



Washington Fly Fishing Club

June 4, 2024

Zoom Board meeting

	OFFICERS			COMMITTEE CHAIRS	
Danferd Henke	President	P	Bill Neal	Awards	
Jim Beck	1st VP - Membership	P	Robert Thorpe	Conservation	P
Neal Hoffberg	2nd VP - Programs	P	Ron Tschetter	Creel Notes	P
Gary Corra	3rd VP - Fundraising	P	Neal Hoffberg	Education	P
Kurt Peterson	Treasurer		Pat Becker	Fruit & Flowers	
Shelley Scheff	Secretary	P	Robert Thorpe	IFFF Coordinator	P
Peter Schuitemaker	1 st Ghillie	P	Michael Nolan	Outings	P
	2 nd Ghillie (non-voting)			Photographer	
	TRUSTEES		Lily Cutler	Publicity	
Dave Spratt	Past President			Raffle	
Pat Becker	Trustee		Pete Baird	Senior Advisor	P
Jay Deeds	Trustee		Jim Goedhart	Webmaster	P
Mike Moscynski	Trustee	P	Eugene Bloundel	Webmaster	
Deborah Katz	Trustee	P	Chuck Ballard	WFFC Heritage	P
John Gravendyk	Trustee	P	Marcia Kinsinger	WFFC Foundation	
Chapin Henry	Trustee		John Gravendyk	Youth	P
	GUESTS		FFI Coordinator	Neal Hoffberg	P

P = Present

President

Danferd Henke opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with 9 officers and trustees.

Approval of March, April, and May Board Meeting Minutes:

Minutes were approved.



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BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

PRESIDENT Danferd Henke

Dan reports the Nominating Committee must be established by July. There are no volunteers as of yet. Current board members and trustees are not eligible. Please start thinking about who may be a good option for this year.

Dan's recent trip to Chopaka brought up some thoughts. He learned about several classic flies that have been created by members of the club. How can we preserve this information? Jim G says there is a section for this in the "tips and tricks" page of the website. Neal says there is a book of Pacific NW Flies that contains several flies created by members of the club. Chuck says there is another book that also contains flies created by members of the club. Dan would also like to preserve all past Creel Notes. Chuck says there is an original copy of all Creel Notes. Jim G has some of them. Dan requests that these documents be scanned for preservation. Mike N recommends Kinko's for scanning. Dan adds that he has a home scanner that is quite efficient. Lastly, Dan has accumulated a number of contour maps for fishing locales. He would like to make these available on the website in the members-only section. If you have a contour map you think might be useful, please submit to Dan. Chuck adds that there is a website that has contour maps for many of the most popular WA lakes but does note that the site is a little cumbersome to use.

Dan reports that he and Jim had a phone call with the WFFC's website experts to discuss two primary issues - security and why some people are having difficulty paying dues and/or signing up. They also discussed how to fix the speed of the site. He will report more at the July board meeting.

TREASURER Kurt Peterson

Kurt was not present.

MEMBERSHIP Jim Beck

Jim reported that one new member signed up and paid his dues at the May dinner meeting. This new member is Chris Wilder. For some reason he had 4 separate applications submitted. Unclear how this happened. The issue has been resolved.



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PROGRAMS Neal Hoffberg

Neal reports that program topics/speakers are in great shape. The next speaker for the June meeting is Ben Johns from the U.W. Department of Fisheries. He will be speaking about “The Behavior and Ecology of Pacific Salmon and Trout”. The Boyd Aigner voting will also take place at the June meeting.

Neal is awaiting confirmation from Dave McCoy for the July meeting. The date of that meeting is July 23rd (one week later in the month than usual).

Chuck is tying flies at the June meeting. Neal will tie flies at the July meeting.

FUNDRAISING Gary Corra

Gary has received vices from an individual donor. Nothing else to report.

Committee Reports:

Conservation Robert Thorpe

Robert continues to connect with members from the Overlake, Evergreen, 3 Rivers, and Methow Valley fly fishing clubs. He attended a fishing derby hosted by the Methow Valley club which was very enjoyable. He was invited to an event at the Kraken arena and asked to serve on a committee to help bring the Sonics back to Seattle. He will be reaching out to “big wigs” through this event. Dan connected with an old friend at Chopaka who is working on Teanaway River restoration and will reach out to Robert regarding possible opportunities for the WFFC to become involved. Robert is looking into a wetlands restoration event at Luther Burbank Park in October or November. He also spoke with UW students about possible involvement with Project Healing Waters. Robert reports Bob Ferguson will speak at the WFFC dinner meeting in September unless a conflict arises. Neal requests confirmation from Robert regarding WFFC use of Luther Burbank Park through the summer.

Education Neal Hoffberg

See above.



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Fruit and Flowers **Pat Becker**

Not present.

Outings **Mike Nolan**

Mike reports Leech Lake is the next outing, on June 22 and 23. The resort is holding 4 rooms at a special rate for club members. Please call to reserve. Mike will be adding an outing on July 20th at Cooper Lake. This will likely be a Saturday day trip and may involve stopping for a beverage and snack at the Brick Saloon in Roslyn afterwards.

Publicity

No updates.

Youth **John Gravendyk**

John reports there are 18 days until the NW Fly Fishing Academy begins. He would like to thank the WFFC for the generous support, both monetary and volunteer. Jim Goedhart, Marcia Kindinger, and Jerry Kindinger are all directors. Rods and reels have been donated. The lake was recently stocked. If anyone is interested in why the camp is so expensive, one reason is because they will service 560 meals over the course of the week. The venue is also a significant expense.

Heritage **Chuck Ballard**

Chuck spoke to Mike Wearn regarding old Creel Notes packets in order to develop a summary. John G is also involved in this process. Gary Berquist has completed his portion. Chuck will also provide Dan with an old WFFC brochure.

FFI **Neal Hoffberg**

No updates.

WFFC Foundation Interface **Jim Goedhart**

All the Foundation's money has been donated for the year.



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Webmaster

Jim Goedhart

In progress.

Creel Notes

Ron Teshar

Ron reports he greatly appreciates all of the member submissions to Creel Notes. He welcomes more fishing reports. Mike N provided an update for the Green Lake outing originally scheduled for October 5 and 6 - it is canceled. Ron will include this in the next Creel Notes.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

Next Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 16th, 2024 at 7:00 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 by Danferd Henke.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Scheff
WFFC Secretary



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