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## Next Meeting:

**April 16, 2008**  
**JD's Black Bull**  
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Show Low, AZ  
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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*

Ice-out is just around the corner in the White Mountains and our lakes are overflowing. This is going to be an exceptional year for fishing, so plan to attend our club meetings and outings. The lakes should be open in the next couple of weeks. I look forward to seeing you at the next club meeting and on the water.

Meanwhile our club has decided to assist two new programs. The first, *Operation Trout Watch* headed by Jim Hinkle, Law Enforcement Program Supervisor and club member will present a proposal for Becker Lake and Silver Creek: It's called operation trout watch! The program is an awareness program to improve angler compliance by enhancing the angler's and public's expectation of being caught violating fishing regulations at special management waters. This is a program that will improve our fisheries and hopefully stop poachers. This will be an exceptional program presented at our April club meeting.

The second, *Project Healing Waters* headed by Ken Wolf. This project will help our Veterans (disabled military personnel) with physical and emotional rehabilitation through fly fishing, fly tying, education and outings. Ken will need help with classes to be held in April and May. Please contact him if you are available to assist with this very important program.

See you on the water.

**Bob Bowers**  
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***April Monthly Meeting***

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

**Agenda:**

- Social Hour and Dinner
- Call to Order
- Introduction of Guests and New Members!
- Committee Reports
- Previous Outing Overview and Upcoming Outings!
- Fish Tails
- Raffle
- The Special Guests and Presentation for this month will be: Jim Hinkle, Regional Law Enforcement Superintendent, Az. Game and Fish Department. He will introduce a new Pilot Program: "**Operation Trout Watch**" See Tight Loops (above) for the details.

***Membership ~~~ New Memberships:***

We now have a new membership application to take care of the 2008 active records. The current WMFFC active member-base is 54 family memberships that include over 100 members. Those subscribed by email received a confirmation (to verify information) with this newsletter. If you need to correct any information, please email Dennis Jones – [dcjones1@frontiernet.net](mailto:dcjones1@frontiernet.net)

**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 Chairmen Sparky Snyder. If you don't have an email we will still mail you your newsletter but if you have e-mail please let Dennis know at 928-367-6124 or [dcjones1@frontiernet.net](mailto:dcjones1@frontiernet.net)

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

***/ NOTE: The April 2008 OUTING CHANGED !! >>> Horseshoe Lake -***

## ***Special Article ~~~ FFF Membership Drive Results:***

The affiliate club members program for 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 3<sup>rd</sup> TFO Rod. This is an excellent organization to support and belong to. 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 APRIL CLUB MEETING!

## ***OUTINGS, OUTINGS AND MORE OUTINGS...***

- ***FISH TALES***

OK. The word is definitely out on Becker. I arrived for March 22 outing at 6:45 am and there were already at least 7 people there from everywhere: New Mexico , Tucson , Phoenix and you name it. By 10:00 am, there were about 40-50 people fishing including the locals fishing with “you know what” on the shore lines Beautiful sunshine, minimal wind(is it really Becker!), and minimal fish were caught. Al and Ted circled the lake in a boat many times scouting for fish: while Dennis, Bob, and I tried the dam, the cottonwoods, and the weed beds. Soon Emerson arrived and demonstrated the way to catch fish....the Emerson way. I missed a great picture opportunity, no camera, with the line-up of pontoons about 30-40 feet off the boat put-in, fishing with their strike indicators and midge set-up. The rest of us did catch an occasional fish; the prince nymph worked well for me. We were looking for a “Ken Wolfe orange fly” that always works for him. No Ken, no fly. It was a fun day as always.

- ***HURRICANE AND CHRISTMAS TREE OUTINGS***

Remember there are limited spots for these outings: Hurricane Lake reservations are filling-up. There is no lottery drawing for Hurricane, you must sign-up. There is no rental cost to you but you must purchase an Access Permit, \$3/day from the Apache Tribe. Hurricane is ours from May 23-26<sup>th</sup>. There is camping at the lake. **So don't wait.**

**The Christmas Tree Lottery** drawing is set for the May Club Meeting: **May 21<sup>st</sup>**, at the Black Bull Restaurant. The cost for Christmas Tree is \$15/day and the dates are June 6 & 7<sup>th</sup>. There is NO camping at Christmas Tree.

