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Membership Meeting

Monday, 9 March

The MVFF general membership meeting will meet on Monday, 9 March, at 7:00pm in the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room. Our guest speaker will be Pat Blankenship, owner of Conejos River Anglers near Antonito, Colorado. Pat will give a presentation on "Fly Fishing the Conejos River."

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

Executive Board Meeting

Monday, 16 March

The MVFF Executive Board will meet on Monday, 16 March, following the General Membership meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

Liars and Tyers

Wednesday, 25 March

Liars and Tyers will meet on Wednesday, 25 March, at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room starting at 7:00pm. The fly to be tied is the *Miracle*

Midge. 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

David Carmichael



Kids don't remember their best day of television. Take them fishing!

Over the past couple of years, I've received correspondence from several sporting groups from around the country and from New Mexico regarding their concerns over the

decrease in participation in outdoor sporting activities and sporting groups. In particular, many groups note that it is increasingly difficult to recruit the young members who will be needed to take up our outdoor hobbies and carry them into the future. It is widely recognized that a new generation of enthusiasts will be needed if we are to maintain the public support our fly-fishing hobby presently enjoys. Furthermore, without the involvement of young people, the population of anglers will continue to age, and that reality presents a long-term threat to the environmental policies, conservation priorities, and public lands we have worked so hard to put in place.

We are very fortunate that wildlife and land management officials in New Mexico have generally been united in their support of policies that enhance fly-fishing opportunities, in spite of setbacks such as reduced stream flows, forest fires, movement of non-native species past fish barriers, loss of hatchery brood stock, and attempts by private landowners to restrict access to public lands and waters. We are also fortunate that our club membership reflects a healthy growth rate, meaning that we have a significant group of potential advocates for our hobby and for the natural resources that support it. But in order for that potential to be realized, we must all promote our sport whenever we can. One of the most effective

ways to do so is to take a kid fishing. Show them how to cast; talk about bugs and worms; teach them about the currents, winds and weather; identify birds and plants. Provide the opportunities, and they'll probably end up caring about at least some of what's out there.



My younger grandson's first casting lesson

Parents and grandparents don't frame pictures of their children and grandchildren playing video games. We have pictures of them enjoying the outdoors, spending time with family members, and celebrating the small triumphs of fishing. These moments may include anything from making a good cast, catching their first fish, or catching their first fish on a fly they tied themselves, to spending a few fun hours with Grandad. We never know exactly which activities or memories will be the ones that influence or stick with our kids, but some of them will.

Some years ago, during a Spring Break trip to the Fry-ing Pan River in Colorado, my daughter surprised me by revealing her brand new, awesome tattoo of a brown trout, modeled after the ones we had previ-

ously caught together on that river. But her tattoo, and its revelation, was not merely about fish. It was about the fly-fishing legacy within our family. My father, who taught me to fish when I was 3 or 4 years old, had died just a few months earlier, and Andi decided to honor the role fly angling has had in what are now 4 generations of our family. She didn't get the chance to fish much with my Dad, but she was very aware of the "river running through it," the philosophical and emotional connection that fly angling provides from one generation to the next in our family. Fly anglers may not remember every fish they catch, but they will remember the beautiful places where they caught them. It was important to Andi to debut her new tattoo in an appropriate setting: on the water, sharing a passion for fly angling with me, as I did with my father when I was her age. We just need to get them started, get them out there, in the outdoors and on the water. If you don't have your own children or grandchildren, find some other kids to assist, perhaps by participating in the upcoming Kids' Fishing Clinic.



My daughter Andi with a couple of browns

Annual Kids' Fishing Clinic

Our 28th annual Kids' Fishing Clinic co-sponsored by our club and NMDGF is scheduled for Saturday, March 21 at Alumni Pond on the NMSU campus. Club members are encouraged to volunteer to help out with

what we expect to be about 100 young attendees and their families. Here is a list of the various stations and the volunteers from past years who have worked those tables. See page 7 for brochure.

