair, held this year on September 7th through the 17th, was a big success. Along with unique sights, sounds, and food, an estimated 200,000 State Fair visitors took time to visit the Utah Division of Wildlife Resource's unique building. Patrons crowded around large indoor aquariums which displayed live examples of many of Utah's sport fish.



A young angler shows off the reward for his patience.

Several local angling groups lent a hand by catching hundreds of bass, bluegill, yellow perch, and channel catfish for the pond.

As in previous years, the DWR hosted an outdoor fishing pond, located directly behind their building, where young anglers were given the opportunity to catch a fish. This year's pond was sponsored by Trout Unlimited, Neways, Strawberry Anglers Association, Adventures in Advertising, Sportsmen's Warehouse, Berkley, Smith & Edwards, Fish Tech Outfitters, Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, the Division of Natural Resources, and the Governor's Blue Ribbon Advisory Council.

These organizations contributed both funding and volunteer help. Several local angling groups lent a hand by catching hundreds of bass, bluegill, yellow perch, and channel catfish for the pond.



Before the children were allowed to fish, DWR employees and angler volunteers explained fishing tackle, methods, regulations, and where to fish.

Children interested in catching a fish were first instructed in proper angling tactics, tackle, and safety by DWR employees. During the eleven-day Fair, angler volunteers, including members of the SAA, were teamed up with over 2,500 young fishermen, providing casting assistance, bait, help with tangled lines, and encouragement. The DWR fishing pond was a rewarding experience for both the kids and their mentors. The many smiles and shouts of delight were proof of the fun had by all.

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Sage Grouse in the Strawberry Valley

By Rick Baxter
BYU Research Associate

The Strawberry Valley used to be teeming with a native icon of sagebrush ecosystems across the West, a bird best known as the sage hen or sage chicken. Currently, the official common name of this unique bird is the Greater Sage Grouse. The Strawberry Valley once supported a population of at least 3,500 sage grouse. Old timers reported seeing hundreds of sage grouse flying from the Fruitland area in the spring to Road Hollow and Stinking Springs in the Strawberry Valley for the breeding and subsequent nesting and brood rearing seasons. Lynn Griner, a researcher at Utah State University, saw a flock of about 1,000 sage grouse that stretched out along Windy Ridge during the winter of 1938. He also reported that between 100-125 sage grouse were killed on Highway 40 during the summer each year. In fact, a sign was posted along Highway 40 that read, "Slow down for sage grouse crossing highway." He documented sage grouse use in regions near Trout Creek, Co-op Creek, Stinking Springs, Road Hollow, the Strawberry River corridor, and Fruitland and Tabiona to the east. His work with sage grouse would ultimately be one of the first to bring to light the life history, ecology, and plight of this bird across the western United States.

Sage grouse numbers in the Strawberry Valley have not remained the same. In fact, there has been a greater than 97 percent reduction in total numbers during the 1930s, from about 3,500 sage grouse to about 100-120 grouse in 2003. There are many reasons for the decline, some of which include non-native predation by red fox, herbicide application to kill large tracts of sagebrush, expansion of the Reservoir, overgrazing, over-hunting, and fragmentation of the habitat due to roads, housing developments, camp sites, power lines, etc. Through these tough times, sage grouse numbers have dwindled. As a response to the decline in overall numbers, a cooperative research team led by Brigham Young University, the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Wildlife Services, and the U.S. Forest Service, decided to translocate sage grouse from source populations across the state of Utah to Strawberry Valley in order to augment the existing population and to add genetic diversity to a constricted gene pool.

A total of 246 female sage grouse have been translocated to the Strawberry Valley since 2003. Sage grouse were trapped in the spring on and around leks throughout the state of Utah on Parker Mountain, Diamond Mountain, in Box Elder County, and on Deseret Land and Livestock. Sage grouse were transported overnight in cardboard boxes to the Strawberry Valley and were released in live sagebrush at the edge of the only known active lek in the valley in order to provide them with visual breeding cues and the opportunity to intermix with actively strutting resident grouse.

