



The Lower Columbia Fly Fisher

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Meeting: Thursday, February 2, 2023

Time: 6 PM

Place: Longview Country Club Card Room

Next Board Meeting: 5 PM Thursday, Feb, 16, 2023. Longview Country Club

Program: Region 5 WDFW fisheries update

WDFW District 5 Biologist Josua “Josh” Holowatz will be speaking on latest activity and projections for our local area. Cowlitz River will be featured so should give us all some clues on boosting our success on our home water.

Reminder LCFF club dues are now overdue. Please contact Treasurer Dave Houten to make payment or check on your status.

2023 LCFF outing dates

Here are the initial dates (and alternates dates pending weather influence) for our official, sponsored, club outings and a couple out-of-the-area excursions we encourage you to join.

S Fork Toutle Opener; Saturday, March 4 (March 11 alternate)

Annual Swofford Pond Bluegill Fish Fry; Thursday, May 25 (Thursday June 1 alternate)

Coldwater Lake; Thursday, August 3.

Cowlitz Cutthroat Outing; Thursday, Sept. 28

Potholes Lake/Seep Lakes: April 24-28 is the week several of us are going to explore the plethora of fishing opportunities centered around Potholes Reservoir and Seep Lakes below its dam. As has been voiced during last several meetings we welcome anyone who has interest to join us there. Reminder if you aren't a camper there are cabins at MarDon Resort on the bank of Potholes and just a mile away from the State Park, or several motel options in nearby communities such as Royal City, Othello, and Moses Lake.

Montana Expedition 2023: September 9-17, week following Labor Day week, is the traditional dates for a group of us to visit Montana. We have not yet started the planning and lodging reservations yet but these are good dates to keep reserved on your calendar if you have interest in joining the fun. The past decade or two we have centered our attention on Georgetown Lake and, while a few of us may spread our wings a little, it's a safe bet enough folks will return here to see familiar faces when out on the water. There are a couple groups who fill the houses being rented, but quite a number of lodging options at the Lake or nearby towns such as Philipsburg or Anaconda and any of us who've been there can help steer you to your options.

LCFF Website

While attempting to update our LCFF website, Webmaster Terry discovered our provider "Go Daddy" is requiring yet another update to formatting that will require rebuilding the site. Please be patient as Terry works on getting us back up and running. Buying him beer, even better gin, might help make that happen fastest.

Short newsletter this month.....send me your suggestions for what you'd like to see in future additions. With a dearth of news I'm looking for input on what you'd like to see in the newsletter. Send me your suggestions, all are welcome.

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