1. Registration: Miriam Carmichael, Mary Hoffman
2. Spin casting: Ron Bellerose, John Kennedy
3. Fly casting: Dave Carmichael,
4. Fly tying: Bob Silver, Chuck Mueller
5. Fishing regs: NM Dept of Game & Fish
6. Fish ID: Paul Turner,
7. Knots: Jim Hulsey,
8. Aquatic bugs: NMSU students ???
9. Bait & tackle: Ray Rodriguez, Ed Romero, Ben Gardner
10. Fish guts: ????
11. Fish prints: ????
12. Conservation NM Dept of Game & Fish
13. Pond assisting: ????



Chuck and Bob teaching fly tying at the Kids' Fishing Clinic

As you can see, we are still about 10 volunteers short, so if you can help out with any of the un-filled or under-staffed stations, please let me or one of the other board members know. We will circulate a signup sheet at the next meeting of the general membership on March 9, but even if you can't attend that meeting, we will welcome your help as a volunteer on the day of the event, and it really helps if we know who's working which stations prior to setting up. We are in our 28th year co-sponsoring this event, so we really need a good showing from club members to maintain the level of success established in previous years. Volunteers should plan on arriving at Alumni Pond at 7:30 AM for set-up, and should plan on staying until about 2 PM. We will have pizza, chips, soft drinks and water. Don't forget to wear your name tags, a hat and sunscreen; bring a lawn chair if you need one.

Hope to see you there! Let's build the future of our hobby.

March Club Meeting

The next meeting of the general membership will be on March 9th, at 7:00 PM at the NMDGF offices on Northrise. Our guest speaker will be Pat Blankenship, owner of Conejos River Anglers near Antonito, Colorado. Pat will give a presentation on "Fly Fishing the Conejos River." Some of our members fish the Conejos regularly, but many of us are less familiar with it. Some of us have tried it, but with limited success. I expect that Pat's presentation will be of interest to any of us who want to learn about and/or improve our fishing experience on what is really a quite beautiful river in a gorgeous setting. I hope to see many of you at what should be a very interesting presentation.



Pat Blankenship, Conejos River Anglers



Lady Anglers Update

Mary Hoffman



The Lady Anglers is a group of women MVFF members who love to fly fish and have fun doing it. Information on our fishing trips is made available to women on our Lady Anglers e-mail list and through announcements in the MVFF newsletter and

at club meetings. Beginners are welcome and the only requirement for joining us is MVFF membership. To join our e-mail list, or for more information, contact Mary Hoffman at (505) 710-5229 or westerngirlnm@gmail.com.

At this point, no trips are planned but we will probably hold an informal casting practice in Las Cruces on a Saturday morning during the next few months, followed by a no host lunch at a local restaurant.



Gila/Rio Grande Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Gila/Rio Grande Chapter (780) of Trout Unlimited

Jeff Arterburn, President

GRG-TU for MVFF March 2020

Article Highlighted on the National Trout Unlimited Website and Newsletter: "Restoring a future with Gila trout"



A recent article written by Jeff Arterburn gives a brief history of Gila trout and the recovery program, and describes the circumstances leading to the GRG-TU Chapter's ongoing project on Willow Creek, a recreational Gila trout fishery. The article has been distributed nationally through the TU e-Newsletter and is featured on the TU website (<http://www.tu.org>).

Willow Creek Stream Survey April 24-25-26

The Spring 2020 stream habitat assessment survey at Willow Creek has been scheduled for the weekend of April 24-26th. This is a great excuse to get up into the Gila, camp at a beautiful spot, enjoy campfire companionship and some tasty meals, while helping us collect data that will ultimately help us improve the stream habitat for Gila trout. We are expecting to have a group of NMSU Students participate, and welcome all volunteers. Bring your waders, since we'll be in the stream making measurements of depth, flow, etc., and there are opportunities to fish, hike, etc. Please let us know if you are interested in joining us for a fun outing and an important cause!

Kid's Fishing Derby at Lake Roberts

The 9th Aldo Leopold Kid's Fishing Derby at Lake Roberts is scheduled for Saturday June 6, 2020. This is a great event for kids up to 18, fishing for huge broodstock Gila trout and competing for a wide varie-

ty of prizes. Last year we broke attendance records with almost 200 kids registered, and they absolutely loved the special event T-shirts we had made and were able to give each of them without charge. We really need to have both volunteers and financial donations to help us with this wonderful event.

