



COLORADO WOMEN

FLY FISHERS

A sociable club for women who flyfish

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FEBRUARY MEETING

DATE:

Tuesday, February 6, 2007

TIME:

5:30 - 6:30 Social Hour

6:30 - 7:30 Dinner (Optional, \$10.00)

7:30 - 8:30 Program

PLACE:

Piccolo's Restaurant

3563 S. Monaco Parkway (near the corner of Hampden), Denver

PLEASE BRING:

A donation for our monthly Raffle

A flyfishing friend *New guests are welcome!*

How to Get There

Piccolo's is located at 3563 S. Monaco Parkway, Denver, approx. one-half mile east of I-25 near the southwest corner of Hampden and Monaco in the King Soopers shopping center. Go to the private banquet room on the right side of the restaurant. We will be there!

Take light rail for a new and less stressful trip to the meeting.

At our February meeting...

FISHING IN WARM CLIMATES

with Kay DuShane

Kay has fished extensively in the outer islands of the Bahamas, Florida and Mexico for bonefish, tarpon, snook, permit, jacks and all the fun saltwater fish that love flies. Kay will be discussing trips to the Bahamas and helping Club members negotiate their first saltwater trip.

Last year Kay was a member of the Colorado Women's Fly Fishing Team, which competed in the National Fly Fishing Championships. She has guided the South Platte basin since 2001 and currently works with TroutTrips, the guide service operated by another CWF member, Janice O'Shea. She is lucky enough to be able to pack more than 80 days a year on the water.

Kay is a two-year member of CWF and has flyfished for over 11 years. Her favorite Colorado waters are topped by Cheesman Canyon, where she and her dog Sophie fish many days every month of the year. She also ventures out every summer to explore the trout waters of Montana, Idaho and British Columbia. Mostly, Kay just likes to fly fish. — *Jody Yehle, Vice President and Program Chair*

CWF Calendar

February 6 CWF Meeting

February 11 CWF Elects First Board
of Directors in 1997

February 13 CWF Board Meeting

Reminder

This is the **last issue** of the newsletter you will receive if you have not renewed your 2007 Club membership by February 15.

Welcome New Members

Sharon Bax Erie
Merrie Billings Colorado Springs
Lisa Gillenwaters Denver
Terry Kunz Golden
Jennifer Lewis Silverthorne
Colleen Molitor Parker
Dana Machalleck Frisco
Susan Nelson Castle Rock
Debbie Pugliano Larkspur
Peggy Smith Dillon
Janice Taylor Longmont
Mary Tracy Windsor
Sharon von Broembsen Aurora

• 16 New Members Enrolled in 2007.



FOUL HOOKED: The newsletter staff apologizes for the tardiness of this issue. It is all the fault of the editor who put down her snow shovel and hopped a plane to Argentina to fish with the Patagonia River Guides (patagoniariverguides.com). Details of her fishing experience will follow in a future issue of the newsletter.

On a separate matter, we are pleased to report that we have a winner in last issue's contest, "Name That Club Trip." It is the same member who appears in the photo — Diane Kyncl, who correctly identified the July 2004 Henry's Fork club trip. Watch for the next contest in the March issue. — Ed.

BACK CAST

JANUARY PROGRAM: NYMPHING TECHNIQUES

BY NANCY SHERMAN

If catching fish is a goal of your angling, you will want to be able to nymph fish. Eighty percent or more of a trout's diet is nymphs. When fishing nymphs, besides the obvious decision of what nymph(s) to use, you have a number of other choices to make. How to rig?: Czech, bounce or the more conventional method of leader, weight, nymph, nymph? Monofilament or fluorocarbon? How to attach two or more nymphs? Where to place the indicator? How much weight to use?

Matt Olmstead, who has guided in Alaska and the Rocky Mountain area, addressed these topics and included suggestions on nymph fishing techniques.

Nymph Selection. Several factors influence this: type of water (freestone or tailwater), time of year, time of day, water flow and weather conditions. Freestone rivers (which do not have dams or are far removed from a dam) have larger insects, while tailwater rivers have smaller. Stoneflies and larger sizes of a pheasant tail nymphs (an excellent mayfly larva imitation) are good in freestone rivers; smaller pheasant tails and midges for tailwaters. An attractor such as a Prince nymph can resemble several insects.

Monofilament or Fluorocarbon. Fluorocarbon tippet may be more effective (it sinks rapidly; monofilament wants to float), but it is expensive and is not biodegradable — it lasts forever. On finicky trout in tailwaters, fluorocarbon may make the difference.

How to Rig. The Czech method has one or two nymphs attached as droppers and a weighted nymph at the end. The bounce method is similar, but uses putty or split shot weight at the end and has the nymphs attached above in line, not as droppers. The method used by many anglers is leader (tippet), weight, nymph, nymph. To attach the second nymph, the second piece of tippet can be put through the eye of the upper nymph or it can be tied to the bend of the first nymph using a loop. Matt prefers attaching at the bend, as two knots at an eye can be bulky, and he usually fishes with three nymphs.

