



Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday October 26, 2016 - 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

Speaker – Doug Williams & Supporting Cast of SOF Member Experts (Rob Larsen, Duane Horton) – Coastal River Salmon/Steelhead fishing

This month's presentation will focus on coastal river fishing prior to our chapter's fall outing Saturday, October 29th, near the coast. There will be in-depth information presented: Directions to the outing, lodging

accommodations, locations to bank fish and drift boat fishing the Humptulips, Satsop, Wynoochee rivers for coho and chinook salmon. Basic techniques of drift fishing, float fishing, jig fishing and spinner fishing will be covered by our chapter experts who have fished these rivers successfully for many years. This is a great outing to join in with fellow chapter members for some fun, relaxation and enjoy what can be some awesome fishing this time of year. With these rains, the rivers are rising and the fish are coming in big numbers. Bring your family, friends & neighbors to the meeting and take advantage of this once a year gold mine of information!

Up and Coming Activities:

October

29 – Mike Woods Memorial Fall Outing

November

9 – Board Meeting

16 – General Club Meeting speaker:

Laurie Peterson WDFW

Puget Sound Salmon Manager

December

3 – Christmas Banquet



President's Message -- Carl Carver

Thanks to member Mark Gavin for giving such an informative presentation on Lake Washington and Lake Sammamish fisheries at our September general meeting. Presentations given each month like Mark's, the one coming up this month about our coastal fisheries, and others given by experience fishing experts provide valuable information that will help you catch more fish for sure. You get the “where to fish, what to fish with, how to fish and when to fish” details that will put more fish in your freezer. We also have fishing reports from our members at the beginning of our meetings which is extremely beneficial to know as well as being entertaining.

I'm pleased, as I'm sure you are, that there is progress being made to open many of our river fisheries to the sportsmen/women of Washington and our visitors. We contribute in so many ways, as evidenced by the award below from WDFW to honor Puget Sound Anglers (PSA) member volunteers' dedication, to fish and wildlife. Our hard work and dedication contributes significantly as stated and this is another reason why we should be represented fairly when dealing with the tribes on fisheries matters.

**WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
NEWS RELEASE**

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May 17, 2016

Contact: Jason Wettstein (360) 902-2254  (360) 902-2254

WDFW's 2016 'Citizen Awards' honor volunteers' dedication to fish and wildlife

Organization of the Year: The 15 independent chapters of Puget Sound Anglers were recognized for thousands of hours spent volunteering at hatcheries, organizing kids fishing events and educating anglers on release techniques to protect wild salmon, steelhead and rockfish.

"Puget Sound Anglers consistently support policies that are critical to stewardship of Washington's fish and natural resources, mark selective fisheries and hatcheries, and many other conservation efforts," said Larry Phillips, WDFW inland fish manager.

I'm very proud of the Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter as you all have spent many hours on projects and activities to benefit the community and our fisheries over the years. Thanks for many jobs/activities well done.

As I've written in several President's Messages and talked about at our general meetings, **together/united** we can and are making a difference in our fisheries issues by weighing in and supporting when called upon.

I am looking forward to working with all of you to continue the hard work/efforts underway to have fisheries that meet or exceed our needs now and into the future.

Reminder: Our annual Christmas Banquet is coming up soon and you need to get it on your calendars. It is a lot of fun and a great time to enjoy good food and good company (see details below in the newsletter). Please come join us.

I hope to see you and talk with you at our upcoming meeting. We will have a fun time and it is always informative/entertaining.

Sincerely,
Carl Carver

Mike Wood Memorial Fall Fishing Outing – Oct 29th

This year's Mike Wood Memorial Fall Fishing Outing will take place on Saturday, October 29th weather permitting. The outing will consist of bank fishing and drift boat fishing. There will be no potluck dinner this year as the house/facility that has so generously been available to us for years is under major repairs. If those who are going on Saturday would like to meet at a restaurant in Montesano for an evening meal/get together, we will discuss that as well as the bank and boat options at the general meeting on the 26th. Outing details and directions will be available at the general meeting along with fishing tips on how to catch salmon in the Grays Harbor area rivers, so we will hope to see you there.



Tip of the Month – Check Current River Levels

Many of us know how to check the current river levels at USGS website

<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/wa/nwis/current?type=flow>.

