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From the (Newly Elected) President

Hello

I am honored to have been nominated and then elected by you to serve as your new President during May's business meeting. I would like to thank **Coy Wylie** our now immediate past president for his leadership over the past two years. During his tenure as president, I served as vice president and together we worked with the leadership council to lead the Chapter.

The slate of candidates you elected to our Board of Trustees includes our new Treasurer, **Ryan Hogan** and two new Trustees at Large, **Frank Bub** and **Colin Glover**. The backgrounds of these new officers as well as a photo of each can be seen below.



Mickey McGuire, RMF President

Linda Jefferies moves from a Trustee at Large to our new Vice President and **Ruthie Ketola** continues as our Secretary. I would like to thank **Tom Culbertson** for his years of service as Treasurer for the Chapter. He took us from a check book run organization to a financially secure Chapter that meets all the requirements from TU National in this age of accountability. I would also like to thank **Wil Huett** for his service as Trustee, President and then immediate past president of our Chapter. His sage advice and wisdom helped guide us through some interesting times. Finally, **Domingo Rodriguez** who you know as our Raffle coordinator also served as a Trustee at Large for the past year. His input was invaluable to the Chapter.

Also in May we acknowledged several award winners from among our Chapter volunteers; thanks to Dennis Cook for leading our Awards Nominations Committee:

- **David Piske: Lifetime Achievement Award** in recognition of extraordinary contributions to the Rocky Mountain Flycasters Chapter of Trout Unlimited.
- **Wil Huett: Exemplary Youth Education Volunteer Award** in recognition of outstanding contributions to Rocky Mountain Flycasters Chapter of Trout Unlimited
- **Tom Culbertson: Exemplary Function Leader Award** in recognition of outstanding contributions to

the Rocky Mountain Flycasters Chapter Trout Unlimited

- **Paul Wehr: Outstanding Chapter Volunteer Award** in recognition of outstanding contributions to the Rocky Mountain Flycasters Chapter of Trout Unlimited.
- **Phil Wright: Exemplary Conservation Volunteer Award** in recognition of outstanding contributions to Rocky Mountain Flycasters Chapter of Trout Unlimited

We should also point out that during the Colorado Trout Unlimited Rendezvous, **Dave Piske** won the very prestigious **Distinguished Service Award** and our own **Youth Education Program** was recognized as the best youth education program among the 24 chapters in the state. Congratulations to all!

Finally, I would like to tell you a few things about myself. I first became aware of TU while working in Bozeman MT in 1985. I went to a couple of meetings but didn't join or get involved. It wasn't until I returned to Colorado, my boyhood home in 2006, that I took a more serious interest in the Rocky Mountain Flycasters. However, due to my travel schedule, I really wasn't able to be very active. Once I retired and had more time on my hands, I chose RMF as my principal volunteer activity and thought I could best use my talents on the leadership side of things.



Professionally, I worked for 30 years for the Agricultural Research Service, the primary in house research agency for the USDA. My first 20 years was spent conducting fundamental and applied research on insects impacting our nation's agricultural production in locations such as Bozeman MT, Peoria IL and Bakersfield CA. During my last 10 years, I was located in Fort Collins in an Area Office where we assisted researchers across an 8 state area. My principal duties were to mentor new scientists and their location leadership, provide assistance in all phases of the Agricultural Research portfolio including ranching, confined feeding operations, human nutrition, ecological research, pest management across a range of habitats, and many other fields of endeavor.

I was also the principal ethics officer for approximately 1000 federal employees. I retired three years ago and started taking an active role in the chapter. I look forward to serving you the best I can over the next year. Please feel free to reach out to me, as I will to you if you have any thoughts and ideas about where we should be headed or any concerns you may wish to express. In the coming months, I will be looking for input from everyone about how our leadership can best meet your needs. All are also invited to our monthly leadership meetings held the 2nd Wednesday of each month usually at Mulligans'. Again, thanks for your confidence in me.

Mickey Maguire
President, Rocky Mountain Flycasters

The Newly Elected Officers

Frank Bub, Trustee at Large



Upon retirement from the US Navy, I used the GI Bill to earn a PHD in oceanography at the University of New Hampshire. After 9/11 I moved to the Naval Oceanographic Office in Mississippi where I was the Technical Lead for Ocean Modeling. In 2014, I retired and moved to Colorado to enjoy life near the mountains, including the opportunity to toss flies at trout. I do occasional contract work as environmental subject matter expert for COMET, the educational branch of the National Center for Atmospheric Scienc. I've been Married for 48 years to Susan. We have one daughter, Kristen, who is a professor at the University of Georgia.

