

Winchester Trout Unlimited

(August 2nd, 2018)

7:04 pm Call to Order (Galen) Red Cross Building north Rt 522

18 members attending

Speaker: Luke Iwanowicz, PhD

Luke discussed regional fish health issues. His primary research focuses on the application of resident fish as sentinels of aquatic ecosystem health, the development of molecular tools for field study, and the identification of emerging diseases of fishes. He leads a Core Technology Team established to evaluate environmental water samples for biological activity including endocrine disrupting activity and toxicity.

He has taken samples from as far south as South Carolina and west to Utah. He has seen intersex fish in both large and small mouth bass. The phenomena is not as prevalent in trout. The reasons are still unknown.

Projects:

1. Red Bud work session **Saturday August 4th, 9:00am** (Bud)
2. Boat launch clean up day set for 8/18 at 9 am starting at Rt. 50.
3. TIC—Expect to have 22 tanks in operation this fall.

Education:

1. Stan Ikonen Youth Camp—the 14th camp was again a success with 10 campers. The leaders are getting burned out and are asking for more help.

On-Going:

1. Tom Carroll and Wayne White have been a big help at Boulder Crest for Phil while he was out of town
2. Fish with a Member—Awaiting the waters to subside.
3. Bar Fly (Gene) **Wednesday 8/8 at Escutcheon Brewery at 7:00**

New Business:

1. Drew—possible Alaska trip 8/7-8/14/2019
2. Steelhead trip to possibly include a weekend. Possible dates 10/29-11/4 or 11/5-11/11/2018

Meeting Adjourned 8:55 pm

Fred Boyer