

Trout Fest 2024

Class Descriptions

The Double Haul Class:

Whether or not the participant is an intermediate or advanced caster, this class will give you, lots of tips on how to improve the efficiency of your double haul.

Sink Line Casts:

In this class the Anglers will learn to pick up and deliver sink-tip and full sinking lines as well as big air resistant flies to the target. Constant Tension Casts will be emphasized as well as the method needed to bring these lines to the water's surface. Participants are encouraged to bring their own equipment if possible.

Trout Spey:

Trout Spey which is the same as micro-Spey. All of which is Spey on a switch rod. Jim will provide his take on the equipment and casts used to make your Trout Spey experience on the water more enjoyable.

Single Hand Spey Casting:

The participant will learn the basic Spey Casts such as the Single Spey, Double Spey & Snake Roll Spey Cast using a single hand rod. This class will include discussions on Wind, Current, and Bank Placement. Participants are encouraged to bring their own equipment. A rod with a weight forward floating fly line will be fine for this class.

Casting In the Wind & Fighting Fish:

This class will teach the participant various & specific techniques given any wind direction and velocity. Being able to double haul is a major advantage when casting in the wind. This class will also touch on how to fight fish correctly in the water and address netting and releasing fish.

Saltwater Casting:

Saltwater environment often requires short to long casts, as well as quick casts, and heavy flies in the wind. The Double Haul is necessary for this class.

The Participants will be shown various casting techniques needed for saltwater challenges. While on a Skiff or wading.

Roll Cast:

There are multiple important uses for the roll cast. Having obstructions behind the angler is only one of the situations that a roll cast is good for. This class will not only teach the fundamentals of roll casts, but also discuss various fishing situations that a roll cast can make easier. Anyone who fishes for trout will find this class invaluable.

Practicing at Home.

This class is a presentation style demonstration / discussion on casting practice at home. This demonstration class will provide how to lay out ropes and cones to perform Drills in your own yards at home. This drill will allow you to watch your casting in real time. This class is great for all casting levels.

Dock & Overhang Casting:

This class is set up for all those anglers who fish docks and overhangs. Learn how to use various casting techniques to overcome these challenges

Various angles of casting will be covered to achieve good presentations.

Curve Casts

This class will give the caster the ability to make a cast & have the fly move in the direction away from your target fish. This cast also allows you to fish along a weed bed or bank. Important casts to learn.

Preparation for learning the Double Haul:

This class is designed to teach the beginner & intermediate caster the drills needed to learn how to prepare for the Double Haul.

This will involve horizontal casting to help you see your loop patterns.

We all know a narrow loop is needed to achieve line speed to perfect the Double Haul.

The Double Haul is necessary for all fly casters. This class will take you through a step-by-step method to get you on the right track to initiate hauling. Once you have taken this class the more advanced Double Haul Class may be your next step.

Accuracy Casting:

This class focuses on accurate casts at different distances.

It includes strengths and weaknesses of different casting styles.

There will be a land class as well as a water demo if you wish to see both.

Note check schedule for day and time for water demo's

Secrets — Beginner to Intermediate

This class will uncover a secret. You can fly fish for a long time and yet remain a Beginner. This class can guarantee you'll learn the one thing needed to advance your fly-casting skill to an intermediate level.

Critical Skills Class:

This class is for those who have never held a fly rod and a great refresher class for those who have fly cast before but want to hone those skills again. Have fun fly casting with a Certified Casting Instructor. This class will give you the critical skills needed to make fly casting fun and enjoyable. Make it a great weekend of fly casting at Trout Fest.

Slack Line Casts:

This class will cover mending the line to set up a slack line presentation. Check out what is needed to get that drag free drift of the fly when targeting trout.

Casting in Tight Quarters:

Tired of freeing your fly from the grass/bushes/trees? In this class, we'll cover casting techniques that make easy work of tight quarters...whether you're casting to a native Cutthroat on a mountain stream in Colorado, to a Rio Grande Cichlid hiding in the pockets between Bald Cypress roots on your favorite river, or to a bucket mouth on a Hill Country Lake...that happens to be feeding under an oak branch between a sea wall and a covered dock.

