

**In this issue: Update and pictures of the 2013 Tillamook Fish Along held October 4th - 6th**

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This Month's speaker Norm Ritchie was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

Jeff Stoeger - member, former President and guide (O2BE FISHING GUIDE SERVICE) stepped in and discussed tips, tricks and secrets (remember the pink worm?!?) for fishing the Deschutes.

Thanks Jeff !



Our guest speaker for November will be a awesome treat  
Bill Luch

Author of Steelhead Drift Fishing  
**Do NOT miss this meeting!!!**

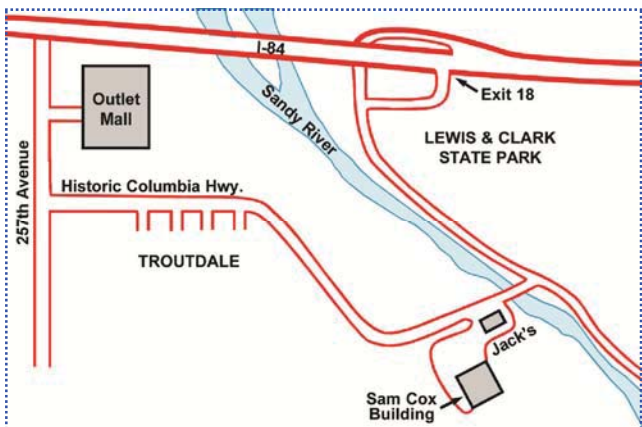
Special thanks to Robert Wisher for kicking off our fall meetings with the delicious turn overs, and this month's chocolate chip pumpkin cookies...Y U M...

### Welcome new members!

Welcome to the Sandy River Chapter! This is a pretty impressive and big new member update! We have some pretty exciting events coming up and hope you will sign up for an upcoming outing/event or volunteer for an event. This is a great way to get to know your fellow members.

If you don't see your name here - shoot me an e-mail so I can get the announcement in the next issue, and if you are so inclined feel free to send a story, picture and/or a short bio and what made you decide to join the Sandy Chapter!

<b>Scott Van Den Akker</b>	<b>Jonathan Block</b>	<b>Larry Kirk</b>	<b>Willis Brock</b>	<b>Rick Gooding</b>	<b>John Lakoduk</b>
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### Membership Meetings

**When:** First Wednesday of the month - 7:00 P.M. Sharp

**Where:** Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Park  
1102 E Columbia River Highway  
Troutdale, OR

**Next meeting: Wednesday - November 6, 2013**

## President's Message

### *Why Volunteer & Why Record Your Time?*

Over the years, I joined a large number of Sandy River Chapter members as a volunteer on River Clean-up, at the association Auction, the Ducky Derby, ODFW Mt. Hood CC Ponds Kids fishing, tied egg loop yarnies for our membership applications, Salmon Quest and the Camp Angelos fishing camp.

Despite these volunteering efforts, I rarely turned in the volunteer hours. My excuses include, being lazy, forgetfulness, not considering it important, don't need the prizes and not understanding the significance of Volunteer hours.

The volunteer activities do provide a tangible event we can point to as a Chapter accomplishment, with both pride and recognition of a reward to the Chapter.

Some of the past activities are listed with the typical reward it provides:

Semi-Annual River Clean-up	Cleaner Dabney, Glenn Otto and Lewis & Clark Parks Pro bono use of Sam Cox building for Chapter Functions
Fishing Clinics	Educate fellow anglers and increase membership
Camp Angelos	Educate children on proper fishing techniques
Membership Yarnies	Give the new member a steelhead
STEP Programs	Improve fish habitat & increase species survivability
Chapter & Assoc. Auctions	Fund raising & Bargain Opportunities
Salmon Quest	Fund raising & Bargain Opportunities

What I missed about these volunteer activities and the related volunteer hours was the significance of volunteer hours to the Chapter and the Association. When the Association applies for grants it reports the number of members in the organization and the number of volunteer hours donated by the members.

