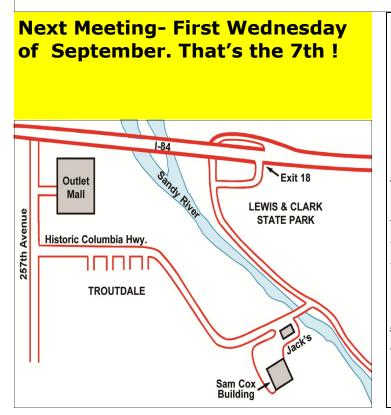


## This months' program

Our Guest Speaker will Victor and Kerin Laurence. Many of you don't know who Victor and Kerin are, so come to September meeting. This meeting is going to be exciting for the Sandy River Steelheaders will have a new look. I hope to see you all at the September meeting

The chapter is looking for someone who could help out as membership director. It takes very little time to do it and if you would like more information about being the membership director, you can contact Howard Berg at <u>howardbergate@gmail.com</u>. We need to find some one to fill this position. So if your interested in the position have some free time, please send Howard a email.



# **Our Chapter Officers-**

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## **President's Note**

I would like to thank everyone who helped in tying up the yarnies. The ducky derby could've used better weather. We sold about 485 ducks and we raised about \$2500.00 after all the expenses. It was disappointing that we only gave out about 30 fliers of 1200 we had printed with the yarnie and membership application. We hope to give them out during are up coming clinics in November and December. I want to thank those from our chapter for helping out at this event.

### **Event Schedule**

Friday, Oct. 7, 2011 3:00 PM Dorm Opens

6:00 PM Dinner and a fishing report and fishing clinic.

8:30 PM Build Your Own Lunch Bar

Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011

5:00 AM Breakfast

4:00 to 5:00 PM Tournament Fish Measured

5:30 PM Dinner & Prizes

8:30 PM Build Your Own Lunch Bar

Sunday, Oct. 9, 2011

5:00 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM Everything must be out of the dorm.

5:00 PM All Vehicles, trailers, and RVs must be out of the fairground so the gate can be locked.

#### <u>Cost – Fees are due no later than Friday, Sep. 25, 2011:</u>

Per individual staying at the dorm: \$60 (no reduction for staying only one of the two nights – we still need to make accommodations)

. Per additional family members staying at the dorm: \$45

. Per individual or family member not staying at the dorm but participating in evening meals and activities: \$30 (does not include breakfast or lunch)

. There are a limited number of RV sites with water & 15 amp electrical. RV spots are an additional \$10 per night

. Don't forget the tournament entry fee!

Weather Cancelation can take place the morning of 10/7/11 due to extreme conditions making boating unsafe registration fee will be returned less \$10. A donation receipt will be provided for the \$10 and the funds will defray the costs of food purchased for the event that will need to be donated to the local food bank. This has happened only once in the twelve years of this event, so the risk is low and made lower by scheduling earlier in the month this year.

Contact Norm Ritchie (503) 807-7729 to sign up or for additional details. Or email normritchie@q.com with the following information: name; phone number; will you be staying at the dorm, bringing an RV or staying elsewhere?; Will you be fishing the bank or do you want a ride on someone else's boat or will you be bringing a boat ; If you are bringing a boat, how many people can you take on your boat and do you have people and what is your knowledge of Tillamook Chinook fishing?

Payment must be received no later than September 25th in order for us to know how much food to purchase. Please make checks out to the "Sandy River Chapter, ANWS" and mail to Norm Ritchie, 2834 SE 166th Ave., Portland, OR 97236-1861.

## NW Steelheader Tillamook Fish-Along, Weekend of Oct. 8, 2011

Show up Friday evening for dinner and a fishing report and fishing clinic. There will be breakfast Saturday and Sunday morning and a "build your own" lunch bar with lunch meat selections for sandwiches, fruit, a snack, and a beverage. With breakfast in your belly and a lunch bag in your hand, you are ready to head out with your fishing buddies. There will be a BBQ dinner Saturday night followed winners will also be announced. Sunday morning starts with another hot breakfast and lunch bar.