Cooperation and collaboration among researchers and local sage grouse working groups (i.e., PARM, UBARM, and SVARM), state and federal agencies, and many volunteers were key to a smooth translocation process. Data from BYU

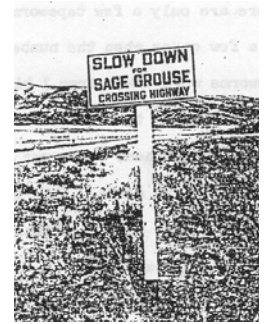


The Strawberry Valley was once home to thousands of sage grouse.

researchers show exceptional survival, nest initiation, nest success, and overall growth of the population. Where pre-translocation population estimates were between 100-120 birds, the current population estimate, just three years later, is 400 to 450 birds, a four-fold increase!

The translocations of sage grouse into the excellent habitat of Strawberry Valley, and predator control by Wildlife Services, are largely responsible for this comeback. There has never been a translocation of sage grouse this successful in the history of sage grouse management!

So, the next time you are out and about in Strawberry Valley, keep your eye out for that icon of sagebrush in the West, a bird that will hopefully never become a thing of the past.



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Doug Miller's Final Adventure

By Richard Johnston

Having grown up in Utah, I've always been an avid angler since my earliest recollections. My favorite places to fish are Lake Powell for the

their uniforms to all activities and meetings for the entire summer. Our group was invited to camp with Doug the night before, and we caught some of the biggest and best crawdads I've ever seen the next day. We had the time of our lives!



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A well equipped crew about to help "Mr. Outdoors" catch a mess of tasty 'dads.

beauty and Pine View Reservoir for the fish. One of my dream fishing locations is Telegraph Cove off Victoria Island in British Columbia, where I love to catch salmon and cod on the glassy waters of this beautiful, protected bay.

I first had the pleasure of meeting Doug Miller last year at the "Festival of Trees," sponsored by the Primary Children's Medical Center. I was the fortunate guy who purchased Doug's uniquely decorated Christmas tree, which came with a special prize, a fishing trip with "Mr. Outdoors" himself. Never in my wildest dreams would I imagine that trip would be Doug's last outdoor adventure. He made good on the trip offer this past July 28th with a crayfishing expedition on the Soldier Creek side of Strawberry Reservoir.

Planning for our trip began on Wednesday, July 26th when Doug called and was very insistent that the crayfishing expedition had to take place that Friday. Doug graciously invited my wife, Mindy, and children, Emerson and Abby to join him. He also generously agreed to extend the invitation as a reward to the four Boy Scouts in my troop, Taylor, Alex, Michael, and Jordan, who had worn

Doug seemed to be in good health on the trip. He was joking and playing with kids. Then, our biggest treat came when Doug made preparations to cook the crawdads right there on the bank. He added spuds, corn, and special seasoning packets to the crayfish tails. Doug even cooked a few whole crawdads as decoration for our feast, and it was a wonderful meal. We'll never forget the special time we spent with Doug. He is certainly one of the most friendly and gregarious people I've ever met.

Our crayfishing expedition was filmed, and you may have seen parts of our adventure when it aired as a portion of Doug's memorial *Outdoors With Doug Miller* episode on KUTV Channel 2 on September 9th. As most of you know, Doug became ill and went into the hospital the week after our July 28th expedition. He passed away on August 20th. Originally, our adventure was to air on August 19th.



Doug enjoyed cooking crawfish, using favorite recipes.



Recap of FOSV's "Wildlife Festival" 2006

By Kayla Willey

The spawning kokanee at Strawberry made a big showing this year in their brilliant red and green coloring at the Strawberry fish trap. They arrived in time for the Friends of Strawberry Valley Wildlife Festival, which was held September 22nd and 23rd. Alan Ward reported that the spawning run this year is a strong one and every bit as good as last year. About a hundred fish a day are still coming into the trap, and the season total as of the 23rd was almost three thousand kokanee.



FOSV Wildlife Festival visitors learn about the unique life cycle of kokanee from DWR biologist Alan Ward.

