



A sociable club for women who fly fish

December 2018

## NO MEETINGS



*Enjoy your holiday!*

Artist: *Stephanie Sondock*

## Upcoming CWF Events

December 10  
6pm

NoCO **Christmas  
Pot-Luck**

Crow Hop Brewing, Loveland, Co

December 15  
Bass Pro Northfield

**Gift Wrapping  
Fundraiser**

December 16  
Orvis Park Meadows

**Gift Wrapping  
Fundraiser**

**January 2** WEDNESDAY

**CWF Member  
Meeting**

January 4-6

**CWF Booth @**  
The **2019 Denver Fly Fishing Show**  
at the **Denver Mart** (I-25 and 58<sup>th</sup> Ave)



## Denver Chapter



***No CWF meetings in December.***

**The January Denver meeting  
will be on**

***Wednesday January 2nd, 2019.***

Alice Owsley, Riverside Anglers, West Yellowstone will be speaking on the West Yellowstone/ Montana areas.



## NoCO Chapter

### **Christmas Party Potluck**

**When:** December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm

**Where:** Crow Hop Brewing , 214 E. 4th Street Loveland, Co 80537

***More info to follow....***



## Public Events

Submitted by: Val Robinson, Director

A big thank you to everyone who showed up to the Orvis Park Meadows "Fly Tying Fanatics Fest".



And did you hear? Our own [Denise Thelen](#) and her husband both won fly boxes in the free raffle! The boxes contained flies tied by the 32 participants...Pat Dorsey, Rim Chung (invented the RS2), Phil Iwane, Rick Takahashi, Landon Mayer, and many others! Good thing they both won, so they do not have to share!





The **2019 Denver Fly Fishing Show**

is scheduled for **January 4-6**

at the **Denver Mart** (I-25 and 58<sup>th</sup> Ave)

*Spots fill up quickly* for this fun event.

Come help us out in our Women's showcase again this year!

We will also participate in the

**Rocky Mountain Fly Tying Clinic** in April 2019

and

the **Fly Fishing Rendezvous** (Date to be determined).

So, **stay tuned to exciting events coming up.**

*EOS party pics* \_\_\_\_\_



# Fundraising

Submitted by: Jane Retherford

CWF Volunteers will be **wrapping presents for donations** the weekend of **December 15 and 16**.



On **Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** we will be wrapping at the **Bass Pro Shop** in Northfield.

On Sunday, **December 16<sup>th</sup>** we will be wrapping at the **Orvis Park Meadows**.

**Look for a SignUpGenius on CWF Talk.**

**Cyndy Scholz**, Education Co-director, presents a **\$500** check from her employer (CenturyLink) to CWF Treasurer Jolene Pilcher. Cyndy's employer donated funds for employees who volunteer. Of all the non-profit organizations Cyndy is involved with, she is donating the matching funds to Colorado Women Flyfishers!

**Thank you Cyndy for all of your contributions to our club!**



Joanne Sondock *beams* as she was presented the prize for the **"Finger Fly" contest** held on the Pueblo trip in March. (Joanne was not available at the club BBQ or EOS party to present her prize.) **The "golden spool" fly holder was presented to Joanne when CWF members gathered to fish the William's Fork River.**



## Fundraising *cont'd*

A **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who helped out to make the **End of Season and 21<sup>st</sup> Year Party** a **big success!** The bucket raffles raised \$410 and the silent auction \$1,040. (Thank you to Mary Manka for storing items in her basement!)

Once again, **Debbie Holmberg** donated a **GORGEOUS** quilt to the silent auction. **Thank you, Debbie,** for all of your time involved in making the quilt.

**Congratulations** and another thank you to **Paula Davis** and **Tara Curry** for volunteering as **Co-Directors of Fundraising**. It is wonderful to see new members step-up to fill positions!



**Paula Gregory** won the **"Where did your logo go?"** prize at the EOS party for her photo of her CWF 20yr hat on a trip to Europe. Paula's prize was a whimsical pair of fish slippers (donated by Michelle Cummings). Thank you to all who participated in the contest.

And here they are on Paula's feet!

"I have the slippers and they ROCK!!! Thank you!!!" **Paula Gregory**



## Fundraising *cont'd*

Jolene Pilcher fishes the ponds at St. Vrain State Park. Jolene has retired, and will be taking more time to fish.



*Thank you, Jolene for your time as our Treasurer!*



ARTWORK: STEPHANIE SONDOCK

## Special Projects

Submitted by: Cherie Buskohl



### CWF's End of The Season - 21st Celebration.

Prime Rib/Salmon Buffet was enjoyed at Blossoms Restaurant @ Windsor Gardens on Nov 3, 2018. We had **64** RSVP's which included 9 invited guests.



**Special thanks** to Fundraising Chair Jane Retherford for our numerous **raffles, silent auction items and freebies!**

To our **Technology Chair Deb Nelson** for the **awesome slide show!**

And to all members and their guests who helped with setup and cleanup!

**Pat Nilsson** had the winning bid in the Silent Auction for the beautiful quilt made and donated by our own **Deb Holmberg**. The bidding was frenzied and Pat prevailed! She was extremely happy to take this beautiful quilt home.





# TECHNOLOGY TIDBIT

Submitted by: Deb Nelson

Ever wonder who your **CWF** board members are? If you have already misplaced or deleted your CWF newsletter and you want to reach out to one of the board members you have a way to look up their contact info.



Log into the **CWF** web site and look at the top item on the menu. Choosing that link - <http://colowomenflyfishers.org/cwf-members-login/member-welcome/board-member-list/> will provide you with a list of all of the board members along with what their position title is, their phone numbers and their email addresses.



