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Membership Meeting

Monday, 11 March

The MVFF general membership meeting will meet on Monday 11 March at 7:00pm in the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room. The special guest speaker will be Noah Parker from the Land of Enchantment Guides www.loeflyfishing.com. His topic will be about fishing Northern New Mexico and our club trip to the Quinlan Ranch in July.

Refreshments will be served.

Executive Board Meeting

Monday, 18 March

The MVFF Executive Board will meet on Monday 18 March at 7:00pm at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room. All members are welcome to attend.

Liars and Tyers

Thursday, 28 March

Liars and Tyers will meet on Thursday 28 March at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room starting at 7:00pm. Note: this is not the regular date due to a conflict with PHW. The fly to be tied is undecided but as soon as it is determined it will be posted on the web site. The tying session will be led by Tim Mack. Tim manages the Sportsman's Elite flyshop in El Paso and is a professional tyer. Don't

miss out. Extra vises and supplies will be available for beginning tiers.

President's Corner



At our February meeting we started a raffle for a SAGE ONE- 9' 5 wt 4 pc Fly Rod, a \$770 Value. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. You can either mail in you raffle tickets or purchase them at one of our general meetings.

Drawing will be at our May 13th meeting.

Our guest speaker for the March meeting is Noah Parker from the Land of Enchantment Guides www.loeflyfishing.com. His topic will be about fishing Northern New Mexico and our club trip to the Quinlan Ranch in July.

The kids fishing clinic will be held on Saturday, April 13. This is a fun event for both young and old. Your involvement will make a lot of kids very happy with your support. So, please check with Tom Wobbe to volunteer.

Volunteers for Project Healing Waters will be needed for fly tying and casting on Mach 20th and their fishing trip to the lease on the 27th. We will also need a few volunteers for fly tying at the American Legion on March 19th. See Ron Bellerose's article in this month's newsletter for details.

Casting Clinic for El Paso: - David Carmichael is working on a casting clinic with Sportsman's Elite. It will take place sometime in March or April... more information to come later.

I have received some interest in a Rod Building Class. If we can get 4 to 5 members to commit to this class, we would do it in two parts. First part would be about selecting a rod blank and materials, this would be held on a Saturday morning in April. Second part would be the steps to build a rod and practice. Class would be a 6 to 8 hour class on a Saturday in May. The only cost would be your selection of materials. If

you are interested in building a rod, please contact George Sanders at sanders@mvff.org (575)527-5536; or Bob Silver at silver@mvff.org (575)-522-6325; or Chuck Mueller at mueller@mvff.org (575)-647-4045.

Club Trips:

- 14 members have signed up for the San Juan Trip May 2nd through the 5th.
- 13 members have signed up for the Bighorn Trip June 18th through the 23rd, there are only 7 spots available for this trip.
- 4 members have signed up for the Quinlan Ranch Trip July 17th through the 21st.

April's guest speaker will be Tim Mack from Sportsman's Elite on April 8th. Topic will be about fishing for Red fish in the Gulf and their trip scheduled this October to Venice Sportsman's Lodge south of New Orleans. I'll have more on this in the next newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting. In the mean time keep a tight line.

Chuck



Ron Bellerose

PHW Coordinator



Project Healing Waters (PHW) will get into full swing this month.

On March 19th we will have an open house hosted by the

American Legion located on Madrid Street, Las Cruces. This will be an informational open house with hopefully many local disabled vets learning what PHW is about and how they can get involved. I would like just a few volunteers to help with setting this up. Two or three fly tyers and maybe just a couple of others to be able to talk to the Vets after the presentation. Hopefully we will get a few local Vets interested in fly fishing and we will be able to take them fishing at other times than just with a large group like we have with Ft. Bliss.

ON March 20th we will have the Ft. Bliss Vets for fly tying and casting. Looking for as many as possible volunteers to assist in the fly tying to be held at the

NMG&F. Set up time will be 8am and expect the Vets between 8:30 and 9. We will be doing the casting in the afternoon at Alumni Pond NMSU. Pizza and drinks will be available for all for lunch. All permits have been received from the University and I will have parking permits for those that help with the casting.

On March 27th we will be having the Ft Bliss Vets up to the lease. As you all know this is quite an event and we will need as many volunteers as we can possibly get. I am expecting about 20 Vets fishing and a one on one would be great. We can also use a couple of volunteers to help with the set up of the lunch. Even if you do not feel comfortable teaching a Vet how to fish the river there are always other ways to assist.

A special thanks goes out to all the MVFF volunteers that participate in PHW. Without you we would not be able to support our veterans.

For more information about PHWFF see www.projecthealingwaters.org. Contact Ron Bellerose (575-680-5516), flyfishnh@hotmail.com if you wish to volunteer to help out.

Club Outings Planned

The board is now discussing possible outings for 2013 and would welcome suggestions from members. Where do you want to go? Let us know. If you have comments or suggestions for additional trips pass them to any of the Board members.

The following trips are currently being planned:

- May 2 - 5 - trip to the San Juan
- June 18-23 - trip to the Big Horn River in Montana.
- July 17-20 - trip to Quinlan Ranch
- October 10-13 - the Club's annual trip to the San Juan.

Welcome New Members

Jonathon & Heather Scott	Atlanta, GA
Steph Snedden	Cloudcroft, NM
John & Diana Snyder	Santa Fe, NM
Tami Swoboda	Lubbock, TX

Quick Look Contact Information

2013 Officers of the Club	
Officers	
• President:	Chuck Mueller (575) 647-4045
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Norm Mabie Scholarship Fund

Market Value as of 30 June 2012 \$9,808

Norm Mabie Scholarship Fund

The Norm Mabie Memorial Scholarship Fund is an endowed fund at New Mexico State University which is funded by MVFF member donations. Earnings from the fund are used to provide scholarships for students at NMSU majoring in fisheries or related fields.