When a grant request is reviewed by the selection committee, they look at the number of members, the volunteer hours and the number of hours per member. By not reporting or by under reporting volunteer hours we actually hurt that ratios, which could cost us grants.

As we talk to sponsors for the auctions, advertising and donations, it is important to be able to tell them what we do and how many hours we spent doing it.

Volunteer hours include travel time to & from the activity, time spent preparing for the activity and actual time doing the activity. Total volunteer hours are the sum of these three elements rounder to the nearest ¼ hour.

We are making it easier for volunteer hours to be reported. We are asking the event coordinators to collect and report all the hours the volunteers worked, including travel and prep time.

### *Help the Chapter, Help the Association - Volunteer & Report Volunteer Hours*



*Doug Briggs, President*



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## Events Calendar

When	What	Where	Who to Contact
10/17/13 - 10/19/13	SHOT Salmon Hawg Open Tournament	Tillamook, OR	Norm Ritchie 503-807-7729 neritchie1@gmail.com
11/06/13	Membership Meeting Guest Speaker: Bill Luch	Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023 doug@leewens.com
11/13/13	Sandy Chapter Board Meeting	Round Table Pizza NE 122nd	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023 doug@leewens.com
11/16/13	November Newsletter Deadline		Nona Bowling 503-253-6606 fishwackers@gmail.com
11/16/13	25th Annual Association Hall of Fame Banquet Auction 2013	Sheraton - PDX 8235 NE Airport Way	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023 doug@leewens.com  Leslie Hina 503-653-4176
12/4/13	Membership Meeting Pie Social ! Hosted by Jolie Ritchie & Kathryn Israelson	 Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023 doug@leewens.com
1/8/14 - 1/12/14	Portland Boat Show	Expo Center	
2/5/14 - 2/9/14	Portland Sportsman Show	Expo Center	

## Weekend at the Coast.....

Scott Bowling

Nona & I spent the weekend in Lincoln City with our daughter Leona, her husband Tim and our Grandbaby Mackenzie - they were celebrating their 10th wedding anniversary and invited us to celebrate with them. Well, the first thing running thru my head was...ooooooooohhhh Salmon River...right time...this could be fun! We spent Friday evening playing on the beach and playing twister with our Grandbaby while her parents enjoyed a celebratory dinner alone. I didn't want to be a wet rag, but did hint that we would have to be up *before* the butt crack of dawn to get to the fishing hole. My son in law was a great sport, was up and ready to go (before I was even ready) and off we went to the spot on 101, watched the beautiful sunrise, expecting fish to be a jumpin' - didn't see any, expected to see bobbers down - didn't see any.

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And then 2 days later on the Trask...

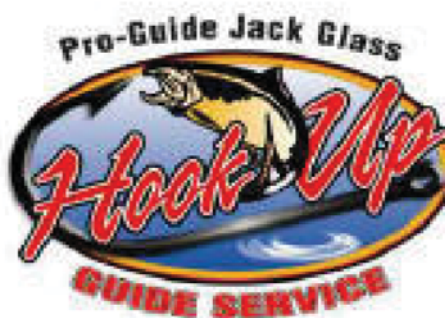
Yes! I love that I have to debate with myself on where to go.

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## The Tillamook Fish-along

Doug Briggs

The weather was perfect, fishing conditions were ideal so expectations were high as a dozen men and a woman went to sea in search of salmon. The autumn air was cold & the bright sunrise lit up Tillamook Bay as the boat ramp language increased in volume and filled the air with words more common to sailors. In the middle of this fray, undeterred, Art Israelson was on his second day of selling raffle tickets. The prior day, equally as perfect, Norm Ritchie took Marty Valencia-Blanco, Robert Wisher, Don Voeks and Doug Briggs crabbing long the North Shore. During the two soaks 33, often oversize male crabs wandered into the pots. Enough crab for Saturday night's dinner and then some. A rotating davit and a 3' x 6' entry mat over the gunnel made pulling pots fun & kept the paint unmarred.

