

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.

September Greetings,

I hope that you and your family are safe and healthy! The days sometime seem like weeks and the weeks sometimes seem like days. Time keeps on marching on even during a pandemic!

It looks like the "dog days" of summer are beginning to let up which means the temperatures will be going down, the lakes cooling and the fish stocking up for the winter ahead. Mid to late fall are my favorite times to fly fish and I am very much looking forward to the days ahead.

Needless to say, there has not been very much going on club wise, but I do have a couple of announcements I would like to share.

2020 Club Survey

First, please go to our web site: flyfishingwm.com and scroll down the Home Page and you will find a brief 2020 survey for our Club members to take. There are only 10 questions and the Board would like your participation to help give us a sense of what is most important to you. We, the Board, appreciate your comments so that we can better organize our club plans for the upcoming season in 2021. Please complete the survey by November 1, 2020.

Also, please remember that whatever you choose as important to you on the survey, you are also saying you will be willing to become invested (volunteer) for whatever the concerns and interest you express in your survey responses. For example, if you want to have outings, it is expected that you will volunteer to make sure it happens. Or if you would like to have monthly program meetings, you will help to find speakers.

Reservation Lakes Open!

I have been so quarantined; I did not even know that the Reservation Lakes have been opened for about two weeks when I talked with Bob Bowers recently. I guess I need to get out more. You can get your permit at the Hon Dah sports shop.

Membership

FYI - Even though we are not actively recruiting new members this year we are still getting a number of inquiries as well as people making donations for our annual fundraising event, even though we will not be holding it until 2021!

General Information

Brian Chan has some great fly fishing instruction videos on <u>youtube.com</u> or <u>riseformflyfishing.com</u>. Very informative!

FYI - I have been told that Brian also uses flies tied by our local fly tying Guru John Rohmer!

Spoke to the President of the **AFC Club**, John Doss this week. AFC has video recordings of presenters to their Club meetings that some of our membership might like to view at <u>azflycasters.ORG</u>. John enthusiastically wants to share any information regarding program presenters that they have recorded. Check it out!

Hope everyone is able to get out and fish! Stay safe!

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