Spokane Walleye Club

General Meeting: May 29, 2019, 7:00 PM at the INWC

Officers Present: Doug Schroeder (President), Ken Shatzer (Vice

President), Allan Walker (Treasurer), Mark McFall

(Secretary)

Board Members Present: George Allen, John Calkins, Travis Scholten

Absent: Larry Quaintance (Ill)

Members Signed-in: 17

Treasurer's Report

Checking Project Club Total

\$3,400.86 \$13,091.00 \$9,012.00 \$25,503.86

Raffle Results

\$2,530 total income, less \$252 in expenses = \$2,276 net.

Tournament Results

\$23,900 total income, less \$22,100 in expenses = \$1,800 net

Prizes were \$19,652 — (First place was over \$12,000)

Trophies were \$1,450, which included \$815 for the first place rings

Misc. expenses \$640

Lodging for volunteers \$357

Guests & New Members

Shelby Ross, our guest speaker tonight. John O'Laughlin, who joined tonight. Ed Orozco, who will be joining soon.

Welcome all!!

Fishing Reports

Allan Walker fished five of the last eleven days! (*Yes, retirement is good!*) He fished at Kettle Falls, China Bend (caught 18, 8-24"), the Little Dalls (caught 1, 14"), China Bend again (caught 16), and Long Lake (caught 1, 23" Walleye & 1, 14" Perch). Allan used red & yellow spinners and blade bait.

Allan reported that Sam Guglielmo & Co. have also been fishing at China bend and have been boating 60-70 Walleye per day. Sam strictly fishes jigs.

Travis Scholten recently launched at Porcupine Bay and fished the Spokane Arm and the Narrows. He trolled at 1-1.5 MPH going against the current, which was fairly strong, using a 2 oz. bouncer at 30-40.' The Walleye were on the small side.

Another member recently fished China Bend. He had no results with jigs but used two green spinners with slow death hooks to catch Walleye, 13", 14", 15", & 17-3/4".

2019 Tournament

Allan reported the tournament results. *Thanks to all who participated to make this a success!*

2020 Tournament

The board voted to have a tournament next year. George Allen will be the tournament director. George will post the information on the Walleyes Unlimited Northwest Facebook page. Greg will post it on our website. We will start planning now and seeking sponsors. *All suggestions for potential sponsors are welcomed.* George will get the permit application submitted to the state and Travis will draft a letter to be presented to potential sponsors.

Our goal is to increase the number of participating teams and all suggestions are welcomed. George advised that one idea being floated is for the "expert" teams to split up allowing for a new participant to partner with a tournament veteran.

Speakers

Shelby Ross of Ross Outdoor Adventures will be our speaker tonight.

Our own Mike Cook, who took second place in our tournament, will speak at the July or August meeting. Brett Surplus has also been asked to speak at one of these meetings, more to follow.

Sunshine Report

Linda Allen has completed her chemotherapy treatments and continues to improve.

Shirley Calkins continues to slowly improve. John advised that she just saw a specialist who has a handle on the problem and things are looking up.

Sharon Blume continues to slowly improve and is now able to walk with the aid of a walker.

Doug Nathan reported that respected long-time member and friend to all who knew him, Evan Brooks, passed away last week at 92. Contact Doug for the address if you wish to send a card.

Please keep these members and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Allan gave thanks to all of the veterans who have served our country. *Amen!*

Doug and Bonnie Schroeder are celebrating their 49th anniversary today. *Congratulations!*

Kids Fishing Weekend — May 4-5, 2019 at Clear Lake

This was a record turnout with over 1,000 kids fishing. The weather was beautiful and despite the large number of participants everything ran smoothly. Check out the photos of the happy kids and parents on our website. *Thanks to all who participated to make this event another success!*

Spring Picnic — June 13-17, 2019 at Locust Grove Campground, Kettle Falls Members are encouraged to plan ahead for attendance at this event. This is our largest and most well attended event of the year and is always well received. The campground has been reserved and there is no cost for members to attend. There will be a raffle on Saturday afternoon. Turkey and fish will be provided at the picnic and members are encouraged to bring a dish for the potluck on Saturday afternoon and for the breakfast on Sunday morning.

The question was raised about possibly moving our picnic to another date to avoid conflicts with other events taking place at Kettle Falls on that weekend. This would be for next year's picnic. The board decided to table this issue for further discussion and decision.

<u>Fall Campout — September 5-9, 2019 at Texas Rapids</u>

There is no cost to camp, launch, or dock here. The nearby KOA campground is also available for club members at a 10% discount, for those who prefer hook-ups, which Texas Rapids does not have.

<u>Christmas Banquet</u> — <u>First Sunday in December</u>

Member Brad Tufto has been researching potential locations; he presented two tonight, the Players & Spectators in Spokane Valley and Fujiyama in Liberty Lake. The membership voted in favor of Players and Spectators. A head count is needed, so please get your reservations in to Greg Koch by e-mail.

New Jig

Allan Walker presented a new jig that was sent to us by a manufacturer in Pasco. The cost is \$8.00 each, however a discount is offered for first time orders. Contact Allan for further information if interested.

By-Law Review

A preliminary annual review of the By-Laws has been done and circulated with recommendations for changes to the board via e-mail. These proposed changes are for streamlining the text and procedures and deleting procedures that we don't do anyway. Greg will also post these on our website for member input and review. The goal is for this process to be completed so that the first reading can be done at the July general membership meeting with the vote to be held at the August meeting.

Guest Speaker

Mr. Shelby Ross of Ross Outdoor Adventures, (509) 750-7763, provides guide services at Potholes Reservoir, Moses Lake, and Banks Lake — he is an expert fisherman. Shelby gave us an excellent and very well received presentation on the gear he uses, techniques, and times of the year for these fisheries. *Thank you Mr. Ross!*

<u>Adjournment</u>

8:40 PM

Next Meetings

There will be no meeting at the INWC in June. Any business that needs to be conducted will be done at the June picnic.

The July meeting will be held at the INWC on Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at 7:00 PM. The board will meet at 6:00 PM.