GRG-TU Education and Outreach Activities

We are working with the students at New Mexico State University to start a College Fly Fishing Club affiliated with the Trout Unlimited 5-Rivers College Program. I am pleased to introduce you to Evan Torres, who will be serving as the first President of the club. The club is open to all NMSU students, and any level of fly fishing experience from beginner to expert. We are scheduling a meeting for interested students on April 8th, 6-7pm on the NMSU Campus. Please consider donating your used gear or gifting new equipment or funds to help outfit the students so that they can go fishing!

We are also just getting started working with a motivated teacher at Bayard High School, Ashley Hollis, who has an enthusiastic group of students interested in learning to fly fish, and more about native trout, aquaculture, career opportunities, and wanting to participate in stream conservation and restoration projects and activities. I will be visiting later this month to give them an introduction to fly fishing, and we'll begin planning for future events and focusing on resources we can help obtain in support of their participation. Please let us know if you'd like to be involved and help support these kids.

Update: Gila Forest Plan Revision; Comments on Draft Environmental Impact Statement requested by April 16th.

A comment period is currently open for the Draft Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the revision Gila National Forest Plan. The documents are posted on the plan revision webpage (<http://go.usa.gov/h88k>). Particularly relevant sections to focus on are: i) the Alternatives 1-5 for proposed expansion of Wilderness designations, which range from "no change" to >60; ii) the Alternatives for use of herbicides. Comments should focus on specifics about what is, and what isn't in the draft proposed action that should be. The due date is April 16th, and you can comment individually or send your comments

to Jeff, who will include your input within a response that we are developing with our NM TU staff.

Update: Comments requested for Gila River Wild & Scenic legislation.

The Gila Wild & Scenic legislation is advancing and Senator Udall's office has issued a request for public comments as they draft the measure. They have posted online summaries of the legislation, with links to detailed maps identifying the proposed protection areas and other information. Specific segments occurring within the greater Gila watershed, including the San Francisco River, and a couple of other stream sections in the contiguous Aldo Leopold Wilderness are being considered in the proposal, which comprises the largest remaining network of naturally flowing river segments in the Southwest. Once introduced, legislation must pass both the House of Representatives and the Senate, and requires the Presidents' signature. The bill does not change how private landowners use their own land, does not open up private lands to public access, and will not affect existing valid water rights, interstate water compacts or irrigation or water delivery operations. This designation as Wild & Scenic constitutes an important recognition of the dramatic scenery, unique fish & wildlife, abundant cultural resources, multiple traditional uses including its role as an important water source. You can submit your comments individually, or send them to Jeff, who is working with our New Mexico Trout Unlimited Staff to develop a comprehensive response to the proposal. The segment maps, other documents and the instructions for commenting maps can be found at this website: <https://www.tomudall.senate.gov/gila>

Volunteers for all of these projects and activities are always needed! If you would like to serve on the GRG-TU Board of Directors or get involved in any of our activities *PLEASE* contact Jeff Arterburn by email to: jeffgilatu@aol.com.

GRG-TU Logo T-shirts to support local trout restoration and conservation efforts.

You can help support our native trout conservation/restoration and outreach/education efforts by purchasing one of our beautiful T-shirts with the GRG-TU logo. We have two colors available: green-on-ivory, and peanut-butter-on black. These are great looking, well-made shirts for a great cause at only \$20 each. Please include \$5 for shipping if you want the shirt(s) mailed. Contact Jeff Arterburn to get

yours, and to sign up for the next volunteer event: jeffgilatu@aol.com.



Green logo on ivory



Peanut butter logo on black



Club Outings Planned

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

After many years of organizing trips, Chuck Mueller is stepping aside, and we really need other volunteers to step up and take on these projects. David Lukcoski has volunteered to organize the Club trip to the San Juan in the spring of 2020. Maybe you have a trip you would like to head up. Please think about it and let David or Chuck know if you can help out.

Trips currently being planned are:

- San Juan spring trip Mar. 30 – Apr 2. Contact David Lukcoski, dlucoski12@gmail.com or 575-491-5667 for additional info.



MVFF Library

MVFF has a considerable library which is now in the custody of Club member Mark Dankel. Mark would like to make these books available to members. If you wish to borrow any of these books let Mark know and he will bring them to the next membership meeting. Mark can be contacted at mpdankel@msn.com.

