

# NEWSLETTER

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We Support Catch and Release

March 2010



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## Next Meeting:

**March 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*

Just returned from the Arizona Fly-Casters annual banquet; what a great time we all had! I was lucky enough to win two of their raffle items (a reel and a fish finder). Bob Bowers and Gary Miller won some of the best raffle items. Dawn Hewitt got herself a pair of waders. Arizona Fly-Casters should be a very proud club, as they put on a most successful banquet.

I am really looking forward to our banquet. After all, it is our major fundraiser for the year and your support is greatly needed and will be appreciated.

March is going to be a fun month. The fly swap and the Becker Lake outing are planned. The outing should be well-attended, as fishing Becker is always “jumping” in the spring.

Let’s not forget Cinda Howard, our guest speaker, at our monthly meeting in March. She will be speaking about stream fishing.

Fly-tying has been extended through March. We meet on Wednesday nights at 7:00PM. If you have not attended a class, please come. . .you will enjoy yourself. We learn a lot and have fun doing it! A BIG THANK-YOU to Dennis Jones for the wonderful class he gave on strike indicators at the February monthly meeting. Your service to the club is most appreciated.

Bring a friend to our next meeting and make a point of introducing yourself to other members. The spirit of caring, sharing, and volunteering is what makes the White Mountain Fly Fishing Club a happenin’ place to be! Don’t forget the suggestion box and the questions and answer table available at each monthly meeting.

Can’t wait to be fishing,



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



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## March 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:

Ms. Cinda Howard, the Outdoors Manager for Orvis/Scottsdale. She will present a program on Stream Fishing the Rim and the White Mountains.



**MIKE STYVAERT -- VP**



**2010 BANQUET:** It will be a buffet and the tickets will \$35.00 per person. The Speaker will be Marshall Trimble. He is Arizona's Official State Historian. Please go to his website to learn more about this amazing man. [www.marshalltrimble.com](http://www.marshalltrimble.com) More banquet information will appear in our April Newsletter.

## Upcoming Three Month Calendar



**March**

17<sup>th</sup>

20<sup>th</sup>

**April**

21<sup>st</sup>

24<sup>th</sup>

**May**

19<sup>th</sup>

22<sup>nd</sup>

**2010**

Monthly Meeting

Becker Lake

Monthly Meeting

Crescent Lake or  
Lee Valley.

Monthly Meeting

Hawley Lake

# Outings, Club Projects and Upcoming Events

## February Outing Gets Washed Out ...

The weather has not been good for us this winter. Again for our February outing at Silver Creek, the snow and rain came and so we had to cancel out. This is the second month in a row we have had to cancel our outing because of bad weather. Lets hope and pray we have good weather for the rest of our outings.

Our March outing is scheduled for Becker Lake on the 20<sup>th</sup>. We know the Spring can bring the wind; but a lot of times it really doesn't pick up until around noon or later. Maybe getting there early will be the trick.

Again this year the Arizona Fly Casters have invited us to join them at Roosevelt Lake on the weekend of March 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. A few of us went last year and had a great time. There is a small fee.

Our April outing is scheduled for Crescent Lake or Lee Valley. But rumor has it that both lakes were hit with a big fish kill this winter. So we will need to check that out and maybe change our plans.

Permits for Christmas Tree Lake in June will be available at the March meeting, the 17<sup>th</sup>.

We have a good time at our outings. The fishing isn't always the best, but we can count on having good food at the potluck lunch and good fellowship.

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**

## Christmas Tree ...

Christmas Tree Fishing Permits - The WMFFC has the Christmas Tree fishing permits for Friday June 4th & Saturday June 5th. We have 20 permits for each day. To be fair to all our members here is the procedure for obtaining a permit:

1. If you attend the March 17th Club Meeting you can purchase one permit for \$20.00, and be put on the standby list for a second day (also \$20.00).
2. If you are not able to attend the March 17th Club Meeting you can mail a check for \$20.00 to WMFFC P.O. Box 2187 Pinetop, AZ 85935 to arrive before the Wednesday Meeting.
3. You can only purchase a permit for one day, Friday or Saturday. You can request a second day (pay with separate check) you will be put on a standby list.
4. When all the permits are sold and there are permits left over we will go to the standby list.
5. A check or cash is the only way to purchase a permit or be put on the standby list.
6. Normal cost for the permit is \$30.00 a day. The club subsidizing the cost of the Permits

**Ted Lambert , Outings Chairmen and Bob Bowers, Past President**



**REMINDER** - Don't forget the suggestion box and the questions and answer table available at each monthly meeting.

**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, 02-17-2010; LAKESIDE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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

- **Visitor** - Jackie Dockendorf
- **January minutes** were approved
- **Outings** - 2/20/10 Silver Creek
  - March outing will be at Becker Lake on 3/20/10
  - Arizona Flycasters have invited us to join them at the Grapevine campground in April.
  - Christmas Tree outing permits will be issued at the March meeting. The outing will be June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$20.00 per member.
- **Project Healing Waters** - Eleven kids have signed up. Blue Ridge High School is informing students about our classes. We need volunteers beginning April 13<sup>th</sup>.
- **Rod Building Class** - The club can get kits from FFF for \$10.00 apiece to build rods. They can only be used for teaching purposes. Members who are interested must sign up for the class. Bob can work with six people at one time. Will set up as many classes as it takes.
- **Conservation** – Need volunteers for fish habitats at Fool Hollow Lake and Silver Creek in June
- **March Meeting** – Fly swap – Dennis Jones announced that you need to tie ten flies for the swap. It was suggested that we make up a fly set for the club raffle and another for Casting For Recovery. Those wishing to participate must tie 12 flies
  - Cinda Howard will be our speaker on stream fishing
- **Vote** - The club voted to change our legal status to a 501-C3 from a 501-C7.
  - The members voted to not join Trout Unlimited due to their conservation agenda
- **Banquet** - Will be June 19<sup>th</sup> at the Pinetop Country Club. Cost \$35.00 per person. Speaker: Marshall Trimble
- **Fly Tying Class** - Extended through March, every Wednesday
- **Donation** - The club agreed to donate a rod and reel to Casting For Recovery. \$150.00 value
- **Saltery Lake Lodge** - Raffle for the club will start at the March meeting. The trip is for July 4<sup>th</sup> through the 10<sup>th</sup>
- **Program Speaker** - Dennis Jones taught the use of strike indicators.

**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.”