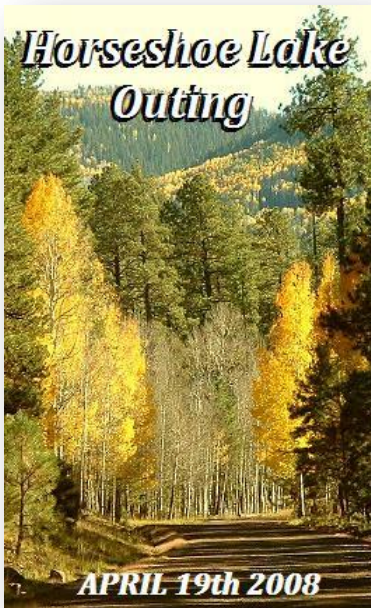
If you may contact me for more information: [Fran@heartnp.com](mailto:Fran@heartnp.com) or home phone: 928-537-4556 (evenings).

**Hope to see more of you on the water,  
Fran**



<b>Upcoming Three Month Calendar</b>	<b>April</b>	16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>2008</b>
		19 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
	<b>May</b>	21 <sup>st</sup>	Horseshoe/Cienega Lake
		23 <sup>rd</sup> thru 26 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
	<b>June</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> thru 7 <sup>th</sup>	Hurricane Lake
		18 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Tree Lake
	21 <sup>st</sup>	Monthly Meeting	
			Christmas Tree Lake

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



### **REMEMBER ... Mark your Calendar!! – APRIL 19<sup>th</sup>**

The April Outing, previously scheduled for Roosevelt Lake, has been changed due to reports of poor fishing and a late spawn. The April Outing will now be held at Horseshoe / Cienega Lake (on the Apache Indian Reservation). The date still remains April 19<sup>th</sup> 2008.

For more information, check our website ... [www.wmflyfishing.com](http://www.wmflyfishing.com)

**Fran Stier** --- (928) 537 – 4556

**Bob Bowers** --- (928) 367 – 5579

[outings@wmflyfishing.com](mailto:outings@wmflyfishing.com)

The Roosevelt Lake outing is still a possibility later in the spring, we are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you.

### **WMFFC Library Record – Missing Tapes & DVD's**

The following Tapes and DVD's were check out of the Library and not returned. If you have one of these or know someone on the list please contact them and ask them to return our club Tapes or DVD's.

<b>Title of Tape or DVD</b>	<b>Member Check Out</b>
1. Hooked on Fly Tying II	Nancy Samoff
2. Art & Science of Fly Fishing	Lory DeJulien
3. Orvis Fly fishing School	Jack Kliroff
4. Essential Trout Tactics	Tony Komasa
5. Fly fishing Colorado's Major 6	Lee Reeck

**WHITE MOUNTAIN FLY FISHING CLUB, INC.  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES, 3-19-08 AT BLACK BULL RESTAURANT**

*Call to Order by:* Bob Bowers, President.

*Guests:* NONE

*New Members:* Robert Bauer, Skip Walstead, and Richard Hegener

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Approved the February Minutes as written
3. This month's outing will be Becker lake on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, no pot luck.
4. The club will reserve the Grapevine campsite at Roosevelt Lake for April 18th and 19th. The site we want will accommodate 18 people. **UPDATE: >>> April Outing changed to Horseshoe / Cienega Lake on April 19<sup>th</sup> !!**
5. Richard Dryer reported that 350 pike have been taken out of Rainbow Lake so far with the *Gill Net Program*.

**BUSINESS:**

1. The Albright Fishing Tackle Co. has offered a 10% discount to WMFFC club members. Go to [www.albrighttackle.com](http://www.albrighttackle.com) and use the code "pho".
2. Ken Wolf is in charge of "Project Healing Waters". This is a program where the club teaches disabled veterans to fly fish. The first lesson will be March 26th then every Wednesday thereafter for 5 weeks.
3. Diana Jeanne is starting a "ladies only" fly fishing class. See ad below...
4. We presently have openings for 25 people to go to Hurricane Lake on May 23rd thru May 26th.
5. Names will be drawn at the April meeting for the lottery at Christmas Tree Lake.

