



November 2020

2020 OFFICERS

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Jeff Drowley
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1st VP-Membership:

Rich Holten

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Craig Anderson

Treasurer:

Sheldon Coleman

Secretary:

Denny Kreid

Directors at large:

Bill Frier

Reed Kaldor

Wanda Shearer

Newsletter Editor:

Mike Wade

Past President:

Jim Loomis

MEETINGS

Second Tuesday of
every month except
Mar, Jul, and Aug

6:00pm - Wet Fly - no host
6:30pm - Dinner - \$20
7:15pm - Program - free

MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$25/yr Indiv&Family
\$35/yr Business

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Rich Holten:

509 521-4291 or

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CLUB PURPOSE: Promote fly fishing, conserve regional fishing resources, encourage friendship & cooperation among all anglers.

NEXT MEETING: November 10, 2020, virtual meeting using Zoom. Presentation starts at 6:30 PM, login starting at 6:20 PM.

PROGRAM: Join Jim Cox of the Western Rivers Conservancy for his virtual presentation, Bringing Rivers to Your Home. Jim will focus on how WRC purchases river lands across the West to protect and conserve vital river ecosystems and to provide compatible public access. The program includes stunning photography and updates on many of WRC's recent projects, including acquisitions on Washington's Nisqually, Chehalis and Wenatchee River systems, California's Little Sur; a new acquisition at McDonald's Ferry on the John Day River and WRC's work conserving three miles of the Williamson River in Oregon; and projects on Idaho's Salmon and Snake Rivers among others.

You must register in advance for this presentation:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wwya9gDzT96RiKcOBBmhaw

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the presentation and your own unique meeting link. DO NOT SHARE THIS LINK WITH ANYONE ELSE! This is your personal link and it is password protected. If you have questions or experience any issues with the registration link, please email Jim Cox at jcox@westernrivers.org for assistance.

At the conclusion of Jim's presentation, the club will hold our annual meeting during which we will elect the board of directors for 2020. This will require a separate Zoom login which can be found by clicking [here](#).

UPCOMING FISHING EVENTS

Due to COVID 19 restrictions, no events are currently scheduled.

Jeff's Journal

by Jeff Drowley

Hello there fellow fly casters! Although we in the tri-cities have been declared to be in COVID-19 stage 2, I am urging caution to the membership in dealings with other than your immediate family, and using social distancing where ever possible and masks and hand sanitizer otherwise. Current Benton/ Franklin County Health Department numbers as of 11/3/2020 show that we are over 11 times the allowable infection rate to go to phase 2. This is about where we were in the past summer. That being said, things are beginning to look up for the club. Good News: we will be hosting two on line Zoom meetings on November 10, the first with a speaker from the Western River Conservancy (WRC), followed by a second Zoom meeting for the business portion of the meeting, which includes the selection of the 2021 Board of Directors. The WRC presentation starts at 6:30 PM. This is discussed elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope to "see" you all there.

We have reached the point in our calendar where we need to elect a new board of directors. Additionally, we need to have members step up (presuming we can get to phase 4) to run the Sportsman's Show, assist with the banquet preparations, assist with the Salmon Booth, kids fishing day, Casting for Recovery, fly tying class, rod building class, and fly casting class. Since the October newsletter, no volunteers have stepped forward for these positions. If interested, please call me at (630) 370-9877 or send me an e-mail using the hot link in the newsletter.

The proposed slate for the board is as follows, and will be voted on at the November general (on-line Zoom) meeting:

President: Jeff Drowley

1st VP (Membership): Rich Holten

VP Programs: Craig Anderson

Secretary: Denny Kreid

Treasurer: Sheldon Coleman

Past President: Jim Loomis

At-Large 3 year: Dave Myers

Newsletter Editor: Mike Wade

There are 2 Board positions that do not require a vote at this time, having been elected for partially overlapping At-Large positions. The one year remaining at large member is Reed Kaldor and the 2 year remaining at large member is Bill Frier.

With regards to the October presentation on the Central Oregon Lakes, we requested feedback on the presentation. We received one comment, that the presentation ran overlong. We are providing additional instructions to the presenter for November to limit the presentation to 45 minutes and allow for 15 minutes of Q&A. This instruction will apply to future speakers as well. Again, club member feedback is sought on the November presentation.

Tight Lines, Jeff Drowley

The Denny Leech

by Ken Gano

Sometimes fish eat things that we, as fishers, don't always recognize as appetizing. Such is the case for a pattern that Denny Kreid introduced me to several years ago at Anthony Lake. The fishing was kinda slow one afternoon for everyone but Denny. He was catching fish left and right, much to the consternation of the rest of us that were struggling to hook up. Finally I'd had enough and kicked over to Denny and asked what the hell he was using. He said a purple mini leech, then he gave me one. I put it on behind my type 2 sinking line that I use for trolling in all lake fishing situations (Denny uses an intermediate line). Right on cue, I started catching fish at about the same rate as Denny. I told him that's about the dumbest looking fly I'd ever seen. It's nothing more than a little bit of marabou tied on a 1x, size 10 or 12 hook. Well, I guess ya can't knock ugly if it catches fish. This pattern is effective in several different colors including purple, brown, black, olive, and

especially orange; my most productive color. Since that fateful introduction, I've used the "Denny leech" numerous times as a trailer behind my normal go-to pattern, a peacock hurl woolybugger with either black or brown mariboo and grizzly hackle. I've found this combination to be deadly on numerous occasions on just about every lake I've fished it.

