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Welcome New Members

Matt & Sarah Pearson Ft. Worth, TX
Sander J. & Marvia Avant Castroville, TX
Thomas Kerley Burnett, TX
Marc Kerdy Natchitoches, LA

Membership Meeting

Monday, 11 September

The MVFF general membership meeting will meet on Monday 11 September at 7:00pm in the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room. The meeting will feature a presentation on New Zealand Fly Fishing by George Sanders and Jim Sorenson. Please join us for an interesting and informative presentation!

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

Executive Board Meeting

Monday, 18 September

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

Liars and Tyers

2017

Wednesday, 27 September

Liars and Tyers will meet on Wednesday 27 September at the New Mexico Game and Fish conference room starting at 7:00pm. The fly to be tied is the *Bead Head Halo Midge Emerger*. 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

Miriam and I made a long road trip in July to visit family in the Midwest. After driving through Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska and eastern Colorado, I was reminded how few areas of public lands there are in our nation's bread basket region. There were miles and miles of

farmland, rivers and creeks, rolling hills and wildflowers, but very few places where one could pull off the road and cast a fly if one so desired. Furthermore, recent research shows that many of the rivers and streams in the Midwest are badly polluted with agricultural and urban runoff, leading to much reduced populations of aquatic insects. I almost felt silly driving through that region with a Titan fly rod vault clamped to the roof of the Subaru, but for the knowledge that we would return home via the Colorado Rockies. So, as we approached Denver from the northeast, we experienced a mixture of relief and joy as we drove within view of the public lands contained in our Rocky Mountains. On our way to the Roaring Fork valley, we traveled through tall pines, alpine meadows, along clean, cold rivers, creeks and lakes, nearly all of which belong to us, the citizens of the U.S. We were visiting friends in Basalt, at the confluence of the Roaring Fork and Fryingpan Rivers. The locals there have a saying that one can throw a Frisbee in any direction and you'll hit trout waters. And

most of those waters are open to the public; what a rare treat after driving 2500 miles through states that offer little or no public access to anglers.

We only had a few days to visit, so we focused our fishing the on lower Fryingpan, 14 miles of Gold Medal waters

that flow from the Ruedi Reservoir downstream to the town of Basalt. We have fished the river often and know parts of it fairly well, but there is always something to learn or new experiences to be had. This year, we saw or heard about some things that we've never experienced before, and I thought you might find some of

Fly line management. The day before our arrival, our hosts and another couple hired two guides from the local fly shop for a half day of wading on the

angling, and I think we've all experienced something like the frustration illustrated in this Phil Juliano car-

> toon. That was her morning. Well, after spending a couple of hours tangling tippets, our intrepid neophyte decided to take a break back at the vehicle. She didn't have any of her own gear, so she was using a rod and reel belonging to the guide. Before leaving the stream, she was

> very careful to lay it

gently in the grass where it wouldn't get blown around, stepped on, or otherwise damaged. But when she got to the truck, she realized that the fly, tippet and leader were looped around her ankles and hopelessly tangled. During the walk to the truck, she had unknowingly unspooled the entire fly line and nearly all the backing, and dragged them across the rocks, through the bushes and up on to the road shoulder. As you can imagine, she was pretty embarrassed and the guide made it clear that he was none too happy.



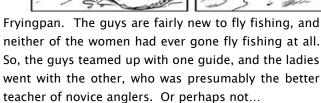
Rocky Mountains alpine meadow, Independence Pass, Colorado

Best In Show Comic

them interesting or funny.







One of the women was struggling all morning, having a difficult time even casting, let alone catching a fish. We all know there is a significant learning curve to fly





Shortly after the guide extricated her from the size 6X tentacles around her ankles, his other client caught her only fish of the day and her first trout ever, a very nice 15" brown. Unfortunately, they never got a photo of it. The guide moved downstream of our friend, but had difficulty netting the fish. When it was finally in the net, he was kneeling in the water and preparing to hold it up with her, but the fish had other ideas. With a couple of tail slaps and a lunge, the fish

squirmed out of his grasp and jumped up and smacked the guide in the face before escaping back into the water. He was so frustrated at this point that he stood up and shouted "Ok, that's it; we're finished." He turned abruptly towards the truck, tripped on a rock and fell flat on his face into the river. Karma at work perhaps? Our friends felt badly about messing up the guide's fly line, so later that day they stopped by the fly shop to buy a replacement line. When the shop owner asked why they wanted to replace the guide's line, the two women told him the whole story (the guide hadn't mentioned it), and his response was priceless: he was quiet for a moment, then tilted his head and said, "Wow; we see a lot of stuff, but that's never happened before!"