But have you ever wondered how the upcoming rain in the weather forecast might impact the stream you are planning to fish? The Northwest River Forecast Center has a website (<http://www.nwrfc.noaa.gov/rfc/>) to inform you of the expected conditions. Not every river and stream has a forecast, but you can use a forecast from a nearby river to get an idea of how the river you plan to fish might be affected.

Carbon River Clean Up – Recap

We had a great turnout this year for our annual cleanup as you can see by the picture. We had great morning snacks (donuts) and drinks and beautiful day to walk and help out the city of Orting. The fishermen/women have been doing a better job of keeping the rivers clean as we talk to them each year and it seems to be making a difference. We will really know how well the bankies are doing when we do the cleanup next year which is a humpy year. There are lots more folks out fishing and littering in the odd years in the past clean-ups. Several of the crew went to LasPinas Mexican Restaurant in Orting and had a great lunch and lots of laughs. It's amazing what you find on the river banks and in the grass. ☺

Thanks to Steve Bagley for arranging the event with the city of Orting, Big J's, Café on the Corner, and Las Pina's for the 15% discount on lunch. Thanks to Rich Gregory for picking up the food, coffee, etc., organizing, and leading the event. Thanks to all the member volunteers (see picture) who gave up a Saturday to support.



Hal Boynton, Rich Gregory, Bob Holzberger, Russ Carver, Kathy Carino, Ed,
Earl Betts, Steve Amend, Alex Skistimas.
Photographer : Chapter President Carl Carver

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 September general meeting.

There will be ballots and a secure ballot box at the meeting and at the September and October meetings. If, for some reason, a member is not able to vote by ballot at the meetings (September/October) they may send a nomination to Carl Carver by email (crciec@msn.com) up to the day before the November 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.



Frank Urabeck receives
the 2015 Founders Award

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 meeting, which will also be the, Christmas dinner party.

Election of Officers for 2017 & Board of Director Openings

We will be electing our officers for 2017 at our November 16th meeting. If you would like to run for an office or nominate someone for President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer this is your opportunity. Our current officers have agreed to run for their offices in 2017 with the exception of Vice President. We need and are open to new officers as many of us have been in these offices for several years. We have an excellent board of directors and there is considerable experience, knowledge, and support to help new officers transition if elected. Being a board member is a great way to prepare for one of the offices as well. The board of directors has openings as well for those who would like to oversee the business of our chapter. 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.

Christmas Banquet – December 3rd

Reminder- This year's Chapter Christmas Party Banquet will be held December 3rd 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 (prepared by Rob Larsen), water, coffee, and soft drinks.

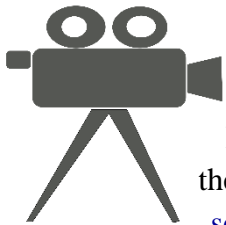


We need you to send fishing pictures to Rich Gregory, sofpsa@hotmail.com as soon as possible so he can get an early start on putting the slide show together.

We will have a silent auction again this year which helps generate funds for the chapter. 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 the taste test. Everyone will have an opportunity to vote on the best tasting smoked fish and a prize will be awarded by the chapter. The prize is yet to be chosen but a fillet knife has been suggested since it has been given out to past winners. We are also asking everyone to bring a special lure to hang on the "Lure Tree" which will be displayed in the hall. You will receive a ticket and there will be a drawing for the tree winner. Bring a lure worth approximately \$5 to make it a special gift.

We will also have an awards ceremony to present the 2016 Founders Award and Presidents awards as well as introducing your 2017 board of directors, 2016 outgoing officers and 2017 incoming officers.

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.



Photos Needed for Christmas Banquet

Photos Needed for Christmas Banquet Now is the time to start gathering your photos for the Christmas Banquet Slideshow. Please send your photos to the club email address sof.psa@hotmail.com.

Visit Our Website

The website has new pictures in the Hogpen, 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

Have you checked Save Our Fish [Facebook page](#) lately? 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.



