

**CUTTHROAT CHAPTER TROUT UNLIMITED (CTU)**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, August 1, 7 pm, via Zoom**

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**Board of Directors:** Scott Tampa (President); John Egan (Vice President); Meg Renton (Treasurer); Allen Adinoff (Secretary); Ray Nagashima; Ron Taniwaki; Harlan Husmann; Mark Davis; Mike Myers

Absent: Barry Wiebe; Cory Neumiller;

The meeting was called to order at 7pm. A quorum was established

**Agenda:**

Approval of the July BOD meeting minutes: minutes were approved

**Calendar Review**

- August 1 – CCTU BOD Meeting
- August 11-13 CCTU Board Retreat. Three Rivers Resort.
- August 15 – Chapter Picnic / Annual Raffle – Reynolds Landing. Harlan has secured the venue. (Need to let LTBC that we do not require the room). A food truck has been reserved. (Big Belly Brothers BBQ) – NO ALCOHOL!
- Sept 5 – CCTU BOD Meeting – Scott & Meg will not be attending.
- September 9 & 10 – Stream Girls (Cyndy Scholz lead) looking for volunteers (fly tyers). Have publicized on Facebook and Intagram
- September 19 – Chapter Meeting – Tyer – Bob Getz – *Knot tying Demo*; Speaker - Paul Vertrees, Royal Gorge Anglers – *Hiking and Fishing in the Backcountry*.
- October 3 – CCTU BOD Meeting

**President's Report**

- CCTU BOARD OF DIRECTORS
  - Current BOD make-up - 11 Board Members, 7 Emeritus Board Members - majority 6 required for quorum.
- July Membership Meeting – Good turnout for Peter Stitches presentation on *Matching the Hatch in 2 Minutes*. Peter requested that we not post the meeting on YouTube since his material is what he “sales” at his classes. CCTU will abide by his wishes. We did agree to promote his website on the CCTU site, as well as our Facebook page and Instagram account.
- Annual Raffle – Raffle Ticket sales have started. All but 15 tickets have been distributed. Need everyone’s help in selling these tickets. See CCTU Website for the Raffle Announcement/prizes/method of securing tickets. Both Venmo and Zelle have been working well. CCTU will be at Cabela’s on Saturday 7/29 selling tickets. Meg asked that folks selling tix send her the number sold so far. (Latest count, we were at 110 firm sales, 4 commits). CTU did put a “shout out” in their Newsletter letting everyone know about our fundraising and a link to our website. Hopefully this will generate additional interest.
- CSU Steve Bailey Scholarship selection committee – Allen presented the application of CSU student Taylor Stack. Her application had been reviewed by Ray N and Scott T:
  - The application was unanimously approved
  - A commitment of \$5,000 was made

- Allen will follow up with CSU in terms of getting the check properly submitted
- Allen will also forward her application to all Board members
- CCTU Website - All Board members were encouraged to review the current website and provide comments to Mike for updates.
- Damage to Cheesman Canyon: Scott & Meg reported that, while fishing with Pat Dorsey in the canyon, there were torrential rains and hail. Sediment runoff turned the river brown. There was also significant damage to the hillsides and trails. Restoration work will need to be very extensive.

### Membership Meetings -

- Calendar:
  - August 15 – Picnic/Raffle: Permit has been obtained. We have secured the food truck for the event. Minimum order is \$800. Dinner plate with drink is about \$20, so we need to get 40 guests to order food to break even.
  - September 19 – Chapter membership meeting Tyer Bob Getz – *Knot Tying Demo*; Paul Vertrees, Royal Gorge Anglers – *Hiking and Fishing in the Backcountry*. This will be an in-person presentation.
  - October 17 - Chapter membership meeting (Zoom); Tyer - ?; Mike Geary – Healing Waters Lodge, Twin Bridges MT This will be a Zoom presentation. Topic TBD
  - November 21 - Chapter membership meeting; Tyer ?; Speaker – Tyler Banker from Minturn Anglers – Horseback fishing in the Flat Tops
  - December 12 – Holiday Party/Potluck/White Elephant - secured from Lone Tree Brewing Co. Note that this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> (not third) Tuesday of the month

