



The Lower Columbia Flyfisher

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Meeting: Tuesday, April 3, 2018

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: Longview Country Club Card Room

Next board meeting - Tuesday, April 17, 6:30 PM at Longview Country Club

NOTE CHANGE IN MEETING LOCATION - Longview Country Club

LCFF Board voted to hold the April meeting at Longview Country Club's Card Room as a trial. John Kenagy, member of both LCFF and Country Club, arranged for the March LCFF Board meeting there to explore what the Club has to offer and get basic questions answered. Enough favor was experienced that the decision was unanimous to give it a try.

Please feel free to "come as you are" as the Country Club has relaxed its dress code to welcome jeans and casual attire. About the only dress standard the Club requests is a collared shirt. Food and beverage will be from the menu and one can expect somewhat higher cost than the Carriage, though there are many options that are reasonably priced.

The Card Room is available as a long-term commitment for first Tuesday's. One issue still in investigation is rules around Country Club membership requirements among LCFF members. Sounds like room fees are likely to be waived when a Country Club member is present, possibly with any LCFF member also being member of the Club. It would be helpful to get a list of all LCFF members who have dual membership with Country Club, please contact any board member if you are member of both.

Address for Longview Country Club is a short road just off Pacific Way at 41 Country Club Drive. If you haven't been there before, the entrance is first right after you cross 30th avenue interchange when coming from downtown or Kelso on Pacific Way. Keep going up to the end of the short drive (there are a couple houses on either side as you approach the Country Club). A large parking lot has both upper and lower levels - swing through the upper level and you will see the entry to clubhouse on your left, a set of large wooden double-entry doors..

Once inside the main door, turn and keep to the left. You'll wind past the restrooms until you see the bar. Turn hard left as you get to the bar and the Card Room is down a very short entry ahead.

Hope to see you there, it really is a nice venue.

PROGRAM: **Silent Auction - Lou Metzler's Fly Gear**

With Lou's passing, Jerry has graciously taken on disposal of Lou's stash of fly gear for. For this month's program we'll hold a silent auction of Lou's gear with proceeds going to Karen while we the layout and benefits of Country Club facility. Extended fishing reports are also encouraged.

See a list of items and minimums bids next page.

Also reminder we ask everyone to bring one fly to each meeting, preferably one you tied yourself and representing a pattern you favor. These will be collected and assembled into boxes to be raffled during a general meeting once we fill a box with a couple dozen flies. Conversation over the fly you brought and any tying tips is encouraged as the box is passed around for viewing.

Please keep Norm and Ruthie in whatever form of prayer to which you aspire, they are facing some difficult times and can use the support of their friends

Lou Metzler auction items

Rods - \$25 minimum bid. All rods made by Lou except the Fenwick, made by Don Packard.

Loomis 9' 8wt 2pc - Made by Lew

Loomis 9'6" 8wt 4pc - Made by Lew

Fenwick 9' 5wt 2pc - Made by Don Packard

Loomis 10' 5wt 2pc - Made by Lew

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Fly-tying Vises

Nor-Vise w/2 bobbins – extra spools – video

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Misc; Reel cases (5) Fly lines (9) Hooks, Hackle, Dubbing, Bucktails, etc

LCFF Board News

A reminder there is precious little time to submit applications for the Youth Fly Fishing Academy having an April 2 deadline. As of this newsletter it looks like we do have 2 interested but haven't yet received their applications so there is opportunity for other interested parties. Last minute applications will be scanned and forwarded to Mike Clancy of WSCFFI to ensure they receive consideration.

It was moved and passed to purchase a slew of Lou's handmade wooden fly boxes to pair with donated flies for future club raffles. Many of them already have a fine assortment of flies.

Bylaw changes to membership language are complete and signed off. Thanks Scott and Terry for expediting this important task.

May meeting program looks like it will be Tyler Bahrenburg speaking on WDFW policing efforts

Election of 2018/2019 LCFF Officers and Board

Speaking of the May meeting, May brings the election of 2018/2019 club officers and board. Currently President Terry is appointing a nominating committee to recommend a slate of officers and board per LCFF bylaws. The committees recommendation will be communicated before the May meeting and printed in May's newsletter. During May's meeting after the slate is presented nominations from the floor will be accepted. Election will be via voice vote during the meeting.

Tribute to a Legend - *email forwarded by Bruce Davern from an anonymous writer.*

I just got home from work and have the pleasure of my son visiting from college during his spring break. He informed me Lefty Kreh passed away. I'm sure you all know of him. I am 51 and first saw him as a guest speaker at a TU banquet when I was 10 or 11. I still use the tips he gave me at that banquet. I've seen him at various shows over the years. Not only was he a fishing pioneer, he was an entertainer as well.

One thing that always stuck with me, with all the thousands of people he presented to, and met at shows, anyone he spoke to was the most important person in the world. He treated everybody that way. He exuded enthusiasm and excitement. In short, he was a role model

Tips on how to properly revive and release a fish

Jeff Sowders came across an excellent tutorial on best practices to revive and release fish after you have finished playing with them. Too much info to print in the newsletter, copy this link in your browser for the full article; <https://www.keepemwet.org/keepemwet-news-1/2018/2/14/fish-reflex-tests-a-valuable-tool-for-anglers>

Buchman strikes again correctly identifying **Lake Lenice as March' mystery water**, ringing in a mere few hours before Bruce Davern. Lenice is a typical Columbia Basin Lake managed as a trophy trout fishery. Read that susceptible to wind, though Lyle has figured out the best weather pattern to hit it on. In years past LCFF had a regular presence there but has been little visited in recent years, a travesty that begs remedy.

This month we'll visit another option not so far away. Guesses don't get bonus points, statements do. Where are we?



Greased lines

.....Thanks to all of you that have submitted articles.....I really appreciate them and...If you have not seen your submitted articleI will be using them in future issues.....Thanks again and keep them coming.

.....If any of the rest of you have an article, editorial or fishing story for the newsletter, submit it to the Editor at least 10 days before the first of each month:

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