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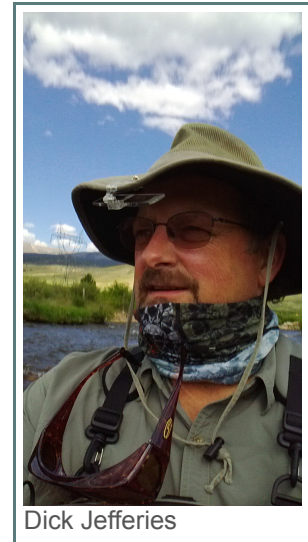
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From the President

Happy Holidays everyone!!

I hope everyone had a very happy Thanksgiving.

Thanks to all who made it to our annual Guest Night program last month. Rick Takahashi and Jerry Hubka have a great new book out and we are glad they were able to share with us some of its highlights.



Dick Jefferies

Also a special thanks to Johnny Olson with the Colorado Dept. of Transportation and Chris Sturm with the Colorado Water Conservation Board for updating us on ongoing planning for flood restoration in the Big Thompson Canyon.

Make plans to join us at CB Potts in Fort Collins on December 12th for the annual Holiday Party. It is always a great time and a chance to relax and enjoy some good company. The White Elephant gift exchange is always a hoot. Tickets are available [online](#) and at the door the evening of the 12th.

Once again this year you can take advantage of year end giving and support RMF at the same time. December 9th is Colorado Gives Day. It is an annual giving campaign designed to benefit non-profit organizations throughout Colorado. Just like last year you can donate to RMF by selecting the Colorado Trout Unlimited selection at the Colorado Gives Day website. In the note section simply indicate that you would like your gift to go to Rocky Mountain Flycasters and Colorado TU will make sure that happens. CTU link to [Colorado Gives](#).

As you finish up your shopping this year, show your support for the businesses whose logos are presented in our monthly newsletter and on our [Sustaining Donor page](#). Their support of RMF is greatly appreciated and I know they would be honored if you would choose to do business with them.

Wishing you all a joyous holiday season and Happy New Year!

[Dick Jefferies](#), President

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH

2014 Rocky Mountain Flycasters' Holiday Party



It is the season again. Rocky Mountain Flycasters is holding a Holiday Party. Please make plans to attend on Friday, December 12, 2013 at C.B. & Potts' Clubhouse on West Elizabeth. We will start socializing at 6:30, eat from 7:00 to 8:00, then have the white elephant gift exchange and drawings for the fly trees and the rod.

Cost this year will be \$15.00 per person for tickets purchased online (see below). Tickets at the door will be \$20 per person. Everyone will get heavy *hors d'œuvres* from the C.B. & Potts kitchen and raffle tickets. If you wish to participate in the White Elephant exchange, bring a wrapped white elephant gift. (We missed the beautiful fish lamp last year!) Because of our larger attendance, please bring only one gift per couple. We always have a great time at these parties, and it is especially good to meet and socialize with our significant others.

We ask that you bring a few flies and divide them between the two trees as we will raffle two trees again this year. We had a great turnout of flies last year as well as a huge pile of White Elephant gifts.

In order to better predict the amount of food to order, we ask that you order your tickets at our website, [Holiday14](#). We'll try to keep the online ticket sales open as long as possible but we will need to cut them off some days before the 12th. We really hope you all can attend!

Colorado Gives Day



A program of Community First Foundation

Presented by Community First Foundation and FirstBank, Colorado Gives Day is an initiative to increase philanthropy in Colorado through online giving and is Tuesday, December 9th, 2014.

If you would like to make a donation to Rocky Mountain Flycasters go to: coloradogives.org

Follow the instructions on that page to make your donation. In the special comment section, make sure to indicate your donation is to go to Rocky Mountain Flycasters.

Thanks so much for supporting cold water conservation.

NOVEMBER CONSERVATION NOTES



Dave Piske, RMF Conservation Chair

GRATITUDE FOR SUCCESSFUL CONSERVATION PROJECTS IN 2014

Although we had fewer projects than usual in 2014, the turnout and enthusiasm of the volunteers for those projects was extraordinary.

As the year draws to a close, I want to express my sincere gratitude to all who participated, and also to those who wanted to take part but had schedule conflicts that kept you away. I look forward with optimism that 2015 will include more on-stream projects on both the Big Thompson and the Poudre.

My optimism stems from two bright lights within the tunnel that leads to the New Year.

One is that funds from the Federal Department of Urban Development are on the way to Colorado for applications involving stream restorations resulting from both flood and wildfire disasters.

The other bright light is that the Coalition for the Poudre River Watershed, is moving ahead with restoration of the Skin Gulch tributary that deposited enormous amounts of silt and debris into the Poudre near Stove Prairie Road during the 2013 floods. Many hours of volunteers devoted to planting willows, plus native grasses and plants will be needed to complete this project.

LEARN WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING ON THE POUDRE

On [Saturday, January 31, 2015](#) attend the second annual **Poudre River Forum**. *One River, Many Voices* is the theme for this year's Forum at The Ranch Events Complex. The Poudre River is a special place for those of us who live and recreate along it. Sometimes we take it for granted, but once a year we have an opportunity to join together to learn more about it and celebrate it.

You may register to attend on-line at: www.cwi.colostate.edu/thepoudrerunsthroughit

NOVEMBER COMMUNITY OUTREACH NOTES



Will Huett, RMF Community Outreach Coordinator

New Fishing Magazine Features RMF

A new on-line fishing magazine called *So Much Water...So Little Time* features an article on RMF's recent conservation efforts. It's a short piece about our involvement in helping our rivers recover from fires and floods. If you're interested, the piece is on page 15 of the premier edition (December) at www.joomag.com/magazine/so-much-water/0476517001409353454?short (not enabled for mobile devices). You do not have to subscribe to read the article.

Give it a look - like our meetings, it's free! You may find some other articles you enjoy as well.

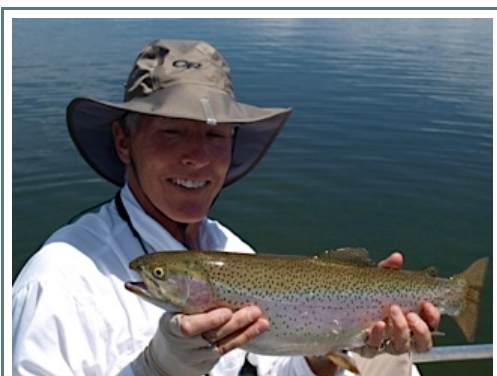
Volunteer & Learn from World Class Fishing Experts

The America Cup, Inc. of Vail, CO has been awarded the bid to host the 14th FIPS-Mouche World Youth Fly Fishing Championship 2015 and the 36th FIPS-Mouche World Fly Fishing Championship 2016 (WFFC). They are looking for volunteers to work as controllers during the tournaments. Find out more at: The America Cup Organization www.theamericacup.org/

14th FIPS Mouche World Youth Fly Fishing Championship 2015 www.wyffc2015.com/

36th FIPS Mouche World Fly Fishing Championship 2016 www.wffc2016.com/

NOVEMBER "LET'S GO FISHING" NOTES



Mark Miller, "Let's Go Fishing" Coordinator

This month we are working on our plan for our fishing trips for 2015 by examining the preferences submitted in the 2014 Membership Survey. Look for more info in our January Newsletter. Hope you all had some great fishing in 2014, and Happy Holidays to all!

As always, if you have any questions, feel free to call. Contact: Mark Miller at flytyer.miller@gmail.com or 970-744-8229 (cell).

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