

OCTOBER 2016



WESTERN WHITEWATER ASSOCIATION

RAPIDS

2016 Confluence Run

The Western Whitewater Association's 2016 confluence run at Pittsburgh landing has come and gone. Thanks to everyone who attended. The turnout was good with all campsites filled and lots doubled up. The weather was almost perfect temperature wise with some wind Saturday followed by some rain at dinner time. About ninety

steaks were barbecued along with some chicken serving just over 80 people. Sunday's breakfast was served to roughly 30 people. The menu consisted of bacon, sausage, eggs and flap jacks. We would like to thank Jim and Brandi Moore for all their help cooking and Brandi for doing all the grocery shopping. We would like

to thank Jim Mc Garvin for the corn and corn cooker as well as those responsible for shucking all that corn. There was a wide variety of delicious side dishes and desserts. Thanks to the Forest service personnel, Jake Lubera and Tom Montoya for joining us for dinner. And Bill Brolinski for pulling in the BBQ in lieu of a



The above photo was taken on the day of the Pre-Run to the Confluence. The weather would not have been better. The water was a bit low. But all in all it was a very good day.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fall is in the air, the leaves are turning red and many of us are thinking of fall fishing and hunting. We have had a great fall and hopefully the great weather will continue for a little longer.

As always along with fall comes the Confluence run in Hells Canyon. This year was one of the best.

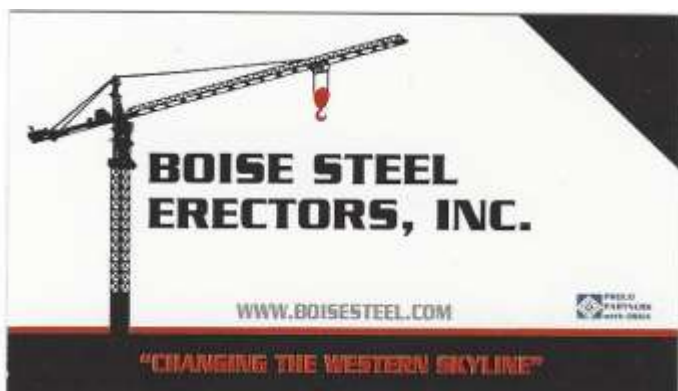
I would like to thank the committee chairs –John Bryant, Dave Dickerson and Brandi Moore for a doing a great job of organizing the group leaders and the great meal on Saturday evening. (Jeff Higgins helped with the planning but was unable to attend.) Also, a huge thank you to Bill Bolinske for bringing in the barbeque trailer. On Satur-

day morning I joined Justin and Nate Luther on the river clean-up and trash pick-up. I know that most of us try to pick-up and leave an area better than you found it, but thank you all for picking up trash and doing just a little extra during the weekend.

On Saturday evening Tom Montoya and Jake Lubera from the Wallowa-Whitman Forest Service joined us for steak dinner and questions about the canyon and its management. I appreciate the WWA members for being great hosts to these gentlemen. They were very appreciative of everything we do in the canyon and I think many of you helped point out some things that they can work on regarding the management of the river cor-

ridor. Please feel free to contact them at any time.

I would like to encourage all of you to consider serving on the WWA Board of Directors. Elections are coming up in November. It does not take up very much time, regular meetings are held once a month and the board meets quarterly. By serving on the board I have learned so many things regarding our use of the river system. I have also met many, many people from different walks of life that influence the management of the river. I know many of you have very busy lives, but new ideas are always welcome. If you are called by the election committee, please consider stepping up and being a board mem-



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jet boat (the BBQ was probably a little lighter).

On Friday's pre run about 9 boats ran down to the confluence of the Salmon but not all came back. No boats were lost on the pre run they just spent the night down river to fish. River flows in the morning were approximately 7100-7200 CFS making for some good low water running with lots of visible rocks. We stopped above Cottonwood and Roland Bar so that those

with less experience could ride through a few times and learn the rapids. On Saturday's confluence run about 12 boats went down in three groups Led by Jim Mc Garvin, Neil Troxel and John Bryant. Also Saturday several boat went up river to fish and give boat rides to hikers. We would like to thank Randy Clagg who led two new boaters upriver and back down. Both stated they had a wonderful time and were very appreciative of Randy for

doing so.

For the most part it was a great boating trip. Some new people saw the canyon for the first time. Lots of fish were caught. Chucker hunting was real good. Only a few minor dings and scratches. With all boats making it back on to the trailer safely. And best of all the club pump was not needed like last year ha ha. Thanks to everyone who attended and anyone we forgot to thank for making it a



Good Friends, Good Food, Good Times



Jim and Brandi Moore BBQing Steaks.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who brought a side dish. There were so many wonderful ones to choose from this year. I would, also, like to applaud Jim and Brandi Moore for all the work they put into this year's BBQ. Thank you to John and Carey Bryant for thir time and dedication to making this year's Confluence/BBQ Run such a success. Good work to all the others who stepped up and volunteered. That is part of what makes the WWA such a great group of

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Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 10, 2016 *General Membership meeting—Canyon Creek Restaurant, Nampa*

OCTOBER 29, 2016 *Hammer Creek Run*

NOVEMBER 14, 2016 *General Membership meeting* **Nomination of Officers**—*Canyon Creek Restaurant, Nampa*

DECEMBER 12, 2016 *General Membership meeting* **ELECTION NIGHT**—*Canyon Creek Restaurant, Nampa*

JANUARY 1, 2017 *New Years Day Run*

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= (enter it once and bookmark it!)

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://ww.recreation.gov/>

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

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