Mesilla Valley Flyfishers, Inc.

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Membership Meeting

Monday, 13 November

The MVFF membership will meet on Monday 13 November at 7:00 PM at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room.

The program will be presented by Roger Pastoor who will show a presentation on the first group's trip to Kodiak Island, Alaska, in September of this year. Roger has spent many hours putting this presentation together. This is not the usual photographs with narrative. Roger has added music and many other effects. It will be interesting to see what he has managed to come up with. Everyone should make an effort to attend.

Liars and Tiers

Thursday, 30 November

Liars and Tiers will meet Thursday 30 November at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room starting at 7:00 PM. The group will be tying the *Kiwi Muddler* which will be demonstrated by Joseph Lopez.

A photograph and recipe is presented later in this newsletter. Don't miss out. Extra vises and supplies available for beginning tiers.

Executive Board Meeting

Monday, 20 November

The MVFF Executive Board will meet on Monday 20 November at 7:00 PM at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room. All members are welcome to attend.

President's Corner

The weather is great in Southern New Mexico and West Texas. Doesn't it make you want to wet a fly? Let's hear from you if you have some great angling adventures. We could include your fishing tale in the next newsletter!

We have had some great participation in recent club activities and I give a big "THANK YOU" to those who found the time to be involved with MVFF. The San Juan trip was very enjoyable and the fish were good size and full of life. We had 24 members and family members at the potluck, even with the "cold wind". It seems those size 24 & 26 flies get smaller each trip and the 6x leaders & tippet was a challenge, but if it wasn't, I guess the river would even be more crowed! Remember, the Rio Peñasco Lease has been stocked with 450 Trout full of energy and eager to hit a fly. Give it a try!

Roger Pastoor has been spending many long hours on his preparation of the DVD of the Kodiak trip for our next general club meeting. Those of you, who know Roger, know that you do not want to miss this one, as it will be a great presentation! Make your plans to attend the November 13th meeting. Come join us and enjoy the fellowship!

Tight lines,

Tom

Club Trip to the San Juan

The club made its annual fall trip to the San Juan on 20, 21 and 22 October 2006. Everyone had a great

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time even though the weather was a little cooler and windier than would have been preferred. Everyone caught fish. The river looked great and the water was crystal clear.

There was a potluck dinner on Friday the 20th at the small pavilion in Pine Creek campground. There were 24 club members in attendance including: Wade & Martha Hedgecoke, Barry Prahl, Brian Zonger, Bill & Lucy Santiago, Karen & Bob Erickson, Rob Kirkwood, Vic Stary, Michael Stary, Jim Hulsey, Ray Rodriguez, Joseph Lopez, Edward Lopez, Alex Montes, Juan Tristan, Roger Pastoor, Stan Wright, Jeremiah & Lisa Richardson, Donna Mabie, and Tom & Joyce Wobbe.

Everyone agreed that next year the event will be scheduled during the first part of October in order to catch the warmer weather.

Welcome New Members

It has been awhile since we have welcomed our new members, last September to be exact. We have several and they are:

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Chris & Julie Black	WSMR, NM
Tom Freelove	Las Cruces, NM
Tony Gronich	El Paso, TX
Gene & Shirley Johnson	Las Cruces, NM
William Law	Carlsbad, NM
Ed Rangel	Las Cruces, NM
Jeremiah & Lisa Richardson	Las Cruces, NM
Michael Stary	Deming, NM
Louis Thorp	Carlsbad, NM
Rick West	Carlsbad, NM
D. J. Woodfield	Carlsbad, NM

Election of Officers and Board Members for 2007

It is once again that time of year when we elect a slate of officers and board members to run the Club for the coming year. All of the nominated candidates have volunteered to serve. Please mark your choices on the ballot below by checking the square in front of each name. If you or any of your friends are interested in a position then write in the name in the appropriate place and mail the ballot to the address on the newsletter letter head. The Board will certify the results at the Board meeting in January (which all members are invited to attend) and the new officers will take office at the Club banquet in January 2007.

