



Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday August 22, 2018 - 6:00pm

**Steak and Corn Feed
Veterans Memorial Park
411 E St NE
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:

August

**22 – Steak and Corn Feed
Swap Meet**

September

**12 – Board Meeting
22 – Carbon River Cleanup
26 – General Club Meeting
Speaker: Rob Larsen**

October

20 – Minter Creek Cleanup

26-28 – Mike Woods Memorial Outing



President's Message -- Rob Larsen

It is derby season and I hope some of you have been able to enjoy them. I was able to fish in the South Sound PSA derby and the Gig Harbor PSA derby. It was fun and I even managed to get fish in both. Got a 13.5 pound King that placed 8th in the first and a 9.45 pound King in the Gig Harbor event. (It did not place). Either way, I had a good time and appreciate those that spent countless hours preparing for the derbies. Please remember most of the people that put these on would much prefer to be fishing. They do the heavy lifting so we can enjoy them. Please take the time to thank them for their efforts. There is a Coho derby again in September in Everett you may want to consider. It will be the first time it has been held in three years due to low Coho returns.

It is getting close to the Minter Creek Coho fishery that we all worked to get and at the board meeting we decided to schedule our club fish/cleanup for Saturday 10-20-18. Low tide is at 9:30 AM, so those who want to fish can show up early and fish until noon then we can do our cleanup. We will bring garbage bags and rubber gloves. Please put the date on your calendar.

So don't forget this month is the Steak and Corn Feed. Just bring something good to eat and come enjoy the night. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Rob Larsen
Pres. SOF Chapter of PSA

Sekiu Club Outing Recap

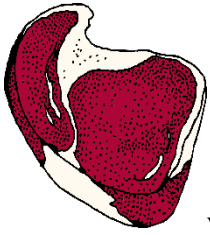
The Save Our Fish Auburn Sekiu outing was very successful by most accounts excluding the fog we had to contend with. We had a great turnout as chapter president Rob Larsen, members: Earl Betts, Bob Pornn, Hal Boynton, and Carl Carver brought their boats. Other members participating were Barney Cadena, Ron Enman, Dick Phillips & grandson (Ryland Beeman), Duane Horton, Greg Hindman & daughter (Amber), Steve Fulkerson, Roy Anderson. As you can see by the pictures, we had a great potluck dinner on Friday evening at a very special location thanks to member Steve Fulkerson, who hosted us at his waterfront house and property on the water which was close by. There were lots of fish stories and tall tales shared as we enjoyed this special time together.

The potluck was definitely the highlight of the outing for many. We were severely hampered by the fog as it limited the travel to search out the fish. There were fish caught by members each day but overall the fishing was slow for Sekiu this time of year.

Thanks to all who participated in this first Sekiu outing for the chapter and made it fun and successful. We are thinking strongly of having another outing next year. Your feedback is needed to ensure we are having events that our members enjoy and want to continue. Let our president or one of the board members know what ya think.







Steak and Corn Feed – August 22nd

Our annual Steak and Corn Feed will be held August 22nd, 6PM at the Veterans Memorial Park in Auburn (411 E St. N.E.). It is located on the west side of Auburn High School's football stadium. As in all the years past, the club is paying for the PRIME RIB while the membership will bring all the Potluck items.



Like last year, we have decided to have a club swap, trade, sale event of any items you have sitting around your garage that you may want to get rid of. So, go thru your unused items, bring them along with your side dish and see what you can trade or sell. Feel free to donate them to the club if they don't sell.

Please RSVP ASAP by emailing me at: GregHindman@comcast.net

Carbon River Cleanup – September 22nd

The Carbon River cleanup will be done on September 22nd. We will meet at the parking lot next to the fire station in Orting. Coffee, donuts, and water will be provided along with garbage bags. It takes about 2 hours to clean up the Carbon River. Most of us go to lunch at Los Pinos restaurant, where they give us a discount on lunch.

Thank you for your help!

Steve Bagley
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Sof.psa@hotmail.com



12th Annual Carbon River Cleanup

Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

9:00AM at the Orting Fire Station

September 22nd

Coffee, donuts, and water will be provided for participants.

Noon - Lunch at Los Pinos Restaurant 15% discount for participants

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CCA Update

From Earl Betts

Sea Lion Predation Legislation

Last week, legislation to protect salmon and steelhead from excessive sea lion predation in the Columbia River Basin took a big step forward when the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation passed the Endangered Salmon and Fisheries Predation Act (S.3119), sponsored by Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA) and Jim Risch (R-ID).

[S. 3119](#) is nearly identical to [H.R. 2083](#), which is sponsored by Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA) and Kurt Schroder (D-OR) and passed the full US House of Representatives on June 26.

