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Hammer Creek Run

A chill in the air in the fall always gets steelheaders anxious for a day on the river. That day has come and gone for WWA Hammer Creek fishing day. The weather came and went, cold in the morning, sunny at times, sprinkling at others. Running the boat is always enjoyable. We ended up with 31 entrants and 0 fish. I had my buddy Dave Johnson on my little boat, and he landed a 28-inch native female. There was a very strong group effort by all our club's boats on the river trying to catch a steelhead.

There were 26 people who were treated to another fantastic dutch oven

potluck dinner including margaritas made in a weed eater powered blender by Mark Austin. I gave away some very nice prizes provided by WWA to the entrants who attended the dinner.

As there was no winner, the prize money will be a carried over to next year. Mark your calendars for October 24, 2020.

I want to really thank Skip and Sharon Bailey for the use of their new shop in Riggins for our dinner location and cleaning up afterwards and decorating and taking care of getting tables and chairs for everyone. Thank you!!!!

Thanks to everyone who attended

-Tom Roach

Upcoming Events

November 11 General Membership Meeting – Fiesta Guadalajara

November 18 General Banquet Committee Meeting – Fiesta Guadalajara

December 9 General Membership Meeting & **Election** – Fiesta Guadalajara

December 14 Jet Boater's Winter Ball - Riggins

General Membership Meetings are held at 7PM at Fiesta Guadalajara, 1202 N Jacob Alcott Way, Nampa, ID 83687. Our first meeting at this location was well attended, there were some glitches, including wait staff that called in last minute leaving them understaffed, we have spoken to them and will continue to work with them to improve our experience.



Featured Banquet Auction Item - 60" Sturgeon Replica by Pro Fish

Archeological Event

submitted by Bob Hays

THE RETURN OF THE MEDICINE ROCK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2019

NOON UNTIL 4:p

CELEBRATION ARCHAEOLOGICAL PARK
CANYON, COUNTY... SNAKE RIVER, IDAHO
(South of Melba, Idaho)

PROGRAM:

NOON: PRESENTATION OF THE MEDICINE ROCK TO THE PEOPLE.
(prayers, and orations)

12:30: FOOD SERVED (POTLUCK DISHES ACCEPTED)

1:30: MUSEUM TOUR OF IDAHO'S NATIVE PEOPLES EXHIBIT

TOUR OF THE NATIVE PEOPLES LIFE-WAYS EXHIBIT

VISIT THE AREA PETROGLYPH SHRINES

USE THE ATLATL RANGE

TOUR THE DAY USE FACILITIES AND DISPLAYS

3:45: FINAL THOUGHTS AND DISPERSAL

4:00: CLOSING OF THE FACILITIES

ALL NATIVE PEOPLES ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THIS EVENT AND VISIT THE PARK

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND THIS EVENT

(this will be a family friendly event and all Canyon County Park rules and regulations will be in effect)



Photos by Chet Thorson

President's Message



Fall is here and soon the holidays will be upon us. We are so fortunate to have such a beautiful place to live and enjoy the outdoors. The jet boat community is certainly a great group of people that works together whether its meetings, working on boats or enjoying the rivers of Idaho. In September, while on the Confluence Run, my boat developed a small mechanical problem several miles upriver. The amount of boats that stopped to help was amazing. I had one of the members tell me how fortunate she was to have such good friends in this organization. I certainly appreciate all the people who volunteer wherever they are needed.

Boating is a great adventure so be safe and enjoy being on the water. We would love to have you join us at any meetings or boating events.

- Clyde Durham

Message from the President-Elect

Hello, First I would like to say that I am looking forward to being the President for the upcoming year and I am looking ahead to some great adventures. It's that time of year again when the WWA needs you to step up and play an active role in our club, and the best way to do this is to run for a leadership position as a Vice President, President Elect or Board member. The Board of Directors meets quarterly; this is a way to influence the direction the club takes in the future. Also, with being the President Elect comes the responsibility of chairing the Banquet committee. The banquet committee meets once or twice a month, as the banquet draws closer, we need the help of as many volunteers as we can get. If you are new to the club this is an excellent way to get involved and get to know the other members.

- Jeff Higgins

2019 Election

Our Annual Election will be held at the December General Membership meeting. Debbie Thorson, Dave Dickerson, Jim & Brandi Moore are currently accepting nominations for:

- Vice President
- President Elect
- Secretary/Treasurer
- Jet Boater of the Year
- Silver Rock Award

Please consider running for one of the open positions!

Recovery of Jet Boat from Salmon Dam

submitted by Bob Gray

Twin Falls Sheriff's Office

November 6 at 12:01 PM ·

Twin Falls and Cassia County teams returned to Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir yesterday to recover the boat that was involved in Friday's incident which led to the death of one man. With 3 boats on the water, 18 people including 5 divers worked from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. to bring the boat to shore.

Armed with more equipment, the teams used air lift bags to raise the boat off the bottom of the reservoir and slowly pulled the vessel to the dock. Once they had the boat closer to the docks, they added more bags to gain more lift, and used a winch on a truck to pull the boat in. They then used a pump to get water out of the boat so it could float enough to get in on the trailer.

