

OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

November 4 & 5, 1981

Boise, Idaho

Wednesday, November 4, 1981, all members convened at 8:30 a.m. for a regular meeting, with those present being Chairman Jim Baughman, Bill Guth, Ivol Sies, Glen Foster, and Harry Vaughn.

New licensing was reviewed for approval, in which it was determined that the back-country skiing outfitter licenses for Carl Rixon and Sun Valley Helicopter Ski Guides would be held to be sure they licensed the guides required--they will be advised. Bill Guth then explained to the newest members his meeting two years ago in Sun Valley concerning the F.S. requirements for back-country ski guiding.

Then Curtis Olson, M.A. with the newly formed Mountain Guides, Inc. came in to expedite completion of their applications for licensing. It was explained that instruction will be the main business with Idaho City F.S. permits, using the name Nordic Ski School of Idaho. They hope to take over most of Boise City and BSU ski programs, if all works well.

Enforcement Business included the following: Spokane illegal hunter at Fish Lake reported which involved a Trophy Club; Ray Ralls outfitting for elk & deer illegally with Safari International referral and reports of bad camps, lack of food and starving horses; that a civil case is being worked up on Steve Jordan; North Fork illegal hunters were checked on, which found that Colston's wife works for the Sheriff's office and is related to Tom Hansen; also, that there appears to be a leak in the Lewiston area, as Steve Weiber was aware the enforcement was trying to contact him. The case of the Arco & Challis area illegal hunting resulted in the two men arrested being fined \$500.00 each.

The meeting then recessed for lunch, with all members reconvening at 1:00 p.m., to meet with James L. Conner, Trail, Oregon, who is taking over the outfitting business of Clifford O. Cummings, Sr.--Mr. Cummings will keep his lodge at North Fork. Mr. Conner said he has outfitted in Oregon the past 6 years, and has dogs for the bear/cougar hunting being requested. He was warned to be sure to license all those who run dogs for him and any others involved in guiding. He was also told that his operation would be restricted to the original area assigned to Mr. Cummings and not include at this time, the combination bear/cougar area known as the Lemhi Area. Mr. Conners agreed also to secure a written statement from his backer, Mrs. DeLange, for his outfitting business, in lieu of his own financial statement.

After Mr. Conner left the meeting, Ivol brought up that he felt that the perspective was lost on the combination hunting purpose, in denying transfer of bear/cougar combination area licensing. There was discussion, and other members agreed that it was advised at the meetings at Challis and Salmon that this was a stipulation to avoid businesses being transferred because of this additional licensing. It was also noted that a review of the results of this combination licensing would follow at the end of the year.

At 2:00 p.m., Merle Sheridan, of Stanley & Michigan, came in to meet with the Board about licensing for a new snowmobile operation at Don Session's lodge, Obsidian, for trails, excluding the skiers, in the Stanley area. She has purchased 12 machines and clothing which will include helmets, and will license several area guides to accompany the clients.

Hank Miller, Salmon, M.A. of Idaho Adventures, Inc. and three of his guides, Ken Hill, Gary Mosier and Jim Parks came in to meet with the Board to answer to a complaint registered by a client, Mrs. Catherine Duffy. The letter was originally written to Hank, and was read by his request, so that all points could be discussed. It was agreed that Hank, not accompanying the trips, had allowed some of the problems to get out of hand, and he and his guides agreed that this will be corrected. Hank did point out that this was the first complaint in the three year period in a volume of a great number of clients, and felt it was a good average. The Board agreed, but pointed out that the problems needed corrected and felt sure the Hank was not fully aware.

Enforcement Problems were reviewed which included Ron Vaughn's investigation of the Sulphur Creek Ranch. His expenses were discussed and agreed on for payment. Also the reply was read of Attorney Pat Riceci to Marty Mattson, in his attempt to avoid Idaho law in use of Idaho snowmobile trails out of West Yellowstone. It was agreed to be a good response.

The meeting then recessed at 5:35 p.m.

