



Daily Events and Activities at a Glance

Monday

Alphabet Social: Find your people on the first night of the event! This social event focuses on building connections and fostering community through group networking. Come join us from 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM at TBD.

Welcoming Social: Come join us for the Welcome Social to be held Monday evening at the Westin from 6:00 PM- 10:00 PM. Hors d'Oeuvres and drinks will be provided along with fun games to play with your colleagues. Come help us kick off the Joint WDAFS/COWY Annual Meeting!

Tuesday

Trade Show: Join us for an exciting trade show open 8 AM- 5 PM Tuesday and Wednesday. Whether you are looking to enhance your collection techniques, upgrade your gear, or explore unique jewelry collections, this event offers something for everyone! Don't miss the opportunity to connect with vendors!

Early Career Professionals Lunch: We will meet at 12:05 PM in the Westin Lobby and walk to lunch together geared toward connecting early career professionals within WDAFS! Purchase lunch on your own and enjoy your meal in a supportive environment while you network with other early career professionals.

CO/WY Business Meeting: Join us for a Happy Hour from 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM. This meeting is open to all Colorado/Wyoming Chapter Members. A hosted bar will be open during the meeting. There will be updates from the Chapter ExComm and Committees, new ExComm members will be announced and award recipients will be recognized.

Student Hosted Social: Join us from 5:30PM – 8:00 PM for the student-hosted social and professional mixer at Bowlero! Enjoy a fun night of glow-in-the-dark mini golf, bowling, and don't forget extra cash for arcade games! Drinks and finger food will be provided to keep you fueled for the fun. You can stay after 8:00 PM for more fun if you choose. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to connect and unwind!

Coffee with Trade Show Vendors: If you missed your chance to visit the vendors during the trade show, don't worry! We've added a special Coffee Hour to give you a second opportunity to connect with exhibitors and explore their offerings. Grab a cup of coffee, mingle with fellow attendees, and make valuable connections!

Wednesday

Spawning Run: The spawning run will occur from 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM in Westminster, CO. If you are pre-registered, please check in at the registration desk prior to noon on Tuesday to receive your number and t-shirt. You can still register for the event prior to noon on Tuesday (\$35), but you will not receive a t-shirt. Start heading over at 6:30 AM for stretching. Race start time will be at 7 AM sharp.

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CV/Resume Workshop and Discussion: Join us for an interactive workshop designed to help students and early career professionals enhance their CVs, resumes, and cover letters. This workshop offers practice guidance and personalized feedback to ensure your application materials stand out in today's competitive fisheries profession.

Aquatic Film Festival: This will be occurring between 1:20 – 5:00 PM. Come check it out!

WDAFS Business Meeting: Join us for a Happy Hour from 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM. This meeting is open to all Western Division Members. A hosted bar will be open during the meeting.

Conference Banquet: Join us from 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM for our final banquet at the Westin. Come join in the fun and enjoy complimentary dinner and beverages. This event will include a silent and raffle to raise money for scholarships, travel grants, and other worthy causes.

Thursday

Best Student and Professional Poster and Presentation Awards: Awards will be announced at the conclusion of the meeting at 12:05 PM in room TBD, immediately following the final speaker.