

### Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday April 22, 2020 - 6:00pm

#### **CANCELLED** 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

Up and Coming Activities:

<u>April</u> 22 – General Club Meeting

#### <u>May</u>

 2 – Auburn Kids Derby
13 – Board Meeting
16 – Algona Kids Derby
27 – General Club Meeting (?) Speaker: TBD <u>June</u>

6 Steel Lake Kids Derby 10 – Board Meeting 24 – General Club Meeting

<u>July</u> 8 – Board Meeting 22 – General Club Meeting

24-25 – Sekiu Outing



### President's Message -- Rob Larsen

The new normal is not so normal with this Covid-19; our lives have been turned upside down. I am glad to see it slowing down, but still very concerned. I hope this letter finds you doing well despite this crazy virus.

On the fishing front, the North of Falcon was the worst ever in my opinion. A couple of the tribes in the Port Angeles refused to work with the State and forced most Black mouth fishing to be shut down. Hood Canal and most areas north of area 11 got a

small window. I was extremely disappointed with the outcome. It is apparent that some of the tribes would like sport fishermen off the water completely. Baker Lake was another disappointment and with the low return it looks like only the tribes will get any opportunity there. This again is an example of the CO-MANAGERS having their way and the state welching on commitments they made to sport fishermen. If there is any silver lining this year, we will be able to have our Sekui outing as planned and both area 11 and 13 have pretty good quotas that will allow us to be on the water. Area 11 will be open July through September with a 4200 king quota, up from 2700 and area 13 is again open year round. Now all this is assuming the governor lets us back on the water. It is very disappointing to be the only state in the country that shut down fishing.

Things at Flaming Geyser are on hold until things change, but I am still hopeful we will be able to restore things there in time. We will keep you posted on that. In the meantime I hope you are all getting your home projects done so you will be able to go fishing when the virus allows.

Be safe and stay home as much as possible.

Hang in there, Rob Larsen SOF PSA President

### **CCA Banquet – Postponed**

As many of you know by now, we postponed the CCA SeaTac Banquet scheduled for March 14th due to the Coronavirus outbreak. We have rescheduled the banquet for September 17, 2020. September is a busy fishing/hunting month for



many of you. We thought scheduling the banquet on a Thursday evening might allow more folks to attend, leaving the weekend open for fishing/hunting. As we all know there is no perfect date for everyone.

For those of you who had already purchased tickets, all options are on the table for you. A couple of ideas: 1. Refund. 2 Applying your ticket purchase towards the September banquet. 3. Refund minus your \$35.00 yearly membership. Contact me and let me know how you would like it to be handled.

Thanks to all and your support for CCA. Earl Betts, Banquet Chair

#### Washington's salmon seasons tentatively set for 2020-21

**Date:** Apr 10, 2020 **Contact:** Kyle Adicks, 360-902-2664 **Media inquiries:** Ben Anderson, 360-480-4465

OLYMPIA – Continued low returns of some key Chinook salmon stocks are expected to limit numerous Washington salmon fisheries in the upcoming season, state fishery managers announced today. The state's 2020-21 salmon fishing seasons, developed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) and treaty tribal co-managers, were tentatively set today during the Pacific Fishery Management Council's (PFMC) meeting, which was held via webinar due to concerns related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

"These seasons were determined with the goal of meeting conservation objectives while offering opportunities whenever possible, but we had some tough decisions to make this year," said WDFW Director Kelly Susewind. "We appreciate the hard work of co-managers and everyone else who sat through long teleconferences and webinars to determine these seasons."

"This was another difficult year with so many depressed stocks as a result of lost and damaged habitat," said Lorraine Loomis, Chair of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission. "I am especially encouraged by efforts this year to include habitat recovery in fisheries planning. Salmon continue to decline because their habitat is being lost faster than it can be restored and protected. Working together to change that trend is the most important thing we can do for salmon recovery."

Season recommendations now move forward for approval by the National Marine Fisheries Service and final rulemaking, including additional opportunity for public comment and consideration of those comments.

#### **Puget Sound**

Low returns of Stillaguamish and mid-Hood Canal Chinook, as well as Snohomish coho limited a number of Puget Sound fisheries in 2019, and created even greater constraints in 2020. That includes closing fishing for winter Chinook in East Juan De Fuca Strait (Marine Area 6), the San Juan Islands (Marine Area 7), Deception Pass and Port Gardner (areas 8-1 and 8-2), Admiralty Inlet (Marine Area 9), Tacoma-Vashon Island (Marine Area 11) and Hood Canal (Marine Area 12), with some exceptions for Chinook non-retention in Hood Canal in November and December. Summer seasons in Deception Pass and Port Gardner are also closed to protect coho. Susewind said the department recognizes that many of these fisheries have seen continued declines in opportunity in recent years.

