



Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday March 28, 2018 - 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

Up and Coming Activities:

March

28 – General Club Meeting

Speaker: Captain Robert Abner
Sekiu Charters

April

11 – Board Meeting

21 – Disabled Fishing Derby

American Lake

25 – General Club Meeting

Speaker: Russ

Limit Out Performance Marine

May
5 – Auburn Youth Fishing Derby
19 – Algona Kids Fishing Derby

June
2 -- Hooked on Fishing
Federal Way Kids Fishing Derby



President's Message -- Rob Larsen

It was great to see all of you and hear Anil of Puget Sound Fly Fishing talk about the resident silver and cutthroat fishing under way in the south sound right now. I hope some of you are taking advantage of this nearby fishery. With the forecast for the south sound Chinook up 38 percent I am hopeful that the South Sound Chinook fishing will be even better than last year which was very good. From what I understand the Black mouth fishing is pretty good right now as well. Get out there

and enjoy this nearby gem.

One of the big issues at Point Defiance boat launch has been the parking. With the new parking lot project, finding parking has been a real problem. It was scheduled to be completed before this year's Salmon season. Well surprise, it is not going to be done on time. Once again our very own Frank Urebeck is battling, on our behalf, in an attempt to get at least a portion of the lot opened by July first. He selflessly sacrifices his time for things that help us all. Please let Frank know you appreciate his efforts. This brings me to an important fact, which is each one of us can make a difference but it takes effort. Our little club makes a lot of things happen but we can do better if more of us becoming involved. How can you do this you may ask? Come to the board meeting and ask if you don't know what you can do and we will find something for you. If you have your own ideas come and present them to the board and we will help you move forward.

Thanks to all of you that wrote letters supporting the sport fishing changes at Minter Creek, the Green and Satsop Rivers; it is looking positive. I had a great conversation Thursday with the Biologist over Minter and he is planning to put it forward for the North of Falcon this year. PSA has been asked to help at Minter by doing a cleanup and by encouraging people to follow rules and pick up their trash. I will have to comment on this in the near future.

Thanks for all the help and support you give me as your president and tight lines to you all.

Rob Larsen

Pres. SOF Chapter of PSA

March Speaker – Captain Robert Abner- Sekiu Charters

Captain Rob has made Sekiu his summer home for the last forty years. He's inherited/learned a plethora of knowledge from the numerous anglers he's known and fished with over the years. Rob feels very good about being able to share the knowledge and experience with his clients. He loves to troll for salmon and uses Scotty Downriggers. He fishes a maximum of six anglers, but typically keeps mixed parties to four anglers.

Rob is excited to share with us information on the Sekiu fishing opportunities and the services he provides. He will share a little on the new owners of Masons (Olsons) Resort, the Sekiu spring fishery as well as Neah Bay. He will share his fishing knowledge and a couple of Black mouth tricks that have worked really well for him over the years. Rob is offering a 15% discount to SOF Auburn PSA members from now through our meeting

night on March 28th. The trips are usually \$200 plus tax per person per day. Please come with questions you may have for Rob about this awesome coastal fishery and enjoy a great evening of fellowship with SOF Auburn members/friends.

Seki Charter website is: <http://sekiucharters.com>

DISABLED SPORTSMEN 6TH ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

Sponsored by the Save our Fish (SOF) Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers
April 21st 2018 American Lake 7AM
American Lake Park 9222 Veterans Drive SW

We are putting on our 6th disabled sport fishing derby and we need captains and help for putting on the barbeque. If you can help let me know if you can captain and let Doug Williams know if you can help with the BBQ. By the way I am still looking for someone to take over this project since I am now president.
(Rob)

Monroe Sportsman Show

Members please get the date April 20-22 of the Monroe Sportsman Show into your calendar. This is an important Sportsman show for Puget Sound Angler's (PSA) as 100% of the proceeds from this show go toward fixing our fisheries. To get details visit the show website at www.monroesportsmanshow.com Your support of this event is important so help get the word out. You can get your own booth at a very reasonable price or attend and get some great bargains. I can't think of a better cause to support fixing our fisheries problems here in Washington.

Carl Carver



Auburn's Annual Youth Fishing Derby

Saturday, May 5

8:30a.m.-12:00 noon

Mill Pond Park, 600 Oravetz Rd.

