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The premier of Hatchery AND Wild was held on January 30th at McMenamins Mission Theatre. The video and panel discussion was to discuss the future of Pacific Northwest Steelhead and Salmon. Our chapter was one of many sponsors who feel this was a very worthwhile project. There was a packed house, capacity to be exact and McMenamins capacity is 300, 100 people were turned away at the door - *turned away!* 

Below is the link to the video, you will need to have Adobe Flash Player to view it.



http://www.hatcheryandwild.com/

#### **Bull Run Acclamation Pond**

Sandy River Steelhead members:

Jeff Fulop from the ODFW has asked for our help in with feeding Spring Chinook Smolts at the Bull Run acclimation pond.

The first group of 66,000 is scheduled to arrive February 27th pending the result of a lawsuit by The Native Fish Society and the McKenzie Fly fishermen. Around March 19th we should receive another 66,000 Smolts. I can't say enough about how our members hung in there through all the legal uncertainty of last year. This lawsuit has at least brought the Sportsman, Commercial Fishermen and Indians together on one side to fight to keep the hatcheries open. The Sandy River Steelheaders are a major participant in this fight and we are going to show The Native Fish Society and the McKenzie Fly fishermen that we will not be intimidated by their lawsuit.

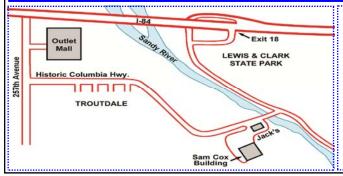
For those of you who are unfamiliar with feeding Spring Chinook Smolts at the Bull Run acclimation pond; for 19 days we go out to the old abandoned Power Station on the Bull Run River (North of Sandy) and feed the fish with pellets once or twice a day.

When we are out there we check to see how the fish are doing and if any fish are dead we write down the number. We will have an orientation meeting for the volunteers before the fish arrive.

It's kind of an interesting place, the TV program Grimm was shot there. If you just want to volunteer for one day that is fine. Should litigation get in the way of the planting, the ODFW will keep us updated.

Thanks, call or Email me if you are interested or have questions:

Howard Berg howardbergate@gmail.com 503-665-8008



## 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

Next meeting: Wednesday - March 5th, 2013

# **Sixteenth Annual Dinner - Auction**

Wednesday, May 7th, 2014 at 6:00 PM Sam Cox Building at Glen Otto Park, Troutdale

Our May meeting is on the first Wednesday evening as usual. The May program will feature a buffet catered by our own Kathryn Israelson & Joli Ritchie. We will once again enjoy using the 'still new' kitchen at Glen Otto Great Hall. (Thank each of the Sandy Chapter NW Steelheaders who put in many hours making the kitchen improvements a reality.)

Dinner this year will be barbecued pulled pork (or pulled chicken) on a bun. This will be complimented with baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, and dessert. Of course there will be coffee & soft drinks.

The price is just \$10 for those who purchase their tickets at the February through April meetings or mail in a check by April 25<sup>th</sup>. Children age 10 or under are just \$7 each. The cost will be \$1 more per person after the 25<sup>th</sup> and at the door. We expect everyone to come dressed the way they normally come to our chapter meetings.

Please use the following form to order your banquet tickets. Our hall will only seat 80 people for a meal so we will need to limit attendance at the banquet to this number. Please place your order soon to insure you will have seats and to allow us to give the caterers an accurate head count.

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5/7/2014 Annual Auction / Dinner ticket order form	

5/7/2014 Annual Auction / Dinner ticket order form				
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Make checks payable to the Sandy Chapter, ANWS				
Send to: Joli Ritchie	G 11 J 11 O 502 070 5620			
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You do not need to participate in the banquet to attend the auction, which takes place after the meal. Dinner will be at 6:00 to 6:45, with the auction starting at 7:15.

You will want to bring your family and check book to this one. If you have any items to donate to the auction or know anyone who does, please call Mike Myrick (in the Portland Core area) at (503) 281-6438 or Colonel Thomas (East Metro) at 503 666-5035 or Leslie Hinea (Vancouver area) (360) 892-0473.