Several notable organizations helped sponsor this year's Wildlife Festival. These organizations included the Strawberry Anglers Association, Tracy Aviary, American Land and Leisure, the Division of Wildlife Resources, Division of Parks and Recreation Crossman Shooting, the U. S. Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Forest Service, and the Utah Snowmobile Association.

A few souls braved the cold, snow, wind, and rain on Friday. By Saturday afternoon, however, the weather had warmed and a steady stream of visitors crowded the Strawberry Visitors Center and fish trap for demonstrations. It was fun to watch all of the children oh and ahh at the kokanee and at the birds the Tracy Aviary brought. They tried their hands at catching a big fish with the DWR fish simulator, and the SAA and Parks booth had whistles, pencils, candy, and coloring books for the kids. Smokey the Bear was also on hand to visit with the children. Organizers estimated that approximately 2,000 people were on hand to enjoy the days activities. All who came to this year's FOSV Wildlife Festival had an educational and enjoyable time.



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Chloe Madsen - A Strawberry Legacy

By Jim Carter

The Strawberry Valley lost one of its strongest supporters, early pioneer, and valued influence when Jesse Chloe Madsen passed away on July 29, 2006. She was 95 years old.

Born in Midway, Utah, Chloe met her husband, G. Frank Madsen, at Strawberry. They were married in 1930, and as his wife, she helped run the Madsen Fishing Camp located near the old Indian Creek spillway.

Chloe was a gentle person who had great influence on all who knew her. Her love for wildlife and the environment helped many young people, including myself, understand the importance of taking care of the earth and all that lives on it. Chloe's memory of Strawberry Valley, and how things had changed over time, was a great help in guiding recent management decisions concerning the future of Strawberry Reservoir.

Chloe was one of the best cooks you could ever know. People always talked about her delicious meals - fantastic breakfasts, dinners, and home-

made pies. The homemade bread she baked each day was famous throughout the state.

The mother of four children, 14 grand children, 54 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great grandchildren will always be held in our hearts and thoughts with fondest memories. We will miss her. For those of us who grew up at the Madsen Fishing Camp, her passing closes another wonderful chapter of life at Strawberry.



Chloe Madsen, surrounded by friends and family, helped celebrate Strawberry Reservoir's 80th birthday during the summer of 2002.

Don Archer - A Dedicated DWR Employee

By Kayla Willey



Utah has certainly benefited from Don's broad experience and wisdom. His leadership will be missed.

Don Archer, who retired in mid-July from his position as Coordinator of Special Projects with the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, leaves with a wealth of fisheries experience throughout the United States. He has been with the DWR in Utah since 1990. Prior to that time, he worked twelve years with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, one year with the U.S. Forest Service, ten years with the state of South Carolina Wildlife and Marine Resources Department, and as a summer intern for the state of Maine. He obtained his undergraduate degree at the University of Maine in fisheries management and attended Clemson University for his master's degree in fisheries biology. Utah has certainly benefited from Don's broad experience and wisdom. His leadership will be missed.

The Archers are a fishing family. Don and his high school sweetheart wife, Sally, are the proud parents of two boys who both enjoy fishing and the outdoors. Eric, their youngest, is currently working as a fisheries biologist with the U.S. Forest Service and James, their oldest and father of four, owns an advertising agency in Draper. Sally was the editor of *The "Berry" Good News* for several years. The family enjoys fishing and Don owns a well equipped fishing boat. His favorite place to fish is Lake Powell. The day after his retirement banquet, he departed on a four day excursion to Flaming Gorge. His favorite eating fish are walleye and kokanee.

When asked about his most significant accomplishments at the DWR, Don quickly identified his role in guiding research projects at Utah



No stranger to hard work or big fish, Don shows off an exceptional lake trout caught in one of the gill nets at Flaming Gorge Reservoir.

State University as his most noteworthy achievement. He identified planning and overseeing the detoxification of Daniels Creek, Diamond Fork, and Strawberry River during the 1990's as a close second important project. But the most satisfying experience was with Strawberry Reservoir. He says he can't claim a lot of the credit since the plans for the most recent chemical treatment were already laid before he came. However, Don was in charge of the implementation of the Strawberry Management Plan and is very encouraged with the current state of this important Utah fishery.