Everyone will need to pack out before leaving for fishing Sunday morning. (The dorm will be cleaned and locked up when everyone leaves. The gate will be left unlocked until late afternoon for the RVs.) Boat captains are able to pick their own passengers, but we will help coordinate other boaters and riders to balance local knowledge and expertise to insure this is a learning experience for everyone who needs it as well as being a great weekend of fishing. This will be done well in advance to allow participants to coordinate their fishing. Participants will be responsible for boat fuel, bait etc. (which is only a small portion of the captains costs.)

## **Feeling Lucky?**

We are going to have a

tournament that will win half the total tournament entry purse for three participants. Enter the tournament for \$20 and have a chance to win a percentage of the total pot. Entrants will also get a donation receipt for \$10 of the entry fee. 30% of all entry fees go to the angler with the largest fish by weight after gutting and gilling. (This allows anglers to take good care of their catch for optimum food quality.) 10% to the second largest fish. 10% to the smallest salmon by length (smallest being the closest to but not under the minimum legal harvest adult size). Entries must be at the Tillamook Fairground Dorm weigh-in no later than 5:00pm. Please include the entry fee with your registration fee, but we will accept entries up to 8:30 on Friday 10/7/11 at the fair ground dorm.

Sandy Chapter Treasurer Mike Myrick and Association Director Norm Ritchie with typical Tillamook Bay Fall Chinook.

#### **Location**

The Tillamook Fairground Dorm is an ideal location for this event. It is located between the most popular Tillamook Bay boat ramps and is between the Wilson and Trask Rivers. There are also bank fishing opportunities just as close. There is water and 15 amp electrical service for RVs and plenty of parking for boats and other vehicles.

The dorm has a large kitchen and dining/meeting room on the main floor and two bunk rooms with bathroom & showers up stairs. Bring your sleeping bag, towel, and other shower supplies. A hot shower really feels good after a day on the bay! (Ear plugs can be helpful if there are attendees that snore.)

#### **Directions**

The Tillamook Fairground Dorm is easy to get to. It is just south of Highway 6 on Third Street, just off the Wilson River Loop Road. (Turn south off Highway 6 at the yellow flashing light. This road dead ends into the Fairground and the dorm is the 2 story building on your right.) (cont on page 2)

#### **Chapter Board Meeting Minutes July19,2011**

present: Private Thomas, Howard B, Eric K, Mike M, Bill B, Steve C, Tom and BH

began: 6:40

I New Business

1. The chapter was recently contacted by a Troutdale administrator regarding a problem with unauthorized requests to use Glen Otto for various dates and not actually using the facilities - the Troutdale person in charge of Glen Otto is not too happy with us right now as the city possibly lost revenue. Howard is attempting to contact this individual and correct the problem. All requests to use the hall or any Glen Otto facilities on behalf of the chapter must go through the board. While this still needs to be settled, at this time the only members that are board approved to contact Troutdale representing the chapter are Howard Berg or Jack Glass. There is normally a fee involved to use the hall, but the city waives this fee due in part to our river clean-up activities.

a. If anyone has concerns about this issue, please contact Howard or Jeff S.

b. We are looking into purchasing a lock box that would contain the key to the microphone so we will not need to contact the hall care person as Wednesday is her day off. Howard will bring up this topic when he contacts Troutdale City Hall today.

2. Bill discussed a new volunteer *hours worked form* originating from the association office. If you put in any hours on behalf of the chapter or association, please contact Bill with the necessary information.

3. Steven Childress was introduced as the new membership director. Steve thanked the board for putting him in this position and then gave a brief personal philosophy regarding fishing and how he perceives his role on the board. He also agreed to pick up Colonel's pizza charge for the next meeting.

4. Because we need a new picnic location, it was suggested that we consider Oxbow Park. Due to Oxbow's popularity, and the necessity to make our reservation early, the board selected 7/21/12 (possibly a week prior/after) as our next picnic date. Eric K will contact Metro to see what dates are available. He will also check with Joli to see if this location will serve our needs.