The donated value of any item is tax deductible and we will provide a receipt.



## **President's Message**

Due to the successes (standing room only) from the three steelhead clinics and your feedback we are changing the Chapter Membership Meeting format to be 15 minutes of business, 15 minutes of door prizes and approximately 1 full hour of Clinic style fishing topics or guest speakers.

A big 'Thank You' to Larry Palmer for the idea, the leadership to organizing it and for his part in the first presentation. Another special thanks to Jeff Kirkman & Jeff Stoeger conducted the 2<sup>nd</sup> session rigging bobbers and drift rigs. Ed was particularly effective in the third session with a demonstration of line, spinner and, jig movement in the water.

This change in format means big changes on your part. We will use both the Newsletter and website to keep informed about coming events stories about past events and most importantly the need for volunteers. Your volunteering is a big part of why the Sandy River Chapter is the biggest volunteer provider in the whole Steelheaders organization.

The need for volunteers will not diminish, and will likely increase since Jeff Stoeger is Event Chair responsible for Salmon Quest, I am in a similar capacity for Sandy River Chinook Classic and we have several ODFW projects.

Help us make the new format work use the Newsletter and Website for information and Volunteer.

Volunteer of the Month.

The Board of Directors authorized a Volunteer of the month submitted by any member and voted on by the membership. The reason for the nomination should include a brief narrative of why the person is being nominated.

The reason should include some of the following:

**Event** 

**Planning** 

Leadership

Organization

Communication

Client Management

**Respectful Direction** 

At the Annual Picnic, the twelve monthly winners will have their name placed in a hat and a drawing will determine the Volunteer of the year who will be memorialized on a plaque mounted in the Cox Building.

In making a nomination your brief narrative should be 2 sentences or less and given to any board member.



Doug Briggs, President



"EGGS TO FRY"

Mike Myrick

Have you ever heard someone mention or, have you ever read something about "Eggs to Fry"? Well, "Eggs to Fry" has nothing to do with hash browns, bacon and toast, in fact it is sometimes referred to as a hatch tank operation. This program is coordinated through the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's (ODFW) Salmon-Trout Enhancement Program (STEP). This fish egg incubation project is a popular and valuable classroom education tool and is facilitated through regional STEP biologists. Teachers apply to their local STEP biologist for inclusion in the program and then the teacher applies for grants or donations in order to receive the equipment necessary for incubating the eggs.

After successfully being accepted into the program, the classrooms receive eggs, free of charge, from ODFW. There is a distribution of Rainbow Trout eggs in early February and Chinook Salmon eggs in October of each year. The eggs are placed in an aquarium equipped with gravel on the bottom, a water pump-filter for circulation, an aerator for oxygen supply and a small refrigeration unit, called a chiller, to maintain the desired water temperature. Students are assigned to monitor the temperature, the pH level and the condition of the eggs and the fry after they hatch, each day and record the data. The fry are not fed in the tank, as they are nourished by the yolk sack on their belly. The eggs are distributed to the schools when they are about 20 days old and stay in the tank after hatching until they have absorbed the yolk sack. The time from arriving at the classroom to the time the fry will be ready for release depends on the species and the temperature of the water at the hatchery. Trout will arrive at the fry stage about 52 days after the eggs are received and Chinook somewhat longer. When the fry are ready for release, the trout go into designated lakes or ponds and the salmon go to designated streams or rivers. The students that participate in this program have a full curriculum, learning about the life cycle of fish, science, math, English, social studies and career related subjects.

The Association of Northwest Steelheaders has approximately 75-80 schools who have been involved in this program, with Sandy River, McLoughlin, Tualatin Valley and Emerald Empire chapters participating. On February 5, Sandy River delivered eggs to 6 schools, McLoughlin delivered to 6 schools and TV delivered to 22.







