

# Fish TALES

Colorado Mountain Club - Fly Fishing Section  
April 2017

## ARKANSAS RIVER TRIP

The Arkansas River trip has been scheduled for May 5 thru 7. Reservations for camp sites and cabins can be made online at Kotapaxi KOA. Also, you need to sign up on the CMC website to insure we have an accurate account of persons that will be eating Saturday and Sunday breakfast and Saturday dinner at Texas Creek.

## APRIL FLY OF THE MONTH - Mercury Midge



The Mercury Midge is a perfect fly for tailwaters and other rivers with fickle trout. It imitates an emerging midge because when midges emerge, they create small air bubbles that help them rise to the surface. The glass bead that creates this look

is the key to this recipe and is what makes it more successful than other traditional midge patterns. It's a must have for any angler who fishes midges during any time of the year. It's especially necessary if you are fly fishing during the winter. Get this fly at the April meeting!

## UPCOMING FLY FISHING TRIPS & CLINICS

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| April 15    | • Clinic - Basic Fly Casting - Golden        |
| April 29    | • Tarryall Creek - Private Waters            |
| May 5-7     | • Arkansas River at Cotopaxi                 |
| May 13      | • Clinic - Beyond Basic Fly Casting - Golden |
| May 13      | • Tarryall Creek - Private Waters            |
| May 19 - 20 | • Czech Nymphing Clinic - Info coming soon   |
| May 20      | • South Platte at Happy Meadows              |
| June 3      | • Instructional Fishing Trip - Location TBD  |
| June 10     | • Clinic - 911! Casting - Golden             |
| June 23-25  | • Yampa River at Stagecoach                  |
| June 24     | • Lake Urad                                  |
| July 14-16  | • Crested Butte                              |
| July 21-23  | • Colorado River                             |
| Aug 11-14   | • Car Camp - Anthracite Creek                |
| Sept 8 -10  | • Car Camp - 11 Mile Canyon                  |
| Sept 22 -24 | • Car Camp - San Juan River, NM              |
- (Sign up online at [cmc.org](http://cmc.org))

## MARCH MEETING RECAP

On March 18, we had our first meeting of the 2017 season at Wrigley's. **Kirk Bien of Kirk's Fly Shop** in Estes Park gave a wonderful talk on where to fish and what flies to use in Rocky Mountain National Park. **Jonathan Walter** led an open forum on the use of leaders. The group was advised of the upcoming Fly Fishing School starting April 5 and encouraged new members and friends interested in a great opportunity to learn to fly fish to sign up. Upcoming trips were discussed and members were encouraged to read emails and the CMC calendar for up to date information.

Congratulations to **Carol** and **Gay** who won the door prizes!

## NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 20



The Fly-Fishing Section will be offering a presentation by local guide and fishing expert, **Scott Graham, Manager of North Park Anglers**, located in Walden, CO. He will share with us his

favorite places to fish in the North Park area and discuss effective fishing techniques.

**Wrigleys Chicago Bar & Grill**,  
18200 West Colfax Ave. Golden  
(Food & drink available for purchase)

**Happy hour: 5:30 pm**  
**Educational Open Forum: 6:30**  
**Speaker: 7:00 pm**

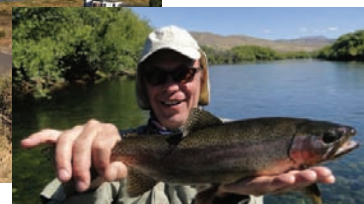
This is open to members and non-members, so bring your friends and fishing buddies.

## FLY TYING GET-TOGETHER APRIL 23

Fly Tying Get-Togethers are being held with **Kenny Schmitt**, who shares great fly patterns. The next get-together is April 23. Be sure to sign up on the CMC calendar if you want to join us.

## PATAGONIA MARCH 2017

Five members of the section just returned from fishing rivers near San Martin de los Andes in the Argentinian section of Patagonia. Along with great fishing, the group shared wonderful wines and dinners and toured Buenos Aires and Bariloche.



**Don't forget to  
purchase your 2017  
fishing license!**