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2003 Renewals are due NOW!



## From the President

*Sherri Ray*

What a GREAT group of women fly fishers at our Marble Falls outing last month! In spite of unknown fishing territory and yucky weather, they were super. We were lucky to have Jodi Rector for her first trip, all the way from San Angelo. She and her dad returned to our fishing spot and "racked up," as she put it in an email after the trip. Pam Vestal, her friend Maryann and Pam's 15 year old daughter Tiffany came all the way from Spring and the Katy area. We really enjoyed their company. How wonderful to see a member of the new generation out there in her hip waders. She should be on a flyfishing calendar, what a cutie! Those of you who were at Homer Martin remember that we were lucky to have Luke, Sarah's nephew, along. It is really gratifying to see a part our mission being fulfilled before our very eyes!!

By the way, Sarah Valentine gets the Bravery award for going swimming so early in the year. Ask her about it. Debi Prather and Mary Rohrer came out for the day, and Kerri and Jim Stephenson came out Saturday morning before most of us started fishing due to the weather. Our hats are really off to Sheila Anderson for taking her duties as Historian so seriously. You can see her photos online at <http://imageevent.com/kerrisue/twff2003marblefallouting>. Sheila even came to our Saturday night dinner despite a migraine and took pictures. Love your dedication.

Some of us arrived on Thursday and Friday and fished the Max Starkey Dam in Marble Falls. We didn't have much luck, and it was as crowded as we were told it might be. We decided that Reimer's Ranch was not very far away, and we had been hearing really great white bass reports, so on Saturday off we went. The weather forecast predicted that the worst weather would move out on Saturday morning, so we decided to go to breakfast first thing at The Bluebonnet. This turned out to be a good idea —by the time we arrived at Reimer's Ranch the skies had cleared and the sun was shining, hooray! It was, however, very muddy and those with four wheel drives were glad they had them. Jim and Kerri (who had arrived there early and fished in the heavy rain) told us that it was extremely muddy and that we should park

most of the cars up top and only take four wheel drives down to the water. We stopped at the first parking area while several folks went on to check out the roads. While Debi visited the portapotty, Audrey, Sarah and yours truly thought it would be really funny to shake the “outhouse” while she was in there. So we snuck up very quietly and on a whispered 1-2-3 count, tipped the outhouse. Nothing happened. Just as we turned to look at each other with wondering looks on our faces, Debi stepped out of the OTHER portapotty. So much for the best laid plans of mice and men. Debi got the last laugh.

Please humor me for one more story. As Becky and I pulled up at the first parking area at Reimers, an LCRA patrol truck pulled up behind us, seemingly in a serious business manner. I looked at Becky, thinking that she could explain what was happening. She had a horrified look on her face. We both started to discuss how we hadn’t done anything yet—it couldn’t be our fishing licenses since we couldn’t even see the water. Becky warily stepped out of the truck, still with that scared look on her face—and then cracked up laughing. Turns out the LCRA patrolman was Joy’s daughter, and Joy had ask her to scare and tease Becky just a little. It worked! I only wish I had known what was going on as it happened so I could have taken a picture of Becky’s face to share with you instead of just telling you about it. One hardly ever sees Becky even a little shaken.

Becky, Joy and CJ brought their kayaks and they all caught fish. Other fish were caught—but not by me. Maybe we’ll have better luck at the Bud Priddy. (I cannot wait for the Bud Priddy One Fly. One of my favorite “fish-on” experiences happened on the Nueces year before last. Not a real large fish, 10 inches, but he blew up and jumped and fought like crazy. It was as fun as those big reds on the coast.)

We had a short and sweet business meeting Saturday evening. We discussed membership and “how to’s” for making it bigger and better. The most important thing was that we voted Audrey Ambrose in as the acting First Vice President, to fill the position left open by the resignation of Kathy Goodlett. We are excited to have Audrey on board. She was a great help in our fund raising effort at the Houston County Lake outing held in Crockett . Audrey is very organized, levelheaded, business savvy and did I mention FUN!!

