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Next Meeting:

June 18, 2008

JD's Black Bull
4481 S White Mountain Rd
Show Low, AZ
85901
(928) 537-5581

5:30 PM – Dinner (optional)
6:30 PM - Meeting

WMFFC Mission Statement

The Mission Statement of the White Mountain Fly Fishing Club is: "To assist in the development and maintenance of fly fishing opportunities and to promote and participate in fly fishing in its many forms."

We support and practice Catch and Release. We support the use of Barb-less Hooks and harmless netting and release practices. Fish should never be held out of water for longer than you can hold your breath.

Tight Loops

The White Mountain Fly Fishing Club's Annual Banquet is Saturday June 21st from 5:00 to 9:00 PM. Banquet Tickets are \$30.00 in advance, \$35.00 at the door. Tickets are available from Dawn Hewitt, any board member or at the June 18th club meeting.

Water Safety

Be safe on the water. What if you are in your Float Tube and it was to overturn and you were upside down in the water, would you be able to unhook the stripping net and get out?

Something to think about is your stripping net. Stripping nets have a hook, Velcro or snap that attaches the net to D ring on your tube. Some of those hooks are difficult to open. The stripping net is what would hold you in until you released it. On my Pontoon, I have modified the hooks so I can get out in case of an emergency. Two years ago I saw a fisherman in a float tube go upside down, fortunately someone was within reach and pulled him to safety. Check your snaps, Velcro or hooks and be prepared in case you have an emergency.

Remember a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) is required on all Float Tubes and Pontoons on both the Apache Indian Reservation and National Forest Lakes.

Thunder and Lightning

The monsoon is soon to arrive and with it comes lightning. When you hear thunder, lightning was the cause and is close behind. Get off the water, Golfers and Fishermen are easy targets for lightning. Be safe on the water.

See you on the water.

Bob Bowers
President

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June Monthly Meeting

NOTE: ***JD's Black Bull Sports Bar & Restaurant***

Agenda:

BUD HUTH -- VP

- Social Hour and Dinner
- Call to Order
- Introduction of Guests and New Members!
- Committee Reports
- Business (focusing on Annual Invitational and Banquet)
- Previous Outing Overview and Upcoming Outings!
- Fish Tails
- Raffle
- The Special Guests and Presentation for this month will be: Lefty Kreh, via a DVD: "FISHING KNOTS". Laura Higgins has asked to be our guest speaker on "Tax Credits", not exactly fishing, but if you are interested I'll set it up for July's meeting. More information to follow, please let me know. If you would like to be on the agenda, please call me so a time can be reserved.

Proposed Bylaw Changes:

Article III – Dues and Fees --- **CHANGES IN RED**

SECTION 1: ESTABLISHMENT OF DUES AND FEES ---

The Board of Directors will, at their **June** Meeting each year, propose the rate of member dues and other scheduled fees for the coming year. Proposed dues and fees will be ratified by a vote and simple majority of the Club membership present at the **June** general meeting. Approved dues and fees will be published in the **July** newsletter, along with Article III, Section 3, Parts A and B of these Bylaws.

SECTION 2: DUES NOTICES ---

A statement of dues payable will be published along with an application in the **May** and **June** newsletter each year.

SECTION 3: DELINQUENT DUES ---

- A. Any member delinquent in dues on **July 15** will be removed from the Club Membership and the mailing list without further notice.
- B. Delinquent members may regain membership by completing the application form and paying the appropriate annual dues.

Questions / Comments? Contact – Bob Bowers

• **FISH TALES ---**

Hurricane Lake, "So where was everyone?"

We had our permits, the lock combination, plans for a great Potluck, and tremendous anticipation for early spring fishing. Then the Snow came and kept coming: 18 inches of it. It was unbelievable. I left Show Low Thursday and made it to FR 116, one mile from Reservation Lake with our camper, dogs, and husband. And there we stayed until Saturday afternoon when I decided to I ventured out and followed a single pair of tracks exposing a possible road. It was the game warden's tracks. I made it into Hurricane!!

As I plowed my way around the lake a fallen tree blocked the "road" right before the campsites. A little while later, the Phoenix guys arrived with a hatchet and were able to move the tree. It was beautiful and fun.

