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"Bob Rees" executivedirector@anws.org

Do You Want To Fish?

Last year this chapter held several very successful fishing clinics. Many new members were signed up (at least on paper)... Therein is the question-how do we go about transforming those new "paper members" into participating members, and renewed members who also joined to learn about fishing? Well, it's as simple as a monthly fish along.

I want to start a team of leaders who will lead these monthly on-shore half day efforts. The team will insure that no one person has to carry the whole load.

Each month we will meet one Saturday at Glenn Otto Park, and focus on a particular technique for that day, and help out any of our members who want to learn from someone more experienced than they are. Let's admit it- that's how we all learned, isn't it.? **One person each fish along will win a fishing trip with an experienced chapter member. You have to be present to win.**

Please see me at the chapter meeting to become part of this team.

Thanks, Larry Palmer



Photo of the Month, unknown who caught the salmon but it is a great picture

Rules for Chapter Newsletter

Dates for the chapter newsletters deadlines will be published in each issue of the newsletter. A four month span of dates will be featured.

Deadline is 6 pm Wednesday following the chapter board meeting. Don't expect that being late will be OK. Being late means your piece won't be in the newsletter.

All submissions will be in digital format. Handwritten or typed submissions will not be accepted.

Submissions will be sent as an attachment, titled appropriate to content, date part of title. Exmple- "August 8 Clinic piece 6/7/15."

Please add, "This is for the newsletter" as the subject or as the pre-title when sending an email.

Computer program language will be MS Word. IF you have a Mac, buy word for it, or create the file on a computer that does.

Submissions will be ready for insertion and spell checked.

Photo format will be jpeg or pdf. Please include captions for all photos.

Submissions on a flash drive will be accepted at the chapter board meeting. Flash drives will be returned to you at the next general meeting.

Directors and officers reports should be of a similar size from month to month. Space will be reserved in the newsletter for it. Sending in a report that is 2-3 times as large as last time just complicates the layout process and basically cuts into the space reserved for others.

Newsletter Deadlines

November issue -- October 21
December issue -- November 18
January issue -- December 16
February issue--January 20



Howard Milton Anderson is with his grandson, Bill Henry

Howard Anderson

Longtime chapter member Howard Anderson passed away on August 10th. His daughter has donated items from his fishing gear to the Sandy River Chapter for fundraising purposes.

Howard Anderson was a good man. I liked Howard, he was a good volunteer and we fished together a couple of times.

Howard volunteered for many special functions especially for the big Association auction each year. Not many know it, but I always had him and his friend, Joy Gannet keep an eye on the smaller valuable items.

Many years ago we had a couple of valuable items pocketed. It never happened with Howard on the job though! He also calmly gave directions to bidders looking to check out, a bit disoriented after that extra glass of wine, and helped to keep things running smoothly.

Although he didn't talk much about it, he was in the United States Marines during the Second World War, serving in the amphibious landing craft in some of the hardest fought Pacific island campaigns. He knew I was interested in that aspect of history, so he told me a couple stories, but didn't dwell on it. To him it seemed like a hard job that needed doing, but now past. Better to focus on today. Howard was a quiet fellow overall, helpful and dependable and a great chapter member. I will miss him.

Larry Palmer



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When:

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

Where

Sam Cox Building,
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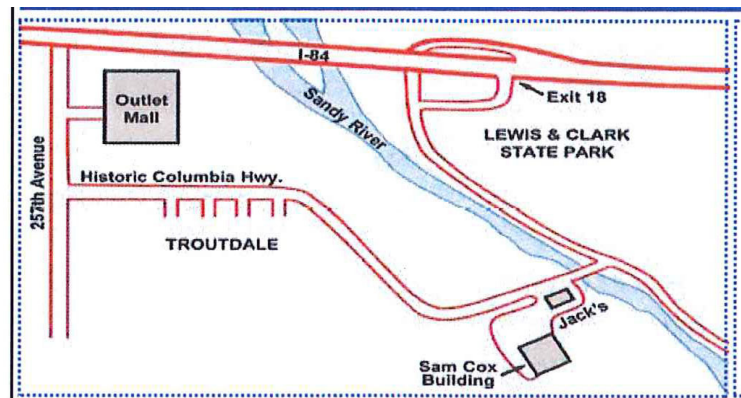
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OCTOBER

- 7 Chapter Meeting
- 14 Board Meeting
- 16-17 Shot tournament see page 9

NOVEMBER

- 4 Chapter Meeting
- 7 Winter steelhead clinic
- 11 Board Meeting
- 14 28th Hall of Fame Banquet

DECEMBER

- 2 Chapter Meeting
- 9 Board Meeting

Don't forget to turn in your volunteer hours!!

Our Next Clinic

Will be Saturday Nov. 7th our usual location in the Sam Cox Building , Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale.

The subject will be "Winter Steelhead".

