



Sandy River Chapter

July 2020

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

Cancellations:

Annual Sandy River Chapter Picnic, and Annual Chapter Potluck Social and Auction

2020 Events

Chapter Meetings held at the **Glenn Otto Park**, 1208 Historic Columbia River Hwy., Troutdale, OR 97060 in the Sam Cox Building



September 2, 2020 - Chapter Meeting – “Itchin’ for Twitchin’” –

Come and learn how to Twitch for Coho. Techniques, gear, and methods for the rivers and streams.

Election of Chapter Officers, Doors open at 6:00pm, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm members may meet, greet, share stories and techniques. At 7:00pm the business meeting and program begin.



October 7, 2020 - Chapter Meeting – Speaker to be announced. Doors open at 6:00pm, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm members may meet, greet, share stories and techniques. At 7:00pm the business meeting and program begin.

Annual Chapter Potluck Social and Auction, What does this mean financially ...

From: Greg Reed

Due to the current conditions of our world we will not be having our annual Chapter Potluck/Auction. This is our primary fundraiser. This event provides nearly all of our operating expenses for the year. Thanks to past and current budget management the Chapter will survive this. However, it makes fundraising in the year to come fundamental to our continued operation.

To illustrate our budget operations, see the report below. Summarized, the last 12 months have seen Chapter Income of \$4,645.44 and Expenses of \$11,745.49. This shows our operating costs of \$7,100.05.

Banking Summary - Last 12 months 5/31/2019 through 5/30/2020

OVERALL TOTAL

-7,100.05

Category	5/31/2019- 5/30/2020
INCOME	
05-Development	
Auction	220.00
Clothing Sales	24.00
Door Prizes	1,582.00
Raffle Sales	127.50
TOTAL 05-Development	1,953.50
06-Donations	2,000.00
08-Interest Inc	1.82
09-Operations	
Coffee Proceeds	66.30
TOTAL 09-Operations	66.30
10-Programs	
11-Education-Outreach	
ODFW Workshops	623.82
TOTAL 11-Education-Outreach	623.82
TOTAL 10-Programs	623.82
TOTAL INCOME	4,645.44

Category	5/31/2019- 5/30/2020
EXPENSES	
18-Development	
Annual Picnic	133.64
Banquet	650.00
Clothing Sales	49.60
Door Prizes	2,059.92
TOTAL 18-Development	2,893.16
19-Donations	
Eggs to Fry	37.61
Misc	1,900.00
TOTAL 19-Donations	1,937.61
22-Operations	
Check Order	62.55
Coffee Expenses	44.77
Internet Hosting	108.00
Misc	816.94
Newsletter Publishing	681.25
Office Supplies	1,622.78
PO Box	106.00
Storage Locker	2,190.29
TOTAL 22-Operations	5,632.58
23-Programs	
24-Education-Outreach	326.26
ODFW Workshops	455.80
TOTAL 24-Education-Outreach	782.06
26-Restoration	399.98
River Cleanup	100.10
TOTAL 26-Restoration	500.08
TOTAL 23-Programs	1,282.14
TOTAL EXPENSES	11,745.49



Youtube Event with Randy Newberg

Northwest Steelheaders co-hosted a LIVE YouTube discussion and Q&A with Randy Newberg on **June 25th, at 5pm PST**. If you missed it you can still view [Randy Newbergs](#) recently released cutting-edge film, [The Dam That Never Was](#), which is a story of redemption and conservation on the Yellowstone River, the longest free-flowing river in the lower 48 states. The Yellowstone is a 700 mile tributary of the Missouri river. The Missouri being one of the most dammed and controlled rivers in the American West. Thanks to the efforts of Jim Posewitz and other key advocates who helped prevent the Allenspur dam project on the Yellowstone, the Missouri River has been able to maintain its flow regime and thriving ecosystem.

The Snake River is the largest tributary of the Columbia River and has historically accounted for 50% of its salmon and steelhead (approximately 16 million fish per year).

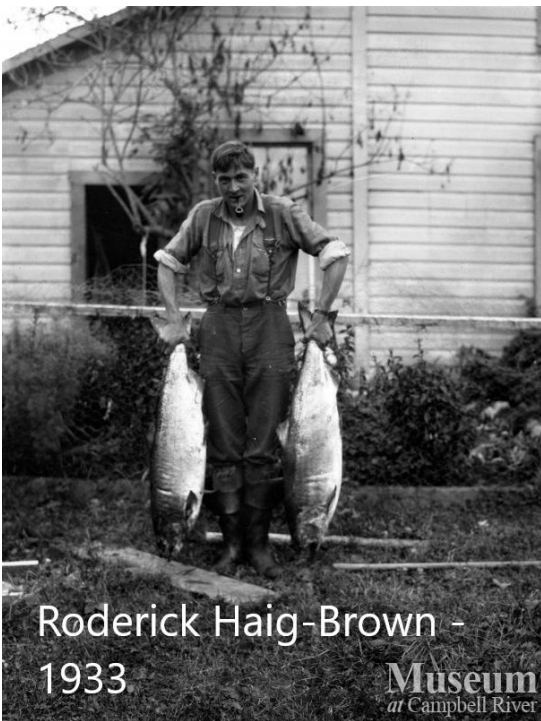
You can find the film The [The Dam That Never Was](#) on YouTube at :
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One Last Cast