Wilderness hikers feeding the bears. I have encountered bears in the wild in Canada, Yellowstone, the northern Jemez Mountains, and even the southern Sacramento Mountains. But I had never before seen back country hikers laying out a smorgasbord to attract bears to the very trails on which they are hiking.



Bear scat on the Ruedi Overlook Trail, Fryingpan valley, CO

Well, I've seen it now. On our second day in Basalt, we decided to take a hike with one of our hosts who wanted to show us the Ruedi Reservoir Overlook trail. It is close enough to town to be convenient, steep enough to be exhilarating, and remote enough that the trail is not lined with hordes of hikers. Bear sign was obvious right near the trailhead. There were dead tree trunks overturned where bears had been eating termites, broken branches in the serviceberry thickets, two paths of flattened grass alongside and crossing the trail, and the rather large pile of very fresh scat in the middle of the trail shown in the photo. Then there were the other bear signs; or shall we say signage. There were warning signs and bear re-

sistant trash containers at the trailhead and the parking lot at the nearby campground.

All this is to suggest that it should have been clear to anyone who has any business hiking in the wilderness that bears are in the area and caution is warranted. Imagine my surprise when just a few hundred steps above the scat pile I encountered the spot where hikers ahead of us had taken a break, eaten a couple of oranges, and left the peels at the edge of the trail. After they had just stepped over the scat in the middle of the trail a few minutes earlier. We picked up the trash, and as luck would have it, we met that group of hikers coming down the path a little while later. When I told them that I had picked up their trash, and suggested that it wasn't a good idea to leave food scraps on the trail, they looked at me quizzically, as if I were a space alien. Finally one of them managed a brief reply: "really?" Really.

Fishing in the Toilet Bowl. I never really thought I would go fishing in the Toilet Bowl. On the Fryingpan River, the Toilet Bowl is the very large, deep hole that is situated at the bottom of the spillway below the Ruedi Reservoir dam. I had read a little about the spot, and I'd heard that there are some very large trout hanging out there, feeding on the constant flow

of Mysis shrimp being pumped out of the base of the reservoir. But I never found the prospect of fishing there very inviting. For one thing, the location is the least attractive part of the entire river, being as it is essentially part of the engineering infrastructure. Also, that part of the river is often very crowded with anglers trying to get a shot at one of monster



24-inch, 6 lb. rainbow caught in the Toilet Bowl

And, I had also heard that those anglers who successfully fish the Toilet Bowl use a very specialized set up, something like a heavy duty Euro-style nymphing rig, and I've never made preparations to bring that sort of tackle to the Fryingpan.

But while hiking on the Ruedi overlook trail, I caught this glimpse of the Toilet Bowl and the adjacent parking lot near the Upper Flats. As you can see, there

were only a few vehicles there, so I decided to make a quick stop there on my way down the river, "just to check it out." At the edge of the spillway I met a nice guy named Brandon who spends part of each summer in Basalt just so he can fish the Toilet Bowl. While conversing with him for about 20 minutes, I watched



The Toilet Bowl and Upper Flats, Fryingpan River, Colorado

him land 5 trout in the 20-inch class. He asked if I had my fishing gear, and suggested I should jump in and take turns casting into the prime section of the pool. He was really dialed in to a very specific feeding pattern, but he showed me the entire setup. He was using a medium action 9 ft, 6wt rod with 3X leader and tippet. At the bottom of his set up was a heavy drop shot or teardrop shot weighing perhaps

an ounce or so; the sort of thing bait anglers might use for bottom fishing. Above the weight he presented two Mysis shrimp patterns tied to 90 degree droppers affixed with blood knots. Between the fly line and leader were one or Czech two nymphing sighters. No floating indicators.

Miriam wading some big pocket water near Folkstadt Spring, Fryingpan River, CO

It took me a few minutes to rig up, as I wasn't really prepared for constructing such a set up. Fortunately, I had a couple of Mysis shrimp flies, and I improvised the leader with clinch knots above surgeons knots, and loaded up the end of the leader with four or five

of my largest split shot. In about half an hour of fishing time, I hooked three large trout, but only landed one. It was too large for my landing net, so Brandon

brought it to hand in his much larger net. It was a colorful 24-inch rainbow that weighed a hefty 6 lbs., the largest trout I've ever landed. So, my largest trout came out of the Toilet Bowl; that's never happened before, at least not to me. I'll probably fish there again sometime... there are supposed to be some 10 pounders in there.