On Sunday, it was still challenging to drive in but better in the afternoon. Mike Styvaert and his wife Faye made it in on Sunday and Mike started catching fish from the shore within 5 minutes. And they were beautiful. His biggest about 18.5 inches, fat, Apache Trout. Prince nymph was THE Fly to use. Hauling a pontoon through 18 inches of snow was a workout but I managed to get it in and fish. I think Mike had at least a half dozen before I could get my boat in. I caught all sizes. My prize was a 17 inch very male Apache Trout: I never saw such a "beaked" hooked jaw before. (Sorry, no picture).

Ammon Talbot made it on Monday and he says the fishing was great....I had to return home. I have not heard of anyone else from our club getting in.

We may be able to get another weekend because of the weather. So stay posted. Maybe we can hit the early Fall Snow!! **Please check-out the pictures on the [website](#).**



Upcoming Three Month Calendar	June	18 th 21 st	2008
			Monthly Meeting
			WMFFC Annual Banquet (See pg. 4 for details)
	July	16 th 19 th	Monthly Meeting
			Reservation Lake
	August	20 th 23 rd	Monthly Meeting Outing TBA @ Meeting

*Please contact Fran Stier if you have any ideas for upcoming outings.
Thank You!*

• **CHRISTMAS TREE LAKE OUTING REPORT ---**

FRAN STIER -- OUTINGS

Well, we had better weather: just a little wind. The fishing was great but catching was difficult, the fish seemed to be full. But nevertheless, fish were caught. I had fun with the dry fly, parachute hopper and I was fortunate to find a gathering hole where the fish were actually following my fins. Kim and Ammon were on the water when I arrived at 5:45 am!!! And Kim was catching them right away. Mike Smith and Dawn were doing well and actually skipped lunch. Dianna, dog and kayak toured the whole lake. Bill Langdon stated he caught his biggest fish yet....but I was too far away to get a picture.



I left at 6pm, leaving Dennis, Lyle, and Dave on the water. I have not received a report from them yet. I wasn't there on Saturday and I have not received a report yet. Hope it was good.

As usually, the potluck was great: Bob cooked-up Brats that were delicious. We had sauerkraut, baked beans, salads, fruit, and of course, cookies. And good fishing stories.

Please join us in July at Reservation Lake: July 19th.
See you on the water,
Fran

Flash- Lake Challenge Opening Up

SPARKY SNYDER -- NEWS

Due to the lack of competitive teams from other clubs, we are opening the Becker Lake Challenge to more teams from our own club at no fee. Each team of two will be required to provide all their own equipment and pay their own individual expenses to compete. They will also be required to attend the banquet. The winning team members will each receive a WMFFC Mug, a fly box, and have their names inscribed on the perpetual trophy as the initial winners.

The fee, lunch, free mug, and banquet ticket in Item 1 of the rules below will not apply. Item 7 is hereby modified to allow for added teams. You and your fishing partner must register as a team with M. Styvaert (mstyvaert@hotmail.com) or G. Meyers (gmeyers12@MSN.com)

WHITE MOUNTAIN FLY FISHING CLUB LAKE INVITATIONAL; JUNE 21, 2008
BECKER LAKE; SPRINGVILLE, ARIZONA

More information as well as Rules and Regulations for the Event can be found on our Website ...
www.wmflyfishing.com --- *Banquet Section*

REMEMBER ...

E-mail addresses: The club needs your e-mail address for our monthly newsletter. Mailing a newsletter is expensive for the club and time consuming for our Newsletter Chairman Sparky Snyder. If you don't have an email, remember ... many sites like YAHOO! And GMAIL offer free accounts with virtually unlimited space.

/ NOTE: The club's website holds valuable and up-to date information on meetings, outings, membership and local fishing !!
www.wmflyfishing.com

The White Mountain Fly Fishing Club’s annual Banquet will be held Saturday, June 21 at the Chuck Wagon Steak House. Doors open at 5 p.m. with a no host bar, a prime rib or BBQ Chicken dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the club raffle. The raffle items are being provided by local merchants, fly fishing manufacturers, outfitters, suppliers, and club members.

This annual fundraiser supports local fishing opportunities and conservation projects in its many forms as it relates to fly fishing in the White Mountains. Tickets are \$30.00 per person in advance or \$35.00 at the door.

For tickets and raffle information call Dawn Hewitt, Banquet Chairperson at 480-695-3965 or Bob Bowers, President at 928-367-5579.