(adjacent to Auburn Riverside High School)

FREE

**Fishing Derby
Ages 14 & Under**

Youth ages 14 and under are invited to participate in the FREE 2018 Youth Fishing Derby at Mill Pond Park.

The pond will be stocked with trophy size trout for the youth to catch!

The free annual fishing derby is sponsored by the City of Auburn, Auburn Sports & Marine and the Auburn S.O.F Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers.



Come and have a “reely” good day fishin’



May 19th 2018

Annual Kids Fishing Derby

9am-12pm

Matchett Park 402 Warde Street

Algona

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Tip of the Month from Earl Betts

Proper fish releasing technique

You might be asking yourself, "How do fish survive catch and release after being handled?" Whether or not they do largely depends on if the angler understands how to handle fish and how to release fish in a conservation-friendly manner. Below are the steps you can take when handling a fish to help promote fishing conservation.

1. Use wet hands when handling a fish or a knotless rubberized landing nets and rubberized gloves. This



helps maintain the slime coat on the fish, which protects it from infection and aids in swimming. Anglers that know how to practice proper catch and release never use a towel of any kind when handling fish since a towel can remove this slime coat.

2. Hold the fish horizontally whenever possible since this is the way fish naturally swim through the water. Do not drop the fish onto hard surfaces!
3. Keep your fingers away from the gills and eyes of the fish.
4. If needed, use a release tool (dehookers, recompression tools) to minimize handling.
5. Time is of the essence! Release fish as soon as practical and do not keep them out of the water longer than necessary. Always release your fish head first into the water. When you release a fish head first into the water, it forces water through the mouth and over the gills, which helps to resuscitate the fish. Revive exhausted fish by placing the fish in the water, facing the current if possible, with one hand underneath the belly and the other hand holding the bottom lip or tail.

Ken Kumasawa Memorial Youth Camp



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 have been contacted and they are 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.

We will be getting the boys registered to attend the camp soon and will have a write-up after they get back from camp. 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.

Brice Ponds Clean Up

Article written by Frank Urabeck for the Auburn Reporter

AUBURN AREA BOY SCOUT TROOPS JOIN PUGET SOUND ANGLER AND TROUT UNLIMITED SPORT FISHING GROUPS IN SUPPORT OF GREEN RIVER WILD STEELHEAD TROUT CONSERVATION PROJECT

This past Saturday, March 3, some 20 Boy Scouts from Auburn and Federal Way Troops 336, 361 and 398, joined fifteen sport fishing volunteers from the Save Our Fish Chapter, Puget Sound Anglers; and the Green-Duwamish Chapter, Trout Unlimited to prepare two large concrete basins located in Flaming Geyser State Park for temporary holding and feeding of some 15,000 juvenile steelhead trout. Known as Dick Brice Ponds – named in memorial of a member of Trout Unlimited that had been an important contributor to a pond improvement project completed in 1986 -- the ponds are intended to support an effort by the Washington Department of Fish and Wild and the Muckleshoot tribe to restore the wild run of Green River steelhead to fishable level. No recreational or tribal fisheries have been held on the wild run in some years. Brice ponds, located adjacent to the “Flaming Geyser” pit alongside Christy Creek, at the east end of the park, originally were constructed to hold rainbow trout for a private resort that pre-dated Flaming Geyser Park. State Parks is a long-term partner in this cooperative conservation project with Park Ranger, David Pall-Brogan, assisting in Saturday’s event.

Wyatt Pritchard, sophomore, Auburn High School, a member of Troop 361, was responsible for getting such a great turn out of the scouts on an incredibly beautiful day. Wyatt is pursuing his Eagle Scout status, which is expected to include a special project of improvements at Brice Ponds.

The scouts enjoyed aerial filming of the event by Joel Carver, owner and operator of CSI drone. Joel is the son of Carl Carver, past president of Save Our Fish PSA Chapter.

Juvenile steelhead will be released by the Department of Fish and Wildlife in 10 days into the basins that were filled with water on Saturday. The smolts will be fed by volunteers until Saturday, May 12, when they will be released into pipes draining the pond to lower Christy Creek to continue their journey into the Green River and down to Puget Sound via Elliott Bay, before heading to the Pacific Ocean. Survivors after several years in the ocean will return to the Green River to spawn, helping to sustain a natural run of Endangered Species Act listed steelhead that has in recent years been escaping to the Green River in a number of only about 2,000 fish weighing on the average about seven to ten pounds.

