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A sociable club for women who fly fish

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JULY PICNIC & GEARAGE SALE

DATE:

Tuesday, July 6, 2010

PLACE:

PROSPECT PARK, on 44th just west of Kipling

TIME:

5:00 p.m.- Start of Festivities 6:00 p.m.- Catered Dinner

COST:

\$5.00 for CWF Members (includes member subsidy)

\$7.00 for Kids under 12 (includes member subsidy)

\$13.50 for Non-member Guest

PLEASE BRING:

- Flyfishing gear for the Gearage Sale
- Cash/check for the Gearage Sale
- Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided; if you wish, you may bring your own (no glass containers, no alcoholic drinks, 3.2 beer only)

How to Get There

FROM THE NORTH: Take I-70 west to Kipling. Turn south onto Kipling and proceed to 44th. Turn right onto 44th (west).

FROM THE SOUTH: Take I-25 to 6th Ave. west (or C470 north to 6th Ave. east) and go to the Kipling exit. Go north on Kipling to 44th. Turn left onto 44th (west).

There is a Winchell's donut shop on the southwest corner and a Phillips gas station on the northeast corner of 44th & Kipling. After .8 of a mile you come to Robb St. (11300 west); you will see the park on your left (south side). It is .3 of a mile to the pavilion. Pass the tennis courts, then a lake on your right and softball field on your left. Follow the lake road around to the large pavilion.

At our Annual Picnic...

CWF ANNUAL PICNIC AND GEARAGE SALE- FRIDAY JULY 2 IS PAYMENT DEADLINE

Our CWF annual picnic will be on Tuesday, July 6th at Prospect Park, starting around 5:00 p.m. Dinner is being catered by M & D Barbeque and serving begins at 6:00 p.m.

After dinner there will be a strength conditioning training session, a casting demo and some fun games.

This is an excellent opportunity to buy or sell your useable fishing and camping equipment at our Gearage Sale. Please put your name and price on each Gearage item.

Send checks, payable to CWF, to Marion Roper, 6786 Old Ranch Trail, Littleton, CO 80125. Please include the number of children and guests with your payment. You can now pay with PayPal through our CWF website if you prefer. —*Marion Roper, Special Events Chair*

CWF Calendar

July 2 Reservations Due for CWF Picnic
July 6 CWF Picnic**
July 10 Club Day Trip to Boulder Creek Water Shed
July 24-25 . . . Club Weekend Trip to Trappers Lake

** There is no program meeting in July; the picnic takes its place.

Welcome New Members

Kathy Altman Denver, CO
Janet Brophy Wray, CO
Pamela Christian Gunnison, CO
Barb Crowley Denver, CO
Royce Renee Dupree . . . Denver, CO
Sue Eppley Lakewood, CO
Lillian Fong Longmont, CO
Elizabeth Harris Berthoud, CO
Barbara Hobson Lakewood, CO
Sheri Langford Centennial, CO
Tammy Lawrence . Crested Butte, CO
Ginny Masimer Denver, CO
Laura Parker Centennial, CO

• 40 New Members Enrolled in 2010.



FOUL HOOKED: In the June Issue, page 10, bottom center photo, the caption incorrectly identified the subjects- It should have read "Sabina Ueblacker and Chris Juvan." —Ed.



BACK CAST

JUNE MEETING- THE ROARING FORK VALLEY

BY FELICIA OLSEN

The featured guest speaker at the June meeting was Cameron Cipponeri, one of the guides from Frying Pan Anglers in Basalt. Once again, our members left the meeting sated with knowledge of the Roaring Fork Valley where three of Colorado's gems are found: the Roaring Fork River, the Frying Pan River and the Colorado River.

There are over 40 miles of Gold Medal Waters in the valley; impressive when you consider some of the best places to fish are; a toilet bowl, behind a 7-11 convenience store, and a taco shack! It is no wonder people travel to Colorado frequently to feast on our magnificent flyfishing opportunities.

Of the three rivers, The Frying Pan has the most notoriety and therefore receives the most fishing pressure during the summer months. It also has a vast quantity of private water, and, unfortunately, relations are quite contentious between fishermen and landowners. Be responsible, do not fish on private land, and above all, get a map! Rules and regulations abound here, and they vary depending on what area of the river you are fishing. Some areas have a bag and size limit, and some are Gold Medal Waters. Know where you are and where you are going.

On the up side, these three rivers offer some large rainbows, browns, cutthroats and brook trout. The main reason for the size of these fish is the Mysis shrimp coming from Reudi Reservoir. Burton's Mysis and Dorsey's Mysis are good options here in sizes 14-18. The heavy pressure on these fish makes them a challenge to catch, but it can be done. (Remove your indicator.)

