

Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday May 22, 2019 - 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:

May

22 – General Club Meeting

Speaker: Eric Winther, WDFW Fish Biologist

Project Lead for Pikeminnow

July

26-28 – Sekiu Club Outing

June

1 – Steel Lake Kids Fishing Derby

12 – Board Meeting

26 – General Club Meeting

Speaker: tbd

~~27-29 – Columbia River Outing~~

CANCELLED

August

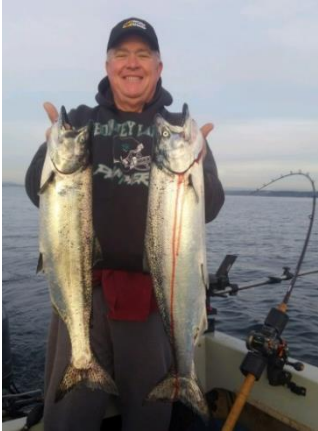
28 – Steak & Corn Feed

September

21 – Carbon River Cleanup

27-28 – Mike Wood Memorial Fall Outing

President's Message -- Rob Larsen



Thanks for all of you that have been helping with our many activities, derbies, Flaming Geyser feeding, imprinting and release. There are so many things going on and without your help, our club could not accomplish it all. We have a big Steel Lake Kids Derby coming up on June 1st. This derby requires the most volunteers and we have been light on folks the past few years. Please plan to come and bring other family or friends. We generally provide a fishing opportunity for 300 plus kids at this event.

Halibut and Ling Cod fishing has been productive with the good water conditions. It looks like the season will go into June, so get out there and enjoy this great resource. There have been a good number of large Canary rockfish in the catch this year, which are nice to have back in the limit. In addition, there are good numbers of salmon coming from area 13 so get on the water and have fun!

Come learn how to make some extra money catching pikeminnow at this month's meeting.

I will be at Neah Bay fishing with Todd during this month's meeting, so I will see you in June.

Rob Larsen

SOF PSA President

May Speaker – Eric Winther, WDFW



2019 Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program



Project Leader, Columbia River Predator Control Program

Eric will give us a PowerPoint presentation on how to catch Pikeminnow and where you can fish for them. He is very knowledgeable and easy to listen to. You can earn money by catching the fish in rivers near the Columbia River system, as there is a bounty for these fish. Due to the poor forecast return this year for salmon, this might be a fun thing to do while the salmon stocks improve!

Learn more about the program here: wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/reports/creel/pikeminnow

Disabled Sportsman Derby Recap



Thank you to all who came out to help with the Disabled Sportsman Fishing Derby last month. Our derby went well thanks to a great group of volunteers. Our Captains were Earl, Carl, Russ, Bob, Matt and Rob. We also had a great group of cooks; Jim Hand stepped in this year and did a great Job organizing things. His wife, Ronnie, and Barney all pitched in to help. Everyone caught some fish and all had a good time.



Auburn Youth Fishing Derby Recap

Thank you to all who came out to help with the Auburn Youth Derby.. The derby was a great success with Auburn Mayor Nancy Backus kicking off the event. Even though attendance was a little less than years past, we still had over 150 plus kids who attended. We saw limits for many and overall was a great morning of fishing. We were kept very busy at the cleaning station with Bob Pornn leading the way and Russ Carver gratefully helping out at the end. A big “Thank You” to all who participated to help put this on. Again, as usual, a special “Thank You” to Don Payne for all his behind the scene work from getting the city’s donation for the fish to the jig tying and managing all the various groups we need to communicate with to make a successful event.

We would also like to thank *Gamakatsu USA* for their generous hook donations that help make this event possible!



Big Fish Planting



Auburn Mayor Backus



Hi Kathy!



BIG smiles!!



Steve Bagley
with grandson
TJ

Flaming Geyser Smolt Release and Pond Cleanup was on 5-11-19

Thank you everyone who came out to help with this project!





All cleaned up for next year!



