

Meeting Highlights

Our Board of Directors meeting was held on April 3rd this month. Board Members present were John Pogue, President, Tim Bolling, Treasurer, Mark Dewey, Programs Chair, Jerry Haynes, Outings Chair, Dale Day, Conservation Chair, Rick Graw, Board Member and Rex Thompson, Board Member. Also present were Don Dabney, Membership Chair, and Steve Day, Newsletter Editor.

Tim Bolling related headaches and snafus with getting credit card statements associated with Umpqua Bank. We no longer use Umpqua. The consensus was to explore switching to a debit card for Steve Ostrander associated with our new bank.

Susan Labiste wasn't able to attend the meeting, but minutes pending approval were approved.

Mark reported on our April 16 general meeting, a joint meeting with SOFF. It will be at Wild River Pub in Grants Pass where food and beverages should keep us smiling and where both fly-tying and a fly-tying-material sale should keep us entertained.

Don reported on our membership, now a healthy 158 members and announced his plans to step down from the membership chair position at the end of the year. Jim Ulm has offered to fill his shoes. We appreciate both Don and now Jim for the work done in this position. Don plans to mail out the soon-to-be-completed Membership Directories.

Jerry provided an Outings Report noting there was no March outing and the April outing cancelled due to high flows in the Owyhee. John Pogue may lead an outing to Lake Selmac and April so stay tuned. An outing to Lake Lemolo will likely be led by Dave Grosjacques in May. June's outing will be to Diamond Lake, led by Mark Dewey.

Dale Day presented the Conservation Report. Several Board Members attended an Oregon Kitchen Table mediated meeting with state officials. Dale presented a report on the economy of fishing-related State revenue and current fish counts at the meeting urging them to protect our fishery.

Steve Day reported on the June 8 joint picnic with SOFF. There will be a silent auction and a sale of fly-tying materials. Jeffros Grill will cater our menu and more picnic activities are under discussion.

Tim reported Celebrate the Rogue still has 4 more seats available, with more purchases expected. If you want a seat at the table, now is the time to make that purchase.

John Pogue reported another scam attempt with a text claiming to be him. He suggests anyone receiving a request from him for money or gift cards call him in person. John also reported Project Healing Waters is usually split with SOFF. A motion to approve up to \$600 for 2024 was passed.

Tim tells us Rick Hafle's Report on water quality of Rogue tributaries is now complete. Rick will be asked to create an executive summary which can be posted on our website.