



February's Guest Speakers

We are fortunate to have multiple guest speakers this month:

Brandon Wedom of B&R Tackle

Brandon will be presenting the Holly Worm and accessories. He will be demonstrating about how this technique is set-up and it is fished.

Steve Wood and Rob Crandal of Water Time Outfitters

Steve/Rob will be speaking about their 2013 Northwest Fishing Calendar. This calendar covers 12 species of fish common in the northwest as well as clamming and crabbing with rigging and fishing tips for each.

This year's calendar has all new riggings in photographic detail. Tides are listed for each day to help you plan your trip. Top fishing spots are listed for 3 northwest states for each month along with state records for each fish and pro-guide fishing tips.

About Guest Speakers

The Chapter attempts to provide speakers for **your** benefit - from the latest products, the hottest tips, old and new techniques, fellow member presentations, and special presentations from area guides.

The process of lining up guest speakers is not an easy task, from the juggling of schedules, trying to coordinate the appropriate guest for the current fishing conditions, and unforeseen cancellations.

Hat's off to our speaker wranglers - Jeff Stoeger and Jeff Kirkman.

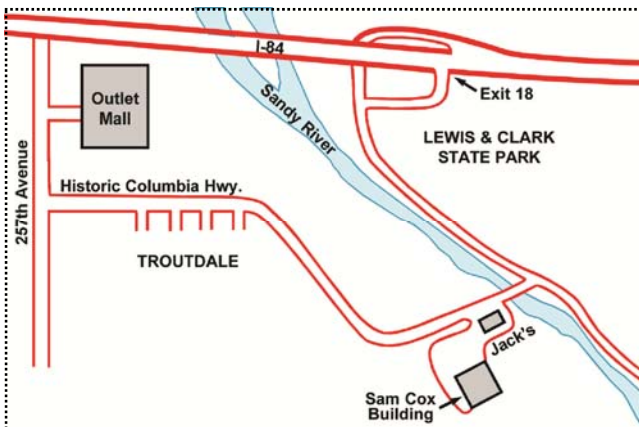
So please be courteous not only to our special guests, but the people who worked hard behind the scenes to get the speakers to take time out of their schedules to speak to us - hold your questions until the end of the presentation and hold your chatter until the break.

**** IMPORTANT NOTICE ****

Please take a moment and complete the survey on the last page. It is 8 short questions and would be beneficial to the Chapter, and more importantly - YOU.

You can be anonymous or not - either way your input, good or bad - is important to the future of the Chapter.

Please use the provided self addressed envelope and send your completed survey in, let's hear YOUR voice !



* At time of press, no new members were reported.

Membership Meetings

When: First Wednesday of the month - 7:00 P.M. Sharp

Where: Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Park
1102 E Columbia River Highway
Troutdale, OR

President's Message

Volunteers Needed for ½ hour per month

Many of you attend the Sandy River Chapter's monthly membership meeting (the first Wed) and give little thought to the efforts of others to bring you a monthly meeting.

Outlined below are some of the behind the scenes activities that are completed monthly by our volunteers:

Weeks Before

Arrange for Guest Speakers	Jeff Kirkman	2 months out
Advertise Guest Speaker (Oregonian)	Howard Berg	2 weeks out
Advertise Guest Speaker (Outdoor GPS)	Howard Berg	2 weeks out
Newsletter Notices of Meeting & Guest Speaker	Nona Bowling	1 week out
Purchase Door Prizes	Jeff Stoeger	1 week out
Prepare Agenda	Doug Briggs	1 week out

Meeting Day (Prior to Meeting)

Display apparel	Eric Koellner	2 hours before
Make Coffee	Eric Koellner	1 hour before
Sign in Sheets	Eric Koellner	½ hour before
Unfold & Place Tables	Volunteers Needed	½ hour before
Distribute the Chairs	Volunteers Needed	½ hour before

Meeting Day (After the Meeting)

Remove the Apparel	Eric Koellner	½ hour after
Clean up Coffee Area	Volunteer Needed	½ hour after
Restack Chairs	Volunteer Needed	½ hour after
Fold & Store Tables	Volunteer Needed	½ hour after
Sweep the Floor (Broom will fit your hand)	Volunteer Needed	½ hour after
Secure the Building	Doug Briggs	½ hour after

Currently these 'Volunteer Needed' activities fall on the same few people, typically Mike Myrick, Jeff Stoeger, Eric Koellner and Doug Briggs.

Be 45 min early, you'll get a prime parking spot, a front row seat & a warm fuzzy feeling, stay ½ hour after, avoid the parking lot traffic jam & enjoy that warm fuzzy feeling. Come early and/or stay late, visit old friends and make new friends!



There is no sign-up sheet for these 'Volunteer Needed' activities.

Please just jump in and help.

