



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

**Next Chapter Meeting:**

**Wednesday November 20, 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:**

#### **November**

**16 – Minter Creek Cleanup**  
**20 – General Club Meeting**  
Speaker: Larry Cluster  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in November)

#### **January**

**8 – Board Meeting**  
**22 – General Club Meeting**  
**22-26 – WA Sportsmen's Show**

#### **December**

**7 – Christmas Banquet**  
**Silent Auction**  
**11 – Board Meeting**

#### **February**

**26 – General Club Meeting**



## **President's Message -- Rob Larsen**

I hope this newsletter finds you all happy and in good health. I enjoy the holiday season which is approaching and look forward to our Christmas party with all of you. I hope to see you there and encourage you to send in your photos from this year. We will have two years' worth of pictures in our slide show since we had technical issues last year. Please don't procrastinate sending them. It makes Rich's job much easier if he has them ahead of time.

At our last month's meeting, Nello Picinich did a good job. I appreciate Earl inviting him and thought it was informative. It is difficult to get all fishermen on the same page and I was glad he came and shared more about CCA. We need to continue to make the effort to work together if we are going to improve our fish runs. I think it is unlikely that we will all agree on everything, but as we find common ground and work together we can accomplish more.

I have not been out fishing for some time. I hope to find a few fish, clams and or crab before the end of the year. That said it sure seems our opportunities have been diminished this year. Our cleanup/fishing trip to Minter Creek turned into just a cleanup with the closure of Minter due to poor returns so far this year. Let's hope the run is better next year.

I just want all of you to know I feel we have a great club and it is because of all of you. Thank you for all you do. I hope to see you and learn a little more about squidding at our next meeting.

Rob Larsen  
SOF PSA President

## **November Speaker – Larry Cluster, founder of Fly Rodders Heaven**

Our speaker this month is Larry Cluster who is a retired disabled US Veteran. Larry will give a talk about squid fishing and techniques he uses. He builds jigs for Squid fishing, along with building flies for fly fishing, and pours lead balls. He sells material for the do-it-yourself. His business is located in Puyallup.

[www.flyroddersheaven.net](http://www.flyroddersheaven.net)

## Washington Sportsmen's Show 2020

As most of you know, we have a SOF Auburn booth at the Washington Sportsmen's Show and we are letting you know to **get the date on your calendar (January 22-26)** as it is a great show. We need volunteers to run the booth, setup and take down.

The O'Loughlin Trade Show folks are great supporters. They provide a booth free of charge for marketing our chapter events and it is also our biggest fundraiser (we sell homemade jigs) which allows us to do kids derbies, the disabled event at American lake, and our chapter outings.



Watch the website for more updated info: <https://www.thesportshows.com/shows/washington/>

## Minter Creek Cleanup – November 16<sup>th</sup>

Don't forget we have our cleanup on November 16<sup>th</sup> at Minter Creek. We will meet right at the hatchery at 9 AM. I will have trash bags and gloves for picking up trash. I may even find some Donuts to bring over.

Unfortunately, there will be no fishing due to the closed area. See the info below from WDFW.

If you have questions please let me know.  
Rob Larsen



## FISHING RULE CHANGE

**WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**  
600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, WA 98501-1091

**November 8, 2019**

### **Salmon fishing to close in Marine Area 10, part of Marine Area 13, the Green River, and Minter and Kennedy Creeks**

Action: Closes salmon fishing in areas listed, except in Marine Area 13 EAST of a line from the southernmost point of Devil's Head to the eastern boundary of Tolmie State Park, where salmon fishing remains open, all chum must be released in addition to wild Chinook and wild coho.

Effective date: Nov. 12, 2019, until further notice.

Species affected: Salmon.

Locations:

Marine Area 10 (Seattle/Bremerton Area).

Marine Area 13 (South Puget Sound) waters EAST of a line from the southernmost point of Devil's Head (at the southern end of Key Peninsula) to the eastern boundary of Tolmie State Park.