Frank Urabeck
Save Our Fish, PSA Chapter

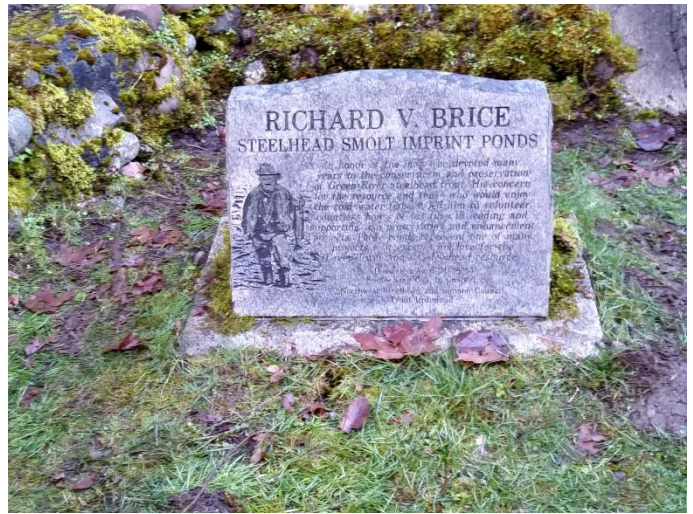
<https://www.auburn-reporter.com/news/show-of-support-for-green-river-wild-steelhead-trout-conservation-project/>

Brice Ponds
before the
cleanup
project.









Below: Pictures from last year when WDFW brought in 15,000 steelhead smolts.
Brodie Antipa is in the raincoat.



Visit Our Website

The website has the recipe of the month, 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 31 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.

CCA Communications Update

In order to provide better communications between the CCA state office and general membership in a timely manner, CCA State has implemented a few new tools.

1. In 2017 four Ripple Effect newsletters were sent out instead of three. Same schedule for 2018.
2. Two CCA Facebook live videos were produced discussing advocacy issues.
3. CCA Washington now has an Instagram as well as a You Tube channel.
4. Gary Loomis will produce a bi-monthly column that will appear in the Reel News

Hopefully these tools will help provide better and more timely communications regarding advocacy issues CCA Washington is involved with.

www.facebook.com/ccawashington

Earl Betts

CCA Banquet – Recap

The 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.

Earl Betts will give a quick review at the general meeting on March 28th.

Here are a few pictures from the night and below is a thank you note to our club.



Auburn Save our fish PSA
Thank you for your Continued Support



THANK YOU!

Your donation to the CCA Sea-Tac Chapter's 11th Annual Banquet & Auction,
March 10, 2018, is deeply appreciated.

We value your continued support in our efforts for
the conservation and restoration of our coastal and marine resources
in the Pacific Northwest.

Joe Slepски
Joe Slepски, President CCA Sea-Tac

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Raffle News

March 2018 Raffle News

As usual time is flying, winter is waning and Springer time is near. So, in light of that, I'm going to put in an awesome donated rod that we have graciously received from Shane and Dayle Conrad. It's a 10'6" 15-40Lb Salmon Extreme Series Rod from Velocity. In addition to this I will throw in another of our Penn 5000 Pursuit II Series casting reels. As usual, we will have a member only drawing for 10 raffle tickets and the final ticket drawn will pick one knife from a great assortment of styles and brands. Like every month, we have our new few hats available (\$15 for a regular hat and \$20 for a waterproof) as well as assorted corkie's for sale.



Thanks for reading and I'll see you all next Wednesday!

We NEED Donations!!!!!!!!!!!!

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

It's 2018 and time to look at renewing 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_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: 2018 dues for Greg Hindman.**

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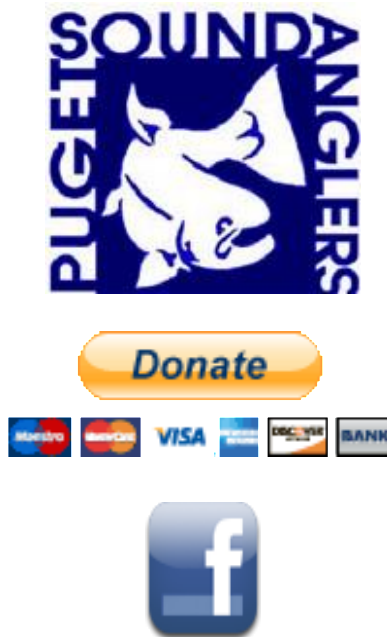
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You can also get to this Donate link via our main web site <http://www.saveourfish.org/>

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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.)