S3119 and HR 2083 would amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) to provide Washington, Oregon and Columbia River Treaty Tribes to effectively address sea lion predation where the problem is most acute.

Puget Sound Oyster Project

A new, collaborative program utilizing oysters to help improve fisheries and water quality was recently initiated in Puget Sound. Oysters play a vital role in the Puget Sound ecosystem with their ability to help filter toxins and sediment from the water. In addition oyster beds in the sound provide excellent habitat for juvenile salmonids and bait fish, making oysters important in salmon recovery efforts.

Over the past several weeks, two planting events were held at Kopachuck and Penrose Point State Parks. Over 250 bags of oyster seed were planted by volunteers and should be available for harvest in 3 years. The project headed up and coordinated by Joe Slepski, CCA Sea Tac chapter president was funded by [CCA's Building Conservation Trust](#), CCA's National Habitat Program.



Thanks Joe for all your hard work in implementing and coordinating the oyster planting project.

Comments from Dayle Conrad: I was at the Kopachuck oyster planting event. I found it very educational and rewarding. They explained what we were doing and why before we even got started. I learned a lot from this experience about how oyster beds are much needed in the marine ecosystem. Oysters are not my favorite thing to eat, but I have a new respect for them. And the weather was beautiful!

KOPACHUCK





PENROSE





Tip of the Month

from Rob Larsen

MarineTraffic - Ship Tracking App

This app actually was something that Steve Fulkerson shared with me while on our Sekiu outing. It is fantastic and allows you to see all the ships in the area where you are on your smart phone. I figured anyone on marine water would like it so here it is as a tip.



This app is only available on the App Store for iOS devices.

MarineTraffic - Ship Tracking

World's #1 ship tracking app!

MarineTraffic.com

- #2 in Travel
- 4.5star rating, 1.6K Ratings
- \$4.99 Offers In-App Purchases

Ken Kumasawa Memorial Youth Camp



Jake Williams and Brody Cochran are back from youth camp and by all accounts so far, they had a fantastic week. Jake and Brody became best of friends during the week and shared in many learning experiences. There is a good chance that one or both of the boys will be at the steak and corn feed meeting to share with us some of their experiences. Save Our Fish Auburn received a letter from each of the boys while they were at camp describing their experiences. Those letters will be shared with the membership and by the content in them, it is clear that this was a life changing time for them. Come to the meeting and be sure to RSVP with Greg Hindman as he needs a head count and what dish you will be bringing. We're all looking forward to a great time.

What an exciting time for Brody Cochran and Jake Williams, who went to the youth conservation camp! SOF Auburn Members wish them a fun and safe week at camp. What a great life experience for

these two youth who no doubt enjoy the outdoors, learning, having fun, and will be future advocates for our fisheries.

The Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter's Ken Kumasawa Memorial Youth Camp Award Selection Committee and Board of Directors are proud to announce that we have selected two youth to attend this year's Washington State Junior Sportsmen's Conservation Camp on Orcas Island all expenses paid. The two youth, Brody Cochran (12 years old) and Conner Williams (12 years old,) will be attending the boys camp July 22-28. These youth are very active in fishing and many other outdoor activities. They are a perfect fit for this youth camp. The camp

includes hiking & outdoor survival, ecology & marine biology, water safety & canoeing, archery & range safety, wildlife & habitat management, hunter's education, fly tying & fishing, leadership skills, first aid & CPR, and marksmanship. Details about the camp are available at www.washingtonconservationcamps.org.

The boys are registered and very excited about going to camp and are thankful for this great opportunity. They have expressed their appreciation of Save Our Fish Auburn Puget Sound Anglers and the Kumasawa Family for making this possible. Hopefully, we'll get a first-hand account of their experience from the boys at our August Steak and Corn feed meeting at the end of August.

The Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers and Ken's family are proud to honor Ken in this way. He loved helping the youth at the Federal Way Kid's Derby and participating in many other fisheries groups and activities to improve our fisheries. Ken is missed by us all as he was a true friend and fellow fisherman. He's looking down from above and smiling that he is being honored in this way and that he is giving to the youth that he so enjoyed helped to fish.

Message from PSA President Ron Garner

Even though this meeting took place last week, it is an ongoing fight you need to be aware of. Stay tuned for more action meetings like this! The following is an email alert sent August 10th from PSA President Ron Garner. Also, see the CCA update above in this newsletter.

FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING

August 9-11, 2018

Doubletree Hotel

415 Capitol Way North

Olympia, WA 98501 - Capitol Room

9:00 A.M.	14. Pinniped Briefing – Briefing, Public Input and Possible Commission Guidance Department staff will provide a briefing on pinniped management and the Commission will consider a position on the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) legislation potential and pinniped management - Summary - PDF Format (110 Kb) - Presentation - PDF Format (5 Mb) - Recent pinniped management correspondence - Pinniped Facts Sheet Staff Report: Nate Pamplin, Policy Director PUBLIC INPUT (This item only)
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Update: As many of you know and have seen the news that more baby SKRW orcas died due to starvation. These are the Salmon eaters and it's sad that it had to go this far for us to be proven right. I am on the Orca Task force with Phil Anderson, George Harris, Lisa Wilson of the Lummi Tribe, Kathy Pittas Anacortes Port Commissioner, and other tribal folks. We have a great working relationship as we are working with others on our Prey, Contaminant, and Vessel groups. The above people have fisheries backgrounds and the starving Southern Resident Killer Whales are a byproduct of salmon demise. Something we have been preaching for years. Unfortunately our information is not being used to its full capacity, if at all, and sometimes being dismissed by one of the leads. It is going sideways and is off course. We know that we have cut back Washington hatchery production by 160 million Coho and Chinook between 1992-2016 (See RMIS statewide excel sheet attached) and add the 30 Million cut from Oregon is 190 million missing fish!

We have become the target of the dying orcas and it is being pinned on fishing but the truth is that we have a huge seal and bird problem that are wiping out our fish. That focus is being shifted on us, taking the focus off of the predation that is causing the real harm. The predation factor has to be dealt with now! We brought it up in the last Orca Task Force meeting in Wenatchee and cited the Chasco paper that highlights the problems. Our lead Penny Becker dismissed it saying it did not really work in the Puget Sound. It does refer to the Puget Sound. I went home and reread it. We used science and **it was dismissed**. Now it is going to be a year down the road and we don't have that kind of time frame. To get action to deal with the seals needs to be done now! It will take time once we make that decision and adding another year is going to be disastrous. Our Salmon don't have that kind of time and neither do the orcas.

We have noticed one of the facilitators is guiding the Task Force away from some of the hard issues such as predation. To save the orcas we have to make some hard decisions and pick fishing, the low hanging fruit, is not going to fix it. If you closed fishing tomorrow it would not save the Orcas much less the salmon.

From the Chasco Paper that was dismissed as to not working in the Puget Sound (Chasco Paper attached):

Conflicts can arise when the recovery of one protected species limits the recovery of another through competition or predation. The recovery of many marine mammal populations on the west coast of the United States has been viewed as a success; however, ***within Puget Sound in Washington State, the increased abundance of three protected pinniped species may be adversely affecting the recovery of threatened Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) and endangered killer whales (*Orcinus orca*) within the region. Between 1970 and 2015, we estimate that the annual biomass of Chinook salmon consumed by pinnipeds has increased from 68 to 625 metric tons. Converting juvenile Chinook salmon into adult equivalents, we found that by 2015, pinnipeds consumed double that of resident killer whales and six times greater than the combined commercial and recreational catches.*** We demonstrate the importance of interspecific interactions when evaluating species recovery. As more protected species respond positively to recovery efforts, managers should attempt to evaluate tradeoffs between these recovery efforts and the unintended ecosystem consequences of predation and competition on other protected species.

Several years ago there was an article in the Vancouver Sun from BC. It stated that while salmon are not the main diet of Harbor Seals that they were wiping their Chinook salmon and Coho just from the sheer numbers of Harbor Seals. I believe that number for Johnstone strait was 55% of their Coho and 40% of their Chinook were wiped out. Most of our tribes are on the same page as us.

We are not saying to wipe out the seals, birds, sea lions and predators but to bring their numbers down to manageable levels. Choke points and other places where they are doing the most harm would be the best place to start. By removing the offenders in those areas at the time of smolt release or where salmon are approaching the river mouths could possibly help in a very quick time frame.

Links to other important info:

Vancouver Sun Article July 8 2018-Exploding Salish Sea seal population sparks call for cull:

Quotes

"Local researchers found that harbour seals are eating mature chinook — a preferred food source for orcas — but also millions of small juvenile salmon before they even reach saltwater."

"There are only 75 members of the southern resident killer whales left, down from 83 two years ago, compared with 40,000 seals in the Strait of Georgia alone"

<https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/exploding-salish-sea-seal-population-sparks-call-for-a-cull>

I am running out of time as I have been on this full time and need to get this out.

Facts:

The media is not addressing predation. I was interviewed and the important facts were not used. Agenda driven to blame fishing.

