



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

**Next Chapter Meeting:**

**Wednesday March 22, 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 – Nic Norbeck, Elite Guide Service**

Nic has fished from Alaska to the mighty Columbia River and everywhere in between providing successful fishing trips for all ages to enjoy. Elite Guide Service has an adventure for everyone, specializing in family, friend's, military, disabled and corporate. His fishing business is a full-time occupation twelve months out of the year. Seasons are always changing along with techniques and types of fish. He will speak to our club about spring



chinook, fall chinook and steelhead on the Cowlitz River. Nic has been our speaker in the past and has great knowledge of these fisheries.



[www.eliteguideservice.com](http://www.eliteguideservice.com)

## Up and Coming Activities:

### March

**22 – General Club Meeting**

Nic Norbeck, Elite Guide Service

### April

**12 – Board Meeting**

**26 – General Club Meeting**

### May

**6 – Youth Fishing Derby**

Auburn

**20 – Kids Fishing Derby**

Algona

### June

**3 – Hooked on Fishing**

**Kids Fishing Derby**

Federal Way



## **President's Message -- Carl Carver**

Wow, how time is flying by! February is in the books and we are more than halfway through March. Our February meeting featured speaker was Guide Shelby Ross who gave an excellent and informative presentation on fishing the Potholes Reservoir for Walleye. He threw in a few tips on bass, perch, crappie and trout fishing as well. The ice is coming off the reservoir soon and the spring provides for some excellent fishing opportunities with Shelby or you can research the potholes via internet or talk with members to get tips. My wife and I will be going in May as the weather warms and the fish go on a feeding frenzy. We'll fish with Shelby one day to see how it's done and then spend a couple of days on our own experimenting. It's a great way to learn and to get out and enjoy the great outdoors. I'm getting really excited just writing about it☺

We have another great speaker (see speaker write-up later in the newsletter) this month who will be talking Spring Chinook fishing which is just getting started and really heats up in April and May. The fishing opportunities available will only get better as we get into spring and summer.

As the saying goes, "Great Minds Think Alike". I read the thoughts of one of our fisheries leaders in a recent fishing publication article and thought I would pass it on as food for thought for our membership as it aligns with my thinking.

"I believe that we are at a significant crossroads. The growing tension over a limited resource can either have us on a pathway where the fights become fiercer as our fish populations struggle or a pathway that bands us together to ensure we all have robust and healthy fisheries into the future.

It's a time for us to talk about our collective efforts, how they are connected and what success looks like. Such conversations need to happen at all levels. It is important to talk as a whole and also locally to ensure that we are working on the most important issues holding fish populations back.

The future of salmon and steelhead is entirely up to us. We have done a lot of great work together and we have a long way to go. It will take time, investment, patience, open dialogue, trust, and unity to fulfil our responsibility. I'd love to see the recreational anglers, commercial fishers, and salmon recovery voices speaking as one to increase our collective influence. Help us unite in the name of healthy and sustainable fish populations and fisheries".

Your board of directors did some 2017 goals and objectives work at our March Board meeting and our thinking/planning aligns exactly with the thoughts above. We had consensus that one of our top priority is to get more fish produced and released so that we get more fish back to our fisheries. If we can get more fish back there will be more opportunity for all the user groups. There are several ways to accomplish this goal and we are exploring several ways to get there working with: the Department of Fish & Wildlife, local hatchery managers, other fishing groups, the tribal community, and fisheries experts inside as well as outside of our chapter. We have a vast knowledge base within our membership that we continue to utilize as we move forward tackling this complex but attainable goal. We have other goals which will be shared soon with you so you know what they are and can participate in making them happen.

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

## **The Monroe Sportsman Show -April 7-9**

Fun for the whole family at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds. April 7th, 8th and 9th.

Coordinated by the Sno-King Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers and sponsored by 3 Rivers Marine.

The funds raised go to support the great work Puget Sound Anglers is doing to improve and sustain our fisheries now and into the future.

For the kids:

A stocked pond onsite they can learn to cast and catch a real trout!

For the adults:

A number of guest speakers as well as a myriad of vendors displaying their wares at significant discounts!

See the attached link for more information/details:

<http://monroesportsmanshow.com/Index.htm>



## Brice Ponds at Flaming Geyser State Park – recap

The work party to get the ponds set up and ready was on Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup>. As you recall, it was a very wet morning, but we had a great turn out. Thank you to all who came out to help!



# Tip of the Month – Outboard Jet Boating 101 Safety & Maintenance

From Norm Moberg

Here is a great article that includes a backup gear and safety equipment check list and advice on Pre-Trip Equipment & Back-up Gear Check.