Best missed hookset ever. By the time we landed the lunker trout, a crowd had begun to assemble at the Toilet Bowl, so I excused myself and went downstream to check out a spot near Folkstadt Spring that I've been meaning to visit for a couple of years. I found a nice quiet seam along the edge of a large, deep run, and I could see a nice 18–20 inch brown trout feeding right along the near seam. There was a

PMD hatch in proand gress, trout had been keyed in on them for a week, so I had a split back PMD nymph above a PMD emerger, and was sight casting to that big brown. I was so focused on that fish that I missed even larger one, a rainbow that was hanging out in the center

of the main current beyond the seam. I was watching my indicator, just getting ready to recast to the brown, when the rainbow surfaced in the main current and swam directly at me, perpendicular to the current, mouth agape, powering through the riffles

for four or five feet before he looked me in the eye and dove for the depths and out of sight. That's never happened (to me) before. That fish was so powerful, and his move was so awesome and mesmerizing that I completely forgot to attempt to set the hook. But that's fine. It was the best missed hookset ever, and the memory will always be with me. What an epic day!

I hope you had some epic fishing days over the summer too. And I hope to see you at the September meeting, at which Jim Sorenson and George Sanders will give a presentation on their epic fishing adventures in New Zealand.



Ron Bellerose PHW Coordinator



Project Healing Waters is back on track. Looking at a couple of fly tying events for September and possible a San Juan trip the end of September. Also looking to fish in Arizona the first of October.

Hopefully we will still be able to work with the Tucson PHW to set that trip up.

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. A

Willow Creek Gila Trout

Bill Schudlich

They were not big fish, nor were they especially beautiful fish, but they were maybe the most significant trout I've ever caught. Hiding deep in the plunge pools of this tiny mountain stream, below acre upon acre of standing dead timber. When all these dead trees fall, it might become impossible to fish this creek for a few years. I think to myself that might be a good thing, as it will give this population of fish the needed cover to grow strong and resilient.

20 years ago, a group of anglers re-started Trout Unlimited here in New Mexico with the primary purpose

of helping restore and stabilize the populations of our imperiled native trout. Over those decades, we've formed four chapters in our state plus a state council. We've held a TU Western Regional meeting and even a TU National meeting with hundreds of attendees, who all got to hear our story of TU and the story of our desert fishes. More importantly, we've poured hundreds of thousands of dollars into projects around the state to improve habitat and to help these fish in the face of some pretty tough conditions. One of the first big grants we got was to help the US Forest Service and US Fish and Wildlife Service study wildfire in the Aldo Leopold Wilderness in the hopes of avoiding catastrophic wildfires. Unfortunately, before that project could even be completed, much of the Gila had burned.



The story of the Gila trout has been quite a roller-coaster, as I'm sure everyone knows. When we started this journey with Trout Unlimited, the Gila trout was still on the endangered species list, and the hope of actually catching one, was still a distant dream. Recovery efforts were well under way, and progress was being made, the fires hit and knocked everyone back to square one. Now finally 20 years later, here I am shedding a tear over catching a small, 6 inch fish in a small stream that is finally starting to recover.

Over the years, we've worked with (and fought with) the state and federal agencies to help get us back to the point where there are catchable Gila trout available for the anglers who choose to chase them. I was up in these mountains on this weekend with a group of TU volunteers to help those agencies and students from New Mexico State University do some stream survey work, that will ultimately result in more habitat work to improve the condition of this watershed.

Lucky for these fish, TU is here to provide a voice and the necessary resources, through both grant money and volunteer time to help these fish continue their journey.

MVFF San Juan Trip

Chuck Mueller

Fall 2017 MVFF San Juan Trip 3 nights November 5th to 8th

17 members have signed up for this trip and there are only 4 positions remaining open.

Octagon Inn: The Octagon Inn is limited to the first 9 members at a total cost of \$140.00.

All breakfast's & dinner's are included in the above price. Dinner is on the 5th and 7th at the Octagon Inn and on the 6th at the Riverside House. You will have your own beverage. For those members who would prefer to arrange their own accommodations, you can join the group for dinner each night at a cost of \$25.00 paid in advance.

<u>Guide trip by Sandstone Anglers:</u> Full day guided Float with lunch (2 anglers) \$187.00/angler plus tip. Full day guided wade with lunch (3 anglers) \$133.00/angler plus tip. All pricing includes taxes. Full payment is due no later than October 1, 2017.

