



Saturday, October 24th

Breakfast, lunch and dinner at the Beaverkill Valley Inn

The morning will include a visit to the proposed competition waters with a briefing by Gardner.

Mr. Konstantin Trachenko, First Secretary (Fisheries Affairs USSR) Embassy in Soviet Ambassador to the United States, will be invited to attend this reception and accompany the Soviet delegation to the Catskills. (Steve Lundy)

After the short reception in the terminal, the Soviet delegation, along with the reception committee, will board a van arranged by Dale Hardman for a short tour of New York City stocked with beer, wine, drinks and music. Places visited will be determined by time, but should include the United Nations, Times Square, Rockefeller Center, the Empire State Building, Wall Street, and the World Trade Center (drink at the top). Anyone having any suggestions for additions or deletions to this list, please call either Earl Worsham or Dale Hardman.

The van will then proceed to the Beaverkill Valley Inn on the Beaverkill River outside of Low Beach, New York where the Soviet delegation will have a late buffet dinner and retire for the evening. Several members of the American Reception Team will also stay at the Beaverkill Valley Inn, and Mr. Gardner Grant will need the names of all persons staying there during the eastern trip no later than Friday, October 14th. Mr. Grant may be reached at (914) 428-5553 or (914) 472-0395 which is his home number.

One additional interpreter will be needed, and Dale Hardman and Earl Worsham are working on that issue.

The media will be alerted to the Competition Day and Banquet and will be invited to the Banquet.

Sunday, October 23rd

Breakfast, lunch and dinner at the Beaverkill Valley Inn.

Fly fishing school generously given to the Soviet delegation and any members of the American group desiring to participate by Lee and Joan Wulff at their school at their home. Transportation of the Soviets to the Wulff School will be by the American delegation.

Waders, vests, nets, rods, reels, lines, leaders and material are furnished by the Orieis Company and are on site at the Wulff School. Flies provided by Bemoc Chapter will be presented at the Wulff School. The Soviets will keep the vests and waders for their own, but the rods, reels and lines will be returned to Orieis for their Fly Fishing school.

11:15 - 1:15 Competition Hours  
2:45 - 3:45 Competition Hours

\$75 per day including 1200 (1st meals for the American Team members and visitors at the Beaverkill Valley Inn. Each person pays their own way, except for the Soviet Team and press.

Monday, October 24th

Breakfast, lunch and dinner at the Beaverkill Valley Inn.

The morning will include a visit to the proposed competition waters with a briefing by Gardner Grant, American Team Captain of the rules and procedures for the next day's competition. There will be a question and answer session where the competition can be smoothly handled and organized in such a manner that the trout and the resource are the winners, rather than any individual and/or team!

The "American Team" should be at the Beaverkill Valley Inn by 9:30 a.m. where they will meet the Soviet Team and participate in the informal briefing.

The afternoon will be occupied by either practice fishing, or as Lee Wulff suggested, we may take them to the "Rear Water Hatchery" on the Salmon River if transportation arrangements can be made providing the parties desire to do so. This item will require some more discussion and planning.

Tuesday, October 25th

Competition Day Breakfast at the Beaverkill Valley Inn. Lunch at Catskill Fly Fishing Center.

Cocktails will be served at 6:00 p.m. and the Eastern Banquet dinner will follow at 7:30 p.m. at the Beaverkill Valley Inn. There will be a charge to all persons attending the Banquet, except the Soviet delegation and the specially invited guests determined by Mr. Gardner Grant. Mr. Grant will prepare the agenda for the Banquet, including the Master of Ceremonies, keynote speaker, and other persons participating.

The media will be alerted to this Competition Day and Banquet, and will be invited. Bob Herbst at Trout Unlimited National will send out an appropriate press release. The media that has already committed to cover various segments of this event include: The New York Times, Sports Illustrated, The Denver Post. Steve Lundy is discussing the matter with Dave Clark of Good Morning America and some others. It is our desire to get as much exposure for Trout Unlimited, our sponsors, The Great American Chocolate Chip Cookie Company, as well as others who may come on board as possible.

On this day, a number of the American Group will be approached and requested to aid and assist in the transportation of the Soviet delegation to Newark Airport the next day (Wednesday, October 26th), as there is not a van scheduled for this transportation.

11:15 - 1:15

Competition Hours

01:45 - 3:45

Competition Hours

\$95 per day including three (3) meals for the American Team members and visitors at the Beaverkill Valley Inn. Each person pays their own way, except for the Soviet Team and press.

Wednesday, October 20th Depart for Newark Airport at 11:30 a.m. to board Continental Flight #71 leaving for Denver, Colorado at 3:00 p.m. with a scheduled arrival in Denver at 5:15 p.m.

Steve Lundy will head up a small delegation that will meet the Soviet delegation at the Denver Airport gate upon their arrival at 5:15 p.m. on Continental Flight #71 aforementioned. Steve will escort the delegation through the airport and to Continental Flight #226 leaving Denver at 6:45 p.m. and arriving in Bozeman, Montana at 8:00 p.m.

At the present time there is not an American or a translator scheduled to fly with the delegation. Steve Lundy will have a translator at the Denver Airport.

Doug McClelland has volunteered to have a delegation to meet the Soviets in Bozeman. It is anticipated that Frank Richardson, Western Team Captain, will try to be there.

Overnight at a motel in Bozeman. *Day Inn*

Steve Lundy is working on obtaining interpreters for the Montana portion of the trip as well as Doug McClelland. Earl Worsham has a possible Trout Unlimited volunteer from Atlanta (Peter Hill), who may be available if an extra person is needed in Montana. We will need to know no later than Wednesday, October 12th if that person is needed.

Local Bozeman press and television will be contacted by Doug McClelland or his representative. Banners for the buses, etc. will be available through the sponsors.

