

Keller Pond stocked with trout ready for fishing tourney

The Cheyenne County Wildlife members are once again hosting the fishing tournament at Keller Pond northwest of St. Francis. This year, they will sponsor Youth Day Fishing on Saturday, April 5, as well as the fishing tournament on the following day, April 6.

Recently, Keller Pond was stocked with rainbow trout. There are some fish that must be at least 18-inches long, said Francis O'Leary, Wildlife club member.

Saturday, April 5, children, ages 0 to 14, may come fish at the pond from 9 a.m. to noon. There will be no fee nor registration.

Kids get first chance at the big fish, Mr. O'Leary said.

However, he warned, parents should plan to accompany their children, especially the younger children. And, he said, if they will need to help their child pull in a fish, they will need to have a fishing license.

All tagged fish should be released after they are weighed, Mr. O'Leary said, so they will be in the pond for the fishing tournament the next day.

Two-man tournament

On April 6, the annual two-man team fishing tournament will be held. Those participating need to be at the Wildlife Clubhouse between 6 and 7 a.m. for registration. The tournament ends at 1 p.m.

We are looking for another good tournament and fishermen will be pleased with their catch, Mr. O'Leary said.



Keller Pond is closed to fishermen until April 5. No fishing allowed!



CHEYENNE COUNTY WILDLIFE board members stock Keller Pond with trout for the upcoming fishing contest. Top: Francis O'Leary (left) looks on as Tim Stimbirt (center) and Rodney Radcliffe (right) unload the trout into the water. Bottom: Tim uses a net to help move the fish out away from the shallow banks.

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