"This is never the outcome we hope for, but until these stocks rebound, this is an unfortunate reality," Susewind said. "We continue working alongside the public and tribal, state, and federal partners to address all the factors impacting these critical runs."

This summer, Chinook fisheries are expected to be largely similar to last year, with most Puget Sound marine areas opening for Chinook retention beginning in July or August. Summer Chinook fisheries are expected to begin July 1 in marine areas 5, 6, 7, and 11.

#### **Columbia River**

The summer salmon fishery will again be closed to summer Chinook retention (including jacks), though stronger forecasts allow for sockeye retention in 2020, a change from last year. That fishery will need to be closely monitored in-season if returns come in lower than expected, said Kyle Adicks, salmon fisheries policy lead for WDFW.

Fall Chinook fisheries will be open under various regulations. Waters from Buoy 10 upstream to the Puget Island will be open Aug. 16-27 for Chinook, and will remain open for coho afterwards. Most of the waters upstream will open Aug. 1, but Warrior Rock to Bonneville Dam will open Fri., Sat., and Sun. from Aug. 7 through Sept. 6.

Steelhead fisheries in the Columbia and Snake rivers this season will again be very limited and additional protective measures will be in place due to continued low returns of steelhead.

#### Washington's ocean waters

Initial ocean fisheries reflect a reduced coho quota due to significantly lower projected returns in 2020. All four of Washington's marine areas are scheduled to open June 20 for a Chinook-only fishery, then transition to a Chinook and coho fishery beginning June 29. Daily limits and days of the week open to salmon fishing vary between areas.

#### **Northern Pikeminnow Club Fundraising Outing -- postponed**

The Northern Pikeminnow outing that was planned for August 21-22 has been postponed until next year. This decision was made due to the salmon season starting up again in August. There has been fishing restrictions put on



sport fishermen during the Covid-19 stay-home no-fishing order from the governor. As per the article above, the Chinook fishery on the Columbia is planned to be opened August 16-27. The Pikeminnow outing would be during the Chinook season and most of us will take the advantage to fish for Chinook since we have not been able to get our lines wet during the no-fishing order.

Be ready for the Northern Pikeminnow club fundraiser outing next year!

Eric Winther, director for the program, will be our speaker at the May meeting in 2021. For more program information: www.pikeminnow.org/

#### Tip of the Month – Pay attention to details from Rob Larsen



One thing I have noticed about all good fishermen is that they all pay very close attention to details.

First thing, carry a decent pair of binoculars on your boat. You can see things on that boat that are nailing the fish when you are not and many times there are things you can see but they won't tell you.

- Take notes when people tell you things that have worked for them.
- If bank fishing and someone is doing well, go over and ask what is  $\triangleright$

working? They may tell you, but be sure and look at what you can see. Look for approximate line diameter, color of offering, bobber stop setting, bait, how they are hooking the bait,

size of bait. I have offered to net their fish so I can look at exactly what they are using.

Fishing Lake Washington for sockeye one day with 4 kids, I noticed that one rod was catching almost all the fish and I was really puzzled. I studied the setup that I thought was the same as all the rest, lead length, hook size, dodger. What I finally noticed was that I had put on a sampo ball baring swivel between the leader and the dodger. I thought could that be it? Changed out one of the rods and guess what? It also started catching fish.

My point -- details matter. When someone tells you "use this", follow it exactly. Little things matter.

#### **Raffle News**

#### April 2020 Raffle News

Hi everybody! I hope you and all your families are safe, sound and healthy. I know things are a little crazy right now with the Virus scare so my prayers go out to everyone to stay safe and healthy.

Sorry! Since there will be no raffle again this month, we will resume at the next meeting.

Contact me with any raffle related questions at GregHindman@Comcast.Net

#### **Visit Our Website**

The website has the recipe of the month, links to our sponsors, and 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



### Save Our Fish Facebook Page

The Save Our Fish <u>Facebook page</u> is a Public Group currently with <u>36</u> 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.



#### Please be courteous during the meeting

Take your conversations outside the meeting room or hold them until the break so that others can hear whoever is speaking.

Thank you!



#### Membership – New and Renewals

It is time to renew your SOF membership. You can pay by mail or online at http://www.saveourfish.org/Membership/Membership.htm.

The membership form is attached at the end of this newsletter or you can contact our member chair, Rich Gregory, at **rwgav8@hotmail.com**.