Sponsorship opportunities available!
 Contact Melinda Blevins
 Event.Assistant@cityoffederalway.com
 253-820-9455

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STEEL LAKE PARK FISHING DOCK



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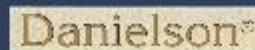


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Each child is guaranteed to catch 2 rainbow trout out of our pre-stocked netted pen. All fishing equipment is provided. Rain or shine!

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www.Itallhappenshere.org



Columbia River Outing – June 27th – 29th
Season is Closed – Outing is Cancelled

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 funds available to send two youth (2 girls, or 2 boys, or boy & girl) to the



Conner Williams and
Brody Cochran attended
camp last year

Washington State Junior Sportsmen's Conservation Camp on Orcas Island all expenses paid. The Girls camp date is July 14-20 and the Boys camp is July 21-27. The youth must be in the 12 to 16 year-old age group. 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.



If you have a youth who would like to be considered for camp, please contact Carl Carver at 253-315-2185 or email at crniec@msn.com and title the e-mail SOF Youth Conservation Camp. **We would like to have our youth identified soon** so we can make a selection and get them registered and all communication completed early to ensure a spot. The youth we sent last year gave a great report of their experience at our steak & corn feed meeting in August. They expressed their appreciation for our sponsorship and how it was a great life experience that they will never forget.

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.

CCA Update: Oyster Planting Project

The dates have been set for the CCA Sea Tac Chapter oyster planting project.

June 15, Penrose State Park-- 9:30am-1:30pm

June 20, Kopachuck State Park- 12pm -4pm

Oysters play a vital role in the ecology of Puget Sound, helping to improve water quality while also providing habitat for juvenile salmonids.

The project is fully funded by the CCA Building Conservation Trust Fund and relies on volunteers like you to make it happen. Come join us for a fun project that will benefit marine habitat and our conservation efforts. Bring some boots and gloves, that's all you need.

If you have any questions contact Joe Slepki, Sea Tac Chapter President who is heading up the project.

Thanks
Earl Betts
Sea Tac Chapter

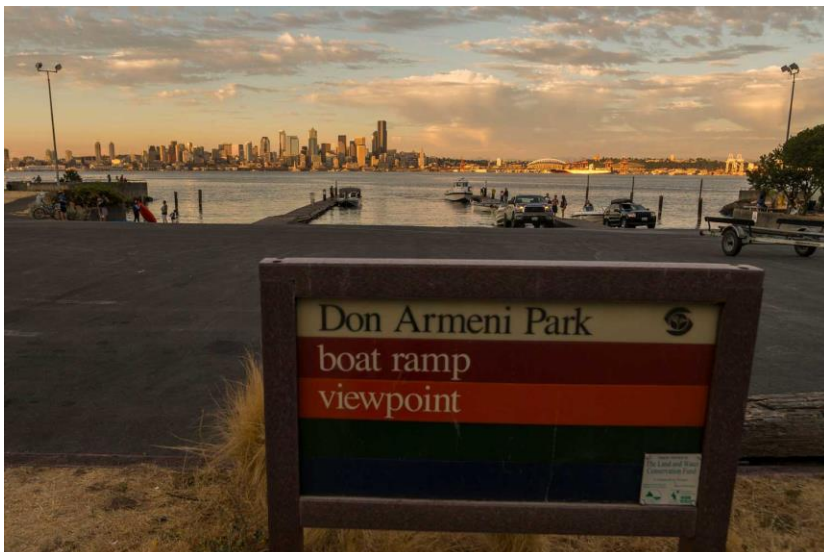
Tip of the Month – Top 5 Fishing Tips and Tricks

