



July/August 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

\$25/yr Indiv&Family

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

NEXT MEETING: Club picnic, August 10, at Dale and LouAnn Schielke's home, 2635 Harris Avenue, Richland. Dinner starts at 6pm so arrive around 5:30 to start cooking. Bring your own meat to put on the grill and something to share (side dish, dessert, wine). The club will provide water, soda, beer, and paper plates. Feel free to bring your summer fish stories to share, too.



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. By the time you read this we should have just finished preparations for the Salmon Booth at Art in the Park, July 23 and 24, 2021, with booth parts transport, setup, and fish preparation as separate events on the July 22. If you have not signed up for a booth volunteer slot yet, there are still 9 opportunities to help at the booth as of July 15 noon. Signups are being taken at the CBFC web page, using the "Volunteer" pull down at the top of the menu.

We are planning on a club picnic the evening of August 10 at Dale Schielke's house, with more details elsewhere in the letter.

The board has decided that face to face meetings can restart in September. The September date is the second Tuesday, September 14, as reserved with CG Catering.

For those of you who weren't paying attention, on June 26 an angler caught a 24.49 pound Tiger Trout in Loon Lake, which is just off 395 about 30 miles NW of Spokane. This trout, if certified by the IGFA, will become the Washington State and World Record Tiger Trout. The previous Washington Record was 18+ pounds and the previous world record was 20+ pounds. Unfortunately, not caught on a fly, but on a night crawler.

Our typical Anthony Lakes outing in August will not be occurring this year due to the Group campsite unavailability. However, there are still two outings coming up: The Lochsa, from September 16 - 19 (Contact

Craig Anderson), and Potholes/Seep Lakes, from September 26 - 30 (Contact Dennis Collins, who will be in site 58). This latter date was moved forward from last year after realization that most of the seep lakes season ends at midnight on September 30. Anyone wanting to see a reasonably good map of the Seep Lake area go to <https://mapcarta.com/23965492/map>

Regards and tight lines, Jeff

Kelly Creek

by Mike Wade

Rod Gilge and I spent a few days camping and fishing at Kelly Creek Idaho in mid July. The temperatures were a bit cooler than in the Tri Cities, if you can call low 90s "cool." Smoke from the fires in Idaho was noticeable but not too bad. The dirt roads from Pierce to the campground were in great shape, having been sealed with something that has all but eliminate the dust and washboards. The road from Kelly Forks campground up Black Canyon was closed due to a pair of huge landslides two and three miles upstream from the confluence. Hiking past the landslides is possible and we fished for over four miles without encountering another angler! Water temperatures started at 58°F early in the morning and never exceeded 62°F. The cutthroat trout were more cooperative than I have ever seen them here, readily taking just about anything we threw at them. Kelly Creek and the Northfork of the Clearwater River were warmer, with temperatures approaching 68°F late in the day. Both of these streams were more pressured than usual, but the cutties were still "in the mood" whenever we could find open water. About the only negative of the trip was the fact that the water system at

the campground is completely shut down. But Rod had discovered that before we went, so we took plenty of water from home and had no real problems. All in all, it was a great trip!

Trout and Temperature

by Mike Wade

In my early fly fishing days I started carrying a thermometer based on Joe Humphrey's advice in his book, Trout Tactics. The entire first chapter in the book was dedicated to water temperature and its effect on the different species of trout, especially their feeding habits. Fast forward 40 years and you will still find a thermometer in my vest. But these days it is not so much for finding optimum feeding spots. Now my thermometer is a fish conservation tool. It tells me when the water is too warm for safe fishing. This year's record high temperatures and western drought conditions make it especially important to know when to put down your rod and leave the trout alone for the day. You could simply rely on the "hoot owl" regulations some states impose (such as Montana's current "no fishing between 2 PM and midnight" on certain streams and rivers), but I prefer to be more conservative than that. I measure the water temperature throughout the day and stop fishing based on temperature not time of day. After all, have you ever seen a fish wearing a watch?