Marine Area 13 (South Puget Sound) waters WEST of a line from the southernmost point of Devil's Head (at the southern end of Key Peninsula) to the eastern boundary of Tolmie State Park. (This includes Case Inlet, Henderson Inlet, Budd Inlet, Eld Inlet, Totten Inlet, Hammersly Inlet, and Oakland Bay.)

The Green (Duwamish) River, and Kennedy and Minter Creeks.

Reason for action: In-season information indicates lower than expected returns of chum salmon to south Puget Sound waters. WDFW is implementing this rule to meet chum salmon conservation and escapement objectives.

Additional information: Year-round fishing piers (as listed in the Washington Sport Fishing Rules pamphlet) are excepted from this rule change and remain open as listed.

Salmon fishing remains open in the eastern portion of Marine Area 13, east of a line from the southernmost point of Devil's Head (at the southern end of Key Peninsula) to the eastern boundary of Tolmie State Park, as part of the 2 salmon daily limit. Chinook-min. size 22". Other salmon species no min. size. Release all wild Chinook, wild coho, and chum. View a map of the area at [https://wdfw.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2019-11/marine\\_-\\_area13\\_11-8-19.pdf](https://wdfw.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2019-11/marine_-_area13_11-8-19.pdf)

Please see the 2019-20 Washington Sport Fishing Rules pamphlet for additional rules or visit the WDFW website at <https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/regulations>.

Information contact: David Stormer, Puget Sound recreational salmon manager, 360-902-0058; or Mark Baltzell, Puget Sound salmon manager, 360-902-2807

## Christmas Banquet – December 7<sup>th</sup>

This year's Chapter Christmas Party will be held December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Kent Senior Activity Center (same place as last year). Doug Williams is our party chairman and will bring signup sheets and discuss this event at our October and November meetings. Sign-up will be for attendance, potluck dish and other various duties. Our chapter will provide the turkey, ham, water, coffee, soft drinks, wine and beer. Each member should bring a dish to share for the supper.

Please bring all items for the silent auction to the complex as early as possible. Donations of items other than fishing gear are encouraged to keep our non-fishing family members interested.

We will have a Smoked Salmon contest again this year. Bring your favorite recipe for tasting. Everyone will have an opportunity to vote on the best recipe and a prize will be awarded by the club. The prize is yet to be chosen, but a filet knife has been suggested.

We are also asking everyone to bring a special lure to hang on the "Lure Tree" which will be displayed in the hall. Everyone will be given a ticket and there will be a drawing for the Tree after dinner. Bring lures worth about \$5.00 to make it a special gift. Doug Williams will be in charge of this project and will be giving out the tickets that evening.



Start sending pictures in for our end of the year slide show to Rich Gregory at [sof.psa@hotmail.com](mailto:sof.psa@hotmail.com). It should be great as we will have 2 years of pics!

We had a great turnout last year and it was a special time of celebration with our chapter members and their families. It is truly the highlight event of the year full of fun, joy, fellowship, and fantastic food. Come join in and enjoy this year end event.

## Silent Auction

As you all know our annual Christmas banquet is on December 7th this year and one of the things we always do to help pay for things is a Silent Auction. We all bring in a donated item for the auction and I will have the bid sheets for you to complete on your items.

Keep in mind that your donated item can be just about anything (not just fishing related), so use your imaginations and bring in something cool for a good cause.



## Photos Needed for Christmas Banquet

Send your fishing pictures to Rich Gregory, **ASAP before the end of October** so he can start putting the slide show together for the Christmas Banquet. You can bring your electronic photos to the club meeting via USB drive identified with your name, or you can send them electronically via email to Rich at [sof.psa@hotmail.com](mailto:sof.psa@hotmail.com).

## Election of Officers for 2020 & Board of Director Openings

We will be electing our officers for 2020 at our November 20th meeting. If you would like to run for an office or nominate someone for President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer this is your opportunity. We have an excellent board of directors and there is considerable experience, knowledge, and support to help new officers transition if elected. None of the current officers have expressed an interest in being replaced, but you can contact one of the board members and put your name up for nomination prior to or at the November general meeting if you are interested.

