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Membership Meeting

Monday, 13 October

The MVFF general membership meeting will meet on Monday 13 October at 7:00pm in the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room. The special speaker will be club member George Sanders. George is going to do a presentation on his and Eric Pratt's trip to the Grey Bull River in Wyoming. You may remember that the Grey Bull was one of the rivers featured in Van Beacham's talk at the annual banquet last January.

Doors open at 6:30. Cookies and coffee will be served.

Executive Board Meeting

Monday, 20 October

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

Liars and Tyers

Wednesday, 22 October

Liars and Tyers will meet on Wednesday 22 October at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room

starting at 7:00pm. The fly to be tied is the *Midge Foam Case Emerger*. See recipe on page 4. The tying session will be led by professional tyer, Tim Mack. Don't miss out. Extra vises and supplies will be available for beginning tyers.

President's Corner



Last weekend, George Sanders, his son Kyle and I fished with Roger Pastoor, one of our international members, in the Meadows section of the Conejos River. The water level was low and crystal clear,

making it easy to spot the Brown trout against a green algae background. The weather was clear and warm with no wind and we all caught fish—couldn't ask for a better day.

Don't forget the raffle tickets. Once again, Bob Widgren has generously offered to build two rods for the Club—a Sage ACCEL 9' 5 weight and a Sage CIRCCA 7'9' 3 weight. For the fall rod raffle, the winner will have his or her choice of one of those rods and we'll put the other one in the raffle for the annual banquet. Speaking of rod raffles, Mark Lenarz is donating a 7'6' 4/5Wt, 2 tip bamboo rod based on a Paul Young Perfectionist Taper to the Club. I am recommending that we save that rod for the spring rod raffle. So, there are plenty of chances to get that perfect rod.

We have lots of Club activities coming up:

- October 4-12—Kodiak trip
- October 13—Monthly General meeting
- October 20--Board meeting
- October 29--PHW fly tying and casting
- November 1—Fly tying clinic with AFS students
- November 5—PHW trip to the Lease
- November 6-9—San Juan trip

Somewhere in there, we are also going to work in a trip to stock the Lease. If you can lend a hand, volunteers are always appreciated.

At the October General Meeting, George Sanders is going to do a presentation on his and Eric's trip to the Grey Bull River. You may remember that the Grey Bull was one of the rivers featured in Van Beacham's talk at the annual banquet last January. In November, Bob Silver will give us a report on this year's Kodiak adventure and Mary Hoffman will do a presentation on the Lady Anglers' trip to the Gunnison in September. Be sure to ask her about the 22" Rainbow she caught.

We still need speakers for the December 2014 and January 2015 General meetings. If you have fished an area that you think would be of interest to the other Club members and are willing to make a presentation, let us know and we will get you on the schedule. Likewise, we are beginning to look at Club fishing trips for next year. If you would like to suggest a trip, let us know. If there is enough interest, we will make the arrangements and do the organizing.

Fall is rapidly coming to a close with its cool nights and warm days. These are your last chances to fish before the cold weather sets in.

Tight Lines,

Jim



Ron Bellerose

PHW Coordinator



Project Healing Waters has had a great 3rd quarter with 14 new Vets participating in the fly fishing and fly tying. Working with Ft. Bliss wounded warriors battalion, we had a great fishing trip on the pond in Cloud Country. Several fish were hooked but they were very hard to net. Thanks to Tim Mack and my volunteers we had a successful event.

We are still fly tying with the local VA Clinic and have a constant participation of 7-8 Vets. We need to get more casting and fishing events scheduled for this Fall. We have to have a few more fund raisers in

order to get our Vets to the San Juan. We have hats, pins, flies, rod tubes and a couple of hand made canes for sale. Also any donations are greatly appreciated.

Next Vet event is with the Ft. Bliss wounded warriors with fly tying on October 24 and fishing at the Cloud Country pond on the 25th. I will be looking for a few volunteers to help with the Vets.

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

Kodiak Kaper

Bob Silver, 29 September

The time has come for the next MVFF trip to Kodiak Island. We leave this Friday for Phoenix and then Saturday morning at 6am. we catch a flight to Seattle, then Anchorage and finally Kodiak arriving 4:45pm. Kodiak time or 6:45pm Las Cruces time. There is a 4-day window of nice weather forecast around the weekend so we should have good flying weather to get there. The Coho counts on the Buskin River have been good with over 8,200 fish being counted this year. That is one of the larger number of salmon in the last 5 years. According to a Fish and Wildlife biologist that I have been emailing the other rivers are also getting good numbers of fish. Hope we catch some so that we have pictures to show at the November meeting.

Club Outings Planned

The board is now discussing possible outings for 2015 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 2014 trips are currently being planned:

- Kodiak—October 4-12—six people are signed up.
- San Juan Nov. 6 - 9 the Club's annual Fall trip to the San Juan.

Welcome New Members

John Batty

Artesia, NM

Diane sansonetti

Artesia, NM

Quick Look Contact Information

2014 Officers of the Club	
Officers	
• President:	Jim Sorenson (575) 525-1050
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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.

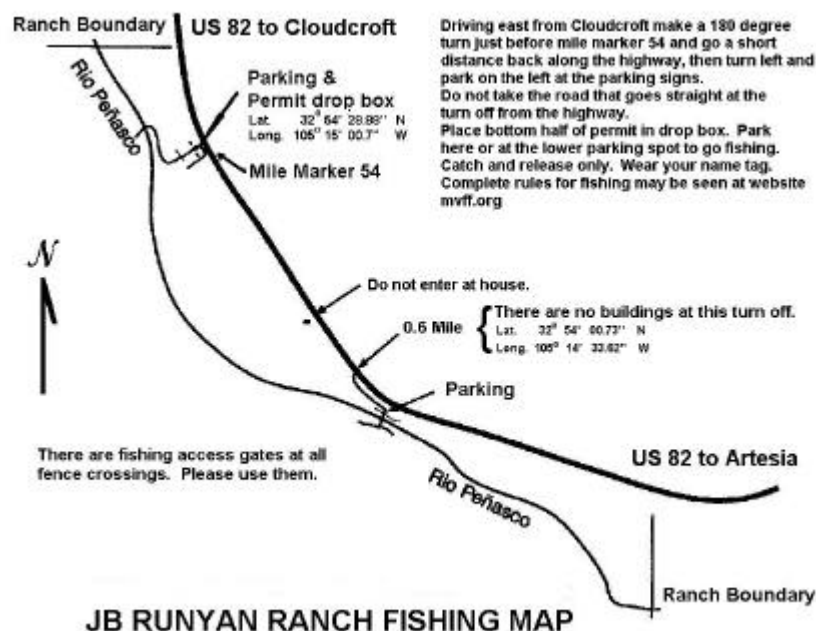
1 Year	\$20	Individual
	\$25	Family
3 Years	\$50	Individual
	\$60	Family
Life	\$400	Individual
	\$500	Family

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) and Donna Mabie (575-522-3810) in Las Cruces. 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 (current dues have been paid) 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.