His advice for the future would be to continue the management of premier fisheries in Utah as special projects, where dedicated DWR staff is responsible for a particular water instead of having everything run directly from the regional offices. Strawberry, along with Flaming Gorge, Bear Lake, and Lake Powell, are the special project waters. Don also encouraged continuing the research projects at the University of Utah. In his opinion, the DWR is dependent upon the universities for research, particularly in fish population modeling since the DWR simply does not have the time, manpower, or technical knowledge to undertake such tasks.

The SAA wishes Don and Sally the best in the future and many happy days enjoying hunting and fishing. If you see him fishing Strawberry, take a moment to thank him for his years of hard work on behalf of Utah's sportsmen.



As part of his job, Don helped educate the public by delivering formal presentations on the health of Utah's fisheries.

Results of Current Enforcement Activities



By Paul L. Davis
Conservation Officer, Strawberry Valley

As I mentioned at a recent meeting of your organization, the SAA does a lot for Strawberry Valley and for the Reservoir itself. I have looked at the law enforcement data over the last few years and was somewhat surprised. Each year we run an administrative checkpoint, or roadblock, and a couple of saturation patrols. These saturation patrols consist of all of the local conservation officers gathering at Strawberry Reservoir on a single day to help enforce the laws and educate the public. We usually have about fifteen officers on hand for these patrols.

This past year, I have noticed a huge decrease in violations, especially people keeping fish in the slot limit. I have averaged over 250 tickets per year at Strawberry, but so far this year the numbers are about half of what they normally are. I attribute this to increased knowledge of the regulations and compliance. Sure, there are still a few who don't know and a few violators who don't care, until it comes time to pay the fine. However, as I prepared this article, I researched the data and found that the results of our roadblocks have changed very little in the past year.

The trend holds true for our saturation patrols. Our contacts are up and so were the number of citations, as shown in the table below. However, the compliance percentage remained much the same. Hopefully our contacts will continue to increase and our citations will decrease. I am planning to hold one more roadblock this summer. The data on the number of contacts and citations will be available to interested individuals.



Officer Paul Davis is committed to catching individuals that chose to violate Strawberry's fishing regulations.

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The local courts have been very good at supporting our enforcement efforts and a number of judges are taking fishing violations seriously. Having an illegal fish in your possession is a Class B misdemeanor, which could cost the offending angler a fine of up to \$185. After three such violations, a fishing license can be revoked. The failure to produce a valid fishing license on the water, and then producing your license during a court appearance, can cost an angler over \$100. On almost any day we find violations at the fish cleaning stations and SAA members can help by reporting all offenses they witness.

CONTACTS AND CITATIONS - 2005 AND 2006

ROADBLOCK	2005	2006
Contacts	621	1,124
Citations	23	23
Compliance	96%	98%
SATURATION PATROLS	2005	2006
Contacts	1,135	1,207
Citations	45	54
Compliance	96%	96%

Source: Conservation Officer Paul Davis, DWR Central Region, Springville, Utah

Fishing Strawberry's Tributaries

By **Brandon Anderson**



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I get lots of raised eyebrows when I invite someone to fish the tributaries of Strawberry Reservoir, usually followed by surprise when I say, "Yes, there are large cutthroat trout in most all of the tributaries." And, "yes, they are there even after the spring spawn and still there long after the July opening." When the second Saturday of that glorious month hits, I often find myself striding again through the long grass and old growth sagebrush to inevitably experience another miracle of some sort.



Brook Stonebraker and a nice Strawberry River trout.

Fishing the inflow tributaries of Strawberry Reservoir requires a bit of scouting. I like to hike Trout Creek or Mud Creek as the spawn is winding down in early summer. Each year is unique, relevant to changing fishing conditions, but a one mile hike upstream on a number of fishable tributaries always rewards the persistent trout hunter with a grumpy old sow that wanted to stay home for the summer instead of venturing back down to the Reservoir. Deep pools that funnel turbid wa-

ter yield stoneflies and caddis, and the overall aquatic insect presence seems to keep a few dominant trout around, similar to the December presence of a "resident" Mourning Dove.

