

Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Next Meeting Date TBD

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

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Up and Coming Activities:

April 14 – Board Meeting via Zoom May 12 – Board Meeting via Zoom

<u>June</u> 9 – Board Meeting via Zoom

July
14 – Board Meeting via Zoom
15-17 – Sekiu Outing



President's Message -- Rob Larsen

Hope this newsletter finds you all doing well. I hope we will be able to begin meeting again soon. I want to thank everyone that responded to the Skykomish steelhead issues. We received good response and have a good chance to win this one. Special thanks to Frank and Hal for all they have done and are doing behind the scene.

This has been a steelhead season with minimal opportunity and many disappointments. That said there are still some fish in the Cowlitz if you put in your time. That said I am hoping more fish show up. The Skookumchuck produced some fish before they shut

it down. I plan to talk to WDFW about this shutdown because there are lots of surplus fish again this year. 2021 salmon fishing season looks to be similar to last year with a few improvements. The pink forecast should give us the 4 fish bonus limit on the Puyallup. Another bright spot is the Columbia where silvers and kings are forecast to be up a bit.

The following are things I asked for on behalf of our club after discussing with the board.

Minter Creek 2021 PSA proposals

- 1. Open 4 weeks earlier to allow harvest more of the many surplus Chinook salmon that sportsmen are paying for and are not being utilized.
- 2. Do not allow weighted lures unless fished below a float. So no jigs without a float. (majority of abuse last year came from those fishing jigs)
- 3. Leave limit of chums at four as we still have lots of surplus fish. (It is a waste not to allow the harvest of these surplus fish)
- 4. Let's work together on some signage about where there are latrines and the rules.

Green River proposals

- 1. Give sportsmen more time in Elliot Bay (many surplus kings in the Green)
- 2. Open the lower Duwamish basin for 2 Chinook when open for silvers. Fish are biters and quality is much better. More fish returning this year.
- 3. Open to two chinooks rather than one; NUMBERS JUSTIFY THIS INCREASE in mainstream Green.

Puyallup

- 1. Open river for wild Coho and a bonus on pink
- 2. Leave the Carbon open through the end of November as numbers justify it. On the Carbon we used to get 4 Coho through the end of November when the return was over 10,000 fish.

I had conversations with Tara Livingood on Minter and the Carbon and don't expect to get all we asked for but do think we will get more. I also talked to Aaron Bosworth about the Green and believe we will get the 2-king limit and maybe some additional time in Elliot Bay in 2021 depending on test fisheries.

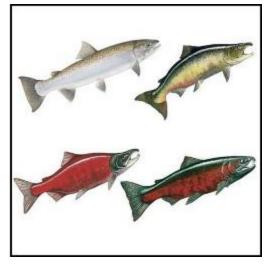
Tight lines Rob Larsen SOF PSA president

Tip of the Month

from Carl Carver www.fishingtipsdepot.com/salmon-fishing-tips

There are two genus for salmon, salmo and oncorhynchus.

In the salmo genus there is one species called the Atlantic salmon (salmo salar). In the oncorhynchus genus there is six species, which are called Chinook salmon (oncorhynchus tshawytscha), chum salmon (oncorhynchus keta), coho salmon (oncorhynchus kisutch), pink salmon (oncorhynchus gorbuscha), sockeye salmon (oncorhynchus nerka) and masu salmon (oncorhynchus masou). Salmon are one of the most popular game fish in the world, in



additional to being one of the most common fish consumed by humans. Due to the popularity of this fish in North America, some states have salmon stocking programs. These programs are especially prevalent in the Great Lakes.

Salmon Fishing Tips, Tricks and Techniques

Okay, if you read the above you should have some basic scientific knowledge of salmon, but let's face it you came here to learn to catch salmon. Here we've put together a set of tips that will help both novice and veteran fishermen.

- **Sharpen Those Hooks** Salmon have a thick jaw that can make setting a hook more difficult. You'll want to make sure that your hooks are razor sharp when fishing for salmon. We recommend using the <u>Lazor Sharp brand</u>.
- Overcast for Success Salmon prefer low lighting conditions, thus making overcast days better than others. In addition to overcast days, dawn and dusk provide optimal light conditions for salmon. You can still catch salmon on bright sunny days but they will be in deeper water and slightly less active.
- The Best Bait for Salmon It's a known fact that one of the best methods for catching salmon with live bait is to use roe (eggs). You can purchase this type of bait or actually harvest and cure your own roe. For artificial lures, we recommend using spinners such as the Mepps Aglia.
- Learn to Drift Fish One of the most up and coming methods for fishing for salmon is drift fishing. This is useful for river fishing for salmon, you basically cast your bait upstream and let it drift down over a pool or area where you think salmon are. This produces a more natural bait presentation to salmon.

Sekiu Club Outing – July 15th -17th

The club will be having an outing at Sekiu July 15th through July 17th. It should still be open for king fishing.

We will be having Potluck dinner Friday evening, so bring your own meat for the grill and we will combine other dishes for the potluck variety. I'm looking so forward to this!

Come enjoy the fun!

Contact Rob Larsen 253-230-2839 for information 360-963-2161 Mason Resort phone number for reservations Start Time: 5 PM- early for those of you who want to go back out for the evening bite.

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.

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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

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: https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=FlZb14yBeNX1SNG80QYPNONcJJjiwtgiJxdurg11BSvD-4EIX_IssRDmduLv7mgOlg4MR0

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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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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 on the Cowlitz

Success on the Skookumchuck









Carl and Irene Carver's new boat! 2021 Raider 208 with 150 Honda & 9.9 Honda kicker. Bought at King Salmon Marine in Tacoma.







Recipe of the Month

Honey Soy Salmon

https://tasty.co/compilation/one-pan-salmon-4-ways

Ingredients

for 1 serving

- 6 oz skinless salmon
- 2 cups broccoli floret
- olive oil, to taste
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 1 tablespoon green onion, sliced

Honey Soy Marinade

- 1 teaspoon garlic
- 1 teaspoon ginger
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon honey

Preparation

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°F (200°C).
- 2. In a small bowl, mix honey soy marinade ingredients.
- 3. Lay the salmon on a baking sheet. Pour the marinade over the salmon.
- 4. Lay the broccoli beside the salmon, but not touching. Drizzle olive oil over the broccoli, then season with salt and pepper.
- 5. Bake for 10-12 minutes.
- 6. Top with sliced green onions.
- 7. Enjoy!

Nutrition Facts

Per Serving:

Calories 802; Fat 50g; Carbs 48g; Fiber 11g; Sugar 27g; Protein 43g





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