We have to thank Sheila and Randall Hood for allowing us to use their RV “yard” for our meeting place, since I lost the keys to the meeting room in the “potty shaking” extravaganza. (I did find them later.) We also must thank Coco for making and sharing the first and best Mole I have ever tasted. All these things are such good stuff. Our outings should be mentioned in Kenny Chesney song (sorry if you don’t listen to Kenny Chesney).

Please—each of you plan to come and be a part of the Bud Priddy One Fly outing, May 16-18 at Camp Wood. There is a beautiful creek to fish located on the road to Lost Canyon. My vehicle just stops there on it’s very own and ejects me out to fish it before I can ever make it to Lost Canyon. Lost Canyon gives us a chance to be headquartered in absolutely beautiful surroundings where we can all be together and enjoy each others company, share some fishing stories, some casting practice and strategy for the contest.

If you have not fished the Bud Priddy previously, please do not be put off by the fact that it is called a “contest”. It is very low key. Maps are handed out with suggested fishing places, then everyone is on their own to fish anywhere on the river. Each participant reports her catch based on the honor system. After the contest there is a wonderful dinner at the Casa Falcone restaurant, with really great door prizes in addition to prizes for the contest winners.

I have two suggestions based on experience. First, stop fishing and get off the river early enough to change clothes before you go to dinner-everyone will appreciate it. Second, bring plenty of sun screen. My Native American heritage allows me to be liberal with the sun screen but I burned like crazy over the course of the day.

Can’t wait to see you all there!!!



## **Update on Water Rights from Dianne Wassenich (4/25/03)**

Dear Water Rights Group:

Well, the hearing was a long drawn out ordeal. It did not start until almost 4, and people could not sign cards expressing opinions until it started, so some who came at 1 had to leave, but they stopped by and talked to their senator's office staff on their way out. Some stayed to sign in, and some even made it through the whole thing, till about 8. Several items were added to the agenda and all were heard before the study bill, which was left to the end. Thanks to ALL who came, and we are sorry that it was made so difficult to participate, but that is how these committee hearings are. John and Sue Gibbs of Guadalupe-San Antonio River Valley Organization, coastal riverside landowners, win the distance prize as well as being the most determined to stay to the absolute end.

We were very pleased that Chair Armstrong of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission expressed her concern about the gold rush on water rights that the bill would allow, as did the supporting groups we have been working with, Sierra Club, NWF, ED, CCA, Caddo Lake Institute, Galveston Bay Foundation. To their credit, some of the senators did ask questions about the fairness of the bill, on banning conservation instream water rights while allowing consumptive rights to go on, and they asked NWF for ways to consider remedying that.

But we hear that the bill, which was left pending last night, will be flying through the committee tomorrow and headed for the Senate floor. The interests that want to kill conservation rights have been working hard. I testified at the very end and told them that they would be signing the death warrant for San Antonio Bay and other Texas bays if they did not reserve during the study period the minimum adequate amount that the state's own completed estuary studies have found that the bays need to survive. I told them that TCEQ staff had determined during the technical review of our application that the amount San Antonio Bay needed was very seldom available, since so many rights had already been granted without considering bay needs. I told them that the state now has the estuary studies for all the bays, and a Water Availability Model for all the rivers completed. There is no excuse to ignore these.

Their weak amendment to the bill that says TCEQ "shall" protect bays and estuaries instead of "may", is all they have done to remedy this. Another amendment established a scientific advisory committee to assist the study group, since the group was obviously not including anyone with a scientific background, and policies of how to preserve adequate flows and inflows cannot be discussed without scientific evidence and assessment being included. (Mary Kelly of ED also testified that the rural landowners and small communities along the river also need to be part of the study group.) These two amendments are not enough to get us to support the bill.

I also told the Senators that the study, which could have been a good thing, was not something that they had to have a bill for. A study could be called for by the Gov. or Lt. Gov any time, but it was obvious that this bill was not about the study, it was about killing conservation rights, and allowing consumptive rights to be snapped up quickly to the demise of Texas rivers and bays.

You will be glad to hear some good news now, and that is that the jr. water rights protection clause in interbasin transfers looks like it will stay in Texas law for now, the bill to jerk it is not looking like it will pass out of this committee. It was quite a lively hearing on that bill! And even better, the law banning driving in Texas rivers was approved in the Senate yesterday, and is headed for the House soon!