On Saturday, fishing was with a 4' dropper, a flasher and a cut plug or whole herring trolled just off the bottom. Using this method Marty caught a large Coho Salmon in the ocean, so she reluctantly released it into the emerald sea. Marty got a great picture of it silhouetted by the sun just before I sprinted to its freedom. Marty also took 211 pictures of the sun. After all she is from Hawaii and misses that equatorial sun.

When John Hydorn & Bob Gronlund got their multi-year skunk off, they got it off big time with 4 fall Chinook. Wonder if John's new Yamahas played a part in the catch. Other boats catching fish include Norm Ritchie, 1 keeper, Mike Myrick, 2 fish, Dave Bisacre and Gary Mo, 3 Salmon and one released on Jeff Wong's boat.

The food was world class - as usual. Dinner was Crab, Salmon, Crab, Flank Steak and Crab. Dessert was pie alamode. Jolie Ritchie & Kathryn Israelson never cease to amaze with their culinary skills. They don't need volunteers, as the volunteer usually make a bigger mess (lesson learned).

The only disappointing thing about the Tillamook Fish-along was the lack of participation and the number of cancellations. Think about what you missed. The catch ratio was an all-time high of 1.6 angler days per fish.

**Art finally checked in an sold over 1,000 (yes - 1,000) raffle tickets over the weekend.**

Art did report seeing a couple of skunks headed south along Hwy 101.



*Far left: lucky coho caught by Marty - swimming away*

*Center: Bill Kirkpatrick and Mel Stanislawski*

*Bottom: Mel Stanislawski and Mike Myrick*

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## This Time Persistence Wins

John Hydorn

I finally rid myself of a curse that has lasted years. When we arrived this year, neither Bob Gronlund or myself had ever caught a fish in Tillamook Bay. All that changed, but it wasn't easy.

On Thursday, we hooked 5 fish, but came home with nothing. We lost them due to several reasons and we thought the curse would never end. We lost a couple to broken leaders. I lost one as the fish just bit through the leader. Bob lost one to a seal with it taking Bob's most productive flasher also. But the real heart breaker that day was the fish that Bob caught and we actually had it on the boat...bonked it several times...we high fived...then as Bob worked to get his hooks out of the net, I worked to get the fish bled.

While handling the fish...it slipped out of my hands and back into the bay...I was horrified and Bob was in shock.

*Will this curse ever end???*

Well, the next day we erased the curse. We found our way back to the Ghost Hole where the fish were doing their best to cooperate.

By shortly after noon, we picked up the last of our limit. We headed back to the fairgrounds to show off our fish and get some pictures.

On Saturday I was able to snag one more fish to cap off the trip. In two days we experienced the lowest of our lows and then the relief of finally busting the curse.

We then capped off the weekend with a wonderful meal back at the fairgrounds.

Thanks goes to Norm, Joli, Katherine and Art for another Tillamook Fish-In.

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Winners will be notified. Prizes to be picked up at the office. Winning ticket numbers posted at [www.nwsteelheaders.org](http://www.nwsteelheaders.org) within 24 hours of the drawing.

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Have you got your raffle tickets yet?

Support the Chapter by buying or selling raffle tickets.

