

May 2018

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#### 2018 Events

#### May 2nd, 2018, Wednesday - Annual Chapter Banquet and Auction

Time: 6:00pm Meet and greet, 7:00pm Meeting opens Location: Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Community Park.

May 12, 2018, Saturday - Salmon Quest 2018 Location: Camp Withycombe, 15300 Minuteman Way, Clackamas, OR 97015 https://nwsteelheaders.org/events/salmon-quest/

May 19, 2018 -- Steelhead Fishing 101 Workshop. Volunteers needed 7:30 am to 5:00 pm, Saturday May 19th (Classroom) and 7:30 to 1:00 pm on June 2nd (On-the-Water Session). Lunch provided on May 19th. To volunteer, please contact Jim Cathcart, <a href="mailto:ornavigator@hotmail.com">ornavigator@hotmail.com</a>; (503) 238-4775, ext 106. Those interested in registering for the workshop as a participant can register through the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (cost is \$52 adults, \$22 youth) -- https://myodfw.com/workshops-andevents/steelhead-fishing-101-troutdale.

May 26, 2018 - ANWS Womens fishing event - Saturday, 9 AM - 4 PM, Glenn Otto Community Park. For tickets go to https://nwsteelheaders.salsalabs.org/womeninwaders/index.html

June 2, 2018 - On-the-Water Session for the Steelhead Fishing 101 - (8am - 1pm) Contact - Jim Cathcart at ornavigator@hotmail.com or (503) 238-4755, Ext. 106.

June 6th, 2018 - Chapter Meeting - Time: 6:00pm Meet and greet, 7:00pm Meeting opens Location: Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Community Park. Projected Speaker: Todd Alsbury, ODFW - Todd.Alsbury@state.or.us

July 29th, 2018, Sunday – Annual Sandy River Chapter, ANWS picnic at Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale, OR

September 7<sup>th -</sup> 9th, 2018, Saturday - Tillamook Crab/Fish along - Arrive on Friday and depart on Sunday.

October 6th, 2018, Saturday - Chapter Sandy River Bank Fish along to register, contact Jim Cathcart at ornavigator@hotmail.com or (503)238-4775, ext. 106

### ODFW UPDATES

#### **STURGEON**

COLUMBIA RIVER MAINSTEM, Buoy 10 upstream to Wauna Powerlines

- Permanent rules for sturgeon are in effect, including closed to the retention of sturgeon, except for the following modifications:
  - This area will be open to retention of white sturgeon on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays during May 14, 2018 through June 4, 2018 (10 days: May 14, May 16, May 19, May 21, May 23, May 26, May 28, May 30, June 2, and June 4).
  - On days open to white sturgeon retention, angling for sturgeon is prohibited after 2 PM, including catch and release.
  - Daily bag limit is one white sturgeon, 44-50 inches fork length (Fork length is measured in a straight line from the tip of the nose to the fork in the caudal fin (tail) with the fish laying on its side on a flat surface, with the tape measure/ruler positioned flat under the fish).
  - Annual bag limit is two white sturgeon.
  - Retention of green sturgeon prohibited.

2018 Buoy 10 salmon fishery will be open from Aug. 1 through Aug. 24 for adult chinook retention. The daily adult limit is one salmonid (chinook, hatchery coho or hatchery steelhead). From Aug. 25 through Dec. 31, the daily adult limit is two salmonids, but chinook must be released.

Weekly Trout stocking schedule: <a href="https://myodfw.com/fishing/species/trout/stocking-schedule">https://myodfw.com/fishing/species/trout/stocking-schedule</a>



Free Oregon Fishing Days for 2018: The 2018 days are scheduled for Feb. 17-18 (Presidents' Day Weekend),

June 2-3,

Sept. 1-2 (Sat.-Sun. of Labor Day Weekend) and

Nov. 23-24 (the two days after Thanksgiving).

While ODFW had originally planned to offer free fishing Dec. 31, 2017-Jan. 1, 2018, the Department has cancelled those dates to stay within the eight-day limit in 2018 and to offer free fishing during months when fishing conditions are better.

Source: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/news/2017/12 dec/120117c.asp

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# One Last Cast Jim Cathcart (aka Navigator)

It is that time of year. Springer fishing. There are two kinds of people in the world. Those that talk about springer fishing year-round and those that only talk about it mostly year-round. I think the first thread posted on a bulletin board such as <a href="mailto:ifish.net">ifish.net</a> usually occurs in December. Someone is trying not to think about the Holiday Season and all the commotions that come along with it, so they instead focus on springer fishing. They feel that the springer season is just around the corner with the vigil for the "first springer of the season" that usually is caught around January 22nd most years, the 23rd in others.



