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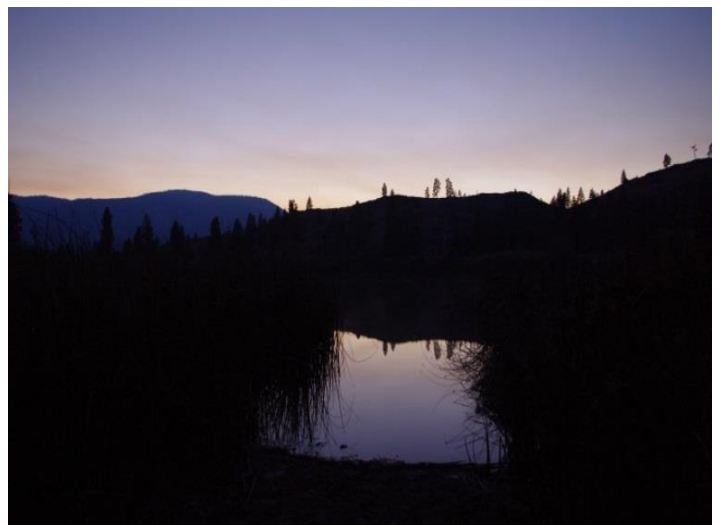
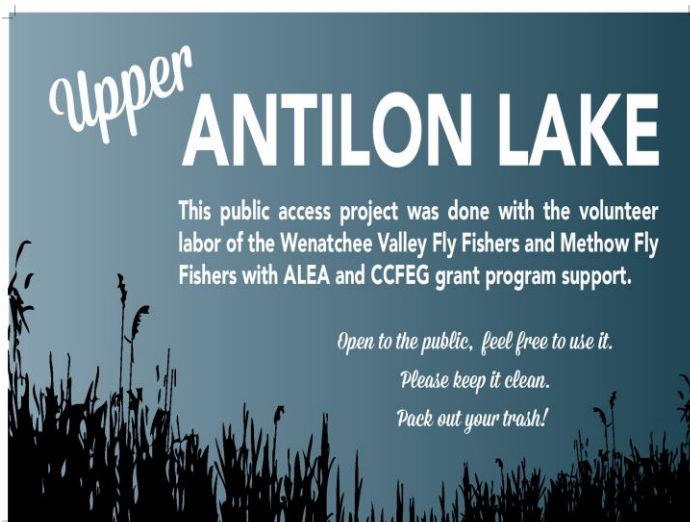
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Spring Club Outings

March 15 th	Quincy Lakes	
March 22 nd	Lenice Lake	Weekend Camping
April 26 th	Blue Lake	Traditional Opener
May 3-4 th	FFF Fair –Ellensburg	Tiers Needed
May 17 th	Big Twin Lake	Subject to Arrangements

*Tom will also offer weekday runs to local lakes !
Dry Falls may come back into the rotation in May !*



OUR SIGN ON ANTILON LAKE – THANKS BOB

LOOKING UPSTREAM

March 20, 2014

WVFF General Meeting Bring two friends and wear your name tag !

Wenatchee Eagles Lodge

Wet Fly Hour No Host Bar 5:45 pm
Dinner 6:30 pm

Program begins at 8:00 with Jim Gallagher. Owner of the Troutwaters Fly Shops, located in Cle Elum and Ellensburg. He'll be bringing us up to speed on spring tactics for the Yakima River. Just in time for the Squalah and March Brown hatches.

