



October 2021



2021 OFFICERS

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Denny Kreid

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Bill Frier

Reed Kaldor

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:

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

NEXT MEETING: October 12, 2021, virtual meeting using Zoom. Presentation starts at 7:00 PM, login starting at 6:55 PM by clicking [here](#).

PROGRAM: Club member Reed Kaldor will describe a recent trip to the Alaska Expedition Lodge where he fished the Tsiu River for silver salmon. He will provide a short presentation with information about getting to the lodge and river, along with several gratuitous fish pictures. The presentation will be followed up with a 20 minute video prepared by one of his companions on the trip that beautifully displays the splendor of Alaska and the Tsiu River.



Upcoming Fishing Events

January 21 – 23, 2022 Sportsmen Show

April 27 – May 1, 2022 Sun River Outing

Jeff's Journal

by Jeff Drowley

Hello there fellow fly casters! No face to face meeting will be occurring in October. Good News: we will still be hosting an on line Zoom meeting with club member Reed Kaldor discussing fishing in Alaska, and the business portions of the meeting starting Tuesday October 12 at 7:00 PM. This is discussed elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope to "see" you all there.

We have still managed to hold separate fishing events at the Lochsa River and at Potholes Reservoir in recent weeks, which were the last fishing events we had scheduled. It is rumored that fish were caught in both locations by all attendees: we'll wait for the fishing reports at the October meeting.

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 for 2022: to run the Sportsmen Show; assist with the banquet preparations; assist with the Salmon Booth; the kids fishing day; Casting for Recovery; the basic fly tying class,; the rod building class; and the fly casting class. The board, as a minimum, will need volunteers for the following four board positions, which will be voted on at the November general meeting:

President:
VP Programs:
Secretary:
At-Large 3 year:
Those interested should contact Jeff Drowley at (630) 370-9877.

Tight Lines, Jeff

Lochsa Outing

The Lochsa River outing was held from September 16 through 18. Conditions were tough this year. The water level and flow in the river was one-third lower than normal for this time of year. As a result, the fish were not holding in their expected places. In fact, many of the favorite runs were seemingly devoid of fish. Although water temperatures were in the upper 50/lower 60 degree range, the insects were not in the mood to hatch much. Rich Holten captured a few of "the usual suspects" on film, but there were very few risers spotted over the entire trip.



It took some work, but everyone caught fish and a few were in the 16-17 inch range.

Yakima River Stargrass

Stargrass is an aggressive plant that plagues the lower Yakima River. Low flow and high nutrients in the water promote dense mats of stargrass to form which traps fine sediments, causes water temperatures to rise, damages fall chinook spawning habitats, provides mosquito breeding areas, and causes significant fluctuation of dissolved oxygen content. Control of stargrass is an important aspect of salmonid recovery in the Yakima River. A new custom built machine harvester has been purchased by the Benton Conservation District to help remove stargrass from the river. More can be found in [this article](#) from the Tri-City Herald.

Potholes Outing

by Pat Hickey

A small group of members attended the Potholes Outing from September 26 to 30. We fished Corral Lake rather than Potholes Reservoir itself. The weather was quite rainy on Monday, windy on Tuesday, but Wednesday was almost perfect. I had 10 fish, 12-14" on Tuesday and another 10 on Wednesday. We saw egrets along the lake but they were mostly just hanging out, not actively fishing. We had deer in the campground and coyotes in the sagebrush. We caught trout, smallmouth bass, bluegill, and even perch! Dennis Collins hooked up a nice 14"-er and got it to the boat. These

fish were 12" to 16" and energetic when hooked. Denny Kreid had one jump 5 feet out of the water and spit the hook at him. We were all glad we stuck it out through the Monday rain.



September 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

by Bill Frier

The meeting was called to order at 19:07 hours on September 27 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, Rich Holten, Reed Kaldor, Jim Loomis, Dave Myers, and Mike Wade. Craig Anderson had a time conflict on Monday

Conflict of Interest based on the agenda—None reported.

Due to Dennis Kreid's fishing at the Potholes, Bill Frier was acting as secretary.

Secretary's Report—August Board meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report—P & L Statement for August 2021 was approved without comment.

Membership Report—Rich Holten reported CBFC is still at 88 members.

Programs Report—Skip Morris was speaker for the September meeting. Craig Anderson was not available; however, Reed Kaldor will report on his Alaskan fishing trips at the October meeting. Gary Lewis, KONA radio program announcer is scheduled as the November meeting speaker.

Conservation Report—No feedback yet from WDFW regarding the possibility of building a bridge over Ringgold Creek to improve angler access to sacred steelhead waters located upstream of the hatchery. However, we have received an email from the Walla

Walla Basin Watershed Council (WWBWC) with a request for assistance planting trees in November 2021 on the mainstream Walla Walla River (WW) at Lampson Blueberry Farm. In 2022, they plan to remove an existing dam on Couse Creek, a steelhead tributary to the Walla Walla River.

Newsletter Editors Report—Articles are due by noon on October 6th for publication of October 2021 newsletter on the 7th.

Old Business

Board voted unanimously to have a remote general meeting on October 12th.

New Business

Nomination Committee (Jeff Drowley, Denny Kreid, and Jim Loomis) are to canvass membership for candidates for president, program chair, secretary, and an at large board member as well as a Sportsman's Show coordinator(s). Nominations for board members are to be presented at the October 26th board meeting followed by election at the general meeting on November 9th.

It was approved to issue a check for \$250 to Western Rivers Conservancy as it was budgeted.

Board voted 8-0 to support a letter of support to Director of Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding regulations on limiting campsite reservations from 21 days to 10 days.

Agreed to participate in preparation of flies for submittal to the Tie-Athlon in mid-April as was done in 2020.

Outings and events

Five members attended the Lochsa outing in August. Fewer fish were caught than normal, but everyone (of the five who attended) caught fish.

Potholes fishing occurred September 26-30 on Coral Lake.

Sportsmen Show dates are January 21-23, 2022.

Sun Rivers outing is April 27 – May 1, 2022

Meeting was adjourned at 2025.



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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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