

Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday March 25, 2015 - 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

Speaker -

Frank Urabeck – "Mr. Sockeye"

Our own Frank Urabeck, "Mr. Sockeye", will be sharing his exceptional knowledge of both Lake Washington and Baker sockeye runs. Frank has worked hard, supported by our SOF chapter, to get a fair sport's fishing opportunity on what could be a record sockeye run back to the Baker River this year – both Baker Lake and the Skagit River will be open for recreational fishing, with generous daily bag limits. Frank will also provide a status report on the once fantastic Lake Washington sockeye run and the outlook for fisheries this summer and

in 2016. He might share a few insights about the 2015 Columbia River below Wanapum Dam, Lake Wenatchee and Columbia River at Brewster sockeye fisheries – all of which he has enjoyed.

Up and Coming Activities:

March

<u>March 28th</u> Blackmouth Salmon Derby

Open to all PSA members

May

<u>May 2nd</u> Auburn Youth Fishing Derby <u>May 30th</u> Algona Derby

April

<u>April 25th</u>

Disabled Sportsman Fishing Derby American Lake



President's Message -- Carl Carver

What awesome weather we are having so far this year. The fishing prospects sound pretty promising again this year as well. There are lots of positives in the air for us sportsmen/women.

We had a fantastic and enthusiastic speaker at our February general meeting. Todd Girtz of Todd's Extreme Fishing took us on an extreme adventure with his presentation of the different coastal fisheries. Todd focuses on catching big fish for his clients. His knowledge and experience and attention to detail were put on display during his presentation. Todd is a member of the SOF Auburn Chapter and we thank him for another great presentation.

This month's speaker is also a member of the SOF Auburn Chapter of PSA. Frank Urabeck (Mr. Sockeye) will be sharing his knowledge, expertise and passion for our sockeye fisheries on Lake Washington and Baker Lake. Details are provided in this month's speaker section of our newsletter.

Our board of directors and the Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter are strong advocates of the Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) and what the organization does to support improvements in our fisheries here at home/nationally. Our chapter supported the CCA SeaTac Chapter fundraising banquet March 14th and contributed significantly to its success. We donated \$500, we purchased a SOF Auburn chapter table, several members attended the banquet, several members are on the CCA banquet committee, and attending members spent generously for our fishing future.

Thanks to our board of directors for giving of their precious time to attend board meetings, conduct the chapters business, for leading the many activities/events, and for making a difference in improving our fisheries.

Thank you, chapter members, for coming to meetings, participating/supporting our activities/events, and for helping make our chapter one of the best in the state.

Together we will continue making a difference to improve our fisheries now and into the future. Please stay active, get involved and support the many opportunities that are coming our way.

Steelhead Imprint Ponds at Flaming Geyser State Park

Here are some pictures from the work party that was held on February 21st. Thank you all for your help!



Rich Gregory in Cristie Creek, shovel in hand, clearing grate of debris to get maximum water flow to ponds.



PSA and TU members putting protective net over upper fish pond. Rob Larsen in the pond pulling the net across.

Auburn Mill Pond Cleanup – Saturday April 18th 8-11am

We could use all the help possible to clean up the pond before the 3 derbys. The following is the request we got from the Lions Club similar to past years:

This is to request your club's support for the 11th Annual Lions Zone C-3 Special Needs Youth Fishing Derby again this year. Our cleanup of the Auburn Mill Pond is scheduled for Saturday, April 18th from 8-11 am. The special Needs Derby is opening day of lowland lakes on, Saturday, April 25, 2014 from 9 am-1 pm. We would appreciate any help the Puget Sound Anglers, South Sound Chapter might provide. As in the past, we would give would give Puget Sound Anglers South Sound Chapter "co-sponsor status" on our event flyer and "Thank you Sponsors" sign at the derby. I will also be contacting Scout Troop 401 to request their help. I do believe they will have an ample supply of Coffee and Donuts.

Annual Auburn Youth Fishing Derby



Please join us!