Indicator Placement. The rule of thumb is usually 1.5 times the depth of the water, but Matt fishes his deeper than that — at the leader / fly line. On many tailwater rivers the trout have become indicator shy and you may want to fish without an indicator; use the end of your fly line as an indicator.

How Much Weight to Use. This will depend on the depth and the current: the deeper the water and the faster the current, the more weight will be needed.

Techniques. Don't be too quick to change nymphs if you're not getting strikes. Try varying the amount of weight, the location of your indicator or where you're drifting your nymphs. Avoid or minimize false casting a nymph rig; it often results in tangles. To get line out in preparation for a cast, lift your rod and let the current straighten and pull your line. For better "drag free drifts," keep slack line off the water. This also shortens the time to set the hook.

All these decisions and choices become easier with practice and experience, which lead to confidence — but always be willing to try something different.

A Great Tip. Don't throw away your tippet spool when it is empty. Remove your tapered leader from its package and wrap it on the spool. You won't have those twists and knots in the leader when you pull it off to use.

Words to the Wise: Remember the rain check in your goodie bag at the Holiday Party? Well, the goods have come in! **Diane Kyncl** distributed items from Loon to Holiday Party attendees who were at January's meeting: Top Ride (dry shake) and Aquel.

Loon generously donated all items, including a fly reel (about \$700 total) at no cost to the Club because they erred in not shipping our order on time. Also, those who renewed their memberships early received CWF logo window stickers; members can also purchase these.

THE RAFFLE

Discount Fishing Tackle of Denver, the featured fly shop, provided many of the fourteen prizes. The big winners of the evening were friends, **Sandra Desmarais** and **Pam Masek**, who won two hats, coasters and a gear bag. The two-prize winners were **Ellie Reiser**, split shot and an empty fly box; **Anita English**, Pat Dorsey's November Fly of the Month and a digital thermometer; and **Joanie McCord**, an empty fly box and the prized CWF Traveling Fly Box. ♦

CLUB TRIPS

**GET READY FOR THE NEW
2007 FLYFISHING SEASON**
BY DAWN DOBSON, TRIPS
CO-CHAIR

The secrets and surprises are finally out! We are releasing our top secret trip schedule. We've never gotten so much pressure to disclose our company secrets so early in the process! Folks must really be ready to hit the water.

Anyway, you will see that we mixed things up a bit this year. Phyllis has a great philosophy that she holds me to, in spite of my whining about maybe repeating "just one trip" like the Frying Pan, or the St. Vrain. So, as a result we have a great schedule that allows us to visit some new waters as well as revisit some rivers we've been away from for a few years.

We'll kick off the season with a trek up the Big Thompson, which generally yields excellent midge, BWO and Baetis hatches this time of year. Of course those poor fish, which have been starving all winter, are quite accommodating as well. After our Club Educational Clinic, we all get to partake in our annual foray along the banks of the Arkansas. Get your chili recipes and caddis flies going – always a must do trip!

After the Ark, we will attempt to outsmart runoff with a trip up Waterton Canyon, and a trip to Pella Ponds near Niwot for still water action in float tubes. We will combine efforts with our education chair and try to make this an informal clinic where we hope members will allow others to sample their spare float tubes and expertise.

Float the Green

One of our featured trips this year will be a return to the Green River below Flaming Gorge Dam. We highly recommend that you join us on this trip, as the Green is always a spectacular place to be. With any luck we'll see a few of the infamous cicada, which are huge ugly bugs that drive fish nuts — they've also been known to freak out a few anglers as well.

This is one river you will want to consider floating with a guide or with those of us who belong to our own pontoon flotilla. Because this is the peak season, you need to book your float trips and lodging early – as in NOW! Don't put this off and be disappointed.

July on the Rio Grande

At the end of June, we will return to the

Bulletin Board Edition: Cut and Clip 2007 CWF Club Trip Schedule

March 24th.....	Big Thompson, Estes Park
*April 28th Weekend.....	Arkansas River, Salida
May 5th.....	Waterton Canyon
May 19th.....	Pella Ponds: Float Tubes
*June 9th Weekend.....	Green River, Dutch John, Utah
June 23rd.....	Blue River, Silverthorne
*July 14th Weekend.....	Rio Grande River, Creede
July 28th.....	Eagle River, Vail
*August 11th Weekend.....	Chambers Lake, Poudre River
August 25th.....	Eleven Mile Canyon
Sept. 15th.....	Rocky Mountain National Park
*Sept. 29th Weekend.....	East River, Almont
Oct. 13th.....	Quincy Reservoir, Aurora

* See next page for reservation information.

More detailed information for each trip will be published in future newsletters. Club trips will be reviewed periodically and location changes made, if needed. Every attempt will be made to have a trip on the specified date; however, the location may change due to water and/or fire conditions. Announcement of changes will be made as timely as possible at Club monthly meetings, as well as on the CWF website and on cwftalk@topica.com.

