



Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday April 26, 2017 - 6:00pm

**Round Table Pizza
4002 A Street SE
Auburn, WA**

Be sure to check out our website: <http://www.saveourfish.org/>

For a complete list of Board Members, please visit the website:

<http://saveourfish.org/board>

Newsletter editor: Dayle Conrad

Speaker – Rob Larsen

Rob will be talking about fishing summer run steelhead on the Columbia River. Rob moved to the Northwest 30 years ago in large due to the the great fisheries in this region. He is an avid fisherman and very willing to share techniques he has worked hard to develop. The Columbia is an amassing fishery and offers many opportunities. Come listen to Rob share how to catch more Columbia River Steelhead!

Up and Coming Activities:

April

26 – General Club Meeting

Rob Larsen

May

6 – Auburn Youth Fishing Derby

10 – Board Meeting

20 – Algona Kids Fishing Derby

26 – General Club Meeting

June

3 – Hooked on Fishing

Kids Fishing Derby

Federal Way

23 to 25 – Columbia River Club Outing

August

23 – Steak and Corn Feed



President's Message -- Carl Carver

I want to start off with a big Thank You to board member Rob Larsen who stepped up once again to support and lead our chapter. Our guest speaker for March cancelled on short notice due to personal reasons. We were in scramble mode about what to do for a speaker as our membership had expectations of a speaker being present. Rob graciously volunteered to give a presentation on bead fishing and some other fishing techniques that have proven successful for him. I was out of town that night but the feedback I've received is that Rob gave an outstanding presentation. It's this kind of dedication and support from a past president and current board member that makes me proud to be president of the Save Our Fish (SOF) Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers. Rob you are truly appreciated for all you do!

Well, Spring has sprung and there are lots of fishing opportunities out there and more are coming. It's exciting to see the sun again and the weather changing for the better so we all can get out there and take advantage. Many rivers (Wynoochee, Cowlitz, Columbia, Skookumchuck, etc.) are fishing, Eastern Washington Lakes have opened, many year round lakes have been stocked with trout, Western Washington Lowland Lakes open soon and there is salt water fishing for black mouth in the San Juans, Sekiu, etc. I've heard several reports of fish being caught by members in the rivers and lakes so get out there and give it a shot rain or shine ☐

There are lots of negotiations going on at the North of Falcon (NOF) season setting process in California where all the parties (Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW), Tribes, NOAA, etc.) meet to hammer out what 2017 fisheries will be. We can only hope that the process is much improved over the last several years. We've seen a steady decline in our fishing opportunity over several years with the closure of the Skokomish, limited days and fisheries on the Puyallup, closures of most of Puget Sound, and the list goes on.

The expectation is that the sportsmen/women of Washington will be represented strongly by WDFW at NOF. We do have some leverage. It has been made clear to WDFW that if they expect license fee increases to be supported in the future, they need to support more fishing opportunity for the sportsmen/women of Washington who pay the vast majority of their salaries and bills.

We will have updates on the status of the NOF meeting results at our general meeting on April 26th, in our April newsletter, and at future general meetings throughout the year.

As I've written in several President's Messages and talked about at our general meetings, together/united we can and are making a difference in our fisheries by participating actively in our chapter and weighing in and supporting when called upon. Many of our key leaders in the fishing community have made it clear that 2017 is the year to make our stand with the Feds, state, tribes, and WDFW for what we know is right for conservation as well as fair/equitable to sportsmen/women regarding our fisheries. I hope to see you get involved or up your involvement going forward. I look forward to seeing and talking with you at one or more of our meetings this year.

Sincerely,
Carl Carver

Ken Kumasawa Memorial Youth Camp



In honor of long time member Ken Kumasawa, who passed away December 12th, 2015, the Kumasawa family and SOF Auburn have established a youth camp scholarship in Ken's honor. The camp is Washington State Youth Conservation Camp, also known as WA State Junior Sportsmen's Conservation Camp, which has been going for 64 years. They have been educating the youth of the Pacific Northwest about the outdoors and how to wisely enjoy and conserve it for "future generations". The camp is located on Orcas Island in the San Juan Islands here in Washington. They instruct boy and girl campers ages 12-16. The girls' camp runs Sunday, July 16 to Saturday, July 22nd and the boys' camp runs Sunday, July 23rd to Saturday, July 29th. Detailed information on the camp can be viewed at <http://washingtonconservationcamp.org>.

The camp scholarship will be awarded to a youth who is related to a member of the Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers. There will be an application process and the selection will be made by a SOF Auburn selection committee which was approved by the SOF Board of Directors. A separate e-mail will be sent to the SOF Auburn membership soon with the detailed information on the camp, application/selection process, application form, dates of application, selection, and award.

