



RAPIDS

WESTERN WHITEWATER ASSOCIATION



DECEMBER 2017

2018 Annual Banquet & Fundraiser

The WWA's Annual Fundraiser Banquette is fast approaching. The date set is Feb. 3, 2013 at the Idaho Expo Building. We encourage all members to register early for this event and set this date aside on your calendars. There is a Banquet registration form in this month's rapids. The banquet is a great event and pre-registration could be given for a Christmas present or an end of year expenditure.

One way we can contribute to keeping our activities and access to the

waters that we love is by donating items for the banquet or by buying items at our fundraiser auction held during the banquet. Every year many generous businesses donate to the WWA goods and ser-



vices to be auctioned off. We greatly appreciate all that has been sent our way and we ask for your continued help. The fourth quarter is closing fast for those last minute expenses, or the beginning of the year can be a good time to donate to a great cause. Either way every little bit helps. Please contact Bill Dutton 208-377-5110, John Bryant 208-250-3512 or Anita Shore 208-459-7764 if you have a donation or would like to help, or simply need more information.

Points of Interest

- *New Year's day run is our next run!*
- *Mark Feb. 3, 2018 on your calendar for Banquet*
- *Boat registrations are due*
- *Membership dues are due 01/01/2018*



MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

2018 New Year's Day Run

Plan on arriving at Walters Ferry boat ramp at around 9:30 a.m. Groups will head up river around 10:00 a.m. For those not familiar with this event, it is held each year on New Year's Day on the Snake River in southwestern Idaho. The run is from Walters Ferry up river through the infamous "Graveyard"

stretch of the Snake to Swan Falls Dam. Upon reaching their destination, the participants engage in the traditional "Toast to the River Gods". There will be non-alcohol drinks for those wishing something besides champagne.

This run is not difficult, but there are several sections of the river that are very

technical. If you are a new member or are uncertain of the route, it is highly recommended that you run up with the main group or follow some one who knows the way.

We plan to have hamburgers/hot dogs in the parking lot after the run.

Questions regarding the New Year's Day Run should be sent to Bill Dutton 208-377-5110 or

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jet-boat2@westernwhitewater.org.
Hope to see you there.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Last January, the president's message included a piece about how being involved in an organization can reap positive benefits. As I have presided over this association the past year I have witnessed many positive outcomes because of an active membership. The first item that comes to mind is the membership's commitment to keep our rights as public land and water users at the fore front of our mission. Our voice was strong in keeping the upper the Rogue River open to power boaters. Our stand on land rights was evident in supporting the Our Land Our Voice. Bob Hays became an expert on a proposed whitewater park in Salmon and worked diligently to ensure that jet boat's concerns were heard. Sandra Mitchell was involved on several fronts and was deeply involved in stopping a proposed closure on the Salmon River. Shay White is committed to ensuring the WWA principles and ideals are represented at the Hells Canyon Coalition

meetings. He is working with other user groups in laying out future use plans for Hells Canyon that mirror our original charter.

The list goes on with those who stepped up to chair the various runs and events throughout the year. It can be a stressful thing being in charge of a group. But because people are willing to put forth, we all benefit and enjoy. Thank you to the following:

New Year's Day Run-Shay White

Chili Run- Chet and Debbie Thorson

Banquet- The board, officers and a large host of others including Jim McGarvin and Gary and Judy Sparks

Glenn's Ferry- David Dickerson & Brandi Moore

Vinegar to Corn Creek Trip- The Dutton's

Salmon River Race Safety Boats - Bob, Becky and Gary Hays, Mick Cowger, John Faw, Dave Horton, Brad Ford, Jim & Brandi Moore, Doug Martin, Don Moore, Chris Clemons, Nick Giardina and Carl Norton

Skills Day- Jed Meyers

Veteran's Trip- Dennis Marguet

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CALENDAR of EVENTS

- *General Meeting December 11at
TNT Bar and Grill, Nampa, ID*
- *Banquet Committee meets December 6 at Horton's Fluid Power, Boise, ID*
- *Merry Christmas December 25*
- *New Years Day Run January 1, 2018
General Meeting January 15, 2018 at TNT Bar and Grill, Nampa ID*
- *Annual Banquet February 3, at Idaho Expo Building Garden City*

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2018 WWA Banquet Registration

February 3, 2018
EXPO IDAHO
5610 Glenwood Boise ID



**Note: Registration Packets will be made available at the door.
Extra raffle tickets will be available for purchase at the event.**

Doors open at 4:00 P.M.
Dinner served at 6:30 P.M.
Auction begins at 8:30 P.M.

The meal will be catered by Goodwood BBQ again this year.

Three different meat choices, Caesar salad, Naked Beans, Garlic Potatoes, Rolls.

Coffee and light beverages will be served. There will be a dessert auction again this year.

No Host Bar will be available starting at 4:30 P.M.