Blue River near Silverthorne area to try out our luck with some of the wily hogs who reside there. Our next big trip is a virgin venture to the Rio Grande River near the town of Creede, Colorado. The water and scenery can't be beat in this area. Again you will want to book campsites/lodging early, as it is peak tourist season.

As the summer flows slow, we will return to the waters of the Poudre, this time staying for a weekend trip so members can explore all the wonderful water in the upper Poudre Canyon. This includes Chambers Lake, which has one of the finest (and most popular) campgrounds in the state. Again, our motto is BOOK EARLY!

A day trip to Eleven Mile Canyon finishes out the summer months and the fall kicks off with another day trip to Rocky Mountain National Park. The tourists should be clearing out and the fall colors coming on.

The Gunnison Trip Returns

Speaking of colors, who can resist the deep purple coloring of a 3-pound Kokanee salmon on its way up the Gunnison and East Rivers? Well, join us and you can view the fall colors of both the fish and trees as we toss big pink flies to these beautiful, somewhat prehistoric looking fish. Just don't forget to

hang on as they make a run with most of your line!

Whew, I'm exhausted and there's still one more trip to mention. We will finalize our season by taking on the smorgasbord of fish living in Quincy Reservoir in Southeast Aurora. One can fish from canoes, float tubes, pontoons, etc. for a variety of fish including trout, bass, perch — and if you really want to go for it, Tiger Muskee or Northern Pike.

We hope you'll join us on all of our adventures. Please follow our advice to book reservations for lodging, guides and floats as soon as possible. This year we've added a reservation information guide to help you (see page 4).

Trip Coordinators Needed

One last item is ask not what your Club can do for you, but ask what you can do for the Club. Please volunteer to help us coordinate one of the trips. You do NOT have to be a master angler, you only need to be able to make phone calls if the trip changes, and avoid encouraging others to take on unnecessary risks — such as fishing in lightning or boating at midnight without lights.

Contact Dawn at dobsond@earthlink.net or Phyllis at phylv@compuserve.com if you can help us out or have questions.

Tight Lines! ♦

CWF 2007 TRIPS: DETAILS AND RESERVATIONS INFORMATION

TRIP, LOCATION, GUIDES*

April 28-29 Arkansas River, Salida, CO
ARKANGLERS - SALIDA
(719)539.3474
www.arkanglers.com

Contact: Greg Felt

Lodging

Super 8
(719)539.6689
www.salidasuper8.com*

Camping

4 Seasons RV Park
(719)539.3094

Comments

*Mention CWF Club Member. Rates for guides and motel will be published on website and in the newsletter

TRIP, LOCATION, GUIDES*

June 9-10 Green River
Dutch John, Utah
Trout Creek Flies - Dutch John, Utah
(435)885.3355
www.fishgreenriver.com
Contact: Denny Breer
OLD MOE GUIDE SERVICE
(435)885.3342
TROUT CREEK FLIES AND OUTFITTERS
(435)885.3355
www.fishgreenriver.com

Lodging

Flaming Gorge Lodge
(435)889.3773
www.fglodge.com

Camping

Deer Run Campground
Reserve USA
www.reserveusa.com
www.fishgreenriver.com/campgrounds.htm

Comments

RESERVE FLOATS, GUIDES, ROOMS ASAP
– Limited boats and rooms available

TRIP, LOCATION, GUIDES*

July 14-15 Rio Grande River
Creede, CO
RIO GRANDE ANGLER - CREEDE
(719)658.2955
www.riograndeangler.com
ANIMAS VALLEY ANGLERS
(970)259.0484
www.gotttrout.com

Lodging

Antlers Rio Grande Lodge
(719)658.2423
www.antlerslodge.com
BUSINESS DIRECTORY
www.creede.com

Camping

30 MILE CAMPGROUND
Reserve USA
www.reserveusa.com
RIVER HILL CAMPGROUND
US Forest Service
No Reservations accepted
PALISADE CAMPGROUND
US Forest Service
NO Reservations accepted
ANTLERS LODGE has RV hook-ups/camping sites also

TRIP, LOCATION, GUIDES*

Aug. 11-12 Poudre River-Chambers Lake
ST. PETER'S FLYSHOP
Fort Collins, CO
(970)498.8968
www.stpetes.com

Lodging

BIG HORN CABINS
(970)881.2142
www.bighorncabins.com
GLEN ECHO RESORT
(970)881.2208
ARCHER'S POWDRE RIVER RESORT
(970)881.2208
www.poudreiverresort.com

Camping

CHAMBERS LAKE
63 Miles West of Ft. Collins
(970)498.2770
www.reserveusa.com
RANGER LAKES CAMPGROUND
Cameron Pass
www.reserveusa.com
RV Hookups available

Comments

Book Early. Chambers Lake is very popular. There are several other campgrounds in the canyon

TRIP, LOCATION, GUIDES*

Sept. 29-30 East River
Almont CO
3 RIVERS OUTFITTERS
(970)641.1303
www.3riversoutfitting.com

Lodging

3 RIVERS OUTFITTERS
Camping
Several Campgrounds are available in Taylor Canyon – no reservations

Comments

3 Rivers has it all: camping, cabins, RV sites!

* Guides and/or Fly Shops



will be competing in (for more information about the regional qualifying events for the National Fly Fishing Championship, go to www.nationalflyfishingchampionship.com and click on Regional Events).