This will be another one of our clinics in partnership with ODFW.

The cost for the general public to attend the clinic is \$52. Cost for chapter volunteers assisting in this event is FREE.

Room set up starts at 8 AM, the clinic runs 9 AM to 4 PM. Room takedown is from 4 PM-5 PM. Volunteers will learn more about fishing, get a free lunch and snacks all in exchange for helping out students as their abilities allow.

One of our volunteers for this event will win a fishing trip somewhere in a boat with Larry Palmer. It could be YOU!

Volunteers sign up with Larry at palmerlarryd@yahoo.com (503-286-2093),and reserve your spot at the clinic

If you'd like to attend this clinic as a student, please contact ODFW at Darlene Sprecher

Interim Outdoor Skills Coordinator
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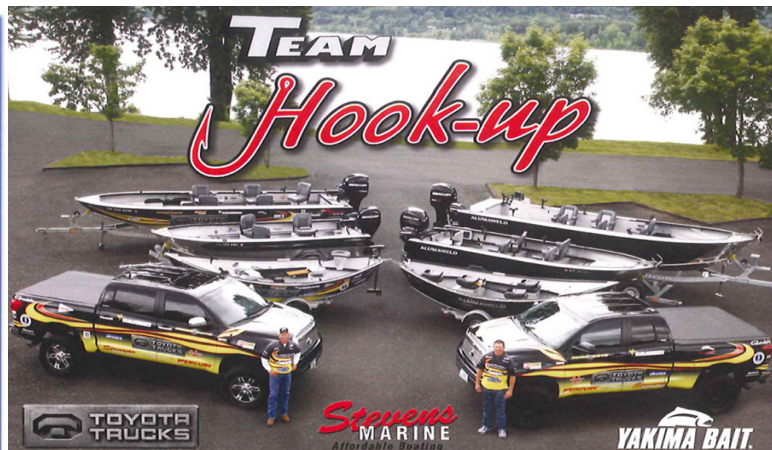
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2015 BUOY 10 HARVEST MANAGEMENT

By

Brad Halverson, VP Conservation, Association of NW Steelheaders

By most metrics, this year's Buoy 10 fishery has been epic. But the metrics that are most important to us as sports anglers are aggregate harvest and length of season. We continue to stress Opportunity as one of our core concerns, and we define opportunity as more basins and fisheries to fish on, over longer seasons, with a reasonable expectation of fishing on harvestable fish.

Once committed to a fishery, i.e. rental of boat moorage, rental of RV park space, scheduling our calendar around fishing days, etc., we are averse to season or retention modifications. This year, we experienced an initial change effective August 24th going from full retention to a marked select fishery for chinook (it is at all times a marked select fishery for coho and steelhead in this basin at this season). And, with the marked rate being less than expected for many of us, this became a catch and release fishery. Bad enough. But, the final death knell came on Thursday, August 27th during a Columbia River Compact/Joint State Hearing whereby the Oregon and Washington state agencies proposed and adopted a closure to any chinook retention in this management zone effective August 29th through September 30th. The marked select modification was a full two weeks shorter than the initial season set forth; and the zero retention of chinook came a full week before our anticipated closure.

These are not insignificant changes. As a highly engaged sports angler myself, and one invested in moorage fees, etc. I feel the impact

of such management modifications as deeply as all of you, and deeper than many. But, I am also an advocate for sustainable harvest, which put me at the front lines of securing Ballot Measure 81, which then morphed into SB 830 banning commercial gill nets from the mainstem Columbia River by 2017 (but that's for another article). Sustainability is defined by our impacts on ESA listed stocks. And, unfortunately, in the popular Buoy 10 fishery, our season and retention limits are constrained by a stock undesirable to most of us: Lower River Tules.

These fish are managed to satisfy our participation in the Pacific region compact with Alaska, Washington, Oregon and Canada commercial fisheries. I might be mistaken, but I believe this species is destined primarily to canneries. I know they are not going on my barbecue, as they are an inferior consumption fare, in my humble opinion. The prized stock most of us desire are the Upriver Brights destined for the Hanford Reach and Clearwater River in Idaho. That run, thankfully, is robust and in little danger of becoming listed. Unfortunately, in a mixed stock fishery, the most perilous stock constrains all other consumption.

Let the whining begin. It is essential you express your opinion. The louder voice the better. However, and here's the fundamental caveat: whine from an informed position, not just based on some misinformation you heard at the boat ramp. What follows is our effort to inform your discussion, based on the exact fact sheets (Joint Staff Report: Fall Fact Sheet #5 found on the ODFW website under the Columbia River fishery tab) our bi-state compact used to adopt the recent closure to chinook retention in the Buoy 10 management zone:

1. Passage at Bonneville Dam through 8/26 at 59,700 adult Fall

Chinook was "generally tracking within expectations."