E-Mail from Tera Redwine Sec. Dryside Fly Fishers of the Columbia Basin

We are having a raffle for a brand new "**Sage Approach Combo**" at our annual banquet On **March 25th** to raise monies for this year's conservation projects. I was wanting to get the word out to your club members that **raffle tickets are available** and can be purchase by mail, or we can take debit or credit cards. You need not be present to win, and we will pay the shipping to get to the winner. This Combo is valued at \$500.00 and we are selling tickets for **\$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.00**. If any of your club members are interested they can contact me at 509-669-0054, or email me at tda1030@hotmail.com. I would be more than happy to answer any additional questions you may have, Tera Redwine Secretary Dryside Fly Fishers of the Columbia Basin

DOWN THE ROAD

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>For More Information</u>
March 22	<i>Tim Irish Memorial Yakima River Clean Up & Food Drive</i>	<i>Ellensburg KOA 8:00 am.</i>	<i>Ellensburg KOA</i>
April 15 th	Grant Application Deadline for NW Youth Conservation & Fly Fishing Academy	Lacey	nwycffa@comcast.net Mike Clancy (360) 753-1259
April 17	Richard DeLarenso, Fishing for Alaska Kings	General Meeting	
May 3- 4 th	WA Fly Fishing Fair 2014	Ellensburg washingtoncouncilfff.org/test/Welcome.php	
September 20 th	Salmonfest	Leavenworth	salmonfest.org.

UPPER COLUMBIA SALMON RECOVERY BOARD (UCSRB) IS SOLICITING

2014 SALMON HABITAT RESTORATION AND PROTECTION PROPOSALS

DUE IN MAY

2012 allocation to the Upper Columbia Region ranged from \$1.6 - \$2 million. Potential sponsors and those interested in learning how to apply for salmon restoration funds, should attend Upper Columbia Regional SRFB/TRIB/BPA Kick-Off Meeting and other meetings as applicable, see list below:

- **March 12th - Regional Technical Team Meeting (RTT) *Optional* RTT Project Preview:**

This meeting is optional, informal, and directed towards sponsors who are unsure if they should propose a project and would like to gain early feedback from the RTT
- **March 25th - Upper Columbia Regional SRFB/TRIB/BPA *Kick-Off Meeting*:**

We highly recommend project proponents attend the Regional Kick-Off Meeting if you will be participating in this funding cycle. This meeting is tailored to the State, Regional, HCP Tributary Committee, and BPA application process for submitting a SRFB grant.

**Chelan County 7 Fire Station
232 E. Wapato Ave., Chelan
Tuesday – 10 am to 3 pm**

- **March 26th - SRFB Application Workshop Online Webinar:**

For those of you who are new to the process or need a refresher on applying for a SRFB grant, we

March 7-9 Albany, Oregon *NW Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo* Heralded as the "largest fly tying event west of the Mississippi" the NW Expo has almost 200 tying demonstrators to learn new skills from. The Expo also boasts 50 exhibitors; 116 classes on tying, casting, and fly fishing; daily FREE fly fishing education program and more.

April 3-5 Missoula – *CI Preparation Clinic and Orvis Guide Rendezvous* Prepare for the casting instructor test with IFFF top instructors during this one day clinic on April 3 and enjoy seminars, presentations and workshops during the Orvis Rendezvous April 3-5th.

May 3-4 Ellensburg – *Fly Fishing Fair* There have been major changes to this event this year. The 8th annual event will be open to public on Sat and Sun with workshops, tying demos, casting demos, a free Fly Fishing 9 Hole Casting Course, private casting lessons.

May 17-18 Renton – *Atlantic Salmon Fly International* A celebration of the passion and art of the Atlantic salmon fly.

recommend that you attend this online application workshop.

Please let me know if you plan to participate in this funding cycle, and I will send you the March 25th Kick-Off meeting agenda and *draft Upper Columbia SRFB/TRIB/BPA 2014 Funding Schedule*. Please forward this to anyone who might be interested. Contact me with any questions,

Joy Juelson

<http://www.rco.wa.gov/grants/salmon.shtml>

Northwest Youth Conservation

Fly Fishing Academy

Deadline for applications April 15th

WVFF has supported FFA in recent years with two “scholarships” annually for our local youths.

Each attendee costs us \$275.

Working with the AVD boy scouts, I already have two applicants for this year.

We can still use more as Trout Unlimited also sponsors two candidates as well.

If any of you know of a young man or woman (12 to 16) who might be interested in this program please let me know.

More information is available on their website at www.nwycffa.com.

