

# RAPIDS

NOVEMBER 2013



The Hammer Creek run was a success as always. Thank you Tom for stepping up every year to make this even happen. The fishing was good and many boats caught fish. Jim McGarvin's boat brought in first and second place, but the rumor I heard was he forgot to take off the bar code and price tag from Albertsons! We may have to put an official on his boat next year to keep him honest.

The day of fishing was followed up by the Dutch oven pot luck dinner and Halloween costume party. I was the guy dressed up as a boat still fishing till dark on the river, but I hear the food was great and costumes were..... well lets just call it entertaining. If you were not there this year, make plans to join us next year.



## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- ◆ Banquet sign up
- ◆ The Hammer creek run
- ◆ Message from the President
- ◆ Officers elections for 2013
- ◆ Fishing reports

Join us December Monday the 9th for our general membership meeting and a chance to win a steelhead trip on the Clearwater.

## *Time to step up and lead*

Elections are right around the corner...for WWA Board of Directors! We will be accepting nominations for the positions of Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and three Board Members. If you are interested in volunteering (self-nomination) or if you know someone that would be an asset to the Board, please email nominations or questions to [jetboat2@WesternWhiteWater.org](mailto:jetboat2@WesternWhiteWater.org) or leave a message at 454-1669. There is no better way to learn about the club you belong to. If you have never been involved on the Board or if you have been involved before but would still like to help, this is your opportunity and I highly recommend it.

We will accept nominations through the December Membership meeting. Elections will be at the December membership meeting.

As the Secretary/Treasurer for the rest of the year, I am really pushing for someone to fill this position. It is an important job. I have filled this position in one capacity or the other for nine and one-half years (not in a row) and feel it is time for someone else to do it. Please if you know someone who would be interested, ask them to call me.



Plans are well under way for the Annual WWA Banquet, Jan 24th. The early registration is enclosed in this newsletter. This year we will be including new games, one is especially designed for children. It will be held at the Idaho Center, doors opening at 4 p.m. Dinner will be served around 6:30. Hope to see you there and bring a friend!!!

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# FISH ON

## Clearwater Fishing trip!!!

Wanda and I went on a drift boat steelhead fishing trip on the Clearwater river on Oct 28th and 30th. We had a great time with the weather mostly in our favor. Had a little wind the first day which made rowing difficult at times. With the end results in catching some nice fish. The fish and game changed the requirements for keepers to one a day and nothing over 28 inches from the Orofino bridge down river. As you can see in the picture this fish was a hatchery fish but too large to keep. I hooked a larger fish on the second day and got it to the boat and was ready to net it and it flipped the hook. Enough to make a grown man cry. We went on the river with the Guide Shop in Orofino and have done this for sev-

eral years. The Guide shop has donated a trip to the WWA for several year for our yearly banquet and auction. We enjoy this trip so much and always bid on the trip and have won it a few times. We usually add a second day to the trip. This year the WWA has purchased a one day trip for two from the Guide Shop with two nights lodging. To be eligible you need to come to a meeting and get your ticket and put it in the jug. Every meeting you attend gives you another chance to win. The drawing will be at the 2014 WWA banquet. You must be present to win. I'm sure there will be another trip in the auction this year.

Randy Clagg



Jim McGarvin

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—Editor



With the year winding down on my term as the President of the WWA, I look back at all that we did this year as a club. We started off with our "River God" run and it seems to me everything went into high speed.

The Banquet came off well, thanks to a lot of you guys stepping up to the plate. Dana and I had a medical emergency come up so unfortunately we missed the Banquet.

The Chili Cook-Off was fantastic as always and Chad did a bang up job on Glenn's Ferry. Bob Hays helped me through the Riggins boat races. What a learning experience that was. It was all good and I am ready to do it again if the club wants me to.

There wasn't much work for the legislative committee to work on. I would say that was good.

Our elections are coming up and there are a few openings on the board. We still have problems of finding someone to run for the secretary's office. That is a hard job to fill as it requires time to stay on top of it. Having said that, I feel it is the most important job in the club and I am confident that there is someone chomping at the bit to go for it.

Chad Colton stepped up and took over the Rapids and is doing a great job. He still needs input from the members at large. I know you guys are out there fishing and boating and just having fun. I would encourage you to share your adventures with the rest of us. Yes I know I am probably the biggest offender; I will try to do better.

I just got back from Hammer creek. Tom did another fine job this year. I believe there were 40 signed up for the fish contest. There were only five fish caught, sorry I don't have the names of the winners. I am sure they will be announced at our next meeting. There were twenty eight folks that took part in the Dutch oven pot luck; you who missed it missed some good eats.

There is a special meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup> to explain the new permit process for Hells Canyon which will start next year. It will be held at the Canyon Creek restaurant. It will start at 6:00 and should be finished at about 8:00. Please plan on attending, I am told there will be five members of the Forest Service there to present the program.

Clyde



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#### Reprint from September: Membership List

There has been a lot of discussion this year on whether we should have a membership list available to for viewing and what the reason is for this. While the main purpose of the WWA is to protect and promote use of our river system, the club is very social in nature. We all share a passion for spending time on our waterways running our boats. There are times that we have questions about a river or lake that we do not have knowledge about but one of our members may. The idea is to be able to contact those members to ask for help or gain knowledge from their experience.

Many people are worried about their private information and that is understandable in today's identity theft world. We always do our very best to safe guard the membership. The purposed list would list the name, location (city and state), email and phone number. There will be a PDF sent secure email to those who receive the rapids via email and a hard copy sent out in the March Rapids 2014 for those receiving hard copy.

I know that I blew out two trailer tires in August going to Hells Canyon and found out my track jack will not lift my trailer. It would have been nice to be able to call for help in Valley County.

If you were to have boat troubles or an accident by Glenns Ferry, I know the first call I would make is to Chuck to bring out Fish Fighter II.

There will be an opt-out on your 2014 membership form. You can choose not to be listed. It is also to be known that this list is not for commercial or solicitation.

Please send questions or concerns to clyde schrader [cschrader4@q.com]



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## Western Whitewater Association

### Calendar of Events

Jan 1 2014 The new years day run

Jan 2014 The Banquet

All dates are subject to change. In the event of a change, we will notify ASAP.

#### **General Meetings**

**are the second Monday of the Month at Canyon**

**Creek Restaurant Nampa, ID**

### Internet Addresses

#### **Idaho Current Streamflows: (New Address) 5-01**

[http://water.usgs.gov/id/nwis/current?type=flow&group\\_key=NONE&search\\_site\\_no\\_station\\_nm=](http://water.usgs.gov/id/nwis/current?type=flow&group_key=NONE&search_site_no_station_nm=) (enter it once and bookmark it!)

#### **Idaho Power Streamflow Information: (03-02)**

<http://www.idahopower.com/h2o/idastream.cfm>

#### **Riverflow Information:**

<http://www.idwr.state.id.us/planpol/techserv/flows.htm>

### Addresses and Telephone Numbers

**Salmon River Reservations:** Slate Creek Ranger Station: 208-839-2211

**Hells Canyon Power Boat Reservations:** Pat Wurl: 509-758-0270

General information: 509-758-0616

**River & Reservoir Levels:** Bureau of Reclamation: 208-334-9134

**Bliss Dam Outflows:** Idaho Power (Call weekdays only) 208-388-2255