



Washington Fly Fishing Club

March 3, 2020
Seattle Tennis Club

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

P = Present

President

President Jim Goedhart opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of eleven officers and trustees. The February minutes were accepted as presented

Committee Reports:

Education

Neal Hoffberg

Fly Tying Forum needs a blast for March, and had good attendance in February. The Church is being very accommodating towards the club. Dick Brening will be guiding the fly pattern in March.



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The Fly Fishing class is ready to go.

Fly casting class - Walt Swanson and Bill Wheeler are both on board to lead.

AWARDS - The Lambeth award will be given to Rick Haefle at the October 20th Dinner Meeting, who will be speaking that night.

FRUIT AND FLOWERS - Pat Becker

Cards were passed for Scott Bonvallet's son; discussion re: appropriate place to send a donation. The family recommended the Innocence Project which the club will do.

A card was passed in support of Mike Moczynski who will be starting chemotherapy

Dick Leventhal is currently in the hospital.

OUTINGS Dave Schorsch

Pat Becker will be hosting Lake Hannan outing May 9. Dave will help; chili may or may not happen.

Dave is having a hard time finding information re: fish planting on the WDFW web-site which makes it harder to time outings.

Dave suggests a day outing to Gibbs Lake (Jefferson Co.) on the last Saturday in March or early April .

Nahwatzel Lake on the first Saturday in April.

Dave wants to set up a place on the club web-site for Member only fishing reports simply for the purpose of sharing information that would be accessible from year to year.

Chopaka in the end of May, as usual.

Dave is trying to encourage/set up day trips which require a lot less commitment and transport of "stuff."

CREEL NOTES - cut off March 10

Youth

Lily Cutler has been in touch with the Mayfly project and has applied as a volunteer. It is a well funded operation.

Lily reported on behalf of John Gravendyk re: Stream girls which needs waders as well as someone to take over the program. They do weekend outings. It was decided that



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this is more of a commitment than WFFC can take on at this time. However, will look into providing them with waders.

FOUNDATION INTERFACE - Mike Wearne

Mike Wearne presented a report of WFFC Foundation contributions for 2019 totalling \$13,000.

WEB SITE

Jim reported in Mel Fry's absence that there were some technical things that aren't working with posting fly patterns and some membership suspended members dues payment issues.

Board Member Reports:

Treasurer

David Spratt

David Spratt stated that \$500 was give to Project Healing Waters and \$1000 was given to the Youth Academy

1st V.P. – Membership

Dexter Brown

Dexter Brown said that there are currently 144 members, 121 of whom are active members. He has been trying to contact 18 members who are currently "suspended." 3 people have resigned, 1 is taking a leave of absence. There are two "special circumstances." There are 9 associate members, 11 senior members and 3 honorary members.

There are 13 new members who have paid but haven't been inducted yet. There was discussion as to how the club can make new members feel included and welcom

3rd V.P. -- Christmas

Lily Cutler

Lily would like to secure software that would streamline the fundraiser check out process but needs to discuss with Mel Fry. She has secured a contribution of a one weeks stay at a lodge in Katmai, AK for one week stay from early June to November 1st.



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Old Business:

- 2020 WFFC Picnic: Tom Neu has looked into the park at the Good Shepherd Center, known as the Meridian Park. He has the "lottery application" with information about costs. He will request August 8th or 15th for ½ day which is 3pm to 10pm.

New Business:

- Foundation Donations - Mike Wearne is looking for suggestions for spending. It was suggested that a budget equal to the amount earned at the annual fundraising dinner would be a good benchmark.
- It was proposed that Ron Hofmeister be given an honorary membership.
- Jim Goedhart presented an up-dated survey of reasons that members do or do not attend dinner meetings or outings. In addition, they were asked about fishing outings of interest.
- It was once again discussed that stream fishing with a large group is unworkable.
- Several destination trips were discussed including Oregon around the Deschutes, BC, Owyhee River, OR.
- Additional discussion re: engaging new members - special name tag so they can be identified, board members invite new members to sit with them, purely social meetings.
- Door prizes at meetings - Dexter offered to put together from the flies that he has.
- Neal updated about speakers: September will be Matt Sharp talking about rivers and streams around Vancouver, BC or Brian Okeefe.
- February 2021 - Skip Morris to talk about surface fishing on lakes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm

Deborah N Katz



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