

CUTTHROAT CHAPTER TROUT UNLIMITED (CCTU)
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 5, 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; Harlan Husmann;; Mark Davis; Mike Myers

Absent: Ron Taniwaki; Barry Wiebe; Cory Neumiller

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm. A quorum was established.

Agenda:

Approval of the June BOD meeting minutes: minutes were approved

Allen mentioned that David Whitlock was featured on the cover of the most recent issue of Fly Fisher magazine with an accompanying article.

Calendar Review

- July 5 – CCTU BOD Meeting (Wednesday)
- July 8 – CTU Troutfest – Coors Field
- July 18 – Chapter membership Meeting; Tyler – Bob Getz; Speaker Peter Sticher – How to Match the Hatch in 2 Minutes
- August 1 – CCTU BOD Meeting
- August 11-13 CCTU Board Retreat. Three Rivers Resort. Scott will inform all attendees of total costs
- August 15 – Chapter Picnic / Annual Raffle – Reynolds Landing. Harlan has secured the venue. (Need to let LTBC that we do not require the room). Food and/food truck issues still TBD
- September 9 & 10 – Stream Girls (Cyndy Scholz lead) looking for volunteers. Have publicized on Facebook and Intagram

President's Report

- CCTU BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 - Current BOD make-up - 11 Board Members, 7 Emeritus Board Members - majority 6 required for quorum.
- June Membership Meeting – Good turnout for the presentations from Rick Mikesell and Signature Fly Tier Richard Pilatzke– approximately 45 people attending in-person. We did get a good video of the meeting and it has been uploaded to YouTube. The new AV equipment worked well – need extra time and personnel to set up screen. Setup should start around 5:00pm
- Annual Raffle – Raffle Ticket sales have started. All but 30 tickets have been distributed. Need everyone's help in selling these tickets. See CCTU Website for the Raffle Announcement/prizes/method of securing tickets. We spent one Saturday at Cabela's. They said they would let us know of the next Saturday opening – still waitin, but not hopeful. Meg asked that folks selling tix send her the number sold so far.
- CTU Troutfest July 8, Coors Field –Scott suggested using the provided table time to promote our CCTU raffle and sell tickets. Scott sent an email to CTU to request permission to sell our tickets at the event – **permission denied! The Board was most displeased with this, particularly given the mantra of "One TU". There will be a meeting with Larry Howe (CTU Secretary) to discuss this. Allen will contact David Nikum.**

- HATS – We have received our order of 100 hats with the CCTU logo. These should be provided free of charge to all event volunteers. Since we are a non-profit organization, we cannot “sell” them, but they can be given as a “Thank You” to all who donate \$20 or more to CCTU. **Four hats were given away as prizes during the June meeting. We also received two donations of \$20 for hats during the meeting.**
- Responsibilities – Harlan has volunteered to take on some additional responsibilities. The June Newsletter was created by Harlan, and he will lead this effort in the future. He will reach out to Cory or Scott if any help is needed. Harlan also helped secure Reynold’s Landing for the August picnic (at a large savings in cost to the Chapter. **\$80 vs \$250).**
- CCTU Website - All Board members were encouraged to review the current website and provide comments to Mike for updates.

Membership Meetings -

- Calendar:
 - **July 18** – Chapter membership meeting **Tyer Bob Getz; Speaker – Peter Sticher – Match the Hatch in 2 minutes**
 - **August 15** – Picnic/Raffle: **Permit has been obtained. Scott reached out to the Food Truck used last year. They stated that they will not be taking their truck out in July and August but could provide a buffet style dinner for us. Quote is being generated for 50 people. Chapter will provide water/softdrinks**
 - **September 19** – Chapter membership meeting **Tyer ?; 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**
 - **November** - 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 2nd (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**
 - 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
 - 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.

- Urad Lake: will start working with USFS Due to his contacts with USFS, John feels as though he should receive prompt approval
- Waterton Canyon: will start working with Tyler's replacement
- Orphan Boy Mine: work is being planned for summer 2024

FINANCIALS – Meg

- Current financials through June 30, 2023, = \$59,972 (See Treasurer's report [\$40K is a restricted grant fund]); up \$4,140 from last month
 - Income of \$ 4,220
 - Additions: June Raffle (\$311); Donations (\$708); Annual Raffle Deposits (\$3,200)
 - Expenditures of \$80 for Reynolds Landing Rental

FUNDRAISING:

- Scott and Meg will lead the Raffle event for 2023, planned for August
 - Status of Prize count – Meg
 - Goal is 45 prizes.
 - We have commitments for all 45 prizes.
 - TU has sent a list of vendors offering a 50% discount. 15 of our prizes thus far have been purchased that way. We have the opportunity of purchasing Simms G3 waders, retail price \$900 for a 50% discount. This will put us over budget. However, given the tremendous value in this prize, purchase was approved by the Board.
 - We will need to advertise the prizes on our website
 - 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)
 - 76-100 (Mike)
 - 101-125 (Meg)
 - 126-136 (Peter)
 - 137-146 (Harlan)
 - 147-150 (Open)
 - 151-175 (Mark)
 - 176-200 (Open)
 - We need to be thinking of more creative ways to sell tix:
 - Will solicit past ticket purchasers.
 - CRA transfers: Mike and Meg to pursue
 - Meg will send out instructions on how to set up Zelle transactions. Having to use cash or checks only is limiting ticket sales
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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 July meeting info
 - June membership meeting recap (YouTube link)
 - Raffle Announcement/Ticket Sales
 - August Picnic and Raffle Drawing Announcement
 - Project Healing Waters – Recap from event – Richard Pilatzke
 - Stream Girls –September 9 & 10 - Volunteers needed (CTU has set up the volunteer site)
 - Mike will send pix of his Montana trip
 - Allen will send pix of the PHW project; something to feature in the Newsletter
- 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.
- 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
- **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:
 - **Near-term trips are TBD due to runoff conditions.**
 - **Allen suggested the Eagle River as a possible destination. Former CCTU Board member Mac Ishi now lives in Gypsum and is very familiar with the river. Allen will provide his contact information to Mark and Harlan.**
 - **Pump House trip planned the end of the month**

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
- Big Horn trip: **Out brief: The most dramatic event was that one of the participants became ill during the trip and needed to be treated in a local ER where he was later transferred to Billings for inpatient care. Recent reports say that he is doing very well. It emphasized the importance of signing waiver forms prior to the trips. Dwane was reported to be doing well.**
- Anglers All: Mike reported that in his contacts with Chris Keely, Chris was more interested in a partner project with CCTU rather than donating a prize for the raffle. This would include monetary support. Scott suggested Gill Trail restoration. Meg suggested a meeting to discuss mutually beneficial strategies.
- AvidMax: Scott received a call from Noah Reinhardt (Marketing Manager) who stated that they would like to start supporting our Chapter with Conservation project volunteers for events that we have planned and would like to start attending our Membership Meetings. This sounds like a partnership that we should cultivate. CCTU members need to welcome these guests.
- Ray will include mention of the raffle in his “new member” letter

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm

CCTU ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES - 2023

Role	Responsibility
President Monthly BOD Meetings – Agenda, Run Mtg Monthly Chapter Meeting – run meeting Annual Strategic Planning Meeting Liaison/Point of Contact for CTU Questions/Follow-ups Attend CTU Quarterly Board Meetings	Scott Tampa
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
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