5. The new raffle tickets are printed - 20,000 - and we are looking for a coordinator. If you have an interest in doing this, please contact Jeff S or any board member.

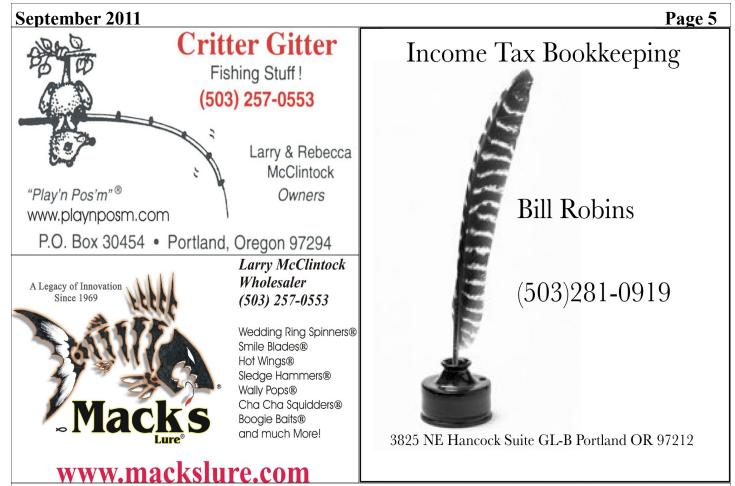
II Officer reports

1. Mike handed out a very detailed treasurer report indicating that we have \$8000 available.

2. No membership numbers were available as Howard is waiting for info from the association

ended at 7:45

office.



## **Camp Angelo**

I would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped at the three children's camp this year. The camp spent over \$750,000 on up grading the Fish Pond this year. The fishing was phenomenal during Gus's Fish Camp; some kids caught over 20 fish. Sandy Steelheader Rob Brobeck did a great job organizing the camp this year, the support was great.

The fishing was totally different for the Kids-N-Cancer camp and the Greek Kids Camp. We had several days when the kids did not catch any fish and I think our best day was 3 fish caught. The problems were that the pond was too warm again and there wasn't enough oxygen in the pond to support the 3,000 fish we put in it. The fish were trying to swim up the creek that feeds the pond to get more oxygen and they hadn't grown any larger than when they were put into the pond. John Melonas, president of the Camp board said that next year that they will have a compressor to aerate the pond better.

The food this year was even better than last year and most of the volunteers ate heartily. Next year the camp needs to improve communication with our chapter. Too many of the decisions were made at the last moment. The kids and camp staff really appreciated the hard work that the Sandy volunteers did. Howard Berg

We have a new membership person to work with Howard, that is Steve Childress who graciously volunteered to take Larry Beaver's place. I would also like to thank Larry Beaver for his service in this capacity. Great job Larry.

Joe Blum

## **Sponsor Acknowledgement**

As I am again running short of copy for this newsletter I would like to take this opportunity to thank Larry and Sharon Beaver for offering such a beautiful place for our chapter picnic, lots of food, fish stories and a good time was had by all. I would also like to thank the people that volunteered and helped make the Ducky Derby a success, too bad we did not give out more flyers with the yarnies tied up by our members.

I would also like to again thank our generous sponsors who not only advertise in our newsletter but put on some of our chapter meetings and donate time and gear to our chapter. Thanks guys you rock

Joe Blum



## Really swell prizes to be awarded to volunteers

In an ongoing effort to get more members involved and achieve better reporting of volunteer hours, I will be holding prize drawings at all regular chapter meetings for those members who volunteer for *any* chapter project outside of our regular meeting. It could be a river cleanup, a clinic, planning a stream project, helping out at the Kids Camp whatever... just volunteer. Fill out the Volunteers hours form below at the bottom of the page (also available on line or at chapter meetings) and drop it in the bucket.

