

NEWSLETTER

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We Support Catch and Release

April 2009



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Next Meeting:

April 15, 2009
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 WMFFC CASTING POND IS FINALLY FINISHED!

Yes, it's true the work was done on Saturday April 32rd. Thanks to all that helped with this project, it was a lot of pick and shovel work but we got'er done. Thanks for helping: Dawn Hewitt, Mike Smith, Jim Williams, Ken Wolf. Ken Haught, Fran Stier, Dennis Jones, Roy Skaggs, Richard Dryer, Richard Hagnear, Ted Lambert and Bud Huth. There was a lot of kidding, laughter and hard work. This facility will serve not only our club but everyone in the community. A special thanks goes to Christopher's Garden for assistance with the purchase of the weed barrier and Paradise Anglers Fly shop for assistance with the purchase of the wood chips. Now all that is left to do is plan our WMFFC PANCAKE BREAKFAST, CASTING LESSON and the super competitive FLY CASTING CONTEST at the casting pond.

Christmas Tree Lake: Friday May 29th and Saturday May 30th

Sign-ups started at the February 15th Club Meeting. A one day club permit will cost \$20.00. Permits are going fast so call Ted Lambert (928-537-2115) or attend the next meeting. The club again this year is subsidizing the \$30.00 per day permits. See Ted Lambert's article.

March Outing: March 20, 21 & 22

Ted Lambert has planned an April outing at Becker Lake, spring fishing should be very good. See Ted's article for details. .

This Month's Buffet Includes a Salad Bar and a soft drink and a tip all for \$8.00.

New Permanent Name Badges:

Please wear your new name badge to all club events, club meetings, outings, club functions and banquets.



See you on the water,
Bob Bowers
President

**2009
WMFFC
Board
Members**



- President:** Bob Bowers..... (928) 367-5579
- Past President:** Resigned.....
- Vice President:** Bud Huth..... (928) 532-0777
- Secretary:** Fran Stier (928) 537-4556
- Treasurer:** Jon Meyer & Dawn Hewitt..... (928) 242-5161
- Board Member #1:** Bud Mast..... (928) 537-4396
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- Membership Chairman:**..... Dennis Jones..... (928) 367-6124
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- Outings Chairman:** Ted Lambert (928) 537-2115
- Website and Newsletter:** Cory Huth..... (602) 621-1070
- Librarian:** **OPEN POSTION**
- Hats and Patches Chair:** Ken Wolf (928) 367-0936

April Monthly Meeting @ 6:30PM

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

Agenda:

- Social Hour and Dinner -- (5PM)
- Call to Order -- (6:30PM)
- Introduction of Guests and New Members!
- Committee Reports
- Business
- Previous Outing Overview and Upcoming Outings!
- Fish Tails
- Raffle @ 7PM
- The special presentation for the month of March will be:

BUD HUTH -- VP



Meeting Dedicated to Saltry Lake Lodge Raffle Drawing.



Monthly Meeting Buffet ...
 This month's buffet: Salad Bar and a soft drink and a tip all for only \$8.00!

**Upcoming
Three Month
Calendar**

April	15 th 18 th	2009 Monthly Meeting Becker Lake
May	20 th 29 th & 30 th	Monthly Meeting Christmas Tree Lake
June	17 th 20 th	Monthly Meeting Outing TBA @ Meeting

Outings, Club Projects and Upcoming Events

Roosevelt Outing ...

March 21st 2009

TED LAMBERT



The WMFF March outing with the Arizona Fly Casters at Roosevelt Lake went really well. The weather was great, warm shirt sleeve weather with no rain

and little wind.

Bob and Kathy Bowers and Gary and Doris Miller are members of both clubs, so they knew just about everyone from AFC. But for the rest of us, it was an opportunity to meet new people and make new friends. (By the way, Juanita asked us to send her greetings to Sparky).

The first event was "happy hour" (BYOB) a time to greet old friends and make new ones. There were lots of fun snacks; the stuffed mushrooms were great.

On Saturday morning most of the fishermen were out on the lake. We had a good time fishing even though the catching was slow. Gary had some success with a green leech. Roger from AFC caught some on a Clouser Minnow. And others had luck with various forms of Wooley Buggers.

The big event was a pot luck at 4:00 PM. I made a 12" dutch oven full of Au graten potatoes, which didn't last long. Dawn brought White Chile which was a big hit also. There were all sorts of salads and

desserts. Fran brought a Mexican layered casserole (I guess you'd call it) which was very good and Doris supplied a wonderful fruit dessert.

Sunday morning a few of us went out fishing, but the wind came up; so we headed back in and packed it up to head for home.

The April Outing will be at Becker Lake, Saturday the 18th.

