



February 2022

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MEETINGS

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

6:00pm - Wet Fly - no host
6:30pm - Dinner - \$22
7:15pm - Program - free

MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$25/yr Indiv&Family
\$35/yr Business
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CLUB PURPOSE: Promote fly fishing, conserve regional fishing resources, encourage friendship & cooperation among all anglers.

NEXT MEETING: February 8, 2022, at CG Public House & Catering in Kennewick. Starts 6pm.

PROGRAM: Mark Worden will present Fishing Southwest Montana. Mark started fly fishing with his father Larry when he was 10, so he has been at it for 51 years. There were many seasons of life where the passion for fly fishing was dormant with an occasional trip on the waters because of school, work, etc. However, for the past 10 years he has been fortunate to be in a location (Dillon, Montana), circumstances, and position in life to let the fly fishing passion go unbridled. He ordered a RO Tailwater Skiff drift boat pre Covid-19 and received his guide license in January of 2020. He only had 2 paid guide trips in September that year, however in the long run it turned out great as all of his guide friends didn't have trips, so they explored and learned new waters together. Mark got out for about 40 float trips with great mentors. In the 2021 season he had 31 paid trips and numerous personal trips primarily on the following Montana rivers: Missouri, Madison, Jefferson, Big Hole, and the Beaverhead. Each one of these rivers has unique qualities and beauties. Mark says "We love casting to surface feeders, especially during the Salmon Fly hatches in early summer and later when we see large hatches of PMDs. We can usually do well any time of year nymphing. However, it is fishing so there are those days where it is more difficult to hook-up."

Join us to learn how you can maximize your success on some of Montana's fabled rivers.

Upcoming Fishing Events

March 26 CBFC Annual Banquet
April 2 Tie-a-Thon, Sportsman's Warehouse
April 27 - May 1 Sun Lakes Outing
August 11 – 14 Anthony Lakes Outing
September 8 - 11 Lochsa River Outing

President's Message

by Jim Loomis

The board has decided to continue with in-person monthly meetings for the foreseeable future and, in addition to requesting members to wear masks except when eating, we will request CG to put a maximum of 6 people at a table to maintain some social distancing.

Thanks to all who helped at the Sportsmen Show. We welcomed 3 new members and had quite a few people sign up for the fly tying, rod building, and fly casting classes. The club also made a modest profit on the raffle for the fly rod and float tube.

Jeff Drowley and I met with the CG Public House folks and finalized the dinner contracts through June. The dinner price will remain the same for that period, but CG has indicated that, due to supply chain problems, they need an accurate dinner count seven days ahead of our monthly meetings. As a result, our callers will be contacting you by the preceding Tuesday. Because of all the spam calls we all have been receiving, most members either don't answer their phones or send them directly to voice mail, making it quite difficult to contact folks for the dinner count. Please make sure that you put the name of your caller in your contact list so you will know they are not a spam caller and be more likely to answer the phone. In addition, if you provide a cell number to the club, we will also try contacting folks by text message.

Because of the earlier requirement for the dinner count, the monthly newsletter will be issued a week earlier so everyone can see who the meeting speaker will be. This will

require any newsletter input at the earlier date.

Craig Anderson will be contacting some of you requesting a dozen flies for the banquet fly raffle. The raffle is one of our biggest money makers of the year and contributions will be greatly appreciated.

We are still looking for volunteers to host outings this spring, especially at Rocky Ford and Leech Lake.

Membership Dues

by Rich Holten

If you haven't already done so, please pay your dues at the February meeting or mail them in using the form at the end of this newsletter. We have carried some members with unpaid dues over the past year due to COVID; but this year, members with unpaid dues at the end of February will be removed from the calling and email newsletter lists. While we really do not want to lose members on the rolls, we realize that some fly fishers have moved on for various reasons over the past year. Hopefully, COVID is not a factor in membership renewal since we are trying to minimize risk by reducing the number of people at tables during in-person meetings and are trying to follow state recommendations.

Annual Financial Summary

by Sheldon Coleman

2021 was a financial improvement over last year, as we were able to receive income from the Salmon Booth. However, COVID 19 restrictions prevented monthly in-person

meetings and the Board of Directors cancelled membership dues for 2021 only. We were also unable to hold the annual Club Banquet and obtain income from the fly raffle, auction and monthly raffles. However, a number of club members made contributions to the club which were a great help----Thank You!

We were able to hold monthly virtual meetings with speakers on Zoom, club outings, and the club picnic. Operating costs included: Speaker Zoom fees, publication of the newsletter, administrative costs, Outings/Picnic, and Web/ Zoom operation fees. Donations to service and conservation organizations were reduced to a single donation to Western Rivers Conservancy. Actions taken by the Board reduced expenditures and income exceeded expenditures for the year.

Ultimate Guide to Fly Fishing

The Ultimate Guide to Fly Fishing is a documentary television series that teaches the fundamentals of fly fishing for all species, in all waters. Its purpose is simple: to demystify fly fishing, make it fun and clearly demonstrate it is both accessible and affordable to all anglers. Author and well known celebrity angler Tom Rosenbauer hosts the series and helps anglers of all ages to clearly understand the basics of fly fishing – no matter where they live. This series provides viewers with all the necessary tools to get started and to increase their skills. It can be seen Saturdays at 7:30 AM on our local PBS station, KTNW-HD.

