



# June 2021

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## 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

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

**NEXT MEETING:** June 8, 2021, virtual meeting using Zoom. Presentation starts at 7:00 PM, login starting at 6:55 PM by clicking [here](#).

**PROGRAM:** "Make Soft-Hackle and Wet-Fly Fishing Work" by noted author, fly tyer, and presenter Skip Morris

These very old flies and the techniques by which they are fished were for a long time all but forgotten—but they really do catch trout. And they catch them sometimes when other flies and methods won't.

Soft hackles and wets can drum up trout that aren't rising, but they can also be deadly during a hatch of mayflies or caddis, even midges.

Skip came to his understanding of these flies and the ways they are fished through reading the works of, and fishing with Dave Hughes. Skip has also learned a lot, both directly and indirectly, from wet-fly master Davy Wotton.

You'll learn to skip a wet atop the water to drive trout a little mad, how to solidly hook a high proportion of the trout that take both your wets and soft-hackles (an area where many fly fishers have trouble), the rigs, the flies, and more.

## Upcoming Fishing Events

July 23-24 Salmon Booth, Art in the Park, Richland

August 10 Club Picnic

September 16-19 Lochsa River, Idaho

September 26-30 Potholes State Park

# Jeff's Journal

by Jeff Drowley

Hello, fellow fly casters. We continue to move into the fishing season, with the Sun Lakes outing, which those of you reading the newsletter found had good fishing particularly on Deep Lake.

In yet more recent news, the Art in the Park is moving forward with dates of July 23 and 24, 2021. Volunteers are needed for booth assembly and fish preparation on the July 22 evening. More details as to the timing of shifts and the assistance required is found elsewhere in the newsletter, but you are all encouraged to volunteer, as this is our major fundraiser for the year.

In other recent news, on May 13 the Governor stated that effective the 18th of May, Washington was going to follow the CDC guidance for masks. If you are two weeks beyond your last vaccination, you don't have to mask in Washington State unless you have been exposed. It was also announced by the governor's office that they expected Washington to be out of COVID restrictions on or before June 30, 2021 (depending of course on continued decline in infection rates, no serious ICU increases or reaching a 70% immunized status which is apparently the Washington "herd immunity" number). At board direction, we are now continuing to work on a new contract with our venue of choice, with the intent of having our first face to face meeting in September (again, dependent on continued progress with COVID and the proposed governor's announcement).

We are also planning on a picnic on the second Tuesday of August, so keep your

eye on the newsletter for more information. Here's wishing you all a great late spring/summer fishing season!

Jeff Drowley

## Salmon Booth

by Dale Schielke

The Salmon Booth operated by the Richland Rod and Gun Club and Columbia Basin Fly Casters has been accepted as one of the concessions for the 70<sup>th</sup> Art in the Park. The event will be held on July 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> in Howard Amon Park. Volunteers from both clubs will be needed to prepare and serve the salmon and chicken sandwiches on this year's menu which has been restricted by the City to "portable food." Volunteers will be provided drinks and a sandwich for their service. Please volunteer for one or more shifts on the on-line sign-up on the CBFC web page <https://columbiabasinflycasters.org> then click "VOLUNTEER" or call Dale Schielke at 375-0183. The Salmon Booth has been one of the major fund raisers for both clubs since its inception in 1985! Profits are shared equally between both clubs. Consider volunteering, it's not hard work and there are often a few fish stories shared among the folks.

## East Lake Fishing Report

by Denny Kreid

Daughters Betsy and Jenny joined Sue and me for a week at our cabin in Sunriver, Oregon, the week of May 14 – 21. That was the week after the CBFC Sun Lakes outing. A highlight of the week for both

Betsy and me was a day spent fishing on East Lake on Saturday May 15.

It was a clear, warm, and windless day of the sort you rarely get on East Lake especially so early in the spring. There were snowdrifts along the forest edge all around the lake and the water was cold. The lake water was also a little colored due to the annual turnover with a visibility of about three to four feet. A guide in the Sunriver fly shop warned me about the dark water and suggested we fish buggers and leeches near the bottom in water no more than ten feet deep. He said chironomid fishers were also doing okay with the bobber and midge setups.

Betsy spent the day on my little wooden-hulled pontoon boat (serial #1), which I keep in Sunriver. I was on my backup inflatable pontoon boat. There were few other fishermen on the lake, and a surprising number of people and kids playing in the water and on the beach.

There was no surface action except some tiny midges so we spent the day slowly dragging "skinny leeches" on intermediate lines moving along the shoreline up around the rocky point to the west of the launch area. Most of the competition was fishing fly and bobber with very little action.

