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Life on the Fly..... By Lori Ann Murphy

As this newly hatched little guy airs its wings it's clear summertime is here! Nothing is predictable these days but one thing that is certain - Summer Solstice comes around each year on June 20th. In the Northern Hemisphere this means long days of sunlight where we get to play outside until exhaustion. Seeds become plants and baby birds grow up to find their way. What will we find this summer that is new? And won't it be fun to revisit our special places where we return to just know it's still there to love. To sit at the banks of a special stream and just ponder nothing. Time has also

been altered in our perception as days, weeks, months of time has maybe been used differently in work and play. Living in Belize I can't tell you how many times the locals guys have said to me, "You walk too fast mon!" The women don't need to say it, they just purposefully walk slowly. So, I'm learning to walk slowly. It's hot, so that helps. But as I move at a purposeful pace I don't feel rushed. I feel like I'm doing exactly what I need to be doing. I'm the queen of multi-tasking. I learned it early on in my nursing career and it's helped in my guiding life as well. But when I move slowly with purpose, I don't feel impatient with time. My summer greeting to you is for you to get lost in time with your fly rod close by. Let the magic this special season provides take over. We love hearing your stories and we are so excited to share with you stories from the people we work with on our RWFFA trips and schools. Let's go out there and create some new stories, it's summertime! L-A

Photo: Tom Cawthon. San Pedro, Belize. Photo of Tropical Mockingbird fledgling bird taken today!



Saltwater Club Trips

Nothing like it. Standing on the bow of a flats boat, warm sunshine hitting your back and those tails showing just above the Caribbean's surface. *11 O'clock, 30 feet, Cast NOW!*

We have some US based clubs who do group trips to Belize with Reel Women and have a great time with their local fly-fishing compadres at a salt water location. If you'd like to put a Saltwater trip on your club calendar, let's talk about possibilities! We can vary the length of stay and specifics for skill levels to cater to your group's needs. Can start with groups as small as 6 for that first year test! Bonefish, Permit, Tarpon.... SLAM! Let's get your club down here to join the fun!

[Email us for info on your club trip!](#)



A Reel Woman Flyfishing Focus

During Covid we started sharing your stories..... How has Lori-Ann and her clinics and trips helped you "Cast to Your Dreams"? How has fly-fishing or travel broadened your horizons? Changed your perspective? Inspired you to find a new favorite place in the world? **We've enjoyed standing together and inspiring each other!**

Maggie Heumann

My angling roots started early, growing up in a "fishing" family. My dad insisted that I learn to fly

fish as I started showing a passion for bugs as a toddler. This led to my first foray into fly fishing out West, in Grand Teton National Park. A few summers later, we spent several weeks in Eastern Idaho and my mom discovered that there was a company called "Reel Women" and booked me my first guided trip with them. It was the first time ANY of us had seen female-led fly fishing anywhere- and this was pre-internet! It was one of the most memorable experiences of my life (I even remember getting an Oreo milkshake afterwards) and laid a foundation for a path that I am still on today. Lori-Ann's female empowerment in the sport of fly fishing has certainly helped me to "Cast to my dreams". I now manage the Orvis store in one of the most highly-trafficked fly fishing areas in the country and fish 4+ days a week.



I have done a little traveling to fish, but the bulk of it has stayed in the GYE, or Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. The more I go out and explore on my own around here, the less I want to leave. I feel like I could spend every day off here doing something new and still never scratch the surface. Fly fishing has led me to lakes, rivers, streams, backpacking, on boat trips and beyond. The diversity of settings that it can be done in never cease to amaze me. Spending a little time in Belize has me yearning to learn more about salt though! My husband is from New Orleans, so redfish have always been at the top of the list too. Opportunities to fish and spend time with family are the best.



I am still the most inspired by my backyard as far as places to go fish. It was the first place I ever fly fished and will likely be the last. While dreams of Dorado and big browns in New Zealand often dance in my head, the cutthroat down the road is what gets the most attention. Appreciating and loving where you live, adapting to whatever circumstances those are, and getting to know your local watershed have helped me so much as an angler and I can't thank Reel Women enough for their courage and inspiration to get here!

Maggie has a masters degree in Entomology with an aquatic insect education specialty. She'll be teaching the entomology section of our Back to Basics class in Jackson Hole Wyoming this month. We're excited for the class and very grateful to have her teaching! You can also find her at the Orvis store in Jackson Hole as she is the manager!

Photo Credit: Maggie on her first Reel Women trip -fish landed! The second picture is Maggie landing another big fish in Yellowstone.