In other good news, we have filed suit in District Court in Travis County to require TCEQ to send our permit to a hearing. It will take time for that to be heard, but we are making sure that our priority date is in the system, and we are glad that we have that option in the courts, while we all work on the legislature in coming weeks. It will take combined effort from all of us, and we will continue to speak to groups on the coast and all over Texas to make sure everyone understands what is at stake. It is impossible for people to know, without our efforts to explain the water rights system, that water in Texas rivers right now in this wet period does not mean that there is any reserved for future flows. Thanks for your steady support, and help us connect with other groups who want to hear about this at their meetings. Below is the link for the Sierra Club action alert that you can send to your members or friends to speak up quickly before this study bill makes it to the House or Senate, which we hear will happen very quickly.

## **More Outing Report: Texas Women Fly Fishers at Marble Falls**

**March 21-23, 2003**

*Coco Davenport*

*(Editors Note: I cajoled an outing report out of Coco before getting Sherri's, above. So, you get two outing reports this time. Debi)*

I arrived early about 10 am Friday at the RiverView RV Park in Marble Falls. Yeah, my spot was ready. While I was preparing to move on from the office to my appointed spot, Audrey and Sarah arrived. We soon found out that Sherri had arrived the day before. Soon there after CJ Vaughn and Joy arrived

followed by Sheila and Randall and Becky. Now how fun was that? Old home week as we set up our rigs and awaited word from other members. Sherri, Audrey, Sarah and I tried to fish below the dam at the ramp. It was pretty tricky getting down to the water and the fish were not cooperative. I kept looking up the very steep path that lead to the water wondering how I could make it back if they opened the flood gates. Hmmm... my advanced age is catching up with me.

Friday evening Pam Vestal and her daughter Tiffany and her friend Mary Ann arrived, along with Sheila and Robert Anderson and Jodie Rector and her Dad, Ronny and Kayla. We all sat around the campfire at Sheila Hoods RV eating drinking and talked about all the fish we planned on catching on Saturday at Reimer Ranch.

Saturday we took off in a caravan to Reimer's Ranch in the rain. Kerri and Jim, and Jodie and her Dad had gotten there early and fished in the rain with some luck. By the time we slid down to the water the rain had stopped. Somewhere along the trail Debi arrived much to the joy of one and all. We all found a place to fish. The absolutely best part was watching Becky shuttle Audrey and Sarah to the other side of the river in her kayak. It was touch and go all the way. Sarah caught a good fish and then slipped off the rocks trying to bring it in. Poor thing she filled her wader with icy water on the down. We all cheered from the far side of the river as she stripped and tried to dry out.

Saturday evening we met at Docks for dinner. Lots of stories were shared and lots of laughs were had mostly at Sarah's expense. After dinner there was more visiting at Sheila and Randall's RV around the campfire and a short business meeting was held there.

A special thanks to Sheila Anderson who took fantastic pictures and managed to come to the dinner despite a huge migraine just to take our pictures and then return to Barbara Booth's place where she and Robert were staying to put her little aching head on a pillow and totally crash. Sunday we shared a pot luck breakfast and packed up our things and went home.

It is always an adventure when we have an outing-always fun and always rewarding. I think we are all anxiously awaiting our next outing at Bud Priddy.

**After-the-fact 4-wheel driving tip from Steve Prather:** When going downhill in deep mud, TAKE IT OUT OF 4WD. This will prevent the disconcerting sensation that one's rear end is trying to pass one's front end. I basically slid down that hill like a toboggan. Also, it was fun fishing with the many different fishermen (and they were mostly men) at Reimers for the white bass run. Various fly fishers reported that they had done well in the early morning rain, but in the late morning hours, I gotta tell you, those bait fishermen were the only ones haulin' them in. I had forgotten what a neat place Reimer's is – and good for kayak fishing too. dp

## **New TWFF Photo Site**

Our new historian, Sheila Anderson, has set up the club with a membership on the internet photo sharing site <http://www.imageevents.com>. Eventually the Image Events site will be linked from the TWFF website and the TWFF online photo album will reside there. Image Events makes it easy to upload digital photos, and provides a print ordering service. If you have photos of TWFF outings to contribute to the site, please contact Sheila Anderson, [sjand1957@hotmail.com](mailto:sjand1957@hotmail.com).