Sun Lakes Outing

by Rich Holten

The Sun Lakes trip is only a few months away. If you wish to attend this trip (April 27 through May 1) and want to bring your RV to a full hook-up campsite, it is recommended that you get on line and reserve a space at either the Sun Lakes State Park or the nearby Sun Lakes Resort. It is likely that few if any full hook-up sites are still available in the State Park, but the resort usually has space. If you don't need a full hook-up campsite, there is no need for concern since the State Park has always had plenty of campsites available. For those of you who have not reached the golden years of retirement, plan to come up on Friday evening and stay the weekend. Contact Rich Holten at 509-521-4291 if you have questions.

Tri City Sportsmen Show

by Bruce Hewitt

The 2022 Tri Cities Sportsmen Show is in the books. COVID protocols reduced exhibitor and attendance numbers from past years. Still the show gave CBFC an opportunity to showcase club activities, interesting speakers, civic participation, and create interest in fly tying skills. Our signups produced a full class for our Fly Tying class at Sportsman's Warehouse in March, a few rod builders, and a good class for learning to fly cast in May. We gained two new members and expect some new prospective members at the February meeting. Our booth activities were

coordinated by Jeff Drowley, Bill Frier, Fred Riedell, Frank Mora and Bruce Hewitt.

January 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

by Ray Williams



We extend out hearty thanks to club members who volunteered to demonstrate tying different techniques and patterns at the Fly Tying Theater and in our booth. Hats off to: Dennis Collins, Craig Anderson, Rich Holten, Jan Jackson, Mike McWethy, Guy Reisenauer, Mike Wade, Ray Williams, Sheldon Coleman, Elver Robbins, Jim Loomis, Ted Poston, and Dave Myers. Thanks also to Paul Anderson of Fly Fishing Strategies and Jack Mitchell of The Evening Hatch for lending their tying skills.



The January CBFC Board meeting was held at 7 PM as a Zoom multiparty connection per an agenda provided via email by President Loomis.

Board members connected to call: Jim Loomis, Rich Holden, Craig Anderson, Sheldon Coleman, Ray Williams, Mike Wade, Jeff Drowley, Guy Reisenauer, Dave Myers, and Bill Frier.

Conflict of Interest - President Loomis 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.

Secretary's Report – President Loomis asked if there were any comments on the December, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes. Ray Williams requested the minutes be approved as submitted. With no objections, the December Board Meeting Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Sheldon Coleman has published a budget for 2022 that reflects the recommendations of the Board in December. The Board approved the new budget as submitted.

To date we have received 19 new memberships, and we had 24 paid dinners at the January meeting.

Membership Report – Vice President for Membership Rich Holten presented that we have 51 paid members to date. He projected that this year's membership will approach 60-70 based on years past data.

Programs Report - Craig Anderson reported on his efforts for future programs including the following:

- The February 2022 speaker is will be Mark Worden speaking on Southwest Montana.
- The 2022 CBFC Banquet is scheduled for March 26, 2022 at the Meadow Springs Country Club. Brian O'Keefe will be the speaker. The banquet will cost \$45 per person. Donations for the silent auction are requested and so are donations for the fly raffle. Dinner will be a "Wild West" motif featuring Smoked Beef Tri-Tip and Candied BBQ Chicken.
- The April 2022 speaker will be Brian DuFresne speaking on back packing fishing.

Conservation Report – The new 2022 Budget reflects a donation of \$400 to the Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council. We will request, in our submittal letter, that they provide feedback on how they will use our donation.

Newsletter Editors Report - *Input dates and other issues* – Editor Mike Wade noted that inputs for the February 2022 newsletter are needed by noon, February 2, 2022. The March newsletter will have a later submittal date as it will be published later in March, just prior to the Banquet.

Old Business

Outings currently scheduled:

- April 27 – May 1, Sun Lakes outing (Rich Holten is the organizer)
- August 11 – 14, Anthony Lake, OR
- September 8 – 11, Lochsa River, ID

We discussed the need to have more leaders for the additional outings this year.

Suggested areas were Rocky Ford, Lenice Lake, and the Imnaha River in Oregon.

The Sportsmen Show results were discussed. Overall attendance was low compared to pre-COVID numbers. The Club's class sign-ups were 21 for Fly Tying, 6 for Rod Building, and 18 for Casting. We discussed ways to increase booth traffic and theater participation. A thanks to Bruce Hewitt for organizing setup and staffing.

New Business

General Meeting for February 8th is being planned for the CG Public House. Jim Loomis and Jeff Drowley met with CG on Monday, January 24, to discuss our contract for April, May, and June. CG requested a 7 day notice for the head count. We discussed the need for members to let the calling committee know they will be attending for dinner. We discussed the use of "Text Messaging" for the Contact Committee. We will also ask CG for 6 per table seating.

Salmon Booth, Art in the Park – We are "go" for 2022

Dave Myers presented the date of April 2nd for the Tie-a-Thon fly tying event at Sportsman's Warehouse in Kennewick. The tying event is to support Casting for Recovery. Dave also discussed "Kids Day" for fishing is planned for April 22nd and 23rd.

- The next General meeting is February 8, 2022
- The next Board meeting is February 22, 2022

Meeting Adjourned.



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[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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Richland, WA 99352 2015

Date: _____

Name _____

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Primary Phone: _____

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___ Cash ___ Check # _____

Membership Database updated: _____