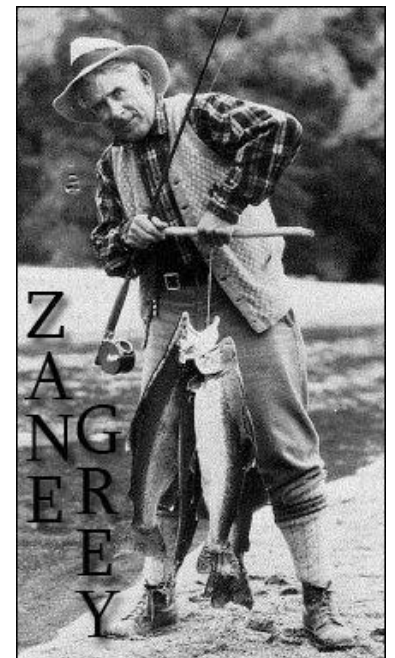
Jim Cathcart (aka Navigator)

With time on my hands I have taken the opportunity to read some of the Frank Amato Publications classics such as *The Steelhead Trout* by Trey Combs (1971) and *Western Steelhead Fishing Guide* by Milt Keizer (1988). Others that could be added to this list that I have read previously are *Steelhead Drift Fishing* by Bill Luch (1976) and *Steelhead Fly Fishing and Flies* by Trey Combs (1976). Still to read is *River Salmon Fishing* by Bill Stinson (1986). All of these books were written back in the day when I was first learning to fish for salmon and steelhead – a sobering thought as this dates back 30 to 50 years ago.

One of the things I appreciate about these books is their discussion of the origins and heritage of steelhead and salmon fishing in the Pacific Northwest. Early pioneers in the sport were primarily fly fishers and most became icons including famous authors Zane Grey and Roderick Haig-Brown. Haig-Brown is worth googling because many of his books are all about fishing and would provide ample reading material for the next pandemic. Not to say there were pioneer gear fishers; they just didn't get



the attention and notoriety of the fly fishers. The fly fishers documented their efforts in the magazines at the time such as *Forest and Stream* and *Field and Stream*. *Field and Stream* sponsored an annual fishing contest which was won many a year by northwest steelhead fly fishers and put many a river and fisher on the map.



Contemporary steelheading as we know it today took off in the 1970's and 1980's and as I mentioned previously I was part of this expansion. Hatchery programs exploded and some rivers became crowded with fishers. What I find interesting in these books is that the authors also

prognosticated about the "future of steelheading". Some of the authors questioned the hatchery practices of the day and there was consensus amongst all about the importance of releasing wild steelhead even where take was allowed. Fin clipping was just emerging and I remember of the

diagrams educating anglers on how to recognize hatchery fish by their deformities in their fins – especially the dorsal fin.

It struck me that we today are living in the “future of steelheading” and that many of the policy choices discussed in the 1970’s and 1980’s regarding hatcheries and wild fish have matured and been implemented while others – such as the importance of habitat and water quality (i.e.. temperature) -- are still being discussed. I tip my hat to these authors because their thoughts written in the 1970’s and 1980’s about the “future of steelheading” have held true – giving us the opportunity to fish for these magnificent fish today in their future.



June 2020

John Hydorn w/Cameron Black
Steelhead on the Columbia River



Jeff Stoeger w/a Hatchery Chinook on the
Sandy River



Drifting the Sandy from Oxbow to Dabney - June 2020



Annual Chapter Board Election:

Election of Chapter Board Officers will take place at our next scheduled Chapter Meeting. As required by the by-laws, the Sandy River Chapter needs to notify its membership of the upcoming election of officers. The Chapter Board positions we need to vote on are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

We want to thank Tim Maples for serving as our Vice President for the 2019-20 term. He indicated he would not be able to continue as Vice President this coming term. Therefore, until the election Jeff Boughton, who is running for this position, has been assigned to the position.

Note the last few years we have run short of nominees for positions. We all want a successful chapter, so please step up and help us in areas you have qualifications to fulfill.

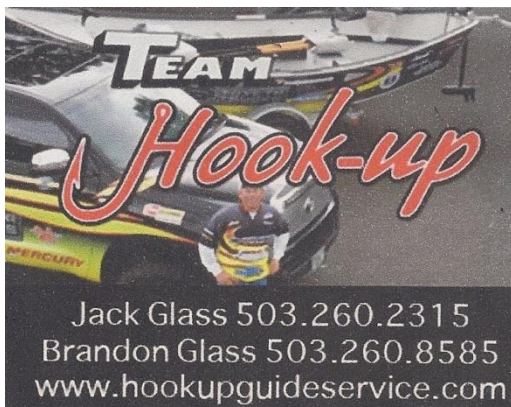
Currently, the following are running for offices.

Position	Name
Co-President	Jeff Stoeger
Co-President	Greg Reed
Vice President	Jeff Boughton
Secretary	Terri Boughton
Treasurer	Vacant

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 Election Committee. To run for an office you must be a current member in good standing.

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, or Treasurer ask them if you can nominate them for the positions. You cannot nominate someone without their permission.

Contact Steve Rothenbucher, Chairperson of our Chapter nominating committee, at 503-257-0039.



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Co-President	Greg Reed	503-869-1795
Vice President	Jeff Boughton	
Secretary	Terri Boughton	503-307-2546
Treasurer	Vacant	503-869-1795

DIRECTORS

Position	Name	Phone
Eggs to Frye	Mike Myrick	503-281-6438
Newsletter	Vacant	503-869-1795
River Cleanups	Vacant	
Sales	Rob Bitney	503-320-9821
Angler Education	Vacant	

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