There will be a "bag of goodies" for the western portion of the trip which will include maps, files, a welcome letter and other appropriate items.

The Denver Post will be alerted by Steve Lundy, and Mr. Charlie Meyers will be invited to be a part of the delegation. Hopefully, he will be part of the reception committee as well.

Thursday, October 27th Breakfast, lunch and dinner to be determined by Team Captain, Frank Richardson.

Transportation is being arranged by Doug McClelland, which is expected to be a van or vans sufficient in size to accommodate twenty persons (the Park Service may be able to help here). This transportation will remain with the Soviet delegation throughout their Montana visit, and will be driven by someone designated from the American delegation, or the Park Service.

The Soviet delegation, along with interpreters and at least two members of the American Team will be transported to "Lake" which is being provided as the headquarters location by the Park Service of Yellowstone. There will be a sightseeing tour arranged from Bozeman to "Lake". *Translator*

Nelsons Spring Creek. Drive up Paradise Valley - Lunch in Gardner, Montana - Park Service will meet at North Entrance Gate - Photos - Small reception - Drive to Lake with tour of Mamouth Falls, etc. Arrive before dinner. After dinner no schedule (sleep, wander, etc.) Several of the American Team members will be coming or will have arrived. This will include Jim Taylor.

Friday, October 28th

Breakfast at Lake. Teams to be briefed on the regulations and procedures for the competition the next day.

The American Team should be "in residence" at West Yellowstone and will be coordinated by Team Captain, Frank Richardson.

Briefing at 10:30 a.m. - Fly Fishing Center.

Lunch probably in Yellowstone.

The afternoon is hopefully a float trip that is being organized by Doug McClelland and some of his Chapter members. Doug and some of his members will spend the night and be available for assistance with the next day's competition.

Check for free fishing license.

Saturday, October 29th

Breakfast as organized by Team Captain, Frank Richardson.

This is the Catch and Release Competition day for the Western Division, again where the resource and the fish are the winners as its theme.

Fishing competition will be carried out in two sessions, one in the morning and one in the evening. Arrive 9:30 a.m. at location. Competition begins at 10:30 a.m. and ends at Noon. Forty-five (45) minute break. Reserve Competition 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Luncheon will be as organized by Captain Richardson and his group, and dinner will be a rather large affair with both teams, the press, Trout Unlimited members and others.

Captain Richardson and Doug McClelland will organize this dinner in Bozeman at 7 p.m. It is anticipated that there will be a reasonable charge to all participants, other than the press, certain dignitaries as determined by Richardson and the Soviet delegation. The charge should be sufficient to cover the costs of the guests.

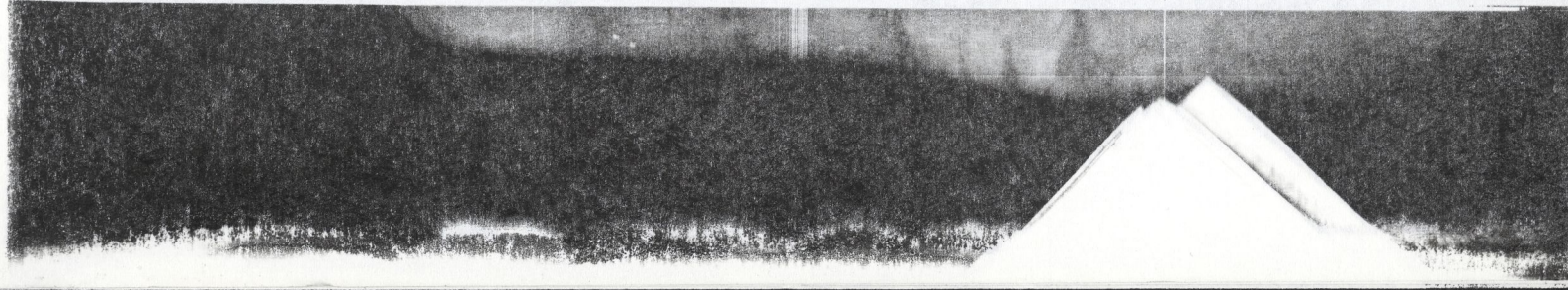
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Sunday, October 31st

Monday, November 1st



There should be some speeches, etc. and the agenda for that evening's affair will be put together by Frank Richardson.

It would also be nice if there could be some "favors" and other items for the distinguished guests and members of the Soviet delegation.

Captain Richardson and Doug McClelland will make arrangements with an appropriate hotel for accommodations.

#### Tentative American Team for the West:

✓ Captain, Frank Richardson, *ATLANTA* (404) 331-3588  
✓ Jack Dennis, Jackson Hole, Wyoming (307) 733-3270  
✓ Bud Lilly, Bozeman, Montana (406) 646-7801  
✓ Jim Taylor, Santa Barbara, California (805) 682-5551  
✓ Charlie Loveless, Fort Collins 323-1126  
✓ Peter Fonda, Livingston/Hollywood (400) 222-3686  
✓ Mike Owen, Denver, Colorado (303) 573-1660  
Home: (303) 698-2626  
✓ Jack Hemingway, Sun Valley (208) 726-5562  
✓ Alex McGrath, *Denver* (415) 851-4556  
✓ Michael Coles, Atlanta, Georgia (404) 696-1700  
Home: (404) 424-6779

Sunday, October 30th

*Jackie Matthews, 11 West Yampa, 404-144-9365*  
The Soviet delegation will leave on Continental flight #134 departing at 8:50 a.m. with scheduled arrival at 10:20 a.m.

Steve Lundy and his delegation will meet the Soviets at the gate with one or more interpreters and pick up the entertainment and arrangements at that point.

This day will be as planned and organized by Steve Lundy and his Denver contingents. Steve will be submitting an itinerary for this day, October 31st, and November 1st.

