

# NEWSLETTER

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We Support Catch and Release

February 2010



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## Next Meeting:

**February 17, 2010**  
**Lakeside Fire Dept**  
2922 Highway 260  
Lakeside, AZ 85929  
(928) 368-6112

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6:00 PM – Social Hour  
7:00 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*

Well, how about this weather! I hope everybody got through it okay. It sure put a damper on our Saturday January 23 outing. Hopefully we will be able to make it up in February.

I must say our classes at the fire station have been well attended and very much worthwhile. THANKS! Dennis Jones, Bill Langdon, and Mike Smith for your time and effort so that we all can improve our fishing skills.

February 3 Bob Bowers will be introducing a rod building class. I did it last year and enjoyed it very much. Along with the rod-building class, we will tie a fly (advanced). Even if you think your skills are not adequate, you should attend. You always pick up something useful you can use.

The "fly-swap" is going to be a lot of fun. If you would like to participate and feel your tying is not up-to-par, let me or someone know so that we can help you so that can be a part of the "fly-swap".

I am still looking for members to help with the June 19 banquet. If you think you would like to help, let the board know as soon as possible.

THANKS! Gail Allgood for introducing us to our new videos and program at the January meeting. They are an excellent addition to the library and club.

I would like to acknowledge Richard Dryer for all his donations toward our raffle. It is very much appreciated. THANKS! Richard.

See you in class, if not on the water,



**Ken Wolf**  
President  
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# 2010 WMFFC Board Members



- President:** ..... Ken Wolf..... (928) 367-0936
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- Librarian:** ..... Gail Allgood..... (928) 369-1927

## February Monthly Meeting @ 6:00PM

NOTE: Lakeside Fire Department

### Agenda:

- Social Hour -- (6:00PM)
- Call to Order -- (7:00PM)
- Introduction of Guests and New Members!
- Committee Reports
- Business
- Previous Outing Overview and Upcoming Outings!
- Fish Tails
- Raffle
- The special presentation for this month will be:

Our own Dennis Jones presenting a program on "midge fishing"! Don't miss this!  
Future Programs - Ms. Cinda Howard of Orvis will speak at our March meeting on Fly Fishing White Mountain Streams. April and May programs will be announced.

MIKE STYVAERT -- VP



**New Members:** Please join us in welcoming Carl "Doc" and Jacqueline Dockendorf from Linden area and Cole Hoyt, from Show Low as our new members.

## Upcoming Three Month Calendar



**February**  
  
**March**  
  
**April**

17<sup>th</sup>  
20<sup>th</sup>  
17<sup>th</sup>  
20<sup>th</sup>  
21<sup>st</sup>  
24<sup>th</sup>

**2010**  
Monthly Meeting  
Silver Creek  
Monthly Meeting  
Becker Lake  
Monthly Meeting  
Crescent Lake or  
Lee Valley.

# Outings, Club Projects and Upcoming Events

## Silver Creek Outing ...

Well, here we are in February already and hoping spring gets here soon. As everyone probably knows by now, our January outing was canceled due to bad weather (snow, snow and more snow). When the weather started getting really bad, it was decided to change the outing from Show Low Lake to an inside activity at the Lakeside Fire Hall. But even that had to be canceled when the snow continued to come down, and the area fire departments were challenged with their own issues.

So like I said before, here we are in February. At our last general membership meeting it was decided to change the February outing from Scotts Reservoir (because of the possibility of it being iced over) to Silver Creek.

So weather permitting, our February outing will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> at Silver Creek. I have heard some good reports, that the fishing picked up out there after the water clouded up a little from the run-off. Let's hope we have good weather for our outing, and let's try to have some warm food and drinks for our potluck lunch.

If, by chance, the weather turns bad again, it's a possibility that we may try to have an inside activity somewhere.

See you at the Meeting/Outing.  
**Ted Lambert, Outings Chairman**

**REMINDER** - Arizona Fly Casters have again invited us to join them for their annual outing at Roosevelt Lake on March 27th, a week after our own outing. So come out and join us at our outings, for good food, good fellowship and hopefully good fishing.