A list of the books can be found in the November 2019 issue of Tale Waters.



Parking at Alumni Pond, NMSU

Those fishing at Alumni Pond on the NMSU campus should be aware that parking on the campus is tightly regulated and strictly enforced with fines being administered. However, parking is generally free after 4:30pm on weekdays and all day on weekends. To obtain the various rules and regulations with info on

how to get parking permits see the NMSU visitor webpage at <https://park.nmsu.edu/visitor/>.



Waders for Sale

Club member Bob Schoener has a pair of Orvis waders for sale. They are the Guide Weight type for colder water, have only been used two or three times and are in new condition. The boots are size 11 and are felt-soled. They are also Orvis. He will sell them at a very reasonable price. Contact Bob at rbschoener@gmail.com or 575-635-7889.



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Miracle Midge**Bead Head Variant****Hook:** TMC 2488 or 2487, 14 to 24**Bead:** glass, clear, size to match hook**Body:** white thread**Rib:** copper wire**Thorax:** black thread or black dubbing

Can also tie chocolate brown, olive, black, grey, sand, red and cream.

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Kids' Fishing Clinic

Mesilla Valley Flyfishers, Inc.
New Mexico Department of Game & Fish

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 21, 2020**PLACE:** Alumni Pond at New Mexico State University. (Located West of Pan American Center.)**FOR:** Open to all children and their parents, but especially for kids 6-11 years old, with little or no fishing experience, and especially for children in single parent families.**PROGRAM:** 9:00 a.m., learning fishing and casting skills. Free lunch and drinks at noon.
Afternoon trout fishing for the kids.**TOPICS:** Registration, Casting Techniques, Fly Tying, Fishing Rules & Regulations, Fish ID., Hooks & Knots, Aquatic Insects, Bait and Tackle, Conservation & Ethics, Fish Guts, Fish Prints**COST:** Free to children 11 and younger. Those 12 or over must have a New Mexico fishing license. The Fishing Proclamation has more about licenses and regulations. Licenses and Proclamations are available at sporting goods stores. Adults do not need licenses, as they won't be fishing.**BRING:** Fishing gear. Sunscreen & Jacket as needed. Fishing gear will be provided for those who do not have their own. Lunch and snacks will be provided.**REGISTRATION:** Each participant must register at the registration table at the event. **An adult must accompany children attending the event.**

Kids' Fishing Clinic



MVFF Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 17, 2020

Submitted by Jeff Arterburn, Secretary

The MVFF Board meeting was called to order by David Carmichael at 6:56pm in the NMDG&F Conference room. Board members present were: Jeff Arterburn (Secretary), Ron Bellerose, David Carmichael (President), Dillen Martinez, Jim Hulsey and Chuck Mueller (Treasurer). Board members absent were: Robert Ardivino, Bob Silver (Membership) and Jim Sorenson (Vice President). Non-Board members in attendance were: N/A.

1. **Meeting Minutes.** The minutes from the January 13, 2020 Board Meeting, as published in the February 2020 issue of the newsletter, were approved.
2. **Treasurer's Report.** Chuck Mueller presented the Treasurer's report. The available current account balance is \$9,275.80. Chuck presented analysis of the banquet expenses and revenues. The attendance this year was reduced, with 79 attendees signed in, compared with last year's attendance of ~100. The treasurer's report was accepted by the Board.
3. **Membership Report.** N/A
4. **Fly Fishing Outreach.** Ron reported that he had talked with NMDGF staff recently and found that the trout being stocked in local ponds are coming from the Red River hatchery, with stockings occurring ~4 times per month. The Glenwood hatchery is not operating at this time, and will be undergoing major construction. With the Kids Clinic being held in March, they are expecting that trout will be available for stocking before the clinic. Ron will be taking a small group on a fishing trip to Silver Creek, AZ on Feb 23rd. He will be holding bi-monthly fly tying sessions at his house, depending on participant interest. For more information, members should contact Ron Bellerose (flyfishnh@hotmail.com) (575-680-5516),
5. **Gila/Rio Grande Chapter of Trout Unlimited:**
 - Jeff Arterburn reported news of a major mortality event impacting Gila trout brood stock Y-2019. The Mora National Fish Hatchery

January newsletter posted the following statement: "On January 18th at approximately 4:00am system 3 at the Mora NFH suffered a catastrophic failure which caused the system to shut down which resulted in losses to our 2019 year class of Gila Trout (total all lineages 7,176). The programmable logic controller (PLC) which is the "brain" of the system crashed." The expected impacts on the specific stocking plans this year, and the longer term actions that had been discussed at the Gila trout Recovery Team meeting held on Jan 16th, 2020 were unknown.