***If you haven't renewed your membership for 2003, please renew today.  
See membership form on page 12.  
We don't want you to miss any fun!***

**LOST CANYON OUTING AT CAMP WOOD, TX**  
**Bud Priddy Memorial One Fly Contest**  
**May 16 - 18, 2003**



Outing	Sheila Hood	Phone:	512/932-3826
		Email:	sahood@n-link.com
Coordinators:	Mary Rohrer	Phone:	830/997-6352
		Email:	rohrer@fbg.net

Join us for a great weekend of fly fishing a fun contest in a wonderful river in the beautiful countryside. The Bud Priddy One Fly is sponsored by Alamo Fly Fishers and other South Texas Federation of Fly Fishers clubs. This informal contest takes place on the headwaters of the Nueces River in Camp Wood, TX. Prizes are awarded for catching the largest bass, largest perch (sunfish), and the most fish - but the catch is, you can only use one fly, all day. For details of last year's TWFF participation in the Bud Priddy see the May outing report on the Past Outings page of our website.

TWFF has booked the six cabins at Lost Canyon (<http://www.lostcanyon.org/>) for the weekend. **All Lost Canyon cabins have been booked.** If you were unable to book a cabin, rooms are also available at local motels and RV/tent camping is available. See the Lodging section below for details. Be sure to let Mary know who will be in your party, and where you plan to stay.

**Outing Registration:** Please inform Mary Rohrer of the names of all members of your party and where you will be staying. There is no registration fee for this outing.

**What to Bring:** Gear - hat, sunscreen, wading shoes, sandals or booties, rain suit, lightweight waders if desired, nylon or quick-dry clothes, sun gloves, warm clothes (for possible chilly nights), camera and film, binoculars (for great birding and wildlife), swimsuits, lunch, snacks and water bottles—enough for all-day fishing. Kayaks are useful for fishing Lake Nueces, home some of the clearest water you'll ever see as well as at least one 18" bass—but floating this stretch of the Nueces often requires more walking than paddling. Be prepared.

**Suggested Flies and Lines:** Bring your 5, 6 or 7 weight rod and tie on some heavy fluorocarbon or monofilament leader and tippet. Constance and Debi, (last year's biggest fish winner) suggest a 0X or 1X leader and tippet to be on the safe side. Flies such as clousers, jig head nymphs, wooly buggers and poppers can be used -but remember only "one fly" all day. You won't need a sinking line, just use your regular weight forward floating fly line.

**Food:** Bring food for dinner for Friday night, breakfast/lunch for Saturday, and breakfast/lunch for Sunday. Restaurants are also available in Camp Wood. Saturday night's dinner is provided as part of the entry fee for the contest.

**Schedule of Events:**

Friday: 7 pm	Welcome gathering at Lost Canyon, at the Chama cabin. Join us for a fly raffle and socializing.
Saturday: 7-8:30 am	Bud Priddy One Fly Contest Registration at Lindbergh Park in Camp Wood (\$15 entry fee includes buffet TexMex dinner at Casa Falcone at 6 pm, raffle ticket for great door prizes, a map, measuring tape, pencil & zip lock bag).
Sunday	Brief business meeting Sunday am, time TBA. You are on your own for fishing or enjoying the resort.

## Lodging Information

**Lost Canyon Facilities:** Each kitchen is fully equipped with pots, pans, utensils, coffee maker and microwave. Ice is not available on premises. Smoking is not permitted in buildings. This facility covers 680 acres, including a crystal clear creek and two large ponds, one for boating and fishing, the other for swimming, beyond which are hills, draws, pastures for hiking amidst abundant wildlife and great birding. A barn has been converted into a well-lit and comfortable library that holds over 2,000 books and current periodicals. In addition, there is a tennis court, basketball court, volleyball net and a canoe. See the Lost Canyon website (<http://www.lostcanyon.org/>) for additional information.