Trout Casts:

This is a great class for those who took the Fly-Fishing Western Trout Waters A&B or any trout angler who want to learn the proper presentations using specific techniques and setups for fishing nymphs, dries, streamers and emergers.

Pick a Challenge: New for 2024

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to have a one-on-one casting lesson with a Certified Casting Instructor. You will have a chance to “Pick A Challenge.” That is a challenge that you have been working on with your fly casting. A Certified Casting Instructor will help you confront that challenge in the casting field.

Video Casting: Provided by CI Mr. Andy Payne:

Have a session with Andy to video your fly casting. Andy will play back your video so you to see your own casting in real time. It’s an eye opener for many who have never really watched their own fly casting.

Class Schedule for 2024 Trout Fest.					
Saturday Field A	Saturday Field B	Saturday Field C	Sunday Field A	Sunday Field B	Sunday Field C
9:00 - 10:30 (1 ½ Hour.) Double Haul Lead Instructor Jeff Ferguson	9:00 - 10:30 (1 ½ Hour.) Trout Spey Lead Instructor: Jim Hund	9:00 – 10:30 (1 ½ Hour.) Accuracy casting Lead Instructor Rex Walker	9:00 – 10:30 (1 ½ Hour.) Double Haul Lead Instructor: Jeff Ferguson	9:00 - 10:30 (½ Hour.) Trout Spey Lead Instructor: Jim Hund	9:00 - 10:00 Secrets Beginner to Intermediate Lead Instructor John Biggers 10:00 -11:00 Preparation for the Double Haul John Slocomb
11:00 - 12:00 Casting in Tight Quarters Lead Instructor: Cari Ray Assisted by Alan King.	11:00 - 12:00 Casting in the Wind, & Fighting the Fish Lead Instructor Jim Richards	11:00 – 12:00 Preparation for learning the Double Haul Lead Instructor John Slocomb assisted by Cameron Dunn	11:00 - 12:00 Casting in Tight Quarters Lead Instructor: Cari Ray Assisted by Alan King.	11:00 - 12:00 Casting in the Wind, & Fighting Fish Lead Instructor Jim Richards	11:00 – 12:00 Roll Cast Lead Instructor Jeff Ferguson
1:00 - 2:30 Saltwater Casts Lead Instructor: Jeff Ferguson 1 1/2 Hour Class	1:00 -2:00 Dock & Overhang Casts Lead Instructor: Steve Weaver 2:00 - 3:00 Secrets Beginner to Intermediate Lead instructor John Biggers	1:00 -2:30 Slack Line Casts Lead Instructor Jim Hund 1 ½ Hour Class	1:00 – 2:30 Trout Casts Lead Instructor Dayle Mazzarella	1:00 -2:00 Practicing at Home Lead Instructor Gary Davison 2:00 -3:00 Curved Mends- How To Lead Instructor Rex Walker	1:00 till 2:00 Accuracy Lead Instructor. Rex Walker 2:00 – 3:00 Sink Line Casts Lead Instructor Gary Davison
3:00 - 4:00 Curved Mends - How to Lead Instructor Rex Walker	3:00 - 4:00 Single Hand Spey Casts Lead Instructor: Gary Davison	3:00 – 4:00 Practicing at Home Lead Instructor Cameron Dunn	3:00 - till Pick A Challenge.	3:00 – till Pick A Challenge	3:00 – till Pick A Challenge
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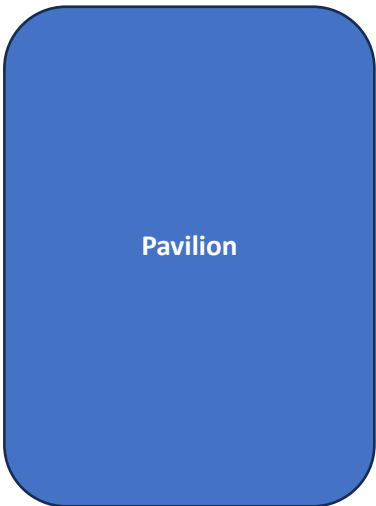
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Saturday Field D			Sunday Field D		
Critical Skills Class 9:00 -10:30 Lead: Cameron Dunn Assist: Jeff Graham			Critical Skills Class 9:00 -10:30 Lead: Rex Walker Assist: Jeff Graham		
Critical Skills Class 11:00 – 12:30 Lead: John Biggers Assist: David Drez			Critical Skills Class 11:00 – 12:30 Lead: David Drez Assist: Cameron Dunn		
Women Critical Skills Class 1:00 -2:30 Lead: Cari Ray Assist: Alan King			Women Critical Skills Class 1:00 -2:30 Lead: Cari Ray Assist Alan King		
Critical Skills Class 3:00 – 4:30 Lead: Steve Weaver Jim Richards			Critical Skills Class 3:00 – 4:30 Lead: Jim Richards Assist: Steve Weaver		