Thursday, November 5, 1981, all members except Bill Guth reassembled at the Board office at 8:30 a.m., with discussion concerning Glen's contact with Linda on a change of the Association's Board of Directors meeting from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 2nd, thereby avoiding a conflict in the Board's meeting with F.S./BLM/F.& G. personnel. The Board's meeting on Wednesday will be scheduled to conclude at 4:00 p.m. to allow Assn. director-board members to attend both meetings.

There was also further discussion on the combination bear/cougar licensing. It was noted that although some outfitters had not attended the meetings, it had been mentioned that adding the area licensing would make areas more valuable but transfers would not be allowed, and that after one year, it would be reviewed to see what effect it had on the over-all harvest.

Prior to Paul Filer, Riggins coming in, the Board discussed what portion of his license had permits, and agreed that whatever was proposed to be transferred must have a permit for operation. Then Paul and Sam Whitten and Mark Hinckley, all of Riggins joined the meeting. Sam Whitten asked about applying for the power boating licensing and has made a deal to purchase Paul's power boat. It was suggested that the new license applicant try to obtain a permit from the land manager, as Paul said he was having trouble in proving use. Sam and Mark want to license for cougar hunt along the breaks and also fish. They will complete their applications and Paul will give a release if all works out.

Sam Whitten and Mark Hinckley stayed after Paul left the meeting, to discuss licensing for an area in Units 14 and 18 for permitted hunts for elk. They mentioned they know the herd has built up because of hunting for Sam's dad in the areas. There was a suggestion that possibly Harvey Whitten (Sam's dad) might apply. Applications will be forthcoming and the Fish and Game Department will be contacted concerning the game population.

Boating Business was worked on after the men left the meeting. Letters from Bob Sevy about releasing the upper Salmon River to Betsy Barrymore of the Middle Fork River Co. and request for licensing on the South Fork of the Payette River were read. Also Salmon River Challenge's reply about steelhead fishing use of the lower Salmon River. Ken Warren will be responded to in his request for boating on the Owyhee River, also hunting--as there is no licensing available at this time. Also the Governor will be responded to on his inquiry on the ARTA/ERT problem, as it seems to be a case with the federal government on their permit, as well as a tax problem.

Several pending reports of illegal activity suspected were looked at and will be taken up as the opportunity provides, and the report of Dave Giles was read, prior to the Board recessing for lunch.

At 1:15 p.m., when the same four members reconvened, license applications were reviewed and approved, with one guide license denied for supplying false information--an altered first aid card. A copy of the denial letter will be sent to the Board's enforcement.

Old Business was brought up which included the proposed rules changes. A date for the public hearing has been set for December 11, 1981, to begin at 9:00 a.m. in the meeting room at the Fish and Game Department, 600 S. Walnut St., Boise. It was determined to contact Mr. Salter for hearing officer, if available--a phone call will be made later.

At 2:00 p.m., Bob Jacklin, West Yellowstone, Mt. met with the Board about licensing the business released to him by Pat Barnes. Mr. Jacklin advised he has outfitted for the past 8 years in Montana, and teaches fly fishing as well as runs a sport shop. He mentioned the 3-year study just finished on the Madison River and his work with the Montana Fish and Game Department. There was discussion on leasing boats and that a guide only furnishes his services, and the Board warned too of over-use by licensing guides and boats. Mr. Jacklin said he plans to license 4 guides besides himself and would not guide at all this season--only wants to get licensed to start his advertising. He will get his first aid training to add guiding by next licensing.

Other Old Business was worked on following this meeting. Lee Bridges will be checked on with Fish and Game for location of his outfitting, and Ken Carpenter, Sandpoint will have his letter about Stanton Miller answered. The request for consideration of a new area by Steve Haslip will be researched--a letter will be written to Fish and Game for their input for the Board's decision.

Then Outfitter & Guides Business was discussed. The Board read Norman Huntsman's letter to Glen Park, also noted the eastern Idaho F.S. plan a spring meeting the Board feels would be beneficial to attend. It was determined to write John Jones concerning his guides being reported blocking river traffic, and John Hill will be answered about his use on the Henry's Fork letter.

