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Upcoming Events

TBD General Membership Meeting
TBD Payette Run

General Membership Meetings are held at 7PM at Fiesta Guadalajara, 1202 N Jacob Alcott Way, Nampa, ID 83687.



Riggins/Clarkston Run

Due to the COVID-19 virus, this run has been rescheduled for the weekend of 6/27. Those that were registered and unable to reschedule have been issued refunds.

We have 10 openings for the weekend of 6/27, if you are interested please let us know. This is a one-of-a-kind trip!

\$400 per person includes

- round-trip ride from Shorts Bar to Clarkston with Hammer Down River Excursions,
- overnight stay at the Clarkston Quality Inn,
- lunch on both days,
- Sunday breakfast

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Oregon Boater Education Card

All boaters who operate a motorboat over 10 horsepower (hp) and youths 12-15 operating a motorboat of any size are required to take an approved boating safety course and apply/carry a boater education card.

Non-Oregon residents will need to either obtain an Oregon Boater Education Card or have a card from any state that issues cards for NASBLA-approved courses.

<https://www.oregon.gov/osm/b/boater-info/Pages/Boater-Education-Cards.aspx>

Idaho Boating Safety Classes

We have several FREE Idaho Home Study Boating Safety Course booklets available; you may pick one up at a general meeting.

Other resources for Idaho Boating Safety courses, including Free Boating Safety classes and Online Education, are available on the Idaho Parks & Recreation website <https://parksandrecreation.idaho.gov/activities/boating>

Note that some of the Online Education courses require a fee.

President's Message



I hope this finds you healthy and ready to get out and explore our rivers.

By now we should have had the Salmon River run and the Salmon River jet boat races. I would like to thank all of the members that volunteered for the Salmon River races and run, you are appreciated even though it did not happen.

With everything being cancelled and everything that has been closed we are all getting a little cabin fever. Restrictions are starting to be lifted and things are slowly opening back up, with luck the Payette river run will still happen, stay tuned for more information.

It looks as if we will not be having a Skills Day this year. With luck we will resume normal WWA meetings in June or July. In the meantime, be careful and get out on the river.

Jeff Higgins

President Western Whitewater Association

Current Streamflows 5/13/2020

Payette at Horseshoe Bend Flow: 4840 ft ³ /s Water Level: 7.30 ft USGS	Salmon River at White Bird Flow: 42500 ft ³ /s Water Level: 23.74 ft USGS	Snake River at King Hill Water Temp: 61.7 ° F Flow: 7690 ft ³ /s Water Level: 6.51 ft USGS
Snake River at Swan Falls Flow: 6380 ft ³ /s Water Level: 20.75 ft USGS	Snake River at Hells Canyon Flow: 13700 ft ³ /s Water Level: 66.82 ft USGS	Snake River at Heller Bar Water Temp: 53.06 ° F Flow: 61700 ft ³ /s Water Level: 10.86 ft USGS

Available on-line here: <https://westernwhitewater.org/river-streamflow-gages-and-data/>



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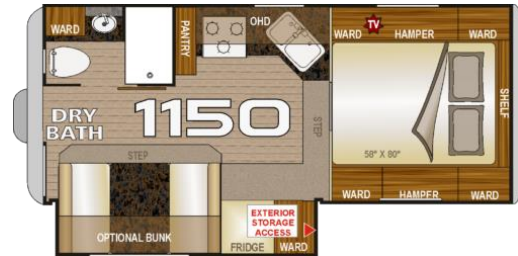
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Addresses and Telephone Numbers

Salmon River Reservations: Slate Creek Ranger Station:
 208- 839-2211

Hells Canyon Power Boat Reservations: General
 information: 509-758-0616

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