"Springer is what's for dinner"

Photo by: Alan Kraxberger

February is actually a "peak run" for four to five "salt" fish meaning these fish were in the ocean for three to four years before someone's toddler uttered their first word "springer". It is little known, but baby talk can be decoded and the message is about the run count going upriver in the Columbia and Willamette systems. Toddlers are innocent, so there is no angst about gill netters or sea lions - just pure chatter about how many springers will be forecast and how late into early April the season will run. The season itself is a misconception - the true springer fisherfolk knows the season is continuous - why wait for March 1st when in actuality you can legally fish for springers even before the fish get into the river. Another aspect of springer fishing is mojo and roll. The two terms become synonymous. If you have mojo, you have roll. Not dinner rolls, or egg rolls, or rock 'n roll (though close); I am talking about the role of your cut plug herring. It needs to be a tight roll unless of course it needs to be a large, slow round roll. Large, slow, round rolls, need to "flip" or kick - a subtle imperceptible jerk or quickness - that gives the fisher person

letting out their line that warm, fuzzy feeling that this bait will get bit. The subtleness is on parr with those who can see whales spout on whale watching trips or can identify hawk species based on a speck of dust in front of their binoculars.

Then comes April and May. Despite the fact that only 10 fish have passed Bonneville Dam and the count at Willamette Falls is -1 fish — April and May ironically brings the end of the season. Where is the run? Too many sealions. Too many boats. The cruel folk that fisheries managers are - they close the season on the Columbia when water temperatures finally get into the upper fifties and air temperatures the same. To think they feel they are being nice by opening up the season again in late May when the last springer became a summer and most springer fisher people are talking about next year!





On Saturday, May 19, 2018, the eighth "Take a Soldier Fishing" event at Henry Hagg Lake is being held within Scoggins Park, near Forest Grove Oregon. Check-in is at area C between 7:00 and 8:00 AM. Fishing ends at 4:00 PM.

Veterans and active duty military from any branch of the armed services and their immediate family members may register and participate in this event. Register as a participant or volunteer by going to <a href="https://www.takeasoldierfishing.org">www.takeasoldierfishing.org</a>. Participants click on the "soldier" tab and volunteers with or without boats click on the "volunteer tab".

Volunteers with boats need to provide all fishing and safety equipment for the number of persons that they can safely take in their boat. Participants will bring life jackets for all non-adult children.

I'm hoping to have up to 80 veterans/active duty representatives participating this year. Morning refreshments and lunch will be provided to all volunteers and participants. Door prize drawing for all veterans and active duty military will be held during the lunch hour. By – Jack Morby.

#### Sandy Chapter N/W Steelheaders

We need 3 or 4 more boaters who have the equipment and desire to help veterans and active duty military out fishing for trout or bass for the day.

Your help in promoting this event among our NW Steelheader chapters is appreciated.

**Jack Morby** 

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# Willamette Fish and Float invitational By Larry Palmer

Several years ago, I organized a couple of chapter float trip/camp over's down the Willamette River near Eugene. These were a lot of fun, we spent the night camped on an island hearing only the sounds of water and wildlife.

We are again planning such a trip. It will be for July 14/15th, 2018 - 7:00am Saturday – approx. 3pm Sunday.

Primarily a trout fishing trip and warm water fishery and you might fish for steelhead. We put in at Armitage Park on the McKenzie River float down, fishing as we go, into the Willamette. Overnight in tents on an island in the Willamette, fish down to Harrisburg on Sunday. Then take out and shuttle trailers and then go home Sunday late afternoon. This is good trout fly fishing and small spinner water.

Obviously, we need as many boats and rafts as possible. If you can go and have a boat that can accommodate another person, that will serve as your volunteer effort this year! Pairings will be made with boat skippers from this email list. I'll put them in touch with each other with that list so they can plan their camping gear and so forth.



People are responsible to arrange their own camp gear/ tents and float arrangements. Cost per person is \$20. Payment to be made by July 1st. Checks made out to the Sandy River Chapter. Cancellation by trip participants less than 10 days before the event will be non-refundable. Chapter will provide cooking gear and some food for 10 people, from the \$20.00 per person paid (above). Participants will bring a bag lunch for themselves on Saturday. Saturday evening dinner will be Dutch oven cooked chicken with vegetables, salad and berry pie. Sunday breakfast will be sausage, hash browns, and scrambled eggs. Bag lunches made for Sunday.

If you are interested in going, please submit your name to me (the coordinator of this effort...) at Palmerlarryd@yahoo. com. That will be the only avenue of tracking your interest, attendance and keeping you informed of any trip information. I'll put your name in an e-mail work group to keep you advised of any details of the upcoming trip.





