

TROUT UNLIMITED BELLEVUE ISSAQUAH Chapter 109

28 May 2008 Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

President: Mark Getzendaner

Vice President: Dave Probart

Kokanee Chair: Mark Taylor

Treasurer: Shirley VanderVeen

Membership Chair: Rik Sligar

At large: Several general members attended but I didn't get all the names!

Kokanee Fry Counting: The Fry Trapping Project has ended for this season. Overall numbers were around 10 percent of the 2007 . Many possible factors may have contributed to the low count and the information we gathered will be valuable as all the data about the Kokanee is analyzed.

An article describing our project appeared in the Trout Magazine

The trap has been removed from the Lewis Creek site. Mark Getzendaner proposed a letter to the adjacent homeowners thanking them for their patience with us while we conducted the survey. Approved

Dave Probart and Rik Sligar are determining what additional materials will be needed to construct a second fry trap.

School Ecology Program: Mark Getzendaner has been in contact with local teachers who guide their school's Ecology Program. There is a great deal of interest in local issues and our Kokanee preservation efforts are a good fit. Mark will continue to pursue inclusion of our efforts in these programs and interaction with local students.

Beer Naming Contest: After exhaustive research into the subject and extensive testing, Rik Sligar has concluded his selection for the beer. Rogue Brewery will produce an initial batch to raise awareness of the plight of our native Kokanee. Additional brewing is a possibility dependent on the success of the initial run and marketing opportunities.

Rik settled on a Red Pale Ale and some excellent names have been proposed. A decision on a graphic for the label will be made and member input for a label concept is welcome.

Casting Clinic: The General Meeting on 11 June 2008 will be a casting clinic held at Lake Sammamish State Park. The grassy area adjacent to the Sunset Beach concession stand is large enough for many casters and several experts will be on hand to provide tips on improving our skills. Charlie Mallory will post an announcement and map on the Google Groups site and Mark G will produce some flyers to be posted to encourage participation.

Future Events Schedule: Mark Taylor distributed a list of known future events in the area and our meeting schedule. The list will be published on the website and a calendar linked to the Google Groups site.

Cast For Kids: Volunteers are needed to help out at the next Cast for Kids event 07 June 2008 at Gene Coulon Park in Renton from 8:00 AM to around 1:00 PM. This is always a lot of fun for the volunteers.

Evergreen State Fair: Our next major public event is the State Fair. Volunteers will be needed to man the Trout Unlimited State Council booth. The board will volunteer to cover a 4 - 5 day period with our chapter's members. August 20 - 24 was proposed and additional information will be published as the schedule is set.

Treasurer Report: Shirley VanderVeen submitted an updated report showing our balance to be a bit low due to recent mailings to all members.