The main event banquet will be held in Denver this evening. It is anticipated that the Governor, Senator Wirth, media, etc. will attend.

It is hoped that Lee and Joan Wulff will be able to attend the banquet for presentation of Mr. Wulff's very special "Challenge Trophy". This trophy will be given to the Russians to commemorate their "winning of the tie" to be held until the American delegation "wins the tie in 1989!"

Steve Lundy will organize the agenda for this affair, including speeches, etc.

Mr. Dale Hall, Assistant Director, Fish & Wildlife Service, will present the National Recreational Fisheries Policy, translated into Russian to the Soviet delegation (7 copies) at Banquet.

Going away gifts will be presented.

Monday, October 31st

The Soviet Team will be in Denver, Colorado this day for

sightseeing, shopping, etc. as arranged by Steve Lundy and his contingent.

Meals and lodging will be as the Denver contingent arranges.

Tuesday, November 1st

Soviet delegation returns to New York City on Continental Flight #174 leaving the Denver Airport at 7:10 a.m. with scheduled arrival at Newark Airport at 12:40 p.m.

Arrangements must be made to meet the Soviets in New York with at least one interpreter and an appropriate van for transport to Kennedy Airport in time for their departure at 6:00 p.m. for Moscow.

Dale Hardman and Gardner Grant will give some attention and assistance to this final matter.

The group will be met at the International Terminal by Gardner Grant, Eugene Jean Carter, Felix Washburn, International...  
...The Great American... company reported...  
...Dale Hardman and...

A "ban of goodies" will be provided to the Soviet delegation...  
...There will also be cookies passed out to onlookers and others in the terminal and nearby for the Soviets, the crew and others.

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October, 1988

*Bud*

1988 RUSSIAN/AMERICAN ANGLING GAMES

*This will be pretty close to our final agenda. Look forward to seeing you.*  
*J - K*

Western Team Agenda

*Thursday, October 27, 1988 (Continued)*

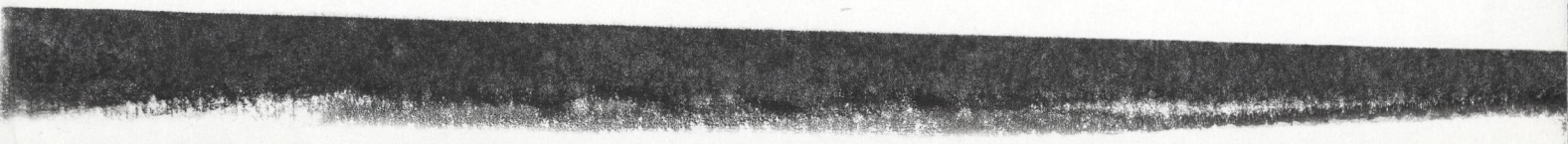
Wednesday, October 26, 1988

Team Captain Frank Richardson arrives in Bozeman, MT, at 8 p.m. with Russian team on Cont. Air Flight 226. Met by Montana Host Chairman Doug McClelland and Bozeman Trout Unlimited members.

Overnight at Days Inn in Bozeman

Thursday, October 27, 1988

- 7 a.m. - Breakfast in Bozeman. Russian team and American advisors transportation (van) arrives for travel to Yellowstone National Park.
- 8 a.m. - Tour of Rivers Edge Fly Shop, Bozeman
- 8:30 a.m. - Tour of Montana Trout Fitters Orvis Shop, Bozeman
- 10 a.m. - Tour of Nelsons' Spring Creek, Livingston
- 11:45 a.m. - Lunch (Gardner)
- 1 p.m. - Arrive Mammoth (Yellowstone National Park). Meet with Superintendent Bob Barbee
  - Tour Museum and Mammoth Hot Springs
  - Tour Yellowstone Falls
  - Tour Hayden Valley
  - Tour Buffalo Fork (competition site)
  - Tour Yellowstone Lake (fishing bridge)





Saturday, October 29, 1988

7 a.m. - Breakfast (Lake)

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Thursday, October 27, 1988 (Continued)

5:30 p.m. - Check into living quarters - Lake in briefing

6:30 p.m. - Hospitality - Fish and Wildlife Service quarters

7:30 p.m. - Dinner

Out of town American team members arrive at Lake and West Yellowstone during the day.

Friday, October 28, 1988

7 a.m. - Breakfast - Lake for all quartered there

8 a.m. - Drive to Old Faithful

10:30 a.m. - Arrive Fly Fishing Center, West Yellowstone

American and Russian teams meet.

Ralph Moon Federation of Fly Fishers curator. Briefing on competition angling procedures.

12 p.m. - Lunch - West Yellowstone

1 p.m. - Bozeman Chapter of Trout Unlimited provides guided fishing trip for Russian team

5 p.m. - Russian team and others quartered at Lake return to lake

6:30 p.m. - Hospitality - Fish and Wildlife Service quarters

7:30 p.m. - Dinner - Lake for all quartered at Lake

*If Ralph isn't there want you to do the beers.*

aturday, October 29, 1988

- 7 a.m. - Breakfast (lake)  
Lake quarters vacated
- 9:30 a.m. - American and Russian teams meet at Buffalo Ford for final briefing  
All judges/guides/advisors participate in briefing
- 10:30 a.m. - First session begins with Russian and American pairs assignment to judge recorders
- 2 p.m. - First session ends  
Box lunch (streamside)
- 1 p.m. - Second session begins
- 2:30 p.m. - Second session ends
- 3 p.m. - American and Russian teams travel to Bozeman - Gallatin Gateway Inn
- 6 p.m. - Arrive at inn and check in
- 6:30 p.m. - Social
- 7 p.m. - Dinner and farewell program
- 9 p.m. - Home

*Guests of players  
are welcome*

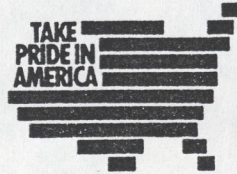
Note: American team is welcome and encouraged to participate in all activities scheduled for Russian team.