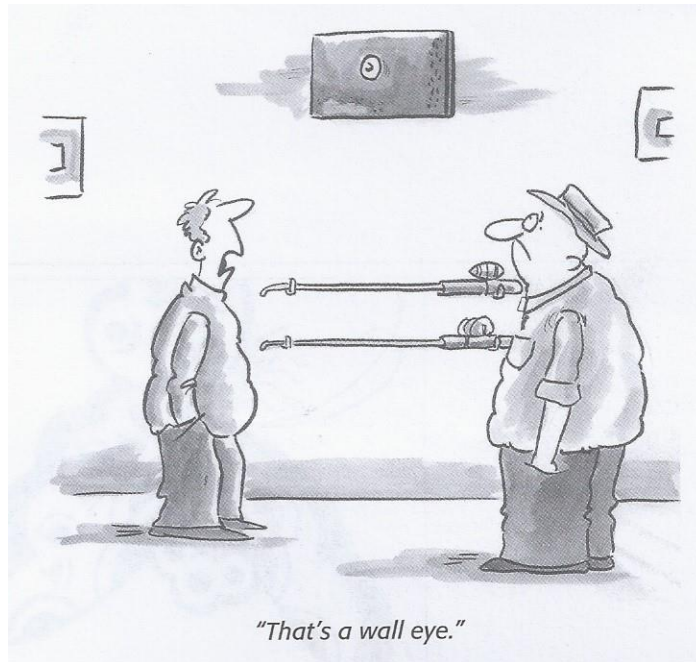
Save Our Fish PSA Hats for Sale

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

State takes bold action for endangered Pacific salmon

http://www.thenewstribune.com/opinion/article206138639.html#emlnl=Morning_Newsletter

5th Annual Wild & Scenic Film Festival in Seattle on April 18th

Washington Water Trust – working to restore our state's rivers and streams

A few people from SOF are planning on attending this event. There is a discount if 6 or more tickets are purchased at one time.

<http://www.washingtonwatertrust.org/wild-scenic-film-festival/>

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 for your chance to have it be featured in the Hog Pen.



Rob Larsen with Kokanee from Merwin Lake



Jordan Palady



Jordan Palady

Recipe of the Month

Blackened Salmon w/Citrus Salsa

<https://www.cabelas.com/category/CWC-Blackened-Salmon-w-Citrus-Salsa/729586080.uts>

This can be as spicy or mild as you'd like. The citrus salsa gives a refreshing flavor to whatever blackening seasoning you choose.



Prep Time: 20 minutes **Cook Time:** 15 minutes **Servings:** 4

Ingredients

- **Blackened Salmon**
 - 4 8-ounce fillets of skinned, salmon or steelhead
 - 2 teaspoons unsweetened cocoa powder
 - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 - 2 teaspoons granulated onion or onion powder
 - 2 teaspoons salt
 - 1 teaspoon black pepper
 - 4 teaspoons white sugar
 - 1-2 crushed juniper berries (optional)
- **Strawberry Citrus Salsa**
 - 1 pint strawberries, sliced
 - 1 orange, peeled and chopped
 - 1 tablespoon diced jalapeno pepper
 - 1 tablespoon thinly sliced green onion
 - 1 tablespoon fresh lemon or lime juice
 - 1 tablespoon honey
 - 1/2 teaspoon lemon or lime zest
 - Salt and black pepper to taste

Directions

Blackened Salmon

Mix all dry ingredients in a small bowl. In a pie pan or shallow dish sprinkle dry mixture over the bottom. Heat a cast iron skillet or regular frying pan on medium-high heat. Make sure the pan is completely dry. When the pan is hot, dip fish fillets into mixture covering both sides. Cook approximately 5 minutes per side and serve.

Strawberry Citrus Salsa

In a medium bowl mix lemon or lime juice with honey. Add all other ingredients, gently toss until combined. Refrigerate until ready to serve.



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2018 MEMBERSHIP FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

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

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.

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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