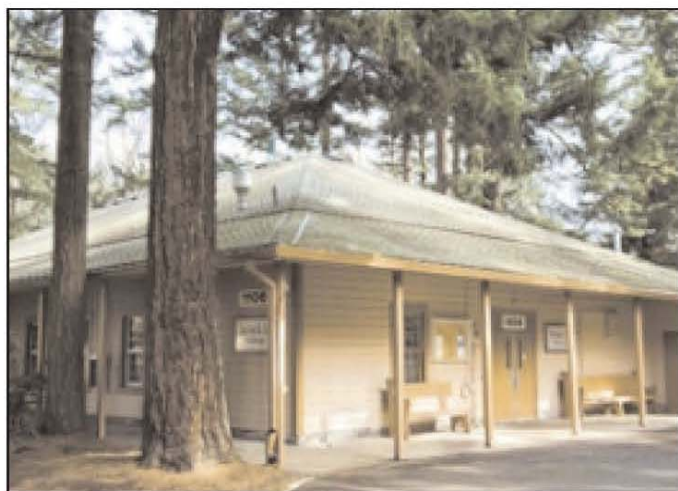
See Doug Briggs for more information

**November Newsletter Submission Deadline**  
**Saturday November 16th - 6:00 P.M.**

**Send your stories, pictures, tips to:**  
[fishwackers@gmail.com](mailto:fishwackers@gmail.com)

Please include "Newsletter" in the subject line, names/date/what you were fishing for/what you were fishing with/where you were fishing (unless it is top secret!) in the photo





## Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Park

The Sam Cox Building in Troutdale's Glenn Otto City Park provides space for community group activities, private parties, and organizations to meet. It badly needs to be updated. The kitchen has already been remodeled, with volunteers from the Sandy River Chapter of the Northwest Steelheaders providing much of the labor. However, there is more to be done. It's time to raise money for the remaining work.

## Cedar Fish Fundraiser

Buy a cedar fish to help renovate the Sam Cox Building! The fish, with your name engraved on it, will become a permanent part of the interior of the building. You will have the satisfaction of knowing that you've helped maintain the building for the community. Every time you walk into the dining room you will see your fish on the wall, proof of your support. Each \$20 purchase of a fish means \$15 for the Sam Cox Building and \$5 for the Northwest Steelheaders, who provide the fish and pay for the engraving.



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## Sandy River Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday - October 9, 2013

Sandy River Chapter Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday – October 9, 2013

Meeting called to order at: 6:30 p.m. By: Doug Briggs

### In Attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nona Bowling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leslie Hina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Myrick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Stoeger
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Bowling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Hydorn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larry Palmer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Russ Sumida
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Briggs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Rothenbucher	<input type="checkbox"/> Robert Wisher

### Old Business:

1. September meeting minutes – approved as published, if corrections necessary – publish in newsletter.
2. Volunteer Hours – Robert is not in attendance, but Doug reports volunteer hours are being reported.
3. Treasurer's report: Mike reported that currently balance is \$9,506.
4. Jolie Ritchie & Kathryn Israelson will be our co-hosts for the 2014 Annual picnic, working on location.

### New Business:

5. John brought up that there are e-mail message going un-responded to from the website, John will be the point of contact for the e-mail and will distribute to the applicable person.
6. Larry reported that the Carcass toss may not happen as scheduled – will wait and see, may try to reschedule event and volunteers from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup>.
7. Larry discussed other possible projects including the Christmas tree project and project details: commitment from ODFW, getting trees, storage of trees and project completion.
8. Discussion of Tillamook Fish Along event. Mike Myrick motion to show appreciation to Jolie Ritchie and Kathryn Israelson for providing the food for the event by sending them both flowers – motion passed.
9. Reminder that SHOT is coming the next weekend.
10. Doug Miller will be taking over the membership role.
11. Doug has rented a storage unit for the Chapter, he will make arrangements with those who have Chapter items they want to move.
12. Steve discussed PFD training – open for suggestions for dates and locations. Suggested spring break after Boat/Sportsman shows – this way we could promote at these events. Suggested high school pool for location for class. Steve will research and report back.
13. Jeff Stoeger has been in contact with some Bi-Mart stores about holding clinics. Will be after the New Year, due to the holiday displays and lack of space during these times.
14. John will set up for raffle during November meeting for Jeff, as Jeff will be escorting our guest speaker Bill Luch to the meeting.
15. Doug purchased 2 of Bill's books for a Chapter auction or fund raiser
16. Larry requested the board review the proposed calendar he put together and e-mailed out to discuss at the next meeting.
17. Doug asked if the Chapter wanted to chair a table at the HOF banquet.
18. Doug discussed the video that the Association is making and called a motion to donate to this fund. Mike had previously stated he needed more information before voting and after getting more information was comfortable to vote yes if a motion was called. Motion called and passed.

