



# March Newsletter

## President's Message

Happy Spring! I hope you all have had the chance to enjoy the warmer weather we've had and maybe even gotten out for some fishing. Now is truly a great time to get out there! Our local river flows are still at safe levels for wading and you don't need to wear quite as many layers to stay warm when you're on the water. Now is also an ideal time to take a look at the [WFFI Outings and Events](#) page on our website and start marking your calendar! We have so many awesome events, day trips, and multi-day outings this year. We just added a trip to the legendary Henry's Fork! This is a trip you won't want to miss. The club has rented cabins and yurts in the Harman State Park; there are also loads of hotel and camping options in the area.



We also have trips lined up to Duck Valley, Bruneau Dunes, Silver Creek, and Stanley. It seems all of our personal schedules fill up so quickly so be sure to check out our events and outings so you can get them on your calendar.

Speaking of Duck Valley, we have a couple events coming up to help you prepare for our club trip in April. At our monthly member meeting coming up on March 18th, Rob from Cascade Anglers will discuss tips and tricks for fishing this unique fishery. While it's possible to fish from shore at Duck Valley, it's best fished from a float tube. On April 11th, we have a Float Tube Readiness event at Dick Knox Pond in Emmett (sign up on our website). For anyone who's new to float tubing, our more experienced members will be on hand to help you get your tube set up and show you the ropes. If you are new to float tubing and you plan to go to Duck Valley we HIGHLY recommend that you get at least one float tube session in before our trip, preferably with someone with experience who can help you get started. Duck Valley's weather can get rowdy which can be frightening, especially for new float tube anglers. If you don't have a float tube and want to learn, please post something in the Facebook group or the Groups pages on the website. Many members have multiple float tubes they'd be happy to loan for the day.

If you're new to fly fishing or have friends who want to learn, registration is now open for our annual Spring Beginner's Workshop! This is a full day of hands-on "Fly Fishing 101" education where we'll cover flies, equipment, knots, casting, and more! More details are below.

Until next time...get outside and soak up some vitamin D. We'll see you on the water. Tight lines!

I hope to see you all at our member meeting next week!

Jill Bradley  
WFFI President

## Upcoming Events



### March Meet and Mingles

Join us for a bite to eat and drink before our monthly member meeting!

The Boise Meet and Mingle is at 5pm at the Ram Restaurant and Brewery right down the street from ID Fish and Game (where our monthly meetings are held). The Ram has a great, inexpensive happy hour menu. The Caldwell Meet and Mingle is at the Craft Lounge at 5:30pm.

This is a great opportunity to hang out and socialize with other club members. See you there!

[RSVP HERE FOR BOISE MEET AND MINGLE](#)

[RSVP HERE FOR CALDWELL MEET AND MINGLE](#)

### March Member Meeting: March 18th 7pm-9pm



Rob with Cascade Anglers is presenting tips and tricks for Duck Valley fishing success. If you're going on our April Duck Valley outing or planning a trip to Duck Valley this year, you won't want to miss this presentation!

The equipment sales table will be open for our March meeting! It's a fantastic opportunity to find top-notch equipment at affordable prices, or if you've got some extra fishing gear you can sell it here. Cash or Venmo are the preferred payment methods.

Please note! Our presentations begin at 7pm. We arrive at IDFG at 6:30pm to open up the building for social time, merch/sale table shopping, and give folks time to settle in their seats from 6:30-7pm. If you arrive prior to 6:30pm,

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### 2026 Outings and Day Trips

Our 2026 outings and day trip schedule continues to evolve with many events open for registration now! Many outings have options for cabins, motels, and camping. Some of these trips have limited space so check them out and RSVP ASAP! Here's what's currently available for registration on our website:

- April 11: Float Tube Readiness at Dick Knox Pond in Emmett
- April 23-26: Duck Valley Reservation
- May 22-24: Bruneau Dunes
- June 13: Horseshief Reservoir
- June 25-28: Silver Creek
- July 9: Sage Hen Reservoir
- July 24-26: Stanley
- August 13-16: Henry's Fork

To check out more and RSVP please find more information on our events page.

[RSVP HERE](#)

### Outing Refund Policy

Now that we're adding more events to the 2026 calendar, be sure to review our club refund policy we have in place for any event or outing that involves lodging, food, guides, supplies, etc that the club pays for up front and our members "pay us back" for. Please take the time to read this refund policy [HERE](#).

**17th Annual Spring Workshop for Beginners**  
Saturday, May 2nd, 2026  
9 am to 3 pm

- Flies
- Casting
- Knot Tying
- Rods, Reels & Lines
- Equipment

The club is providing muffins, fruit, coffee and water. BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch). Swag bags for all participants.

Contact: [wffidaho@gmail.com](mailto:wffidaho@gmail.com)

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### 2026 Beginner's Spring Workshop May 2nd

Our annual Beginner's Spring Workshop is coming up on May 2nd! Whether you're a beginner angler or just want to brush up on your skills, this is a great hands-on "Fly Fishing 101" event where we'll cover flies, knots, equipment, rods/reels/line, casting, and more. The best part is this all-day workshop is FREE for members! Registration is open on our website now. If you've taken this workshop in the past, you are more than welcome to take it again.

We need volunteers! It takes a village to put on a great event like this so we could use your help. Click [HERE](#) to sign up or contact Liz Pollard at [lizardps@gmail.com](mailto:lizardps@gmail.com).

[RSVP HERE](#)

### Wilderness Lite Float Tube Group Buy

If you plan to hike into some mountain lakes this summer to float tube fish, we have an opportunity from Wilderness Lite float tubes to get a deal on their Backpacker Pro package. These are ultralight flat tubes that pack down to the size of a compact sleeping bag (note these are not for "everyday" float tubing...these are specifically for hiking into hard-to-reach places where a standard float tube would be too bulky and heavy).

The Pro package that includes the float tube, seat, fins, pump, and mesh stuff sack normally retails for about \$495. They are offering us a discounted price of \$449 (or \$439 if we order 10 or more). Shipping and tax are included in the price. These will all ship in one shipment. Payment would be via check from individual buyers. We have until March 31st to get the order in.

You can check out the package here: <https://wildernesslitefloattubes.com/>

If you are interested in placing an order, please contact Jill Bradley at [jillhamilton424@gmail.com](mailto:jillhamilton424@gmail.com).

### WFFI communications chair needed!

We have a mid-term board position open. The communications chair oversees all of our club communications such as newsletters, website, and social media. Good written communication skills and organization are key! We prefer this person to have been a member for at least one year, have previous newsletter editing/creation, and have "drag and drop" website building experience (no code writing; we use Wix as our website platform). A complete description is in our Standard Operating Procedures document located in the Member Zone of our website. This term ends on December 31st. If you are interested in this WFFI board opportunity, please contact us at [WFFIdaho@gmail.com](mailto:WFFIdaho@gmail.com).

### Owyhee River Clean-Up Events

To know the Owyhee River is to love it. It's a pretty special fishery that sees a lot of use...which means trash is often left behind. On April 11th at 10am, Boise River Guides is hosting a volunteer opportunity to give the river a good Spring Cleaning! Watch the Boise River Guides social media accounts for the most up-to-date information and meeting location



### PLEASE check your membership status!

We generally get a LOT of new members at the Expo each year so this is the time we see memberships expiring. To continue to use our Facebook group, get the newsletters, and attend our outings, please make sure you renew your membership!