The recipient of each scholarship is determined each April by the MVFF Board with the award being made for the fall semester.

Even though the fund is endowed additions can be made to it at any time. The larger the fund, the more earnings are available for award. If you are interested in contributing please make checks out to the **NMSU Foundation** and on the "for" line of the check, identify "Norm Mabie Memorial Scholarship Fund for deposit only." All contributions are tax deductible. For any questions please contact one of the Officers or Board members. If you have not made a donation to the fund please give consideration and help honor Norm.

Current Email Addresses Needed

Many of the email addresses in our files are not current as members change to other internet providers. These addresses will not be distributed, but will only be used to relay club information or reminders for club meetings and other club events. Please send your address changes to membership@mvff.org.

Rio Grande Cutthroat Trout Print

Help support the MVFF Habitat Restoration Projects and purchase a limited edition "Rio Grande Cutthroat Trout" print. This beautiful printing of an original watercolor of our native state fish is a limited series of 150 high quality 12 x 18 prints that are numbered and signed by New Mexico artist Michelle Arterburn. The cost of each individual print is \$25.00, with the proceeds dedicated towards habitat restoration projects. If you live out of town and wish the print mailed to you please add \$5 for postage. See the MVFF website for purchase.



***** REMEMBER *****

**MVFF MEMBERSHIPS & NM FISHING
LICENSES EXPIRE ON 31 MARCH**

Membership Information

Membership is open to anyone who supports the activities of the club. Membership fees are shown below. Members are provided with the opportunity to attend informational monthly meetings, purchase fishing access permits to the MVFF leased waters on the Rio Peñasco, and participate in other Club activities such as a summer picnic, annual awards banquet, casting clinics, fly tying classes, and Club sponsored fishing trips.

There are several options for the payment of dues. A family is defined as a club member, their spouse and all children 17 years of age or under.

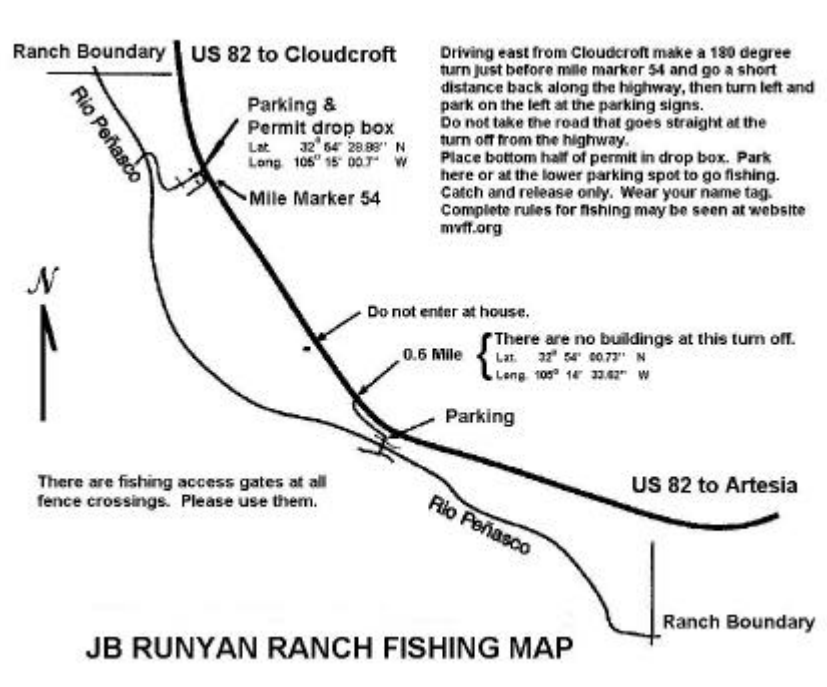
1 Year	\$20	Individual
	\$25	Family
3 Years	\$50	Individual
	\$60	Family
Life	\$400	Individual
	\$500	Family

Lease Information

Permits to fish the Club leased waters on the Rio Peñasco can be obtained from Jim Hulsey (575-524-1880), Tom Wobbe (575-522-5437), Donna Mabie (575-522-3810) in Las Cruces and the Sportsman's Elite fly shop (915-587-4867) in El Paso. Permits can be obtained from the land owner, but you should phone (575-687-3362) the night before to ensure someone will be there to sell them to you. Permits can be ordered through the club web page (mvff.org) by filling out the form and mailing as directed. Cost is \$25.00 per day. Kids under 18 fish free but must be accompanied by an adult club member with a permit. You must be a current member of MVFF to fish the lease. Please wear your MVFF identification badge while on the property. New or replacement badges can be obtained by contacting Jim Hulsey. In addition, members can purchase a one-day, one-time permit for out of town guests.

Directions to the Lease:

Follow NM 82 east from Cloudcroft, NM or west from Artesia, NM. The turn off to the lease is located on the right side of the road about 100 yards before mile marker 54 coming from Cloudcroft or 100 yards on the left past mile marker 54 coming from Artesia.



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Membership and/or Permit Application

(Please Print Clearly)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work/Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ email: _____

Are you a current member? ____ Yes ____ No

Do you need a name badge? ____ Yes ____ No

New Membership _____ or renewal _____?

Membership Categories: Individual Family Circle the one desired.

1 Year \$20 \$25

3 Years \$50 \$60

Life \$400 \$500

For family membership: Name of spouse _____ No. of children _____

Note: All memberships expire on 31 March. New memberships received on or after 1 January will expire on 31 March of the following year.

Membership fee if applicable \$ _____
Adult Permits @ \$25 per permit = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

Send remittance with this form to the address shown at top of page.