A total of \$500 in sponsorship money will be awarded, to be divided among all current (as of February 15, 2007) CWF members who request assistance. **Requests must be submitted no later than February 15.** If you have any questions about this sponsorship, or about the NFFC in general, contact me. — *Janet Canaan, CWF Public Relations Chair*

Do You Want to Compete?

LAST YEAR CWF MEMBERS WERE KEY PARTICIPANTS IN the National Fly Fishing Championships (NFFC). This year the Board of Directors of CWF has stepped forward to provide sponsorship money for CWF members who wish to compete in one of the regional qualifiers for the NFFC. The closest event in time and space will be in Cody, Wyoming, April 28-29, 2007.

If you are interested in competing in the regional event and having CWF defray your costs, contact Janet Canaan (jcanaan@jcanaan.com) with a written request, including which qualifier you



FIRST-YEAR MEMBER MEMORIES

STORIES OF MAKING NEW FRIENDS, FITTING WADERS AND LEARNING TO FLYFISH TOGETHER

BY NANCY RUTHERFORD TURLEY

As we continue to celebrate our Club's tenth anniversary year, it is a pleasure to once again walk down memory lane with Nancy Turley, who visited with members who joined CWF in the first one or two years of its founding and reminisced about their early experiences to her.
— Ed.

First is **Chris Juvan**, which is very appropriate as Chris joined CWF within one or two months of its formation and has probably been the most steadfast and exuberant member of our Club. "I first found out about the Club while visiting the fly shop in Cherry Creek (*The Flyfisher, now out of business*). They pointed out a flyer that had the information for membership and **Nancy Mangone's** address to send it to. I was so excited because her address was just blocks from my house. I proceeded to drive by her house every possible time to see what another 'fly fishing woman' looked like.



Chris Juvan landed this 23" rainbow in her birthday month of January 2007 on the South Platte above Deckers on a size 22 red brassie.

I attended the next CWF meeting and was so impressed with the 15-20 women in attendance! "I immediately joined and couldn't wait to go on a Club trip—the very first one was the Arkansas River trip. I had attended a few monthly meetings and was nervous about doing a trip (and certainly an overnight) with people I didn't know. I had intended on going home the same day, but when I arrived in Salida I went to the Rainbow Inn and asked if there was anyone still in her room. They directed me to the remaining member who had not left yet. I knocked on the door and it was **Craige!** She recognized me, invited me in, started bringing out all of her fly boxes and showing me her inventory and invited me to fish with her.

"When we arrived at the river, we had rising fish everywhere. She showed me the fly to use, and we began fishing and caught all day long. I felt so comfortable and had so much fun, and we fished until dark — so I ended up staying the night. Within a short amount of time I became involved with the Board of Directors as Co-Membership Chair with Craige."

"And, as we all know, Chris been VERY involved ever since! Chris turned the big 5-0 this past January 27th, and rumor had it at deadline time that she planned to go fishing with friends on her special day (so what else is new?)

Diane Brians, happy member from early on, is quoted in "Why I Love CWF 10 Years Later!":

"My first experience at a CWF meeting was at the invitation of **Janice O'Shea**. I attended with much trepidation, as I was new to

the sport and afraid of making a fool of myself. However, at that first meeting I was made to feel at home by **Pat Barz, Marion Nutt, Carol Neville, Nadine von Storch** and many others. Since that first meeting I have made many new friends through the Club and have thoroughly enjoyed every one of you. CWF has provided the camaraderie that can only come from a group of caring women willing to help other women learn and enjoy the fine art of flyfishing. I have had so many fun experiences it's hard to name just one. I thank all who have taken the time to keep this Club up and running for so-o-o-many years. Thanks, again!"



PHOTOGRAPH BY ARLYS WARFIELD

Diane Brians, a happy Roaring Fork angler.

Diane Kyncl's first memories of the Club were meetings at the Twin Dragon:

"I wondered how long it would take for me to understand what the @#! they were talking about. I asked for advice at that first meeting about the fly rod I was considering getting from a Cabela's catalog, since I didn't even own any equipment at that point.

"I remember two early trips: one was to the Williams Fork. I had some old hip waders that I found at a yard sale, and with the cold weather I was freezing! I sat on a log to put on a third pair of socks, and everyone assumed I was 'relieving myself!'"



PHOTOGRAPH BY ARLYS WARFIELD

Diane Kyncl is amazed at the size of the 'Fork in 2004.

"I remember struggling to tie on flies and trying to put my flies the right distance from each other, per Craige's advice. Think I had a few hits, which was pretty exciting. The next trip I remember was to Walden Ponds near Boulder that spring. I fumbled around, hooked lots of bushes and was always a few steps behind the group. At one point I found a large fly—I think it was a damsel—and figured it looked better than what I had. I tied it on and proceeded to hook into a large bass. It was probably 1-1/2 pounds! I was so excited, but, alas, the group had

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already moved on, and no one but me got to see that big boy. I remember later watching **Cathy Greenwald** casting and being totally amazed.”