Raffle News

October 2016 Raffle News

Happy Fall everyone! Since we are about to enter the most wonderful time of the year this Month we will have a classic rod that's perfect for a great late summer Steelhead or Silver. Here's an 8'6" Spinning 10-17Lb Med/Hvy Fetha Styx. I'll have a steak knife set, a fly fishing bag and more items from Silver Horde. I'll have another surprise knife package that will be up this month so don't miss out, especially you hunters out there. If attendance is good I might even put in the Silver Hoard KatchKooler. Additionally, we have some more knives available so the final ticket drawn will pick one knife from a great assortment of styles and brands.



We have our new few hats available and I will put one old one in the draw this month. (\$15 for a regular hat and \$20 for a waterproof hat if you don't get lucky) as well as floats and assorted corkies for sale. I'll bring some of the stock of Extreme bags and will take reasonable offers of our overstock. Get the word out!!!!!!

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! The first person who comes to me at the meeting and tells me "go Cougs" will get 10 tickets. Board exec's excluded. Thanks for reading by the way!

We NEED some donations for used items in our raffles! We accept any donations from our members and in return will give you an appropriate number of raffle tickets. Also if you know anyone that has a hoard of stuff in their garages they'd 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! ☺

Contact me with any raffle related questions at GregHindman@Comcast.Net

Membership – New and Renewals

2017 is not too far around the corner and it's time to start thinking of renewing your membership. Beginning in October, any new membership or membership renewal is discounted \$5 off the normal rate. We have even made renewal much easier with the option of paying online.

<http://www.saveourfish.org/Membership/Membership.htm>

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.



30th Annual Washington Sportsmen's Show

Coming to the Washington State Fair Events Center, Puyallup, WA

January 25-29, 2017

www.thesportshows.com





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

White House, Washington state and federal leaders announce major new initiatives for Puget Sound recovery

Oct. 18, 2016

SEATTLE – Today officials from the Obama administration and Washington Gov. Jay Inslee, U.S. Sens. Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell and U.S. Reps. Denny Heck, Derek Kilmer and Rick Larsen announced **new federal actions** to help protect and recover the health of Puget Sound, one of the nation's largest estuaries. These actions demonstrate a firm commitment from the federal government to help restore Puget Sound, and are

similar to federal actions taken in recent years to protect other large aquatic ecosystems, such as the Chesapeake Bay and the Great Lakes.

Christy Goldfuss, managing director of President Obama's White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), joined federal, state and tribal officials in Seattle to announce a new memorandum of understanding that directs federal Puget Sound restoration activities and that recognizes the pressing need to address salmon recovery and protect tribal treaty rights. This MOU creates a Puget Sound Federal Task Force that includes several members of Obama's cabinet and will enhance coordination among federal and state agencies, tribes and local restoration efforts.

In addition to this landmark task force and MOU, today the [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers](#) and Environmental Protection Agency announced more than \$600 million in new federal funding commitments for habitat restoration, storm water runoff, shellfish sustainability and other key strategies to improve the health of Puget Sound.

"A healthy Puget Sound provides key economic, cultural and ecological benefits, and serves as the cornerstone of the region's high quality of life. Building on decades of conservation efforts from federal, state, local and tribal agencies, today's actions will strengthen federal efforts to bolster conservation, restoration, and enhance tribal treaty rights within the Puget Sound at a critical juncture in the ecosystem's recovery," Goldfuss said.

"Today's announcements mark an important step on the path to restoring the health of Puget Sound, the recovery of our salmon species and fulfilling our nation's commitment to Washington's tribes," Inslee said. "The federal commitments build upon our state's investments and the strong partnership between all levels of government that are working to restore this estuary central to our state's history, commerce and future."

Kilmer and Heck lauded today's federal executive actions, which closely reflect policy changes they have sought through their Promoting Unified Government Efforts to Save Our Sound (Puget SOS) Act.

"Too often, conversations in Washington, DC, on restoring America's waterways start with the Chesapeake Bay and end with the Great Lakes. Today we are pushing our nation's conservation priorities westward and bringing attention to Puget Sound, the iconic estuary that is part of our national identity and the heart of the Pacific Northwest," said Heck, who with Kilmer co-chairs of the Congressional Puget Sound Recovery Caucus. "With this announcement, we are reaffirming that Puget Sound recovery will be a central part of our federal government's conservation priorities moving forward. I look forward to working with our next president and Congress to provide the necessary resources to save our Sound."