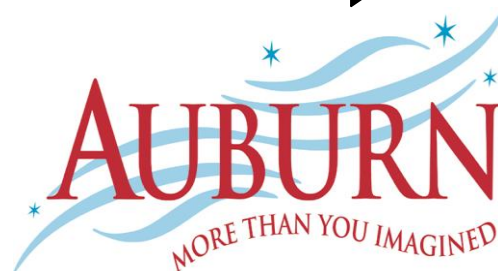
Note: All expenses for the camp including some spending money will be paid for from the Ken Kumasawa Memorial Youth Camp scholarship fund. This is a great opportunity for a youth who enjoys the outdoors, enjoys learning, and wants to do so in a beautiful setting with other youth.

Annual Auburn Youth Fishing Derby

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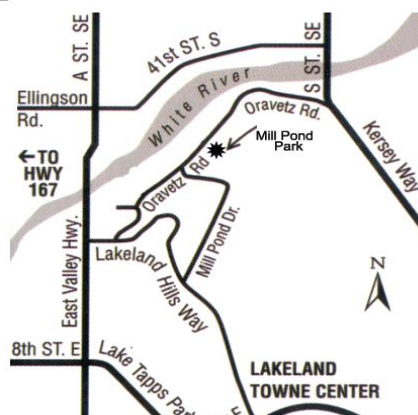
Please join us!

The City of Auburn, Auburn Sports & Marine and the Auburn S.O.F Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers cordially invites youth, 14 years old and under, to the 2017 Youth Fishing Derby. We along with The City of Auburn and The State of Washington happily stock Mill Pond with trophy size trout for the community's youth enjoyment.

When: Saturday, May 6th, 2017

Where: Mill Pond Park, 600 Oravetz Rd. See Below
Lakeland Hills, and across from Auburn Riverside High School.

Time: 8:30AM - 12:00PM



CITY OF ALGONA

ANNUAL KIDS FISHING DERBY



WHEN: Saturday May 20th

11am-2pm

WHERE: 402 Warde Street

Matchett Park



Come grab a pole and reel in the big one!
This fishing derby is FREE for everyone to enjoy.

Event brought to you by these generous sponsors:



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Event.Assistant@cityoffederalway.com
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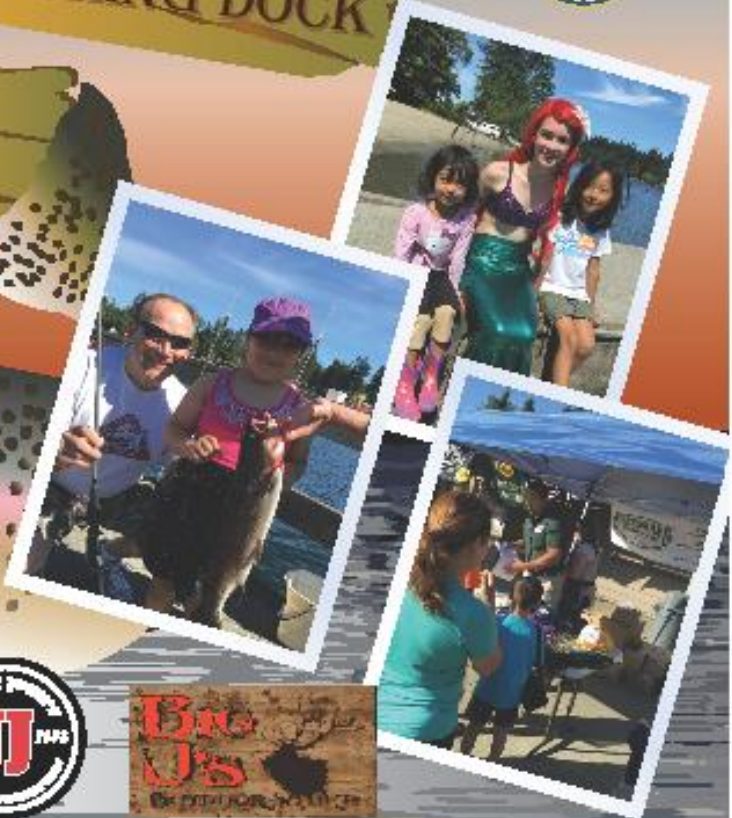
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Each child is guaranteed to catch 2 rainbow trout out of our pre-stocked netted pen. All fishing equipment is provided. Rain or shine!