We started getting action almost immediately coming off the beach. Shortly after we got going, I landed a small rainbow and lost another, and Betsy landed a nice 14" rainbow, shown in the attached photo. We just kept trolling and getting hits and landing some nice 8-12" fish, mostly rainbows, some small kokanees. I also caught some tui chubs, which somehow got into the lake about 10 years ago. I was hoping to catch a brown trout, which would

have given me an "East Lake Slam" but it did not happen. In the half hour before we quit fishing we trolled around in front of the beach where we launched. I netted two beautiful 18" rainbows that were colored up for spawning. We tried to get some pictures in the net, but they did not come out well.

Over the day I landed nine fish (of all species) and Betsy landed five. In total it was one of my best days on East Lake in terms of both the weather and the fishing. If you have not fished East Lake, you need to give it a try!



# Fishing trip to Potholes State Park

by Dennis Collins

Fishers, Mary Ann and I are planning another trip to Potholes State Park. We will plan to be there from Sept 26 to 30th. We have site 58.

Last year we fished the reservoir without much luck. This year we'll take Mike Shmuck's advice and try the smaller lakes. Many seep lakes close Oct 1 so we'll end the year on a high note.

If you are interested, get your reservations now.

## Virtual Fly Tying Demonstrations

The club's virtual fly tying demonstrations that have been presented throughout the spring have been completed. A big thanks to the members who shared their tying talents: **Craig Anderson, Dennis Kreid, Rich Holten, Dennis Collins, Pat Hickey, and Ken Gano.** If there is continued interest in these sessions, we will resume them after the summer break.

## May 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

by Denny Kreid

The May 25, 2021 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, Sheldon Coleman, Rich Holten, Jim Loomis, Reed Kaldor, Dave Myers, Denny Kreid and Bill Frier

*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 April 27, 2021 Board meeting minutes. With no correction identified, the April 27, 2021 Board meeting minutes were approved by the Board.

*Treasurer's Report* – Treasurer Sheldon Coleman prior to the meeting submitted to the Board by Email the April 2021 Profit and Loss Statement. The Board discussed and approved the April 2021 Profit and Loss statement.

*Membership Report* – Vice President for Membership Rich Holten reported that the current paid up CBFC membership is now 88 reflecting a new member who joined in April.

*Programs Report* – Vice President for Programs, Craig Anderson was unable to attend, but noted in an Email to the Board that he is working with Paul Anderson for a program for the June meeting.

*Conservation Report* – Conservation activities chair Dennis Dauble was unable to attend and there is no report for this month.

*Newsletter editors Report* – Editor Mike Wade noted that input for the June 2021 newsletter is needed by *noon* June 2.

### *Old Business*

President Jeff Drowley has continued discussion with the CG Country House regarding a contract for future CBFC meetings. Jeff will continue discussions with CG management with the objective of resuming face to face meetings beginning in September.

### *New Business*

#### *Salmon Booth*

Dale Schielke and Dave Myers reported progress in planning the joint effort for the annual salmon feed, with RRGc in the lead. The annual Art In the Park event is on again, running July 23 -24 with food prep on July 22. RRGc will be the lead for the Salmon Booth this year. The rules this year are that food must be portable (no plates), so we will go with salmon and chicken sandwiches. Planning for sites for food prep and storage is ongoing. A request for volunteer sign ups for food prep and booth participation will go out to both clubs ahead of the event.

### *Other Activities and Events*

Advanced fly tying class: The current session of fly tying classes will be finished in June with a session by Craig Anderson. The Board discussed starting up the tying classes again in the fall, but no decision was made at this time

The Board again discussed the idea of helping a local car dealer shuttle cars for a

sale. After discussion it was concluded that this idea will not be further pursued at this time.

### *Outings and events*

The Board discussed the possibility of having a picnic this summer/fall. Dale Schielke volunteered his back yard for the picnic. A tentative date of August 10 was selected but the subject will be discussed again at the June Board meeting.

### *Other Topics*

The board discussed the idea of having a Fall Banquet since we missed our annual banquet because of the Pandemic. After discussion it was agreed to not pursue this idea any further at this time.

President Drowley noted that he needed a volunteer to act for him for the June meeting, and Rich Holten agreed to act for him

Dave Myers noted that CBFC members donated 2000 flies to a charity organization that is helping kids get into fly-fishing. The total donated in the country was about 32,000, so we did our share!



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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.

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**Columbia Basin Fly Casters**

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