



Washington Fly Fishing Club
Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 7, 2012, 7:00 P.M.
 Seattle Tennis Club
Minutes

	OFFICERS			COMMITTEE CHAIRS	
Mike Wearne	President	P	Bill Neal	Awards	
John Gravendyk	1st VP - Membership		Gene Gudger	Bar	P
Bob Burdick	2nd VP - Programs	P	Doug Schaad	Conservation	
Bob Young	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	P
Jim Macdonald	1 st Ghillie	P	Don Simonson	FFF Coordinator	
Pete Draughon	2nd. Ghillie *		Kris Kristoffersen & Steve Suni	Home Waters	P
	* = 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	P	Robert Tovar	Publicity	
Steve Sunich	Trustee		David Hawkinson	Raffle	
Bob Young	Trustee		John Schuitemaker	Rosters Publication	
Chapin Henry	Trustee	P	Gil Nyerges	Senior Advisor	
Don Schroeder	Trustee		Greg Crumbaker	WFFC Foundation	P
Gene Gudger	Trustee	P	Chuck Ballard	WFFC Heritage	
			Dick Brening	Youth	
			Roger Rohrbeck	Website	P
			Kent Lufkin	75 th Anniversary	

Color Key

P= Present , Red=Action Items,
 Blue = Denotes Guest(s)

Black Bold = Decision Motion-Approval/Disapproval

Purple = Revisions to Original, R= Revision, A=Addition, D= Deletion

✓ Meeting was called to order @ 7:16 PM

Old Business

1. Yakima Homewaters – Mike Wearne/ Craig Koeppler/Kris Kristoffersen/Gene Gudger/Henry Chapin/Don Barton/Dave Schorsch

- a. Lease is up September 30, 2012
- b. Board Trustees obtained feedback from the general membership
 - i. From feedback, two positions are apparent:
 1. Negotiation a new lease and explore additional uses for the current facilities
 2. Terminate the lease in September and divest
- c. Much discussion on the history of the current lease (*which was approved by the general membership unanimously*)



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- i. **Position 1** - Negotiation a new lease and explore additional uses for the current facilities
 1. Urging consideration of “yes“ response - renew the lease
 2. Emphasized that Homewaters is in accord with WFFC long range objectives as a thriving, active club, strategy
 3. Some board members do not believe the potential uses for this property have been properly explored
 4. Some suggestions:
 - a. Wider scope of use:
 - i. Educational opportunities
 1. WFFC casting class
 2. Entomology class
 3. Fly fishing ethics
 4. Other organizations (links)
 - a. Another fly club
 - b. Boy Scouts & other NGO’s
 - i. Property has been used for Reel Recovery retreat in the past
 - b. Property may be attractive to younger members or potential recruitment tool
 - ii. **Position 2** - Terminate the lease in September and divest
 1. Other trustees voiced the overwhelmingly “no” response - not renew the lease
 - a. Issues and comments:
 - i. Too far away
 - ii. Limited seasonal fishing window
 - iii. Not good fishing area
 - iv. Isn’t an appealing place
 - v. Usage by members is low
 - vi. Stillwater’s fishing more appealing to current membership
- d. Lease Negotiations
 - i. Darlene’s husband may be driving future lease negotiation
 1. Changed requirements?
 - a. Compliance issues
 - i. Shelter not painted/stained yet
 - ii. No picnic tables (in current lease?)
 - iii. Wear and tear on road has not approached original volume estimate
 2. Options
 - a. Shorter lease (possibly 1 year)
 - b. Obtain lower lease cost based on sliding (scaled) fee
 - i. Based on club usage – (lower than originally projected)
 1. Road maintenance ‘line item’ in lease
 3. Committee to Negotiate new lease



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- a. Names mentioned Kris Kristoffersen, Dave Schorsch, Craig Koeppler and possibly Don Barton? *(not sure I got this correct)*
- e. **Motion initiated:**
 - i. **Seek approval of general membership (at August membership meeting) to authorize negotiation of a new Yakima Homewaters lease at the current rate or less** *(The vote will be strictly a yes or no "hand vote")*
 - ii. **Motion passed Unanimously**
 - 1. **An e-mail will be sent out to all members advising of this motion , the pros and cons, and that a vote will be taken on this issue will be taken at August meeting - Mike Wearne will send write up to Roger Rohrbeck for e-mail send out**

2. General Membership Dinner Headcount – Jim McDonald

- a. Dinner response motion (approved last month) is now in force for August dinner meeting
 - i. Thursday night prior to next week's "3rd Tuesday" general membership meeting is the cutoff for signing up for dinner
 - 1. If you don't sign up for dinner by the cutoff, it's \$5.00 additional surcharge