An interesting fact about the Roaring Fork River; is that it drops more elevation in its mere 70 mile trek down to the confluence with the Colorado River than the entire length of the Mississippi River.

If you are planning a trip to the Basalt area, contact Frying Pan Anglers. They have a full service flyshop, and they own Taylor Creek Cabins—five cabins and a house, with private access to the river nearby. They are located at 132 Basalt Center Circle, Basalt. 970-927-3441 or email at www.fryingpananglers.com ■

GO FISH BOULDER WATERSHED

JULY 10 DAY TRIP

BY AMY SLAUGHTER, TRIPS DIRECTOR

Break out your 3-weight rod and get ready to have some fun! The only issue is which area of the watershed to fish: the Upper Watershed, Boulder Canyon, or South Boulder Creek above Gross Reservoir.

With the snow melt, rain, and interesting weather we saw in June, we should be beyond run-off and able to fish the canyon without too much trouble, so let's try our luck fishing Middle Boulder Creek first (Boulder to Nederland).

Brook trout are the most prevalent, but there are browns, cutthroats, and rainbows as well. The fish hold in the typical places and the wading is fairly easy, depending on the water flows.

If the canyon is too busy we will be heading in the right direction to access South Boulder Creek above Nederland, or we have several other options.

What to Bring

Lighter is better so grab your 3 or 4 weight rod.

Flies - Mayflies (BWO, PMD, Red Quill, and maybe some Green Drakes); Caddis; Stoneflies (Yellow Sally, Golden Stone); Terrestrials (ants, beetles, and hoppers). A dry/dropper rig works well.

Carpools Boulder Target (west side of parking lot). Target is located on the southeast corner of 30th and Pearl St. We will meet at 7:30 a.m. and depart promptly at 8:00 a.m. From Denver take US36 to Boulder. US36 turns into 30th Street. Target will be on the right side (4th stoplight). My cell phone number is 303-817-3272 in case you need directions.

For more information, or to sign up for the day trip, contact Amy Slaughter at 303-817-3272 or via email at home2pws@mind-spring.com ■

GO FISH TRAPPERS LAKE

JULY 24-25 WEEKEND TRIP FEATURES THE SECOND LARGEST NATURAL LAKE IN COLORADO

BY CHRIS JUVAN, TRIP COORDINATOR

Trappers Lake lies about 9600 feet in elevation and is located in the Flattops Wilderness of northwestern Colorado. This is a glacial lake that reaches a depth of 180 feet, and covers approximately 320 surface acres.

The season is based on ice-off, typically in early to mid-June, during which the fishing is exceptional. Rising temperatures will slow the feeding frenzy, and signal the cutthroat to migrate into stream inlets and begin spawning. After this period, the fishing will be good through mid-August.

Fishing is with artificial flies and lures only, and cutthroat over ten inches must be returned to the water immediately.

There is good fishing from the bank, and float tubes are allowed. This is a wilderness area, and there is no parking around the lake. There are access points in various locations with easy walk-in.

Fishing is prohibited in all inlets and upstream for one half mile, and downstream to the falls, and within 100 feet of inlet and outlet streams.

Location

From Denver: Take I-70 West, Exit at Wolcott (CR 131). Take CR 131 North to Yampa. At the northend of Yampa there will be a sign for the "Scenic Byway" — Turn left and fol-

low the Scenic Byway, (County Road 8), for approximately 42 miles. You will travel over Dunkley Pass and Ripple Creek Pass.

At 42 miles, you will see Ripple Creek Lodge on your left. Across from Ripple Creek Lodge you will see the sign for Trappers Lake. Turn left. Continue on this road for approximately 7-8 miles. The road will dead end just past Trappers Lake Lodge and the turn-off for the campgrounds

From Meeker: Trappers Lake is 39 miles on County Road 8 (Flattops Scenic Byway); then 8 miles on Trappers Lake Road 205.

Recommended Flies

Woolly Buggers, Griffith's Gnats, Parachute Adams, small CDC Biot Midges, and adult Midges in the evening.

Camping

The campgrounds closest to the lake cannot be reserved. My plan is to arrive by mid-day Thursday, July 22 and try to get into one of these campgrounds: Cutthroat, Trap Line, and then Shepherds Rim. I will have a tent set up with CWF bandana's attached to the tent and my silver Isuzu Rodeo.

