

FLYPAPER

September 2022

Looking Downstream

September	15	Hybrid Club Meeting at the Eagles Aerie at 1208 N. Wenatchee Ave Club Meeting in person and via ZOOM – Login info coming in emails Dry Fly Hour 6:00 pm - No obligation to drink Fishing Reports, Club Business etc. 6:30 pm Presentation 7 ^{ish} – 9:00 pm
September	15-16	Wenatchee River Salmon Fest at Rock Island Dam
October	6	Board Meeting
October	3-6	Yakima River Club Outing – Lots more info. on our Outings Webpage
October	20	Club Meeting – Presenter TBA
November	3	Board Meeting
November	17	Club Meeting – Presenter TBA
December	1	Board Meeting
December	15	Club Meeting - We're the presenters. Share and Tell

Sept 15th WVFF Club 'Hybrid Meeting' Presentation

Nate Brumley – Dry Flyfishing the Stillwater



Nate was born and raised on the Salmon River in Central Idaho. For over 55 years Nate has put a footprint along the shores of high-mountain lakes, spring creeks and tail waters that have all led to the creation of Dry Fly Innovations.!"

Fishy Summer

Basics at Beehive – Sharing fly fishing with the public

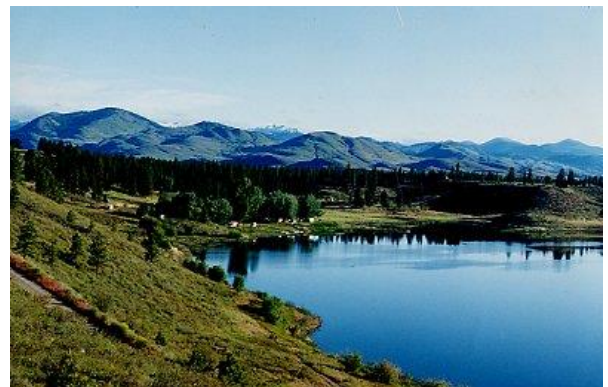
On June 11th we drove from Wenatchee up to 4,000 ft. to practice casting and do some fishing at Beehive Reservoir. WVFF club members were on hand to assist people that were new to fly fishing or just a bit rusty. We had fun, shared some knowledge and caught a decent number of fish considering that it was a little windy under that blue jay sky.

De-Fishing Nason – Helping a Fishery

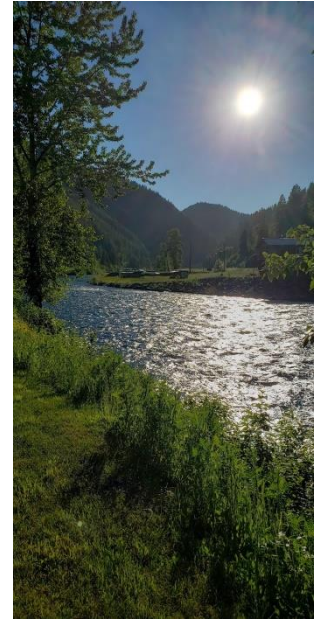
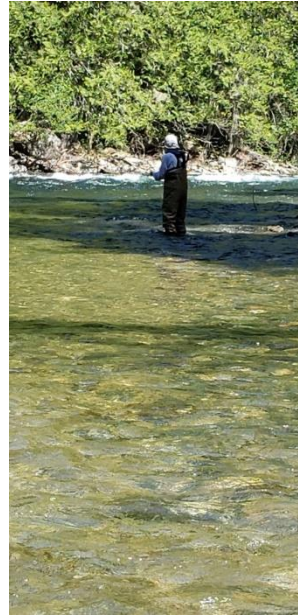


In July WVFF members joined forces with five other conservation agencies and groups to 'de-fish' a small section of upper Nason Creek off Hwy. 2. Prior to construction of a bridge and construction of an engineered log jam and a diversion trench to move water into an abandoned wetland, the fish had to be collected and moved out of harm's way. Over fifty salmonid fingerlings and an equal number of baby lampreys were electro shocked and collected that day and safely moved outside of the temporary coffer dams to hopefully mature and return to spawn in a few years.