When: Saturday, May 12, 2018

Where: Camp Withycombe 15300 Minuteman Way Clackamas, OR 97015

Salmon Quest is a renowned event that gives sport fisher folk an opportunity to give back to the resource -- while having a really great time. Proceeds from the tournament are used to improve sport fisheries through on-the-ground restoration projects in the Willamette and Sandy River basins. Past Quest funds were spent to greatly expand volunteer participation in stream nutrient enrichment -- returning excess hatchery salmon carcasses to their local rivers to provide food and nutrients for young salmonids and wildlife. This day-long friendly competition culminates with a banquet and award ceremony, and registration includes a day of fishing with a guide, commemorative gift, and a delicious dinner.

Register: <a href="https://nwsteelheaders.org/events/salmon-quest/">https://nwsteelheaders.org/events/salmon-quest/</a>

#### **Volunteer Hours**

Please report your Volunteer hours to Greg Reed at <u>g\_a\_reed@comcast.net</u>, for now. The position responsible for tracking volunteer hours is currently vacant. We have contacted the Association in regards to this and the processes needed to ensure they are reported and recorded. If you can help out in this position, please contact Steve Rothenbucher or Greg Reed.

### **Butter Garlic Steelhead in Foil**

- 1 pound steelhead trout filet, skin removed
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 a lemon, juice squeezed
- 1-2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon parsley, minced (optional)
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1. Preheat oven to 375° F.
- Spray a sheet of aluminum foil with cooking spray and place the trout filet in the center. Fold up all 4 sides of the foil.
   Season trout with salt and pepper and then squeeze juice from half a lemon over the fish until covered.

- Melt butter in microwave safe bowl, stir in fresh minced garlic, and drizzle over the trout until evenly coated. Top with fresh minced parsley.
- Fold the sides of the foil over the trout, covering completely, and seal into a closed packet. Place directly on oven rack and bake until cooked through, about 15-20 minutes.
  - \*\*\* Be careful when opening it will be HOT.

Optional step: Open the foil exposing the top of the trout and broil for the last 4-5 minutes, for a browned top.



Join us for a women-focused event that'll dig into the nuts and bolts of fishing, right in time for summer trout season! Learn fishing knots, improve your cast, brush up on details about local rivers and how to read water, and hear about the hottest lures and fishing techniques. You do not need your own gear to participate. If you have fishing gear of your own, please bring it and a more experienced angler will go through your bag and help answer questions.

Socialization is an important aspect of this event -- and we're hoping that you'll meet some new fishing buddies! There will be plenty of time to network with other women who fish, hunt, forage and enjoy the great outdoors.

Did someone say prizes?! Well, I guess I just did. While at the event, enter to win a free guided trip and gear!

The event runs between 9AM - 4PM but feel free to drop into sessions at your leisure. This is a family-friendly event. Registration is preferred to enable us to provide refreshments however it is not required. Please sign up online for a free ticket. If you have additional questions, email office@anws.org.

# Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale

That's right, <u>Sunday</u> – not the traditional Saturday event! The meal will be a bit later in the day as well to allow enough time for people to get to the picnic after church.

Everyone can expect a great time with a barbecue and plenty of relaxation and fellowship with good friends and family. We have both the picnic site and the meeting hall, so everything can happen rain or shine. You will need to bring your own lawn chairs for outside picnic seating. There will be bingo. Bring three one dollar bills for the bingo games. Winners take all!

The location is a place we all know well. We have a site straight down the trail from the Sandy Chapter meeting hall. John Hydorn will be grilling up his famous salmon and Jeff

Stoeger will be grilling the traditional burgers, and hot dogs, but what made the meal a real success is the potluck for side dishes, salads, and desserts. There is a lot of gastronomic talent in our chapter and it's a lot of fun to share and partake in that talent. Of course we also provide various sodas, water, and coffee.

People should arrive with their chairs and pot luck items starting about 1:30 pm, but be sure to be there before we start serving from the barbecue which starts at 2:30 pm.





We need an accurate headcount to know how much food to purchase, so if you were not able to sign up at the chapter meeting, please call before Monday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

To sign up or if you have any questions or suggestions call Joli Ritchie at 503-760-5551 or email <a href="mailto:neritchie1@gmail.com">neritchie1@gmail.com</a>. We will want to know your preference of salmon, hamburger, or hot dog and what you intend to bring as a pot luck item.

See these chairs? We can't provide so remember to bring your own!

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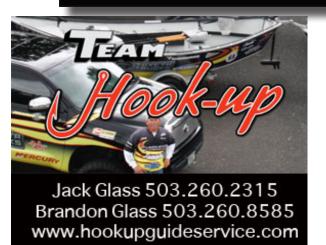
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