Reel Women Guide School

July 24-30, 2021

Three Forks, Montana

Our guide school was started in the 90's as the first all women's school. We teach you how to work with your clients, row a drift boat, back up the truck and trailer, bugs, casting techniques and more. We have changed the program to allow for personal distancing while still providing you with the best learning experience for rowing a drift boat safely down the river and increasing your fly fishing teaching skills. We learn as we teach! This course is limited to 6 women.

6 night/5 day fly fishing intensive. Single occupancy lodging, all course material and fly fishing

equipment needed, meals from our favorite cowboy cook, transportation to lodging, and a very special program for experienced women guides. **\$2,995**

[Email us for more details!](#)

**Reel Women Adventures
Ladies Montana Getaway
Yellowstone River
September 19-23, 2020
Sept. 18-22, 2021**

This is one of our most popular trips all summer! The Yellowstone is great for big dry flies or streamers in September. We'll be landing those big Brown Trout,



enjoying Montana wildlife and taking it all in. Come join us for four nights and three days guided fishing, clinics with Lori-Ann Murphy, and Montana living. All based out of wonderful small lodge in Paradise Valley, Montana. Single occupancy, **\$2995 per person.**

**Tarpon Quest
May 15-22, 2021**

"Playing a tarpon on fly tackle is one of the great experiences in ones fly-fishing life. The connection with light tackle to a creature that is over 100 millions years in existence! If you know this, then come play the game. If you are intimated, how will you ever know?" L-A

We arranged this trip at at time when the

migratory Tarpon have entered Belizean waters along with the resident Tarpon. What this means is that



there are Tarpon from 15 - 200 lbs out there to meet your cast. Shallow water casts using floating lines and intermediate lines for the deeper cruisers - show them the fur or feathers and get grabbed! Bonefish, Permit and Tarpon live in Belizean waters that surround Ambergris Caye all year. San Pedro's waters are well known for the possible SLAM. Let it be yours!

Our chefs will be in to cater Belizean cuisine and Lori-Ann will do clinics each day to focus on the casting components needed for these large Tarpon. You'll also have the opportunity for some one-on-one clinic time to ask questions and fine tune your cast on any fly-fishing pursuit. These dates fall under a great new moon and the big girls will be well settled in after their migration to Belize for the summer. Amazing Tarpon fishing awaits! Come join us for 7 nights and 5 days of fly-fishing.

Global Rescue and Travel Insurance

Travel plans in the near future have been put on hold for many of us. However if you are considering a trip for next winter or that special occasion in 2021-2022 let Global Rescue answer questions about different types of travel insurance that are available.

<https://globalrescue.com/reelwomenflyfishingadventures/>





Reel Belize

Belize is starting to open things up just like the United States is. It is a phased re-opening but we're happy to tell you it is happening. <https://belizing.com/Belize-Lockdown-Update-June-11/>

Best news of all? FISHING is open! Remember that video of the Permit tailing at the end of our doc during lockdown? Wow that was temptation at its finest! We're getting closer to having you all back down here in San Pedro. A few pics below of some great days on the water.....lets talk about trips for your group, you and your significant other or just you on the water getting YOUR SLAM!!!



[Email us for trip details!](#)

Cast to Your Dreams!

Book a 2020 or 2021 trip with us before the end of the year and we'll require only 25% down. The balance due 90 days before arrival. If your plans change due to Covid or any other reason you can reschedule. That means you can put your down payment toward any Reel Women Adventure trip with open space. We also offer Global Rescue's Cancel For Any Reason Trip Insurance. We want to see you back on the water, casting to your dreams!

2020 Trips

Permit Quest
November 14-20, 2020
Space for 1 more

Yellowstone River Couples Trip
September 12-17, 2020
Sold Out!

Reel Women Yellowstone River
(Montana Get Away)
September 19-23 **1 Space Left!**

2021 Trips

Permit Quest
Feb 12-18 & Feb 19-25

Tarpon Quest
May 15-22

Back To Basics Jackson Hole
June 25-28

Reel Women Madison River
July 10-17, 2021 **-Sold out!**

Reel Women Guide School
July 24-30

Yellowstone- RW Ladies Trip
September 18-22

Yellowstone Couples Trip
September 25-29 **-Sold out!**

2022 Trips

Reel Women Madison River
July 9-15

Any fishy friends you'd like to invite to the party?
Have them join our newsletter here: <http://eepurl.com/c-1E39>



The Reel Women Store.....

We're excited to see th store growing....and they'll be more to come. Stay tuned!

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Thanks for sharing our newsletter with your friends!
We'd love to have them join in the fun!

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