*Doug Briggs,
President*



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Election of Officers, Directors and Members of the Board of Directors

April 3rd—Membership Meeting

As required by the by-laws, the Sandy River Chapter needs to notify its membership of the upcoming election of officers.

The four positions that we need to vote on are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. We will be electing members to the Board of Directors, as well.

If you would like to run for any of these position all you need to do is contact any current officer or member of the board of director.

To run for President Position you must be a current member in good standings and must have been a member for longer than a year. So if you have some great ideas we are looking for you to fill one of these positions.

You can run for president or vice president with a co-partner. If you have any suggestion of someone who would make a great President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer or Director ask them if you can nominate them for the positions.

You cannot nominate someone without their permission.



Don't Forget to Tell Someone

Today I fished the Oxbow area of the Sandy River. It was a great day to be all alone on the river.

As I was wading into the river, I felt the pressure of the current and the cold water and a thought came to me; what if I fell in! Well, falling in wasn't as scary as knowing that nobody knew where I was and that my cell phone had no service at the bottom of Oxbow Canyon!

I had forgotten Rule #1 before you go fishing. **"Tell Someone Where You Are Going!"**

So to help me and my 69 year old brain, I got on the computer and made a 2-column, 5-row table and filled in each section with a short description of the areas I fish. I printed the table and cut out the individual sections. Now, if my wife is up or not, I will attach the description that applies to a magnet on the fridge so:

Someone Will Know Where I Am

BTW: If you wear chest waders and wade in the river, please wear a life jacket (PFD) and chest strap. Bobbing is better than bonking!

Tight lines and be safe,
Eric Koellner

March Newsletter Deadline for Submissions:

Saturday - February 23rd by 6:00 P.M.

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From: www.wikipedia.com

Present: Doug B, Larry P, Howard B, Col T, Eric K, Jeff S, John H, Nona B, Scott B, Steve R and Leslie H

Meeting began: 6:30 p.m.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. Current membership is 169.
2. Leslie is beginning work on our May 1 auction/dinner/fundraiser.
She is asking for volunteers to handle various duties for the event.
3. Leslie is also working on getting tax forms to last year's donators.
4. Mike M is also looking for volunteers for the boat show and sportsmen's show.
This is a good time to get information to people attending the two events, which might bring in more membership.
5. Larry reported that he is in contact with STEP personnel with the idea to come with a project for the chapter.
At this time Beaver and Buck Creek projects are being considered. It was obvious that Larry has given much of his time in researching various projects.

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. Doug presented an update on the results of our Vancouver tackle donation
2. In an effort to better serve our membership, Larry is continuing his efforts to develop a survey.
3. Our newsletter will soon include river level info, shuttle info and chapter guide contact info.
4. Jeff S asked for permission to use the chapter logo.
5. Due to conflicts with association meeting times, it was decided the board would change its time from the third Wednesday each month to the second Wednesday - same time and location.

III. OFFICER/DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Doug et al are working on confirming a bank fishing date/location.
2. Jeff K is still working on speakers for chapter meetings: Steve Woods will be the speaker at the chapter meeting.
3. We need to continue and expand efforts for membership growth.
4. It was acknowledged that Nona is doing an outstanding job with the newsletter.
Doug suggested that she be given the position for life. **(isn't The Col GREAT at embellishing?!)**
5. Howard will take over the clothing sales beginning in April.
6. Jeff reminded the board that chapter elections will be held in April.
Anyone with an interest in serving in some capacity should contact Doug or any board member.
7. Doug presented his research efforts regarding "comping".

Meeting adjourned: 8:04 p.m.



Howard Berg Retires as Membership Director

Fellow Steelheaders,

After over 6 years (I can't remember when I started, hell I can't remember what I had for breakfast this morning) as our Membership Director, I find it is time to step down and give someone else a turn.

I ended up being the membership person, when as a new member I complained that I still hadn't received my Newsletter. The person who was doing membership at the time told me he didn't have time to do it and would I take it over. I have never complained since (!!), just kidding.

In 2008 I was elected Chapter President, so I took a break from membership for a year. The membership job has changed greatly over the years with all of the new computer programs that we use to keep track of our members.

I also have been working with Troutdale City Hall to set up our regular meeting dates and special meetings and have been reserving the location for our board meetings with varying degrees of success.

I have found that the best way to get to know an organization is to volunteer for a job or position, so I will continue to volunteer where I can help.

I enjoyed being your Membership Director.

Howard Berg

BREAKING NEWS

Howard, as he mentioned above - volunteers where he can help, will be heading up the Apparel Sales.

As stated in the Board Minutes - this will be beginning in April.

On behalf of the membership, thank you Howard for your continued support and tireless efforts for the Chapter.



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Volunteers needed

The Sportsman's Show is coming up in less than 3 weeks and we are looking for volunteers to work the Association's booth. The show runs from February 6-10 at the Expo Center in North Portland. Set up will be on the 4th and 5th.

