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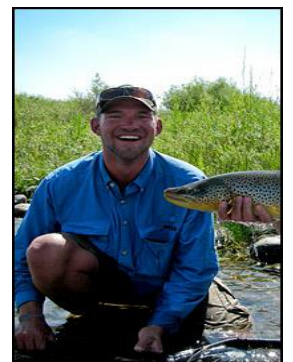
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## Looking Upstream For Chris Knott

As our presenter for the Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, Chris, who's been guiding for six years near Twin Bridges, Montana, is ready to share his vast knowledge about fishing the 4 Rivers area of southwestern Montana.



### Banquet Items Needed

Don't forget - It's getting to be that time of year when your board and the membership collect raffle and silent auction items for the upcoming WVFF Banquet. Contact Al Smith for details.

## THANK YOU SALMONFEST VOLUNTEERS



# NEXT WVFF Meeting

**October 168, 2014**

**WVFF General Meeting  
Wenatchee Eagles Lodge**

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|---------------------|---------|
| Wet Fly Hour        | 5:45 pm |
| Dinner              | 6:30 pm |
| Chris Knott Program | 8:00 pm |

**BRING A GUEST  
AND  
YOUR NAME TAG !**

## Board Meeting Minutes Sept. 4, 2014

Present: Rob Winters, Steve Harvey, JoAnn Lane, Bruce Merighi, Al Smith  
Absent: Gary Anderson, Danny Horan, Eric Rainbolt, Tom Rowe, Tom Whiteside  
President Rob Winters called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m. Minutes of the June Board and General meetings were approved as submitted.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

President, Conservation & Education: Rob Winters

- Reported he still needs a few more tyers for Salmon Fest on Saturday September 20, 2014. Activities begin at 9:00 a.m. Club members should be onsite at 8:00 to set up.
- Requested a substitute for the general meeting on September 18. Al Smith will preside.
- Reported that the Wild Fish Conservancy is considering filing a lawsuit to close the Leavenworth Hatchery.
- Shared Travis Maitland's information concerning possible new regulations for Fish and Wildlife in Eastern Washington. Maitland indicated most local streams would remain under current rules. Under consideration are an increase in Brook Trout limits and a proposal to open the Twisp River for more fishing. Rob said he might testify September 10 at a Department meeting in Wenatchee (subsequently, it was learned the Department only plans to take public testimony at a hearing in Olympia). The final deadline for submitting comments is October 16, 2014.
- Noted that under the proposals Big Twin would remain a selective-gear lake.
- Reported that Iris Bolstad had donated a number of books from Don's extensive library. The books will be considered as possible additions to the club library and potential auction items.
- Said he foresees a possible future need for club assistance for fire rehabilitation in burn areas.

Vice-President: Steve Harvey reported he had retouched the signs at Upper Wheeler and no new signs need to be provided by WVFF.

Membership: Eric Rainbolt was absent but submitted the latest membership list prior to the meeting.

Ghillie: Danny Horan was absent.

Treasurer: Al Smith reported a balance of \$18,500. This amount is \$1800 less than last year but included \$500 paid to the Academy and the membership-approved \$3000 Stemilt conservation purchase donation.

Outings: Tom Whiteside was absent but provided notification that the October outing will be October 4-5 at Dry Falls.

Programs: Gary Anderson was absent. Brian O'Keefe will be the September speaker.

Publications: Bruce Merighi shared Travis Maitland's request for membership's help in checking Lower Antilon Lake to see if any clipped fish are found. The Club assisted with a spring release of clipped fish into Upper Antilon. If clipped fish are found in the lower lake, it will point to a connection between the upper and lower lakes and would be used to "inform future planting decisions."

## Old Business:

- Banquet:
  - Auctioneer: Rob will talk with specific members about an interest in acting as the 2015 auctioneer.
  - Date: The possibility of a need to relocate the banquet or postpone the date was discussed. (*Post-board meeting information is that no change of date or venue will be needed as the country club will be open.*)
  - Donations: Members are encouraged to start thinking about donations for the raffle and silent and live auction.
- Eagle's dinner arrangements were again discussed. The possibility of the need to find another meeting location remains as does the question of dinner price and menu.
- The Board approved Rob Winter's letter outlining WVFF support for the regulation increasing Entiat Brook Trout limits from the current 10 fish per day.
- New WVFF Website: Bruce Merighi reported the new website is "ready to look at." He will be sending members notification later in September when the site is open for preview and feedback; he welcomes members' comments about the new site.

## New Business:

- Rob Winters will be appointing a committee in October to prepare a slate of officers for 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. JoAnn A. Lane WVFF Secretary September 12, 2014

# General Meeting Minutes Sept. 18, 2014

General Meeting: Acting President Al Smith called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.

## General Reports:

Guests: Skip Hennigan was introduced.

- Gary Bates raised a procedural issue relating to expenditure of funds. A brief discussion followed.
- Outings: The annual Dry Falls outing is scheduled for October 4 & 5. There will be a potluck on Saturday evening.
- Conservation/ Education: Volunteers are needed for Salmon Fest on September 20th in Leavenworth. The club will be providing fly tying instruction for adults and children.
- Fred Kunzmann took an informal poll asking for members interested in spey casting instruction and practice. Those wishing to learn more about the technique were invited to join a WVFF group at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 23 at the Monitor Bridge.
- Publications: Bruce Merighi reported that the new website is nearing completion and will be available for members to view and review soon. Many documents from the old site have been moved. He hopes a complete and more user-friendly site will reduce the costs associated with hardcopy newsletter publication.

Program: Gary Anderson introduced Brian O'Keefe, life-long fly-fishing enthusiast and returning featured speaker. Brian was a guide in the Northwest and Alaska early in his career. Today he travels extensively to fish and photograph his experiences in some of the most remote angling destinations in the world. His presentation "Tips for Central Washington and Beyond" including using white streamers, adding a wet tip line, using popper and dropper for bass, and sinking an ant.

Brain publishes the online *Catch Magazine: The Official Journal of Fly Fishing and Film*. Following his "Tips" presentation, Brian shared several outstanding videos of fly fishing adventures filmed during his wide-ranging travels. These and other videos can be viewed at online at <https://www.catchmagazine.net/>

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m. JoAnn Lane Secretary, WVFF September 25, 2014



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