Harbor seals are protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act issued by congress. Their population has exploded and they have jeopardized our salmon and steel head populations.

A Steelhead study was done in the Puget Sound. 8-9 out of every 10 tagged Steelhead had their tags show up in seal scat!

The orca task force is not addressing salmon predation and putting it at the front where it belongs. There are vast backgrounds and many are not fisheries related. The Demise of the JKL pods are fish problems. Fix the fish, fix the orcas.

The commission wants to make a decision tomorrow to deal with pinnipeds. Please download these and click on the links to print and bring. You will have 3 minutes to speak if you choose to. I could use some help as I will not get my info out in 3 minutes and WDFW is going to oppose us on this.

See you tomorrow
Ron

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 [Facebook page](#) is a Public Group currently with 33 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

August 2018 Raffle News

There will be no raffle this month due to the Steak and Corn Feed. But, be sure to bring some items for the Swap Meet. And you may find something at the Swap Meet just for you!

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



Membership – New and Renewals

There is still 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: 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: 2018 dues for Greg Hindman.**

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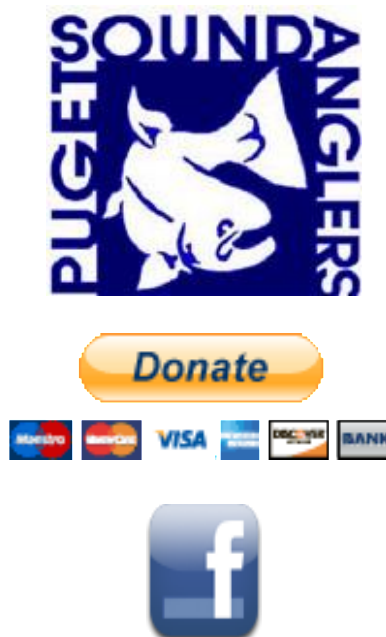
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You can also get to this Donate link via our main web site <http://www.saveourfish.org/>

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.

Edge Rod 14'0" rated at 8-17 lbs. "half off sell price" \$250

G-Loomis salmon rod GL-2 8'6" rod rated 10-20-- \$100

Contact: Duane Horton 206-819-9839

Boat for Sale (Kathy Camino's dad)

1991 Bayliner Trophy 23' w/Alaska Bulkhead

Rebuilt engine GMC 305 5.0 L-fresh water cooling/50 hours

Dual batteries

Sleeping area below-sleeps 3 to 4 people

Porta-potty/Alcohol Stove

Trim tabs

Interior in excellent condition

23' Easy Loader rebuilt trailer with tandem axle

New gas tank holds 95 gallons

New brakes, rebuilt wheel cylinders, new master cylinder

Four new tires

Extras: Commercial Crab/Shrimp Puller, Leaded line with four Shrimp Pots, Fish Finder, Two Electric Downriggers, Life Preservers, other misc. Need to see to appreciate it!

*No Electronics as they were stolen

*Engine sounds great although we have noticed a small water leak beyond the back of the engine. Mercury dealer thinks it's the Y pipe gasket leaking but not sure. Was selling the boat for \$15,000 until we found the leak. Not sure what the problem is but it is possible the engine will have to be removed. He is willing to sell it for \$10,000 as is.

If you are interested in our Bayliner you can reach me at 253-833-5341.

If you have a website or product you would like to share, please send the information to:
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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.

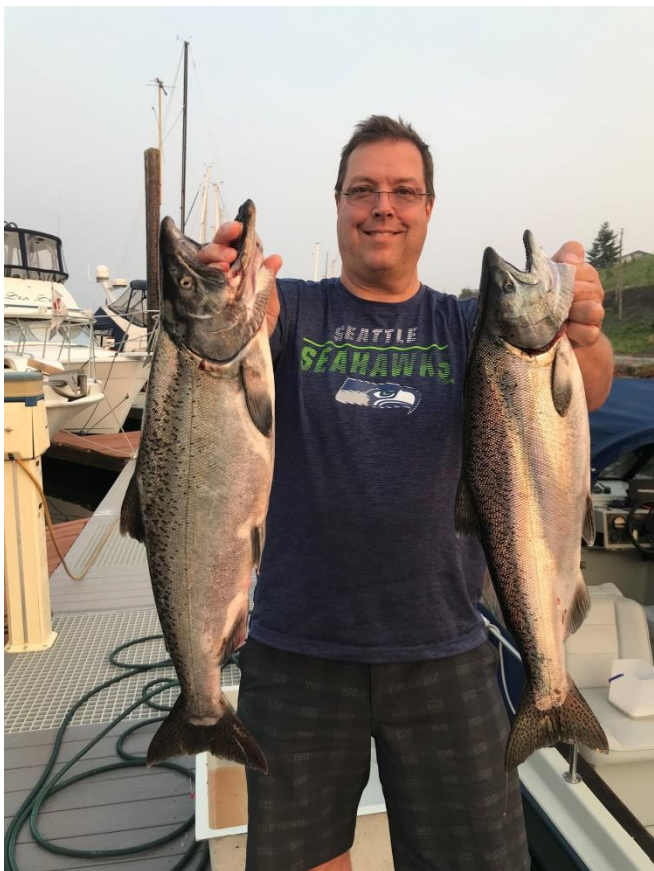


Kathy Carnino
Great luck on the Skykomish!



