



May 2024

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MEETINGS

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

5:30pm - Wet Fly - no host

6:00pm - Dinner - \$26

6:45pm - Program - free

MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$35/yr Indiv&Family

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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: May 14, 2024, at CG Public House and Catering on Clearwater Ave. in Kennewick, WA.

PROGRAM: May 2024 Speaker—Jake Campbell

Jake Campbell of Western Rivers Conservancy will make a presentation entitled "Sometimes to Save a River You Have to Buy It." WRC has been working for more than 35 years to conserve and protect lands on more than 280 rivers and streams in nine western states. The presentation will focus on how WRC purchases properties across the West to protect and conserve vital river ecosystems and to provide compatible public use and enjoyment. Included in the program is stunning photography with updates on many of the organization's recent projects in Oregon on the John Day, McDermitt Creek and Emigrant Creek; Dillon Beach in California; Tarryall Creek Colorado' Racetrack Creek in Montana, the Yakima River in Washington and the Selway River in Idaho among others.



Jake joined Western Rivers Conservancy in 2022 as the Donor Relations Officer. Raised in Michigan, he has been fly fishing since he could hold a rod and his passion for western rivers stems from annual family fishing trips to northern California. Jake attended graduate school in Humboldt County where he earned an MS from Cal Poly Humboldt. He brings over 5 years of sales experience and jumped at the chance to contribute to saving the great rivers of the West. When not in the office, you can find Jake fishing, biking, or boating.

Club President Message

by Guy Reisenauer

The Sun Lakes outing was a great success. Everyone who went seemed to have a really great time with a lot of excellent fishing. Deep and Perch Lakes yielded some good limits. Park Lake was excellent for some very large fish. I would like to thank Dave Meyers and his aid Bruce Hewitt for an excellent breakfast on Friday to start the day and Rich Holten for organizing the potluck dinner on Friday evening. Very well done.

As we move forward into the summer months, we are planning a trip to Leech Lake on White Pass. This scenic lake is on the east side of White Pass and is very picturesque. The lake has some trophy size fish and lots of smaller brook trout if that is what you like to fish for. The trip is being planned for some time in late June. More information will be published when details are finalized. The timing is based on WDFW fish plant dates. This is a good watercraft lake for any kind of small floating craft.

I would encourage anyone who has an idea for a club outing to discuss it with a board member. I know the summer months can be very busy with families and vacations, but with a large number of locations nearby, there may be opportunities for events we could participate in or organize.

I will see you all at May's meeting on the 14th.

Annual Banquet Summary

by Craig Anderson

The CBFC Annual Banquet was held at Meadow Springs Country Club on March 9th and attended by fifty-five members and friends. Unfortunately, our speaker John Shewey came down with Covid two days before the Banquet, so we were unable to put on his planned steelhead fly tying demonstration. Nor we were able to hear his originally planned presentation, but we Zoomed a presentation on fishing in southeast Oregon, which John had in reserve and it was excellent. We will have John back again to hear what we missed.

The meal served was an Italian buffet, and there was plenty of delicious food, the lasagna being especially noteworthy. The Banquet was financially successful with donations and boxes of flies. Thank you to **Craig Anderson, Dennis Collins, Mark Freshley, Ken Gano, Rod Gilge, Stan Haff, Rich Holten, Reed Kaldor, Denny Kreid, Jim Loomis, Dave Myers, Ted Poston, Guy Reisenauer, Dale Shielke,** and **Mike Wade** for contributing boxes of beautiful flies to the fly raffle. A total of 850 one dollar tickets were sold.

A number of donations were made for the silent auction by **Craig Anderson, Sheldon Coleman, CBFC tiers** (tied at the Sportsman's Show), **Dennis Dauble,** the **Estate of Fred Riedel, Rich Holten, Reed Kaldor, Scott Mitchell, Guy Reisenauer, John Shewey, Dale Shielke, Tony Umek, Chad Wilkerson, Ray Williams,** and **Judie Winters.** The silent auction sales were \$1135. Special thanks to **Judie Winters** for making and donating the table decorations.

Kid's Fishing Day

From Rod Gilge

(Photo of Ken Gano landing his 12th trout on a 65F windless afternoon)

Mike Wade awarded the Smashed Hackle Award to **Craig Anderson**, who after a float trip placed his rod and reel in the rear deck of the wrong truck in front of Renee Harrop's facility in Last Chance, Idaho, never to be seen again. Thanks to **Rich Holten** and **Reed Kaldor** for their support in announcing the winners of the fly raffle and silent auction and to **Sheldon Coleman** for greeting and registering attendees.

A number of our regular attendees were burdened with illness or previously arranged travel plans, not being able to attend this year. We hope to see you next year. Mark your calendars for March 8 and 15, 2025, one of which dates will be the date for our next Annual Banquet.





Tips for Anthony Lakes Outing

From Ray Williams

This August, the Club has an outing scheduled to Anthony Lakes, August 15th through the 18th. The Club has booked the Group Camp. The camp has back-in sites for light trailers, and of course tents. I camped in a tent on one outing there and

found it extremely cool at night as the lake is at 7,000 feet.

If you have a problems at high altitudes, especially sleeping, there are disposable oxygen canisters available to get you by. The product is "Boost Oxygen". It comes in an aluminum canisters. It contains 10-liters (STP) of 95% breathing oxygen. They are available at Sportsman's warehouse for \$9.92 each. I have used them on trips to New Mexico (Angels Fire, 8600'), and Wyoming (Laramie, 7200'). One or two canisters canister would get you by. If you have a motorhome or large trailer (over 23ft), run it by Craig Anderson to see if spot is available near the Group Camp. In my case, pulling my 31 foot fifth-wheel up the mountain is not an option. I have to break down my pontoon boat, which is a hassle. Tenting is also not an option for me.