I'll draw names from that bucket, and you may win things like a folding knife, a Leatherman tool, yarn flies...a 120' yacht...OK, maybe actually just a picture of the yacht. Take one of the other prizes, they'll be more useful, and less upkeep.

Get your name in the hat- or bucket!....VOLUNTEER !

Use the form below to report your volunteer hours and win cool prizes. Drop the form in a bucket by Bill Beith. He'll keep the forms. I'll draw from them and you may win! But to win...ya gotta volunteer!

## Volunteers of the Month

This month I would like to acknowledge all the volunteers who so graciously and selflessly helped make the Sam Cox building kitchen remodel a success. Without your time and effort the project would not have progressed to the point it is at. Not only do I thank you but I am speaking for the chapter members when I offer you all a genuine heartfelt. Thank You. Joe Blum

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	until you return home from the volunteer event.

### September 2011 ASSOCIATION NWSH -DUCKY DERBY – JULY 16, 2011 ON THE SANDY RIVER AT GLENN OTTO PARK

The Association of Northwest Steelheaders hosted their first **DUCKY DERBY** to 'Benefit Fish', held at Glenn Otto Park during the Troutdale Summerfest.

This began as a Wooden Fish Derby instead of a Ducky Derby; however, due to technical difficulties of 'flat wet surfaces sticking together', we could not use our 1,700 hand cut cedar fish and resorted to yellow plastic ducks for our DUCKY DERBY.

Stay tuned to see what will happen to all of those wooden fish!!!

The week prior to the derby, the Sandy River was very high due to water backed up by the Columbia River. The day of the event, the Sandy dropped to near normal level. The ducks were dropped off the 'Old Columbia River Highway Bridge' at Troutdale.

This derby was a learning experience. There were many permits required:

Department of Justice, State Land Board, State Parks, County Sheriff, State Highway Department and the City of Troutdale. Obtaining all of these permits caused delays in being able to begin our Ducky Derby sales.

Derby day brought many challenges that were solved by dedicated volunteers. Ducks were sold in Troutdale, and at the Summerfest event in Glenn Otto Park as well by the membership at many different venues prior to the event.

Where did the 1,200 feet of floating oil barrier boom come from? We thank CCS, Longview, Washington for loaning the barrier to us!

Many volunteers participated in the Ducky Derby -

McLoughlin Chapter: Carol Clark, Tom Smoot, Judy Monroe and Art McGraw. Newberg Chapter: Kevin Hula and Steve Pentkowski. Sandy Chapter: Bill Bieth, Dean Pierce, Mike Myrick, Doug Briggs, Leo Morris, Mike Shields, Jeff Stoeger, Larry Beaver, Howard Anderson, Nona Bowling, Art and Kathryn Israelson. McCall Chapter: Joe Domenico. ANWSH, COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR: Joyce Sherman and EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Russell Bassett.

A special thank you to Steve Pentkowski for the use of his jet sled. Without it we could not have moved the oil barrier boom which was used to channel the ducks to the finish line!

Many thanks to the volunteers who made this 'first time, Ducky Derby' event successful.

Art Israelson, 2011 Ducky Derby Chairman

# **ODFW Creel Program**

Hi guys,

If you don't know, we have an ongoing creel program in place on the Sandy River. We're trying to capture any effort and catch of spring chinook and summer steelhead. As is often the case these days with ODFW programs we expect to be short on staff for the month of July and could use some back-up help. I'm hoping that a few Sandy Chapter members could volunteer some time to keep the creel program going at a level we would like. We would most likely run through the month of July unless we see angler effort extending into August.

What we need is for folks to spend about four hours at a stretch sitting at boat ramps and interviewing anglers as they come in. We're likely talking Dabney or Lewis and Clark ramps. They will need to drive their own vehicles but once they get to the ramp they will spend the four hours there. It's an opportunity to catch up on some reading, rig some gear perhaps. We will provide training by having them go out with our staff a couple of times. There's basic paperwork involved in the angler interview process but it's very simple.

Please pass the word around the chapter and get back to me. Thanks.

Jeff

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