POSITION	\checkmark	NOMINATED CANDIDATE	\checkmark	WRITE-IN CANDIDATE
President		Paul Turner		
Vice-President		Jeff Arterburn		
Secretary				
Treasurer		Gary Mann		
Board Position #1		Richard Keding		
Board Position #2				
Board Position #3		Tom Wobbe		
Board Position #4		Bob Silver		
Board Position #5				

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The center of attention for the Liars and Tiers this month will be the *Kiwi Muddler*.

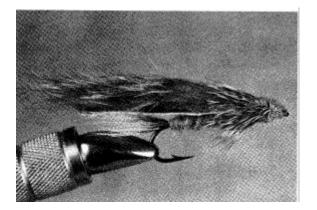
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The *Kiwi Muddler* was designed by Jack Dennis in the late 60's and was adapted from a New Zealand streamer which used untanned rabbit fur. Since that time it has been tied in many variations and colors.

the second is a newer version using some of the newer materials that are now available. The fly is quite commonly tied as a conehead.

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The first description below is the original pattern and





Hook: Mustad 79580, 9672 (4-8) Thread: Tan monocord Weight (optional): .030 wrapped around rear 2/3 of shank Tail: Dark grey deer or elk hair or squirrel hair Rib: Gold mylar tinsel or gold embossed tinsel Body: Tan or cream dubbing Wing': ¼" rabbit strip cut to point at rear Head and collar: Light grey deer hair

Hook: Heavy wire streamer (TMC 9395), #2-6 Thread: Tan monocord Weight (optional): .030 wrapped around rear 2/3 of shank Rib: Red Uni Soft-Wire Body: Pearl Krystal Chenille Throat: Tufts of red rabbit fur Wing': ¼" rabbit strip cut to point at rear Head: Spun deer hair clipped in a flat diamond shape (sculpin-like). Do not pack hair tightly, as this fly is designed to fish deep.



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Quick Look Contact Information

2006 Officers of the Club

Officers

- President Tom Wobbe (505) 522-5437
- V-Pres.Paul Turner (505) 523-6880
- Secretary Jeff Arterburn (505) 524-0773
- Treasurer Al Trompler (505) 532-5668

Board Members

- Richard Keding (505) 382-7498
- Bob Pridgen (505) 526-9132
- Gary Mann (505) 521-7793
- Bob Silver (505) 522-6325
- Jim Hulsey (505) 524-1880

Newsletter Editor

• Jim Hulsey (505) 524-1880

HELP!!!

E-mail Addresses Needed

Please take a minute and forward your current E-Mail address to <u>President@mvff.org.</u> If you do not receive e-mail messages regarding MVFF info, it would be very helpful if we had a current e-mail address on file.

Many of the addresses on file 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 to <u>president@mvff.org</u>.

Angler's Nook

Donna's Shop is open as usual. Please contact her at 522-3810 for your fishing and tying supplies. She also has membership information and fishing permits.

Club members receive a 33% discount on most items at the Angler's Nook.

Norm Mabie Endowment Fund

The scholarship has been named in honor of Norm Mabie. The NMSU Foundation will be handling the checks for the Club. We plan to deposit the donations until we have accumulated \$10,000 so that a permanent endowment at New Mexico State University can be created. Until that time when the endowment has been established, MVFF will continue to provide an annual scholarship from MVFF funds. Help us raise the fund. Please bring a check to the next meeting or mail a check to the Club. 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." 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.

Presently the fund contains \$5,979. We are doing fairly well but still have a long way to go.

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. See the MVFF website for purchase.



RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP - DUE MARCH 31 And don't forget to renew your NM fishing license

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What Flyfishing Teaches Us

WILLOW CREEK PRESS

El Paso club member Sam Moore recently presented me with the book listed above. I thought you might also enjoy some of the quotes from it, from time to time.

