



Sandy River Chapter

August 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

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’” – This meeting may very well not take place. So, stay posted in case this must be rescheduled!

If held, come and learn how to Twitch for Coho. Techniques, gear, and methods for the rivers and streams.

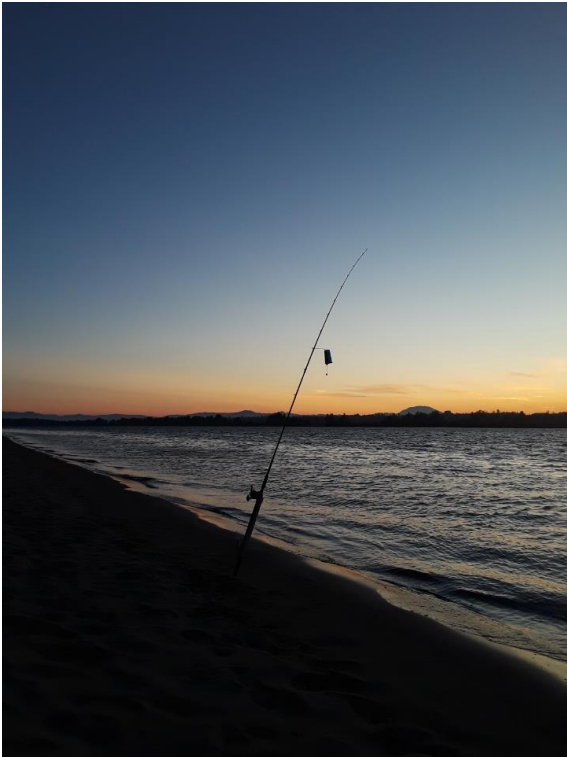
Election of Chapter Officers, Doors open at 6:00pm, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm members may meet, greet, share stories and techniques. At 7:00pm the business meeting and program begin.



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.

One Last Cast

Jim Cathcart (aka Navigator)



Safe to say that the year 2020 has been unusual with all that is going on with the coronavirus pandemic and calls to end racial injustice once and for all. With respect to the pandemic we have been fortunate that fishing was considered an essential activity from the get go and as a result we have enjoyed the various seasons to date with some minor adjustments to account for physical distancing and like coronavirus prevention measures. With respect to racial justice, we as Steelheaders can continue to put our shoulder into our equity and inclusion initiatives such as Family Fish Camp, angler education events such as our Steelhead 101 Workshop and support organizations such as I'm Hooked Inc. that are dedicated to providing access to the outdoors to those that normally do not have the opportunity.

If you have been in a position to get out, you have noticed that we are not alone; it seems that more people than ever are flocking to our rivers, lakes, trails, day use and camping areas. My guess is that this will continue beyond the pandemic as those new to the outdoors enjoy the experience and become lifers like the rest of us. I recommend that we adopt a welcoming attitude to all the newcomers and bring plenty of patience and understanding along with our gear and tackle for the day. The future of our sport depends on these newcomers and organizations like the Steelheaders are in a position to provide the necessary education and resources that allows everyone to have access to our fisheries. It is all about opportunity. Keep in mind that those of you with experience and skill in tactics still have the edge; like everything in fishing adjusting to the crowds is just another operational tactic of the successful fisher.



Speaking of opportunities, the seasons on the Columbia River in 2020 have also been unusual to say the least. The summer steelhead season was supplanted by a sockeye salmon season that we fishers dialed into successfully. Well, we fishers with the exception of me.... Despite my skunk for the season, I did enjoy researching Columbia River sockeye salmon plunking techniques and learning a new fishery. I hope we are afforded the opportunity next year so I can continue with this learning. And then there is the summer Chinook salmon season we have been afforded this year. This has kept me active plunking this summer. I look at it as the glass being half full rather than half empty – any opportunity is an excuse to be on the water, fishing. What I learned is that there are subtle differences between plunking for summer steelhead, sockeye salmon and summer Chinook salmon. In fact, the best way for me to hook a steelhead is to target sockeyes and the best way to catch a summer Chinook is to target steelhead. Go figure. When your line is in the water, opportunity knocks.





Jim Cathcart on the Sandy in of June 2020



And, at Trillium Lake in July 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.

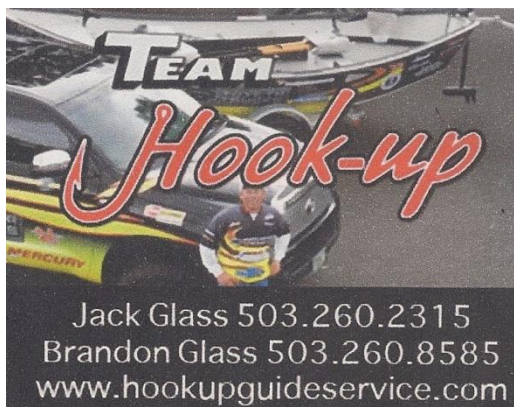
Currently, the following are running for offices.

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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Secretary	Terri Boughton	503-307-2546
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