Being a board member is a great way to prepare for one of the offices as well. We meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month at Auburn Round Table Pizza from 6-8pm. Some of the business we conduct is review minutes from previous meeting, membership status, financial status, monthly speakers, raffle status, Newsletter, Website, Events, Outings, Projects, Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) status, and new business. Members are

welcome any time to sit in on a board meeting to meet our board, to see how we operate, to provide input, and/or to discuss joining the board.

## Founders Award

The board of directors established the Founders Award to recognize the member that has gone above and beyond the “call to help with the club”. The first annual award was given to the founding fathers of the Save Our Fish (SOF) Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers. The board of directors will begin accepting nominations for this year’s award at the October general meeting. There will be ballots and a secure ballot box at the meeting. If, for some reason, a member is not able to vote by ballot at the October meeting they may send a nomination to Rob Larsen by email ([topfishingguy@gmail.com](mailto:topfishingguy@gmail.com)) up to the day before the November 13<sup>th</sup> board meeting. It will be placed in the ballot box. The winning member will be chosen by the board of directors.

### Criteria for nomination of a member:

- Participation in chapter activities
- Hard work for the chapter
- Support of fellow members
- Goes above and beyond what is expected
- Takes initiative to further chapter goals/objectives

The nomination must have a brief explanation of why the member is being nominated, as the board of directors must have an understanding of why this member is being considered for this award. There will be space on the ballot for this explanation.

**This process will not be by voice vote on the floor. A ballot must be presented to the board.** The board will make the decision at the November board meeting and present the award at the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, which will also be the Christmas dinner party.



Frank Urabeck receives  
the 2018 Founders Award

## Tip of the Month -- Tips for Getting Lucky when fishing for Winter Steelhead

from Kathy Carnino

1. Look for flat slow water; it is usually found in the tail out of your drift.
2. Wade shallow and cast short in high dirty water as steelhead hold close to shore.
3. If water is rising look for traveling lanes to fish.
4. Wade deep and cast far when there is low clear water.
5. Keep your hooks sharp. Don't be afraid to try other things such as bait, jigs, spoons, beads, divers, or lures.



6. If fly fishing-fish flies slow.
7. If the water is cold don't waste your time focusing on fast riffles. Fish rarely live there when water temp. plummets.
8. Keep a close eye on your pole and line. They sometimes bite very lightly.
9. Winter steelheading takes perseverance and patience. Always think positive, you eventually will be rewarded!

## Net Pens in Puget Sound

For several years Cooke Aquaculture has raised Atlantic Salmon in net pens in Puget Sound for commercial sale. In 2017 there was a large escapement of Atlantic Salmon into Puget Sound due to poor maintenance of the net pens, raising concern on the impacts of net pens in Puget Sound.

Cooke Aquaculture has filed a request with WDFW to transition from raising Atlantic Salmon to raising rainbow trout/ steelhead in net pens in Puget Sound.

WDFW has opened a public comment period on Cooke Aquacultures request. For more information or to make a comment go to [www.wdfw.wa.gov](http://www.wdfw.wa.gov). The comment period ends Nov. 22.

At the SOF PSA board meeting, the board unanimously voted to oppose Cooke Aquacultures request due to concerns on the impacts of net pens in Puget Sound.



## CCA Update

For those of you who are CCA members, you should have received an action alert email regarding the closure of areas 8-1 and 8-2 to

recreational crabbing due to an over harvest by the commercial crabbers. Not Fair. If you are a crabber you might want to respond to the action alert and let WDFW know your thoughts.

Here is a snippet from the CCA email:

“[Please take action and contact WDFW Director Kelly Susewind today](#). Tell the Director that you want to see real reforms enacted that improve resource management and recognize the importance of the recreational community – who are of the primary sources of funding and public support for WDFW. Puget Sound residents and the resource deserve better!”

## Raffle News

### November 2019 Raffle News

It sounds like we are having a lot of success this fall in the outdoors! Since this is my last raffle of the year I've decided to raffle off a very Sweet North Fork Custom rod. It's a 9' 10-30 lb 1-6oz beauty. Do not miss out on this one. I will also have a new Pen Spinning reel up for grabs and one of the few remaining PSA hats to boot. 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 a few hats available for \$15!