\$4 Pre-registration fee per child
\$5 Day of event
2-12 years old
To register call 253-835-6900
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Tip of the Month – Successful Trout Fishing

From Carl Carver

April is the opener of lowland lakes in Western Washington and there are some great tips in the attached link that will help you catch more fish and bigger fish. Two tips that have worked well for me to catch bigger fish are to use a slip sinker and a fluorocarbon leader. The link below will give you all the details.

<http://www.fishinglakes.com/2013/11/05/tips-for-successful-trout-fishing/>



Columbia River Outing – June 23 – 25

Location: Vista Park at Skamokawa, WA 2 hours and 27 minutes from Federal Way, 137 miles.

It is about 35 miles past Willow Grove Launch where some of us launched in previous years.

Here is the link for the map of the park: [Park Map](#)

Trailer with full hook-up	\$30.00
Trailer with electricity	\$27.00
Trailer in Tent space no Hook-up	\$23.00
Tent site	\$18.00
Yurt 1 left	\$47.00 to \$55.00

We have the covered area for Saturday. Camping will be for Friday and Saturday or Sunday if anyone wants to stay longer.

Visit Our Website

The website has new pictures in the Hogpen, links to our sponsors, a year's worth of past newsletters. There is a new link on the Hogpen web page to submit photo's for the Hogpen, which will provide the pictures for the Newsletter, Website, and Christmas Banquet.

Let us know what you think of the new design! www.saveourfish.org



SOF Facebook Page



The Save Our Fish [Facebook page](#) is a Public Group currently with 30 members. If you are on Facebook and haven't requested to join the group, now is your chance. **Let's see how many members we can get this year!** This is a great way to get club information. It can also be used to connect with other members to fill an empty seat in the boat, see where other members are fishing (if they are willing to share), or post videos, photos, or other fishing and conservation interests.

Raffle News

April 2017 Raffle News

As I write this it feels like Spring is finally here! The sun is up, the grass needs mowing and Springer fishing is here. As a cast off to the late winter run Steelhead, I will have an 8'6" Fetha Styx in this month's raffle. I'll have one of the last fly fishing bags and items from Silver Horde. I'll again have a hunting knife package that will be up this month so don't miss out, especially you hunters out there. Additionally, we have some more knives available so the final ticket drawn will pick one knife from a great assortment of styles and brands.



Like last month we have a few of our new hats available and I will put one old one in the draw this month (\$15 for a regular hat and \$20 for a waterproof hat if you don't get lucky) as well as floats and assorted corkies for sale. I'll bring some of the stock of Extreme bags and will take reasonable offers of our overstock.

As usual we will be doing the active member's only drawing for 10 tickets that you can use in the general raffle. We will pull names from a hat of all active members and I will draw names until we have a winner who is present at the meeting. Don't miss your name being drawn! If you want 2 of 10 free tickets ask me. Thanks for reading!

We NEED some donations for used items in our raffles! We accept any donations from our members and in return will give you an appropriate number of raffle tickets. Also, if you know anyone that has a hoard of stuff in their garages they'd want to move let me know and I'll go determine what they have and possibly buy it for the club.

Make sure to bring a friend and spread the word about the great items and games we are offering up! ☺
Contact me with any raffle related questions at GregHindman@Comcast.Net

Membership – New and Renewals

Hi All, Great News! The SOF Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers wants to let you know about some important updates to our website and to give you a link to our web page where you can Pay your annual dues, purchase jigs, or donate money for any of our projects.

Click here to pay: https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=FIzb14yBeNX1SNG80QYPNONcJJjwgtgiJxdurg11BSvD-4EIX_IssRDmduLv7mgOlq4MR0

Use the **“Donate with a Card”** option if you don’t have a Paypal account.

You will get an email confirmation/receipt after you complete the payment process. Make sure you fill in your email address!

Here’s what the top of the form looks like. **Click the \$ sign to fill in your amount then click the + sign on the “Add special instructions” and tell us what you are paying for. Example: 2017 dues for Greg Hindman.**

Here’s what the top of the form looks like:

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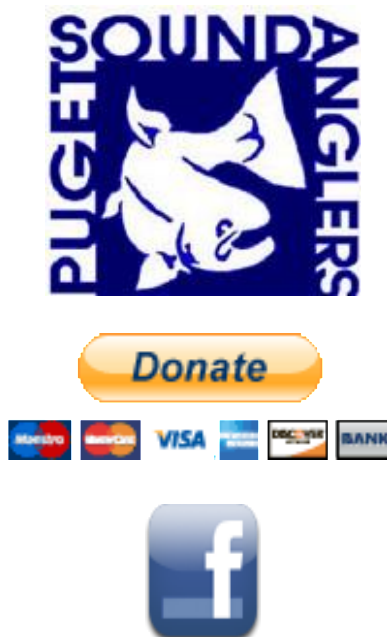
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 Add special instructions to the seller:

You can also get to this Donate link via our main web site <http://www.saveourfish.org/>

It looks like the below:



The membership form is available online <http://www.saveourfish.org/membership.pdf> and at the end of this newsletter.