If you wish to join us, please contact Chuck Mueller to book this trip at 575-647-4045 or email at mueller@mvff.org.

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. Trips now in the planning stages are:

- October 1-5—Lady Anglers trip to the Gunnison area of Colorado.
- November 5-8—Club trip to the San Juan. ▲

Rio Peñasco Report

William Lubenau MVFF Board Member

President of NMSU Student Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

Editor's Note: At the August Board meeting Will stated he was going to the Lease on the following Saturday and so was asked to report back on the state of the stream condition. This is the report Will submitted to the Board. Photos are on next page.

I went to the lease on Saturday as planned. I took photos of a select few areas that seemed to have changed pretty dramatically. The biggest changes, as you stated, were the areas that have now become only ankle deep. Also, the sediment deposits were definitely something worth mentioning. I stepped into a few areas and sunk to my knee where that hasn't really happened before. I got a picture of the large arroyo that has pushed out a ton of rocks and sediment

towards the main channel. I noticed one of the "old reliable spots" that was previously located where the large arroyo comes in was largely filled in with sediment and cobble. The pictures are far from perfect, but at least it will give other board members a small reference to what is going on.

The water was still dirty when I was there but the fishing was better than expected. I caught 4 rain-bows and two good browns. One brown was approximately 15 inches, the other was about 17 inches. In addition, I lost a few more good rainbows including one that had to be pushing 17 inches. The chubs were abundant like always (probably caught about 50 of them).







8/26/2017







Bead Head Halo Midge Emerger

by Mark Boname



Hook: Curved emerger hook or Long shank Dry Fly

hook #14 to #22

Bead: Glass, clear Czech bead midge size or small

11/0 from Hobby Lobby

Thread: Ultra Thread 80 denier or your favorite

brown thread.

Rib: Halo Mylar tinsel

Body: Thread

Thorax: Ostrich herl white, yellow or light ginger

with peacock herl

Wing Case: Tan razor foam



MVFF Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 21, 2017 Submitted by Jeff Arterburn, Secretary

The MVFF Board meeting was called to order by David Carmichael at 7:00pm in the NMDG&F Conference room. Board members present were: Jeff Arterburn (Secretary), David Carmichael (President), Tom Johnson (Vice President), Will Lubenau, Chuck Mueller, Bob Silver and Dennis Lanpher and; Board members absent: Evan Claassen and Gary Mann (Treasurer). Non-Board members in attendance were: Ron Bellerose, Jim Hulsey and Tom Wobbe.

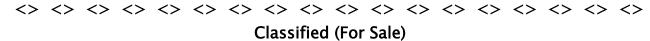
- 1. **Meeting Minutes.** The minutes from the May 15, 2017 Board meeting were approved as published in the June 2017 issue of the newsletter.
- Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's report and current account balance statement of \$13,002 was presented by Tom Wobbe, and accepted by the Board.
- 3. **Membership Report.** Currently there are 178 paid members.
- 4. **Project Healing Waters**. The new year is just beginning, and Ron is planning for activities. He would like to start an evening fly tying session and will need volunteers to help.
- 5. Gila/Rio Grande chapter of Trout Unlimited. Jeff Arterburn reported that the proposal for the Western Native Trout Initiative (WNTI) Small Grants Program seeking to design and install an informational sign at Willow Creek was funded. The MVFF board is providing support including a matching commitment of \$250. Members are encouraged to visit the WNTI website and check out the "Know your Natives" program that now features Gila Trout: www.westernnativetrout.org/gila-trout. A proposal submitted in June for the NMDGF Share with Wildlife program (SWW) for construction of beaver dam analogue structures for habitat restoration on Willow Creek was, unfortunately, not funded. Efforts are continuing and the team will resubmit and/or search for other funding sources. A work project was held August 17-19, 2017 at Willow Creek and the volunteers were involved electrofishing to collect and measure fish, and meas-