Thanks for reading and I'll see you all after Thanksgiving!

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](http://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](mailto:rwgav8@hotmail.com).

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: 2018 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:





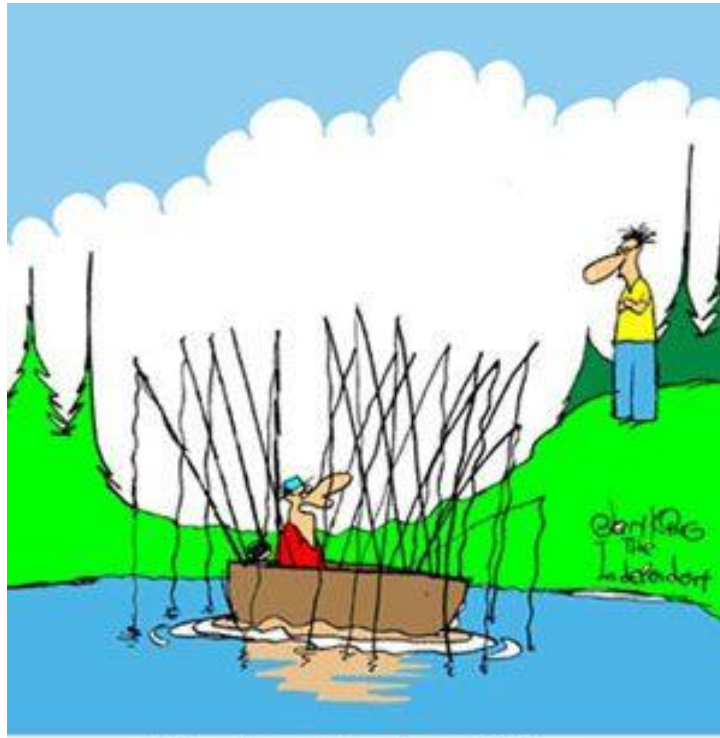
The membership form is available online <http://www.saveourfish.org/membership.pdf> and at the end of this newsletter.

## 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





*"Trust me when I say I'll be  
catching **SOMETHING** today."*

## **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)**

# 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.



Rob Larsen and Rich Gregory  
on the Psiu River in Alaska



The Carver brothers with Dad Doug.  
Successful day with Rob's Guide Service





Another successful day with  
Rob's Guide Service



Carver brothers and brother Kelly Bryant  
Success with Rob's Guide Service



Carl Carver and son Joel  
Montana hunting trip



Russ Carver Sr and Russ Jr  
Montana hunting trip





Montana hunting trip  
Russ Jr and Russ Carver Sr

# Recipe of the Month

## Raspberry Sweet Potatoes

My daughter does not care for the “traditional” yams and marshmallows. We found this recipe for Raspberry Sweet Potatoes and she absolutely loves it! She makes a special request to make sure we are serving them at Thanksgiving.

A simple, yet elegant side dish of sweet potatoes baked in a brown sugar glaze with raspberries.



### Recipe Ingredients:

- 8 medium-size sweet potatoes
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 1 (10-ounce) package frozen raspberries, thawed and undrained

### Cooking Directions:

1. Cook sweet potatoes in boiling salted water 20 to 25 minutes or until tender. Drain and let cool to touch. Peel and cut in half lengthwise.
2. Arrange sweet potatoes in a lightly greased 13x9x2-inch casserole, cut side up.
3. Combine brown sugar and butter in a small bowl, mixing well.
4. Spread brown sugar mixture over cut surface of sweet potatoes. Top with raspberries and juice.
5. Bake uncovered, in a preheated oven at 350°F (175°C) for 25 minutes, spooning raspberries and juice over potatoes occasionally.

Makes 8 to 10 servings.



## Save Our Fish Chapter

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

### 2020 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 2020 calendar year. **Dues paid through January 31, 2020 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00.** Dues paid after February 1, 2020 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:

**Save Our Fish  
c/o Rich Gregory  
2822 208th Ave E  
Lake Tapps, WA 98391**