"Puget Sound is central to our region's identity, history and culture," said Kilmer. "It helps attract visitors to our area, supports critical habitats you won't find elsewhere and powers our economy. In order to keep it healthy for future generations, the time for action is now. That's why I'm glad we are here today to announce a new playbook that ensures the federal government is working in tandem with local partners and Native American tribes to more effectively protect and restore our Sound."

The new federal MOU and task force will prioritize the protection of Puget Sound through development of a Puget Sound action plan to better coordinate federal programs, complement the state action agenda from the [Puget Sound Partnership](#) and focus on restoration work. The task force will develop the action plan in collaboration with state officials and in consultation with tribal governments.

In addition, several federal agencies today announced new funding commitments to help accelerate Puget Sound recovery. These are:

- A \$248 million combined investment from EPA and the state of Washington, over the next five years for improving estuary health.
- Two habitat studies completed by the Army Corps of Engineers and partners. The first, the Puget Sound Nearshore Ecosystem Restoration Project (PSNERP) — one of the largest ecosystem restoration projects undertaken by the federal government — recommends approximately \$450 million in large-scale estuary and coastal habitat restoration. The second, the Skokomish River Basin Restoration Project, recommends a \$20 million project to open over 40 miles of habitat along the Skokomish River.
- In addition, the Army Corps of Engineers is committed to providing improved fish passage at Mud Mountain Dam, located on the White River, with an initial \$23 million included in the President's FY2017 budget to begin construction and a total project cost estimated at over \$100 million.

"In Washington state, we know how critical it is to protect our natural resources, not only for the environment, but also to respect tribal treaty rights, preserve our cultural identity and spur continued economic growth," said Murray, a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee who has fought successfully for federal investments in Puget Sound. "This partnership across all levels of government is a strong step forward to taking better care of the Puget Sound, and as a voice for our state in the nation's capital, I'm proud to make sure these important investments get the attention they deserve."

"Puget Sound is at the core of our region's identity and prosperity. We must restore and preserve the Sound for generations to come," said Cantwell, who serves as the top Democrat on the Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee, and has long been a champion for Puget Sound.

"Today's announcement is a significant step toward restoring Puget Sound and protecting everything from salmon and orca habitat, to tourism, to our precious environment and our regional economy."

"Puget Sound is an environmental, economic and cultural treasure for both our local communities and — as demonstrated by this federal partnership — our entire country," said Larsen, a senior member of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee who last month led a successful effort in the House to authorize \$450 million for PSNERP. "Coupled with our recent efforts in Congress to boost the Puget Sound Nearshore Ecosystem Restoration Project, the actions and resources announced today will help support the serious investment and stewardship needed to save the Sound."

You can read more about the federal Puget Sound recovery actions announced today at the [White House Council on Environmental Quality's \(CEQ\)](#) website.

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Recipe of the Month

Grilled Cedar Plank Salmon Fillet

Grilled cedar plank salmon with a flavorful herb spice mix is a delicious and healthy way to enjoy this tender and flaky fish. The cedar plank infuses a beautiful earthy and smoky element to the salmon dish.

Ingredients:

Cedar Plank Salmon-

- 1 pound salmon fillet (skin on)
- 1 cedar plank soaked in water for at least an hour
- 10 sprigs of thyme
- 4 lemon slices

Herbed Spice Mix-

- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper ground
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- ¾ teaspoon smoked paprika
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- ½ teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar



Instructions

1. Place cedar plank in a sheet pan, cover with water and put a heavy bottle on top of the board to keep beneath the water. Soak the cedar plank in water for at least 1 hour.
2. Place the salmon fillet on cutting board. Cut the fillet into 4 individual portions, cutting right down to the skin but not through it. This will make serving easier after the salmon is cooked.
3. Combine herb spice mix ingredients and evenly coat the surface of the salmon with 5 to 6 teaspoons of the seasoning. Reserve any additional spice mix for later use or extra spice after cooking the salmon.
4. Heat the grill to medium-high heat.
5. Remove the soaked plank from the water and place it on the cooking grate and close the lid. After 7 to 10 minutes, when the plank begins to smoke and char, turn the plank over.
6. Put the seasoned salmon on the plank, skin side down. Place the 10 sprigs of thyme on top of the salmon, and then the 4 slices of lemon. Cook the salmon with the lid closed until the salmon is just opaque in the center and begins to brown slightly around the edges, about 15 minutes. Transfer the plank with the salmon to a heatproof surface. Remove the thyme leaves, keeping the roasted lemon on top of each salmon piece
7. Slide a spatula between the skin and flesh and transfer to serving plates. Enjoy!