**Lost Canyon Check In** is available after 1 p.m. on Friday. Check Out is by 6 p.m. on Sunday.

**Directions** from San Antonio: (2.5 hours) Take Hwy. 90 to Uvalde. Go north from there on Hwy 55 (this involves a right turn at the town square, then a left turn at the north edge of town just after the railroad overpass). Take Hwy 55 through Camp Wood to Barksdale, where the only right turn you can make is County Road 211. Take the County Road 211 (also known as Dry Creek Road) 4 miles to resort gate on the left and has a sign for resort. Lost Canyon is 3.5 hours from Austin. Check [www.lostcanyon.org/directions.htm](http://www.lostcanyon.org/directions.htm) for map and directions.

**Local Motel Accommodations:** Please make your reservation directly with the motel.

Nueces River Motel	830-234-3648 (Closest to Lost Canyon Resort)
Woodbine Inn	830-597-2310
Hill Country Motel	830-597-3278
Ledge Water Camp	830-234-4178

**Camping** is available at Uvalde County's Cooksey Park on Lake Nueces, approx. 3 miles south of Camp Wood. (830) 597-3223, email: [Cooksey@peppersnet.com](mailto:Cooksey@peppersnet.com) or see their website, <http://www.campwood.com/CookseyPark/>.

If you are planning to stay in a motel or camp, be sure to let Mary know that you are planning to attend the outing.

## SOUTH LLANO RIVER OUTING

Morgan Shady Park, Junction Texas  
July 11 – 13, 2003

Outing Coordinator:	Constance Whiston	Email:	<a href="mailto:cwhiston@io.com">cwhiston@io.com</a>
		Phone:	512-916-4393

TWFF will travel to Junction, Texas to fish the spring-fed South Llano River, home to native Guadalupe Bass and Rio Grande Perch as well as largemouth bass, sunfish, catfish, and other species. Outing headquarters will be Morgan Shady Park, located on the banks of the South Llano as the river pools to form Lake Junction.

South Llano River  
photos by Constance Whiston



With its grassy banks and huge pecan trees, the privately owned Morgan Shady Park is an ideal spot for summer camping in the Hill Country. Flowing out of the "Land of 1100 Springs," the South Llano maintains an adequate flow and the lake waters remain cool and refreshing even in the middle of our long, hot summers.

TWFF has reserved *The Patio* at Morgan Shady Park, which will provide a joint cooking and dining area and will accommodate 6-8 tents. The park also has dedicated RV spots with electrical hookups. For those who prefer indoor accommodations, Junction has many moderately priced motels within a 10-minute drive of Morgan Shady Park.

**Ed Lowe** of Dallas's Celebration Restaurant and Catering will provide a catered grilled chicken dinner on Saturday evening, to allow us to have a full day of leisurely float fishing from South Llano River State Park to Morgan Shady Park. This 6-mile stretch of river has only small rapids and is suitable for novice paddlers. If you prefer to forego the river trip, there is also wade fishing and bank fishing at Morgan Shady Park as well as at the South Llano State Park and at a river crossing near the Texas Tech campus (about 2 miles upstream of Morgan Shady Park, 10-15 minutes by car).



*Fishing at Junction, 1926. Rudolph Becker killed the deer and Troy Fleming took the heart and used it as fish bait. Next morning when he ran his lines he caught this 60 pound catfish. This photo hangs in the Junction Historical Museum and was donated by the Wahl Family.*

Bring your friends and family and join TWFF in a great Hill Country summer campout. Call to make your camping and lodging reservations now! Morgan Shady is a small but popular family campground that books up fast in the summer.

## Reservations

**For shared TWFF tent space**, contact Constance Whiston (cwhiston@io.com, 512-916-4393).

**For an individual RV or tent site at Morgan Shady Park**, please contact Lavene Hardin at Morgan Shady Park, telephone 915- 446-2071, email Hardinco@ktc.com. Rates and facility descriptions are available on the park website, <http://www.morganshadypark.com>.

