

# WESTERN WHITEWATER ASSOCIATION



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### 2016 GLENNS FERRY RUN

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The Glenns Ferry run was a great success this year, there were about 23 boats. We would like to thank our wonderful (Rock Scouts) leaders for finding that group of rocks and announcing it before the group behind him found them as

well. Our leaders were James Shore, John Bryant, and Bob Spencer we found a group of rocks if you get a chance ask James Shore where that was. You can also watch the video on youtube.com called "March 2016Badass Jet Boating" post by the group on the boat

following James Shore. Even though we know there were some rocks found and we have a video to prove it, there were no major incidents.

We served 46 Steaks at the dinner and want to thank everyone for the won-

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#### Special points of interest:

- Glenns Ferry Run this year was so much fun. Nice day for this time of year.
- Weed run is coming up in May.??? Hopefully
- Salmon River run will be April 14 & 15 water level permitting.
- Riggins jet boat races are April 16 & 17 following the Salmon River Run.
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Gathering around at beach just above Pilgrim Rapid

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to apologize to everyone. I did not get my message to Anita before the deadline, so I will be combining February and March. I will also give you some preview of upcoming events.

The month of February was been incredibly busy for the Western Whitewater Association. The annual banquet was held during the first weekend in February and the Chili Run brought the month to a close.

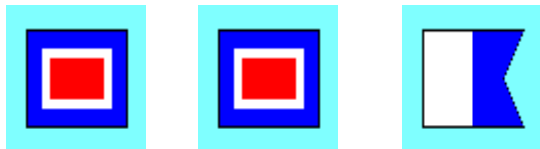
During the middle of February Bob Hays and I traveled to Salmon, Idaho to attend the informational meeting regarding the Whitewater Wave Park they want to build on the Salmon River.

The annual banquet was held in the Expo Building at the Western Idaho Fairgrounds. This was the first time for this

venue and the feedback from the surveys was very encouraging. Everyone seemed to really like the change, the only drawback was the acoustics and hopefully that problem can be corrected. I want to extend a huge thank you to Bill and Ann Dutton for doing a truly awesome job planning and organizing the event. I also want to express my appreciation to the banquet committee that worked tirelessly the weeks and months leading up to the banquet...they are always behind the scenes going above and beyond. I would ask that you please support and thank the many businesses and individuals that donate to the banquet without them we would not be able to deliver such a great event. I also appreciate and thank Gary and Judy

Sparks for an outstanding job with the live auction. Our outgoing president Randy Clagg was presented a WWA coat for his 2 year commitment to the WWA. Thank you again Randy for being a great president. This year's Silver Rock award went to John Bryant. We were unable to present it to John the night of the banquet so the award was presented at the Chili Run. The Jet Boaters of the Year are Rick and Jayne White. Their dedication to our club spans over 25 years. I know they are my parents but Grady and I have learned from their example and we are very proud of them.

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

February 25 and 26 I traveled with Bob Hays to Salmon, Idaho to attend the informational/pre-permitting meeting regarding the proposed Whitewater Wave Park they want to develop. What a learning experience to be able to sit at the table with the various government agencies that will oversee this process. Three federal and five state agencies as well as the local agencies were represented. This was an open meeting but public comment was not allowed. I have never personally been involved in this type of process. I know that the WWA has been involved in many different permitting processes for different projects that directly affect our river access. It is a privilege to have Bob Hays as my mentor and I thank him for his knowledge and the extra time he has done

researching this proposed park.

Last but not least the Chili Run is one of my all-time favorite events. As kids we would run up and down the hills to see how high up we could climb just being kids. When dad would whistle we would come running back down the hill and eat chili, cornbread and mom's brownies. Things haven't changed very much, Grady and I now run up and down the river in our pre-run boat and we know when the chili is ready to eat. We had great weather both days and at least 22 boats made it all the way to Rattlesnake Beach. The chili was awesome, the weather fantastic, and all of the great people make the WWA a great club to belong to.

As March came to an end we lost a fellow jet boater and

a true gentleman, Darell Bentz. Darell passed on Easter Sunday and will be greatly missed by the jet boat community. I am very privileged to drive the only race boat that he built. My family and I attended his memorial in Lewiston on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Darell was an outstanding business man, truly humble and kind. He lived his life with integrity, humor and adventure. Darell was an advocate for our river access and hunting rights. He made a huge impact on many lives and it was a privilege to see the huge number of people that turned out to honor his life. I will always be grateful that he took the time to stop by the 2012 World's to encourage Grady and me on our racing adventure.

I was unable to attend the Glens Ferry Run, but I understand it was well attended. The Salmon

River run and boat races are coming up in April. Bill Dutton is the chair of that event. If you are in Riggins on Friday night there is a Show and Shine of all the boats and a BBQ. Stop by and see us.

If you need anything or have questions let me know.

Respectfully,  
Shay White



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# 2015 GLENN'S FERRY RUN

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derful side dishes that were brought to go with the steaks it made for a wonderful dinner and enjoyable company. We served breakfast Sunday morning and everyone pre-

pared for the drive home. We also would like to thank James and Anita Shore who worked very hard on cleaning up the barbecue. We got a number of comments on how nice the barbecue looked as we were serving dinner.

Thank you all

Brandi Moore



Another enjoyable meal and fellowship with other WWA members

## IN OTHER NOTES

The water levels are increasing on the Salmon River. In the event they rise to far, it will be necessary to cancel this run. For more information, attend the April 11 meeting at Canyon Creek Restaurant. We appreciate everyone's attendance.

At the time, I don't have further information on the Weed Run. For more information on this run, contact Don Moore at 208-377-0272.

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## Calendar of Events.

**APRIL 11, 2016** General Membership meeting—  
Canyon Creek Restaurant, Nampa

**APRIL 15, 2016** Salmon River Run

**APRIL 16, 17, 2016** Salmon River Races

**May 7, 2016** (tentative) Weed Rim

**May 2016** (to be determined) Payette River Run

**May 14, 2016** Skills Day Hells Canyon Dam

**SEPT 17, 2016** Confluence Run

**OCT 22, 2016** Hammer Creek Run

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

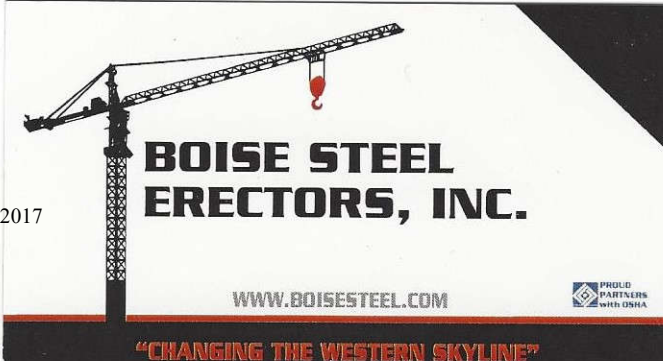
General Meetings are the second Monday of the Month at Canyon Creek Restaurant Nampa ID

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The jet boat races in Riggins are quickly approaching and we are still in need of safety boats. If you are able to help please contact Mick Cowger at 208-697-3636. Also, if you are available to help Friday with the test and tune please contact me (Mick Cowger) as soon as possible. A big thanks to all who have generously offered their time and boats in making this race a success. A safety boat meeting will be held Friday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m. Look for the Western Whitewater trailer across from the rodeo grounds in Riggins.

## **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=)  
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### **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:** Reservations must be made online. <https://www.recreation.gov/>

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

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