United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

75 SPRING STREET, S.W.  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303



December 19, 1988

Memorandum

To: The 1988 American Team - West  
From: Your Captain  
Subject: Final Assessment - 1988

Eighty-eight has been a good year for all of us. Certainly one of the highlights and most enjoyable times was our flyrod joust with our new friends from the Roshotrybolovsoyuz of Russia. Certainly we all were winners in the first-ever Russian/American Angling Games.

Again, I want to express my appreciation and thanks for the effort each of you put forward.

Sometime in the future, we shall have some evidence in the form of photos that can be shared with you. Trout Unlimited Chairman Earl Worsham has promised that these are "in the mail"--really they will come. I am attaching some of the writings of team members, Husar and Myers. The story was picked up by the national media and appeared in papers throughout our country.

Earl indicated that he will try to send an American Team to Russia in 1989. I'm sure he will keep all of us apprised of how we would qualify to become a 1989 team member.

In closing, I wish each of you and your family a great holiday season and even more I hope that you and I share some "rod" time together and the Yellowstone can do for a starter.

*Frank*

Attachments

*Bud,  
Thanks for the extra effort you put forth. See  
you in August. 2*

# Sports Pages

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1988

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## OUTDOORS/Nelson Bryant

### East-West Accord In Chilly Waters

LEW BEACH, N.Y. **I**GNORING numbed fingers and cold feet as they assiduously cast through much of a nasty day of mixed snow and rain, two six-person fly-fishing teams, one from the United States and one from the Soviet Union, were able to coax 22 trout from the Beaverkill and Willowemoc rivers yesterday.

Although an informal competition was under way, the event, arranged by Trout Unlimited, an international

### American anglers introduce Soviets to fly-casting.

conservation organization, was really a friendly wetting of lines and a way to introduce the Soviet anglers to a sport that is virtually unknown in their country. It was also part of an effort by Trout Unlimited to increase international concern for the well-being of cold-water fishes: trout and salmon.

The Soviet team, which included one woman, Larisa Gubanová of Murmansk, arrived at Kennedy Airport on Saturday, was given a quick tour of New York City and was then whisked away to the Beaverkill Valley Inn here.

Monday was devoted to instruction by Joan and Lee Wulff at their fly-fishing school here. The visitors were equipped with waders, fly-fishing vests, rods, reels and lines by the

Orvis Company, and given flies by the Beamoc Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Although sport fishing — ice fishing, in particular — is popular in the Soviet Union, fly-fishing gear is virtually unobtainable.

Making the Catskills the setting for the first half of the Soviet team's visit — they are headed west to fish in Montana — was appropriate, for this is the region where most of the development and refinement of fly fishing in the United States took place, beginning shortly after the mid-19th century and continuing well into this one.

When asked who won the Catskills affair, Gardner Grant of White Plains, the American team captain, responded, "The fish were the winners."

He was not only referring to the fact that all of the trout were being released — the teams were fishing in no-kill areas on the streams — but also to a Trout Unlimited plan for scientific conferences dealing with management of trout and salmon fisheries between the two nations.

**Y**ESTERDAY'S event had its beginning in 1986 when Trout Unlimited representatives, including its president, Stephen Lundy, journeyed to Moscow to meet with officials of the agency that manages wildlife and fishery resources in Russia, the largest of the 15 republics that make up the Soviet Union.

From that gathering emerged an agreement calling for annual angler exchanges (yesterday's was the first), a tourism program within the Soviet Union that will make its an-

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## The New York Times

### Fly-Casting in Accord

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gling opportunities more available to Western fishermen, and the fisheries conferences, the first of which took place a few weeks ago in Moscow. (Since the arrangement with the Soviet Union was completed, Trout Unlimited has made a similar one with China.)

Lundy, who delivered the closing remarks at the conference, said that it "exceeded our wildest expectations."

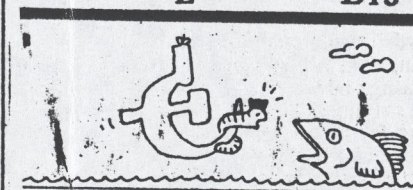
"The papers were excellent and the discussions lively," he said, "and we learned that we share the same problems: air and water pollution, destructive hydro projects, unwise forestry, grazing and mining practices, over-harvesting and poaching."

Trout and salmon fishermen are always looking for new waters. Lundy said that the Soviet Union was "probably the last frontier for the serious angler."

He added that the Soviet Union has the world's largest Arctic char, up to 40 pounds; superb rainbow and steelhead trout; a remnant population, in the Caspian Sea, of the largest brown

trout — up to 80 pounds — known to exist, plus Atlantic salmon and grayling and the lenok, an Asian trout. Lundy also spoke of the taimen, a salmonid that can exceed 100 pounds and live for more than a century.

Aleksandr Klushin, the Soviet team captain and a vice chairman of the fisheries agency, said he was interested in the catch-and-release concept used on the streams here. He said his organization is contemplating the policy for certain trout waters in his country.



Showing the Russians a reel good time.

A. I. Lundy

# Angling Games: U.S., USSR taste victory

By Charlie Meyers

Denver Post Outdoor Writer

**YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK** — As competitions go, the international struggle that unfolded on a trout stream last Saturday had all the intensity of a pillow fight in a girls' dormitory or, for that matter, a Broncos football game. For suspense, it rivaled all-star wrestling.

What the western leg of these erstwhile Soviet/American Angling Games did have was a degree of heartfelt camaraderie that transcended mere words. Glasnost is a catchy term, but it can't begin to capture the depth of feeling that evolved among the six Soviets and the changing guard of American hosts that began early last week on the Beaverkill River in New York, continued last weekend in the Yellowstone country and ended Sunday night with a farewell dinner in Denver.