Let us know if you have further questions on how to find things on your web site. –

<http://colowomenflyfishers.org>.



## **TRIPS**

*Submitted by Robin Schmidt & Carmen Curtis, Trips Co-Directors*

CWF Ladies,

The trips season has come to a pause until we meet again in March but many of our members are still getting together and fishing on their own.

If you are looking for a fishing companion, feel free to create a thread on **CWF talk** and reach out to your fellow anglers!



One of the many **benefits of being a CWF member** is that there is usually no shortage of fishing buddies for those who get the itch but don't want to go at it alone. Fishing with other club members is a great way to connect with other women who share the same passion, hone your skills and learn something new, or well perhaps take a beginner under your wing and share what you have learned along the way with them.

As Robin and I are preparing a ***preliminary trip list for the 2019 season we would welcome your input*** and suggestions! If there was a trip you went on that was particularly enjoyable, or if you feel like we missed what could have been a great trip – please contact us at [trips@colowomenflyfishers.org](mailto:trips@colowomenflyfishers.org)

**If you are a seasoned angler and would like to be POC for one of your favorite rivers, please let us know!**

The success of our trips relies largely on the involvement of our trip POCs.

POCs volunteer to be the point of contact for a specific trip, answer any questions about “their” trips (as they are able to-prior knowledge and experience is NOT a must), keep track of RSVPs and meet and greet fellow anglers the day of.

We are welcoming suggestions on how to make trip planning and RSVP process easier and more streamlined for our volunteers.

We look forward to hearing from you and wish you **Happy Holidays** and a wonderful New Year.

***Robin Schmidt & Carmen Curtis***



Clinton Reservoir Outing, 7/14/2018

## Membership

Jennifer Curran, Director



**Welcome**  
Glad you're here!

### ***New Members***

***Aniko Lovey***

***Elizabeth, CO***

***Pattie Maikish***

***Denver, CO***

***Michelle VanderGiesen***

***Cortez, CO***



## Membership

Submitted by: Jennifer Curran/, Director

**IT'S TIME TO RENEW  
FOR THE 2019 SEASON!!**



The dues remain the same rate of **\$40.00**.

CWF will continue to pay the PayPal fees for membership dues. So, paying online will cost the same as paying in person (via Cash or Check). Quickly pay your dues and electronically sign your Acknowledgment of Risk (AOR) form \*\*, all in a couple of clicks and a swipe of your mouse from our website:

<http://colowomenflyfishers.org/about/membership/>

Please join us for another year of fun, friends, and (of course) fishing!! And, just think ... you can renew your CWF Membership for the entire year for the same cost as a mani/pedi ... wow ... now that's a great deal!!!

\*\*Please note, a current AOR must be filed for **EVERY** member, EACH year a member is active in our organization.



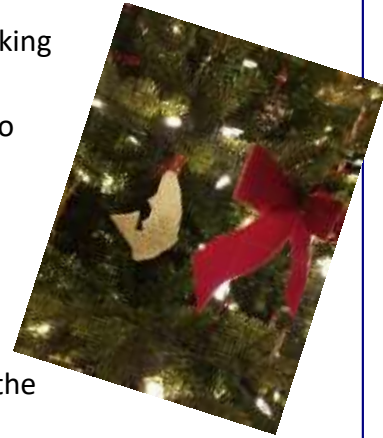
## Presidential Suite:

Submitted by: Rheana Gavagan; CWF President

It's so hard to believe that we are at the end of the year already! **We don't have a meeting this month**, as we know so many of us are busy during the holiday season. I want to share with you that your board is hard at work transitioning the new members in and planning for 2019!

Last year we celebrated our 20<sup>th</sup> year of CWF and we focused on our rich history. This year, our 21<sup>st</sup> year, we had very specific goals to modernize aspects of our membership processing, add outward facing social media, increase membership numbers that had recently seen a decline, and to find ways to bring more value to our members while maintaining membership fees at \$40.00 for yet another year. I'm thrilled to say that we not only met, but completely crushed those goals!

We have an incredible group of women, and this year we have some very exciting new goals we will work together with all of you to achieve. The BOD recently spent many hours discussing new ideas and goals for 2019. Now that our membership base has reached greater than 200 members, we are placing special focus on charitable opportunities, as is our Club charter. We will be working towards opportunities to make an impact on our communities through fly fishing and conservation, and to closely partner with those entities that are doing so. We cannot do this without you and I look forward to the incredible things we will be able to achieve together! So, when you get the "call" please know how much we need each and every one of you to truly make a difference through what we are all so passionate about. We've thrown some huge ideas on the table, so Let's make it happen and make CWF a household name in this industry, because together we can make an incredible impact. If I may be frank, I expect nothing less and look forward to reporting to you at the end of the year how we also crushed this goal.



Just a couple of insights as to where we are going...we will be offering free one-year memberships to ladies from Casting for Recovery and Project Healing Waters. I couldn't be prouder of CWF. I hope you are too.

Have questions? Talk to us!

<b>President</b>	Rheana Gavagan	<b>Education</b>	April Archer/ Cyndy Scholz
<b>Vice President</b>	Mary Manka	<b>Newsletter</b>	Julie Heeg
<b>Treasurer</b>	Karen Williams	<b>Special Projects</b>	Denise Thelen
<b>Secretary</b>	Debbie Catania-Arnold	<b>Public Events</b>	Val Robinson
<b>Membership</b>	Jennifer Curran/Eileen Quirk	<b>Fundraising</b>	Paula Davis/Tara Curry
<b>Trips</b>	Robin Schmidt/Carmen Curtis	<b>Technology</b>	Deb Nelson
<b>Outreach</b>	Priscilla Gascon		