Floats for Sale by SOF

SOF purchased Paulownia wood floats (similar to Thill balsa floats) from Auburn S&M at a deep discount and is offering them to members. They are slightly blemished and were rejected by Beau Mac because the brass ring at the bottom is not well seated. This is probably not a problem if a bead is used below the float, but can be easily fixed by applying silicone or heating the ring to melt the glue to allow reseating. They sell at Sportco for \$3 each. There are six sizes: 1/4 oz, 3/8 oz, 1/2 oz, 5/8 oz, 3/4 oz, and 1 oz. Most bags include a bobber stop and two beads for each float. They are priced as below:

18 bags of 18 floats--3 each of all six sizes for \$20

2 bags of 15 floats--3 of each size (except 3/4 oz) for \$17

19 bags of 12 floats--3 of each of the four smallest sizes for \$12

3 bags of 12 floats--4 each of 5/8, 3/8, and 1/4 oz for \$10

23 bags of 20 floats--10 of each of the two smallest sizes for \$15 (No bobber stops or beads in many of these bags because we ran out.)

Save Our Fish PSA Hats for Sale

Now you can proudly advertise your PSA chapter with your choice of two different hats, both embroidered with a colored PSA logo on the front and Save Our Fish stitched on the back.

Xtreme Guide waterproof hat is only \$20.

Quantities are limited, so bring your money and get yours at the next meeting.



Member Classifieds

Do you have any items in the garage that have just been collecting dust over the years? Maybe a fishing pole that you just don't use anymore. Why not sell it to a fellow member in the new classifieds section? Send a brief description of the item you would like to sell and photo if available to sof.psa@hotmail.com and we will include it in the next issue of the newsletter.

If you have a website or product you would like to share, please send the information to:
Sof.psa@hotmail.com

For Sale: 16' Clackacraft drift boat
Please call Norm Moberg if interested 253-797-3066



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Hog Pen

Do you have a picture from your latest fishing adventures? Be sure to send it, with your descriptive caption to sof.psa@hotmail.com for your chance to have it be featured in the Hog Pen.



Tim's springer in the boat



Rob Larsen with first Cowlitz
springer of the season



Rob with steelhead from the Skookumchuck



Tom with steelhead from the Skookumchuck



Jordan Palady and Stephanie
on the coast for steelies



Recipe of the Month

Sea Bass Chowder



From <http://cookingrusticwithbethyrossos.com>

- ½ Lbs. Bacon chopped
- 1 Lbs. Sea bass (or any other fish) 1 in cubes
- 6 C Milk (whole or 2%)
- 3 T Butter
- 3 T Flour
- 1 T minced garlic
- 1 C Diced onion
- 1 C Diced celery
- 1 C Diced leaks
- 1 ½ C Corn
- 1 ¼ t Salt
- ¼ t Nutmeg
- ¼ t Cayenne

In a pot add the butter to a medium low heat. Once the butter melts add the flour to the pot. With a whisk stir the roux for a couple minutes. Add the milk, garlic, ground nutmeg, cayenne, and salt to the pot. Keep the heat on medium low and continue to stir.

In a separate pan, crisp up the bacon. Once the bacon is crispy add it to the chowder along with the corn. Leave the bacon grease in the pan and add the diced onions, leaks, and celery and cook on medium high heat. Once the veggies are translucent add them to the chowder.

Add the sea bass to the chowder and let the chowder cook for another 20 minutes.



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2017 MEMBERSHIP FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:	Date:	
Current address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Primary Phone (Home, Cell, Work Please circle):		
Alternate Phone (Home, Cell, Work Please circle):		
Email Address:		
Sponsor:		

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is for the 2017 calendar year. **Dues paid through January 31, 2017 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00.** Dues paid February 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017 will be at the full annual rates shown below. Contact Rich Gregory at 253-209-0586 or sof.psa@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

MEMBERSHIP SELECTION

<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Renewal
Adult: 18-61 – annual dues \$30	
Family: heads of household and all other family members younger than 18 – annual dues \$40	
Juvenile: 17 and younger – annual dues \$15	
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PAYMENT

☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Roster ☐ TRN ☐ Email

Please check appropriate membership selection above, complete form, and bring to meeting or mail with check to:

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