



# NEWSLETTER

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## WMFFC MISSION STATEMENT:

The Mission Statement of the White Mountain Fly Fishing Club is: "To assist in the development and maintenance of fly fishing opportunities and to promote and participate in fly fishing in its many forms."

We support the practice of "Catch and Release." We support the use of barbless hooks and harmless netting-and-release practices. Fish should never be held out of water for longer than you can hold your breath.

## *"Tight Lines"—President's Column:*

Our October meeting on the 12th was a big success. We had a catered dinner from the House of unconstructed shredded chicken sliders (just means you put it together yourself) with all the fixins, Green Chili Potato Salad, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit Bowls and cookies. We had a great turnout with 40 plus attending.

Gary Miller presented gifts to the members who helped with the fly tying classes and rod building classes. Thank you Gary. Jon Wallace also presented me with a custom fly fishing net made from hard maple, walnut and SAPELE wood handle. I was able to use it this past Sunday fishing Silver Creek with some of my fishing lady friends (see pictures in photo gallery).

Many of our members have moved back to their winter habitats so our size had diminished to only the few hardy souls that live here year round. We still have some fine fishing opportunities before the really cold weather moves in. If you want to go fishing there are plenty of us to join you. Contact me if you want to plan an outing and I'll put the word out. Silver Creek fished well this past weekend and there are fish in Show Low Creek at the Bluffs Park area in the Meadows.

Hope to see you all next April at our first meeting of the 2023 season.

Wishing you a tug at the end of you line.

*Dawn Hewitt*

President



## ***2021-22 WMFFC Board Members***

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<b>Banquet Committee</b>	Gary Miller, Rick Tesinsky, Kitty Wiemelt, Marcy Green, Dawn Hewitt, Gary Hall and Mary	

### **PROPOSED OUTING SCHEDULE**

These are the proposed Outings for 2023 submitted by Outings Chair, Mike Styvaert. **Contact Mike at [mstyvaert@hotmail.com](mailto:mstyvaert@hotmail.com) to sign up to take one of the outings to Captain.**

February 18:	Silver Creek
March 18:	Becker Lake
April 22:	Rainbow Lake
May 20:	Big Lake
June 24:	Greer Lakes
July 22:	Hawley Lake
August 19:	Reservation Lake
September 23:	Possible Trip to the San Juan
October 21:	Becker Best Days
November 18:	Silver Creek

Mike will need a Captain for each outing. The Captain will speak at the meeting prior to the Outing addressing where we will meet and what we can expect in the way of fishing. They will be responsible for putting out the signs showing the way. They will determine whether or not we bring the club trailer depending on the number of participants.

## Photo Gallery

A special thanks goes out to Ed Shatto who joined me earlier on the 12th to help set up for the evening event. Also a big thanks to Peggy Sherman for keeping me on track and backing me up with picture taking. Another thanks to all that helped with clean-up at the end of another great evening.



Above Mike Styveart's Tiger Trout from Becker Lake

At left is Xander Manrique's Silver Creek Ra



the lovely net made by Jon Wallace netting my friend Jennifer's fish at Silver Creek



***Please Consider Volunteering on any of these Committees - it does not take much work and you don't have to be a Board Member!***

**Newsletter Editor:** The President will submit his or her "Tight Lines" article to the editor along with any other articles or information that is current. Using software provided will compose the newsletter and reach out to members for their input of articles or photos for inclusion.

**Conservation and Community Projects:** Chairman will create as many sub-committee chairs and committee members as may be required to carry out an active Club role in fishery resource conservation management issues and community projects, such as Casting for Recovery, Keep America Clean, Project Healing Waters and others. Prepare and submit a timely monthly article to the Newsletter Editor.

**AZG&F Liaison and Website Coordinator:** Coordinator will maintain contact with AZG&F Pinetop Office to keep the club advised of any upcoming volunteer opportunities for WMFFC. Will submit Newsletters to Website Manager for publication on the Website. Will keep website current and post articles and schedules of events.

If you can help in any manner there are plenty of members that have done these duties before that would be very willing to help and guide you.

**A CLUB IS ONLY AS GOOD AS THE VOLUNTEERS THAT MAKE IT.**

This special poem was written by Thalia Manrique whose brother Xander and sister Anika have been attending out meetings and are our youngest members and avid fly tyers and fishers.

Fishing Fever  
By Thalia Manrique

Dead flies  
Live flies  
Wet flies  
Dry flies

Midges, Leaches  
Egg flies, Please  
Give me at least some of these

I have my rod  
My floating line  
I need some tippet  
3x would be just fine

Roll cast  
Reach cast  
Pickup  
Back cast  
I'll have to learn them all  
If I'm going to catch the biggest trout to be seen this fall