#	Package	Pre-Pay 1/31/2018	Pay at the Door
___	WWA Single Membership, One Meal 15 Raffle Tickets	\$90	\$100
___	WWA Family Membership, Two Meals, 30 Raffle Tickets	\$155	\$165
___	Individual Meal Only	\$35	\$45
___	Dinner for Two	\$70	\$80
___	Children's Dinner (Age 10 and Under)	\$20	\$20
___	Family Membership, NO MEALS, 15 Raffle Tickets	\$80	\$90
___	Single Membership, NO MEALS, 15 Raffle Tickets	\$55	\$65
___	SPONSOR TABLE	\$300	Must be paid by 1/31/2015

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION—Not Attending Banquet P O BOX 8922, BOISE ID 83707

(Please fill in both sections for Banquet registration)

Please fill in membership information completely and print plainly to update our records

Family Membership \$50 (includes two votes)

Single Membership \$35 (includes 1 vote)

Name(s): _____
Address: _____
City, State and Zip: _____
Phone # _____
Email: _____

Do you want to receive the rapids and club alerts by email? Alerts are time sensitive notification

By checking below I am electing to have the following information EXCLUDED from the Club Membership Directory

All personal Information _____ Email address _____ or City, State _____

This info is for club business and your info will not be shared with non-members or for solicitation.

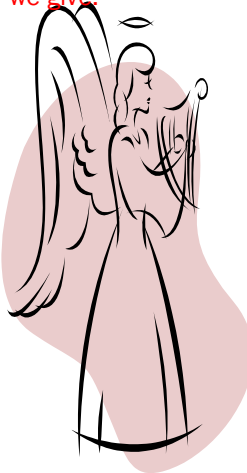


2018 ELECTION

Elections will be held at the December General Membership meeting. We will be voting for a President Elect, a Vice President, a Secretary/Treasurer and three Directors and an alternate. Thank you everyone who has already volunteered to run. At present, we do not have anyone running for President-Elect or Vice President.

If you can find the time to help It will be appreciated by everyone. However, if you cannot serve on the board, do not for one minute think you aren't a value to the club. Without our numbers, we would not be able to continue our efforts to maintain our rights to be on the river.

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what we get; we
make a life by what
we give.



BE AN ANGEL!
Volunteer!

BOAT REGISTRATION DOLLARS FUND BOATING ACCESS AND ENFORCEMENT IN IDAHO

It's that time of year again. All boat registrations expired December 31, 2017. If you plan to go on the New Year's day be sure you have a 2018 registration sticker.

The State of Idaho has a unique system in place that allows boaters to decide what county receives their registration dollars. Boaters are encouraged to designate the two counties where they choose to boat most frequently.

To renew your registration online, or to locate the boat registration vendor location nearest you, visit www.parksandrecreation.idaho.gov

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Confluence Run- John Bryant, Dave Dickerson, and Brandi Moore.

Thank you to the new and long standing members who see the value and need for an association such as the WWA by supporting it through your donations both financially and physically. These go a long way to ensuring the viability of the association now and into the future. We all know being well prepared is the best line of defense.

There is an unsung gratitude for the many who contribute to the well-being of the WWA in the background. If your name was not mentioned above, it is purely an oversight and not an intentional exclusion. The contributions of all members are appreciated and needed.

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve as the president of this fine group. It has been a privilege to lead a membership of like-minded people who love the outdoors and the right to explore it, as much as I do.

See you on the river,

Bill Dutton

2017 WWA President



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WWA DUES ARE DUE.

At the last Board meeting it was decided that since the WWA dues had been the same since back sometime in the late 80's or 90's it was time for an increase. This was approved by those attending the November general meeting. The new dues are \$50 a family or \$35 for a single membership.

I know I have printed this before, but it doesn't hurt to repeat it. "As members we pay dues that provide us with a Champagne toast on the New Years Day run and hamburgers/hot dogs in the parking lot later, a great pot luck on the chili run, a great BBQ on the Glenns Ferry run, a day full of boat education for proper operation of our boats, a steak dinner at the confluence run, another pot luck at the Hammer Creek fishing day and a fun filled Banquet. Not to mention a newsletter, legislative and political awareness, and a good sense of camaraderie and whitewater education. We get a lot of benefits for what we are asked to pay in dues to the club. These dues are spent on each member by roughly mid-year. Needless to say we get our monies worth out of what we put in pretty easily. "

Even if you don't plan to attend the banquet, your dues are about to expire. All dues are due January 1. Please use the bottom portion of the form on page 3.

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Calendar of Events

DEC 11, 2017

JAN 1, 2018 *New Years Day*
Run Walter's Ferry

JAN 9, 2018 *General meeting*
TNT Bar and Grill, Nampa

FEB 25, 2018 *Chili Run Wal-*
ter's Ferry

MAR 17, 2018 *Glenns Ferry*
Run

APRIL 2018 *Salmon River Run*
(date to be announced)

May , 2018 *Weed Run (date to*
be announced)

May , 2018 *Payette River Run*
(date to be announced)

JUNE , 2018 *Skills Day (date to*
be announced)

SEPT 15, 2018 *Confluence*
Run

OCT 27, 2018 *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 TNT Bar & Grill Nam-
pa ID



We're on the web!

<http://www.westernwhitewater.org/>
Check us out on Facebook

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=) (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: General information: 509-
758-0616

Reservations must be made online.

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

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