Enjoy, TOM

Acceptance:

"Soon after I embraced the sport of angling I became convinced that I should never be able to enjoy it if I had to rely on the cooperation of the fish." - Sparse Grey Hackle-

Adventure:

"Well, this love of fly fishing takes me to places I otherwise wouldn't go." -Nick Lyons-

Anticipation:

"What pleasure has fallen to our lot! Yes, there was joy in the anticipation of the trip, in overhauling the

equipment and supplying deficiencies. What zest in planning the trip and making the arrangements of guide and quarters. Long sketches of precious enjoyment could read from the leaves of the fly-book, and certain flies seemed almost alive and anxious to drop into old haunts." - *D. H. Bruce*-

Artistry:

"O, sir, doubt not that Angling is an art: is it not an art to deceive a Trout with an artificial Fly." - Isaac Walton-

Awareness:

"Mark well the various seasons of the year, How the succeeding insect race appear, In their revolving moon one color reigns, Which in the next the fickle trout disdains." -John Gray-

Stocking of Rio Peñasco Lease

On 8 October a work party of club members met to stock our lease on the Rio Peñasco. The truck with the fish showed up about 10am and everyone grabbed a bucket and started moving fish. We had a lot of young and enthusiastic help as shown in the pictures. Approximately 450 fish were stocked consisting of 50 browns 11"-13", 150 rainbows 12"-14", 150 rainbows 10"-12" and 100 rainbows 9"-11".



Louisa Pastoor



Daniel Eddings

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Christopher Eddings



The stocking crew

Back I-r: Eddie Richardson-Roswell, Paul Turner-Las Cruces, Tim Mack-El Paso, Christopher Eddings-Las Cruces, Don Eddings-Las Cruces, Jim Ellett-Hope, John Bain-Carlsbad, Ron Bellerose-Las Cruces, Jim Hulsey-Las Cruces, Bill Parker-Weed, Tom Wobbe-Las Cruces Front I-r: Luis Vargus-El Paso, George Thomas-Las Cruces, Stephanie Pastoor-El Paso, Louisa Pastoor-El Paso, Daniel Eddings-Las Cruces, Roger Pastoor-El Paso

Month	Events	Trips	General Club Meeting Topic/Speaker	Clinics or Lease Projects
October	Liars & Tiers 26 Oct. Midge Emerger	Club Trip to Kodiak, 30 Sep - 8 Oct 20-22 Oct Club Trip to San Juan	9 Oct. Stephanie Coleman: Gila trout: past, present and future,	Rio Peñasco Stocking - 8 Oct.
November	Liars & Tiers 30 Nov. Kiwi Muddler		13 Nov. Roger Pastoor: Kodiak presentation	
December	Liars & Tiers 28 Dec.		11 Dec.	
January 2007	Liars & Tiers 25 Jan.		No Club Meeting This Month Banquet instead	Annual Banquet - 27 Jan.

MVFF Monthly Events Calendar*

* Bold text in table means confirmed and Italics text means tentative

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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

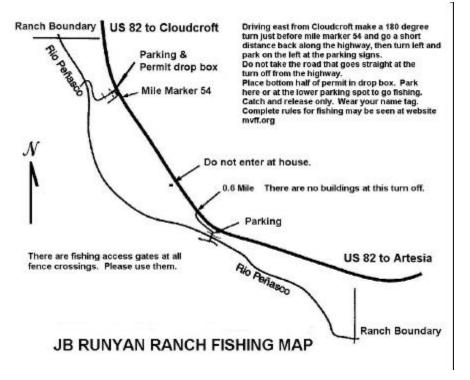
Lease Information

Permits to fish the Club leased waters on the Rio Peñasco can be obtained from any of the Club Officers or Board Members and are also available at the Angler's Nook. Permits can be obtained from the land owner, but you should

phone (505-687-3362) 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 \$20.00 per day with student permits (ages 12 through 17) costing only \$12.00 per day. Kids under 12 fish free. 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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	PO Box 2222		
	Las Cruc	es, NM 8800	4-2222
	Membership a	and/or Permit	t Application
	(Plea	ase Print Clea	rly)
Name:			Date:
Address:			
Address:			
City:		_ State:	Zip:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:		email:
Are you a current member?	YesN	lo	
Do you need a name badge?	Yes N	lo	
New Membership	or renewal	?	
Membership Categories:	Individual	Family	Circle the one desired.
1 Year	\$20	\$25	
3 Years	\$50	\$60	
Life	\$400	\$500	

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 @ \$20 per permit =	\$
 Student Permits @ \$12 per Permit =	\$

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