If you wish to volunteer, please contact me via email, setting this up by phone is too complicated.

I will confirm work dates and shifts with each volunteer.

Workers must park in the Portland Meadows parking lot, You pay for parking and take the free shuttle bus to the Expo Center. Workers must go to the lobby in the center to the "Will Call" desk in the center of the lobby, tell them your name and that you are with the Northwest Steelheaders. You will initial by your name and have your hand stamped. You can visit the show before or after your shift.

Our booth is # 1412, in the South building.

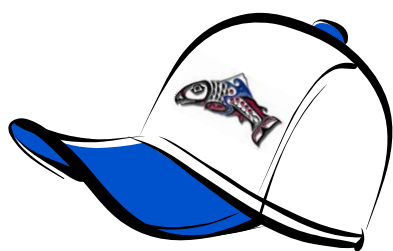
Thank you, Mike Myrick
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Volunteers.....

You are all very important to the success of the
Chapter and Association events.

Please make sure to log the events you volunteer for
and **turn in your volunteer forms.**

Sandy River Chapter Volunteer Hours Form

Name _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

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Event _____

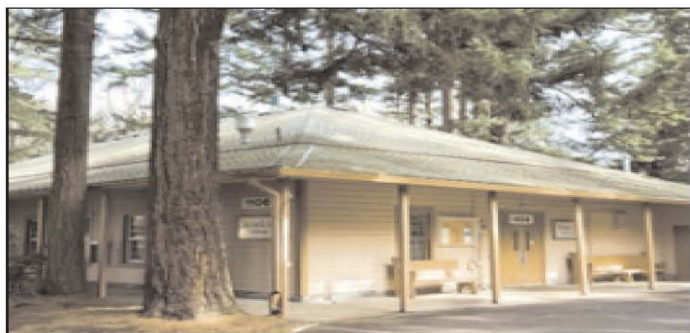
Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Fill this form out and return it at a general meeting.

Please mark your time as beginning when you left your home
until you return home from the volunteer event.



Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Park

The Sam Cox Building in Troutdale's Glenn Otto City Park provides space for community group activities, private parties, and organizations to meet. It badly needs to be updated. The kitchen has already been remodeled, with volunteers from the Sandy River Chapter of the Northwest Steelheaders providing much of the labor. However, there is more to be done. It's time to raise money for the remaining work.

Cedar Fish Fundraiser

Buy a cedar fish to help renovate the Sam Cox Building! The fish, with your name engraved on it, will become a permanent part of the interior of the building. You will have the satisfaction of knowing that you've helped maintain the building for the community. Every time you walk into the dining room you will see your fish on the wall, proof of your support. Each \$20 purchase of a fish means \$15 for the Sam Cox Building and \$5 for the Northwest Steelheaders, who provide the fish and pay for the engraving.



Cedar fish make great gifts, inexpensive and easy to give! We will send the person for whom you buy a fish a gift certificate—no hunting for parking, fighting crowds, wrapping, just a donation toward the work needed for the building!

Your donation is tax deductible.

☐ Enclosed is my \$20 check (to City of Troutdale).

☐ I would like to donate \$_____ toward the renovation of the Sam Cox Building.

Please engrave my fish:

☐ This is a gift—Please send certificate to:

My Name _____

Name for Certificate _____

My Address _____

Gifted's Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

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Please mail to: Cedar Fish Fund, City of Troutdale, 104 SE Kibling Avenue, Troutdale, OR 97060

Have you gotten your raffle tickets yet? Why not?

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Fish Tales



Bill Beith (L) & Eric Koellner (R)



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Bill Beith and Eric Koellner fishing with Brandon Glass on the lower Sandy. Bill looks happy with his winter steelhead.

Frost Bite Follies

It's that time of year again to plan for our annual Ray's Frost Bite Follies. The follies are named in honor of the late Ray Hinea, who was President and a member for years with the Sandy River Chapter.

Ray and a few of planed a fishing trip in early January. It was one of the coldest fishing events that had taken place in chapter's history, it rained, snowed and had sleet by the end of the day. It

shouldn't be that cold for this year's event which will take place on March 23rd.

There will be a fee for lunch that will be provided by the ladies of our chapter.

The cost will be about the same as last year. It will depend on what we decide to have for lunch. We will need to have as many boats as possible in order to make this event a success.

This is for Sandy River Chapter Members only. We will have sign-up sheet at the next meeting and we will draw names at the March meeting for boat assignments.

If you have any questions please call me or email at mjstoeger@msn.com or Phone # [503-704-7920](tel:503-704-7920).

