

Minutes: IWFF General Meeting September 27, 2016

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ISLAND WATERS FLY FISHERS SOCIETY MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Held On: September 27, 2016, Air Cadet Hall, Nanaimo BC; chaired by Don Ginter.

Call to Order: The meeting began at 7:15 pm., with fly tying demonstrations by four members of the club. Gerry Stevens was tying the "California Neil", Gordon Sharrocks the "Coho Rusty Blue", John Ellis, four major salmon flies and Bob Kissinger was tying "simple flies" for the "simple" Chum salmon. After a short coffee break the General Meeting began at 8:10 pm.

Guests: Bob MacEachern introduced guests; Jason Perry, David Bain and Garry Smith.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Ron Busche moved that the minutes be accepted as read, carried.

Treasurer's Report: Ian Stewart presented a statement with a balance of \$1,378.38. Ian noted that the balance was after prepaying all the club's rental costs for the year along with the \$500 security fee for the key to Panther Lake. Ian moved that the report be accepted as presented, carried.

Business:

Divas on the Fly: Don Ginter reported that Wayne Pealo was resigning as a club director and specifically as the director of the DOTF program.

Subsequently, the directors discussed the matter at the Director's Meeting and passed the following motion: That the IWFF sponsored program, Divas On The Fly, be discontinued until further notice.

Fly Fishing Film Festival: Don Ginter announced that the Castaways fly fishing club had reserved 20 tickets for IWFF members. Any members interested in purchasing a ticket for \$20 can contact Don. The film Festival is in Parksville on Sunday, October 16, 2016. Details are available on the club's website.

Conservation: Bob Kissinger reported that the Departure Bay Creek smolt count program counted 55 – 60 Coho smolts along with some cutthroat trout. Bob also reported that the community Water Monitoring Program is all organized and ready to go for this Fall. Bob further reported that he is looking into the possibility of placing some in-stream hatchery boxes in the

Millstone River. He also reported on the club's successful contribution to the Rivers Day program with members John Ellis, Gerry Stevens, Gordon Sharrocks, Bob Kissinger and Bruce Murray demonstrating fly tying and casting. Finally, Bob reminded members that October 1, is opening day for Chums on several rivers.

Xmas Party: John Ellis reported he is looking at December 6 or 7 for the club's annual Xmas Party and is presently talking to the golf club and the Lantzville Legion.

Programs: John Ellis announced that October's guest speaker will be the senior biologist responsible for salmon assessment.

Fly Tying: Jack Toomer announced that this year's dates for the fly tying sessions at the Oliver Woods Community Center will be as follows; November 5 & 26, January 7, February 4, March 4 and April 1. Jack noted that the lunches provided for the fly tying sessions continue to be a very popular part of the day but that there is a need for volunteer cooks to provide the lunches, and if possible some new cooks. Jack also noted he is very open to any new suggestions, ideas or programs to enhance the fly tying sessions.

Cabela's: Don Ginter reported that the ongoing concerns with our joint participation at Cabela's promotions are still on the table with the intention of finding a positive solution. The matter will be dealt with at the next Director's meeting.

Membership: Rick Wanhill reported that we have 55 members and that this year's dues of \$40 will be due at October's meeting.

Family Fishing Day: George McGladrey thanked Gordon Sharrocks for helping her by stepping up to manage the club's participation and making it a very successful day.

Panther Lake: Ian Stewart reminded members wishing to fish at Panther Lake that they needed to fill out the necessary form and pay the \$10 fee. The \$10 fee is good for two years meaning that those who paid the fee last year are all paid up.

BCFFF: Lloyd Erickson reported that he will be participating in a BCFFF conference call next week and will be able to report the results next month.

Gilley: Gerry Stevens presented the \$25 prize to Bruce Murray.

Fly Draw: George McGladrey presented fly packages to Bill Croft and Bernie Heinrichs.

Adjournment: Ron Schiefke called for adjournment at 9:00 pm, carried.