- urements of stream flow, depth, streamside vegetation, and other habitat metrics. The GRG-TU and MVFF will offer a Fly Fishing Class as part of the Gila River Festival that will be held on Sunday Sept 24th. The group will meet in Silver City, then travel to Lake Roberts for practice casting, and then hike into Sapillo Creek to demonstrate stream fishing tactics. Members interested in volunteering as instructors are asked to contact Jeff Arterburn for more details (email: jeffgilatu@aol.com).
- American Fisheries Society. Will is planning to graduate in December and will immediately leave to accept a new job in Bonners Ferry, ID. The new AFS President is Dylan Martinez, and the board will encourage his involvement in the MVFF.
- The MVFF Board discussed pending vacancies and need to recruit new board members interested in helping manage the club. Tom Johnson offered to help Tom Wobbe dealing with database, and email system that currently uses Microsoft Office Pro, Access.
- 8. General Meeting Speakers/Presentations. September 11th meeting will feature a presentation on New Zealand Fly Fishing by George Sanders and Jim Sorenson. The October 9th meeting will feature Tom Johnson describing a recent Montana Fly Fishing trip "The other Teton". Possibilities for November presentations are being considered. David is investigating the possibility of hosting an IF4 Film Festival with the Ardovino's Crossing restaurant management that would take place on a Sunday afternoon. Will will contact Dominique to see if she would be available to give a presentation on her work with Yellowstone Trout. Planning for the January Banquet and contact with possible speakers with expertise in Fly Fishing Photography have been initiated. The board needs to make arrangements for banquet in response to new State laws affecting pot luck banquets by requiring a licensed food service provider.

9. **Rio Penasco Lease.** Recent heavy rains and flood events have caused high water and erosion. Recent reports indicate there is still heavy in stream weed growth in the upper waterfall and upstream sections, but weeds have been removed from lower 1/3 section, and the stream is quite shallow. Will is planning for reconnaissance next week and will report. Further consideration of the impacts and needs to address erosion from side channel will be discussed with the landowner in the near future.

- 10. Club Fishing Trips. Chuck reported that there are 16 members signed up for the San Juan Trip. There is room to accommodate 4 more at the Octagon Inn, and interested members should contact Chuck for details.
- 11. **Kid's Fishing Clinic.** The board needs to schedule the upcoming Kid's Clinic for March 2018.
- 12. The next Board meeting will be on Monday, September 18, 2017 at 7:00pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm. _



Simms G4 Boa wading boot, men's size 11. Nearly new: worn only 3 times. New cost \$249.95; asking \$150.

Scott S3s 909/4 fly rod (9 foot, 9 weight, 4 piece) with Cordura case. Rod is very lightly used; I've only used it twice. The Scott S3s is a fast action saltwater rod designed to throw large, heavy flies in big water conditions. Although it is fast action, the blank flexes all the way through its length which assists in fighting strong fish. It is ideal for pursuing salmon and steelhead. Great for your next Alaska adventure. Retail price was \$675; asking \$295.

Contact David Carmichael at btrout22@hotmail.com if you are interested.

Pontoons. Many good memories up in the White Mountains on those high altitude lakes. However, I have some back and neck issues and I just can't drag these around like I use to. I would have the kids on the smaller pontoons and I would motorize myself into nice spots. The big 9 foot Panther can handle all sorts of water.

The fly rods are not included. Only used to show the rod mounts i installed. Minnkota trolling motor included. Flippers and pump included. No battery. However, battery box and anchor with rope included. I would recommend a good deep cycle battery. A good battery is a must. MSRP with tax on all this is upwards of \$1,800. Asking \$1,100.

Contact Hunter Brown at Work: 915-833-0017, Cell: 915-490-6786, rhunterbrown@sbcglobal.net







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Norm Mabie Scholarship Fund

Market Value as of 30 June 2014 \$11,487

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.

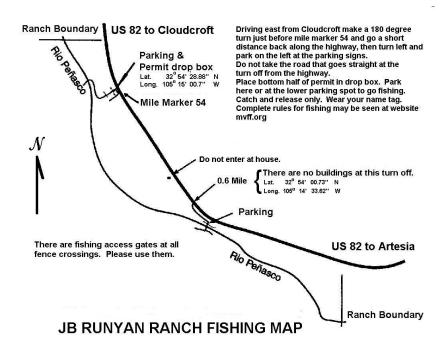
1 Year	\$20	Individual
	\$25	Family
3 Years	\$50	Individual
	\$60	Family
Life	\$400	Individual
	\$500	Family

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 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.



MESILLA VALLEY FLYFISHERS, INC.

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Las Cruces, NM 88004-2222 Membership and/or Permit Application (Please Print Clearly)

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Do you need a name badg	e?	Yes	_ No		
New Membership		or renewa	l	?	
Membership Categories:		Individual		Family	Circle the one desired.
1 Y	ear	\$20		\$25	
3 Ye	ars	\$50		\$60	
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Note: All memberships ex 1 January will expire on 3					nips received on or after
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