Thanks,

Jeff Stoeger
V.P. Sandy River Chapter

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Special Events Coordinators

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Jeff Kirkman
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Upcoming Events

Pacific NW Sportsman Show

**Wednesday - February 6th thru
Sunday February 10th**

Portland Expo Center
Contact: Mike Myrick - 503-281-6438

Ray's Frostbite Follies

Saturday - March 23rd

Contact: Jeff Stoeger - 503-704-7920

Chapter Election

April 3rd Membership Meeting

Sam Cox Building

15th Annual Chapter Banquet/Auction

Wednesday - May 1st

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sam Cox Building
Contact: Leslie Hinea - 503-653-4176

Sandy Chapter Annual Family Picnic

Saturday - July 27th

** More details to come*

Contact: Jolie Ritchie - 503-760-5551
Kathryn Israelson - 503-666-2599

25th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet

Saturday - November 16, 2013

** More details to come*

Contact: Doug Briggs - 503-729-2023
Russell Bassett - 503-653-4176
Leslie Hinea - 503-653-4176

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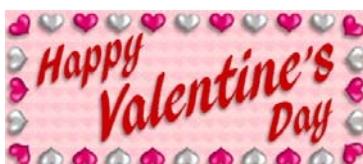
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1. Why did you join the NW Steelheaders? Choose all that apply.

☐ To learn more about fishing
☐ To learn where to fish
☐ To make fishing friends

☐ To learn specific fishing techniques
☐ To get involved with conservation
☐ To spend more time fishing
☐ Other (be specific) _____

2. What guest speakers would you like to see? Choose all that apply.

☐ Professional guides
☐ Expert chapter members
☐ Tackle manufacturers

☐ Equipment Manufacturers
☐ 'How To' clinics on fishing topics
☐ Bait, Cure & Scent Manufacturers
☐ Other (be specific) _____

3. How did you learn about the Sandy River Chapter? Choose all that apply.

☐ From a friend / Member
☐ Trade Show Booth
☐ Newspaper listing

☐ Outdoor GPS
☐ At a 'How To' clinic
☐ From a Guide
☐ Other (be specific) _____

4. Are your expectations being met?

☐ Yes ☐ No

5. How can we improve? _____

6. How important are the fish-a-longs to you? (Ray's Frostbite Folly, Fall Fish-a-Long, My Favorite Hole)

☐ Very Important, ☐ Somewhat Important, ☐ Not Very Important, ☐ Not at all Important

7. How do you normally fish? Choose all that apply

☐ Bank, ☐ Power Boat, ☐ Drift Boat, ☐ Pontoon Boat, ☐ Guide, ☐ Charter Boat

8. Are you willing to serve in the Chapter Leadership? Choose all that apply

☐ Officer, ☐ Director, ☐ Committee Chair, ☐ Volunteer
☐ Raffle Tickets, ☐ Clothing Sales, ☐ River Clean-up, ☐ Trade Shows
☐ Other _____

9. Name (Optional) _____ Phone # (optional) _____

Mail the completed survey to Sandy River Chapter of ANWS, PO Box 301114 Portland, OR 97294-9114.

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****Important Member Survey enclosed****

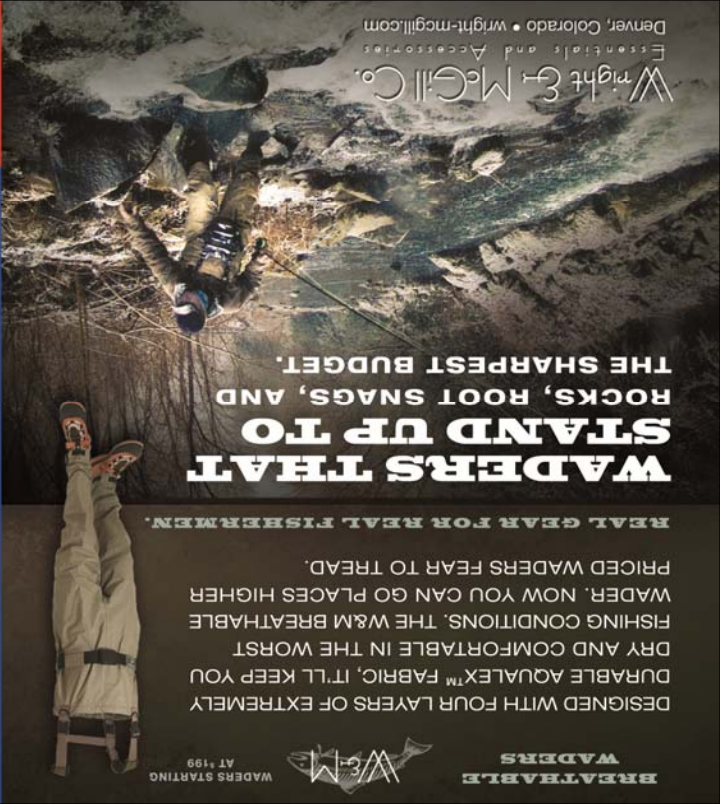
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