



Washington Fly Fishing Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 3, 2012, 7:00 P.M.

Seattle Tennis Club

Minutes

	OFFICERS			COMMITTEE CHAIR	
Mike Wearne	President	P	Bill Neal	Awards	
John Gravendyk	1st VP - Membership	P	Gene Gudger	Bar	
Bob Burdick	2nd VP - Programs	P	Doug Schaad	Conservation	
	3rd VP – Christmas Party		Jim Van De Erve	Creel Notes & Dry Falls	P
Don Barton	Treasurer	P	Jim Higgins	Education	
Ron Tschetter	Secretary	P	Pete Baird	Fruit & Flowers	
Jim Macdonald	1 st Ghillie	P	Don Simonson	FFF Coordinator	
Pete Draughon	2nd. Ghillie *		Kris Kristoffersen & Steve Sun	Home Waters	
	* = non-voting officer		Mike Wearne	Librarian	P
	TRUSTEES & GUESTS		Dave Schorsch	Outdoors & Dry Falls	P
Rocco Maccarrone	Past President		Jim McDonald	Photographer	P
Craig Koeppler	Trustee		Robert Tovar	Publicity	
Steve Sunich	Trustee		David Hawkinson	Raffle	
Bob Young	Trustee		John Schuitemaker	Rosters Publication	
Chapin Henry	Trustee		Gil Nyerges	Senior Advisor	
Don Schroeder	Trustee		Greg Crumbaker	WFFC Foundation	
Gene Gudger	Trustee		Chuck Ballard	WFFC Heritage	
			Dick Brening	Youth	
			Roger Rohrbeck	Website	
			Kent Lufkin	75 th Anniversary	

P= Present , Red=Action Items , Blue = Denotes Guest(s), Black Bold = Decision Motion-Approval/Disapproval

- ✓ Meeting was called to order @ 7:14 PM
- ✓ **Initiate Motion to approve June's board minutes**
 - **Motion passed Unanimously**

New Business

1. General Membership Dinner Headcount – Jim McDonald

- a. 1st Gillie has a difficult time determining how many are coming to eat at general membership meetings
 - i. Jim sends out e-mail notice expecting a return answer if member is planning on eating a dinner or not
 1. Worked reasonably well up till last month
 - ii. June meeting dinner headcount had 18 members respond affirmative that they would be buying dinner
 1. Actual number present for dinner soared to 50 members purchasing dinners (+30 headcount over)
 2. STC had 2 cooks on duty which resulted in overworking the staff



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3. Amy (STC coordinator) now wants to charge an extra \$5.00 (above the normal \$29.00 dinner price) for overbooks
 - a. The board generally thought this was a reasonable request
4. Another proposal was to (a) insist or member use signup (b) use a 30 member headcount median and + or – the cost depending on how many show up. Club pays. (30 member headcount was thought to be a good baseline count based on prior years)

b. Motion initiated:

- i. **Club members to be notified by in advance via e-mail to signup if they plan to eat dinner at general membership meetings.** (An affirm response constitutes the member will be eating dinner)
- ii. **The cutoff will be Thursday night prior to next week's "3rd Tuesday" general membership meeting** (Jim McDonald has to get the list to Amy (STC) by Friday for planning purposes)
- iii. **If a member wants dinner at the Tuesday evening membership meeting and hasn't signed up prior (affirm e-mail response) there will be a \$5.00 premium added to the normal \$29.00 charge for dinner. If a member doesn't want to pay the extra \$5.00 charge, no dinner**

c. Motion passed Unanimously

- i. **Motion will be instituted August 1, 2012**
 1. **Notice will go into July Creel Notes outlining the new proposal**
 - a. **Jim Van De Erve to write up new proposal for Creel Notes**
- ii. **STC Notification**
 - a. **Amy (STC) to be notified this month (July) of new policy**
 - i. **Not sure who will notify Amy – Jim McDonald?**

2. Treasurers Report – Don Barton

- a. Don passed out middle year report on club finances (copy on file with secretary)
 - i. Expenses for 2012 are satisfactory, some running lower than expected
 1. Income = In budget
 2. Costs = In budget
 3. President = In budget
- b. Cash on hand ~\$100,000
- c. Current outlook "pretty much on track"

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3. Seafair – Mike Wearne

- a. All flies and boxes needed for the Rattlesnake Lake Seafair outing with the Navy are now complete
- b. Barbeque plans need to be finalized
 - i. **Mike Wearne to get with Dave Schorsch to secure lunch plan**
- c. It appears few sailors attending are actually off the fleet ships coming in for Seafair
 - i. Most that signed up are shore based sailors
 1. Oak Harbor
 2. Seattle area
 - ii. Possible WFFC membership targets?
- d. It was discussed that float tubes may not be the best venue for serviceman, especially if they are new to fly fishing. Rowboats are the best choice.
 - i. **Call for rowboats via e-mail will be sent out to club members for use at this outing – Mike Wearne**
- e. Club fly rod's availability – most reels have floating line on them which may not be conducive to catching fish in August?
 - i. No further discussion