- The Gila Wild & Scenic legislation is advancing. Senator Udall's office has issued a request for public comments as they draft the measure. They have posted online summaries of the legislation, and links to detailed maps identifying the proposed protection areas and other information. Jeff will provide information on the web links and other information in the March Newsletter.
- The GRG-TU is working with Jim Brooks and Chris Canavan to develop a proposal for habitat restoration work on Black Canyon, a tributary of the East Fork of the Gila River that has a restored population of Gila trout. The funds are available under Section 319(h) of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) through a competitive project selection process. These Watershed Project Implementation projects are administered by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Surface Water Quality Bureau (SWQB) with the goals of producing measurable improvement in water quality by 2023 and in the longer term. The application is due March 12, 2020. Details area available: <https://www.env.nm.gov/surface-water-quality/funding-sources>.
- The 9th Annual Aldo Leopold Kids Fishing Derby will be held at Lake Roberts again this year on Saturday June-6, 2020. Jeff will be

attending an organizational planning meeting for the event this week.

- Jim Brooks will be giving a presentation on the GRG-TU Willow Creek Habitat Assessment Citizen Science Project at the Gila Natural History Symposium in Silver City February 27-29, 2020.
- Jeff is meeting with NMSU student Evan Torres, who is interested in serving as the club president for the new Fly Fishing Club. After chartering the club with the university, we will obtain affiliation with the Trout Unlimited 5-Rivers College Program. TU and MVFF members are encouraged to consider donating used (or unused) equipment for the student club to use, since many of the participants will be new to fly fishing and in need of all types of gear and tackle.
- The Western Regional Rendezvous Trout Unlimited Meeting will be held in Taos NM May 29 - June 1, 2020. This event will be held in the Taos Ski Valley at "The Blake" resort hotel with great accommodations, interesting presentations and fun activities and fishing options planned.

Volunteers for all of these TU projects and activities are always needed, and members wanting to get involved in Trout Unlimited and interested in helping out on projects are asked to contact Jeff Arterburn by email to: jeffgilatu@aol.com

6. **NMSU American Fisheries Students.** Dillen has contacted the facilities office at NMSU for access to the NMSU Alumni Pond for the Kids Clinic March 21, 2020. He will be talking with Dr. Caldwell for an update on AFS, and confirming their participation and involvement in the different roles/tables at the clinic.

7. **Presentations and Events.**

- David has made arrangements for Pat Blankenship from Conejos River Anglers for a presentation at the March 9th meeting. The April speaker has not been confirmed yet. David will be asking Colleen for possible graduate fisheries students interested in pre-

senting. Since Bill Parker was unable to present at the February meeting, the plan will be to invite him for another meeting date. Jeff has invited Terry Arrington to present on May 11, 2020. Terry guides for Williams Creek Anglers, Pagosa Springs, CO, and is also a board member for "Running Rivers" a non-profit native fish conservation organization.

- The Kids' Fishing Clinic is scheduled for Saturday March 21, 2020. David used a previous list of volunteer positions (from 2017) as a starting point for assignments, because a more recent copy was not available at the time of the meeting. A notice will be sent out to the MVFF membership before the March newsletter, and some discussion about plans for the clinic will be discussed at the next general meeting.

8. **Rio Peñasco Lease: N/A**

9. **Other discussion items:**

- No additional information on the number of participants signed up for the Spring San Juan trip March 30-April 2, 2020 was available for the Board meeting. David will contact the trip coordinator, David Lucoski, for details. Members can also contact DL directly at: dlucoski12@gmail.com or 575-491-5667 for additional info.
- Chuck is drafting an email with Bob that will be sent out to membership to encourage interest and participation in fly tying Liars & Tyers monthly meetings. These sessions are held on the 4th Wednesday of the month. They want to make it clear that kids are welcome to participate, and that equipment is available for use, so beginning fly tyer's can try it out without having to make purchases.
- David presented some examples of additional modifications to the MVFF logo he has been working on that are better for oval shapes.