### Conservation Programs (John E)

- South Platte River Corridor/Cheesman Canyon – John E
  - CUSP Signage - \$1250 to be paid in FY23/FY24. A total of 10 signs will be produced, currently in the design process via CUSP. For simplicity, all the signs will be identical, thus CCTU’s name and logo will appear on all ten signs. To be installed in TBD. Artwork is under development, CUSP has CCTU artwork for incorporation on the signs. CUSP and Denver Water have apparently reconciled their differences. CCTU will make its contribution towards the signs once they are installed. The \$150 of restricted funds will be used for this effort. Expect installation Spring 2023. Nothing new to report other than the rough decisions are done
  - Lower Gill Trail: USFS has acknowledged that the Gill Trail needs restoration work performed to lessen the amount of erosion happening due to natural events and greater usage. Denver Water has agreed to partner with the USFS for their portion of the trail improvements. CCTU will be in the loop as this project develops. CCTU has submitted this stretch of river as our “Priority Waters” to CTU This remains a continuing effort.
    - This is moving forward. Contract has been executed between Denver Water and the professional trail design firms (Tapis Assoc Inc & ERO Resources Corp) to map and assess the existing Gill Trail conditions, and to provide recommendations for trail design improvements. They want to open discussions with trail users and collect data. Effort should start sometime between September and October Not much for us to do right now. CCTU/ERO Resources contract has been executed for the project Phase 2 work. The scope of this contract provides:
      - Gill Trail Pilot Project Area – July 31
      - Improvements and Management Strategy – Sept 30
      - Implementation Recommendations – Sept 30
      - Final Report – December 31
      - The sign has been ordered. Total cost is \$850. CCTU had budgeted \$500, so that’s what they’ll receive
    - Conservation Projects for 2023: John will put together proposals for conservation projects and budgets. Send your ideas to John.
      - Implementation of Gill Trail Restoration pilot project

- Cheesman Canyon Grant: Mark – Looking at other sources of Grant funding for the project (GOCO, etc). Allen received a notice from South Platte Enhancement Board offering grants He forwarded that information to Mark who will pursue an RFP. Mark reached out to ERO Resources (Bill Mangle) who will provide insight into the recommendations coming out of their Final Report such that Mark can use that data to create new Grant requests. They will have their first meeting on Monday July 31.
- Urad Lake: No opportunity this year
- Waterton Canyon: will start working with Tyler’s replacement
- Orphan Boy Mine: work is being planned for summer 2024
- Remaining projects for 2023:
  - Much of our efforts will focus on Cheesman Canyon as a result of recent damage there. This will require a significant fundraising campaign
  - Tree planting in Hayman fire area 9/23 in collaboration with USFS: **consensus was to pursue.**
  - Trouts Black Friday cleanup at Deckers: will not pursue
  - Trout shocking: not being planned

#### FINANCIALS – Meg

- Current financials through July 30, 2023, = \$67,311 (See Treasurer’s report [\$40K is a restricted grant fund]); up \$7,340 from last month. So available funds are \$27,000
  - Income of \$ 8,549
    - Additions: July Raffle (\$317); BOD Retreat Payments (\$1,572); Annual Raffle Deposits (\$6,500); Donations \$160
  - Expenditures of \$1213 (\$253 BOD refund; \$460 for Raffle prize (Orvis Reel); \$500 transfer from Business to Raffle)
  - We may need to cut back on funding for budgeted projects, depending on the outcome of raffle sales.
  - It was felt that we need to reassess our approach for the Raffle in 2024