Old Business

3. Outings – Dave Schorsch

- a. Scottish Lake – August 18th and 19th
- b. Hood's Canal (Deed's Place) – 2nd week in September
- c. Dry Falls – October
 - i. 4 or 5 new (younger) candidates for membership are a possibility from the Rattlesnake Lake (Navy) outing
 - ii. Lake Hannan may be an option for a Homewaters – currently CYO camp on the lake may be willing to work with WFFC

4. Seafair – Mike Wearne

- a. Most that signed up were locally based sailors
- b. Can promote this "fishing event" anytime of the year since attendees came from the local sailors and not the Seafair fleet
 - i. Would help to have a printed notice for distribution around the local Naval Bases

5. Kenmore Riverfeast 2012 – Mike Wearne

- a. August 26th at Pop Keeney Stadium (Bothell WA) 10:00 AM to 3:00PM
- b. Hobby and Volunteer Fair
 - i. Booth is reserved for WFFC (will be the only fly club present)
 - ii. We have volunteers to man the booth

6. Officer Nominating Committee for 2013 – Mike Wearne



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- a. Committee needs to be formed by September 2012
 - i. 2013 Candidate slates need to be firmed up by November for vote by general membership

Committee Reports

7. Fruit and Flowers – Pete Baird

- a. "A sympathy card was sent to Jean Challender (wife of 1976 WFFC president Jack Challender, who recently passed away) **Rev 1**
- b. Rocco Maccarrone's mother in hospital – slipped and fell

8. Salmon in the Schools Program – Chapin Henry

- a. **"Need to find out who to send the donation check from Foundation to"**
 - a. **Presenters were Craig Parsons and Steve Garlid in February 2012**
 - b. **Craig Parson was on the letterhead – Salmon Education Alliance**
 - i. **Craig Parsons e-mail: craigaparsons@gmail.com**
 - ii. **Craig Parson phone: 206-355 -6911**

9. Program- Bob Burdick

- c. Chad Jackson – July
 - i. Comments from Board Members – Excellent Presentation
 - ii. Will be coming back on April 2013 along with 2 biologists for a presentation
- d. Eric Waters – September
 - i. NOAA - Fish Tracking
 - ii. Morgan Bonn (spelled?) U of W student (WFFC has sponsored)
- e. Bruce Staples – October
 - i. From Idaho Falls
 - 1. Will be presenting Eastern Idaho fishing
- f. Dick Sterns – November (Heritage Month)
 - i. History of Cutthroat Regulations
- g. Bob has requests for NGO organizations to present their material at general club membership
 - i. (i.e.) American Rivers and other "like" non profit NGO's
 - ii. These are 10 minute "mini" presentations / with brochures left for pickup
 - 1. Bryan Abbott of Salmon Recovery will be coming in October to present one of these "mini" presentations

10. Fly Fishing Pamphlet – Craig Koepler

- a. Old pamphlet titled: More than you want to know about Fly Fishing
 - i. This was handed out to folks who completed fly casting/fly tying classes
 - 1. List of lakes, flies and how to fish them – vintage 1973
- b. Re-resurrecting this pamphlet with updates, new lakes, re-write old lakes, Steve Raymond and others who originally wrote (if still alive) are re-writing
 - i. Plan is to print and also put a copy on the website for members



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11. Creel Notes – Jim Van De Erve

- h. Articles for August Creel Notes and contributors:
1. Rattlesnake Lake (Navy) Report – **Mike Wearne**
 2. Upcoming Outing – **Dave Schorsch**
 3. Yakima Homewaters – **Mike Wearne**
 4. Leech Lake Report – **Dave Schorsch** Pictures **Jim McDonald**
 5. Reel Recovery – **Kris Kristoffersen**

Around the Room

Greg Crumbaker - Comment on Pamphlet: More than you want to know about Fly Fishing

- a. Veterans Program has been using pamphlet the for years

Jim McDonald - Comment on Pamphlet: More than you want to know about Fly Fishing

- a. Has a different version of the pamphlet – **will send to Koepler for merging of information of both vintage pamphlets**

Pete Baird - Comment on P.O. Box keys

- a. Two new keys have been acquired to replace the two lost keys. The 2nd key was Assigned to the Ghillie, Jim McDonald.

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Ron Tschetter – 2012 WFFC Directory

- a. Has given up on ever getting a 2012 WFFC Directory

Don Barton - Comment on Pamphlet: More than you want to know about Fly Fishing

- a. Possible issue to Fly Fishing Shops – Good promotion for the club

Roger Rohrbeck - Comment on Pamphlet: More than you want to know about Fly Fishing

- a. Didn't think it should be a saleable item (some comments about selling pamphlets through Fly Shops/Sport Shops)

Ron Tschetter- Letterhead Stationary to Bob Burdick

- a. **Obtain Letterhead and envelopes – Ron Tschetter**

Meeting adjourned @ 9:16PM

Submitted by Ron Tschetter, August 9, 2012

Revision 1

Changes per input from Pete Baird - August 13, 2012