



Washington July 2, 2019, 7:00 PM
Seattle Tennis Club

| | OFFICERS | | | COMMITTEE CHAIRS | |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|------------------|---|
| Jim Goedhart | President | P | Gene Gudger | Bar | |
| Mike Moscynski | 1st VP - Membership | P | Robert Thorpe | Conservation | |
| Michael Wearne | 2nd VP - Programs | | David Ehrich | Creel Notes | |
| Deborah Katz | 3rd VP - Christmas Party | | Neal Hoffberg | Education | P |
| David Spratt | Treasurer | P | Pat Becker | Fruit & Flowers | P |
| Tom Neu | Secretary | P | Robert Thorpe | IFFF Coordinator | |
| Marcia Kindinger | 1 st Ghillie | P | Kris Kristoferson & Steve Sunich | Home Waters | |
| Dexter Brown | 2 nd Ghillie (non-voting) | | Mike Wearne | Librarian | |
| | TRUSTEES | | Dave Schorsch | Outings | |
| John Gravendyk | Past President | P | Bob Birkner | Photographer | |
| Hugh Clark | Trustee | | Cooper Hartman | Publicity | |
| Jim Young | Trustee | | Deborah Katz | Raffle | |
| Bob Birkner | Trustee | P | | | |
| Dick Brenning | Trustee | | Pete Baird | Senior Advisor | |
| John Narver | Trustee | | Jim Goedhart | Webmaster | |
| Greg Crumbaker | Trustee | P | Chuck Ballard | WFFC Heritage | P |
| | GUESTS | | Greg Crumbaker | WFFC Foundation | P |
| Gary Bergquist | | | Trevor Bennett | Youth | |
| Bob Burdick | | P | Bill Neal | Awards | |

P = Present

President

President Jim Goedhart opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of 8 officers and trustees. The minutes of the June board meeting were approved.

Committee Meeting Reports:

Education

Neal Hoffberg

Neal Hoffberg acknowledged that better follow-up with students participating in casting class is needed. Several preliminary ideas include a final night class at a river or lake as a closing event, an invitation to the next WFFC general meeting, or a certificate.



Neal said that Don Simonson would agree to teach an advanced fly-casting class. Because he lives on Camano Island and needs a lift to any classes in and around the Seattle area, Neal believes a shorter format class, perhaps 2 days, would work best.

Kurt Peterson offered to help out at next years fly tying class.

Fruits & Flowers

Pat Becker

Jeanette Hanson has asked the club to donate \$200 to the volunteer hospice of Clallam County in lieu of flowers for Dick Robbins funeral. His family will circulate information to members on Dick's memorial, which will occur sometime in August.

Creel Notes

Melvin Fry has assumed the task of publishing the Creel Notes for the duration of summer. Note: Cutoff date for submissions is the second Tuesday of the month.

Youth

Redd's Fishing Resort is hosting the Youth Fishing weekend on the Cle Elum River.

Heritage

Chuck Ballard

Board members discussed whether to update the club's "Back Cast" book. No decision was made but the question remains on the table. In response to members' requests, a suggestion was made to publish past Creel Notes on the WFFC website. Greg Crumbaker will ask Kurt Jacobs for past issues. It was agreed that initially, Creel Notes from a period of one year will be uploaded on the website to test the member response.

Webmaster

Jim Goedhart

Jim Goedhart reported that there is a duplication error when members sign up for the dinner meetings. He is presently working on the issue.

Board Member Reports:

Treasurer

Dave Spratt



Dave Spratt presented the First Quarter 2019 financial report. Dave reported that monthly meeting dinner costs have exceeded budget due to taxes and service rate increases.

A discussion of the 80th WFFC Anniversary celebration costs ensued which included special gifts (cups and stickers), a special meal and wine at each table. It was decided that instead of placing a gratis bottle of wine at each table, people would purchase their beverage of choice at the no-host bar (or use water) for toasting. This will save \$1,100 @\$50/bottle.

According to Dave, dinner meeting attendance is up 33% over 2018 most probably due to attendance by new members.

1st V.P. – Membership

Mike Moscynski

Mike Moscynski presented current membership status:

- 124 – Active
- 10 - Associate
- 12 - Senior
- 3 - Honorary
- 4 - Deceased

Year-to-date, WFFC has 21 new members, with two additional members joining in August.

Old Business

The push continues to clear all books and VHS tapes from storage. Tom Neu offered his truck to transport all remaining items to Greg Meinike.

New Business

Bob Burdick has arranged with Conrad Gowell to show his film “Artifishal” to members at the August meeting at no cost to the club. Gowell is the Oregon representative of the Oregon Fish Society. The movie is currently being shown in theaters across the U.S.

Discussion of how to get new members involved in the club committees ensued. Questions to answer: Do we have a younger member group? Can we induce these younger members to engage with older members and provide leadership in the future? How do we get a core group to guide the club to its 100th Year Anniversary?



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Cooper Hartman has the WFFC page on Facebook up and running with both a public and member side. Instagram is also up and running for members to share comments. (Note: all of the area fly shops are already on Instagram.)

Chuck Ballard asked the board if the club would be willing to make a donation to improve the ramp at Antilon Lake (near Lake Chelan). Mike Moscynski reminded the club that doing so would involve working with a state agency. It was decided that more information is needed before committing any funds.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.