



April 2023 *The Association of NW Steelheaders Anglers is dedicated to enhancing and protecting fisheries and their habitats for today and the future.*



April 6, 2023, Thursday, Sandy River Chapter monthly meeting at 7:00pm, doors open at 6:30pm – Annual Election of Chapter Officers will take place this evening. Location: Sam Cox Building & Glenn Otto Community Park, 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, OR.



Our Speaker will be Jack Morby of Take A Soldier Fishing, Portland Chapter, whose mission is to assist communities at large by showing support for veterans and active-duty military by sponsoring their Take A Soldier/Veteran Fishing events. These events honor our active-duty military and veterans for their service to our nation and illustrate that our communities appreciate their sacrifice. Volunteers that support their fishing programs help make profound differences in active service members or veterans' lives by providing a safe and positive outdoor experience.

Take a Soldier/Veteran Fishing strives to serve all veterans and active-duty military of all abilities and life situations. Their intention is to leave every veteran and active service member who participates in these events with a memorable experience that gives them pride in wearing their uniform, provides hope for their future, and a general positive outlook.



Saturday, April 15, 2023 from 9 am to Noon - River Clean-up event
We will meet at the Glenn Otto Community Park, 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, OR. west end of the parking lot, near the large garbage bins.





May 4, 2023, Thursday, Sandy River Chapter monthly meeting at 7:00pm, doors open at 6:30pm – Our speaker will be **Bill Munroe, Jr. of Bill Monroe Outdoors, fishing guide. Bill Monroe Jr. comes from a long line of respected fishermen in Oregon, and is considered one of the top Salmon Fishermen in Oregon. Location: Sam Cox Building & Glenn Otto Community Park, 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, OR**



May 6, 2023, Saturday, Sandy River Chapter Annual fundraising event and auction. See article in this Newsletter.
Location: Sam Cox Building & Glenn Otto Community Park, 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, OR



June 1, 2023, Thursday, Sandy River Chapter monthly meeting doors open and ODFW Angler Education Instructor Certification with Amanda Boyle, ODFW begins at 6:00 pm. See article in this Newsletter.

Location: Sam Cox Building & Glenn Otto Community Park, 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, OR



August 19, 2023, Saturday - 11:30am, Annual Sandy River Chapter picnic
- Location: Sam Cox Building & Glenn Otto Community Park area B, Troutdale, OR



September 7, 2023, Thursday, Sandy River Chapter monthly meeting at 7:00pm, doors open at 6:30pm – Speaker to be Announced. Location: Sam Cox Building & Glenn Otto Community Park, 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, OR

River Clean-up event

Saturday, April 15, 2023, at 9 am to Noon.

For many years our Chapter and its members have helped in park and river cleanup events. The chapter also has helped in maintaining surrounding park trails. And they in turn provide us with free access to the park and its facilities for meetings and other events. These facilities, with their prime location on the Sandy River are a great asset to our organization.

In 2018 the City of Troutdale, in recognition of our partnership with them through the years, approached us asking if we would officially Adopt Glenn Otto Park. We gladly accepted and this was brought to fruition.

Materials will be supplied, and we start at the Sam Cox Park 9:00am dispersing from there and returning with items gathered to be placed in the Parks garbage bins. We will meet at the west end of the parking lot, near the large garbage bins.

Chapter news

By Rob Bitney

Thank goodness for Spring! I most certainly enjoy the longer days and sunshine, but I'm not so wild about mowing the yard. To me, the big thing is all about the change from the dark days of winter to what will happen going forward. The Chapter is also at a "fork in the road" so to speak. Elections will be at the April 6, 2023, meeting and almost every office is available. I'm not discounting the work the outgoing officers have done, on the contrary, they have done a wonderful job of guiding the Chapter through the COVID mine field. The foundation is in place, the mentors are in place, all we need is a person(s) willing to step up and take the reins. Change can bring in new energy, a fresh outlook and allows us to adapt going forward. We all have something to offer and possess unique skill sets, here's your chance.