The City of Auburn, Auburn Sports & Marine and the Auburn S.O.F Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers cordially invites youth, 14 years old and under, to the 2015 Youth Fishing Derby. We along with The City of Auburn and The State of Washington happily stock Mill Pond with trophy size trout for the community's youth enjoyment.

When:Saturday, May 2nd, 2015Where:Mill Pond Park, 600 Oravetz Rd. See BelowLakeland Hills, and across from Auburn Riverside High School.

Time:

8:30AM - 12:00PM





Club Activity: Taking Disabled Sportsmen Fishing 5th Annual Disabled Sportsman Outing April 25th 2015

American Lake north park 9222 Veterans Dr Sw Lakewood, WA

We need volunteers with boats to help take disabled men, women and children fishing for kokanee and trout on American Lake on April 25th. This is our fifth annual fishing outing where we are partnering with Disabled Sportsmen of North America. They are a group that goes out and finds individuals with disabilities and provides them an opportunity to get out and enjoy the outdoors

We are looking for volunteers with and without boats. Volunteers with boats and will be taking at least two individuals out on the lake fishing that day. It will be held on American Lake at 7:30 AM. See Rob Larsen for more information. There will be a barbeque afterwards for captains and participants. We would like approximately 10 boats. Those without boats can help with the BBQ lunch we are providing for all who attend this year. If you would like to take disabled sportsman fishing contact Rob Larsen at 253-230-2239 (Bishoprob@comcast.net). To help with the BBQ lunch contact Doug Williams at 253-709-6907 (dwilliams@kellersupply.com).

CCA Banquet

The CCA Banquet, held on March 14th, was well attended and lots of fun. CCA SeaTac has a reputation for throwing one of the most enjoyable banquets in Washington and they did not disappoint this year! Great food, free beer and wine, and auction items ranging from guided fishing adventures to fine artwork made for a fun-filled evening.





Our new chapter banner displayed at the banquet



Jigs donated to CCA and tied by SOF Auburn members, Don Payne and Russ Carver

Tom Rhody and son, Bennett





The Carver Table



Several more tables with SOF Auburn Chapter members and guests



Raffle News

This month we have a 9'8-15lb Fetha Styx casting Rod up for the big prize. It's a rod that retailed in the \$200 range in the Chrome Fetha Styx family. Very nice rod with a cork grip. We'll have a Dexter fillet knife, another fly fishing bag, and more items from Silver Horde. I'll have some more good stuff that can be used out in the sound, Coho Killers etc. Again I'll have some interesting used items and remember the final ticket drawn will pick one knife from an assortment of styles and brands.

We still have hats available (\$15 for a regular hat and \$20 for a waterproof one) as well as floats and assorted corkies for sale.

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! Rich Settle won the 10 free raffle tickets last month.

I also want to mention that we could use some donations for used items in our raffles. We accept any donations from our members and in return will give you raffle tickets. Also if you know anyone that has a hoard of stuff in their garages they 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 ! \bigcirc

Greg Hindman

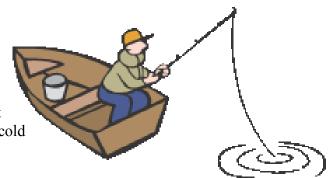
Tip of the Month

Norm's boating tip

Boating season is upon us and here are some things to check out before it's time to leave for a great time fishing. "0 dark thirty, cold and raining"

- Boat trailer coupler and vehicle trailer hitch ball match?
- Safety chains are correct length and hooks are there?
- Running lights and directional lights work?
- License tabs current for both boat and trailer and registration is in boat?
- Boat battery connections are checked and batteries charged?
- Lube checked in lower unit of motors?
- Steering actually works?
- Drain plug w/ spare?
- Mandatory Coast Guard equipment is on board?
- Fuel / mix if two cycle?

Enjoy a memorable trip.....