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



**April 2nd 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.

## In Memory of Russ Nishitani

Those of us who knew Russ Nishitani have lost a great friend. The Sandy chapter has lost a member who epitomized and exemplified what is best about NW Steelheaders and what it means to give back to our sport. Russ passed away in his sleep in the evening, on 2/25/14. He was born 7/20/1946. His passing was a shock to his wife, Sandy and son Collin and daughter Alison. Joli and I are sure this is also shocking to all of us who knew him.

Russ was one of those people who if you knew him, you considered him a friend – one of a kind.

Russ has been a great sport fisherman from a very young age. He didn't join the Sandy Chapter to learn to fish, but to give back to the resource. In fact he participated in a chapter project before joining! In spite of living in Tualatin, he showed up at river cleanups and other events for many years. Russ and his wife Sandy could always be counted on to help when ever asked. Sandy often helped Joli and Kathryn at Sandy Chapter meals and picnics. Aside from the in stream projects, Russ also helped out with meals. He was good at the barbeque grill.





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## **Sandy River Chapter Board Meeting Minutes**

Sandy River Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday – February 12, 2014

Meeting called to order at: 6:30 p.m. By: Doug Briggs

In Attendance:			
✓ Nona Bowling	✓ Leslie Hinea	Mike Myrick	☐ Jeff Stoeger
✓ Scott Bowling	✓ John Hydorn	✓ Larry Palmer	Russ Sumida
✓ Doug Briggs	✓ Doug Miller	▼ Steve Rothenbucher	Robert Wisher
☐ Brad Halverson			
*Tom Smoot and Joe Blum a	lso in attendance		
Old Business:			

#### **New Business:**

Not reviewed

- 1. Volunteer award Doug is looking into where award plaques can be made.
- 2. Clothing selling inventory on hand, ordering will be on an as needed basis- to not have a load of inventory.
- 3. 5 copies of the Hatchery AND Wild video is available for load.
- 4. Doug would like the web site and newsletter to be the main source of information.
- 5. The clinic that was scheduled for this weekend is cancelled due to the lack of cooperation from Mother Nature.
- 6. The Follies was cancelled due to debris in the drift between Oxbow & Dabney.
- 7. John will post info on website of the danger of the debris in the river.
- 8. Discussion regarding the departure of Russell Bassett and the role of the person helping out.
- 9. Doug requested correction of Brad's name in the newsletter.
- 10. Howard Berg is working on the Acclamation Pond, update to come.
- 11. Doug would like the information on the website and newsletter to be parallel with information.
- 12. John spoke to a member at the Hatchery AND Wild screening that said he doesn't come to meetings, but looks at the website for his information.
- 13. Doug discussed the Newsletter, ownership. Mike expressed he had many specific complaints about the newsletter. Nona discussed the reason the newsletter's quality had diminished over the past 6 months. Nona requested, that due to her other commitments to be replaced as newsletter editor.
- 14. Larry suggested an fishing event targeting the female members and potential members "Fish n Chicks".
- 15. Larry discussed the necessity of having a Board Calendar.
- 16. Doug does not want to over extend the volunteers with too many more events as we currently have current ODFW projects and chapter projects.
- 17. Motion by Doug to allocate \$150 for the volunteer of the year plaque motion passed.

Meeting adjourned – 8:25 p.m.

he future.

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Anchoring your drift boat - with logs in the river...

Scott Bowling

OK, so the title may be a little mis-leading. Frankly, if there are logs in the river that you need to be wary of - you shouldn't be in your drift boat on the river (in my opinion - I wouldn't be!) and you should consider another day.

While doing some research on anchoring drift boats, I found that the main reason for a boat going down is - the anchor.

You would think that boats get sunk because they hit big rocks or the pilot choose the wrong route through the rapid. But actually a lot of boats go down because something goes wrong with the anchor - according to a boat salvage recovery expert. You should *always* be sure to stow your anchor properly before heading down river. Do not tie a knot in your anchor rope, when the anchor is swinging behind the boat, bumping through the rapids it can jar loose from the cleats. The anchor drops in and shoots through the pulley, and if there is a knot at the end of the rope, the anchor rope comes tight and that boat sucks right down to the bottom.