Questions? Contact the Trip Coordinator, Chris Juvan, at 303-480-0985 or, email at wader-high@aol.com ■

CLUB TRIP REPORT

MAY 15TH TRIP TO CATAMOUNT LAKE

BY KELLIE HEATHERLY, TRIP COORDINATOR

The club trip to Catamount Reservoir had to be moved to Eleven Mile Canyon due to the reservoir not yet being opened to fishing. There was still ice on the lake, and as of this writing it is still closed.

Marion Roper, Chris Juvan, Craige Stainton, Charlene Warneke and I decided to fish Eleven Mile Canyon instead. Typical of Colorado weather, it was sunny, cloudy, cold, sunny and then cold again. It even snowed for a few minutes. Fish were caught and good times were had, although the fishing would have been better if the water could have warmed up a little more.

In the afternoon we ran into **Rim Chung**, inventor of the RS2 fly and all-around great angler. Rim gave me a couple of flies he tied and let me fish with him and a friend, who found it humorous that I was using a strike indicator.

There was a discussion among some of us about an informal trip to Catamount later in the season when the weather is warmer. ■

SNEAK PEEKS

THE FRYING PAN RIVER

Basalt, Colorado

Weekend Trip: August 14-15

One of the most famous and most scenic flyfishing rivers in Colorado is the "Pan." Fourteen miles of Gold Medal tailwater runs from Reudi Reservoir to the confluence with the Roaring Fork. The river holds a full grand slam of trout—rainbows, browns, brookies and cutthroats.

August is likely to have the Green Drake hatch going, but the Pale Morning Duns are usually working as well at this time. Ask Phyllis Vinson about how big the fish can get down there, she can attest to at least 27" worth of fish!

Accommodations

Many members are staying at the popular Mollie B Campground next to Reudi Reservoir. Go online to recreation.gov as soon as possible to reserve a site. If you must have indoor plumbing and a soft bed, call the Green Drake Motel in Basalt at (970) 927-4747.

But do it soon; this is a popular river to fish.

— *Joanne Sondock, Trip Coordinator*

JOE WRIGHT CREEK/ JOE WRIGHT RESERVOIR

Near Cameron Pass, Colorado

Day Trip: Saturday, August 28

Head up the Poudre Canyon to join us at Joe Wright Creek and Reservoir, located just east of Cameron Pass on Highway 14. It is a small reservoir that lies along the highway, and is very picturesque. Much of the shoreline is accessible for fishing. For those who would like to make a weekend of it, campground facilities are located nearby at Chambers Lake.

The creek holds mostly browns that hang out near the boulders and around large rocks along the edge. The reservoir holds rainbows, but most of the fish you will see are not rising trout—they are greyling.

Fishing for greyling is much the same as fishing for trout, but will take patience due to the small, soft tissue mouths of the greyling. They will strike repeatedly at a fly before taking it.

Mark your calendar, and make plans to catch something a little different—it should be a hoot!—*Amy Slaughter, Trips Director*

Women's Flyfishing Weekend Helps Fulfill Our Educational Mission

BY KAREN WILLIAMS, WFW CHAIR

PHOTOGRAPH BY ARLYS WARFIELD



Karen Williams introduces students to the benefits of fishing.

On a windy weekend in May, CWF hosted 42 members of the public to teach women how to flyfish. We heard many compliments and a lot of interest in the club and the sport. On Saturday we had incredible winds whipping down the canyon while **Joanie McCord** and **Dave Lovell** of Orvis of Cherry Creek tried to teach casting. The students persevered with wild back casts and long forward casts. It was encouraging that if the cast went awry, it was not the student's fault but the wind's. Everyone realized we had no control of the weather, but it has encouraged the committee to look for a different location with more indoor space.

Nancy Sherman taught the essence of bugs by coming super early and harvesting live bugs from the South Platte. The students were amazed with the size of the bugs. **Mike Gray** of Discount Tackle showed his classes the



Nancy Sherman shows off her big bugs.

fine points of flyfishing equipment and what to look for when making a purchase. I taught two easy knots and how to rig the rods. Ziploc bags of line were flying across the grass, and sometimes you just had to hold your hat and lean into the wind.

I would like to thank one of our sponsors, Colorado Division of Wildlife, which loaned us 40 rods and reels and made up great goody bags, including a super DVD on Flyfishing in Colorado. **Scott Gilmore** of DOW is great to work with and really expressed DOW's appreciation of our taking this on. It

PHOTOGRAPH BY JANE PRATT



Karen Williams getting students off to a great start.

PHOTOGRAPH BY ARLYS WARFIELD



Fran Sturgis assists a student in netting her fish.

saves the state a lot of money to put on the program. Our other sponsors are greatly appreciated for their donations of goods and time: **Discount Tackle**, **Orvis of Cherry Creek** and **Oskar Blues Brewery**. We couldn't have done it without them.

