

RAPIDS

WESTERN WHITEWATER ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER 2017

2017 CONFLUENCE RUN

The Confluence runs of 2017 was great the weather was beautiful. On Friday for the pre run we had 17 boats go to the Confluence. Saturday there were close to 30 boats some went to the Confluence then came up river after. Thank you to all our great leaders. Some of the group wanted to go up river and fish so Jim Moore lead a group if 5 up to fish. There were no silver rock award candidates which is good. We cooked 60 steaks and served 59 plus some chicken. All the side dishes were great. We had pancakes on the new grill on Sunday. Thanks everyone that attended it was a great time.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The first weekend of October members of WWA had the opportunity to spend some quality time in Hells Canyon with 20 disabled veterans and their companions. This cooperative effort was put on in conjunction with Team River Runner. Bob Tracy, the chapter coordinator, and WWA member, Dennis Marguet collaborated to organize the event to give veterans

who normally would not have access to get out on the river in a jet boat a chance to enjoy a day of boating and fishing. The mission of Team River Runner is to get vets out to embrace new challenges and to promote camaraderie. The event met those goals in every way. The national organization for this group recognized this trip in its recent newsletter as an innovative way to get veterans out and about.

The veterans were introduced to a part of Idaho many had never seen. Some had never been on a jet boat before and were impressed with the experience. Each captain was matched with at least one vet in accordance with what they wanted to do. Some just wanted to run the river, but most wanted to try their hand at landing fish. Several sturgeon were caught and there was enough bass to feed the group fish tacos for dinner. Every one of the veterans were appreciative of having the experience. I heard many a club member tell the veterans that they were the ones who were appreciative and it was an honor to have the opportunity to serve them. I would like to take my hat off to those member s who freely gave

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of their time and resources to make this happen: Dennis Marguet, John Bryant, Gary Hays, Bob Grey, Bill Gore, Dave Dickerson, Rowdy Monroe, Jim McGarvin, Jay Roberts, and Paul Mercer . Also giving of his time and resources was guide, Homer Brown of Whitebird.

This was certainly a collaboration that went beyond our typical outings and group. The Team River Runner organization generally hits the water in paddle boats. By coming together with this group, it shows that we are willing to work with all groups for the general good. There is conversation of making this an annual event. I for one, feel it would be one of the best events that we participate in. Giving back to those who have given to our country is the right and just thing to do. I feel fortunate to be a part of the initial group to take these fine people to the river. See you on the river,

See you on the river!

Bill Dutton

WWA President 2017

Thanks &Bill, for your

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2018 ANNUAL BANQUET

The Board of Directors and the Banquet Committee are already making plans for the Annual Banquet. This is the only fund raiser the WWA does. It is a very fun event. We have games, a raffle, and a live and silent auction.

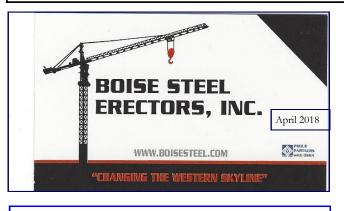
The committee is always looking for ways to improve the banquet. If you know of a game we aren't already playing or have another suggestion, please contact John Bryan t208-250-3512, Bill Dutton 208-377-5110 or Anita Shore 208-459-7764.

Please consider joining the committee. Call one of the above members and they will let you know when and where the next meeting will be..

I will try to have an registration form in the next Rapids.

Members wishing to place classified ads are free. Commercial ads are \$10.00 each month, or \$100.00 for a year. If you have an ad that you would like run, call Anita Shore at (208) 459-7764

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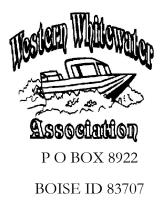




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Internet Addresses

Idaho Current Streamflows: (New Address) 5-01

http://water.usgs.gov/id/nwis/current? type=flow&group_key=NONE&search_site_no_station_n m= (enter it once and bookmark it!)

Idaho Power Streamflow Information: (03-02) http://www.idahopower.com/h2o/idastream.cfm

<u>**Riverflow Information:** ht</u>tp://www.idwr.state.id.us/ planpol/techserv/flows.htm

Addresses and Telephone Numbers

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

<u>Hells Canyon Power Boat Reservations</u>: Reservations must be made online. https://www.recreation.gov/

<u>River & Reservoir Levels</u>: Bureau of Reclamation: 208-334-9134

Bliss Dam Outflows: Idaho Power (Call weekdays only)

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2, 2017?? Board meeting—Jim McGarvins Shop

<u>OCTOBER 9, 2017</u> General Membership meeting— TNT Bar & Grill, Nampa

OCTOBER 28, 2017 Hammer Creek Run

NOVEMBER 13, 2017 General Membership meeting— Canyon Creek Restaurant, Nampa

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