**For cabin or motel reservations**, please see the list below and make your reservations directly.

**Dinner Reservations:** Contact Constance Whiston to sign up for the catered dinner on Saturday evening. The menu will be grilled chicken, a fresh green salad, wild rice, green vegetable and Dutch oven cobbler, at a cost of \$8 per person. **Please prepay your dinner reservations by sending a check (payable to Ed Lowe) to Constance before the outing.**

Canoe/Kayak Rentals. See the outfitters listed below.

### Directions to Morgan Shady Park.

Morgan Shady Park is located at 600 South 6th St., Junction, Texas 76849. Exit IH-10 at the 456 marker. Turn on to Hwy 377 / 83 to come to Junction. This becomes Main Street in Junction. Follow Main Street to the Kimble County Courthouse. Turn right on Sixth Street, the street just before the Courthouse. (There is no marker to tell you that this is Sixth Street until you go one block.) Stay on Sixth Street until you enter the park on the banks of the South Llano River.

### Area Motels

Comfort Inn

Located at I-10, exit 456

(915)446-3572  
800-228-5150

Day's Inn	Located at I-10, exit 457	(915)446-3730 800-329-7466
Hills Motel	1520 Main Street	(915)446-2567
Kimble Motel	1110 Main Street	915)446-2535
La Vista Motel	2040 Main Street	(915)446-2191
Lazy T Motel	2043 Main Street	(915)446-2565
Slumber Inn	2343 Main Street	(915)446-4588
Sun Valley Motel	1611 Main Street	(915)446-2505 866-446-2505
The Legends Inn	1908 Main Street	(915)446-8644 877-445-8444

### **Cabins:**

Fox Hollow Cabins. Off Hwy. 377 South 4 miles south of State Park along the South Llano River. (915) 446-3055. Completely furnished -- kitchens, stove, refrigerator, dishes, linens, AC. Each cabin can accommodate up to eight.

Goodman Cabins : 10 miles south of Junction. Charles & Shirley Goodman. Along the South Llano River (915) 446-3870. Paddleboat & Trampoline Canoeing, fishing, swimming, or quiet resting. Completely furnished, Bathrooms, cooking facilities. Linens furnished - except for towels.

### **Local Canoe & Kayak Rentals.**

If you plan to rent a canoe or kayak from a local outfitter, please make your reservations early.

Fox Hollow	915 446-3055. Old Town Canoe rental
South Llano River Canoe	915 446-2220 or write Curtis Thomas P.O. Box 372, Junction, Texas. 76849.
Sonny's Canoes	(915) 446-2112 or 214 Patricia, Junction, TX. 76849. Canoe rentals.

## **OUTING SCHEDULE**

### **Friday, July 11**

Meet for dinner at LaFamila Mexican Restaurant (1927 Main Street) at 7pm

### **Saturday, July 12**

Gather at Morgan Shady Park at 8 am and be ready to shuttle to our put in at South Llano River State Park. We will merge into as few vehicles as possible after loading our vessels on the shuttle trailer. Our group will paddle during the day back to Morgan Shady Park. It is about a 5 mile easy float with good fly fishing.

Morgan Shady Park is suitable for both bank and wade fishing. If you prefer to or float fish the lake at Morgan Shady Park, you can rent a canoe from Ed Lowe who will arrive on Saturday morning. Wade and bank fishing is also available at the river crossing near Texas Tech. Directions: Take Main Street north (left) to Hwy 377 and head toward the state park. About ¼ mile, you will see a sign on the right for Texas Tech University. Turn left at the sign; it is a few blocks to the low water crossing. A small parking area is available.

**Saturday Night Dinner** – 7 pm at the Morgan Shady Park *Patio*. A catered dinner, \$8.00 per person, will be served by Ed Lowe. The menu consists of: grilled chicken, a fresh green salad, wild rice, green vegetable and Dutch oven cobbler. **Please make your dinner reservation with Constance by sending a check, payable to Ed Lowe.**

## Sunday, July 13

TWFF Officers will hold a brief business/planning meeting on Sunday morning. All members are welcome and urged to participate. Otherwise, you are free to fish or leave for home according to your schedule.