Put your anchor inside your boat, that is why there are little pockets in drift boats.

Be safe and smart, not sunk.

The Frostbite Follies - did you know?

The Frostbite Follies was named after Ray Hinea, long time Steelheader & avid fisherman. The Follies is a drift boat trip from Oxbow Park to Dabney Park on the Sandy River, weather and river conditions permitting. This is not for the faint of heart of heart, weather wise. Frozen guides, fingers and ears are not uncommon, dress accordingly. Last year, during ideal weather conditions forty-two hearty souls piled into fourteen drift boats and made the trek, a few fish were hooked and landed. Dan Drazan clearly had the hooked part down, but failed to show his sons, Christian & Isaac, the 'landed' part. Anglers area always ready for a warm fire and a hot lunch at Camp Angelos, about 2/3 of the float. This year's chef de jur is Robert Wisher, a retired pastry Chef.

The Folllies are slated for March 22nd, the event was postponed in February due to unsafe weather and water conditions.

Contact Jeff Stoeger for more information: (503) 704-7920

March Newsletter Submission Deadline Saturday March 22nd - 6:00 P.M.

Send your stories, pictures, tips to: fishwackers@gmail.com

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	Name:	Date:

event coordinator. Turn this form in at the monthly meeting or by e-mail to Robert Wisher (rjwisherstix@gmail.com).



When	What	Where	Who to Contact
3/5/14	March Membership Meeting	Glenn Otto Park	Doug Briggs
7:00 pm		Sam Cox Building	503-729-2023
3/12/14	March Board Meeting	Round Table Pizza	Doug Briggs
6:30 pm		NE 122nd & Shaver	503-729-2023
3/15/14	On Stream Demonstration Bobber & jig, spinners and drift & bait (postponed from 2/15/14)  ** Member only activity **	Glenn Otto Park	Doug Briggs
12:00 pm		Sam Cox Building	503-729-2023
3/22/14 12:00 pm	Annual Ray's Frostbite Follies  ** Member only activity **	Call Jeff for info	Jeff Stoeger 503-704-7920
3/26/14	Steelhead/Springer Fishing Clinic	Sportsman's	Jeff Stoeger
6:30 pm		Warehouse	503-704-7920
4/2/14	Chapter Election @ membership meeting	Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023



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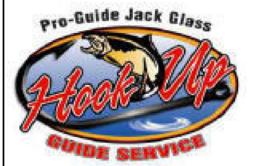
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Sat 6/14 All Day Sat 6/28	·		



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From the editor's desk:

Dear Members,

Vhen I was handed the Newsletter torch, I was retty excited. I thought it would be a fun roject, not taking into account that I have a full ime job, a husband, 2 daughters and a randbaby - or the reality check that I was not nly the Editor and creative director but also eporter. I thought this was creative challenge I ould really tackle and have fun with, the goal eing an informative **and** fun to read Newstter. The one thing I did not take into account as life and the unexpected events that force hange in the blink of an eye. Last summer was ne of those times for our family, when we lost family members within 4 months of each ther - leaving our 11 year old nephew without is parents. As our family rallied to deal with his tragedy, my biggest reality check was that, s hard as I tried to convince myself - I am not Vonder Woman. My mistake is trying to keep iggling all the balls I have in the air, and unforunately the attention to the Newsletter was the rst to suffer from neglect for lack of time and/ r energy, and for that I do apologize for not nowing when I was overwhelmed and not eaching out for help.

During this month's Baard meeting, I was Informed that there has been numerous complaints about the Newsletter. The surprise was not that there were complaints, but I guess I was unaware of the expectations that this should be a perfect, error free newsletter...this is a NEWSLETTER, not Time or Life magazine. And as I mentioned earlier, I am not only NOT Wonder Woman, I am human - therefor NOT error free.

This being said, I feel it is time to pass the torch to a new Newsletter editor.

Please contact Doug Briggs and let him know you are interested.

Nona Bowling

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