



THE AMERICA CUP INTERNATIONAL FLY FISHING TOURNAMENT Vail, Colorado 2011

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Sector Judges

Thank you all for stepping up and making the venues run smoothly. Adam for taking on a daily variety of drama on the Colorado, Streb and Chris for moving tons of boats to Sylvan, Tate for doing the late night put ins at Nottingham, Michael Johnson for showing up ready and willing, and Lance Glaser and Sherri Topping for helping set the beats on the Blue and for helping to run the show on the ranch.

Camp Machete

Big thanks to the Sylvan Lake crew who went way beyond the call of duty from staying on site with the boats for 4 nights to entertaining the nearby campers for the weekend. Bob, Chris, Zim, Larry, Kitty, and others that will go unnamed.

Venue Owners

Thank you for use of the **land/lakes**: Mike Oros for Blue Valley Ranch, Karl and Jenn Berger for Coyote River Ranch, DOW & Colorado State Parks for Sylvan Lake and Town of Avon for Lake Nottingham.

Boat Owners

Thank you to **Boat owners**: Bob Streb, Chris Sandoski, Charlie Card, Dan and Jill Chalfant, Nova Guides, Noreen Galaba, Paul Zimmermann, Rick Messmer and Jeremy Sides, Minturn Anglers, Alpine River Anglers, Fly Fishing Outfitters, and Gore Creek Fly Fisherman.

Supporters

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And to my lovely wife, **Jodi**, for doing all the volunteer coordinating, sector judge at Nottingham, rowing a boat, and for being the rock in which I lean!

“Thank you to anyone we missed and Thank you everyone!” *John & Jodi Knight*

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