Click here to pay: <u>https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=FlZb14yBeNX1SNG80QYPNONcJJjiwtgiJxdurg11BSvD-4EIX\_IssRDmduLv7mgOlg4MR0</u>

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#### Donate to Save Our Fish

\$ USD

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It looks like the below:



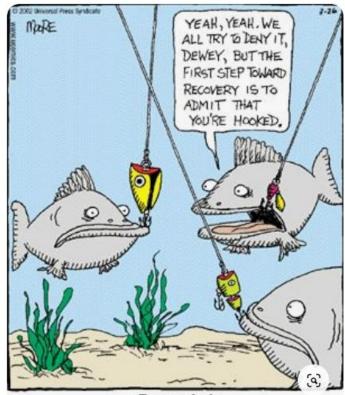
The membership form is available online **http://www.saveourfish.org/membership.pdf** and at the end of this newsletter.

#### Save Our Fish PSA Hats for Sale

Now you can proudly advertise your PSA chapter. Hats are embroidered with a colored PSA logo on the front and Save Our Fish stitched on the back.

Quantities are limited, so bring your money and get yours at the next meeting. \$10





Bass rehab.

#### **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

Daiwa Saltiga 300 - salt water salmon reel- \$200 Edge salmon rod SMR 905-2 10-30 lb medium heavy 9'0" salt water rod- \$200

All items are in excellent condition. Contact phone #206-819-9839 Duane Horton



Guess who? Wait...what?

### **SOF Sponsors**

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**Round Table Pizza** 



**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.

Hal Boynton and Ron in Mexico









### **Recipe of the Month**

Back by popular demand –

### **Profanity Salmon**

- Prep 30 m
- Cook 15 m
- Ready In 45 m

Recipe By:HEATHEBEL (alternative oven method by D. Conrad) "This is some darn good salmon! And believe me it is easy too. This is also one of those recipes that you can have fun with. Season to your tastes, use more or less ingredients, make it your own.



Whenever there is a summer BBQ this is what I make (because even I can't mess up on it)."

#### Ingredients

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 3 tablespoons teriyaki sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon wasabi paste, or to taste (I use ½ teaspoon)
- 1 (1 1/2 pound) salmon fillet
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 green bell pepper, diced (the picture above shows where someone also used red bell pepper)
- 1 small onion, finely chopped

#### Directions

- 1. Preheat grill for high heat. Oven alternative: preheat oven to 350 degrees
- 2. In a small bowl, blend mayonnaise, teriyaki sauce, and wasabi paste. Place salmon on a large piece of aluminum foil. If using the oven method, do not use foil. Spread the mayonnaise mixture over the top of the fillet. Top with green pepper and onion. Season with salt and pepper. If grilling, fold the foil around the food and seal into a packet.
- 3. Place fish on the preheated grill. Cook for 10 to 15 minutes, or until the fish is easily flaked with a fork. Oven alternative: cook for 15 minutes and internal temperature of the salmon reaches 145 degrees.

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# **Bonus Recipe** (because we all could use a little comfort food right now)

DoubleTree Signature Cookie Recipe

Makes 26 cookies <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> pound butter, softened (2 sticks) <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup + 1 tablespoon granulated sugar <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup packed light brown sugar 2 large eggs 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoons vanilla extract <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon freshly squeezed lemon juice 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cups flour 1/2 cup rolled oats 1 teaspoon baking soda 1 teaspoon salt Pinch cinnamon 2 2/3 cups Nestle Tollhouse semi-sweet chocolate chips 1 3/4 cups chopped walnuts



Cream butter, sugar and brown sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer on medium speed for about 2 minutes.

Add eggs, vanilla and lemon juice, blending with mixer on low speed for 30 seconds, then medium speed for about 2 minutes, or until light and fluffy, scraping down bowl.

With mixer on low speed, add flour, oats, baking soda, salt and cinnamon, blending for about 45 seconds. Don't overmix.

Remove bowl from mixer and stir in chocolate chips and walnuts.

Portion dough with a scoop (about 3 tablespoons) onto a baking sheet lined with parchment paper about 2 inches apart.

Preheat oven to 300°F. Bake for 20 to 23 minutes, or until edges are golden brown and center is still soft.

Remove from oven and cool on baking sheet for about 1 hour.

Cook's note: You can freeze the unbaked cookies, and there's no need to thaw. Preheat oven to 300°F and place frozen cookies on parchment paper-lined baking sheet about 2 inches apart. Bake until edges are golden brown and center is still soft.



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### **2020 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

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Current address:		
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MEMBERSHIP		
Membership is for the 2020 calendar year. <b>Dues paid through January 31, 2020 are at rates shown below,</b> reduced by \$5.00. Dues paid after February 1, 2020 will be at the full annual rates shown below. Contact Rich Gregory at 253-209-0586 or <u>sof.psa@hotmail.com</u> if you have any questions. MEMBERSHIP SELECTION		
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