So how do higher temperatures really affect trout? That is a complicated question and for a pretty detailed answer I refer you to a recent podcast from Tom Rosenbauer of

Orvis that you can find [here](#). A few highlights from that podcast include

- There are two temperature ranges we are concerned with: Lethal Limit (L) and Physiological Effect Limit (PE) and they vary with different trout species. For Browns, Rainbows, and Cutthroat, L = hi 80s and PE = 68°-70°. For Char (Dolly Varden, Bull Trout), L = mid 80s and PE = 60°F. For Brooks, L = mid 80s and PE = 66°-68°.
- As temperature increases, trout metabolism increases and food consumption must increase. This makes them more vulnerable to being caught.
- As temperature increases, blood cortisol (stress hormone) level increases and the higher the temperature the longer it stays elevated. When the fish is further stressed by being caught, cortisol increases even more, triggering higher blood flow and respiratory requirements.
- As temperature increases, dissolved oxygen level in water decreases. This decreases both respiratory efficiency and food processing efficiency.

If the temperature where you are fishing exceeds the PE limit during the day, recommendations to help mitigate these effects include:

- Fish mornings only. Even if the temperature goes back down in the evening, the fish need as much time as possible for the cortisol levels to return to normal.
- Minimize time playing the fish. Use larger tippet and knotless nets to land them quickly. Keep fish in the water while removing the hook and releasing them. Use barbless hooks.

June 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

by Bill Frier

The meeting was called to order at 19:00 hours on June 22 by President Drowley as a Zoom multiparty connection per an agenda previously provided in an email by President Drowley.

Board members connected to the call included Sheldon Coleman, Jeff Drowley, Bill Frier, Reed Kaldor, Denny Kreid, Jim Loomis, Dave Myers, and Mike Wade. Craig Anderson and Rich Holten were traveling back from Henry's Fork.

Conflict of Interest based on the agenda – None reported.

Due to Dennis Kreid's recovery from surgery, Bill Frier was acting as secretary.

Secretary's Report –May Board meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – P & L Statement for June 2021 was accepted without comment.

Membership Report–Rich Holten wasn't available, but we have had no new members join since April, so still at 88 members (same as last month).

Programs Report –Skip Morris was speaker for the June meeting. No meetings are planned for July or August. Craig Anderson was not available, so there is no information with respect to a September speaker

Conservation Report – Dennis Dauble has a call into Paul Hoffarth (WDFW) to revisit the possibility of building a bridge over Ringgold Creek to improve angler access to sacred steelhead waters located upstream of the

hatchery. He would welcome anyone willing to accompany him to look over the situation once WDFW gets back with a date and time.

Newsletter Editors Report--Articles are due by July 14th for publication on the 15th for July-August 2021 newsletter

Old Business

Monthly Meeting Venue Contract--We have reservations for the second Tuesday in each of the following months (September, October, November, and December of 2021 and January and February 2022) in the event center. The contract is still in the negotiation phase.

New Business

- Salmon Booth—43 Volunteer signups are still available at link Mike Wade sent out and also provided in the newsletter. Dates are July 23rd and 24th with booth setup and salmon prep on the 22nd. Note that until otherwise noted by the Art in the Park people, there will be no sit-down to eat area. All the food has to be finger food. Our menu reflects this, and is limited to Chicken and Salmon sandwiches.

Outings and events

- Picnic is scheduled and confirmed to be at Dale Schielke's residence on August 10th.
- Sportsman's Show is a go in 2022. The NFL has changed their scheduling, which had adversely impacted the proposed dates of January 28-30 and February 4-6. The dates may be January 21-23 or later in February. It is expected to have confirmed dates by the next board meeting.

- Next Board Meeting is scheduled at 1900 on August 24, 2021 at Jeff Drowley's house.

Meeting was adjourned at 1950.



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FISHING INFORMATION

[Idaho Fish & Game Fishing Information](#)

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[Washington Fishing & Shellfishing Information](#)

[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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