I have a viable solution; the North Power Motel. Rooms are \$75-\$85 night and the Lake is 20 miles away. The Highway 84 exit to Anthony Lakes is the same exit for the motel. Getting 20 mpg instead of 11 mpg helps defer some costs of the room. I'm going to the lake in the morning, Thursday the 16th, then checking in that night. I will checking out in the morning of the 18th. That gives me 3 fishing days for 2 night lodging. I'll stay for the pot-luck Saturday. The Club usually takes over some of the shoreline in the late afternoon for an overnight pontoon boat marina. Therefore, boat handling is at a minimum. Text me at 509-975-0254 if you are interested in more details for this option.

From Craig: Saturday night will be a hosted spaghetti dinner not a pot luck. I provide spaghetti, meat sauce, garlic bread, salad and cheap wine.



2024 Dues Reminder

Rich Holten

2024 Dues

If you haven't already done so, please renew your membership by paying 2024 dues, \$35 for single individuals or families and \$50 for a business membership. You can pay your dues at the next meeting on April 9th or mail dues with a completed membership form to:

Columbia Basin Fly Casters
Post Office Box 791
Richland, Washington 99352

A membership application form is included in the monthly newsletter. If you are unsure if you have paid your dues, text or call Rich Holten at 509-521-4291 or see Rich at the April meeting.

April 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

by Jeff Drowley

The meeting was called to order by President Guy Riesenauer at 7:00 PM. Present were Guy Riesenauer, Craig Anderson, Jeff Drowley, Sheldon Coleman, Kyle Kneese, Bruce Hewitt, Elver Robbins, Jan Jackson, and Ray Williams. Not attending was Rich Holten.

Check for agenda conflicts of interest determined there were no conflicts of interest.

Secretary Report: The March 26, 2024 meeting minutes were sent out draft, comments received were addressed and the meeting minutes were sent out final and were incorporated into the April Newsletter. The Secretary's Report was approved.

Treasurer's Report: The monthly Treasurer's Report was sent out to board members prior to the meeting. After some discussion, the Treasurer's report was approved.

Membership Report: Rich Holten was not present, so the report is deferred. Programs Report: Craig Anderson reported the following: The May 14 General Meeting speaker will be Jake Campbell talking on the subject of Western Rivers Conservancy conservation program. The June 14 General Meeting Speaker is TBD. The September General Meeting speaker will be George Krumm October will be "How I spent my summer" by members The Sun Lakes Outing will be May 1 - 5, 2024.

Organizer is Rich Holten Potential Leech Lake outing in late June/early July (depending on stocking reports) with Jeff Drowley as lead. The Anthony Lakes Outing will be August 15-18, 2024. Craig Anderson is the lead. The Lochsa River Outing will be September 5-8, 2024. Craig Anderson and Rod Gilge are co-leads.

Newsletter Report: Articles are due on or before May 8 to accommodate publishing prior to the May 14 General Meeting.

Old Business: none noted New Business. Kids fishing Day - great catches lots of fish and some quite large. May eliminate t-shirts next year. Open Microphone discussion Potential Raffle replacement ideas. No volunteers to date to run the raffle. We will ask members to volunteer to run raffle. Until then, it was proposed doing raffles every other or every third meeting through the end of the year.

Jeff Drowley proposed another Leech/Dog Lake outing with a late June/early July date (pending stocking report information). Date will be finalized when that information becomes available. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM on April 23, 2024.

Red's Fly Shop Rendezvous XII

From Kyle Kneese

May 18, 2024 EVENT SCHEDULE

TENTATIVE

RIVERSIDE CLINICS

- 10 am - What do River Trout Eat? - w/ Patrick Kilby
- 11:00 am - Intro to Strike Indicator Nymphing w/ TBA
- 12:00 pm - Quit Snagging. Start Roll Casting w/ Joe Rotter
- 1:00 pm - WHY Euro Nymphing w/ Joe Rotter
- 1:30 pm - Personal Watercraft Seminar (uppermost end of property) w/ TBA

MAIN LAWN

- 10 am - 2:30 pm - Open Free Cast/Rod Demo
- 11:30 am - Double Haul Made Easy w/ Joe Rotter
- 1:30 pm - Accuracy & Distance Tips from a World Champion w/ Maxine McCormick
- 2:30 pm - Non Pro Casting Comp Finals Begin!

INDOOR SEMINARS @ THE LODGE

- 10:30 am - Lake Fishing Central Washington with Jess Coyle aka @yak_queen_509
- 11:30 am - Learn to Read Water and Find Trout! w/ Jason Harwood of Red's
- 12:30 pm - DIY Drift Boat Fishing the Yakima Canyon w/ Steve Joyce
- 2:00 pm - DIY Wading the Naches River/Upper Yakima Systems w/ Jason Harwood of Red's

Possible Fly-Fishing Fair at Waterbrook Winery, Walla Walla

From Dennis Dauble

<https://wallawallaflyfishers.blogspot.com/2009/08/augusts-meeting-at-waterbrook.html>

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 CBFC MEMBERS?**

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

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to FISHING STUFF**

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REGULATIONS

[Idaho Fishing Seasons & Rules](#)

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FISHING INFORMATION

[Idaho Fish & Game Fishing Information](#)

[Oregon Fishing Resources and Information](#)

[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.

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Richland, WA 99352 2015

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Name _____

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Street Address: _____

City: _____

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Primary Phone: _____

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Family Membership (\$35)

Business Membership (\$50) Includes business-card size, fishing-related advert in newsletters. Send artwork as xxx.jpg digital file to editor

Who can we thank for referring you to our Club?

To be completed by Treasurer:

___ Cash ___ Check # _____

Membership Database updated: _____