Frank Urabeck and grandson Alex
Baker Lake Sockeye





Greg Hindman
at Point Defiance

Recipe of the Month

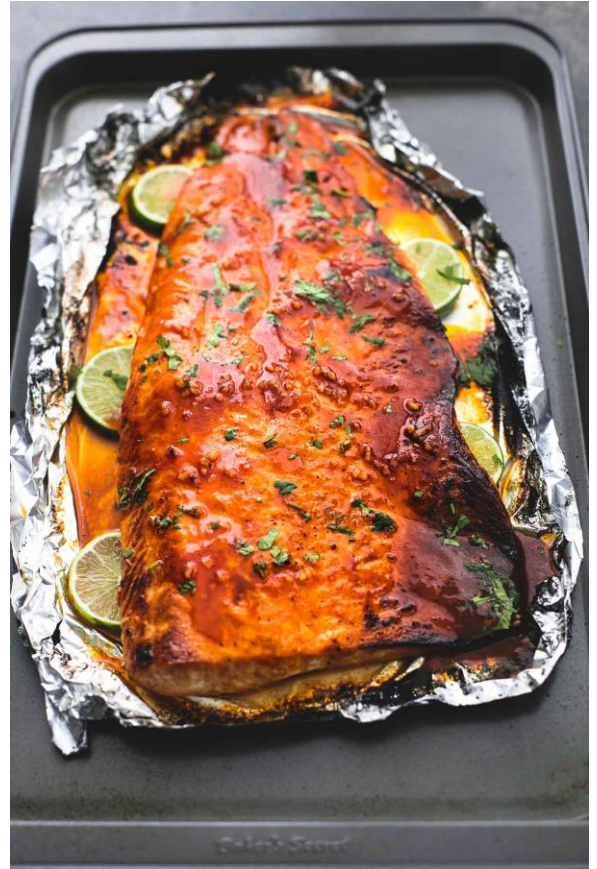
Baked Honey Sriracha Lime Salmon

<https://www.lecremedelacrumb.com/baked-honey-sriracha-lime-salmon/>

Sweet and spicy, baked honey sriracha lime salmon in foil is tender and flaky and has the most incredible flavors. A healthy and easy 30 minute meal for salmon lovers.

Ingredients

- 1 large salmon or 4-6 individual (4-6 ounce) fillets
- salt and pepper, to taste (for me this was about 1 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper)
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1/3 cup sriracha
- 2 limes (one juiced, one for slicing)
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce (I used low sodium)
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 tablespoon freshly chopped cilantro



Instructions

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Line a baking sheet with foil, grease lightly, and lay salmon on top. Season salmon with salt and pepper to taste. Slice one lime thinly, and slice the slices under the edges of the salmon.

In a medium sauce pan over medium-high heat, melt butter. Stir in honey, sriracha sauce, juice of one lime (about 1 tablespoon), soy sauce, and garlic. Bring to a boil, then reduce to medium heat and cook for 3-4 minutes longer.

Pour 2/3 of the sauce over the salmon (reserve remaining sauce for later) and use a spoon or spatula to make sure the sauce covers all of the salmon (you just don't want any "dry" spots).

Fold the edges of the foil up around the salmon so the sauce doesn't spill out everywhere (the foil doesn't need to completely cover the salmon).

Bake for 15 minutes, then switch to broil and cook another 4-5 minutes until the very edges of the salmon begin to char slightly - watch carefully so the whole salmon doesn't burn.

Top salmon with reserved sauce and chopped cilantro and serve.

Recipe Notes

If you want to use skin-on, just be sure to place skin-side-down on the foil and then gently remove the salmon flesh from the skin when you serve.



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2018 MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Alternate Phone (Home, Cell, Work <i>Please circle</i>):		
Email Address:		
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MEMBERSHIP

Membership is for the 2017 calendar year. **Dues paid through January 31, 2018 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00.** Dues paid February 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018 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.

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Adult: 18-61 – annual dues \$30	
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