Author: Mike Coachys <http://www.litefighter.com/top-5-fishing-tips-tricks/>

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1. **Basic knowledge** – know what kind of fish you want to catch, and learn about their habits and habitat. **Time of day is important**; some fish will bite best in the morning, while others are hungrier in the afternoon. Some like cold water and others stick to the warmer shallows. Be sure to check the weather report before you head out on the waterways.
2. **Proper equipment** – for simple fishing off a dock, rowboat or shoreline, you need a basic fishing set that includes a rod, reel, line and hooks. Tackle boxes are ideal for carrying and sorting small equipment like sharp hooks, lures, extra line and a knife. Fill your tackle box with a flashlight, adjustable wrench, pliers, first aid supplies, spare hooks and rod tips, glue stick and a lighter.
3. **Bait** – even fish have different preferences when it comes to food. Use bait that your target fish enjoy. Cover the hook with the worm or other bait, so the fish gets set on a good hook when they chomp down on the tempting bait. Some artificial and electronic baits appeal to certain types of fish but not others. Don't go looking for perch with bait designed to attract salmon. Shiny reflective lures can sun blind certain fish; use matted metal lures instead.
4. **Get maps and local reports** – check at the nearest bait shops for local topographical maps and fishing activity reports before you head out for the day fishing. Maps that show the contour bottom of lakes and rivers help you find the drop-offs and other locations that certain fish prefer, like deep holes or mossy areas near the shoreline. Other fishermen can advise you (if they will) about where the fish are biting that day.
5. **Peace and patience** – keep noise to a minimum, but bring along something to help you pass time; be patient. Keep a close watch for any fishing line movement; a quick hard tug is a chance to hook a fish if you are ready.

FYI: Don Armeni Park Boat Ramp Floating Dock Replacment



**Background:**

The Don Armeni Ramp located on Harbor Avenue and Maryland Street south of the Duwamish Head, Don Armeni is the most popular of Seattle's saltwater boat ramps. Don Armeni's close proximity to many favorite fishing spots on the south end of Marine Area 10 and the other south Marine Areas makes it a popular ramp for fishers during salmon season.

The Don Armeni Ramp provides 84 vehicle with boat trailer parking spaces plus an additional 16 single vehicle spaces.

During the summer of 2018 one of the two sections of the floating dock was damaged and approximately a ten foot section was removed. Seattle parks began a study and plans to repair/replace the floating dock.

Proposed Project:

Seattle Parks and Recreation is replacing the floating dock system and pilings at Don Armeni Boat Ramp in West Seattle.

Budget:

This \$500,000 is funded through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office Boating Facilities Grant 16-23650 for \$374,950 and \$125,050 in matching funds from the City of Seattle.

Project Schedule:

Design/Permitting: 2018/2019

Construction: 2020 July through March 2021 as per approved in water work window for this section of Puget Sound

Alternative Boat Launch Locations:

During the renovation, boaters will need to use alternative location. The nearest City of Seattle choice is Eddie Vine Boat Ramp on the south edge of Golden Gardens Park, 8001 Seaview Ave. NW, Seattle WA 98112. This facility provides 94 vehicle with boat trailer parking spaces and is approximately 8 nm from Don Armeni boat launch.

The nearest other alternative ramp is at the Redondo Boat Launch facility south of Salty's Restaurant 28201 Redondo Beach Dr S, Des Moines, WA 98198. This facility provides 42 vehicle with boat trailer parking spaces and is approximately 17 nm from Don Armeni boat launch.

Contact information

Mayor Jenny Durkan at jenny.durkan@seattle.gov or 206-684-4000

Seattle Parks, Garrett Farrell at garrett.farrell@seattle.gov or 206-233-7921.

www.seattle.gov/parks/find/parks/don-armeni-boat-ramp

Issue:

Starting construction and closing one of the most used boat ramps for access to south end of Marine Area 10 and Elliott Bay during prime boating and fishing seasons will force boaters and anglers to use alternative boat ramps that already have capacity issues during this time of year. It will also prevent the small boat owner access to south end marine area 10 and Elliott Bay due to excessive distance to travel from alternative boat ramps.

Please contact Seattle Parks department and the Seattle Mayor to express your concern with closure of Don Armeni launch during the July through September prime fishing season and ask for a small delay in starting this project to October time frame when the most usage occurs.

Raffle News

May 2019 Raffle News

Anyone catching Halibut, Springers or steelhead? If you are, it is a must-show meeting for a chance at some great gear!

