

President's Message - January 2022

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone was able to enjoy the holidays with family and friends during these crazy times... Every year I appreciate more and more the time spent with family and just so you know the Western Whitewater Association is family. Many of you know that my brother Grady and I were raised in this club. It has played a huge part in shaping my life and my beliefs, that being said...I will try to do my very best as president this year. If you have suggestions or concerns please feel free to contact me at any time, I will listen.

We ended 2021 with an awesome pre-run Friday, December 31. We launched from Celebration Park. The temperature was in the low teens. Five boats successfully made it to the beach at Rattlesnake. No major bumps, dings and/or bangs. Unfortunately, the roads were icy. A huge thank you to Clyde Durham and Dave Dickerson for clearing the ramp the day before and providing sand and ice melt.

New Year's Day was very cold and clear – 0 degrees, but the sun came out and it turned into a beautiful day. A total of six boats and 25 – 30 people made it to Rattlesnake Beach to toast the "the river gods". Everyone made it back to the ramp and put the boats on the trailers. A truly "a successful day on the river"! A huge thanks goes to the crew that tended the fire at Celebration Park -- Bob and Becky Hays, Craig Lindquist. Thank you to Dave Dickerson for bringing the brats and BBQing them up for everyone. I want to thank everyone that attended and helped with this New Year's run. We all had a great time.

Please remember to have your boat registrations current. Idaho Parks and Recreation receive the money from your registration and that money is used for improvements to boat ramps, docks and many other projects dealing with Idaho waterways. Currently, I am on the grant committee for IDPR and will be helping to make the decisions where this money is used. I also want to add that there is a parking fee at Celebration Park that is used specifically for improvements at Celebration. The fee is \$10.00 for the entire year (season pass) and for senior citizens it is \$5.00 (season pass). Your Idaho Parks and Recreation pass does not work for Celebration Park because it is a Canyon County Park. Let me know if you have any questions.

At this time, I want to thank Clyde Durham for his service as the President of the WWA this past year. Thank you, Clyde, for going the extra mile on all our runs. We all appreciate using your shop for our board meetings and banquet planning meetings.

Our next event is the annual banquet on February 5, 2022 in the Expo Building at the Western Idaho Fairgrounds. It would be great if everyone contacted any past, present and/or future member to join us for this fun evening. Our club will become much stronger with everyone getting involved. We are also looking for donations for the raffle table, live and silent auctions.

I have so many memories of runs and campouts with other members of the WWA that I want to encourage everyone to become involved by volunteering for committees, attending all the runs, and most of all attend the monthly meetings. Our organization can only be as strong as the members that get involved and help make our organization great. Please feel free to call or e-mail me with questions, ideas and or concerns.

Respectfully, Shay White, WWA President 208-412-2833 <u>Westernwhitehouserepair51@gmail.com</u>

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These two items will be found in our live auction at the WWA Banquet December 5th





2 Night Stay at the Brutsman Lodge, Donnelly, Idaho. Sleeps 26

Attention Steelhead Anglers: Spring 2022 steelhead bag limits have been reduced

By Connor Liess, Public Information Specialist

Wednesday, December 22, 2021 - 1:51 PM MST

Reduced bag limits for 2022 spring season are not reflected in newly printed fishing rules booklet

Steelhead anglers are reminded that steelhead bag limits have been reduced for the 2022 spring season, but the reductions are not reflected in the new, 2022-24 Idaho Fishing Seasons and Rules booklet.

Fish and Game commissioners set the default steelhead seasons and bag limits for the next three years, which are reflected in the new rules booklet, but those may be modified depending on run sizes and other factors.

Because of low steelhead returns in 2021, the spring 2022 season has a reduced daily limit in the Snake, Salmon and Little Salmon rivers of two fish per day, and one fish per day in the Clearwater River basin.

The changes for the spring 2022 season coinciding with the arrival of the new three-year rules booklet may cause some confusion for anglers, who are reminded the most current season updates can be found on the <u>Idaho Fish</u> and <u>Game Steelhead Rules page</u>.



You are invited to our next Banquet Committee Meeting on January 17th, at Fiesta Guadalajara, in Nampa. Your help will be much appreciated.



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