<http://www.ginkandgasoline.com/fly-fishing/outboard-jet-boating-101-safety-maintenance>

## CCA SeaTac 10th Anniversary Banquet

Our annual SeaTac Chapter banquet was a huge success. We had a full house of attendees who enjoyed a fine Prime Rib / Chicken Dijon dinner with all the trimmings and some great desserts to bid on.



We had 23 items in the live auction, 55 items in the silent auction as well as our usual games and bucket raffles. So there was plenty of items to take a chance or bid on to help raise funds for CCA in the state of Washington. We all know how important the fund raising banquets are for CCA to be successful. CCA has accomplished many things over the past 10 years to protect our precious salmon/steelhead and other marine resources, while also insuring we the sportsmen/sportswomen have an equal opportunity to share in the resource. But as we all know the job is not finished.

I would like to thank all of you who attended and or donated items for the banquet. I hope you enjoyed the evening.

Earl Betts

A special thanks to the Auburn SOF PSA Chapter for your continued support of the CCA SeaTac Chapter Banquet. It is truly appreciated.

### The Banquet Team



Earl and Eva Betts

Carl and Irene Carver

Joseph and Devota Madrano

Shawn and Laura Seeger

Russ Carver

John Rickert

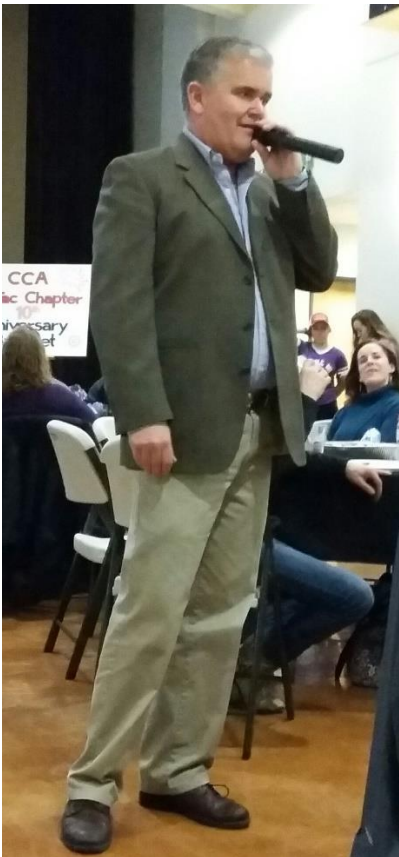
Joe Slepiski











Auburn SoF PSA  
Carl, just a note to say thanks to you and the Board Members  
for your continued support of our Sea Tac Banquet.  
Earl



## THANK YOU!

Your donation to the CCA Sea-Tac Chapter's 10th Annual Banquet & Auction  
is deeply appreciated.

Thank you for your generous donation and support in our efforts for  
the conservation and restoration of our coastal and marine resources  
in the Pacific Northwest.

Joe Slepski, President CCA Sea-Tac  
Earl Betts, Banquet Committee [earlebetts@msn.com](mailto:earlebetts@msn.com)  
CCA Sea-Tac Banquet Staff

Joseph Mariano

## 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](http://www.saveourfish.org)





## SOF Facebook Page



The Save Our Fish [Facebook page](#) is a Public Group currently with 28 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

### March 2017 Raffle News

Gotta Love the Dog Days of Winter! So, in light of this and the fact that we are close to Springer Season I am going to put one of the final two downrigger rods into the raffle this month. This is a HUGE AWESOME rod! It's a 10'6" 10-30Lb Mod/Fast/Hvy Chrome Salmon Fetha Styx Rod. I'll have one of the last fly fishing bags and items from Silver Horde. I'll 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 our new few 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 corkie's 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! 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](mailto: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=FIzb14yBeNX1SNG80QYPNONCJJjiwtgiJxdurg11BSvD-4EIX\\_IssRDmduLv7mgOlg4MR0](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=FIzb14yBeNX1SNG80QYPNONCJJjiwtgiJxdurg11BSvD-4EIX_IssRDmduLv7mgOlg4MR0)

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:

Donate to  
Save Our Fish

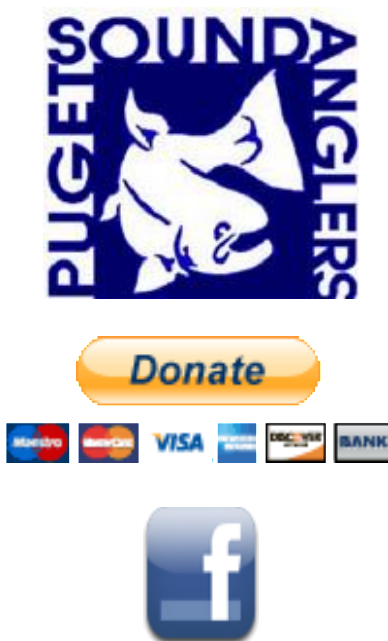
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 Add special instructions to the seller:

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

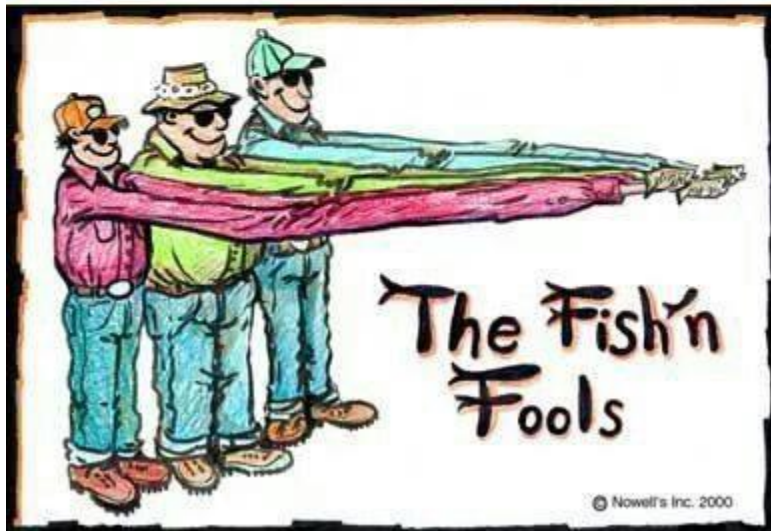
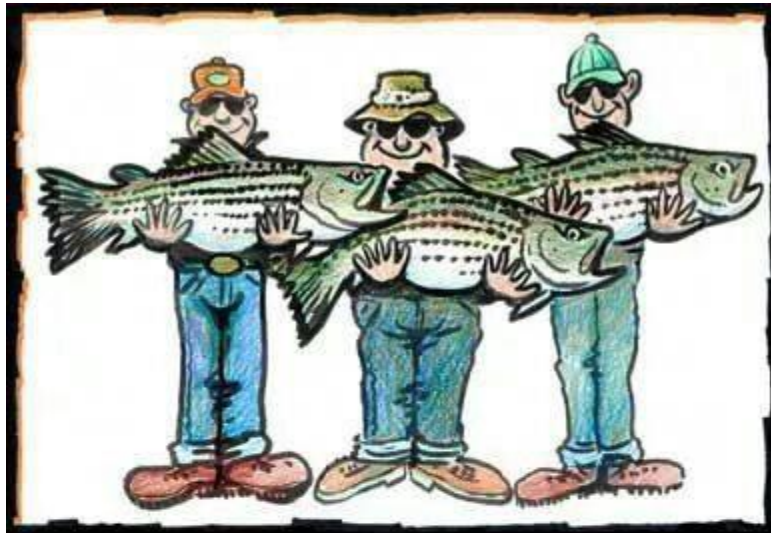
23 bags of 20 floats--10 of each of the two smallest sizes for \$15 (No bobber stops or beads in many of these bags because we ran out.)

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:Sof.psa@hotmail.com)

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





# SOF Sponsors

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[Washington Sportsmen's Show](#)



[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](mailto:sof.psa@hotmail.com) for your chance to have it be featured in the Hog Pen.



Kathy with her first steelhead of the year.





Scott, Mike and Duane with some  
March chrome



February steelhead on the  
Skookumchuck

Tim with some  
March chrome



Duane with more  
March chrome





Duane with steelhead from  
the Cowlitz River



# Recipe of the Month

## Cheesy Garlic Spinach Spaghetti Squash

### Ingredients

1 medium spaghetti squash  
2.5 tbsp minced garlic  
1 tsp olive oil  
5 oz fresh spinach, chopped  
1/2 cup cream  
1 tbsp cream cheese (optional but delicious!)  
1/2 cup grated parmesan, and extra for topping  
salt and pepper  
grated or sliced mozzarella for topping



### Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F
2. Slice your spaghetti squash in half lengthwise and scoop out the seeds
3. Rub the cut side of squash with olive oil
4. Place on baking dish face down for 40 minutes or until tender and easily pierced with a fork
5. In medium pot bring a drizzle of olive oil to medium-high heat and saute garlic until fragrant
6. Add spinach and stir until wilted. Add your cream, cream cheese, parmesan and stir well
7. Add salt and pepper and remove from heat
8. Once squash is done, use a fork to separate and fluff the strands of spaghetti squash
9. Pour sauce over each squash boat, stir to mix, and top with a little mozzarella and additional parmesan cheese, if desired. Place under the broiler for a few minutes until cheese is melted and slightly toasted.
10. DIG IN!



## Save Our Fish Chapter

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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](mailto: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	
Senior: 62 and older – annual dues \$20	

#### 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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