

## Payson Fly Casters Club/Gila Trout Chapter #530

### Minutes of meeting

May 28, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM, at Tiny's Restaurant by Tom Herman, chairman

1. Welcome visitors and new member
2. Our guest speaker was Amberie Jones of AZGFD, who replaced Kirk Gill. She spoke about AZGFD work on fish population surveys on waters primary on waters primary in Region 6 which covers the streams that we all fish.
3. Tom Herman called Joe Miller and it was great to hear from him.
4. *We are no longer having a break so that we can complete our meetings sooner.*
5. We discussed the Wildlife Fair that was a great success. We made \$160 in sales.
6. Fishing Reports-A group is going up to C C Craigen for a group fishing trip. Let Tom Herman know if you are interested in a trip.
7. Larry Hess and Gary Altman are planning a trip to Big Lake on June 6<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>, then they are going to the Ridgway State Park from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup>, and then to Gunnison, Colorado the 24<sup>th</sup> to the July 1st. This Thursday a group is going fishing at Bear Canyon and meeting at 9:45 am at Home Depot.
8. A big thank you to volunteers who helped with the kid programs and Jim Strogon for setting them up.
9. The Board is in the process in making up Apache Trout pins and mugs. The cost for the pins will be \$25 each.
10. Jim Strogon applied for a grant for additional stream improvement work on Dude Creek to help with the recovery population of Gilas there. That grant application was changed very recently when Jim found out that the compliance paperwork has not been completed for Chase Creek as they are hoping that will be corrected by 4FRI when that gets approved hopefully later this year. The grant he applied for will help with further Dude Creek work and will probably happen 2024 assuming compliance paperwork is complete through the 4FRI process.
11. Tom Herman has agreed to be our President again with the help of Jim Clayton doing the MC at the meetings. Thank you, Tom.
12. Please be aware of scams coming to you. They look like the real thing. Some coming from Amazon and others.
13. There will be a fly-fishing program at Park and Recreation on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Jim has all the help he will need.

14. At our June meeting we will be having a rotation of stations. The stations will be presented by a knowledgeable person: Fly Rod and Reel by Gary Bedsworth, Vest and Lanyards by Jim Stroger, Tenkara rods and gadgets by John Green, Fly Tying by Mike Arnold and Knots by Deems Davis. We will rotate groups to each station. Let's all learn more about Flyfishing in June.
15. There will not be a meeting in July.
16. Gary Bedsworth gave a quick program about spey/switch rods.
17. Meeting was adjourned

Submitted by  
Acting Secretary  
Dorothy Howell