Membership – New and Renewals

If you have not paid for your membership for the 2015 year, now is the time. Membership dues are used to support many community activities such as the Steel Lake Kids Fishing event, the Auburn Youth Fishing Derby, City of Algona Kid's Fishing Derby, Senior Fishing Day at Mill Pond, Disabled Sportsmen outing, and various other projects, and each membership includes a year's subscription to The Reel News. Contact our membership chair, Rich Gregory, at rwgav8@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

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.



A message from WashingtonLakes.com

Hello WashingtonLakes member,

We are excited to announce that as of March 15th our name will be changing to:

Northwest Fishing Reports (www.NorthwestFishingReports.com)

This has been in the works since last fall. At that time Aaron and I decided that our name, iconic though it has become, no longer reflected who or what our website was all about. We've grown well beyond lakes, and geographically cover the whole Pacific Northwest. So with our growth, a new name became important to let anglers know just what our community is all about. Hence, Northwest Fishing Reports. The change won't affect how the site works, or how you get to it. Your WashingtonLakes.com bookmarks will still work. Your browser will automatically redirect you to the new address. Indeed, WashingtonLakes.com will still be alive and well on the internet. The only change you'll see is the name.

Our second big piece of news is that as of March 15th all paid Premium Memberships will have expired, and we will be opening up the premium features to everyone that is registered on our site. When you are logged in you'll see a "Members" link on the black menu bar, right side. Clicking on this link will reveal a menu tree with links to Profile, Blog Tool, Photo Galleries, My Reports, GPS Hotspots, GPS Export, Historical Data, Alerts, Premium Lake Maps, Heat Maps, and Settings.

We're excited to be able to offer the premium membership tools to all our members. Your support over the years has fueled our growth to the point that these great features can be made free. We're sure you'll find yourself using these additional features a lot. You'll want to post your fishing reports and watch your online fishing diary grow. Years from now you'll appreciate being able to look back at your old reports to refresh your memory and share pictures of friends and family with ease. The various tools are designed to increase your odds of fishing success and are an invaluable tool to add to your online tackle box.

Stay tuned for more great site updates in the coming year.

P.S. – We look forward to seeing you at Lake Chelan on May 2nd for our annual Fishing Get-Together! Click here for details.

Fish On, Mike Carey and Aaron Borg Digital Anglers LLC

If you have a website or product you would like to share, please send the information to: Sof.psa@hotmail.com

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.



Thanks, Norm, for this look at Premature Joy

Email or Text your pictures to sof.psa@hotmail.com

Recipe of the Month: Citrus Broiled Alaska Salmon





Recipe by: Christine L. on Safeway.com

- Prep Time: 15 minutes
- Cook Time: 15 minutes
- Ready In: 30 minutes

Servings: 8 (Note-this recipe can easily be cut in half)

Ingredients

- 4 large oranges
- 8 (4 ounce) fillets salmon
- 2 teaspoons red wine vinegar
- 1/2 cup chopped green onions
- 2 teaspoons cracked black pepper

Directions

- 1. Preheat the oven's broiler.
- 2. Peel, and pith oranges; slice crosswise into 1/4 inch rounds. Season fillets with salt. Place salmon fillets on broiling pan.
- 3. Place the pan of fillets 4 to 6 inches from heat. Cook for 15 minutes under the preheated broiler, or 10 minutes per inch of thickness. (Editor's note: I prefer to cook by temperature, not time. I cooked until internal temp reached about 125) Remove from broiler just before they are cooked through. Sprinkle with vinegar. Arrange orange rounds on top. Sprinkle with green onions and cracked black pepper. Broil 1 minute longer (or until internal temperature of 135).



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2015 MEMBERSHIP FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION				
Name:				Date:
Current address:				
ity: 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 2015 calendar year. Dues paid through January 31, 2015 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00. Dues paid February 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015 will be at the full annual rates shown below. Contact Rich Gregory at 253-209-0586 or <u>sof.psa@hotmail.com</u> if you have any questions.				
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New Membership	Membership Renewal			al
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				
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