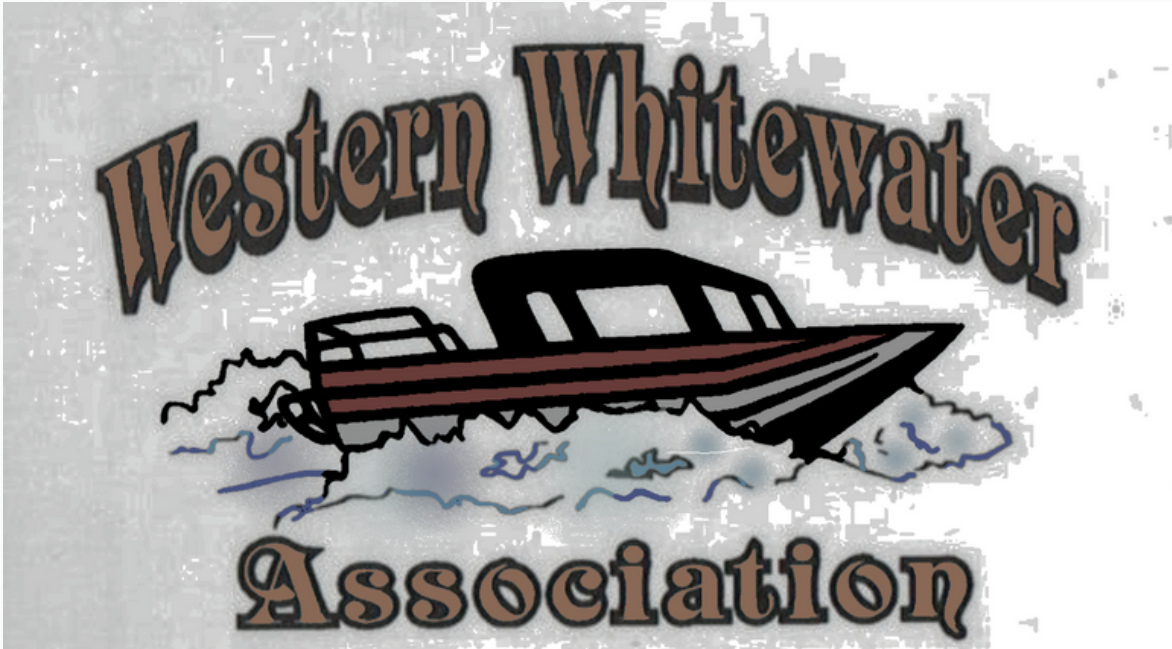


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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WESTERN
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Promoting Safe Whitewater Jetboating, Family Recreation,
and Access to Rivers for All Recreational Users



IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE:
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CHET THORSON
2024 EVENTS

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NEXT MEETING: MAR 12, 2024
FIESTA GUADALAJARA - NAMPA ID

UPCOMING MEETINGS:
APRIL 9, 2024 | MAY 14, 2024

CLUB MEMBERS,

MARCH IS HERE AND SPRING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. I AM PERSONALLY READY FOR SOME WARMER WEATHER, BUT I ALSO APPRECIATE ALL THE SNOW WE SO DESPERATELY NEED. AS OF THIS WRITING KODY THE WEATHER GUY IS PREDICTING SOME MAJOR SNOWFALL IN THE MOUNTAINS. DO THE SNOW DANCE SO WE HAVE TONS OF WATER TO RUN THROUGH OUR GIANT SQUIRT GUNS.

FEBRUARY WAS A BUSY MONTH FOR THE CLUB WITH THE ANNUAL BANQUET AND THE CHILI RUN. THE BANQUET'S FINAL NUMBERS ARE IN, AND RECORDS WERE SET IN EVERY CATEGORY. LOTS OF GREAT FEEDBACK FROM EVERYONE THAT ATTENDED.

THE CHILI RUN WAS A LITTLE DIFFERENT THIS YEAR. WITH WEATHER CHALLENGES, THE DECISION WAS MADE TO MOVE THE EVENT INDOORS AT THE NEW FACILITY AT CELEBRATION PARK. SATURDAY, A FEW CAPTAINS RAN THE RIVER THROUGH THE MIGHTY GRAVEYARD. SUNDAY ONLY A HANDFUL RAN THE RIVER WITH ONE MINOR MISHAP THAT WE KNOW OF. MANY GREAT CHILIS, SIDES AND DESSERTS WERE MADE. THE OVERALL WINNER WAS SGT. JASON ROBERTS. JASON HAS BECOME A FIXTURE IN OUR CLUB BY BEING VERY INVOLVED IN OUR LOCAL ACTIVITIES. JASON HAS THE HONOR OF CHAIRING THE RUN NEXT YEAR AND GOING ON THE SHOPPING SPREE FOR THE WINNERS OF NEXT YEAR'S CATEGORIES. OF COURSE, CHET AND DEBBIE WILL BE THERE TO ASSIST HIM.