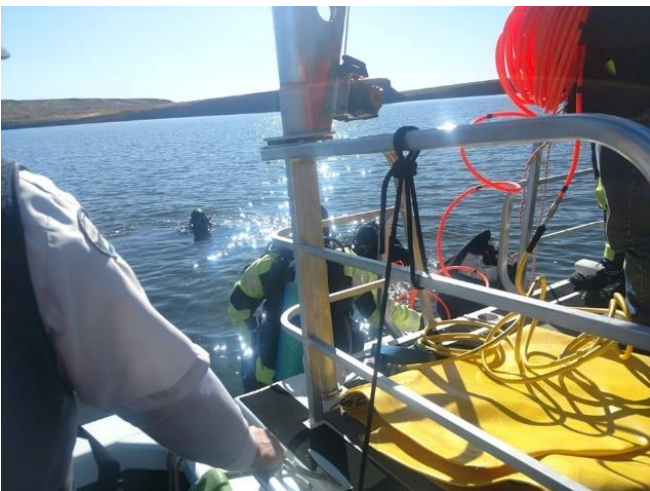
After examination of the boat, Lt. Daron Brown stated the accident occurred when the exhaust manifold blew apart leaving an approximate 5" diameter opening. Water rushed in through this hole and the filled the boat. He said it would have filled quickly. Jim Wilson, the survivor of the accident, confirmed this and stated they heard a loud bang and saw the water coming in before he dialed 9-1-1.

Special thanks go out to the Cassia County team who assisted Friday, Saturday and yesterday with the search and recovery efforts.



Photos from Twin Falls Sheriff's Office

The WWA would like to express our deepest condolences to the family and friends of the individual who lost his life in this tragedy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire boating community.



WWA ANNUAL BANQUET, 2/1/2020

The WWA Board of Directors and Banquet Committee are already gearing up for the 2020 Annual Banquet. We are always looking for new ideas and volunteers to help get the ball rolling. ***This is our one and only fundraiser.***

The Banquet is a fun event and always attended well by our membership. There will be a live and silent auction, many different games and a great raffle. In addition, we're expecting several new boats on display. Donations for the auctions and raffle and suggestions to make things different are always welcome and needed.

Contact any board member for more information.

The next banquet meeting is on November 18, 2019 at Fiesta Guadalajara in Nampa, **1202 N Jacob Alcott Way.**

Everyone is welcome, bring your new ideas!



Idaho Current Stream flows:

https://waterdata.usgs.gov/id/nwis/current?type=flow&group_key=basin_cd&search_site_no_station_nm=

Oregon Current Stream flows:

https://waterdata.usgs.gov/or/nwis/current?type=flow&group_key=basin_cd&search_site_no_station_nm=

Washington Power Streamflow Information: (03-02)

https://waterdata.usgs.gov/wa/nwis/current?type=flow&group_key=basin_cd&search_site_no_station_nm=

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

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WWA is a 501(C)(7) Corporation

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If a group of people get together for fun, recreational or other types of activities that are not generating revenue, then they may qualify for 501(c)(7) tax exempt status. In general, country clubs, sports clubs, fraternities and sororities and hobby clubs may all be tax exempt.

Any organization that does not provide commercial goods or services may be tax exempt. If the club is supported solely by dues and fees paid by members and a substantial amount of club activities are devoted to social and recreational purposes, then it will qualify. Membership in these groups must be limited, the membership must have personal contact with each other and an individual with an interest in the club may not profit personally from it.



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#1 Jet Boat Forum



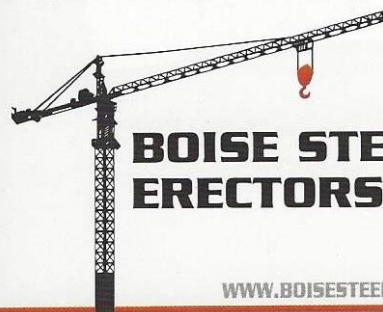
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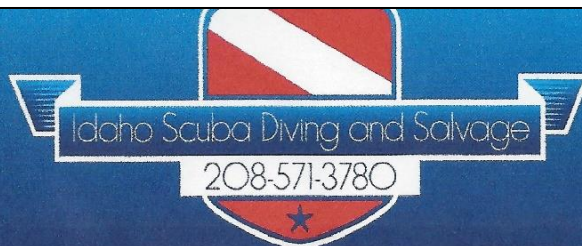


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2020 WWA Banquet Registration

February 1, 2020

EXPO IDAHO

5610 Glenwood St, Boise ID



Register by 12/31 to enter our Early Bird drawing for a chance to win your registration fee back



Dinner includes: Three Meats, Caesar Salad, Beans, Garlic Smashed Potatoes, Rolls, Coffee & Light Beverages.



Dessert available for purchase at the Dessert Auction Table.

Doors open 4:00 PM
No Host Bar 4:30 PM
Dinner served 6:30 PM
Auction begins 8:30 PM

- Registration packets will be available at the door.
- Additional Raffle tickets available.

Qty	Package	Prepay 1/15/20	At the Door	Total
	Single Membership, One Meal, 15 Raffle Tickets	\$105	\$130	
	Family Membership, Two Meals, 30 Raffle Tickets	\$180	\$205	
	Meal Only	\$50	\$75	
	Children's Meal (Age 10 and Under)	\$20	\$20	
	Single Membership, NO MEAL, 15 Raffle Tickets	\$55	\$80	
	Family Membership, NO MEALS, 30 Raffle Tickets	\$80	\$105	
	Browser - Exhibits & Auctions Only	N/A	\$15	
	Raffle Tickets (10)	\$10	\$10	
	Sponsor Table	\$300	N/A	
Total				

WWA Membership Registration

PO Box 8922, Boise, ID 83707

Please print legibly and provide all information. For WWA use only, will not be shared with non-members or for solicitation.

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

Do you want to receive the newsletter and club alerts by email? YES NO

If you don't have email do you wish to receive the newsletter by US Mail? YES NO

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

All Personnel Information _____ Address _____ Phone _____ Email _____