Call for Member Donations for Annual Banquet Raffle

As you all may know, the White Mountain Fly Fishing Annual Fishing Challenge and Banquet will be June 21st at the Chuck Wagon Steak House. We have received many nice items for our fund raising raffle from many of the industry vendors. Many of our members and friends have wonderful creative talents. Any donations of crafts and both fishing and non-fishing related items for the raffle that you would like to make would be greatly appreciated and would benefit your club. Remember, WMFF is a 501-C-3 non-profit and your donations are tax deductible.

If you wish to donate any items you can contact Dawn Hewitt at 480-695-3965, Michael Smith at 602-316-0948 or Bob Bowers at 928-367-5579 and we will arrange to have them picked up.



WMFFC

The Federation of Fly Fishers:
Joining The Federation of Fly Fishers at a much reduced rate of \$ 15.00 has been extended thru June 2008. The normal annual price for FFF membership is \$30.00 a year. The WMFFC currently has 24 members and we have already earned and received our first TFO Fly Rod. We are ready to order the second TFO fly rod, with 12 more memberships the club can earn a 3rd TFO Rod. This is an excellent organization to support. There are great benefits for fly fishing and its members. THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE TO JOIN AT THE \$15.00 RATE. JOIN AT OUR MARCH CLUB MEETING OR MAIL A CHECK to: P. O. Box 2187, Pinetop AZ 85935.

Website Info ---

CORY HUTH -- ADMIN

Well, it seems that the Message Board has really taken off the last few days with over 30 posts and 18 registered members. Just for fun, here is the site statistics for the week I was gone:

Site Activity

Page View Summary

Total page views in last 7 days: **234**
Total page views in last 30 days: **1,590**
Most page views in last 30 days: **97** (Wed 05/28)

Daily Page Views



Expected Hatches for the month of June –

(From Arizona Trout Streams and Their Hatches by Charles R. Meck and John Rohmer)

Mayflies:

Little blue-winged olive dun (Baetis) size 20, afternoons. Black River, Little Colorado River and its South Fork. North Fork of the White River, and Silver Creek

Pale morning dun (Ephemerella) size 16-18, morning and evening. East and West Fork of the Black. Little Colorado.

Trico (Tricorythodes) size 24, mornings. The Black River and its East and West Forks. Little Colorado River, Its East and South Fork. North Fork of the White River. Silver Creek.

Blue Quill (Paraleptophlebia) size 18, mornings. Black River. Little Colorado River.

Western Green Drake (Drunella Grandis) size 16, evenings. West Fork of the Black. Little Colorado River and its South Fork. North Fork of the White River.

Pale evening dun (Heptagenia Elegantula) size 16, evenings. West Fork of the Black. Little Colorado and its South Fork. North Fork of the White River.

Stoneflies:

Little Yellow Stone (Skwalla spp.) size 16, evenings. Black River. Little Colorado River and its West Fork.

Caddisflies:

Tan (Hydropsyche spp.) size 14-16, evenings. Black River, and its West Fork. Little Colorado River and its East, West, and South Forks. North Fork of the White.

Green (Rhyacophila vagita) size 14-16, evenings. Black River. Little Colorado River. North Fork of the White River.

Midges:

Size 18-24. Primarily dawn, mid-morning, or dusk, but can occur at various times. All streams.

Terrestrials:

Flying (Carpenter) Ants: After the first large rain storm. Occasional thereafter.

Grasshoppers: Becoming more common as the month progresses.

Lakes:

Speckled-winged dun (Callibaetis coloraensis) size 14-18, late mornings.

Damsel Fly size 10-14, mornings.

Midges (Chronomid) size 18-24, Primarily dawn and dusk, but could occur at any time.



Ed. Note: There are 111 different species of "Midges" in Arizona. There are at least six different species of mayflies in Arizona with the common name of: Little blue-winged olive or Blue-winged olive.

FOR SALE ---

- 15' Alum canoe w/side motor mount, oars: \$50
- MinnKota model35 24#thrust 4sp. fwd/2sp. rev. Battery incl. very good condition: \$75
- Sea Eagle inflatable: wood flooring, Canopy, motor mount, oars, repair kit, manual, storage bag, \$400

Contact:



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ATTENTION – Minutes from the May 2008 Monthly Meeting are NOT available ... check the website for more information!

If you have an Ad or Article that you would like featured in the next Newsletter, please submit them by the 1st of the Month *** Cory Huth ***** admin@wmflyfishing.com**