## ISLAND WATERS FLY FISHERS SOCIETY MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Held On: January 22, 2013, at the Rotary Field House, Nanaimo, BC.

**Call to Order:** The meeting began at 7:20 with a presentation by Frank Dalziel. Frank gave a thorough and informative slide presentation on "Fishing the Flats at Christmas Island". After a coffee break, the general meeting began at 8:50.

Guests: Bob MacEachern introduced guests. John Blood and Bill Leatherdale.

**Approval of Minutes:** Moved Paul Inscho, seconded Bob MacEachern, carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ian Stewart reported a balance of \$5,978.00.

**Health and Welfare:** Doug Winters' wife suffered a heart attack and at last report was in Victoria receiving stents.

**Old Business:** Ron Schiefke noted that we were still looking for a vice-president and an entertainment director.

## **Committee Reports:**

<u>Fly tying:</u> Jack Toomer reported that the January fly tying at Oliver Woods was a great success with 22 members attending. The delicious lasagna lunch was provided by Ian Stewart. Jack reminded the members that those attending the Saturday sessions are asked to bring either a salad, dessert, bread and butter or appetizer to the pot luck to supplement the provided main course. Jack also informed new members that the club has extra fly tying tools and materials available for the saturday sessions, along with members eager to help any new tyers. The next session will be on February 9 at the Oliver Woods Center.

<u>Fly Casting:</u> Jack Toomer has organized a day of spey casting lessons from Courtenay Ogilvie to be held on February 10 at the Boy Scout Camp on the Englishman River. The club is contributing \$150 towards the cost. The lessons are open to 10 members at a cost of \$30 each.

<u>Membership:</u> Rick Wanhill reported 43 paid up members and urged others to pay their dues by the February meeting.

<u>Conservation:</u> Harry McLeod reported on the controversy involving the Collery Dam Park. After a spirited discussion the members agreed that the IWFF send a letter to the city urging the retention of the present ponds. Harry agreed to write the letter.

<u>Library:</u> Lance Mitchell has volunteered to look after the library and has donated some new books and videos to the library. He will continue to make all library materials available to members and display a selection at each general meeting.

## **New Business:**

<u>Fly Fishing Course:</u> Ron Moll will again be offering his fly fishing course Through Parks and Recreation. It will be held on Wednesday nights from March 20 to May 1. The timetable will be posted on the IWFF website. The \$75 fee will include a percentage for the club. Ron will be looking for club volunteers to help with the presentations as he has in past years.

Open House: Wayne Pealo is organizing an open house to promote the IWFF and encourage new

memberships. It is to be held on April 6 at the Oliver Woods Center in conjunction with the Saturday Fly Tying. Wayne has sent out an information sheet to members but continues to look for ideas and more volunteers to ensure success.

**Fly Draw:** Jeorge McGladrey presented xmas crackers with flies to two winners, John Bane and Lance Mitchell.

Adjournment: 9:37 pm.