The most exciting aspect of fishing the inflow tributaries is the abundance of aquatic insects and the consistency of the hatches. Blue winged olives precede the spring runoff, and from mid-February until the close of the tributaries on May 15th they hatch quite feverishly on warmer, cloudy days. Trout seem to appear from nowhere during this hatch, and a few large sippers can be stalked and hooked. The blue winged olives are really micro callibaetis, sizes 18, 20, 22, and 24 will do the job. Midges on Bryant's Fork, Mud Creek, and Chicken Creek are a sure bet on any day that is not windy and bitter cold.

I like to fish with a 8 foot, 4 weight fly rod, and usually have great success with standard midge larvae imitations, like brassies. With little or no weight, walk the bank with midge imitations cast into pools on the surface film or just under. Be careful to walk slowly, and far enough away to avoid spooking wary trout. Pale morning duns and lots of caddis keep fish looking through July and August. Hoppers, ants, beetles, wasps, and most other terrestrial imitations also work well during the summer. Another secret is the occasional abundance of fresh water crustaceans during the summer, particularly after a wet winter and spring. Large trout will cruise up tributaries to find them, and a good number stay in the stream after they spawn, as long as these tidbits are available. Use scuds and sowbugs to imitate one of the trout's favorite food items.

So, if fishing Strawberry Reservoir has become a bit routine, think about trying your hand on one of its tributaries. The rewards are there for those who want and appreciate a good challenge.

Become a Lifetime Member of SAA

The opportunity to become a lifetime member of the SAA was approved in August 2005, and Article 7 of the Bylaws was amended. The fee to be charged for a lifetime membership is equal to ten years of the annual dues amount at the time of application. Currently, the charge for SAA lifetime membership is \$100, or ten times the current annual dues of \$10. Since last year, fifteen people have shown their commitment to our associa-

tion by becoming lifetime members of the Association. These individuals are Jim Pike, Val John Halford, Michael Harper, Guy Morgan, Earl Latimer, Kayla Willey, Brend Nielsen, Steve Linde, Andy Clark, Bill Partner, Richard Taylor, Harold (Sweed) Russell, Rick Woodard, Dan Scartzina, and Jim Carter. With your annual membership renewal due in January, think about becoming a lifetime member of SAA.



Strawberry Kokanee

(Continued from Page 1)

berry Visitor Center and fish trap complex to view the colorful spawners and observe egg collection efforts. Strawberry has become a popular destination for school field trips, and is the site of the annual Friends of Strawberry Valley Wildlife Festival supported largely by kokanee activities.

Kokanee salmon fisheries across the western United States have been shown to fluctuate widely from year to year, a situation which is no different at Strawberry. These fluctuations can be difficult to predict, and are due in part to the loss of brood stock each year. We have seen years of good kokanee fishing at Strawberry, and years when they are difficult to find. Similarly, we have seen years with excellent spawning runs, and years during which few spawners are present in the tributary streams.

Kokanee salmon fishing and spawning runs were excellent during 1999 and 2000. We also observed respectable kokanee fishing and spawning numbers during 2003. This year we are encountering an excellent run of kokanee in the Strawberry River. As of September 28, 2006, a total of 3,431 kokanee have entered the Strawberry River trap, and over 4,000 are expected. Four of our best kokanee runs occurred during the last six years. Based on present patterns, it appears that we can expect good kokanee abundance in one of every two to three years.

It is obvious that kokanee populations in Strawberry have not developed to the extent we would like, partly because we have been unable to stock sufficient numbers of these fish. Stocking rates depend largely on egg availability from an inconsistent wild source, and available hatchery space to raise the kokanee fingerling. We have also been disappointed with the contribution of natural recruitment to the overall kokanee population. Nevertheless, the DWR remains committed to the kokanee program at Strawberry, and



A demonstration of how Kokanee salmon eggs are gathered, fertilized, and taken to hatcheries where the young are raised.

the annual egg take will continue. Strawberry remains one of the west's most reliable, disease free sources of kokanee eggs.

