

Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Next Meeting Date October 23, 2024 6:00pm Trotter's Restaurant 825 Harvey Rd, Auburn

Be sure to check out our website: http://www.saveourfish.org/
For a complete list of Board Members, please visit the website:
http://www.saveourfish.org/Board/board.htm
Newsletter editor: Dayle Conrad

Up and Coming Activities:

October
23 – General Club Meeting 6:00pm
Speaker: Jim Harwood

November
13 – Board Meeting 7:00pm
20 – General Club Meeting 6:00pm

<u>December</u> 7 – Christmas Party 6:00pm 11 – Board Meeting 7:00pm

<u>January</u> 8 – Board Meeting 7:00pm 22 – General Club Meeting 6:00pm



President's Message -- Rob Larsen

The fish politics continue to get worse. The Wild Fish group continues to fight with the WDFW and with our state president. Ron Garner is doing a good job trying to combat them. Issues with POHOS (percent of hatchery origins Steelhead) have resulted in more hatchery shut downs. IT IS VERY CONCERNING. We must continue the battle as there is very little data to indicate that surplus hatchery Steelhead hurt anything.

Several of the commissioners seem to be taking aim at Kelly Susewind. Ron Garner has been trying to defend him since he has been better to work with than most recent directors. He has been tireless in fighting for our fishing opportunities and if you get a chance, please let him know that you appreciate his efforts.

This year has been an amazing salmon season. The ocean conditions have been wonderful and the fish have responded. I don't remember ever having multiple 10 fish days in area 10 and many good days in area 11. Club members got together and caught lots of Coho during the September season

If you have any old lures and would like to know what they're worth, bring them with you to our next meeting. This is your chance to find out.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting and hope you're able to attend.



Tight Lines,

Rob Larsen SOF PSA president

October Speaker: Jim Harwood

Jim Harwood, our October speaker, has been collecting antique tackle for over 30 years. He is a lifetime member of both National Fishing Lure Collectors Club (NFLCC) and Old Reel Collectors Association (ORCA). Jim was the past National Officer for both clubs. He has co-authored a book called "Northwest Fishing Reels" with Russ Christiansen.

Jim will bring some books to our meeting that will be available for purchase.

I am sure you have seen Jim if you have attended the Washington State Sportsman Show. He has been there for many years, showing off his large collection of antique lures. If anyone would like to bring an item or two for Jim to give his expert value on, he will if there is time.

Election of Officers for 2025 & Board of Director Openings

We will be electing our officers for 2025 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.

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 via Zoom at 7pm. 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

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 (topfishinguy@gmail.com) up to the day before the November 13th 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.



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

Mike Wood Memorial Fall Outing - Recap

The Mike Wood Memorial Fall fishing outing in Wishkah was lightly attended, but fantastic fishing for those that participated. We ended up fishing up river and in three days on my boat. We probably landed over 70 fish! Almost everything was caught on floats and eggs and everyone caught fish that was there. Jim and Ron caught fish in the lower river trolling with Brad's plug cut Herring and Tuna. Tim, Bart, Rob and Ryan Tompkins all had a ball on floats and eggs.

Several people didn't show up because of the low water conditions, but they missed out. Hopefully next year more people will come.

Dinner was good with spaghetti made by Jim's wife. Bart brought Hawaiian chicken that we barbecued. Absolutely delicious dinner!



























Save the Date! Christmas Banquet December 7th

This year's Chapter Christmas Party will be held December 7th at the **Swiss Sportsman Club located at 9205 198th Ave E, Bonney Lake, 98391.**

More information will be coming, so stay tuned!

Rich Gregory is working on the slide show, so be sure to submit your pics <u>by</u> <u>November 20th to be included in the slide show!</u> to sof.psa@hotmail.com

Tip of the Month – Mind Your Beeswax From Rob Larsen

When float fishing, mending the line properly and having the line properly dressed are probably two of the most important things.

I like to use beeswax on monofilament line. Without a doubt, the beeswax makes a huge difference because it allows the line to float and mend very easily so it doesn't pull on your bobber.

Raffle News October 2024 Raffle News

This month's raffle will feature a 9' Shimano Scimitar spinning rod Heavy power medium action. I also have a 3000-yard spool of 50-pound Spiderwire Stealth-Braid.

I have a lot of other spoons, spinners, plugs, and other various fishing items to include in the raffle.

Hope to see you all Wednesday evening. Bob Holzberger 206-890-7066



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.







Save Our Fish Facebook Page

The Save Our Fish <u>Facebook page</u> is a Public Group currently with <u>69</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

Thank you everyone that have paid your membership dues for the 2024 year. For those of you who have not yet paid, it's not too late. Memberships can be paid online, at any SOF meeting, or by mail to the address at the bottom of the SOF membership form. Contact Rich Gregory if you have any membership question.

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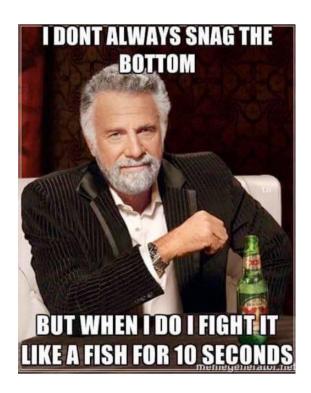
The membership form is available online http://www.saveourfish.org/membership.pdf and at the end of this newsletter.

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.

New merchandise coming soon!





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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Hog Pen

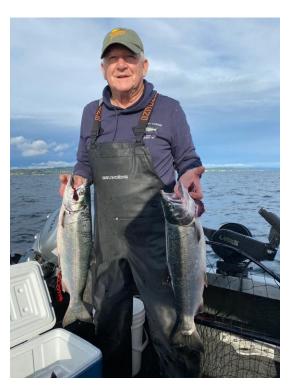
Do you have a picture from your latest fishing adventures? Be sure to send it, with your descriptive caption to sof.psa@hotmail.com for your chance to have it be featured in the Hog Pen.



Duane Horton



Duane Horton Skagit River coho





Russ Carver with friend Soos in Seattle area

Recipe of the Month

Crispy Salmon Bites Cooked in an Air Fryer

from Angie Bright Facebook page

Ingredients:

1 lb salmon fillets, skin removed and cut into bite-sized cubes

2 tablespoons olive oil

1 teaspoon garlic powder

1 teaspoon paprika

1/2 teaspoon black pepper

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup panko breadcrumbs (optional for extra crunch)

Lemon wedges for serving

Fresh parsley for garnish

Instructions:

In a bowl, toss the salmon bites with olive oil, garlic powder, paprika, black pepper, and salt.

If you want extra crunch, lightly coat the salmon bites with panko breadcrumbs.

Preheat the air fryer to 400°F (200°C).

Place the seasoned salmon bites in a single layer in the air fryer basket.

Cook for 8-10 minutes, shaking the basket halfway through, until the salmon is golden and crispy.

Remove the crispy salmon bites from the air fryer and garnish with fresh parsley.

Serve with lemon wedges and your favorite dipping sauce.

Servings: 4 servings





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Membership is for the 20 24 calendar year. Dues paid through February 28, 2024 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00. Dues paid after March 1, 2024 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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