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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, from the state of Confusion.

I think I can safely say spring has arrived;

Snowmelt has covered the spot from which I took this earlier photo, and the suckers are congregating in the hydraulic.

Hope you all are doing well, because I am expecting a turnout for next weeks membership meeting at the Weiser Library. Tuesday the 13th at 7:00 pm, but come early if you are interested in flytying.



Lloyd will be regaling us with the fishing opportunities off the Oregon Coast.

Before the meeting, Ray is on tap to introduce the Pat's Rubberlegs pattern he will be demonstrating on the 20th (to be held at Artful Bon's studio). If you fish streams with healthy stonefly populations and numerous snags, you will like this one!

Mr. Maki is scheduled to give us another review of an example of what is available from our library.

I heard rumors of brownies, raffles, beverages, and maybe more.

And we will start conducting casting lessons at the pond on the 27th of this month.

Looking ahead, set aside **May 20th** for a club outing at Mann Creek Reservoir. You can ask Bob regarding it's special significance.

We are hoping to coordinate a cleanup effort on the Weiser Community pond, with a target date of **June 4th**, which is a week ahead of the Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game Free Fishing Day.

The club does have a Facebook group page: you are welcome to join, share fish stories and photos, learn about opportunities, etc. If I was more adept at social media, I would insert a link here, but . . . it's hard to find good help sometimes. Maybe Dick can step in here and rescue me.



Speaking of Mr. Garrett, I hope you all are appreciating the work he is doing with the Newscaster, and that you will support him by supplying him with photos, articles, jokes, etc that will interest us fisher folk.

May the next fish you hook be as beautiful as the waters from whence it came.

Bruce



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The Following Members Owe Dues for:

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Nobody has dues coming due in April. However, if your dues were due, but unpaid in previous months, now would be a good time to pay them.

Dues are \$30 per year or \$45 for a family (There is a limit of 12 members per family.)

Dues should be mailed to:

Mike Stanton
Box 654
Weiser, ID. 83672

Officers

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Club Outings -
Programs/Presenters - **Chris Clark & Mike Stanton**
Weiser Community Cleanup - **Mike Thomas**
Recruit/New Members - **Jim Gulu & Al Sillonis**



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Important IFF Tax Numbers
 The club is a (501)3C charitable organization #C142076 so you can deduct contributions to the club (see your tax advisor for details).
 FYI our federal tax number is 71-0998737.

We **will** be back on schedule this month as far as the meetings go.

The membership meeting at the Weiser Library and the Fly Tying on the 20th will be at Artful Bon's (35 Idaho St, Weiser).

So please come to the meetings and get things back to normal!

Note the Wednesday breakfast schedule. Until the Cook Shack can find a cook, we will be at the Homestead.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4	5	6 Board meeting Library	7 Breakfast at Homestead	8	9	10
11	12	13 Membership meeting Library	14 Breakfast at Homestead	15	16	17
18	19	20 Fly tying at the ArtFul Bons	21 Breakfast at Homestead	22	23	24
25	26	27 Fly Casting at the Weiser Pond	28 Breakfast at Homestead	29	30	1 MAY
2	3	4 Board meeting Library	5 Breakfast at Homestead	6	7	8

Owyhee Cleanup



Attached are a couple photos from the Owyhee Cleanup on 3/10. A little background on how this happened. Like the rest of us the folks over at Boise Valley Flyfishers (BVFF) were deep in cabin fever and decided to organize a cleanup on the river. The folks doing the organizing did not know about our pending April cleanup and by the time they found out about it they were too deep into the organizing to back out. As soon as they discovered the conflict they

contacted Dan Thomas at BLM in Vale and me. They spent too much time apologizing and we agreed to help them on this event and they would help us with a fall cleanup for National Public Lands Day the 3rd week of September. As you can see from the photos, it was a successful day. IHFF was represented by Jim Gulu, Ray Perkins and Barb & Dave Henderson. There were about 20 total volunteers and we were nearly able to fill Dan's stakebed truck. A bunch of the junk came from the burnt out 5th wheel trailer at Snively. We really concentrated on the flats where the campers had been. Fishing reports were pretty good with the best news being the number of small fish being caught. Seems like most folks were either dry fly fishing with midges or BWO emergers or casting leech patter



Editor's Note:

Thanks Dave and Barb Henderson for making this report available to us. And thanks to Jim, Ray, Barb and Dave for representing the IHFF. This has always been a special project for the club.



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Mark Sands sends this article he received from IDFG he thought is worth sharing.