Jack Squires

Wenatchee River Access Part II grant application is a continuation of Part I that contracted a local title company to validate all available Wenatchee River deeds showing established easements, for the purpose of clarifying the current owners name and address.

Now that the owners have been accurately identified by title search provided in Part I, we hope to proceed

with the overall project's second phase where we will coordinate with Chelan County Commissioners and PUD District #1. The facilitate regional information dissemination of the easement information, via various media outlets and forums. If the full grant is awarded we could work with the deed holders, to post signs that define and describe the easement location(s).

The paperwork for our grant application was accepted on February 13th. So here's what happens next:

- The ALEA Program Manager will review the grant application.
- If there are any issues with the application, he'll contact Fred Kunzman and Bruce Merighi.
- If there aren't any issues, the application will be reviewed and scored by a panel of 18 WDFW staff.
- The application will be evaluated according to the following criteria:
 - Consistency with WDFW goals and objectives
 - Initiative, Level of public benefit, Level of volunteer effort, Focus on priority habitats and species
 - Applicant qualifications, Costs/Benefits, Measurable objectives
- Funding decisions will be determined in early May, WVFF notified by June 1st.

**ALEA GRANT
UPDATE**

Board Meeting Minutes February 6, 2014

Present:

Rob Winters, Steve Harvey, Gary Anderson, Al Smith, Danny Horan, Bruce Merighi, Eric Rainbolt, Tom Whiteside and Fred Kunsman

Meeting Opened: At 5:17 p.m. the president called the meeting to order and called for approval of the January minutes. Al moved to have to accept the minutes as written and Tom seconded. The motion passed unanimously without discussion.

Committee Reports by President: Asked for committee reports and will hold his topics until later.

- **Vice-President:** Talked about the Sportsman Show and schedules of tiers. Same set-up and location as last year, with camera and banner. Bob will get the WVFF club flyers for the show.
- **Treasurer:**
 - Passed out the draft financial report. Complete information will be provided to the membership at the March meeting and will appear in the April newsletter.
 - Bob asked why the raffle number had gone down so sharply. General discussion followed about a large quantity of flies donated to the club by Steve Aguilu and other items that never got into the banquet raffles due to space, being used for upcoming raffles.
 - Bob also asked that \$500 be written into the budget to purchase tying material for various WVFF trainings.
 - Al will make the proposed adjustments to the 2014 budget and e-mail it to the board for their e-vote.
- **Membership:**
 - Eric passed out the membership list showing those who have not paid their 2014 dues. These people are usually cut off at the end of March.
 - He and Bruce also noted that the membership list had been recently revised and the addresses and e-mails are now correct.
- **Secretary:** No report - Absent.
- **Publications:**
 - There was a general discussion about the new web page and its various components. Bruce volunteered to add the responsibility of managing the website in addition to editing the newsletter.
 - He suggested that we get the web-master into our board meeting in April.
 - Fred raised the idea that once the new website is launched, we might notify members via postcard about newsletters being located on the webpage, and consider charging for hard copies of the newsletter. Any change should not take place until next year, if approved by the board and this topic should be discussed with the membership prior to any final decision.
- **Outings:** Tom reported that he has created a list of locations for the first half of the season. (See front page of Newsletter)
- **Programs:** Gary reported that Jim Gallagher is the March presenter and will cover trout fishing in the Yakima River. April 24th will spotlight Richard DeLarenso, who has gifted us with his presentations four previous times and will cover fishing for Alaska Kings. Gary noted that he is working on finding big name presenters for the future, many of whom wish to conduct workshops during their time in the valley.
- **Gillie:** No Report