10. The next MVFF Board Meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2020.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm. 

Quick Look Contact Information**2020 Officers of the Club****Officers**

- **President:** David Carmichael (915) 204-7558
- **V-Pres.:** Jim Sorenson (505) 710-4264
- **Secretary:** Jeff Arterburn (575) 649-9729
- **Treasurer:** Chuck Mueller (575) 647-4045

Board Members

- **Position 1:** David Carmichael (915) 204-7558
- **Position 2:** Ron Bellerose (575) 680-5516
- **Position 3:** Jeff Arterburn (575) 649-9729
- **Position 4:** Jim Hulsey (575) 524-1880
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- **Position 6:** Chuck Mueller (575) 647-4045
- **Position 7:** Bob Silver (575) 642-5865
- **Position 8:** Jim Sorenson (505) 710-4264
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Membership Committee Chairman

- Bob Silver (575) 642-5865 membership@mvff.org

Lady Anglers

- Mary Hoffman (505) 710-5229

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.

**Mabie Legacy Scholarship Fund**

The Mabie Legacy 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 scholarship recipient is selected each April by the faculty members of the NMSU Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology.

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 "Mabie Legacy Scholarship Fund, for deposit only." All contributions are tax deductible. For any questions please contact one of the MVFF Officers or Board members. If you have not made a donation to the fund please give it consideration and help honor Norm and Donna Mabie.

***** 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, to purchase fishing access permits to the MVFF leased waters on the Rio Peñasco and to participate in other Club activities such as an 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.

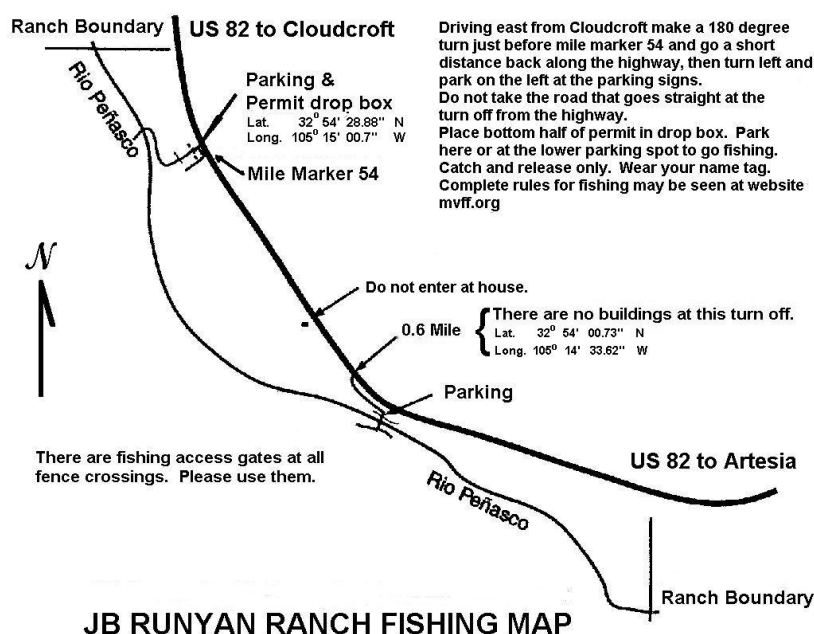
1 Year	\$20	Individual
	\$25	Family
3 Years	\$50	Individual
	\$60	Family
Life	\$400	Individual
	\$500	Family

Lease Information

Permits to fish the Club leased waters on the Rio Peñasco can be obtained from Jim Hulsey (575-524-1880) or Bob Silver (575-522-6325) 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 or, if you had rather, you may pay through PayPal. 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 Bob Silver. In addition, members may purchase 1-day, 1-time permits for up to 2 guests per trip. Each guest must have a permit. One-time means a person can go as a guest one time only and must be a member to ever go again.

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.



MESILLA VALLEY FLYFISHERS, INC.

PO Box 2222

Las Cruces, NM 88004-2222

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.