

South Fork Colorado Fly Fish Trip

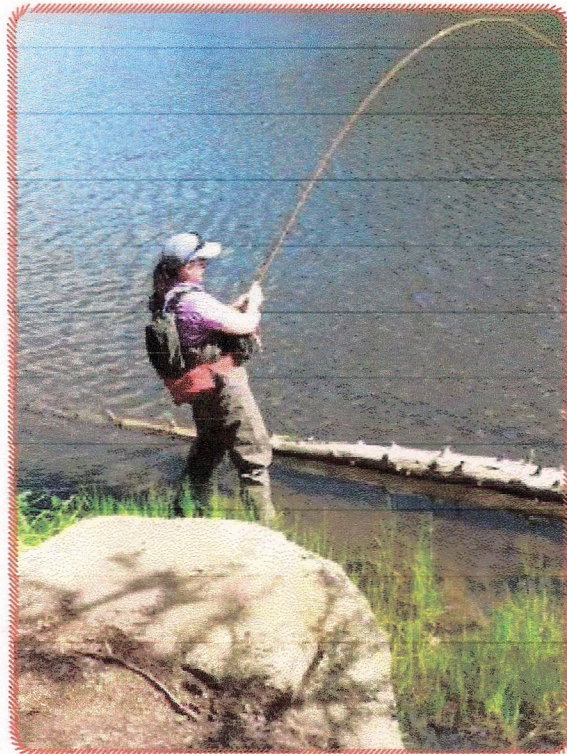
Outing Report

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Thanks to all for the great turnout at the South Fork this year! Lots of fish and fun on the banks of the Rio Grands! For the most part, the weather cooperated with afternoon and evening showers. The melting of the late spring snow pack did make the fishing a bit more challenging, given the rise in the rivers. However, many of us caught beautiful browns, rainbows, cutthroats and cutbows with the average length about 16"-18" on the Rio and 10"-12" in the area streams.

Thanks to Fort Worth Fly Fishers for joining us throughout the week, especially for the delicious fish fry on Thursday night! Russell Husted fried the most awesome Dr. Pepper onion rings ever!



Attendance for the outing included Jan Bates, Sharon Leissner, Mary Rohrer, Mary Kai, Cindy Organ, Loinda Love, Beverly Gordon, Nancy Lappin, Annette Blythe, Kim Jackson, Sue Denny, Carol Scamman, Carol G, Jack Janco, Mary K Janco, Janet Baca, Emery Baca, Susan Dymond, Debbie Williams, Merily Evans and Julie Gilbert.

The week began with most TWFFer's arriving on Saturday and Sunday. Some got an early start on Beaver Creek, one of the prettiest creeks in the area full of small brookies and browns. On Monday night Sharon Leissner hosted a mullet mixer with Ft. Worth Fly Fishers at her cabin with approx. 40 people in attendance. Local guide Brent Cranfield, with Rio Outfitters, was on hand to talk about the Rio Grande's Gold Medal waters and plenty of smaller creeks in the area. Several folks had a float trips planned and throughout the week larger fish were caught on the Rio Grande and the Arkansas. A trip to Tucker ponds was on the agenda as well as Park Creek, the South

Fork of the Rio Grande and Embargo Creek. Tuesday night TWFF hosted a BBQ with the Ft. Worth Fly Fishers at Ute Bluff Lodge. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship and the opportunity to get to know the clubs better. Each day was filled with fishing for most except one day when Jan B, Mary R and Linda L went on a search for Difficult Creek.... it was VERY difficult to find it, but find it they did. Even though no water or fish ere in sight, they did find wild strawberries, a magnificent view and a great bonding experience! Who says you always have to have fish to have fun!!! Looking forward to next year!!!