Old Business

- **ALEA Grant Updated**
 - Fred has been working to conclude Part I of the grant that has hired a local title company who has identified all Wenatchee River easements of record.
 - Fred is planning meetings with the Chelan Co. Commissioners and PUD to report his outcomes and present the Part II components, if granted.
 - He and Bruce outlined how Part II will contact the deed holders, coordinate public meetings and disseminate information about these easements, as well as possible river signage.
- **Antilon Lake Sign:** Bob displayed the completed signs which cost \$117 each and how he'll coordinate with Travis Maitland for installation.
- **Barnett Awards:** Pat Herdt sent a letter of appreciation to the board and Bob is still trying to contact Gill Biles to deliver his award.
- **Club Storage Unit:** Various ideas were discussed about the board renting a storage unit to hold various club materials such as banners, raffle items and fly tying materials. A basic, indoor 5' x 10' unit would cost \$35 a month. Each board member would have a key to facilitate easy access and a sign-in form would track the movement of materials. The contract will be brought to the next board meeting for review and possible signing. As time progresses we'll probably also need shelves and storage boxes.
- **Volunteer Recruitment:** Tiers needed for the FFF Conclave during the first week in May and for the Salmonfest Sept. 20th

New Business:

- **Eagles Lodge:** Upon her request, Bob had a discussion with Tina, the cook at the Eagles. Tina had told Bruce that they are planning for 35 WVFF members to eat at the meetings but that number has been down lately. There was a general discussion about how to proceed.
- **Boy Scout Merit Badges:** Jack Squires suggested to Bob that the club become involved in working with Boy Scouts to help them earn Merit Badges in Fly Fishing. Everyone liked this idea, agreed that we should move forward and that we need to gather more information.
- **Donation to Project Healing Waters:** It was agreed that we still need more information regarding contracts. Bob has reached out to the Veterans Admin. in Spokane and is gathering more details.
- **Wenatchee Heights:** Fred noted that the county is still trying to buy land and is hoping to obtain a 10% match from local groups. It was also noted this land purchase is not part of the Stemilt land project. Tom made a motion to bring in Mr. Caputo / Bob 2nd the motion which passed.
- **Upper Wheeler Lake:** Was brought up by Steve regarding the construction of a water access/put-in location. He proposed that the club could work on this project and Bob bestowed upon him the title of, "Upper Wheeler Lake Guy" and asked him to gather more information and report back to the board.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:17 p.m. Bruce Merighi / Stand-In Secretary / Feb. 10, 2014

General Meeting Minutes February 20, 2014

President Rob Winters called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and called for General Reports:

- **Treasurer: Al Smith** presented the 2014 budget which the membership approved unanimously.
- **Guest Leonard Smith** was introduced.
- **Vice-President: Steve Harvey** reminded members of WVFF participation in the **Wenatchee Valley Sportsmen's Show**, February 21-23, 2014. The club's booth is in a better location this year. Volunteers are needed.
- **Conservation/ Education:** In addition to the Sportsmen's show, volunteers are needed for upcoming Ellensburg, Boy Scout and Salmonfest events.

- **Of interest: JoAnn Lane** announced that any members still needing receipts for banquet donations should contact her. Receipts can be provided in hardcopy or electronic form.

Program: **Gary Anderson** provided upcoming program information: March--Jim Gallagher will share his knowledge of fishing the Yakima River to coincide with Stonefly and March Brown Mayfly hatches; April—Rick DeLorenzo will return to present “Fly fishing for Chinook in Alaska.”(Those who have heard Rick before know he provides excellent ideas for making trips both wonderful and affordable.)

Gary introduced local district biologist **Travis Maitland** (Chelan & Douglas counties). Travis shared up-to-date information on local fisheries, including trout-stocking numbers and some new rules changes. He highlighted specific information on Upper Wheeler, the Upper Entiat, and Upper and Lower Antilon lakes. (Members should be aware that there is a “major rule change” to provide standardization of regulations regarding whether or not particular lakes or rivers are open. He suggests members review new regulations as they have previously differed for western and eastern Washington waters.) **Chad Jackson** (Grant & Adams counties) was unavailable but provided informational materials on his area’s rivers and lakes. **Bob Jateff** (Okanogan County) has retired and a replacement has not been hired. Following his presentation, Travis answered members’ questions. **President Rob Winters** adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m. JoAnn Lane WVFF Secretary February 28, 2014

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MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT INFORMATION, SALE ITEMS, PHOTOGRAPHS, ARTICLES OR FISHING STORIES.

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