San Juan River ..

April 2009

TED LAMBERT



Seven members of the WMFFC caravanned to the San Juan river for an adventure that all will remember. Everyone caught Rainbows, Browns and Silvers

most every day. Dawn, Fran, Ken, Ted, Mike and Bob traveled through snow, wind and sunshine to Abe's Motel. We fished together, eat together and really had a great time. Most of the fish were in the 18" to 20" range with the exception of the Rainbow that Mike Smith caught, it was over 22" and a real hog. This was a first for members of the club and we are planning a late October trip that will be an official club trip. More details at the April 15th Club Meeting.

Ted Lambert

Saltrey Lake Lodge: Alaskan Fly Fishing Trip 2009

Saltrey Lake Lodge donated a Two for One Fly Fishing Trip for the 2009 fishing season, **July 19 – 25, 2009**. This is a 6 days/6 night's guided fishing package for two fishermen/fisher-ladies. The trip includes round trip transportation from Kodiak City to the Saltrey Lake Lodge, food, lodging in a Standard cabin and 6 days of guided fishing.

- July is the time of year for: Sockeye, Chums, Pinks, Rainbows & Dolly Vardens.
- Regular retail price for two fishermen is \$4740.00. Total trip costs \$2370.00. Cost for each fisherman is \$1185.00 each.
- Airfare to Kodiak City is not included.
- Donated By: Saltrey Lake Lodge, Kodiak City, Alaska.
- **Raffle Tickets are available at our Club Meetings, from a Board Member or from our website via Pay Pal. The winner will be drawn at our April 15th Club Meeting.** Raffle Tickets are \$10.00 each.

WHITE MOUNTAIN FLY FISHING CLUB, INC.
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES, 03-18-2009; BLACK BULL RESTRAUNT

Call to order by: Bob Bowers @ 6:40 PM

1. Feb. Minutes were approved without corrections.
2. Guests: Bill Greenwood, Bill Curtis, Kelly Meyer, and "PJ"
3. Bill Greenwood, Eager Town Manager described the planned "Round Valley Fishing Contest" for Becker Lake scheduled for Memorial Day Weekend. There will be a fishing tournament from 9-1pm on Saturday, May 23. Catch and release only. Bill is requesting volunteers from our club to help with this tournament. There will be many other activities planned for the entire weekend throughout the town and at the lake. If you are interested call Bill Greenwood @ 928-245-0523 or Bob Bowers.
4. Sparky shared information regarding recent website difficulties and many members not being able to read the newsletter. If you have problems please contact Sparky.
5. Ted Lambert report on the upcoming outings and Christmas tree. Please see his report for details. Bob Bowers shared information regarding an unofficial club outing scheduled for the San Juan River, April 4-8.
6. Dawn Hewitt gave an up-date on the Saltery Lake Raffle. The raffle will be held at the **April Meeting**.
7. **Elections: President, Vice-pres, and a Board Member position will be open this year. Elections at Annual Meeting in July.** Please contact a Board member or Fran Stier if you think you may be interested in running for a position.
8. Richard Dreyer presented a Thank you letter from Az. Game & Fish, for our donation of a generator to be used on various fisheries projects.
9. Dianna Jean thanked the club for \$300 donation and sponsorship of the 5K Run for the "Save Woodland Lake Park". Our club's name will be on the T-shirts and other advertisements. The run is June 6th and entry forms are at Safeway, Pinetop City Council office and throughout other businesses. Entry fee is \$25.
10. **Banquet Update: June 20th.** Dawn announced that the fee this year would be \$35/person. Volunteers are needed to call vendors for raffle donations. Capt. Bill Harris will be organizing the set-up team. The stream competition is coordinated by Bud Mast. Call Dawn Hewitt to help with this event.
11. Dennis Jones and Ken Wolf represented our club at the Bass Pro Shop by offering a fly-tying demonstration.
12. The meeting's raffle added \$55 to our treasury. Please bring more raffle items to the meeting.
13. The meeting's speaker: Kelly Meyer from Az. Game & Fish presented a program on several topics: "What's Up with Game & Fish". Sampling techniques, Becker lake, Winter oxygen studies. The presentation was very informative.

Meeting was adjoined at 8:15 PM

Respectively submitted By: Fran Stier

Edited By: Cory Huth & Sparky Snyder

Last Chance to buy raffle tickets for the Saltery Lake Lodge 2 for 1 fishing trip, \$10 per ticket or 3 for \$20. Drawing will be held at the meeting, Wednesday April 15th. Don't miss this opportunity of a lifetime. Cash, check, and Credit card will be available at the meeting. Drawing @ 7PM.

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

"There is a little something in this newsletter for everyone, even those who look for mistakes."