



No December Chapter Gathering - See you in January

President's Message

Welcome to the December newsletter.

Please enjoy the time with your families and be thankful for all the opportunities we have. RMFTU had a fantastic year that was the result of everyone's volunteer efforts. Please rest and relax so that we can hit the road running in 2024.

And, remember... take someone fishing and you planted a seed for a lifelong coldwater conservationist. *You can make a difference!*

Let's all have a joyous December.

-Dave Hausler (President)

**Donate to RMFTU Via Colorado Gives
DEADLINE TODAY, December 5**



Colorado Gives Day is a statewide movement to increase giving, and unites all Coloradoans in the common goal of strengthening nonprofits by giving to favorite charities online!

Again in 2023, you can donate directly to RMFTU through Colorado Gives. With your generous donation, RMFTU can help save Colorado's state fish and expand important work in conservation and education.

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1. Visit: <https://www.coloradogives.org/organization/RockyMountainFlycasters> On the RMFTU page, click DONATE and make your gift.
2. Make sure your donation is set to process on December 5, Colorado Gives Day.

Ask your FRIENDS & FAMILY to donate, too! (by December 5)

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RMFTU Trout Fishing Expo – Save the Date March 23, 2024

Last March's Trout Fishing Expo in Fort Collins was a blast and a big success. This coming March our Expo will be at The Ranch Event Complex, FNBO Exhibition Building, South Hall. Join us on Saturday, March 23 from 10am – 4pm. The Ranch will be a great venue for our Expo, and Pat Dorsey will be one of our speakers! The owners of She's Fly and Uncharted Outdoorswomen will also speak at our Expo. It's going to be an awesome event!

Everyone is invited to this all-inclusive fishing show! If you're interested in fishing, sustaining, and conserving our fisheries and our mountain streams, this is the event of the year for northern Colorado! All anglers are welcome.

Be there to get the 2024 trout fishing season started in style! Door Prizes (for adults and kids), Raffle, Exhibitors, Fly Shops, Fly Tyers, Silent Auction, rods for you to cast and compare. Try to catch the very rare Lawn Trout! Casting and fly tying for kids as well! And a special photo “booth” for kids – lots of fun!

RMFTU 2024 Trout Fishing Expo, sponsored by:

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Announcing Winners of the Big South Angling Survey

Thanks again to the eleven anglers who logged 94 total hours participating in the fall Big South Angling Survey! The goal of this year's effort was to determine how far upstream brown trout exist on the Big South Fork of the Poudre River. This information provides qualitative data useful to the Poudre Headwaters Project team.

As an incentive, two prizes were offered to participants. The first prize was for the most brown trout caught in a single day, and the second was for the brown trout caught furthest upstream from the Big South Trailhead. While all participants reported catching fish, Drew Miller was the only angler to

document successfully catching brown trout. Drew submitted both photos and GPS coordinates for the three browns he caught, making him the winner of both gift certificates to Saint Peter's Fly Shop. Congratulations, Drew!!

-Scott Baily (RMF Conservation Chair)

Video of the Month

Alaska Daydreaming

Alaska's Sandy River - my top bucket list fishing destination!

-Isaac Fournier (The Editor)



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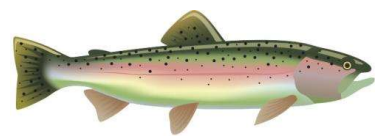
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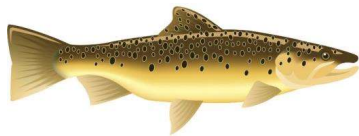
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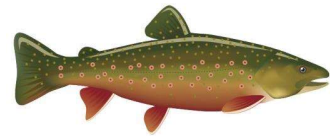
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