

Spokane Walleye Club

General Meeting: May 25, 2022. 7:00 PM at the INWC

Officers Present: Smiley Hatcher (President), Ken Shatzer (Vice President), Mark McFall (Secretary)

Board Members Present: John Calkins, Larry Quaintance, Stan Judd

Absent: Allan Walker, Travis Scholten

Members Signed-in: 41

Treasurer's Report

Checking	Project	Club	Total
\$3,760.95	\$12,157.84	\$8,843.88	\$24,762.67

Our new insurance policy is in place. It is cheaper and more user friendly. *Nice work, Thanks Allan!*

Our booth rental for the 2023 Big Horn show has been paid in full.

Guests and New Members

Brian Clum and Eric (tonight's speakers), Jeff Smith, Larry Rosenberg, Harry Long, Jim Melanowski (sp?), Chuck Sims and Bob Markeson. Please pardon any misspellings or omissions.

Welcome All!

Fishing Reports

Glen Herman recently fished on several occasions at Kettle Falls. He was successful at the mouth of the Kettle River and above the Dalles, but not at Evans.

Fordyce recently fished at Porcupine Bay and was successful using chartreuse snap jigs on current seams.

Spring Campout and Picnic — June 9-13, 2022

Our annual Spring Picnic will be held at the Locust Grove group campground at Kettle Falls. Check-in starts at noon on Thursday and check-out is at noon on Monday. The picnic is on Saturday June 11th; fish and turkey will be provided and members are requested to bring a pot luck dish. There is also a pot luck breakfast on Sunday morning at about 9:00 AM. There is no camping charge as the club pays for the group campground.

The Spring Picnic raffle items have been purchased. Members are encouraged to donate additional items.

Our usual source of firewood for campfires is no more, so members are encouraged to bring some.

There are no boat docks, so this is pull out every day. There is plenty of space to park boats / trailers at the campground.

Boat launch permits are needed and should be purchased online in advance (from the Park Service). Temporary permits are good for seven days and the annual permits are valid for the calendar year. A member advised that it recently took 3-1/2 weeks for his annual permit to arrive in the snail mail. Temporary permits are also available at the Super 1 store in Colville. Park Service Golden Age pass holders (AKA: senior citizens) receive a 50% discount.

This is our biggest event of the year and all are encouraged to attend.

Fall Campout — September 16-18, 2022

Smiley has reserved the group campsite at the Gifford Campground. Since the group site is small, the club will reimburse members for the cost of three nights at individual campsites. Group events and campfires will be at the group site. Members are encouraged to get their reservations in early (recreation.gov). Golden Age pass holders receive a 50% discount.

As above, boat launch permits are needed and should be purchased online in advance (from the Park Service). There is no cell phone service at this location.

Boat docks are available and are first-come, first-served.

Porcupine Bay and Kettle Falls Fishing Information

A big *Thanks* to Greg Koch for the detailed fishing map he posted on our website for Porcupine Bay. Our fishing map for Kettle Falls is also on the website and paper copies were made available at tonight's meeting. All *great* info!

Potholes Reservoir

Smiley referenced the recent Walleye "state of the union" presentation that we received at our March meeting from the WDFW and discussed good reasons to fish Potholes. It is typically no further than Kettle Falls for most. We also have a club fish day scheduled at Potholes on July 9th.

Argonne Fishing Hole and General Store

John Calkins has a bunch of door prizes tonight that were donated by the Fishing Hole and the General Store. He advised that both stores have expanded their offerings of fishing gear and have top-notch products. The General Store has also established a bucket for members in which to deposit their purchase receipts for the

monthly drawings at club meetings for these nice door prizes. Members are encouraged to shop locally at these two stores and enjoy the 10% discount that is offered to them on fishing gear.

Kids Fishing — May 7, 2022 at Clear Lake

Despite the inclement weather, the feedback on this event was all good. The WDFW's new Kids Fishing trailer, that we donated to, was present and in-service. *Sincere thanks to all members who braved the weather to help with this event. All those smiling kids' faces were worth it!*

Christmas Banquet and Elections Meeting — review

December 7th at 6:00 PM at the INWC.

Monthly Meeting Schedule — review

June — no meeting at INWC; it will be held at the Spring Picnic

July — at the INWC

August — at the INWC

September — at the INWC

October — at the INWC

November — no meeting (too close to December's meeting)

December — see above

Remaining Fish Days — review

- June — skip, due to the Spring Picnic
- Saturday, July 9 at Potholes
- August — skip
- September — skip, due to Fall Campout at Gifford
- Saturday, October 1 — Texas Rapids

Smiley will establish a whiteboard for each event with the names of experienced club members on one side and the names of guests and new members on the other side to be paired-up. The object is to provide the best possible experience and orientation for our guests and new members.

Speaker Presentation

Tonight's speakers were Brian Clum of Clumdog Outdoors fishing guide service and his associate, Eric. They gave an outstanding overview on the topic of fishing at Long Lake, AKA Lake Spokane, which was very well received.

For more in-depth lessons from these professionals, members are encouraged to sign-up for a guided tour with them. The cost is \$150 per person for all day with everything provided, except food.

Their contact information is:

509-688-4991 www.clumdogoutdoors.com brian@clumdogoutdoors.com

Club Hats

It was pointed out last month that we are running low on hats (only two pink ones left). And with our recent increase in new members several have asked about them. Mark and Linda McFall will make a hat run to our vendor (TPI Embroidery) in Post Falls tomorrow , but they will not be back in time for the June Picnic. TPI also makes our club jackets, for those who are interested.

Adjournment

8:30 PM

Next Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the INWC, and as the need arises, at the June campout.

Next Membership Meeting

At the June campout.