

NEWSLETTER



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Next Meeting:

February 16th, 2011
Lakeside Firehouse
2922 W. White Mt Blvd
Lakeside, AZ
928-368-6112

5:30 PM – Social Hour
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

Finally the weather was good to us for our Silver Creek Outing. The food was delicious and the turnout was great!

The next outing is February 4, 5, and 6 at "Dead Horse State Park" in Cottonwood with "Arizona Fly-Casters". It sounds like a fun time has been planned for all. It is an opportunity to meet other club members and build new friendships with other clubs.

We will be gearing up for the club's "Saltery Lake Lodge" trip. It is a two-for-one fishing trip set for July 3 through July 9, 2011. We will start selling raffle tickets (\$10 each or 3 for \$20) in February.

I want to thank everyone who signed up on our volunteer list of projects. It is a good start. If you feel you can help, let a board member know as soon as possible.

Fly-tying classes will continue through March on Wednesdays at 7:00PM at Game and Fish in Pinetop. If you have not been to one, you are missing a good time and a very educational time.

If you have items to donate to our monthly raffle, it would be greatly appreciated if you would bring them to the meetings.

REMINDER: Board Meeting Monday, February at Game & Fish.



Ken Wolf
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February Meeting: The monthly meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY, February 16th at the Lakeside Fire Station, located in Lakeside with the regular social hour beginning at 5:30 and the meeting at 6:30 to 9:00PM

2011 WMFFC Board Members



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@ 6:30PM

GERRY MYERS -- VP

Agenda:

- Social Hour -- (5:30PM)
- Call to Order -- (6:30PM)
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Guests and New Members!
- Committee Reports
- Business
- Fish Tales
- Raffle

- Program – The February program will be a look at Furled Leaders. We will start with a short over view of their advantages and a video showing how to make them yourself. At the meeting we will give out 5 furled leaders for club members to evaluate and compare to knotless leaders. When all five evaluation forms are completed we will publish an article in the newsletter on the results. For those interested a demonstration of making a furled leader will be given at the end.



Future Programs:

- March 2011 Game and Fish assessment of the winter on the White Mountains
- April 2011 Guest Speaker – John Rohmer, White Mountain Lakes Foundation and noted Arizona Fly Fisherman and author.

Phoenix International Sportsmen's Expo Fly Fishing Events - February 24 - 27

FFF Casting Board of Governors member and Master Casting Instructor, Bruce Williams, will host a preparatory workshop for those who want to hone their fly casting teaching techniques. This workshop lays the foundation for those seriously interested in progressing through the Certified Casting Instructor program. The 4 hour

workshop will be Saturday, February 26th from 1:00PM to 5:00PM. Early registration is welcome: email Bruce at brucecwilliams@cox.net to sign-up. The cost of the workshop is \$25.00. Bruce will also administer the Casting Instructor certification process, which includes three parts: a brief workshop, written test and performance test. Successful candidates will have thoroughly read and reviewed the testing materials on the Federation of Fly Fishers web site.

See details: <http://www.fedflyfishers.org/Default.aspx?tabid=4456> Preparation is key! If you or someone you know is ready to test, contact Bruce at the above address.

Also stake out a good spot at the casting pond! Master Casting Instructors and experienced fishing guides Molly Semenik and Hutch Hutchinson, along with local pros will address and demo helpful casting and fishing tips. ISE details are available

at: <http://www.sportsexpos.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=viewlocation&locationnumber=6>

2011 Outings and & Events...Ted Lambert, Outings Chairman

JANUARY OUTING - was moved from Fool Hollow Lake to Silver Creek. The lake was mostly frozen over, with just a little open water, so we decided to go to Silver Creek. As it turned out, the day was a beautiful day. The sun was shining, with no wind. The ground was relatively dry so there was very little mud and it was a warm January day. Over a dozen showed up, and everyone had a good time. The fishing was real slow, but I guess we can't have everything. A few fish were caught. Flies mentioned that caught fish were Beadhead Semi-seal Leech, and Chartreuse/white Woolly Bugger. There was more, but I don't remember them now. I know I need to make better notes.

Some showed up just for the potluck lunch. That is perfectly alright, as long as they bring food. No, I'm only kidding about that. We did have a good lunch, which is standard for this club. We had some excellent clam chowder with oyster crackers and really good, spicy chili; along with hot dogs; homemade bread (oh, so good); and a couple of different kinds of cornbread, one made with green chilies. For dessert, cherry pie, brownies and a chocolate cake. We made a pot of coffee and hot chocolate and hot apple cider were also available, along with soft drinks.

Like I said before, it was a beautiful day and everyone had fun.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
February 4, 5 & 6, 2011	Dead Horse Lake, Cottonwood Special Outing with Arizona Flycasters	Bob Bowers – (928)369-0203
FEBRUARY 16TH	MONTHLY MEETING – LAKESIDE FIRE HOUSE	
MARCH 16TH	MONTHLY MEETING – LAKESIDE FIRE HOUSE	
<u>CORRECTED DATE</u>		
March 25,26 &27, 2011	Roosevelt Lake, Tonto Basin	Michael Smith – (602)316-0948
APRIL 20TH	MONTHLY MEETING – LAKESIDE FIRE HOUSE	
April 23, 2011	Becker Lake, Springerville	NEED VOLUNTEER
May 21, 2011	Greer Lakes - Reservoirs	NEED VOLUNTEER
June 3-4, 2011	Christmas Tree Lake	Gary Hall – (480)510-7381
June 11, 2011	Annual Banquet – Pinetop Country Club	Ken Wolf – (928)367-0936
July 23, 2011	Reservation Lake	NEED VOLUNTEER
August 20, 2011	Big Lake	NEED VOLUNTEER
September 24, 2011	Sunrise Lake	NEED VOLUNTEER
October 22, 2011	Hawley Lake	NEED VOLUNTEER

Date
November 12, 2011
December 11, 2011

Location
Horseshoe Lake or Scott's Reservoir
Christmas Party at Licano's Restaurant
in Show Low

Sponsor
NEED VOLUNTEER
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Treasurers Report ... Submitted by Dawn Hewitt, Treasurer

Funds in the amount of \$2,000 have been appropriated to help in funding improvements at Becker Lake. Some of the improvements that will be started shortly include installation of a septic system, running electric and water in from the main road and eventually putting in concrete pads to enable lake/park hosts to take up residence and oversee enforcement of the new catch and release regulations that were implemented January 1, 2011. All of the Arizona fishing clubs and Trout Unlimited organizations have been contacted and are also providing funds to assist in these efforts.

We also funded the new signs that have been installed which provide detailed instruction on how to properly handle and release the fish with the least impact and increase survival rates.

Current Bank Balance is \$

Programs and Activities...

Fly Tying Classes - Will continue February 9th, 23rd and March 2nd, 9th & 23rd from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Location has changed to the Arizona Game and Fish Office Conference Room 2878 E. Highway 260 Pinetop, AZ 85935. No sign up is necessary just show up.

Club Volunteers Needed: Sign-up sheets will be available at the next meeting.

Classes and events are as follows:

Project Healing Waters

Annual Banquet-June 11, 2011

Youth Camp

Wildlife Festival-1st Saturday in October 2011

Casting For Recovery- May 15 2011 (prepare and host luncheon)

AZ Game & Fish Projects-dates and locations to be determined

Fly Tying Classes- Feb 9th & 23rd /Mar 2nd, 9th, 23rd & 30th 2011.

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