



The September 2019 NEWSLETTER

**Northern Arizona Flycasters
An active member club of the World Wide organization
“Fly Fishers International”
“Conservation, Restoration, and Education through Fly Fishing”**

We support active involvement in cold water fisheries conservation. We work to insure that Arizona’s habitat is not degraded and in the development and maintenance of fly fishing opportunities.

We support the practice of “catch and release”, the use of barbless hooks, and quick and harmless release practices. Fish should never be kept out of the water for over 60 seconds.

Northern Arizona Flycasters meets the first Wednesday of the month at the Arizona Game and Fish Regional office at 3500 S. Lake Mary Road, Flagstaff. Meetings start at 7 PM with a board meeting at 6 PM.
The meetings are free and the public is invited.

PRESIDENT’S DRIFT – J Shambaja

School is back in session. But rest assured, lessons of beauty, drama, and fragility can happen on a misty pond, small stream, or in a classroom. Once a child takes a rod or book in hand and is no longer a passive recipient of information but an architect of possibilities, that is when a lifetime of learning begins. Our national heritage depends on it. So, go fishing and take a student with you.

The summer season is quickly coming to an end and the best Fall streamer fishing is near, so don’t put away your fly rod just yet. This is a great time to fish, as most of the heavy summer traffic has diminished during the week. Weekends can still be a tad busy. While there is still some late morning action, the real action typically shifts to the afternoon. The bugs are smaller than the early season hatches, so you will

need to have plenty of size 18 and 20s in all phases of this insect's life cycle (nymphs, emergers, duns and spinners). Also, it is important that you approach the water's edge with caution and scan for feeders in the shallows. Often the largest fish hold in the least likely water and these fish can be spooky. The terrestrial action is rolling across Northern Arizona, bringing "fair" to "excellent" results for those who venture to the bank side.

Plan on visiting our club supported ponds (Perkins, Elk, Middle, JD Dam) located south of Williams, let us how know about your experience. These ponds are easy to get to and make an enjoyable day's adventure. There have been some unverified reports that small mouth bass have been illegally planted at JD Dam. So, if you catch any bass at JD Dam then please photograph and send to both our clubs for follow up actions with the authorities. Remember, even though these are illegal fish you must continue with catch and release per the fishing regulations.

Northern Arizona Flycasters and Grand Canyon Trout Unlimited hold join events to promote camaraderie through fly fishing and to encourage active involvement in cold-water fisheries conservation. To this end, our September guest speaker is a representative from Arizona Wildlife Federation. This is another great conservation organization that works tirelessly and quietly for the enjoyment of all. Thus, if you want to learn about protecting wildlife and our outdoor sporting adventures in Arizona this is a must attend event.

Your club and TU are working on pulling together another Fall Social Event, a mid-week Pint Night. The last Pint Night was a huge success even through it happened during the largest snow event last winter. So, keep reading future announcements to be informed about all Social Events.

NAF President Jack

Go Represent Your Water

Every club member is important to the wellbeing of our club and to our local fisheries.

NAF needs your involvement and there are many volunteer venues available such as fishing trips, conservation, writing about club activities, and fund raising.

Remember, NAF raises funds to support conservation efforts; we are a non-profit organization. You can sign-up to volunteer on our web site.

<http://nazflycasters.com/volunteer/>

Gear Sale

The following is a list of items remaining that will be available for purchase. Estimated prices are given for most items.

Travel Cases

Orvis Traveling rod and equipment case soft side \$30

Medal hard side rod case – 4 rods no equipment storage \$75+

Fly Rods-6

Cabela's SLi SL908, 9ft 8wt two pc. rod with metal tube \$40

Bamboo of split cane rod, two pc. With two tips, 7 ft. Clark indicates it casts well with a 5wt line \$150

G Loomis Stream Dance GLX 8ft 3 inch, 3 wt. High Line Speed Rod 3 pc. With tube \$200

G Loomis 4pc. GLX FR 1087-4 (ft. #7 With tube (crosscurrent rod, salt water \$300 (sold)

Orvis TLS Power Matrix 4 pc, 9 ft. 8 wt, tip fles 9.5 with tube 908 Fast Action \$150 (sold)

Temple Fork Outfitters Ti Crx 9 wt. 9 ft. 4 pc. With tube medium fast action \$50 (sold)

Reels

Ross Reel CLA 1 with 3 wt. forward line \$35 (sold)

Ross Reel Gunnison G-4 With Line? \$100

Ross Reel Gunnison 4 with 9 wt. *line* \$100

Ross Reel Momentum 4 takes 7-9 wt. lines \$100 (sold)

Orvis Madison with 2wt. line \$30

Orvis Mach III Titanium with 5 wt. forward line for 4-7 wt. lines \$50 (sold)

Orvis DXR 9/10 reel with line. Extra spool with line. Salt water. Takes 8 to 11 wt lines \$100

House of Hardy JLH #5 Light wt. plus extra spool reputable English company \$40 (sold)

Marryat MR7.5 Alight wt. 4-5 lines, Quality Japan manufacture \$100

(2) Ross Flywater 3 reels with line. 120.00 each

Martin 61 reel with line ?

BFR Rimfly 1075 with line 7wt 50.00

Cahil CR0001 with backing 30.00

Shakespeare 1094. 15.00

Extra reel cases -2 Ross

1 Orvis

2 Cloth pockets

EDUCATION

I was not familiar with the Arizona Wildlife Federation and I suspect that some of you may not be also. Our speaker is from this organization, so I have included a few

excerpts from their Web Page. I encourage you to visit their page for more information.

The Arizona Wildlife Federation was founded in 1923 to take politics out of fish and game management and to promote the management of Arizona's natural resources on a scientific basis. The AWF got its start as the Arizona Game Protection Association and celebrated 80 years of conservation activity in 2003.

AWF is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating, inspiring, and assisting individuals and organizations to value, conserve, enhance, manage, and protect wildlife and wildlife habitat.

The AWF is a statewide association of people interested in the present and future well-being of Arizona's wildlife, wildlife habitat and natural systems.

We believe our wildlife heritage should not be jeopardized by any activity that fails to ensure its long-term health and sustainability.

AWF Objectives:

From the outset of the organization, AWF's primary goal has been the establishment and maintenance of a Commission/Department form of wildlife administration, free of political influence. We continue to work with the Arizona Game and Fish Department and Commissioners to assure that science-based best practices are used in the management of wildlife and habitat in Arizona.

Continuing objectives include:

- Promoting legislation dealing with conservation of our natural resources, the protection of the rights of Arizona outdoorsmen, and the improvement of outdoor recreation.
- Vigorous and impartial support of enforcement of all state and federal conservation, game and fish laws.
- Encouraging conservation education in our schools.
- Promoting maximum outdoor recreation, including hunting and fishing, through scientific principles and the practice of multiple use of the public lands of Arizona

NAF EVENTS SCHEDULE

Sept 4 - A representative from Arizona Wildlife Federation will be our speaker.

Under discussion by board

Fishing outings to the Williams lakes

Fly casting sessions on a regular basis.

The Board welcomes suggestions from members.

There will additional events so watch this space

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