I would like to thank my committee —,

PHOTOGRAPH BY ARLYS WARFIELD



SUCCESS! What a great smile.

Joanie McCord, Dawn Blom, Jody Yehle, Marion Nutt, Arlys Warfield and Aprille Hill, plus all of the volunteers who helped with the classes on Saturday and the more-experienced fishers who came to buddy fish with the beginners on Sunday morning. It helped that they got to stay and fish the stocked pond. Ask **Dawn Dobson** about the big bass that took her money flies and

line. It meant a lot to the ladies to see how much fun we have together. We're getting good at what it takes and still being able to roll with the surprises

Think about how you can help next year and get some of the wonderful food **Marion Nutt** and **Judy McDonald** whip up. How many clinics do you attend and have blueberry pancakes served up hot? ■

PHOTOGRAPH BY JANE PRATT



Judy and Marion make pancakes.

CLUB TRIP REPORT

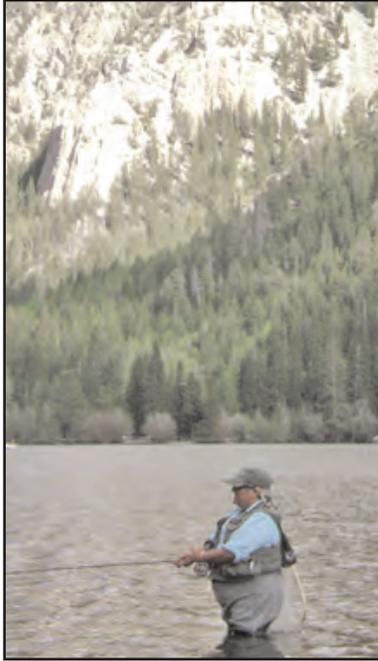
JUNE 5 DAY TRIP TO CRYSTAL LAKE, UPPER ARKANSAS RIVER

BY AMY SLAUGHTER, TRIPS DIRECTOR

The day trip for June was planned for Crystal Lake, and twelve members showed up to try their luck. Unfortunately the wind also decided to make an appearance.

Not to be deterred, float tubes were inflated, river rafts were launched, waders were put on and rods were rigged. Those in tubes were pushed around the small lake and those who were wading spent more time dodging their own flies than fishing, we decided to put together another plan. With the river raging, Carol Neville had the day off and was in attendance, so we picked her brain. Two options were chosen, Emerald Lake or Cottonwood Lake.

Arls, Nancy and Felicia went to Emerald Lake, a small lake with beautiful scenery surrounding it but apparently not many fish. The rest of the members made the drive to Cottonwood Lake, west of Buena Vista. The reward for the drive was numerous small rainbows, hardly any wind, and again - beautiful scenery.



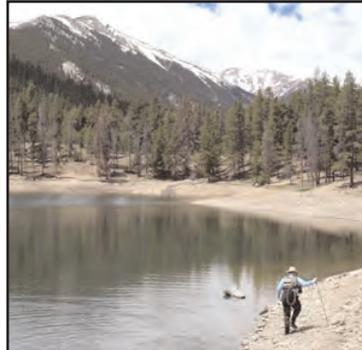
PHOTOGRAPH BY AMY SLAUGHTER

Joanie McCord fishes Cottonwood Lake.



PHOTOGRAPH BY AMY SLAUGHTER

Carol Neville and Craige Stainton attempt to defeat the wind on Crystal Lake.



PHOTOGRAPH BY FELICIA OLSEN

Arls Warfield walks along the picturesque shore of Emerald Lake.

From the Presidential Suite

Hey there, ladies!

This is it—this is the time of year we've all been waiting for. I will assume one of the main reasons you joined CWF is to fish during the prime fishing season, *SUMMER!*

If this is your first or second year in the club, or even if you've been around longer, please don't hesitate to call someone to fish. NO, you don't have to be a wonderful angler to get on the water. **Please do not** be intimidated because you feel you're not good enough and no one will want to fish with you.

That's one reason we're all in the club: we want to fish with others. Everyone started out needing help. The only way to see if the water is cold in the pool is to jump in, and you can't tell the temperature just by looking at the water.

So, at the very least, walk in with those new waders. Be brave. The time and opportunity have come to break them in. Fishing is so much fun ... but you need to get to the water!

We have our organized club trips to fish, have fun with friends, and help new members, who will become new friends. Did I mention have fun and fish?

That is the best advice I can give at this moment. Until next month, I'm out fishing!

I'll see you around the lakes and streams and at the July picnic.