Kay Willis' addition to the first-year member memoirs follows:

“I was fishing in Gunnison, new to flyfishing and trying to learn how to fish by myself. I was in the Three Rivers Resort in Almont when a woman came in and talked about a women’s flyfishing club. Later that season, my Dad cut an article about CWF out of the paper. I immediately joined and attended a meeting at the Chinese restaurant on South Broadway where CWF first met. **Chris Arthur** greeted me at the door and welcomed me to CWF. I went to every CWF meeting to try and increase my flyfishing skills! My first trip was in Rocky Mountain National Park in Moraine Park, where **Carol Neville** was the trip coordinator. It was in the fall and we each caught over 100 small brook trout that day! We also dealt with frisky elk in the brush.

“During the day, Craig asked me how I could contribute to CWF and I replied, ‘Something easy like the newsletter.’ I was the newsletter editor for several years and still admire Arlys for doing such a wonderful job on such an ‘easy’ task”!

(Kay hasn’t been able to be at program meetings for quite a while as she is finishing up her Master’s degree in teaching at Regis,



Kay Willis catches big on the Green.

with classes on Tuesday nights. She loves her new job as a special ed teacher at Overland High School.)

Carol Neville had two things pop into her mind when asked for memories. She told me that she generally had not been a women’s group person but “the very first meeting I walked into, I felt the huge energy and excitement of the group. It just pulled me in. It was a different kind of women’s group than I had ever been in, and I felt I had made a half a dozen new friends right away. I knew I wanted to be there. The energy was very contagious.

Her second memory was of the first Club trip to Waterton Canyon, when Chris Juvan was the trip coordinator. It was snowy, which was a new experience for her in flyfishing. She had only done warm weather flyfishing before and had little clue how to approach this.

“Then Chris Juvan came by and talked to Phil and me. She gave us some of her little speck of dust Zing-Wing midge patterns. I said to her, ‘You’re kidding, right!’ I truly thought she was playing a joke on the newbies. But we DID catch fish with them!” *(For a “fast forward” on Carol, see “Our Guiding Lights.” on page 8.)* ◆

To be continued.

E D U C A T I O N **SIGN UP FOR THE CWF** **APRIL 21 EDUCATION** **CLINIC**

BY ANITA ENGLISH,
EDUCATION CHAIR

The CWF Spring Clinic will be held Saturday, April 21st at North Fork Guest Ranch, located one hour southwest of Denver on US Hwy 285 near Shawnee.

We will repeat the Beginners 101 classes designed to give beginners the basic skills and information needed to fish safely and with confidence. It is highly recommended that beginners sign up for the entire strand to optimize their educational experience. For the intermediate/ advanced anglers, we will offer classes in casting, pocket water techniques, streamers and wet flies, nymphing, dry flies and entomology.

Class size will be limited to 7-10, and we reserve the option to cancel classes due to lack of interest.

This is a full day clinic. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and classes will end at 3:45 p.m. As always, we will have expert instructors, prime fish habitat, and go-o-o-o-o-o-d eats. All this for \$75 (\$85 late registration).

To register, please fill out the enclosed form completely and mail with check payable to CWF to Anita English, 16234 W. 71st. Pl., Arvada, CO 80007.

Because the Club subsidizes this special clinic, it is open to members only. Spouses, friends and guests will not be allowed on the ranch grounds. Sorry.

Registration confirmation packets will be mailed to participants no later than April 2nd. Packets will include details on carpooling, directions and equipment lists.

If you need information earlier or have questions, please call me at (303) 424-2354, or email me at sb33mvp@aol.com.

Reserve your spot today. The first 35 members will be the lucky ones! ◆



Carol Neville on Trappers Lake in 2001.

Ireland Fly Fishing?

The International Women Fly Fishers, The Irish Ladies Fly Fishing Team and Pontoon Bridge Hotel are co-sponsoring a “Gathering of Fly Fishing Women” in County Mayo, Ireland, June 7-10, 2007 and you’re invited to come along. The event will feature flyfishing for brown trout during Ireland’s famed “mayfly time,” as well as fishing for Atlantic salmon in The River Moy, one of Ireland’s most famous salmon rivers. Women will learn about flyfishing in different countries (women from England, Ireland, Wales, Scotland and more are expected to attend) and experience our sport in one of the places where flyfishing was born. Details are at www.intlwomenflyfishers.org/gathering/ireland.htm. I’ll be representing the International Women Fly Fishers at the event and can answer any questions you might have about it. E-mail me at pudge@womensflyfishing.net
— Pudge Kleinkauf, CWF Anchorage member

APRIL 21 CWF Clinic Registration Form - CWF MEMBERS ONLY - No Guests

Complete this form and write check payable to CWF. Mail both registration form and check to:
 CWF Clinic, c/o Anita English, 16234 W. 71st Pl., Arvada, CO 80007

Don't miss out on the Early Registration* Discount!!!