4. Outings – Dave Schorsch

- a. Leech Lake – July 14 and 15 – 13 people signed up currently, expect a few more
 1. Attendees need to make their own arrangement in securing a condo
- b. Seafair – Rattlesnake Lake with the Navy – August 4th
- c. Scottish Lake – August 18th and 19th
 - i. **Need Link to Scottish Lake Camp – each potential attendee needs to signup**
 - ii. **Need to be added to the events list – website (seems Scottish Lakes outing is listed on the signup but not on the general outings list)**
- d. Hood's Canal (Deed's Place) - September
- e. It was noted that potential members are having a hard time finding outings and general information about the club /club meetings
 - i. Idea: "membership button" on website (without logon) that would link them to information that would give interested party list of outings, meetings, information that would be helpful to a prospective member
 1. **Discussion? Roger Rohrbeck involvement?**

5. Kenmore Riverfeast 2012 – John Gravendyk

- a. August 26th at Pop Keeney Stadium (Bothell WA) 10:00 AM to 3:00PM
- b. Hobby and Volunteer Fair
 - i. Focus is generate interest in volunteer groups and clubs
 1. John reserved a booth for our attendance (cost =free)
 - ii. Potential items needed:
 1. Brochures
 2. Story board (WFFC) –is already available
 3. Signup list for potential interest



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4. Business cards
5. Volunteers to staff
6. **FFF Donation – Mike Wearne**
 - a. At our May meeting the club voted not provide a donation to FFF conclave
 - i. Mike called the FFF conclave contact and asked him to call back
 1. Mike never heard back from him so “ball is in his court” to respond
7. **Yakima Homewaters – Mike Wearne/ Dave Schorsch**
 - a. Extra lumber/Dunnage is still on site (issue was raised a few months ago at a prior meeting)
 - i. **Need volunteers to pickup this stuff and haul it off**
 - b. Future Plans for Yakima River Homewaters
 - i. **Board Trustees are in charge of coming up with a plan**
 1. Approach is to come up with 3 alternative plans
 2. **Alternative Plans are due August 2012**
 - a. Intent is to have WFFC general membership vote for one of the plans in regard to the future of Yakima Homewaters
8. **CLEP Issue – Mike Wearne**
 - a. Decision was to have Susan (CLEP) to write CLEP article for handout that would be available for the taking at a general club membership meeting
 - i. **Mike Wearne to get with Susan to explain the board decision to allow her to distribute a handout**
 - ii. **It was also mentioned the Doug Schaad may also want to be involved with this**

Committee Reports

9. **Program- Bob Burdick**
 - a. Upcoming Programs
 - i. Chad Jackson – July
 1. Eastern Washington Fishing Opportunities
 - ii. Dave Schorsch - August
 1. South Sound Fly Fishing
 - iii. Eric Waters – September
 1. NOAA - Fish Tracking
 2. Morgan Bonn (spelled?)
 - a. Dolly Varden Trout research
 - b. Future Presentations
 - i. George Pess (Spelled?)
 1. NOAA – Elwha River
 - ii. Dave Lambroughten
 1. New Zealand – British Columbia travelogue/photos
 - iii. Dick Sterns



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1. History of WFFC
- c. Bob has requests for organizations to present their focus material at general club membership
 - i. (i.e.) American Rivers and other “like” non profits
 - ii. Idea was to give each 10 minutes to learn what they do, how we can help them, can we do volunteer help
 - iii. Limit their time was a key issue
 1. Possibly inviting one group each month to pitch a short abstract of their organizational focus

10. Creel Notes – Jim Van De Erve

- a. Articles for June Creel Notes and contributors:
 1. Bellingham Library
 - a. Steve Raymond talk synopsis - ?
 2. Leech Lake Outing – **use last month’s article?**
 3. New signup and and additional premium charge protocol for club dinners – ?
 4. Scottish Lakes Article – **Ron Tschetter**
 5. Corbett Lake Article – **Bob Burdick**

Around the Room

John Gravendyk

- a. J.C. Hungerford needs formal induction into club (may not be able to make next meeting)
- b. John has 9 potential members but, so far, they all are reluctant to join club
 - ii. Proposed ½ price (since it’s half way through the year) for dues if they join up – *makeup cost would come out of the membership budget*
 - iii. **Mike Wearne has taken the list and will give each a call – then talk about the proposed ½ price dues for these 9 potential members**

Dave Schorsch – Visual WFFC Club Activity

- a. WFFC Sea run cutthroat signs done years ago – Plastic yellow signs that visually showed our clubs involvement in renovating sea run cutthroat fishery
- b. Good advertisement that WFFC is active in conservation and support

Ron Tschetter – Repeat call from last month’s minutes

- a. Getting a 2012 WFFC directory. John Schuitemaker brought these to membership meeting. **Can some copies be available at the board meeting?** (*I work primarily swing shift and currently am unable to make general membership meetings*)

Mike Wearne/Jim McDonald

- a. “Gary” to come and speak? Greg Crumbaker knows him and could approach him about it.

Random Questions and Answer Session

- a. Question: Who has the new club brochures?
 - a. **Possibly Bob Tovar – Mike Wearne to call him**
- b. Question: August Board Meeting is still on?



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- a. **Yes – per Mike Wearne (President)**
- c. Question: When do officers for 2013 need to be selected?
 - a. **Selection Committee should be formed by September for selection of 2013 officers**

Meeting adjourned @ 8:55PM

Submitted by Ron Tschetter, July 5, 2012