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NEWSLETTER

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HEAD HOOKER'S MESSAGE

PAUL WELLS



Hello Jolly Hookers,

After our second meeting, I am pleased with the attendance we are getting. I really wasn't sure what to expect. Things are slowly getting back to normal.

I am not going to be able to make the July meeting as I will be at Flaming Gorge. Assistant Head Hooker, John Bergman, will be conducting the meeting.

John Kinslow has arranged for a quality speaker which is very much appreciated.

The Steering Committee had a zoom meeting and has expressed a desire to hold the auction in the early fall and also our annual Christmas dinner. The members thoughts and ideas on this would be much appreciated. This item should be discussed at the meeting.

The general consensus has been to hold off on starting the derbies. Until we start holding derbies, we will hold off on reactivating our insurance. At that time, we will have to start charging dues. We won't have to charge dues until then.

I will see you at the August meeting.
Until then, Keep your lines tight and your nets ready!

ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

JOHN KINSLOW

July's guest speaker is **Cal Kellogg of Fish Hunt Shoot Productions**. Cal will also try to bring along his partner **Wes Ward** if he is available. I believe that anyone who wets a line fishing knows of Cal from his many years of association with The Fish Sniffer and many You Tube fishing videos he has produced over the years. Since leaving The Fish Sniffer, Cal and Wes have created Fish Hunt Shoot Productions which can be found on the internet at www.fishhuntshoot.com. Fish Hunt Shoot's online store offers many of Cal's custom fishing tackle for sale along with links to hundreds of videos of fishing tips. Talking with Steve Nelson the other day he mentioned he caught a very nice Kokanee on one of Cal's Crippled Minnow Spoons not long ago. Cal will talk fishing for trout and answer other questions we may have for him. If you have a chance check out the Fish Hunt Shoot website and You Tube videos. If you're interested like I was regarding The Fish Sniffer, Cal explains his departure from The Fish Sniffer in one of his videos.

Just prior to going to print I sent Cal an email asking him if he would like to bring along some of his merchandise to sell after our meeting. Due to just asking him I have not heard back from him; but if you're interested in purchasing some Fish Hunt Shoot tackle you might be prepared in case he does.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank **Alan Fong** of Fisherman's Warehouse for being our June guest speaker.

Great being able to meet again as a club! Good seeing you all again.

John

FISHING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

BOB SCHMIDT

Greetings everyone once again. Debbie and I went on a 16 day trip to Utah so I wasn't around to fish for the first half of June. Once back home and getting settled and organized again I went out to do some fishing on Tuesday June 22. I picked a lake I have never fished before. I have driven by this lake for many, many years going East up Highway 80 from Auburn. I took along with me a longtime friend and fellow Ski Patroller. He has lived on Secret Town Road for over 15 years and has never been on the lake. I'm talking about Rollins Lake just above Colfax. We had a very nice quiet morning of fishing on the lake. We were the only boat trolling the lake and I saw only 3 other boats bass fishing along the shore. We trolled to the end of one of the arms and with the help of my boat GPS and his phone GPS location of his house we were able to close in on the shortest distance to his property. It was straight up a steep and heavy brushed hillside about 150 yards to his property line. Not likely he can make an easy trail down to the lake.

Fishing was slow but productive. We fished with only 3 rods and in 5 hours landed 4 bass, 7 rainbows and one 18" Brown. The fish were fat and healthy all about 17 to 18 inches with 2 smaller ones about 13 inches. They were full of 2" to 2 1/2 "pond smelt. The size was not what I expected. I thought they all would be around 12 to 13 inches. Number one lure again was Speedy Shiners. No pattern in taking the fish, one here and one there, from the surface to 40 feet down. Three times fish were taken when reeling in to change lures. The lake is more than 85% full. Looking at the water marks it's down about 6 feet. For such a small narrow lake it is surprising deep with one reading of over 180 feet in one of the narrow arms. There are 2 boat launches and are both very nice that open just before sunrise at the cost is \$19. This lake also allows jet skis and water skiers and they were starting to arrive about 11:30 about the time we were heading in. The lake is not a high producing lake but has very nice fish and I would recommend it for a change. There's another lake up Highway 80 that I need to try sometime called Spaulding Lake.

Utah trip for those who are interested.

Debbie and I took a trip to Utah for two weeks of hiking. A trip that was in the making for 2 ½ years and was canceled last year. We hiked over 92 miles in 11 days to the out of the way areas of Capital Reef, Escalante Staircase, Kodachrome and Bryce Canyon. Some of the trails required special use permits to travel into these isolated areas. The first week it was very hot in the mid 90's at Capital Reef where we hiked 5 days. We started our hikes at sunrise most days and after a mile so we were away from all the sightseers and short day hikers. After that we were mostly by ourselves and sometimes not seeing another hiker all day. We did high ridges, valley floors and a few slot canyons. Each day we packed our food, rain gear, and some emergency gear and extra clothing. Every day we started the hike with more than 1 gallon of water each. The scenery was breath taking along with the high vistas of views that most people will only see in pictures. The next trip is in the works for kayaking and hiking in and around Coeur d' Alene, Idaho.

Good Fishing and be Safe

Bob Schmidt

Reminder: It is the hot time of the year and if you don't have maintenance-free batteries on your boat you should be checking the water levels monthly.

FISHING REPORTS

OROVILLE LAKE FISHING – JUNE 14

BY WALTER VAN HOY

Ben La Sala tried to interest the club into fishing with **Brett Brady**. I was the only one who responded. Ben made the arrangements for the two of us. At the last minute **John Bergman** joined us. We met Brett and John at Bidwell boat ramp at 5 AM Monday the 14th. We arrived at the boat ramp early. We drove down the upper ramp, then crossed over to a second parking lot. Then we went down to the end of the launching ramp and crossed over to a 3rd parking lot where we met Brett. The lake is 200 feet low. Brett said the ramp can be used until the lake drops another 60 feet. There is a forest of standing trees down 60 feet.

We were fishing at 80 feet. Brett knows where the trees are and watched his electronics closely.

Even so, we snagged the trees 2 times. Somehow Brett freed his tackle and lost nothing. We missed 4 take-downs and landed 2 Kings. One 9.6 and the other around 3 pounds. The weather was perfect with a light chop on the water.



WALTER WITH HIS 9.6 LB. SALMON LAKE OROVILLE

FISHING ON GULL LAKE MINNESOTA - JUNE 12

On a recent trip to Minnesota **Virgil Loken** went walleye fishing on Gull Lake which is one of 11,842 lakes in the state. Virgil and fishing partner caught 4 walleyes in about 4 hours. Two of them were bigger than the 22+ inch walleye Virgil is shown with in the photo below. Virgil caught this one on a beaded spinner with a leech while drifting at about one mph.



VIRGIL WITH 22" WALLEYE ON GULL LAKE MINNESOTA

	Treasurer's Report By Ben LaSala July 2021
Starting Balance	\$1,753
Income	
Breakfast	432
Non-eaters	24
Cancelled NDO Donation	42
Hat Sales	45
Subtotal	543
Expenses	
Breakfast	324
Raffle Prizes	29
Derby Pot	0
Guest Breakfasts	24
Monthly Bank Fee	16
Insurance	0
Subtotal	393
Ending Balance	\$1,903

I wanted to add a short note to this report. Last month **Virgil Loken** bought all of our remaining club hats (12 total), then he returned 7 of them which he donated back to the club. In essence, he donated \$105 back to the club which will be realized by future sales.

BEN LA SALA



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