This tasty recipe brought to you by JESSICA GAVIN

<http://www.jessicagavin.com/grilled-cedar-plank-salmon-fillet/>

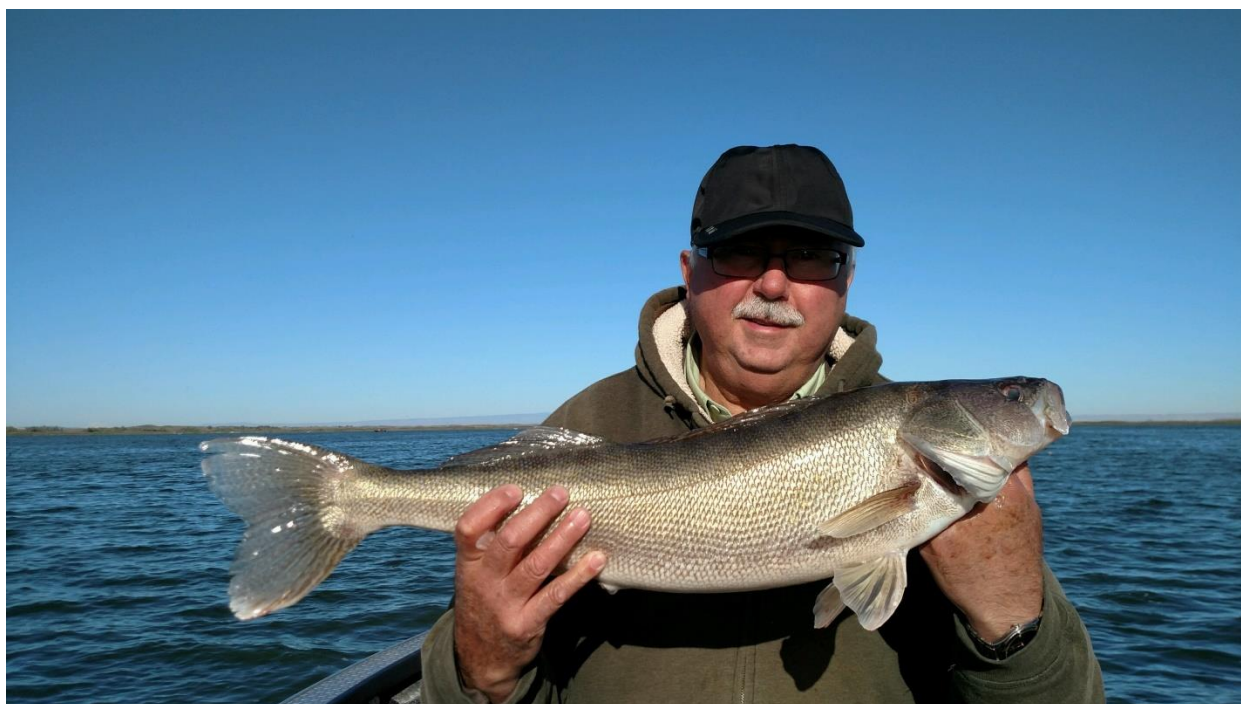
If you make this recipe, be sure to hashtag it #jessicagavin – She'd love to see what you cook!

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. Or submit them on the website.



John Rickert and Duane Horton with 18 & 25 lb kings from the Humptulips River



Duane Horton with 8 lb walleye from Potholes Reservoir



Scenic view of Soda Lake near Potholes Reservoir



Save Our Fish Chapter

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2017 MEMBERSHIP FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:	Date:	
Current address:		
City:	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 2017 calendar year. **Dues paid through January 31, 2017 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00.** Dues paid February 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017 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	
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PAYMENT

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Please check appropriate membership selection above, complete form, and bring to meeting or mail with check to:

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