Such was the case again on October 23 at Lenice lake. It was a cold, overcast day in the mid 40s with snow in the forecast. I put on my standard rig using an orange Denny leech trailing my peacock hurl woolybugger.



Within the first 5 minutes I had my first fish. One hour later I had caught 10 fish, and by the end of the day I had caught 24 fish, most of which had taken the orange Denny leech. There was a hatch of very small (size 22-24)

chironomids that many fish were taking on the surface that tempted me, so I tried to match with emergers and nymphs but to no avail. Most of my success is attributable to a recent stocking that I wasn't aware of, so most fish were between 10 and 12". Even so, 6 were between 14 and 17". It was a very fun day. Thanks again Denny for introducing me to your very productive little leech. Everyone should carry this pattern if you fish lakes. I sometimes add two strands of crystalflash and a clear glass bead to give it a little sparkle. I really believe in this two fly approach because it gives them a choice and I think it catches their attention better than a single fly.

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KNOW ANY PROSPECTIVE CBFC MEMBERS?

Please forward a copy of this newsletter to them, and bring them to the next meeting.

Tight lines and BIG fish.

October 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

by Denny Kreid

The October 27, 2020 CBFC Board meeting was held at 7PM as a Zoom multiparty connection per an agenda provided via email by President Drowley.

Board members connected to the call included Jeff Drowley, Mike Wade, Craig Anderson, Rich Holten, Jim Loomis, Reed Kaldor, Wanda Shearer, Bill Frier and Denny Kreid.

Conflict of Interest - President Drowley asked if there were any concerns on the part of the Board with regard to conflict of interest. With no issues raised, the meeting proceeded per the agenda provided.

Secretary's Report - Secretary Denny Kreid asked if there were any new comments on the September 22, 2020 Board meeting minutes. With no correction identified, the September 22, 2020 Board meeting minutes were approved by the Board.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Sheldon Coleman submitted the Treasurers' report to the Board by email prior to the meeting. Following discussion, the October 27 Treasurer's Report was accepted by the Board.

Membership Report – Vice President for Membership Rich Holten reported that the current paid up CBFC membership remains at 86.

Programs Report – Vice President for Programs, Craig Anderson reported that Jim Cox from Western Rivers Conservancy will provide a Zoom presentation at the CBFC Zoom meeting scheduled for November 10. This will require a two step Zoom process to

allow Jim to use his Zoom access. More info on how this will work will be provided prior to the meeting.

A Zoom program by Phil Fischer on Central Oregon fly fishing opportunities was very well received by the Board and membership. Although it was a little longer than usual that was not considered to be a problem since members could leave the session at any time they wished.

There was discussion about whether a Zoom meeting is appropriate for business meetings, and it was concluded that it is ok according to current state law on the subject.

Since we will not have the customary gift exchange in December, Craig is going to try to get a Zoom program for December. Most likely candidate is Jim Worley from the Worley Bugger Fly Shop.

Conservation Report – Conservation activities chair Dennis Dauble was unable to attend so no conservation report was available.

Newsletter editors Report – Editor Mike Wade noted that input for the November newsletter is needed by November 4 for publication on November 5

Old Business

Outings and events

- The Potholes State Park outing September 27 - October 2 led by Dennis Collins was enjoyed by all, although the fishing was not great
- Rich Holten is coordinating a Sun Lakes outing on April 28 – May 2, 2021
- 2021 Annual Sportsman Show - Still apparently planned but nothing definite to report at this time
- A volunteer is needed to coordinate the 2021 CBFC Sportsman Show

booth. Several Board members volunteered to get it together. We will determine a lead when there is confidence that the Sportsman show will go on in 2021 as planned.

Wanda Shearer, who has completed her three-year Board membership but will continue running the raffles at future meetings. Wanda asked if there was any different involvement with the Board in continuing this function. The response is that nothing is changed, but if any guidance is needed from the Board just inquire as may be needed.

New Business

Future CBFC meetings

The Board agreed that the Zoom approach is working well for the Board Meeting, programs and remote club meetings and will continue for the foreseeable future.

President Drowley noted that he has continued discussions with Country Gentlemen about planning for future dinner meetings but with nothing to report at this time.

Craig Anderson has reserved potential dates in March for the 2021 annual CBFC banquet, but no planning is possible at this time.

Election of CBFC Board for 2021

President Drowley confirmed the following slate for 2021 CBC Board positions to be voted on in the November Annual meeting.

Board President Jeff Drowley
Past President – Jim Loomis
Treasurer - Sheldon Coleman
Membership – Rich Holten
Programs – Craig Anderson
Secretary – Dennis Kreid

Newsletter Editor – Mike Wade
At Large – 3yr - Dave Myers
At Large – 2yr – Bill Frier
At Large – 1yr – Reed Kaldor

The next Board Meetings are scheduled for November 17, to accommodate Thanksgiving, and the December Board meeting will be December 15, to accommodate Christmas.



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FISHING INFORMATION

[Idaho Fish & Game Fishing Information](#)

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[Columbia Basin Bulletin's](#) Significant developments related to salmon and steelhead recovery and other important Columbia/Snake River Basin fish and wildlife issues.

[River and stream data](#) USGS current and historical data for Washington State.

CONSERVATION

[Coastal Conservation Association's](#) purpose is to advise and educate the public on conservation of marine resources. CCA's objective is to conserve, promote, and enhance present and future availability of coastal resources.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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ANNUAL DUES:(Please Check One)

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Who can we thank for referring you to our Club?

To be completed by Treasurer:

___ Cash ___ Check # _____

Membership Database updated: _____