The notion was to match a team of Soviets against American counterparts in a fly fishing contest that served as a centerpiece for the ongoing angling exchanges between the two nations initiated just more than two years ago by Trout Unlimited.

At the end, the difference in the score was adjusted by a handicap identical to the margin of victory. Thus both the Beaverkill and Yellow-



The Denver Post / Charlie Meyers

**WOMAN TALK:** Larissa Gubanova, left, of Murmansk and Jennifer Smith of Bozeman, Mont., found they had more than fishing in common.

stone river competitions ended in a precise tie. Hulk Hogan and The Crusher would have been proud.

The overall intent was to cement the ongoing

outdoor relations between the two nations while helping the Soviets learn more about fly fishing and such conservation practices as catch and release. Much more than that, the week-long Odyssey, East and West, became a celebration of a common spirit, a rods-across-the-water bonding among people who learned they had much more than fishing in common.

For Larissa Gubanova, a construction engineer from Murmansk who is one of the few female flyfishers in the Soviet Union, and Jennifer Smith, a fishing guide from Bozeman, Mont., it was a bond of motherhood. Through interpreters, they chatted earnestly about their children.

For Lev Strougin, a 63-year-old rod builder from Leningrad, it was a recollection from the latter stages of World War II in which he joined American troops in fighting the Japanese in Mongolia.

"I liked Americans then because they were happy and cheerful," he said. "Now for the second time, I find you are the same."

Andrei Velikanov, from Leningrad, had a similar perspective. "If all the people of the United States and Soviet Union could share just one day on a fishing stream, there would be no problems."

## Walking in a wildlife wonderland

By Bob Saille

Denver Post Outdoor Editor

**FORT MORGAN** — Quail, turkeys, geese, ducks, deer, pheasants, rabbits, squirrels, hawks, eagles.

That's just a partial list of the wildlife wonders that await visitors — whether they hunt or not — to the several state wildlife areas along the South Platte River on the eastern plains of Colorado.

There is a greater diversity of animals and birds concentrated on a square mile of Platte River bottom than could be found in whole counties in some other parts of the state. Some of these species are relative newcomers, such as the flocks of Rio Grande turkeys that now roam all the way from Greeley to the Nebraska line.

Paul Wallace and I were on a South Platte quail hunt the other day, but came away talking turkey. We had taken a break for lunch after finding one covey of bobwhites and doing but minimal damage to the 12 or so quail in the covey. Sitting next to the vehicle on an access road beside the Bob Elliott Wildlife Area, Wallace said he heard the crow of a pheasant.

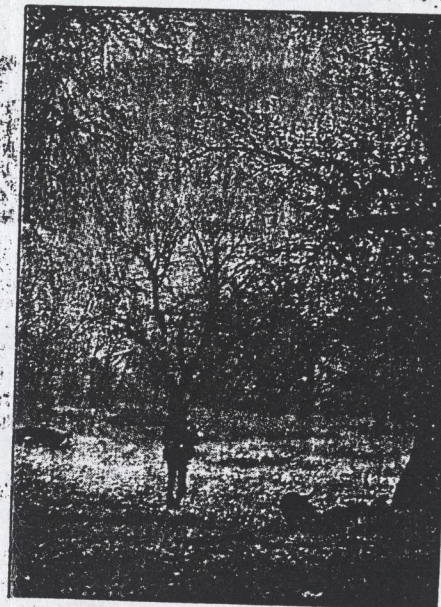
Wrong. What he heard was the yelp of a turkey. I happened to have a mouth caller in my pocket. Stashing the shotguns in the car, Wallace, I and a rather large black Labrador dog walked about 100 yards into the trees and sat

**SOUTH PLATTE BOTTOMS**

The following is a list of some of the public wildlife areas along the South Platte River bottoms owned or leased by the Colorado Division of Wildlife:

- **Brush Wildlife Area, 740 acres.** From Interstate 76, take the Dodd Bridge Road exit and go 1.7 miles north to County Road J-9; then 3.3 miles east to County Road 27. Turn right across railroad tracks, then turn left and proceed a half mile to area.
- **Cottonwood Wildlife Area, 735 acres.** From Interstate 76, take Colorado 77 exit north 5.6 miles to County Road W-7; then go 2.4 miles northeast to area.
- **Dodd Bridge Wildlife Area, 826 acres.** From Interstate 76, take Dodd Bridge Road exit 1.4 miles north to area.
- **Bob Elliott Wildlife Area, 324 acres.** From Interstate 76, take the Hillrose exit to U.S. 6, then go 3 miles east to County Road 359 then north a half mile to area.
- **Tamarack Ranch Wildlife Area, 10,567 acres.** From Interstate 76, take Crook Exit a half mile north to area.

**NOTE:** A complete list of state wildlife areas is contained in the wildlife division's publication, "Guide to Colorado's State Wildlife Areas." It's available for \$2 from the Colorado Division of Wildlife, Publications Unit, 6060 Broadway, Denver, Colo. 80216.



The Denver Post / Bob Saille

**RIVER WALK:** A hunter and dog search for quail along the South Platte.

largest being the Tamarack Ranch Wildlife Area, 10,567 acres, near Crook.

We found the quail hunting tough at the three

Vail's LionsHead gondola has been given a clean bill of health following exhaustive testing of its drive cable. There had been concern following a test that indicated an unusual wave form in a two-foot section of the 10,500-foot-long cable.

### Ski Museum drive

The Colorado Ski Museum and Hall of Fame has launched two programs to raise operating funds. One is an annual ski pass sale under which several Colorado resorts have donated two ski passes for resale. Participating resorts and the prices include Aspen Highlands \$100, Breckenridge \$550, Ski Cooper \$250, Copper Mountain \$575, Loveland \$400, Monarch \$350, Steamboat \$675, Vail/Beaver Creek \$725 and Winter Park \$560.