This month's feature will again be a mystery because they are down at the storage unit but I will pick out one of the nicer Lamiglas rods we have available.

Once again, I'd like to thank all the board members who showed up at my house last month where we managed to organize and bag all the equipment and tackle into very nice packages. As mentioned last month we will have fewer prizes in total on the table so we can finish the drawing quicker but overall it will be a much nicer prize package when your number is drawn. We hope this will help keep interest high.

I also have a new batch of Dexter fishing knives and will have one in the drawing along with one of the few remaining PSA hats. I will also have another mystery prize. Should be interesting. Crab season is right around the corner so I'll have a tap available as well. 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 only have a few cotton hats left so if you don't win one in the raffle, buy one instead. We are looking forward to a new hat design in the next few months.

Thanks for reading!

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

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

Greg Hindman



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.

Let us know what you think of the new design! www.saveourfish.org



Save Our Fish Facebook Page

The Save Our Fish [Facebook page](#) is a Public Group currently with 36 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.



Please be courteous during the meeting

Take your conversations outside the meeting room or hold them until the break so that others can hear whoever is speaking.

Thank you!

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.

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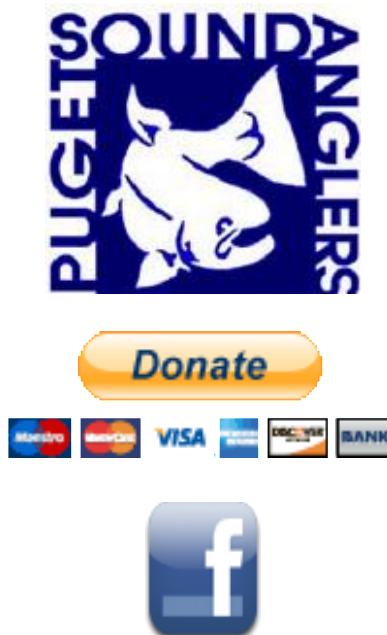
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You can also get to this Donate link via our main web site <http://www.saveourfish.org/>

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

SOF PSA Vests for sale

If you would like to purchase a vest with our Puget Sound Anglers logo on it, please see Kathy Carnino to order.

Prices range from \$60 to \$70.





" My goodness, Dick—let him have the fish "

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:
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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.



Carl and his cousin with a
nice trout from Duck Lake,
Ocean Shores



Meanwhile, at a lake in Elma,
Kathy caught this nice Rainbow trout

And a little farther south in Baja, Mexico –
Hal Boynton and his son Joel....



26# African Pompano



Dorado



Needlefish

Recipe of the Month



Beer Batter Fish Made Great

Recipe by: Linda Olar www.allrecipes.com

"This is a great beer batter fish recipe, and is very easy to do. We often fish all day with friends, and then cook the fish afterwards out on deck.

Yummy and great!"

Ingredients

- 2 quarts vegetable oil for frying
- 8 (4 ounce) fillets cod
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons garlic powder
- 2 tablespoons paprika
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons ground black pepper
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1 (12 fluid ounce) can or bottle beer

Instructions

1. Heat oil in a deep fryer to 365 degrees F (185 degrees C). Rinse fish, pat dry, and season with salt and pepper.
2. Combine flour, garlic powder, paprika, 2 teaspoons salt, and 2 teaspoons pepper. Stir egg into dry ingredients. Gradually mix in beer until a thin batter is formed. You should be able to see the fish through the batter after it has been dipped.
3. Dip fish fillets into the batter, then drop one at a time into hot oil. Fry fish, turning once, until both sides are golden brown. Drain on paper towels, and serve warm.



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2019 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>):		
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MEMBERSHIP

Membership is for the 2019 calendar year. **Dues paid through January 31, 2019 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00.** Dues paid February 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019 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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<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Renewal
Adult: 18-61 – annual dues \$30	
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Juvenile: 17 and younger – annual dues \$15	
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c/o Rich Gregory
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