**FFF:**

1. The affiliate club members program for joining The Federation of Fly Fishers at a much reduced rate of \$15.00 has been extended thru June 2008.

**DUES REPORT:**

NONE

**FISH TALES:**

1. Dennis Jones reported that Becker Lake is good one day and bad the next.
2. Fran said that Silver creek was bad.

**RAFFLE:**

\$75 was raised. Big thanks to those who donated and participated.

**PRESENTATION:**

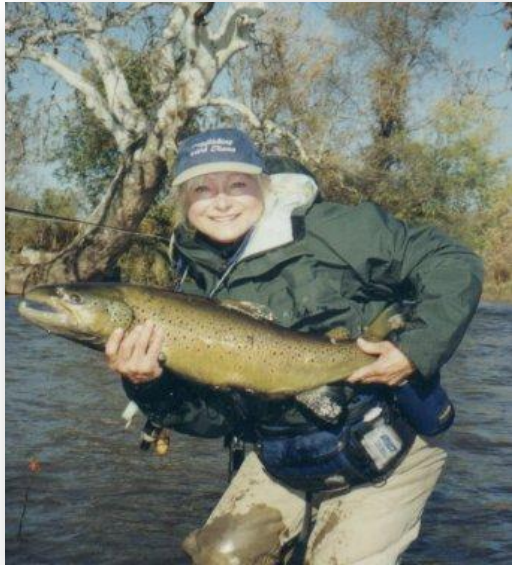
Jerry Meyers gave an interesting presentation on his trip to Alaska.

**Respectively Submitted by:** Ken Haught (Secretary)

**Edited by:** Cory Huth (Newsletter / Website Admin)

## **WANT ADS AND ARTICLES:**

### **INTRODUCTION TO FLY FISHING AND FLY CASTING FOR WOMEN**



Diana Jeanne is one of only two women in the state of Arizona that is certified by the FFF (Federation of Flyfishers) to teach fly casting. She has been traveling and fly fishing from coast to coast full time in her rv for the last 7 years, catching 48 different species of fish on her flyrod, and has now settled down in Pinetop. She guided for many years in Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado, the Big Thompson Canyon, the Indian Peaks Wilderness, and spent a summer guiding at Cow Creek Ranch outside of Pecos, New Mexico. She has attended numerous classes and seminars to enhance her skills over the last 24 years, including Lefty Kreh, Gary Borger, Jason Borger (the shadow caster in A River Runs Through It), Mel Kreiger, Jennifer Olsson, Andy Murray, Dave and Emily Whitlock, John Gierach, Jack Dennis, Billy Pate, and spent a week with Barry and Cathy Beck on Christmas

Island catching Bonefish and Trevally. She was featured on the Outdoor Channel in 1997. She spent 4 winters kayaking for redfish, seatrout, flounder, etc. on the Texas Gulf Coast.

*The first two classes will be for women only on April 19<sup>th</sup>, and May 3<sup>rd</sup>. A co-ed class will be on May 17<sup>th</sup>, and later on there will be advanced classes. Class size is limited to 5 and will be held in the Town Hall building in Pinetop/Lakeside. You will receive a 130 page workbook full of the information and skills you will be learning in the class. The fee is \$100 for a fun and exciting day of learning a sport you can do for the rest of your life. Fly Rods can be provided. Bring a sack lunch.*

**Call -- 928-368-6700 -- ext. 3 for reservations.**

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## **FOR SALE (Ads):**

**FOR SALE:** 14' Aluminum Fishing Boat (67" Wide) with front pedestal seat. New Mercury 9.9 HP Motor. Trolling Motor with bow mount and foot control. Depth finder, tilt trailer with spare tire and side boards. Also comes with boat cover! \$ 3,500 **Contact: Jon Meyer for details...** (928) 242-5161  
[jonmeyer@cableone.net](mailto:jonmeyer@cableone.net)

If you have an Ad or Article that you would like featured in the next Newsletter, please submit them by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the Month \*\*\*\*\* Cory Huth ----- [admin@wmflyfishing.com](mailto:admin@wmflyfishing.com)