Colin Glover, Trustee at Large



I am an avid fly angler based in Fort Collins. My favorite waters to fish tend to be freestone rivers such as the Poudre and the Eagle. I am a recent addition to the Rocky Mountain Flycasters Board and also serve as a unit commissioner with the Cache La Poudre District of the Boy Scouts of America. In both volunteer capacities I enjoy teaching youth about the outdoors and foster a passion for fly fishing and conservation. When I'm not on the river I work as a Realtor at The Group and love spending time at my cabin with my wife and two dogs.



Ryan Logan, Treasurer

I am living in Colorado for the 3rd time since 1993 and has decided it not worth moving away again. I have a Masters in Accounting and have used it to serve a couple of Church Vestry's as a Treasurer and is happy to do so for the Rocky Mountain Flycasters. When I am not working as an Information Security and Privacy Consultant, I try to spend time with my two teens outdoors fishing, hiking, or generally goofing off.

River Conservation and Fly Fishing Day Camp

With less than 2 months before the start of the 2018 Fly Fishing Day Camp, we have a full slate of 15 outstanding campers and a wait list of 5. Unfortunately, we have had to turn down 4-5 additional campers (in addition to the wait list) who have been encouraged to apply early in 2019. The response to our posters and Facebook advertising was outstanding and we were able to save \$1000 in newspaper advertising expenses by pursuing a different route towards pursuing potential campers. Our Facebook page (fb.me/NoCoYouthCamp) has been converted into a Camper Education and Resource page with daily postings as to fly fishing techniques. We would encourage everyone to visit these pages. We were also pleased last week to receive a \$1000 grant award from New Belgium Brewing for the day camp. We are so thankful for having great community sponsors year after year. Finally, if there are any additional members wishing to volunteer for portions of the day camp, I would encourage you to contact me at wgedge@comcast.net. Thanks again for everyone's help

—Bill Gedge and Robin Brown, Co-Directors

Meetings This Month



Board Meeting, June 13 at 7:00 PM, Mulligan's. Everyone is invited to attend



Monthly Meeting, No meeting until September. Go Fishing!



Our Fly Swap will resume in September when we resume monthly TU meetings. Bring your favorite (and successful) fly of the Summer. Contact [Dave Morse](#) to sign up. He will let you know how many flies you need to tie. As usual, attach a toe-tag label with the fly recipe and your name.

[Click Here For Calendar Of All Upcoming Events](#)

From Phil Wright, Our Volunteer Coordinator

Native Trout Restoration Efforts and Volunteer Opportunities



Phil Wright, Volunteer Coordinator

Now that the 2018 field season is upon us, it's time to brush up on Rocky Mountain Flycasters efforts to promote native trout restoration in Colorado. This spring there are several ongoing projects some of which will need volunteers to further the efforts. We are particularly excited with progress being made on the Long Draw native trout restoration project which is ongoing in the upper reaches of the Poudre River watershed. When complete, the Long Draw Project will be the largest cutthroat trout restoration project in the state of Colorado with 40 miles of connected cutthroat habitat.

Volunteer opportunities to contribute to cutthroat restoration efforts this field season are numerous. Volunteers are assisting Chris Kennedy, US Fish and Wildlife, Fish Biologist, and other USFWS and Colorado Parks and Wildlife personnel with matrix experiment and production spawning operations for greenback cutthroat trout at the Leadville National Fish Hatchery starting in late May and lasting into June. Colorado Trout Unlimited has a volunteer link on their new website describing the spawning effort at the Leadville National Fish Hatchery. CTU also summarizes their greenback cutthroat trout recovery efforts on the new website. Dan Omasta at CTU summarizes the 2018 field season cutthroat recovery efforts in our region in the following list.

Spawning Leadville National Fish Hatchery (Late May – June)

Spawning at Zimmerman Lake (early Summer)

Western Native Trout Initiative (WNTI) Stream Temperature Study (now-Fall)

The WNTI Stream Temperature Study project is a new start this year. Rocky Mountain Flycasters volunteers are asked to volunteer to locate stream temperature logging devices in specific northern Larimer County areas. Some simple training, equipment, and site specific information will be provided to interested volunteers who would like to get involved with this NEW! citizen science effort. Please contact [Phil Wright](#) if you would like to

contribute to this stream temperature study project.

Chris Kennedy's work on cutthroat trout in Rocky Mountain National Park will be ongoing this field season. Chris Kennedy's field work schedule is now available. Contact [Austin Condon](#) if you would like to receive the RMNP work schedule or to volunteer for a specific workday in RMNP.

Another volunteer project related to the Long Draw cutthroat restoration project is the August 5-10 Corral Park Cabin Restoration Project. You can get further details of this project and register to volunteer at the [HistoriCorps website](#).

—Phil Wright

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Kid's Fishing Day



First fish of the day at US Forest Service's Kids Free Fishing Day!