If you have questions contact Anita English at (303) 424-2354 or email to SB33MVP@aol.com

***Early Registration = \$75.00 MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2007**

Late Registration = \$85.00 Must be Postmarked no later than Wednesday, March 28, 2007

Fee includes lunch and Club subsidy for instructors.

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Member Name: _____

Eve. Phone: _____

Address: _____

Other Phone: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____

INDICATE YOUR 1ST AND 2ND CHOICE FOR EACH SESSION

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and classes will end at 3:45 p.m.

SESSION I:	1ST CHOICE	2ND CHOICE
A. Trout 101: Trout tactics, terminology, entomology (*Recommended for Beginners – can be taken in either Session I or II)	_____	_____
B. Casting 101: Basic Casting, pick-up, lay down, false cast (*Recommended for Beginners – can be taken in either Session I or II)	_____	_____
C. Intermediate Casting: Loop Control, accuracy, distance (Intermediate)	_____	_____
D. Fishing High and Dry: Dry Fly Techniques (Beginner-Intermediate)	_____	_____
E. Entomology: It's a bug's life (Intermediate)	_____	_____
SESSION II:	1ST CHOICE	2ND CHOICE
A. Trout 101: Trout tactics, terminology, entomology (*Recommended for Beginners – can be taken in either Session I or II)	_____	_____
B. Casting 101: Basic Casting, pick-up, lay down, false cast (*Recommended for Beginners – can be taken in either Session I or II)	_____	_____
C. Adv./Intermediate Casting: Double Haul; above H ₂ O mends (Intermediate/Advanced)	_____	_____
D. Streamers and wet flies: When nothing is working.....or just for the fun of it (Intermediate)	_____	_____
E. Fishing High and Dry: Dry Fly Techniques (Beginner/Intermediate)	_____	_____
SESSION III:	1ST CHOICE	2ND CHOICE
A. On the Water Basics: Safety, reading the water, (*Recommended for Beginners – part 3)	_____	_____
B. Advanced Casting: Extending the Double Haul; Salt water techniques (Advanced)	_____	_____
C. Nymphing: What you can't see CAN hurt you (Intermediate)	_____	_____
D. Fishing Technical Pocket Water: Flies, Presentation, Landing (Intermediate/Advanced)	_____	_____

OUR GUIDING LIGHTS

GETTING TO KNOW OUR CLUB'S FISHING PROFESSIONALS

AN INTERVIEW WITH CAROL NEVILLE BY NANCY RUTHERFORD TURLEY

This is the second in a series of interviews with Club members who serve as professionals in the industry.

Q: Carol, we know you are a guide in the south central Colorado area, but what is your flyfishing background?

A: I can't remember life without fishing. I probably learned how to walk in a stream! My dad was an avid mountain man and fisherman, and his mother loved fishing, too. My grandparents had a gold claim above Idaho Springs, so I grew up fishing Clear Creek, Fall River and the nearby lakes, including Chinns Lake. When CWF had a trip to Chinns a few years ago, it brought back a lot of special memories. Dad did all kinds of fishing but taught me the techniques of flyfishing, even if I was fishing with worms and a bobber with my little Zebco reel. I had a cool heritage from my grandmother, who loved the mountains and fishing lakes, and from my dad, from whom I developed a passion for fishing moving water. I did not know the term "reading the water" growing up; it is just what we did, so I grew up learning how to do it early on. We fished the Colorado, Crystal, Frying Pan, Eagle, rivers all over Colorado. Years later, while in Greeley raising my children, I would get them off to school, go fish the Big Thompson and come back home in time to teach piano lessons right after the kids walked back in the door. I consider the Big Thompson my home river because it's where I first got serious about flyfishing. I still love Rocky Mountain National Park and small streams.

Q: What was your previous occupation and how and why did you start your flyfishing career?

A: My longest career was as a professional classical musician. I had an independent piano teaching studio and also played violin in two symphony orchestras, the Greeley Philharmonic and the Cheyenne Symphony. I transitioned from music after incorporating electronics in the studio, ending up in the computer industry, working with music applications. I got a graduate degree in designing online learning in 2000 and landed a job with a small design company, which subsequently folded within five months during the high tech bust.

As a result of being a CWF trip coordinator



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CAROL NEVILLE . . . a flyfishing teacher.

for three years to the Arkansas River, I had gotten to know Greg Felt and ArkAnglers guide service. Greg had promised a spot for me if I ever wanted it. I kind of backed into guiding by "shadowing" ArkAnglers senior guide and Fly Fishing Schools instructor Paul Fling, who was retiring. (Paul, together with Don Puterbaugh, established Colorado's first Flyfishing School about 35 years ago.) Paul was my mentor and trained me into a position of leading the flyfishing schools and guiding. It was a natural step, due to my teaching background.