#### FUNDRAISING:

- Scott and Meg will lead the Raffle event for 2023, planned for August 15.
  - Status of Prize count – Meg
    - Goal is 45 prizes.
    - We have commitments for all 45 prizes.
  - Ticket sales (200 tickets)
    - All tickets (less 29) have been distributed for sales.
      - 1-25 (Scott)
      - 26-50 (Allen)
      - 51-66 (John)
      - 67-75 (Ray)
      - 76-91 (John)
      - 92-100 (Mike)
      - 101-125 (Meg)
      - 126-136 (Peter)
      - 137-146 (Harlan)
      - 147-150 (Ray)
      - 151-175 (Mark)
      - 176-185 (Peter)
      - 186-200 (Open)
  - We need to be thinking of more creative ways to sell tickets:
    - Will solicit past ticket purchasers. **Done**
    - CRA transfers: Mike and Meg to pursue. **Done**
    - Meg will send out instructions on how to set up Zelle transactions. **Done**
  - Rules for the August 15, 2023 raffle drawing were discussed and approved:

- We will ask 2 non-Board attendees to review all of the purchased raffle stubs prior to the drawing
- Prizes will be drawn in ascending order of retail value.
- If a person draws his/her own donated prize, they will receive the next prize
- 2024 Raffle
  - A committee with new leadership will need to be established
  - Meg will compile a final report of the 2023 raffle
  - CTU regional VP offered to help with on line ticket sales

## COMMUNICATIONS

- Chapter Webpage – **Annual Raffle Announcement is now Live on the Website. Thanks to Meg and Mike for getting this announcement and content created.**
- Updates needed in the following areas:
  - Conservation – Need 2022 items we did and what projects are planned for 2023 (John): John will pursue
- Newsletter – **Needs to be sent out no later than one week following BOD meeting**
  - July Items
    - Announcement of our August Picnic/fundraising + BBQ food truck. Add a note that tickets for raffle can still be bought until raffle starts at 6:30pm
    - July membership meeting recap with pics – Peter Sticher
    - Raffle Announcement/Ticket Sales
    - Stream Girls –September 9 & 10 - Volunteers needed (CTU has set up the volunteer site)
    - Lake Lehow recap: went very well although not very crowded
    - Eagle River hosted by Mac Ishi: 8/19 and 8/24
    - Pumphouse fishing trips – recap. Let's keep up the interest on these trips
    - Mike will send pix of his Montana trip
    - Farewell to CJ Allen – Long time CCTU & Project Healing Waters member: she will travel around the US in her Airstream trailer
- Integration of the web page, newsletter, and other social media
  - All stories and chapter highlights that we want to put into the Newsletter, Website and Social Media (Facebook/Instagram) should be sent to Cory, Mike and Meg so the message can be integrated across our different communication methods.

## Youth Programs

- Trout in the Classroom: **We need a new leader for** this effort. Ray stated that CTU retains ownership of the tanks and equipment that the schools currently have. Ray will need help with egg deliveries, which occur in a single day. He will send an announcement of the date.
- There are 15 schools in our Chapter's geographic area that wish to participate in TIC for the 2023/2024 school year. 9 of these schools need funding of \$215 to restart their tank (\$1935.00 for all). Board to decide what level, if any, CCTU should support these schools. Financial report has this as a proposed line item. Scott reached out to Natalie Flowers (CTU) to inquire about this need and after further investigation, there may not be a need for further funding.
  - **So far, 5 schools have responded**
  - **We need to make sure that funds to CTU for this project are restricted**
- CSU Scholarship — CCTU has raised the scholarship amount to \$5000.
  - Allen will continue to lead this activity in 2023: it's time to contact CSU regarding applicants for the 2023-2024 academic year. It was also discussed that the decision to increase funding to \$5K will depend on the raffle outcome: see above
- **Other programs**
  - Come Fish With Us

- Lake Lehow –David has establish new dates for 2023. Most will be on Saturdays. Dates have been posted to the Newsletter, FB and IG
- Stream Girls – We plan to support an event on September 9-10 with CTU. Cyndy Scholz will lead the event. Volunteers will be needed. CTU has set up the event and shows which volunteers are needed. See our CCTU Facebook and Instagram announcements
- Moving Waters:
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- **Where will these events take place in August? See above re Eagle R.**