Rocky Mountain Flycasters volunteers Phil Smith, Norma Stallsworth, Bill Gillett, Paul Hilbrecht, Art Campfield, Ted Sammond, Mickey McGuire, Paul Wehr, and Lee Evans spent last Saturday helping kids catch fish at West Lake in Red Feather. There were 40+ kids who picked up their free spin rod from US Forest Service and proceeded to catch multiple fish. The volunteers helped with casting, baiting, untangling, releasing snags, netting and releasing fish. Judging from the smiles on the kids' faces and the statements of appreciation from the parents, it was a great time and all had fun. Special thanks to the volunteers who helped these kids go home with success stories to tell!

—Lee Evans

From Wil Huett, Community Outreach Coordinator

Click here for an update on the general progress, and a major donation to the Fort Collins Whitewater Park, by Nick Coltrain, published in *The Coloradoan* on May 30, 2018.

Click here for an update on the NISP Project, also by Nick Coltrain, published in *The Coloradoan*, May 29, 2018.



Wil Huett, Past President

Flash! Fishing Trip Date Change

The date for the Lake Agnes/Joe Wright trip has been **CHANGED** to **Sunday, June 24th**. We will meet at the Northwest corner of the King Soopers in northern Fort Collins, right off College Avenue at 7:00 am and carpool/caravan to the Lake Agnes trail head in the Colorado State Forest. Bring \$7 for the parking pass if you do not have an annual State Park Pass. Bring lunch, raingear, 5 wt rod, sunscreen, sturdy hiking shoes, camera and water. Waders will be helpful at Joe Wright, but not needed for Lake Agnes. We will fish for gorgeous cutthroats at Lake Agnes til about 2:30 then head down to Joe Wright Reservoir to catch some Grayling. Please let **Dave Morse** know if you are going to meet us in the parking lot or if you have questions.



From Mark Miller: Let's Go Fishing Coordinator



Mark Miller, Let's Go Fishing Coordinator

Listed below are our trips for 2018. If interested, please sign up by calling or emailing Mark Miller (see his contact info at bottom of this page). We have quite a mix of fishing destinations for 2018. Hopefully there is something for you on this list. We hope you will join us for all the fun!

June 24 - Joe Wright/Lake Agnes Host: Dave Morse

Note the date change from Saturday June 23rd, to Sunday June 24th. We'll fish for cutthroats early at Agnes, then Joe Wright for Grayling in the afternoon and evening hours. Always a fun time

catching grayling. See the "Flash" above from Dave Morse for more information.

July 14 – High Country Lake, WY Host: Ben Zomer

Who doesn't want to catch a Golden Trout? A two mile hike for this rarest of trout. One day trip -leave early Saturday morning and return late Saturday night.

Aug 22 (Wed)- RMNP Small Streams Host: Bill Gillett and Mark Miller

Small stream fun with dry flies in the Park makes for a great day! Four people (in addition to our hosts) will have to be the max since the water is so small. This is a mid-week trip on a Wednesday.

Sep – date TBD Frying Pan or Upper Green River in WY Host: Ben Zomer

3 day trip – still working on the location – either Frying Pan or Upper Green

Oct 5-6th – Kokanee Trip – S. Platte / Dream Stream – Host: Mark Miller

Let's plan on driving to Fairplay Friday pm, get a hotel room, and then have a great day on Saturday fishing for Kokanee. Drive home late Saturday pm. Last year we cancelled our plans to fish on Oct 21st due to bad weather – hopefully, by fishing earlier in the month, we will be blessed with good weather.

Questions? Contact: **Mark Miller** or 970-744-8229 (cell).

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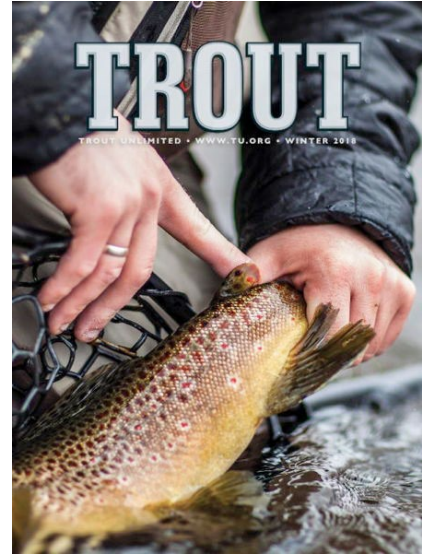
The active link (click) icons below represent a beginning attempt to put together a group of FREE resources available to fly anglers. The first (Trout Magazine) is published by Trout Unlimited-USA and the third (High Country Angler) is published by Trout Unlimited-Colorado. Both of these publications are limited to TU members. The others, however, are for everyone

This page will be continually updated so you can always get to the most current issue of both of these magazines. Just click on the icon of the magazine you wish to read.

Please help me update these magazines by sending the URL for any FREE resources that you find worthwhile. Happy reading!

High Country Angler

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