Meeting adjourned – 8:25 p.m.

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#### Weekend at the Coast.....

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Called my buddy Mike to see how he was doing - he answered and said he to go - he had a fish on. I waited a few minutes, didn't hear back, so I called him and said where we going? Got his location and turned to Tim and said - pack up your gear, we are heading to the Nestucca. So off we went 45 minutes on 101 North until we got to a dirt road past a bridge, went to the end and there was Mike. They already had 2 fish on the bank - one darn near 35 pounds. My buddy said "Get some bait in the water while the fish are still biting", it wasn't 2 minutes until Tim's bobber went down and he got this 14 pounder on eggs and shrimp. It was his 2nd caught ever, but first he got to keep. Tim was pretty happy, the girls got to spend some time together, although I missed the Fish A long, it was a great weekend all around!



At the risk of dating myself...

What was the name of the Jetson's dog?

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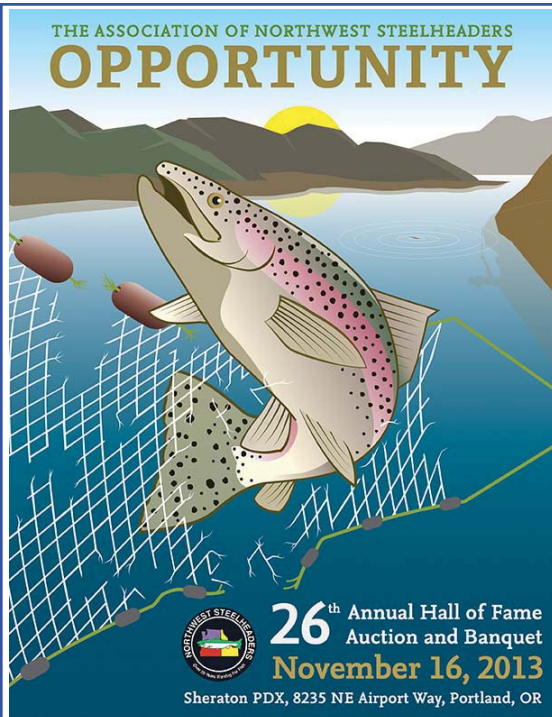
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**Opportunity**

The Association of Northwest Steelheaders' 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Hall of Fame Auction and Banquet will be held on Saturday - November 16, 2013. Please join us to celebrate achieving the opportunity to recover listed fish, the opportunity to have full consistent sport fishing season, and the opportunity to maximize the benefits of our fisheries for all.

This year's Hall of Fame promises to be the biggest and best ever, with a new venue that we are very excited about, an incredible array of fantastic experiences and items to bid on, fun games to participate in, videos, and scrumptious food and drinks.

Opportunity will be held at the Sheraton PDX, 8235 NE Airport Way, in Portland, OR.

Please reserve your seats now!

One of the many things that will make this event a memorable, must-see experience is our diverse array of incredible items. We work hard to secure items that most of us would buy during the year. Whether it's a fishing adventure to Alaska, fishing trips with the best local guides, rods and reels, cooking equipment, romantic getaways, or hunting and golfing trips; we have something for everyone, including several one-of-kind experiences designed to bring your more opportunity.