### GUIDELINES & SUGGESTIONS

- Bring your fly rod, reel, flies and extra equipment for those who may forget or need help. If you want to bring a spinning rod, that's fine too.
- Suggested Flies: Woolly Buggers, Jig Head Nymphs, Clousers, Sponge Bugs, Zonkers, Tarantulas, Miss Prissy, Spider Legs or use your warmwater imagination
- Bring sunscreen, camera, rain jacket, polarized sun glasses, warm clothes because even in July it can get chilly in the evening
- You will not need waders in July but if you prefer wearing waders, wear breathable rather than neoprene. Nylon shorts and tennis shoes work just fine. Remember your hat too!
- If you are paddling on the river trip you will need dry bags. Dry bags work and plastic bags do not. Try Austin Outdoor Gear & Guidance, REI, Academy and Bass Pro for dry bags. Everything gets wet inside a canoe or kayak on a river trip so please place your food and possessions in dry bags.
- Bring food for the day and more water than you think you will need. If you fill a water bottle ¾ full, freeze (leave the cap off when you freeze it to allow for expansion) then put the cap back on just before you pack it, you will have ice water all day.
- Please leave pets and loud music at home
- Bring food for your breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, or plan to eat at Isacks Restaurant on Main Street (you can't miss it). If you plan to stay longer on Sunday bring food accordingly.
- Rent canoes and kayaks in advance! Call now to reserve a boat! If you wait till the last minute there is good chance they will all be rented.
- Call NOW to make your camping and lodging reservations now! Motels and campgrounds book up fast in the summer.

### Helpful Links

Morgan Shady Park <http://www.morganshadypark.com/>  
South Llano River State Park <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/park/slano/slano.htm>  
City of Junction <http://www.junctiontexas.net/>

## **RANCHO DEL NORTE**

**Friday, June 20 thru Sunday, June 22**

*'A weekend of fly fishing pristine spring fed waters holding huge bass, rio grandes and sunfish on a secluded private ranch'*

**The package includes: access to 15,000 beautiful acres located in the wilderness of West Texas, miles of secluded spring waters easy to wade or kayak, guided fly fishing service and a fully furnished ranch house. All you need to bring is your rod, food and kayak/canoe.**

***\*one weekend only!***

**To register or to learn more, write to Constance Whiston, [cwhiston@io.com](mailto:cwhiston@io.com)**

***Fly Fishing in the Land of Living Waters, Fly Fishing Services***

**<http://www.flyfishinglivingwaters.com>**

*TWFF welcomes paid advertising! If you would like to advertise your event or class in this newsletter, please see rates posted on last page.*

## **State-wide Events Calendar**

- May 3-4      **TPWD Flat Out Fishing.** Learn how to catch tailing reds with a fly rod or paddle a kayak into some untapped shallow-water honey holes. Presentations will cover proper flats boat operation, outboard motor care, use of Global Positioning Systems technology to locate fish and to navigate, and how to rig out a kayak for shallow-water fishing. Experts will also share tips about fly tying and tactics for fishing the flats, as well as a crash course about taking great outdoor photographs. TPWD will be leading paddle tours of the Lighthouse Lakes Trails on Sunday from 1:30-4 p.m., and Stacy Trimble and Ray Chapa will provide free fly casting lessons on Sunday from 1:30-3:30 p.m. For full details, see <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/news/news/030324b.htm> or call (800) 792-1112
- May 3      **TPWD Outdoor Kids Adventure Days** (Austin). Volunteers needed to help teach inner city kids about fishing and other outdoor activities. Contact Susan Mathis at 512-389-4800 or [susan.mathis@tpwd.state.tx.us](mailto:susan.mathis@tpwd.state.tx.us)
- May 17  
June 19

## **TWFF Outings Calendar**

- May 16-18      **Bud Priddy One Fly / Lost Canyon Retreat, Camp Wood TX** (details above)
- July 11-13      **South Llano River / Morgan Shady Park, Junction TX** (details above)
- August 22-24      **Redfish Rodeo/Port O'Connor, TX** • Sherri Ray, 979/242-3411, [rsray@cvtv.net](mailto:rsray@cvtv.net)
- November 8-10      **Beavers Bend/Broken Bow, OK** • Becky Hand, 512/301-7658, [rhand@austin.rr.com](mailto:rhand@austin.rr.com)

## **Promote Fly Fishing on Public Television**

In January, PBS film producer Colin McKeown met with TWFF members Constance Whiston, Coco Davenport, Sheila Hood and Dianne Sullivan to film them fishing on Crab Apple Creek for his new series, "The New Fly Fisher." This series has been picked up by the PBS stations in Waco and San Antonio, but not in Austin. (The show featuring TWFF fishers has not yet aired.)

