## ISLAND WATERS FLY FISHERS SOCIETY MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

**Held On:** October 25, 2016, Air Cadet Hall, Nanimo, BC., chaired by Don Ginter.

Guests: Dennis Mullins introduced guests Kiara Robertson and Tony Arruda.

**Call to Order:** The meeting began at 7:15 pm. with a presentation by Senior DFO Biologist, Steve Bailey, assisted by DFO Community Adviser, Erica Blake, explaining the detailed and complicated process of assessing the yearly salmon stocks. John Ellis thanked Steve and Erica for their informative talk and presented them both with IWFF pocket knives. After a short coffee break the general meeting began at 8:55 pm.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ian Stewart submitted a financial statement with a balance of \$944.69. Ian moved that the statement be accepted as read, carried.

## **Business:**

<u>Pacific Salmon Foundation:</u> The IWF supports the PSF with an annual purchase of one table (eight tickets) for the PSF Dinner and Auction. Don Ginter distributed the tickets by a show of hands to the following members. Two tickets went to first time attendees, Jason Perry and Dan Hooper and the remaining six tickets went to Dennis Mullins, Ron Schiefke, Ian Stewart, Jack Toomer, Bob MacEachern and Don Ginter.

<u>Casting Clinic:</u> Dennis Mullins informed members of the upcoming spey clinic to be conducted by Keith Hyett on the Englishman River on November 13, beginning at 10:00 am. The cost is \$50 and there are still spaces available. Those interested in joining should contact Dennis.

Christmas Dinner: John Ellis announced that the IWFF Xmas Dinner will be held this year at the Nanaimo Golf Club on Wednesday, December 7. Doors will open at 5:30 pm. with cocktails at 6:00 pm. and dinner at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$40:00 per person which includes a turkey and ham dinner with dessert and one free drink. John reminded members that the event was the club's major fund raiser and urged members to donate items for the silent auction by either approaching local businesses or donating personal quality items that they may no longer need. All donations should be given to Jeorge McGladrey by December 1.

<u>Fly Tying:</u> Jack Toomer reminded members of the first fly tying session of the year at Oliver Woods on Saturday, November 5. The cost is \$5:00 which covers the cost of the lunch. Members with surnames beginning with letters from A to M are asked to bring a side dish to add to the main course and those with names from N to Z are asked to bring desserts.

<u>Chum Fest:</u> Bob Kissinger reminded members that tomorrow, October 26, was the annual Chum Fest on the Nanaimo River. They will start from 8:00 to 9:00 am. and then retire to the Wheatsheaf Inn at 11:30 am. for lunch. Bob also asked how many members would be interested in joining a rod building group this winter and received a good show of hands.

<u>Membership:</u> Rick Wanhill announced he is collecting dues for this year and that the cut off date is the end of February.

<u>BCFFF</u>: Lloyd Erickson urged members to read the recent BCFFF Newsletter posted on the website for the article on "A Quality Angling Experience Concept." Lloyd also urged members to write up reports on the many activities the club is involved in. He emphasized doing reports on special trips to notable destinations, detailing the planning, dates, successes, failures, costs etc. to inform other fly fishers of the possibilities out there.

**Gilley:** Gerry Stevens presented the \$25.00 prize to Garry Smith, a lure tray and apron to Don Ginter and a book to John Ellis.

Fly Draw: Jeorge McGladrey presented fly filled coffins to Bernie Heinrichs and Neil Rich.

**Adjournment:** Ron Schiefke moved for adjournment at 9:30 pm., carried.