There have been a number of misconceptions in the angling community regarding the kokanee management program at Strawberry. One rumor that has been circulating is that our stocking rates are low because we have sold eggs to other states. This is simply not true. The DWR does not sell eggs to other entities. The various states cooperate with each other and often provide wildlife to bolster programs in other areas. Although we have provided kokanee eggs to other states, and to other Utah waters on occasion, Strawberry's quota has always come first, and we do not provide eggs to other entities until we have met our needs at Strawberry. Anglers need to remember that Strawberry's kokanee fishery originated from eggs taken at other waters, specifically Flaming Gorge and Porcupine Reservoirs, and that the DWR's fisheries management program is a state-wide effort.

Although kokanee will continue to be a secondary element of the Strawberry management effort, the DWR will continue efforts to improve the kokanee fishery and stabilize egg takes.



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Upcoming Meeting and Event Schedule 2006-07

October 3 SAA Meeting
Steve Warner, Vice-Pres. American Land and Leisure

November 7 SAA Meeting
Alan Ward, Strawberry Project Leader
Annual "State of the Lake" Report

December No SAA Meeting - Happy Holidays

January 2 SAA Annual Business Meeting and Elections
Ann Evans, Utah State Parks, Off-Highway
Vehicle Education Program Coordinator

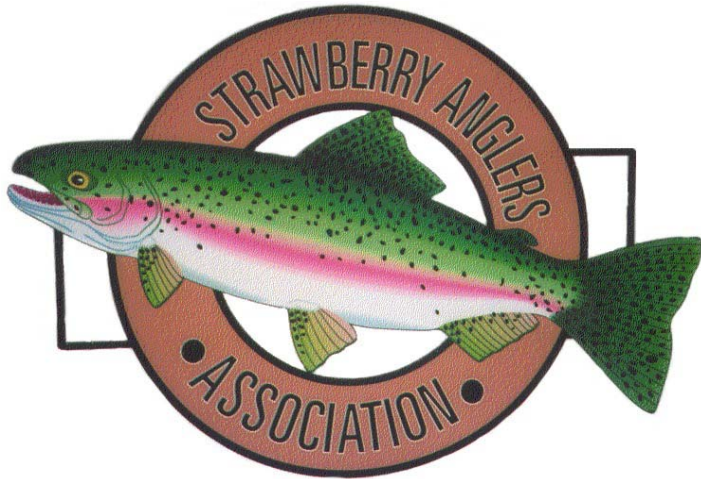
February 2 SAA Meeting
Julie King, Forest Service District Ranger,
Heber District

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Dear SAA Member,

Unless you are a lifetime member, your SAA membership will expire in January, 2007. It is now time for you to renew your membership. You may now renew your membership on an **annual basis (\$10/year)** or procure a **lifetime membership (\$100)**. As a dues paying member of the Strawberry Anglers Association you will continue to receive *The 'Berry Good News* four times a year, be informed of topics for the monthly SAA meetings, and have the opportunity to participate in the management of Strawberry Reservoir.

SAA needs your continued support and participation to make positive contributions to managing and preserving Strawberry Reservoir as Utah's premier trout fishery. I sincerely hope you will also encourage your fishing associates to join our ranks.

Please take a moment now to fill out the renewal notice below and mail your check to:

Strawberry Anglers Association, 735 Labrum Avenue, Murray UT 84107

Your membership renewal for 2007 is due by **March 1, 2007**. Unfortunately, if you haven't renewed by that date, you will be removed from the SAA email and mailing lists.

Sincerely,

Jim Carter, President
Strawberry Anglers Association

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE STRAWBERRY ANGLERS ASSOCIATION

- 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. **Lifetime membership** dues are \$100.00 per person.

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

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

Mail this form and your check to:

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Murray, Utah 84107

For more information, please call (801) 269-0619

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