The "why" of starting my flyfishing career might best be encapsulated by a story involving Marion Nutt. She and I went on a guide trip with Paul Fling long before I knew I was going to be a guide. Marion was fairly new to the sport, and Paul first set her to fish upstream from where he put me. Fish were sipping across the main current in the rocks and eddies on the other side of the river. Paul taught me to do a long curve cast. I did succeed at placing the fly right in the eddies for at least two seconds, and I hauled out a lot of fish. Marion saw this and came over and wanted to get into the action, too. Knowing this was not an easy cast for a beginner, I hesitated, but then said, "sure." Paul stepped away to rebuild my leader and let us fish.

Parroting Paul, I instructed Marion how to get her fly right into the eddy. She got the cast! Marion herself did not see the fly, but I did. At the critical moment, I told her, "Set NOW! Raise your rod!" She trusted me and did it, hooked the fish, did her Marion squeal

and I then cried out in return, "I'm a guide!" Marion told me just last month that she knew right then that I was going to be a guide. In the end, it was as if life told me to be a guide; I didn't go and ask!

Q: Where do your clients come from (as in, how do they find out about you)?

A: Most find me through ArkAnglers in Salida (on the Arkansas River). A lot of clients come through the shop, but I get many new and repeat clients from the CWF and word-of-mouth recommendations. They can contact me through ArkAnglers (719-539-FISH).

Q: On what rivers do you guide, and do you specialize in a particular style of guide trips?

A: I only do wade fish guiding and teach the flyfishing schools. I guide mostly the Arkansas, of course, but that spans from near Leadville to Canon City, and the Pueblo tailwater section. I also guide trips on small streams and some of the lakes in the Collegiate Peaks. A few trips are on the South Platte "Dream Stream" and even Spinney Reservoir. Since I am the "designated teacher" on staff, I do a lot of educational type trips, although I do take out advanced anglers as well. Our School format is classroom instruction in the morning and a casting lesson, then the students go out on the river for a day wade trip with the other guides and me.

Q: What is it that makes guiding anglers, or wannabe anglers, fun for you?

A: The main thing that I really get a kick out of is helping people learn something they never knew before. It may be that moment of "AHA!" or catching their first fish. It's providing something they take with them forever—a memory, a skill, or a piece of knowledge that they didn't have when they started. That's the biggest reward of being a guide. My own reward is spending time on a river with so many great people. ♦

Update on the condition of Carol's wrist: The cast was taken off just before the first weekend of January and now she is trying to be very careful so the bones will completely mend without a cast. She is doing range of motion exercises once an hour for four weeks! Lifting and strength therapy will follow. The doctor said she can try casting a very light rod in a few weeks. Look out,, you brookies! — NRT

From the Presidential Suite

I would like to welcome everyone, especially those of you who are new members because of talking with us at the January Fly Fishing Show or at the ISE show.

The Board of Directors recently had its annual retreat. You have some wonderful women serving you on the Board. They are committed to this Club and are full of innovative ideas.

We have new places to fish this year, as well as our old favorites. We have some fresh new ideas in just about every area — too numerous to write about here. Please do read the newsletter and watch for them to appear in each issue.

2007 promises to be a very busy and fun-filled year. I hope to see you all at Piccolo's — and if you can't make it there, then on the streams for sure!

Joanie McCord, President

EDUCATION CLINICS FLY TYING CLASS NOW AT THE DENVER ANGLER BY ANITA ENGLISH, EDUCATION CHAIR

The Denver Angler will host fly tying classes for us again this year. Rick Typher, owner and tying instructor, has taught fly tying for over 20 years. He will teach several patterns that will give the student a good base to build upon. All materials and equipment will be provided. The classes will be held in two sessions of 2-1/2 hours each: Wednesday, March 14th and Wednesday, March 21st at a cost of \$45 for both sessions. We need four (4) students minimum and will cap the class at eight. Rick will schedule an intermediate/advanced class, if interest exists. **The application deadline is March 1.** Please call me at (303) 424-2354, if you are interested in these special classes, or if you have questions. ♦

CWF FLY TYING APPLICATION

Complete form and mail registration and check to: CWF Fly Tying Clinic:
c/o Anita English, 16234 W 71st Pl., Arvada, CO 80007.

Name: _____ Eve. Phone: _____

Address: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

___ Sign me up! (\$45 for two sessions, first come/first served basis)

Schedule at The Denver Angler, 6870 S. Yosemite, Centennial (303-403-4512)

Wednesdays: Mar. 14 & Mar. 21 at 6:00-8:30 p.m. Beginning Fly Tying (all materials provided)

Application Deadline: March 1st

Total CHECK Enclosed: \$ _____ (payable to CWF) Registration will be confirmed via email and/or telephone. Directions will be given at that time.