In addition to the elections on April 6th, there are also multiple Chapter events coming up. The semi-annual Glenn Otto Park clean-up will be Saturday morning, April 15, 2023, from 9:00 - 12:00. Please plan to attend and pick up the trash that so easily accumulates throughout the seasons. This is how we "pay the rent" for the facilities at Glenn Otto, this is important.

The Chapter Auction is slated for Saturday, May 6th. Please be sure to both solicit donations and attend. The Chapter has not had a major fund-raising event in 4 long years. A special note of thanks to the officer team for being thrifty with the funds we have and making them last.

Next, we are setting up a condensed ODFW Angler Education Instructor Certification class in lieu of the June 1st meeting. If you assisted in the last Steelhead 101 class and did not have the Certification, I highly encourage you to take the class as the plan is to conduct more of these in the future and to have a group of Certified Angler Educators speaks highly of the Chapter.

Lastly, a huge Thank You to Larry Palmer for his presentation on Surf Perch and Clamming at the last meeting. A lot of good information about another opportunity for fresh fish.

See you at the meeting.



ODFW Angler Education Instructor Certification

6pm – 9pm June 1, 2023, presented by ODFW.

This will take place at the June Sandy River Chapter meeting.

Become a volunteer Angler Education Instructor for ODFW and help others learn to fish!

ODFW's Aquatic and Angling Education Program staff will host a free training with the Sandy River Chapter of the Association of NW Steelheaders at 6pm – 9pm June 1, 2023, in the Sam Cox Building in the Glenn Otto Community Park, 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, OR. ***This class is 3 hours due to the experience our membership has vs. the usual 5-to-6 hour class.***

Pre-registration is required by May 15, 2023. Contact Rob Bitney at ph.: 503-320-9821 or email at: dmitrob73@gmail.com to register. There will be a limited number of positions for new Angler Education Instructors.



The training is open to anyone 18 years of age or older and interested in becoming an ODFW Certified volunteer instructor. Training covers all elements of the program's curriculum including basic fishing skills, stewardship, aquatic resources, and water safety. Participants also learn about events and other volunteer opportunities.

Currently certified instructors are encouraged to attend as the training provides an opportunity to update your knowledge in several areas and network with other volunteers.

Election of new Chapter board members

Held at the April 6, 2023, Monthly Chapter meeting.

Please let us know if you are interested in running for any position. Many of the current board, including President have served for years and while not leaving the Chapter, do not intend on running for office in 2023. Past Officers will help the new Board in the transition.

We need candidates of all offices and supporting members. This includes, Chapter President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter editor, and Membership coordinator. ***We have no one offer to run for the position of Secretary as of today.***

The basic duties of officers and directors of the Sandy River Chapter are as follows:

The President shall:

- Be chief elective officer of the Chapter and have the general and active management of the business and affairs of the Chapter.
- Preside at all Chapter and Board meetings.
- Appoint special/standing committees, which shall include Membership, Communications, Fund Raising, Program, and Projects.
- Attend Association Board of Directors meetings and prepare a Chapter Report to be presented at the meeting.

Vice-President, shall:

- Assume the duties of President in the President's absence.

The Secretary, shall:

- Keep minutes and other records of activities and minutes of all Board and Chapter meetings.

The Treasurer shall:

- Be responsible for all funds belonging to the Chapter and maintain complete and accurate records of the same.
- Furnish Chapter financial reports to the Association each month and for a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30 to comply with 501 (c) (3) status.

If you are interested in stepping up and running for a position, contact either:

Rob Bitney at Ph.# 503-320-9821 or email: dmitrob73@gmail.com or,

Greg Reed at Ph# 503-869-1795 or email: g_a_reed@comcast.net

Sandy River Chapter Websites

We invite you to visit the Sandy River Chapter Facebook Group at “Sandy River Chapter NW Steelheaders” - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/451895135882897> . Or the Chapter Website at: <http://www.sandysteelheaders.org/>

Note: There will be redundancies between the Chapter Newsletter and our Facebook Group page in our attempt to share items to followers of both. Due to limited space in our Newsletter, there may also be more posts on the Facebook group page than in the Newsletter.