The museum also has initiated a membership drive that offers a ski area discount coupon book with \$200 in benefits to members who contribute \$30 or more.

### Ski for space

The U.S. space effort will be the principal beneficiary of an unusual ski event at Vail Dec. 2-4. It is designed to raise money to publicize the benefits of the space program. Like space flight, the two days of skiing and banqueting won't be inexpensive. The cost is \$1,750 per couple and inquiries may be directed to 476-9220.

### Swap

Spring's Winter Sports Winterfest will be held Saturday at the Mountain Center at Mt. Bachelor. Tickets will charge \$2 and will be refunded. Registration is from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The sale will be for club members and individuals, and will be available at a public sale on Friday and 9:30 a.m.

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### CALENDAR

<p>291-7231</p> <p><b>Nov. 11</b></p> <p>International Athletic Club benefit party for Jimmie Heuga Center, 1630 Welton St., 5:30 p.m. Cover charge \$3 members, \$5 non-members.</p> <p><b>Nov. 16</b></p> <p>Wine and cheese tasting to honor Winter Park Disabled Ski Team at Sunset Beach Fitness &amp; Racquet Club, 2850 Alameda, 5:7 p.m. Information, phone 279-2589.</p> <p><b>Nov. 18-20</b></p> <p>Trinidad-Las Animas County Chamber of Commerce special pheasant hunt in the area around</p>	<p><b>El Moro and Hoehne</b>, northeast of Trinidad. Hunt will be on private lands stocked with pheasants and open only to fee-paying hunters. Information and registration forms available from Trinidad Chamber of Commerce, 309 Nevada Ave., Trinidad, 81082, telephone 719-848-9285.</p> <p><b>Jan. 25</b></p> <p>A talk on nymph-fishing techniques by Dave Whitlock, fly-tyer, author and artist, 7:30 p.m., in the Landmark Inn, 455 S. Colorado Blvd; \$5 admission.</p>
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### HUNTING CALENDAR

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Geese (South Park) — Oct. 29-Jan.

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Wednesday, November 2, 1988

ADVENTURE TODAY

# Solving the Soviet angling mystery

By Charlie Meyers  
Denver Post Outdoor Writer

**YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK** — Gray hair glistening in the autumn sun, the small, weathered man waded resolutely down the river, each cast a repetition of perfection.

This was not an ordinary angler plying the clear and painfully low Yellowstone River. Lev Strougin is a Soviet and a fly fisherman, descriptions not commonly linked in the same breath. As coach of the Soviet casting team, he also is a master with a fly rod, an even less likely characterization.

That the five countrymen who joined him for these Soviet/American Angling Games were considerably less than expert with the long rod scarcely was noticed. The comments centered around Strougin, the one who was. Strougin, his beautifully weathered face showing the etchings of 63 years, turned out to be a living, breathing anomaly, a Soviet fly fisherman.

Perhaps the most profound discovery through this series of Trout Unlimited-sponsored exchanges over the last two years is how little is known about fishing in the Soviet Union. In the midst of these adventures in fly-rod diplomacy, there have been conflicting reports. Even the Soviets have provided diverse accounts as to who does what and where in a vast nation that occupies fully one-seventh of the world's land mass, spans 12 time zones and, from an outdoor standpoint, is as mysterious as China before Marco Polo. Often, it seems the Soviets themselves aren't certain.

"In most of Siberia, there are no people, no roads of any kind," said Andrei Velikanov, a 32-year-old fisheries biologist from Leningrad. "We don't know what is in many rivers and lakes because no one ever has fished them. The only way

to get there is by helicopter."

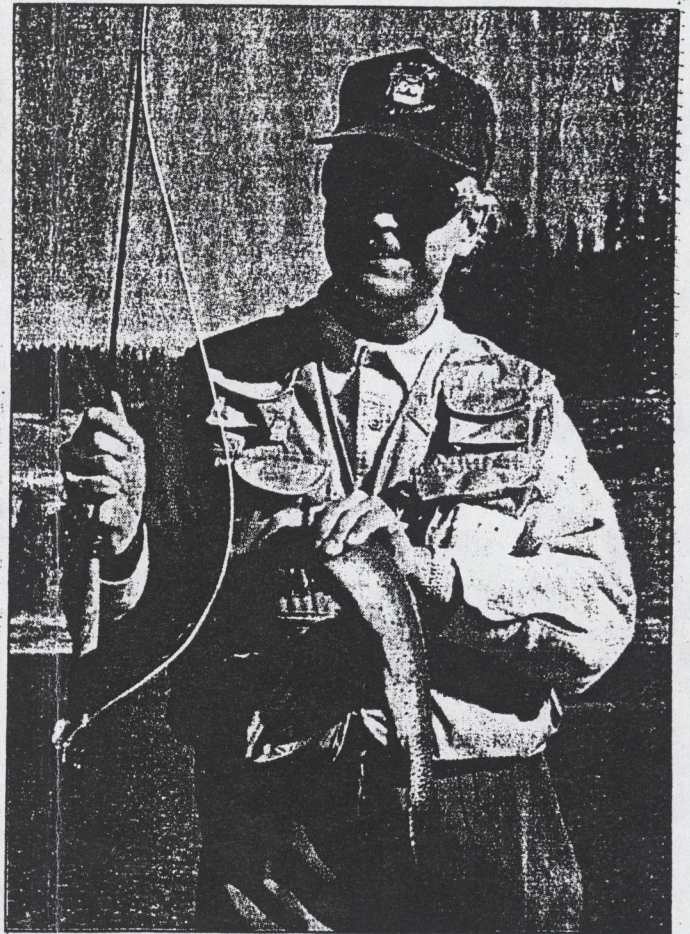
What Velikanov does know is that pike not far from his native Leningrad often weigh more than 50 pounds and he personally has caught a 40-pounder. He tells of the many Siberian streams containing taimen, a salmonaide native to northern Asia that regularly grows to more than 100 pounds and requires prodigious tackle to subdue in swift water.