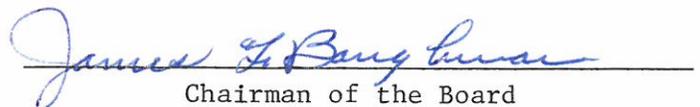
Complaint letters were reviewed which included a letter about illegal activity of Gil Morgan of Spokane in Unit 10. It was suggested by Harry that brand inspection might solve some of the horse transportation. A letter to the F.S. about 2-way radios being allowed would solve problems of clients getting lost in the Moose Cr. area and Art Griffith's reply about supplying only horses to a drop camp group at Indian Lake were read. Other letters from Richard Norris's guest who was injured in 1980 hunt who was seeking medical compensation and Hole-in-the-Wall guides will be answered. As well as Ed McCallum's guide seeking help in his unsatisfactory settlement as one of Ed's guides, it was decided to send a questionnaire to all the guides involved. David L. Cox, M.A. for Double K Outfitters advised that he knows that Larry Jarrett was hunting his area will be asked to support his claim. The breach of contract complaint to the Association will be taken up later on Myrna Beamer, after the fall meeting, and the complaint against Jerry Meyers by Dr. Dunkley will be followed up with investigation of his claims.

The October 5, 6 and 7, 1981 minutes were read and approved, prior to the meeting adjourning at 6:15 p.m.

A list of the outfitter and guide licenses issued, amended, extended and/or denied since the October meeting are a part of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary to the Board


Chairman of the Board

OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

Licenses issued, extended or denied from November 4, 1981 through November 28, 1981

LICENSES ISSUED

OUTFITTERS

Crabtree, Phil B.

Jacklin, Bob
Jacklin's, Bob, Fly Shop, Inc.
Kasino Club, Inc.

Mountain Guides, Inc.

Olson, Curtis

Porter, Robert J., II

Rixon, Carl H.

Sheridan, Merle M.
Sun Valley Helicopter Ski Guides, Inc.

GUIDES

Bukowsky, Al F.
Coonts, Phillip J.
Daniels, Steven E.
Gehrke, William John
Hanson, Gary M.
McGuire, Dean
Mooseau, Jack
Morrison, Gregory G.
Parkhouse, James
Richardson, Marie Osborn
Webb, Marvin J.

LICENSES EXTENDED

OUTFITTERS

Colson, Kenneth Warren - Power boating
guiding on Salmon River from Middle
Fork to Spring Bar

Crabtree, Phil B. - Lead boatman on
Middle Fork of Salmon River

Lentz, Steve - Float boating on Salmon
River from First bridge across
Salmon River above Red Fish Lake
Creek to Slate Creek

Olson, Curtis - Cross country skiing
area extended

OUTFITTERS EXTENDED

The River Co. - Float boating Salmon River from
first bridge across Salmon River above Red
Fish Lake Creek to Slate Creek

GUIDES EXTENDED

Brink, Randy Merriman - Snowmobiling when workin
for Kasino Club, Inc.

Davis, Launna M. - Snowmobiling when working for
Kasino Club, Inc.

Wood, David M. - Snowmobiling when working for
Kasino Club, Inc.

LICENSES DENIED

OUTFITTERS

Crabtree, Phil B. - Lead boatman status on the
Middle Fork of the Salmon River as the
required number of trips have not been
submitted on the training card.

GUIDES

Christman, Gordon Robert - License denied in
accordance with Section 36-2113 (a-1) of
the Outfitters and Guides Act.

Sign-in

Outfitters + Guides Board
Public Hearing
12/11/81

	Name -	Address -	Dist / Representation
1-	Ted Epley	McCall, ID	SELF + ASSN.
2-	DAVE DENBLEYKER	McCall ID	"
3	Virginia Hoffenbeck	Boise, Id.	Shepp Ranch