THE 2007 FLY FISHING SHOW REWARDS WERE GREAT AT THIS ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL EVENT BY SUSAN KELLEY, PUBLIC EVENTS CHAIR

Despite the snow that was flying on opening day, it turned out to be an awesome show. We had a great turnout of volunteers. I would like to thank Pat Nilsson, Diane Meyer, Chris Juvan, Rebecca Pasquariello, Anne Zadrazil, Nancy Sherman, Karen Williams, Willie Tebow, Deb Nelson, Jen Hume, Dawn Blom, Donna Keefover, Anita English, Nancy Mann, Barbara Keller, Craig Stainton, Connie Rogers, Jody Yehle, and Joanie McCord. With their persistence, we sold lots of raffle tickets for both the waterproof camera and the guided fishing trip with Kirk Deeter — a great start for 2007.

If you didn't get to the Fly Fishing Show, you missed a lot of fun, the chance to participate in the raffle, and specifically all the opportunities to learn something new or different in regard to flyfishing. This was as much an educational show as it was a commercial show. Put it on your calendar for next year. ♦



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THE CWF BOOTH WAS ACTIVE Anita English, Barb Keller and Rebecca Paquariello drew interest in the Club from both men and women.

The Raffle Corner - February 2007

Flies Are The Word

February is that time of year when fly tyers are hard at work since they can't be out fishing. So we have a really nice Whiting Farms Bronze Rooster cape for them. Since not everyone ties, I will have a bucket for the Whiting cape and a bucket for all other Raffle items. Only tickets in the fly tying bucket will be drawn for the fly tying materials.

For you cold weather flyfishers, we have some good Simms fingerless gloves. It is also time to distribute some of the holiday party leftovers. We will have some really nice door prizes that everyone can win. Be sure to get one red ticket for the door prize entries when you come in.

FYI, remember that only donations are eligible for income tax deductions. Purchases of meals, Raffle tickets, clinic fees, etc. are not tax-deductible since you receive value back for the expense. (*Verify with your tax professional to be sure.*) For this reason, if you give CWF a donation, PLEASE write your name and attach it to the item(s) and indicate whether you wish a tax receipt. I have terrible oral memory, but if you write it down you have a chance of my getting it right. Let me know if you need receipts for any past items.

Featured Fly Shop for February

Charlie's Fly Box, Inc., 7513 Grandview Avenue in Arvada, provided Simms Windstopper Foldover Mitt, men's small, and a Whiting Farm Dry Fly Hackle, Bronze Rooster Cape, Grizzly/Brown Combo.

Raffle items from Club members: Fly box and 93 flies from **Phyllis Vinson**; Fly box and 18 flies from **Joanne Sondock**.

The door prize tickets are for everyone who attends. Prizes include a bottle of Fat Bastard Merlot wine from **Gayle Civish**, hunting and fishing bears, large organizer box, Loon dubbing wax, fish tie, t-shirt and more. — *Karen Williams, Fundraising Chair*

From the Email Box: Mere words cannot express my thanks to all of you who have shown your care and concern for me since I broke my wrist in early December. Thank you for the cards, emails, calls, hugs, hospitality, watch care and prayers. You have not only aided my physical recovery from this quite critical injury, but you have encouraged my spirit and touched my heart. Full recovery is still a long way off, but your support will help me get there. CWF is an amazing sisterhood and I treasure you all. — *Carol Neville*

Thanks, Loon

We want to thank Loon for their generous gifts to the Club after we incurred a glitch by receiving merchandise too late for distribution at the Christmas Party. Loon not only sent us 50 Aquel fly floatant bottles, which they had previously promised, but also sent 150 Top Ride (Dry Shake) canisters and a Casting For Recovery Reel, without charge.

Everyone at the January program meeting received their goodies promised for the Christmas Party. I will be handing out merchandise at the February program meeting — anyone who was missed will have their goodies mailed to them.

Included with the donations was a price list giving Club members 40-50% off most of their catalog items. We decided that because all orders have a \$12.50 shipping and handling charge, we will collect orders from Club members in Denver and ship our group order after the March meeting. I would really encourage members to take advantage of this offer to get great merchandise at a great price — and to thank Loon for their integrity and generosity! — *Diane Kyncl, Special Projects Coordinator*

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LAST CAST

"To capture the fish is not all of the fishing."

ZANE GREY

LOTSA ACTION, NO FISH Nancy Sherman went to the South Platte above Deckers on a snowy day in January to fight this large, educated rainbow, who tried to twist around a rock to shake her, then raced toward her to slack the line, then headed upstream and finally twisted in her tippet until it broke free. But Nancy said it still beat shovelling snow.

CWF 2007 MEMBERSHIP
Membership for Calendar Year (January - December)

RENEWAL

Enclose a check for \$25 made payable to Colorado Women Flyfishers.

NEW MEMBER (over 18? yes___ no ___)

Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

The Club does not sell or trade or give away members' contact information to outside vendors; however, rosters are printed quarterly for members' personal use only.

Flyfishing Ability: (circle one) Professional Advanced Intermediate Beginner

I would like to serve on the following committees: (Circle as many as you like!)

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IF THERE IS A HEART IN THIS BOX, put a little love in an envelope and mail in your 2007 renewal dues. If there is no red heart in this box, congratulations, you are a paid up member of the Club and will continue to receive all benefits during 2007!