"Only the local villagers catch taimen and they use line a millimeter in diameter to hold them," Velikanov reported. Asked what pound test that line might be, he made a circle around his neck to indicate that it was strong enough for a hanging.

Earlier, Velikanov made this writer a present of a Russian fly reel, a nondescript implement with no manufacturer's marks of any kind. It was remarkably lightweight for its size and had a butter-smooth drag. There was just one problem. The drag was direct action. When tightened, it became equally difficult to reel in.

Vsevolod Gnevashov, who heads up the Murmansk region for the Soviet union of hunters and fishers, gave open and direct information about equipment. A spinning reel might cost less than four rubles, about \$10, or as many as 75 rubles, more than half a month's salary for an average wage earner. Only the more expensive models have drags. Many spinning rods are made of bamboo; most are of fiberglass. Fly rods largely are experimental and Strougin, a pioneer in both their manufacture and application, makes his own from graphite blanks he obtains on special order from the Leningrad Institute for Synthetic Fibers.

"The first blanks weren't very good and many broke," Strougin lamented. "They are better now,



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**NO RED HERRING:** Alexander Klushin, head of the Soviet delegation, scored with a Yellowstone cutthroat trout.

but we still are behind what you are making."

He makes up to three rods a week and gives them away to young anglers. Since the sweeping economic changes that allow private enterprise, people have asked

to learn his secrets.

"They are in it just for the money and will cut corners," Strougin declared. "There's enough junk in the Soviet Union and I won't contribute to any more of it. I'll make only good rods."

## 5 NOTES

### YOUNG SKIERS RECOGNIZED

Colorado Ski Country USA has awarded gold passes good for any ski resort in the state to 39 young ski racers who have distinguished themselves as the best in the Rocky Mountain area. They are:

**Ages 14-15:** Martha Lorch, Chet Fleischer and Penn Henderson of Vail; Seth Nathan of Aspen, and Scott Wither of Steamboat.

**Ages 16-20:** Cait Boyd, Mishha Moritz, Jany Wasmeier and David and Nate Bryan of Vail; Mike Gibson, Craig Thrasher and Lobby Crimmins of Steamboat; Lorraine Olson of Colorado Mountain College; Monique Pelletier of Aspen; Shauna Fisher, Kerry Corcoran, Laura Crimmins, Juliana Furtado, Betty Rounds and Eric Archer of the University of Colorado; Kristin Krone, Meagan Harvey, Janice Vranka and Betty Blandford of Wyoming; Eric Hickerson of Monarch; Mike Vranka of the University of New Mexico, and Jeff Bardin of Summit County.

**Ages 21 and over:** Beth Madsen, Aspen; Heidi Bowes and Jack Miller, Steamboat; Amy Livran and Mike Brown, Vail; Troy Watts, Breckenridge; John Walsh, Jan Witter and Fritz Schlopy, CU; David Kindaid, Wyoming.

— Charlie Meyers

Today's races

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**TODAY, Nov. 2**  
Dog racing  
RMGP, 1:15 &  
Rangers hoc  
Saginaw, 7:30

**THURSDAY, Nov. 3**  
Dog racing  
RMGP, 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY, Nov. 4**  
Nuggets  
Houston, 7:30

LATE!

Favorite	NCAA F	Sat	Open
Colorado	6	1	1
Air Force	2	2	2
at Utah	3	3	3
at Wyoming	15	15	15
at Clemson	21	21	21
at Pittsburgh	15	15	15
Indiana	5	5	5
at Notre Dame	24	24	24
at Dartmouth	7	7	7
at Tennessee	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
at Michigan	30	30	30
at Penn St.	9	9	9
Georgia	3	3	3
N. Carolina St.	1	1	1
Houston	1	1	1
at Cornell	1	1	1
at Temple	1	1	1
Michigan St.	1	1	1
West Virginia	1	1	1
Florida St.	1	1	1
at Ohio St.	1	1	1
at Syracuse	1	1	1
at Duke	1	1	1
Arkansas	1	1	1
Nebraska	1	1	1
Kansas St.	1	1	1
at Iowa	1	1	1
at Alabama	1	1	1
Oklahoma	1	1	1
at Mississippi	1	1	1
at Auburn	1	1	1
at TCU	1	1	1
at Washington	1	1	1
at Miami, Fla.	1	1	1
UCLA	1	1	1
at Stanford	1	1	1
at Kentucky	1	1	1
at Southern Cal	1	1	1
at Louisville	1	1	1
at Memphis St.	1	1	1
at Arizona St.	1	1	1
Brigham Young	1	1	1
at Hawaii	1	1	1
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Favorite	Goals
at Buffalo	1
at Montreal	1
at Toronto	1
at Edmonton	1

## Beck on golf

David Frost beat out-hole chip-off for prize in the Shoot-out in Tucson, Ariz., about 30 yards, some 15 feet beyond the same position, a wedge to within for the victory. Frost calls for the one player each the high score on a chip-off man eliminated.

## Blame

Municipal court judge "responsibility" a drunken driving former University defensive lineman in 1986. But Judge said he doesn't for the Oct. 20, dent Rogers, now the NFL Detroit dived in that left ys dead.

## Spikes

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## Gondola green light

In July, 1986 Trout Unlimited entered into an Agreement with Roskhotrybolovsoyuz (All Russian Union of Hunters and Fishermen) that called for mutual efforts for environmental preservation, particularly of trout and salmon and their habitats.