According to its mission statement, "The New Fly Fisher is an educational series that will help you to learn more about fly-fishing and also nature. Visually stunning videography is combined with cutting edge graphics and revealing underwater clips to create a series that is both informative and entertaining. Renowned fly-fishing authors, industry celebrities, biologists and top regional guides join us each week to help viewers understand the various strategies and tactics that can make us all better fly fishers. Taped throughout the United States and Canada, this series will truly help you to understand the intricacies of this artistic and relaxing outdoor sport. This is a series unlike any other on television - we sincerely hope you enjoy it!" To learn more about the series, visit its website, <http://www.thenewflyfisher.com>

You can help promote the series, fly fishing and TWFF by contacting the Austin PBS station, KLRU, to request that KLRU broadcast "The New Fly Fisher." Please call or write to Robin Pippins, [rpippins@klru.org](mailto:rpippins@klru.org), telephone (512)471-4811, fax (512)471-5561, mail address KLRU-TV, P.O. Box 7158, Austin, Texas 78713.

## **TPWD Youth Fly Fishing Instructor Training**

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is offering training to adult leaders in our Basic and Intermediate youth fly fishing program. Fly fishers who want to share their expertise in the sport with youth using an established program, will receive teaching materials and learn how to organize a class for youth to teach

the objectives of the class. Participants of this workshop will receive certification as Angler Education Instructors and will then be able to order incentive awards for their students.

When: Saturday, June 14th, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Where: LBJ State Park, Stonewall, at the Resource Education Center, 2341 Park Road 1.

Course Description: Workshop participants will learn and demonstrate hands-on teaching methods to involve youth in the sport of fly fishing. Participants should dress comfortably for outside activities, with the ability to wade in shallow water if possible. There is no charge for this workshop or for entry into the park. Teaching materials for instructors are also free as are incentive awards for youth who complete Basic or Intermediate Flyfisher objectives.

RSVP – Contact Linda Roe to reserve a spot in this instructor class. Linda.roe@tpwd.state.tx.us or (512) 389-4998

### From the FFF Clubwire: The Anatomy of a Club

The anatomy of a club is made up of several kinds of bones.

The "Wish Bones" are those who wish someone else would do the work.

The "Jaw Bones" are those who talk a lot but do nothing.

The "Knuckle Bones" knock everything everyone else does.

And the "Back Bones" are those who really get behind the wheel and get things done.

Which bone would you rather be?

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## Membership Form

Membership in the Texas Women Fly Fishers includes the bimonthly (6 issues/year) club newsletter (distributed by email) containing news of club outings, schedules of upcoming fly fishing events, fishing reports, fly tying tips, conservation issues and much more.

Please type in your information and then print the form:

Full Name:

Years Fished:

Address:

City, State &

Zip:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Email:

No email address, please mail the newsletter.

New Member       Renewal

Volunteer Interests:  Outings    Instruction    Raffles/Auctions    Newsletter    Conservation

FFF Membership #:  (If Applicable)

### Texas Women Fly Fishers Membership Plans:

TWFF Individual Membership: \$20

TWFF Family Membership: \$25

### Join the Federation of Fly Fishers:

Membership in the Federation of Fly Fishers includes the quarterly publication, *The Flyfisher*, as well as the Southern Council of Fly Fishers newsletter, *The Long Cast*. **(New FFF memberships only, please send renewals directly to FFF when billed.)**

FFF Individual Membership: \$29

FFF Family Membership: \$35

Thank you for joining Texas Women Fly Fishers. We look forward to seeing you at our next outing.

\$  Total enclosed.

Please mail your membership form, along with your check payable to TWFF:

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