**22nd Annual
Sandy River Chapter
Social and Fundraiser Auction
Saturday, May 6th, 2023
4:30pm - 8:30pm**

Regular Meeting Place: Sam Cox Building Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale, Or

This is our primary fundraising event! Bring your family!

Doors open at 4:30pm

Potluck Dinner begins at 5:00pm

Silent auction - 4:30 to 7:30pm

Bucket auction - Tickets are \$1 each!

Dutch Auction - Save a \$20! We only have 20 bags!

Heads or Tails Game - Buy beads for chances to win a great prize

Live auction begins at 7:00pm.

The evening usually wraps up by 8:30pm.

Please join us and be sure to stay until the end to see if you won any silent bid!

Have a donation? The chapter is part of a 501(C)3 tax exempt organization, items you donate to the auction are tax deductible; we will provide a receipt immediately and tax donation letter at the end of the year! There will be no charge for Attendance.

There will be a bucket to encourage donations as this is a fundraiser as well!

Didn't get a chance to sign up at one of our meetings? Please provide the form below or contact Terri no later than April 30, 2023. Come dressed the way you normally come to our chapter meetings and bring your \$\$\$!

**Sandy River Chapter, Association of Northwest Steelheaders
5/6/2023 Auction & Social**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of Members & Guests: _____

Donations will gladly be accepted! Make checks payable to the Sandy Chapter, ANWS
Indicate in the comments this is for the 2023 Chapter Social and Fundraiser.

Send to: ANWS-Sandy River Chapter
PO Box 301114
Portland, Or 97294-9114

Call or Email: 503-307-2546
Terriboughton@comcast.net

If you include a donation check, we will provide a receipt for your donation.

**Help us raise funds for the Sandy River Chapter's operating expenses.
Steelhead 101 workshops, Family Fish Camp tuitions, steelhead and salmon recovery projects, office supplies, newsletter expenses, storage rental fees and Sandy river cleanup projects planned throughout the year are only a fraction of what this auction provides funds for.**

Hooked-on Family Fishing

The Hooked-on Family Fishing event will be on April 29, 2023.

Grace Peterman, Confluence AmeriCorps member, NWF, will be attending our chapter meeting on Thursday April 6, 2023, to discuss the April 29, 2023, event and pass the hat or take donations to the event at that time. The Association is seeking funding for purchase of rod/reel combos and a tackle box for each child.

The Association needs additional funds for the purchase of the rod/reels (\$200), tackle boxes (saw them on Amazon for \$6.49 - we need 50) and, putting more fish in the trout pond (\$400). The Sandy River Chapter has committed to donate \$200 to the event.

These are our future anglers - so let's give them a good start with some gear to play with at home after the event! We need more tackle boxes than Xboxes!!

Thank you in advance for your help with this request and if you have any questions, please let me know.

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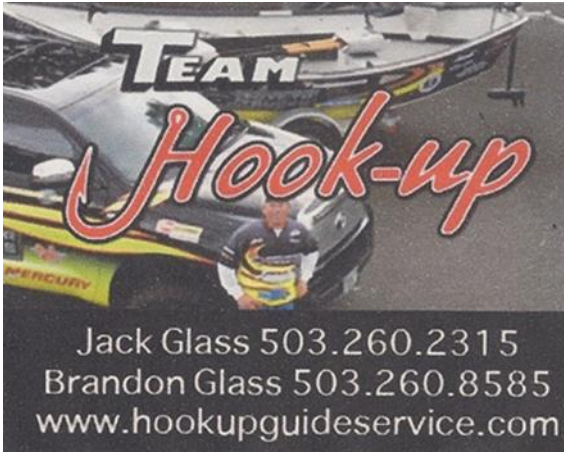
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