THE NEXT RUN ON THE SCHEDULE IS THE GLENN'S FERRY RUN ON MARCH 16TH AND 17TH WITH PRE-RUN ON FRIDAY MARCH 15TH. CAMPING AND DINNER WILL BE AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. DINNER WILL BE IN THE COVERED FACILITY AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. STEAKS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE CLUB, PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT.

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START PREPARING FOR SALMON RIVER RUN ON APRIL 19TH. JET BOAT RACES FOLLOW ON APRIL 20TH AND 21ST. MORE INFORMATION ON ALL THE RUNS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR WEBSITE WWW.WESTERNWHITEWATER.ORG.

PERMIT SEASON IS UPON US FOR HELLS CANYON, I HOPE EVERYONE GOT THE SLOTS THEY WANTED. PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR NEXT ONE 03/13/2023 7:00 PM. GENERAL MEETINGS ARE A GREAT WAY TO KEEP UP ON CURRENT CLUB EVENTS AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL ON THE RIVER!

KINDEST REGARDS,

CHETHORSON

GLENN'S FERRY

ALTHOUGH, MOTHER NATURE MAY NOT AGREE IT IS TIME TO LOAD UP THE BOATS AND CAMPERS AND ENJOY OUR FIRST OVER NIGHT RUN OF THE YEAR THIS RUN IS ALWAYS A WELL ATTENDED RUN AND WE DON'T THINK THIS YEAR WILL BE ANY DIFFERENT.

AS MANY KNOW, WE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HOST OUR CLUB DINNER AND BREAKFAST IN THE FAIR BUILDING ON THE EAST SIDE OF TOWN - WE WILL AGAIN BE HOSTING THERE - HOWEVER THIS YEAR WE ALSO HAVE THE ABILITY TO STAY AT THE FAIRGROUNDS - SPOTS ARE FIRST COME FIRST SERVE - SOME OFFER FULL HOOKUPS AND SOME ARE LIMITED COST FOR SPOTS RANGE FROM \$20-\$40 EA NIGHT PENDING YOUR HOOKUP SELECTION - CLICK BELOW TO PAY AND RESERVE YOUR SPOT.



MEMORIES FROM PREVIOUS RUNS

2024 EVENTS & RUNS

- **GLENNS FERRY 03/16 W/ DINNER & BREAKFAST 03/17
@ ELMORE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**
- **SALMON RIVER 04/19 @ SPRING BAR**
- **SALMON RIVER JET BOAT RACES 04/19-04/21 @
RIGGINS ID**
- **HELLS CANYON VETERANS DAY 05/18 @ PITTSBURG
LANDING CAMPGROUND**
- **PAYETTE RIVER - TBD DEPENDING ON SPRING WATER
FLOWS**
- **SKILLS DAY - TBD MAY OR JUNE**
- **WWA SUMMER BBQ - TBD JULY OR AUGUST**
- **CONFLUENCE 09/14 W/ DINNER & BREAKFAST 09/15
PRE-RUN 09/13 PITTSBURG LANDING ID**
- **SALMON RIVER STEELHEAD 10/26 W/ DINNER @ SKIP &
SHARON BAILEY'S HOME RIGGINS, ID**

HELLS CANYON RECREATION AREA HAPPENINGS - ARE YOU IN THE KNOW?

**THERE ARE SOME CURRENT DISCUSSIONS ABOUT WATER
FLOW REGULATION IN HCRA - IF YOU AREN'T FAMILIAR
WITH THE HAPPENINGS WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AT
OUR NEXT MEETING ON 03/12/2024
WE WILL HAVE 2 GUEST SPEAKERS
ID STATE REPRESENTATIVE CHARLIE SHEPHERD
AND
IOGA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AARON LIEBERMAN**

**ATTACHED BELOW ARE CURRENT ARTICLES CIRCULATING
THE AREA ABOUT THE TOPIC - ONE BEING FROM OUR
PRESIDENT CHET THORSON**

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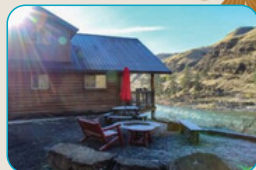
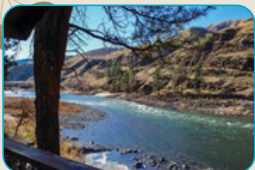


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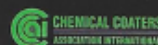
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