Casting Field D

Casting Field C

Casting Field B



Casting Field A

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Demonstrations: On the water

Slack Line Casts on the water.

Demo: Saturday 11:00 to 12:00 AM Instructor: Mr. Jim Hund

Jim will demonstrate slack line casts on the water.

These casts will help you provide that drag free presentation to catch more fish in moving water.

Sink Line Casts on the water:

Demo: Saturday 1:00 - 2:00 PM Instructor: Mr. Gary Davison

Gary will demonstrate how to cast a Sink Tip & Full Sinking line on the water.

This class will cover the needed full tension cast need when using these type lines.

Roll Casting on the water.

Demo: Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 PM Instructor: Ms. Cari Ray

Cari will demonstrate the Roll Cast on the water

The Roll Cast is one of the most important foundation casts in fly casting. This on the water class will provide you with great information to help you be more successful in making this cast on the water.

Single Hand (Trout) Spey Casting on the water.

Demo: Sunday 10:00 – 11:00 Instructor Mr. Gary Davison

Gary will demonstrate using a single hand rod to make Spey casts on the water.

This class will help all those casters who want to add Spey casting options to their angling in moving water. Current and wind directions will be addressed in this class to help you determine what Spey Cast to use based on conditions.

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Class-room Classes

(Classes will be located under The Pavilion by The Fly-Casting Field.)

Tables will be set up with chairs.

Class: Lines, Rods, & Reel selection - Instructor Mr. Jim Richards

Saturday 1:00 - 2:00

Sunday 1:00 – 2:00

Jim will provide a general overview of Fly Rod's, Fly Reel's & Fly Lines.

Class: “Fly Fishing Knots” - instructor Mr. John Slocomb

Saturday 2:00 to 3:00

Sunday 2:00 to 3:00

Every Fly Fisher needs to tie a good knot. This class will demonstrate many of the knots needed to attach backing to the reel, fly line to the backing, fly line to the leader, Tippet to leader, and hook to tippet. Also includes an opportunity for participants to tie their own Knot's. If you are new to fly fishing and want to learn some knots or just want to brush-up on some of the essentials, this class will be useful.

Class: “Fly Fishing Western Trout Waters A” - instructor Mr. Dayle

Mazzarella

Saturday 10:00 to 12:00

This class will cover equipment, fishing new water, hiring a guide, what fish see, approaching fish, leaders, flies, effects of water temps, light, air pressure, moon phases, etiquette, types of water hatches. Plenty of time for questions and discussions.

Class: “Fly Fishing Western Trout Waters B” - instructor Mr. Dayle Mazzarella

Sunday 10:00 to 12:00

This class will cover specific techniques and setups for fishing nymphs, dries, streamers, and emergers. We will also discuss the various methods needed to hook and play big fish on light tippets and tiny hooks as well as the 5 basic methods of setting the hook depending on the type of technique being used.