**Classes:** Sign-up lists are available from Craig Harmon. Classes will run throughout the winter and then repeat in the Spring. Topics include fly-tying, casting, equipment, knots, casting, and rod building. Classes will be held at the Lakeside Fire Station – **Craig Harmon**

## FFF Annual Dues ...

Our FFF dues were recently paid which were up considerably from last year since most of our members have not renewed their membership with FFF. For each WMFFC member that is a member with FFF we receive a reduction to our dues of \$2.00. Only 6 WMFFC members are paid members with FFF this year compared to 29 last year. I would like to encourage our members to consider joining FFF as they offer many great benefits. FFF also provided our club with 5 fly rods, reels, and lines for our use in teaching the youth as well as 500 Mustag fly hooks that are used in our fly tying classes.

**Dawn Hewitt, Treasurer**



**Don't miss our new monthly column, "Fly Tiers Korner"! Big thanks to Dennis Jones for all his dedication to the club!**

**See the attached article to read more.**

**REMINDER** - Our Christmas Tree Lake outing is scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> which is the first weekend in June. There are limited number of permits for Christmas Tree, so get yours early if you want to go. Contact **Ted Lambert, Outing Chairman**.

**New Permanent Name Badges** - Please wear your new name badge to all club events, club meetings, outings, club functions and banquets.

**New Year To-Do List:** Don't forget to get your 2010 fishing license --- Renew or join the Federation of Fly Fishers!

**Message Boards – Go to:** <http://forum.wmflyfishing.com>, located on our club website and check often as more and more of our members are beginning to post articles and pictures there. Frequent updates on future events. Please contact Cory, Webmaster if you have trouble accessing the site.

**Project Healing Waters:** Again this year our club will be working with our local Veterans and the Eastern Arizona Young Marines by sharing our knowledge of fly fishing with those who have a desire to learn our sport. If you would like to volunteer some of your time to help with these very worthwhile classes please call Craig Harmon at 928-532-1372. Classes will start in early to mid April, 2010. – **Craig Harmon**

## **WHITE MOUNTAIN FLY FISHING CLUB, INC. GENERAL MEETING MINUTES, 01-20-2010; LAKESIDE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Call to order by: Ken Wolf, President @ 7:00 PM - Pledge of the Allegiance by Mike Styvaert.

1. Visitor - Doc Dockendorf (new member)
2. Minutes - approved and \$9,407 + money in treasury
3. Project Healing Waters - Young Marines are needing volunteers starting April 13 to train them on outing to Greer ponds.
4. P.H.W insurance - may be available soon
5. January 23<sup>rd</sup> Outing - Ted suggested that we cancel the fishing outing due to the weather. 10-3 PM. The fire house is available and it was decided to have a get together at the fire house. BYO lunch.
6. It was agreed to have a "fly swap and exchange meeting" sometime in March 2010.
7. The February outing was changed to Silver Creek.
8. Bob Bauer discussed the White Mountain Lakes Foundation's goals.
  1. Windmill on Crescent
  2. Promote catch and release.
    - i. Richard said Mark Carroll may speak to the club about plans.
9. Gail discussed the new videos. Dennis Jones purchased 8 new videos. We now have comment cards inside (the video boxes).
10. Bob Bauer has a list of FFF memberships. The club now has 20 fly rod sets for training. FFF donates rods when enough new members sign up.
11. February 3<sup>rd</sup> rod building class and fly tying.
12. Every Wednesday in February fly tying will be offered. 10 people said they will attend.
13. Ken Wolf – Asked:
  1. that money collection be accompanied by a form.
  2. June 19<sup>th</sup> banquet, asked for volunteers for 10 different committees.
14. Fish Tales - Bud Mast said a size 18 midge was working at Silver Creek
15. A request for a "Conservation" Committee Chairman was given.
16. Program - Dennis Jones Reviewed the 8 new videos

**Respectively submitted By:** Ken Wolf  
**Edited By:** Cory Huth & Sparky Snyder

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM

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**If you have an Ad or Article that you would like featured in the next Newsletter, please submit them by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the Month \*\*\* Sparky Snyder \*\*\* [sparkysnyder@cableone.net](mailto:sparkysnyder@cableone.net)**

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