Big Twin Lake - Club Outing



Bruce P's Excellent St. Joe River Run



Georgetown Lake et al - with a 7wt.



High up in the mountains of Montana lies Georgetown Lake. It's fish, heavy at the shoulders and easily stretching 25-26 inches. They dine well on Damsels, Sedge and Callibaetis when you're in the right spot with the right fly... Leave your 5 wt. at home you don't want to hurt that nice little rod do you...

Fly Camp

Finally, after two years of no NW Youth Conservation & Fly Fishing Academies due to Covid, fly camp lived again. It ran in Lacy at the aging Gwinwood Camp the last full week in June. Four returning students worked as "ghillies" and twelve kids (ages 12-16) were signed up then the parents read the fine print about vaccinations required and we dropped to eight students.

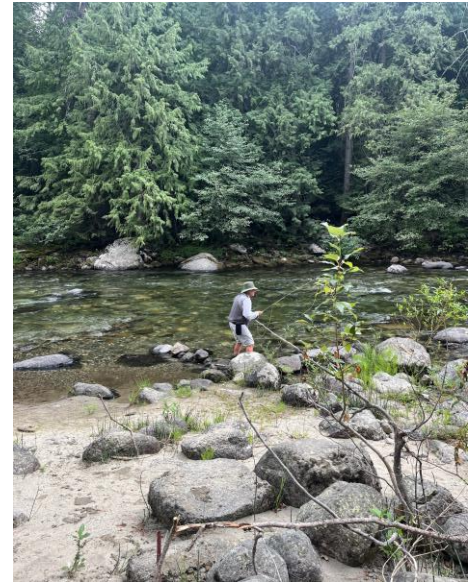
They learned about watersheds, fish, aquatic insects, water safety, fly tying, casting and fly fishing. Mike Clancy & Jim Brosio are retiring after eighteen plus years of running the camp but hanging out next year in an advisory capacity. The new co-directors stepping up to take over

are John Gravendyk, the WCTU Youth Education Chair, and FFI Education Chair, Carol Anderson and from the Wenatchee Valley Fly Fishers, Education/Conservation/Publications Chairs and member of the Icicle Valley TU Chapter.

The Fly Fishing Camp is an amazing collaboration between WA Fly Clubs, FFI and TU who have provided years of invaluable support to the program. The fly camp website is being completely remade, the curriculum will be modernized and the venue will now be the Panhandle Lk. 4H Camp, in Shelton. It's on a stocked lake and recently remodeled. Camp will be limited to 12 again next year until the new venue, Covid futures, and the new team will work out the kinks of their revised program. Gunna be fun ! If you know of a youngster that could be interested in this one week/free camp. Give Bruce M a call at 679-2274.



Icicle Creek 'Monster' Cutthroats - Club Outing



Rob Winters hosted a club outing on the Icicle Creek in August. Gordy, Bruce and Daniel took him up on his offer to introduce us to native cuts, cut bows and bows in the light rod class. Fun in the cool cool and smokeless water. A great time.

WVFF Volunteers Helped Make This Happen Again

Photos by Elaine Thompson



Monday August 31st WVFF Club Members Fred K, Bruce M, Gary A, Gordy N and Rob W pitched in to help 14 ladies get into the Icicle and do some flyfishing. Our efforts were very appreciated and a good time was had by all except when Gordy decided to offer some of his backside and good fishing shirt, to the nasty neighbor dog.

Oct 3 – 6

Lower Yakima River Canyon

Plan on fishing from Umtanum Campground to Big Pines or any part of the lower canyon. See club website - Outings Details Page - for more information and host Bob B's contact info.



Tight lines to a special long time member, Ralph Jordan

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