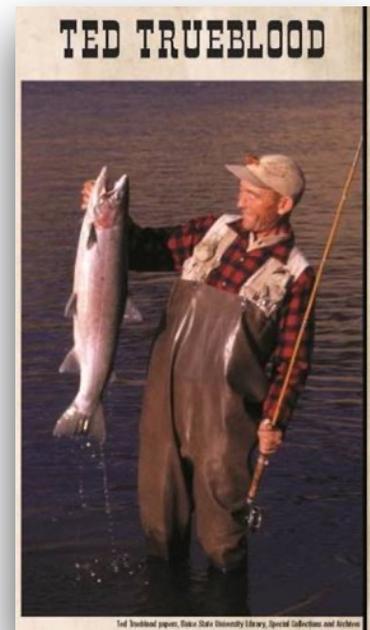
A note, along with **an exciting video discovery**, from IDFG Retiree Jack Trueblood. Jack retired from IDFG in 2004 from his position of Idaho Fish and Game Conservation Information Supervisor after 17 years of dedicated service.

Steelhead Junction

My dad, Ted Trueblood (1913-1982) loved to write about the outdoors almost as much as he loved the outdoors itself. Raised on a family farm in the southwestern corner of Idaho, He made a living by writing and taking pictures of the things he liked to do best - hunting, fishing, camping, and cooking in the great outdoors.

He was a key player in the citizen ballot initiative to establish the Idaho Fish and Game Commission in 1938. In 1940 he worked for the Idaho Fish and Game Department as a conservation officer, field researcher, and public relations officer. By the 1960s he was a well-respected outdoor writer with a national following. Using his monthly column at *Field & Stream* and articles in other outdoor magazines he supported the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, the Wilderness Act of 1964 and other legislation to protect natural resources. He was president of the River of No Return Wilderness Council, the citizens' group supporting wilderness designation for central Idaho, and the leader of Save Our Public Lands, the grassroots opposition to the sagebrush rebellion.

In 1963 he made the film "*Steelhead Junction*" with his friend C. W. "Doc" Jones, an Evinrude distributor. In 2009 a fellow retiree asked me about the movie and it set me on a long search. It took a while, but finally Fish and Game retiree and Archive Curator Mick Hoover located a copy owned by fishing guide Jeff Klassen. He was kind enough to donate the film to Boise State University, and long story short, it is now available online and is included in the *Ted Trueblood Collection*. I hope you enjoy! ~ Jack Trueblood



<https://archives.boisestate.edu/digital/ted-trueblood/>

(Just click on this link above and join Ted Trueblood on a trip to *Steelhead Junction*)

p.s. Where is Steelhead Junction? In going through his dad's diaries, Jack was able to confirm it is at the confluence of the Snake and Salmon rivers.

Note: this picture of Ted Trueblood is the property of the Ted Trueblood papers: Boise State University Library, Special Collections and Archives



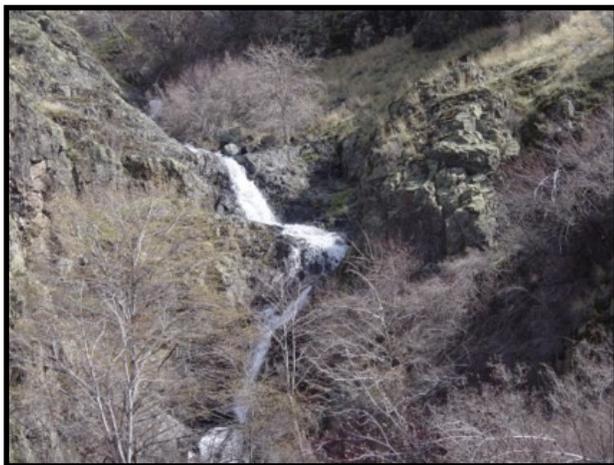
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Also from our members

And **Mike Stanton** send us this:

Here is two pictures from the Hells Canyon area. One is of the salmon being dumped below the dam. Two Tankers were dumped that day. The driver said that next week steelhead would be dumped. The other one is of a waterfall. As the snow melts, a lot of the side canyons have a waterfall in them make for a neat drive.



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Mike Baugh's physical therapist thinks this fish committed



Maybe he saw the newest Covit mask.



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April 3, 2021 Al and Jim Gulu went to Pole Creek Res. Had a good day.

Jim caught a 20 inch rainbow.

Al caught 18 crappie. One was 9 1/2 inches and the others ranged from 11 to 13 inches.



The ever vigilant **Jim Gulu** found a database where the equivalents to any fly hook can be found. Click on the link to check it out.

<https://tacklevillage.com/fly-tying-hook-database/>

Fly Tying Hook Database – Find
Equivalents To Any Hook

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On the Lighter Side

Old is when a sweet young thing catches your fancy and your pacemaker opens the garage door.

LIFE IS TOO SHORT. IF YOU CANNOT LAUGH AT YOURSELF, CALL ME AND I WILL DO IT FOR YOU.

Editor's Note: If you would send me a few good jokes, maybe you wouldn't have to put up with my warped sense of humor!

Old is when you don't care where your wife goes as long as you don't have to go along.



*Chocolate is vital to survival.
The dinosaurs didn't have
chocolate and look what
happened to them.*

Cartoons are from a book, FLY FISHING!#%&*!, by John Troy, Nick Lyons Books, New York, 1985.