Specifically, we agreed to sponsor joint scientific conferences, promote trade, conduct angler exchanges and develop angling tourism. The intent is to use profits from angling tourism to fund the scientific and exchange elements of the program.

Soviet government authorities indicated it was the first substantive agreement between private organizations of the USA and the USSR.

Various exploratory trips are underway in the USSR to test for suitable trout and salmon waters for the angling tourism program.

In September, 1988, Trout Unlimited was in Moscow participating in the first private Scientific Conference. Leading American and Soviet fishery professionals met and shared information. The second Scientific Conference will be held next September at Yellowstone National Park and hosted by Trout Unlimited.

The Soviet Angling Team is making its first visit to the US under the Agreement. They arrived in New York on October 22. After a day of instruction with Lee and Juan Wulff, they fished the Beaverkill River. They then flew to Montana and experienced the beauty and fishing of the Yellowstone area.

As fishermen, we share the same pleasures and, of course, the same problems. It only makes sense that the anglers of the world become friends, share mutual fishing pleasures and work together to solve the many resource problems all mankind faces.

What is more remarkable, however, is that these two organizations are creating the program in such a way that the American profits from this tourism are specifically designated for the financing of scientific and people-to-people exchanges between those people of both countries who wish to work together on the major problems of environmental preservation. It is a creative solution to a major problem. Our two great nations should be working together to find ways that the heritage of nature can be passed on to our grandchildren in a better condition than we found it.

Jimmy Carter, Chairman of the Trout Unlimited International Advisory Committee, in a letter to General Secretary Gorbachev.



## DENVER RECEPTION COMMITTEE

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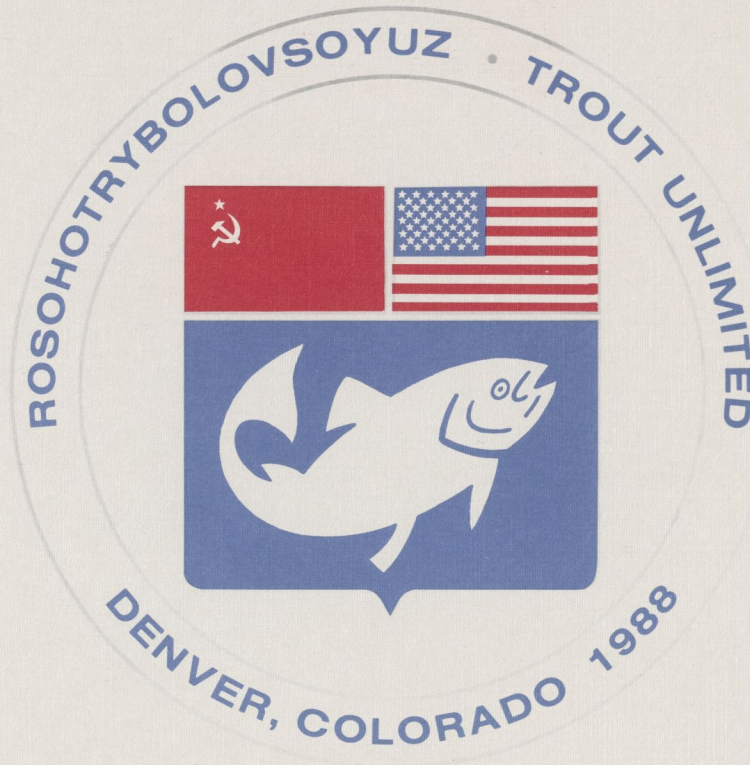
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## 1988 US-USSR ANGLING GAMES October 21 - November 1



COMMEMORATIVE DINNER



## SOVIET ANGLERS

*Alexander Klushin, Delegation Leader and Vice Chairman of Rosokhtrybolovsoyuz*

*B. Gnevashov*

*A. Velikanov*

*L. Stroguin*

*A. Boxer*

*L. Prodanov*

*L. Gubanov*

## PROGRAM

### COMMEMORATIVE DINNER

5:30 p.m. Cocktails

6:45 p.m. Slide Show

7:00 p.m. Dinner

**Lewis Borden, III** Master of Ceremonies

**Stephen Lundy** Opening Toast

**Tim Wirth** U.S. Senator

**Dale Hall** Assistant Director, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

**Hamlet "Chips" Barry** Director, Colorado Department of Natural Resources

### Presentation of Award

**Stephen Lundy** President, Trout Unlimited

**Earl Worsham** Chairman of International Committee

### Auction



## AMERICAN ANGLERS

### EAST

**Gardner Grant**, Team Leader, White Plains, New York

**Nelson Bryant**, The New York Times

**Clive Gammon**, Sports Illustrated

**Leigh Perkins**, Orvis, Manchester, Vermont

**Lee Wulff**, Livingston Manor, New York

**Joan Wulff**, Livingston Manor, New York

**Ed Vantut**, Livingston Manor, New York

**Richard Talleur**, Christione Park, New York

**Earl Worsham**, Atlanta, Georgia

**Dale Hartman**, Jersey City, New York

**Bill Kelly**, New Paltz, New York

### WEST

**Frank Richardson**, Team Leader, Atlanta, Georgia

**Charlie Meyers**, The Denver Post

**John Husar**, Chicago Tribune

**Peter Fonda**, Big Sky, Montana

**Greg LeMond**, Boulder, Colorado

**Mike Owen**, Denver, Colorado

**Jim Taylor**, Santa Barbara, California

**Charlie Loveliss**, Ft. Collins, Colorado

**Jack Hemingway**, Sun Valley, Idaho

**Jack Dennis**, Jackson, Wyoming

**Jackie Matthews**, West Yellowstone, Montana

**Michael Coles**, Atlanta, Georgia

**Bud Lilly**, Bozeman, Montana

**Brent Eastman**, Jackson, Wyoming

**John Krisik**, Jackson, Wyoming