**MEMBERSHIP – RAY**

- Orvis (Park Meadows & Cherry Creek) are starting up their Fly-Fishing Classes again. They provide a free TU membership to each student. New fishing manager at the Park Meadows store.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Bull Moose Committee – John
- Qualified Charitable Contributions: Allen and Cory
  - Despite an earlier presentation, there is a lack of understanding by the membership on the mechanics of making this work
  - This seems to be an opportunity to gain contributions to the Chapter.
  - Further presentations to the membership may be helpful
  - Allen will check with TU National to get information on their approach: pending
- New stickers were provided at the last membership meeting. Big thanks to Mike Myers and Columbine Labels for making this happen. Action: Mike Myers to add Columbine Labels to our partners page on the Website
- **Anglers All and Denver TU have teamed up for South Platte cleanup on August 12. CCTU support to this effort? No. we will have our hands full with Cheesman Canyon**
- **Sharon Lance:** Mike reported that Sharon’s cancer has returned. She has declined further treatments. She did ask Mike to share The Mark Lance Memorial Shoot, August 26 10am – 3pm in Eaton Colorado. Mike will send information to Harlan for the newsletter.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm

**CCTU ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES - 2023**

Role	Responsibility
President Monthly BOD Meetings – Agenda, Run Mtg Monthly Chapter Meeting – run meeting Annual Strategic Planning Meeting	Scott Tampa

Liaison/Point of Contact for CTU Questions/Follow-ups Attend CTU Quarterly Board Meetings	
Vice President	John Egan
Treasurer Bookkeeping – Checks, Monthly Bank Recs, etc. Quarterly Filings, Raffle Filings	Meg Renton
Secretary	Allen Adinoff
Zoom Meeting Manager – BOD Meetings, Chapter Meetings	Scott Tampa
Meeting Planning – Speakers (Needs new members)	Scott Tampa (Lead) John Egan
Fundraising – Raffle Program 2023	Scott Tampa (Lead) Meg Renton
Conservation Projects	John Egan (Lead) Jim Rasmussen – River Watch
Membership	Ray Nagashima Jerry Wilson
Website – Ongoing Management	Mike Myers (Lead)
Newsletter	Harlan Husmann
Social Media – Facebook Page, Instagram YouTube	Meg (Lead) Scott will perform YouTube
Grants	Mark Davis
Monthly Meeting Raffle	Jerry Shin (Lead) Alex Speicher
Raffle Manager License	Jerry Shin (exp 1/15/2025) Scott Tampa (exp 1/14/2026) Alex Speicher (exp 3/2026) Allen Adinoff (exp 5/2026)
Come Fish With Us Events	David Coward (Lead) Bruce Foss Ron Taniwaki (BBQ) Harlan Husmann – Moving Waters Mark Davis – Moving Waters
Summer Picnic Planning – Reserve location, permit, food, entertainment August 2023	Scott & Harlan (Lead) Ray Nagashima
Holiday Party	
BOD Retreat Planning & Food	Scott Tampa (Lead) John Egan
Project Healing Waters Crystal Lake Trip	Richard Pilatzke
Ladies Fishing on the Fly	Cyndy Scholz Steve Scholz
Youth Program Coordinator Develop Youth programs Youth Camp Scholarships – identify 2 kids for scholarships annually Stream Girls	Ray Nagashima Need Leader (TIC) All BOD Cyndy Scholz
Coordination of Steve Bailey Memorial Scholarship at CSU	Allen Adinoff (Lead)
Green River Chapter Trip	Rich Hus
Bighorn River Chapter Trip	Rich Hus
San Juan River Trip	Jerry Shin

## **LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS**

### **Current Board Members (11)**

Allen Adinoff  
Mark Davis  
John Egan  
Mike Myers  
Ray Nagashima  
Cory Neumiller  
Meg Renton  
Scott Tampa  
Ron Taniwaki  
Barry Wiebe  
Harlan Husmann

### **Emeritus Board Members (7)**

Cam Chandler  
Ken James  
Jim Klug  
Peter King  
Sharon Lance  
Jim Rasmussen  
Richard Pilatzke