**Joanie McCord,
President**

STEP UP FOR CANCER Support Casting For Recovery

BY MARION NUTT, EVENT CHAIR



STEP UP FOR CANCER is Sunday, August 8th, from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. at Dick's Sporting Goods Park (past Bass Pro on Quebec). I would like to organize a CWF Team to Step Up. Dozens of Colorado non-profit cancer organizations are collaborating for one mission: to partner in the fight against cancer.

Step Up for Cancer is a multi-generational stair-climbing event open to families and individuals of all ages. In its second year, participants will have the opportunity to earn pledges for their cancer

charity of choice by climbing all 1,765 stairs at Dick's Sporting Goods Park or just a portion of the 33 rows of stairs.

Cost for participation is \$30, which includes a t-shirt and goodie bag. Individuals or teams can also raise additional funds by asking for pledges from friends and families, knowing that 100% of their pledges goes directly to their cancer charity of choice.

A list of the non-profit organizations participating can be found on the CWF website.

Please contact Marion Nutt with questions, or to sign up at 303-793-0949 or email rxnutt@aol.com. ■

NEW ON THE WEB

KNOWLEDGE BASE

BY DEB NELSON;
TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

There is a new area in the members-only section of the CWF website called **Knowledge Base**. Many of you may not know what this term means; since I work in the IT industry it is all too familiar to me.

A knowledge base is a collection of information representing related experiences. The results are related to the problems and solutions.

Our CWF Knowledge Base started with an article from our own Entomology Sage, **Phyllis Vinson**. Her initial article, "Which Flies to Choose and Why" (July 2009) is the first article that was posted.

Since we've just completed our 2010 Spring Clinic: I thought what better way to share this knowledge with those who were not able to attend!

I have gathered the articles and handouts from this year's clinic, as well as some from the 2007 clinic, and turned them into our very first CWF Knowledge Base.

This knowledge base is not meant to replace the valuable face-to-face classes that are offered at the clinic. If you have never been to a CWF clinic, do not hesitate to sign up when offered again. These handouts are to be used as a reference for us throughout the year.

When you get a chance to look in the members' section, please give me your feedback. If there are any other articles that the more-seasoned members would like to share, don't hesitate to send them along.

Include all copyright information with the articles you send me; get permission from the author, if needed, and indicate that permission in the article. ■

THE ANNUAL PICNIC AND ANOTHER RAFFLE! WHO CAN RESIST?

BY CHERYL GERLITZ, FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR

The annual picnic is a great time for another CWF Raffle. At the time this newsletter is going to press I am trying to secure a few larger items; and if successful, there will be a silent auction, too! All Items will be posted on CWF Talk the week before the picnic.

In effort to spread the prizes to more members, we will get creative in selecting our winning tickets. So bring your cash or checkbook to the picnic — the raffles are a great way to win fabulous prizes and support CWF.

Tickets will be \$1.00 each, 6 tickets for \$5.00, 13 tickets for \$10.00, or 25 tickets for \$20.00 ■

CWF CLASSIFIED ADS

Patagonia Guidewater Vest

Size: small (men's sizing) — used once, New \$199, \$75 for CWF member.

Simms Women's Headwater Boots

Size: women's 8 — Sticky bottom, used about 10 times.

New \$150, \$50 for CWF member.

Patagonia Riverwalker Studded Felt

Men's size 7 (but runs a bit small) — used well, but still in good shape.

New \$189, \$25 for a CWF member.

Patagonia Riverwalker Sticky Rubber

Men's size 7 (but runs a bit small) — used well, but still in good shape.

New \$169, \$25 for a CWF member.

Wright McGill Women's Breathable Waders

Olive Green, Built-in Gravel Guard & Belt — Women's Large Long, in good shape.

\$30 for a worthy CWF member.

Simms G3 Guide Vest

Older model G3, but features the same as one you can see on line.

Men's size small — used well, but in fine shape.

New was around \$200, \$50 for CWF member.

Please contact Kay DuShane if you are interested in these items.

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Arlys Warfield shows Amy Slaughter and Carol Neville how to make your fish look bigger in photos, or has she seen the "Karate Kid" movie?

LAST CAST

"For the supreme test of a fisherman is not how many fish [s]he has caught, not even how [s]he has caught them, but what [s]he has caught when [s]he has caught no fish."

JOHN H. BRADLEY

CWF 2010 MEMBERSHIP

Membership for Calendar Year (January - December)

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Enclose a check for \$30 made payable to Colorado Women Flyfishers. Members are required to sign an Acknowledgment of Risk and Release of Liability Form as a condition of membership.

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Home Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Other Phone [specify CELL (c) or WORK (w)]: _____

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Sneak Peeks of **Trappers Lake**

And **The Boulder Watershed!**