

Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Next Meeting Date January 26, 2022 6:00pm Trotter's Restaurant 825 Harvey Rd, Auburn

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:

January

26 – General Club Meeting 6:00pm Speaker: Todd Girtz, Todd's Extreme Fishing

March

9 – Board Meeting 7:00pm 23 – General Club Meeting 6:00pm

February

2-6 WA Sportsmen's Show
9 – Board Meeting 7:00pm
23 – General Club Meeting 6:00pm
Speaker: Aaron Bosworth, WDFW

April

13 – Board Meeting 7:00pm 27 – General Club Meeting 6:00pm



President's Message -- Rob Larsen

Well, I must say I am glad the snow has melted and gone although I did enjoy having a white Christmas. I hope you all enjoyed yours. I am looking forward to 2022 and we are planning to meet this year as long as we are allowed. I look forward to seeing all of you. The board discussed and is asking all to wear masks as we have some members that have medical conditions that could make covid a real problem for them. Thanks. (Masks not while eating.)

There has been some fish around -- both Steelhead and Salmon. That said, I am focusing on some east side lakes. I have booked a trip to go fish Roosevelt's giant Kokanee in March. I will report after the trip. As we have seen our anadromous fish decline, I have been looking for other places to spend time. I am thankful to live in a state that has lots of options. I must say I was impressed with Rufus triploids last year and hope to harvest a few more of those again this year. While we fight for our salmon and steelhead learn to enjoy some of the other opportunities.

You should have each received an action alert from PSA. It is critical in our fight for more salmon that you read and respond if you want salmon in your future. Basically, the HSRG folks are trying to claw back into the equation as the "Washington State Academy of Science". We do not want to go backwards on our hatchery policies. I want the WDFW Commission to retain the decision-making capabilities over our Fishing and Hunting in our state and you should, too. Please read and respond to stop these bills from undoing our work.

Rob Larsen SOF PSA president





Map to Trotter's Restaurant in Auburn

January Speaker - Todd Girtz

Our speaker this month will be our very own **Todd Girtz** owner operator of **Todd's Extreme fishing**. For those of you that have fished with Todd you know the name is perfect. He will be speaking to us about fishing for Halibut, Lingcod and bottom fish on the Washington coast. He is a fantastic fisherman and shares much more information than most. He is very detailed and a excellent communicator so don't miss this great opportunity to learn from one of the best.

To learn more about Todd or to book a date, check out his website at Todd's Extreme Fishing.



Tip of the Month – PFD Maintenance from Earl Betts

Many of our club members own boats for freshwater and saltwater fishing. Hopefully all persons on your boat are wearing a life jacket (PFD) when on the water. I'm sure many of you have automatic inflatable life jackets (PFD), because they are light weight and easy to wear.

Here are a few tips that should be performed to make sure your PFD is in good working condition.

Visual Inspection before every use:

- a) No rips or tears in PFD
- b) Zipper and buckles are in good working condition
- c) Inflator status indicator is green
- d) The manual inflator pull-tab is hanging on the outside

Annually perform a thorough visual inspection:

a) There are no rips, tears, excessive abrasions or holes, all seams are securely sewn, straps and hardware are still strong.

b) Perform the oral inflation valve test

Fully inflate the PFD using the oral inflator and then hold the valve under water. If bubbles appear, replace the PFD.

c) Perform the leak test

To test for air leakage, orally inflate your PFD until firm and then let it sit for 16 hours.

A PFD with a leak in it will not hold its firmness and should be replaced.

d) Bobbin inspection and replacement

Your inflatable PFD may use a bobbin activation system. This is a yellow "pill" with white powder inside. When the white powder dissolves, it activates a pin that punctures the CO2 cylinder and inflates your PFD. Inspect the "pill" to make sure it is still intact and replace the "pill" if it looks compromised. Most manufacturers recommend replacing the bobbin every three years. Rearming kits are available at most marine supply outlets.

There are many brands of inflatable PFD'S on the market. You can always google your particular brand for specific maintenance recommendations.

Tight Lines and Safe Boating

Earl Betts



CCA Membership Renewal for 2022 Reminder

Just a reminder for CCA members and those nonmembers wishing to join. You can renew your membership or join CCA for 2022 on line at the state web site.

Go to www.ccawashington.org

Thanks, Earl

Raffle News January 2022 Raffle News

Happy New Year Everyone! I'm hoping you all had a relaxing and wonderful Christmas and New Year's and that your batteries are fully charged for things to come in '22. I know the rivers are in and out this year so keep your eyes peeled for the coveted raise and drops before and, my favorite, after the storm.

This month's feature prize is somewhat of a mystery as we are getting back to having in-person meetings and need to restock our prize pool. I



will be attending the Sportsmen's show, hopefully with a few of you, to see what we can come up with regarding rods and reels.

Since I believe we have plenty of members, I will again do the member only drawing for 10 free raffle tickets. Also, the final ticket drawn will pick one knife from our great assortment of styles.

Like every month back in the day we had a few hats available for \$15. I'm not sure we have any left so will bug the powers that be to get an order going.

Thanks for reading and I'll see you all at our January meeting next Wednesday the 26th! We can always use Donations!!!!!!!!!!

Make sure to bring a friend and spread the word about the great items and games we are offering up!

Greg Hindman 253-486-5161

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.







Save Our Fish Facebook Page

The Save Our Fish <u>Facebook page</u> is a Public Group currently with <u>47</u> members. If you are on Facebook and haven't requested to join the group, now is your chance.

<u>Let's see how many members we can get this year!</u> 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.

Membership - New and Renewals SAVE \$5

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Thank you everyone that have paid your membership dues for the 2021 year. <u>Your SOF board has decided to extend your paid membership through the end of 2022</u>. For those of you who have not yet paid, it's not too late. Make your payment before Feb 28 you can take advantage of the \$5 discount. Memberships can be paid online, at any SOF meeting, or by mail to the address at the bottom of the SOF membership form. Contact Rich Gregory if you have any membership question.

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=FlZb14yBeNX1SNG80QYPNONcJJjiwtgiJxdurg11BSvD-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. Here's what the top of the form looks like:

Donate to Save Our Fish

\$

USD

+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.

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





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

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<u>Debi Gregory</u> – Christmas Banquet Donations



Washington Sportsmen's Show



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.





Rob and Bart Cook Creek





Rob and son Ryan Clamming at Grayland



Recipe of the Month

Sturgeon Roll-Ups

From Pacific Northwest Seafood Cookery as seen in the January 2022 edition of The Reel News

Ingredients

- 2 lb. sturgeon fillets
- 1 tsp. salt
- Dash of pepper
- 1 can cream of chicken or mushroom soup
- ½ C. water
- 1 Tbsp. butter
- Paprika

Directions

Cut sturgeon fillets into strips. Fish should be thinly sliced for easy rolling.

Season very lightly with salt and pepper, roll jelly-roll fashion and secure with toothpick.

Place in well greased baking pan.

Mix soup with water and pour over fish.

Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes or until fish flakes when tested with fork.

Remove from oven and garnish with dots of butter and paprika.



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Membership is for the 2022 calendar year. Dues paid through February 28, 2022 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00. Dues paid after March 1, 2022 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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