Please be sure to register early. Price for early registration before Oct. 1 is \$60 per seat, \$550 per table, or \$650 per premium table. Price for late registration after Oct. 15 is \$70 per seat, \$600 per table, or \$700 for premium table. A table seats 10. Premium tables include up front seating and courtesy bottles of wine at your table. We expect to sell out, so be sure to register early! We have raised the price slightly this year to cover the cost of the new venue. Sheraton PDX is a premier location for this event, and we think the great parking, amazing audio/visual, great food, and very cool space makes the price increase well worth it. Also, please compare our event's price to comparable events.

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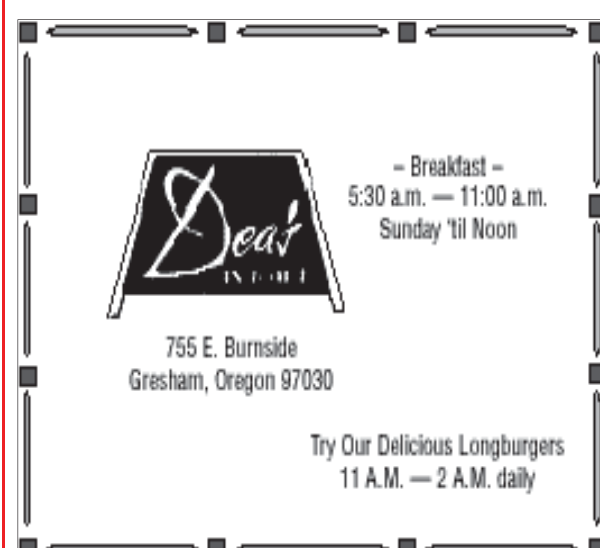


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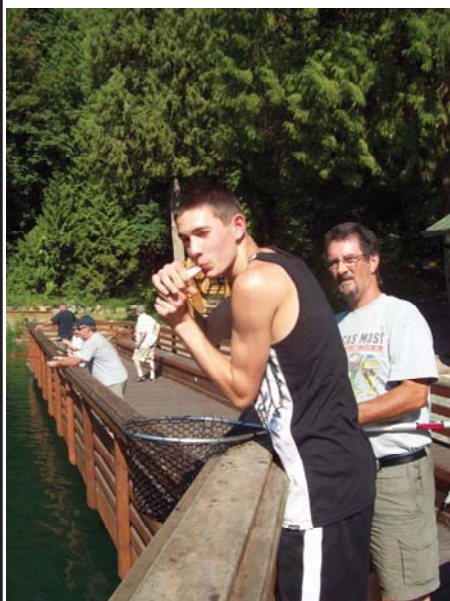


## Why Volunteer?

Nona Bowling

Doug asked in his President's message. I volunteer to help make a difference, no matter how small or big a contribution. Scott joined the Chapter first, and I don't remember the exact details but somehow some more volunteers were needed for an event - Camp Angelos Cancer Camp. Marjorie was all about helping out - she LOVE Camp Angelos, this is where she went to outdoor school. We went as a family and it has become an event that we all look forward to. This event was **the** reason our membership went from Single to Family. When a kid gets a bite and catches that fish, to see the sparkle in their eye and hear the excitement in their voice and know that this moment will be one that this kid remembers for the rest of their lives - that is why I volunteer.

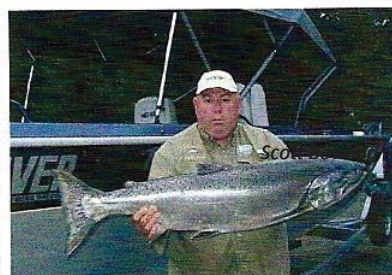
## Camp Angelos - Cancer Camp 2013



Thank YOU volunteers:

Rod Brobeck, Mike Myrick, Doug Miller, Paul Tragis, Haley Tragis, Ed Frankell, Roger Beal, Lorrie Bell, Marjorie Bowling, John Tucker (US Marine on leave), and Robert Wisher.

And Thank You to the Camp Angelos staff for making sure we have what we need, including the fantastic dinners!



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