2. Non-tribal commercial harvest through this period was 17,965 chinook and 75 coho, but "tracking high for LRH and low for BPH." LRH = Lower River Hatchery, and BPH = Bonneville Pool Hatchery, but both refer to Tules.

3. Recreational harvest for same period was 30,600 chinook and 18,600 coho. Coded wire tag analysis indicated a higher stock composition of Tules than expected preseason (22% vs 17%), which meant a higher than expected mortality impact to LRH stock.

4. Therefore, if no action was taken prior to 8/30/15, catch projections for chinook would have been 41,900 and coho 23,300. These figures represent 120% of chinook allocation, and 129% of Buoy 10 impacts allocated for tules.

Chris Kern from ODFW and Guy Norman from WDFW were the primary agency representatives on this call. And, according to their discourse, 2013 represented the highest catch rate prior to 2015, but was still 30% beneath this year's catch rate. So, congratulations guys and gals, you caught at a higher rate this year than ever before. And, the abundance you were fishing on, while not at record levels, was sufficient when combined with a combined effort defined as angler trips at a projected 95,000 to lead to a faster than projected mortality impact on these ESA listed stocks. Even going to a marked select harvest on 8/24 did not abate the results. They expected a reduced harvest due to an anticipated reduced effort going to a selective fishery, but you all hung in there and produced harvest rates that "continued to exceed expectations." Hence the need for the action recently enacted.

Many of us remember Bob Rees admonishing us to release any and all Tules caught this year. Personally,


none would be found on my boat because they are objectionable to me. But, to many, if fishing is tough, a fish is a fish, and it's going home. We get that. But, here's the rub, in a full retention fishery the agencies look at past seasons and compare those hatchery returns to overall catch to derive a ratio to use in subsequent years. And, no matter what number is kept, they know we have handled wild fish, and a certain percentage of those handled will suffer mortality. Further, and here's where Bob's suggestion would have helped lengthen our season: they estimate what gets handled by what comes across the docks in their creel surveys. So, if we had released all tules, and fewer or none had come across the docks, we might still be fishing full retention. Now, according to Chris at ODFW, this might be construed as a short term solution by us sports anglers, though the agency would never advocate such action, it probably would not be a long term solution. The reason is that National Oceanic Agency and the tribes are very focused on these fish, and if an abnormality had occurred (such as zero tule impacts) they might have forced the two state agencies to rely on computer modeling for impacts, and we don't want that.

In closing, while we all are disappointed we had to curtail our Buoy 10 chinook retention this year at less than full expectations, we can enjoy the fact we had epic fishing here for a while, and these stocks are being managed for sustainability by motivated, capable state agencies. As Trey Carskadon likes to say: "These ARE the good old days." Enjoy them. Tight lines and full nets.



Left to right: Brian Halverson, Steve Childress, Brad Halverson, John Hydorn





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EDITORIAL NOTE:

As we reviewed the October Newsletter, as it was being prepared for printing, we found abbreviations – some we knew, some that were unfamiliar to us and perhaps to you.

ANSW – Association of Northwest Steelheaders

BPH – Bonneville Pool Hatchery

ESA – Endangered Species Act

LRH – Lower River Hatchery

NOAA – National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration

ODFW – Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

SHOT – Salmon Hawg Open Tournament

STEP – Steelhead Trout Enhancement Program

TULES – Sub species of Fall Chinook Salmon that spawn in the lower rivers, turn dark in color as they put all of their energy into the immediate need to spawn and end their life cycle.

URB – Upriver Brights – Chinook Salmon that spawn in the upper reaches of rivers

WDFW – Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife



Dear Members,

You are receiving this letter as president or a key member of your chapter. On behalf of North Coast salmon and steelhead anglers, I want to cordially invite you and your chapter to participate in the 2015 Salmon Hawg Open Tournament, happening October 15-17. The Salmon Hawg Open Tournament is open to all sport anglers. Funds generated are used to improve Tillamook's salmon and steelhead fisheries. This includes sport fishing access, habitat, and other improvements as well as supporting the Whiskey Creek STEP hatchery. Based on past participation and our involvement, we are expecting roughly 75-100 anglers to participate.

Enclosed is the tournament flyer with a registration form. A special addition this year is a seminar on fishing Tillamook Bay for Chinook, by Executive Director Bob Rees. Although only one member of each team needs to attend Thursday evening to register, the teams who have all their members present will have an advantage over those who do not.

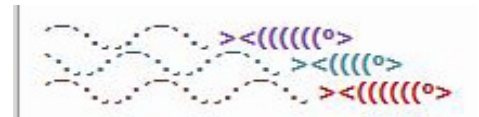
Registration: if the chapter registers a team, they may register a second team at no cost. This saving may be used as the chapter desires: all members of

both teams can pay the chapter half price or the chapter may collect from all six team members, retaining payment for the second team to enable the chapter to do work for fish and fishing. Definitely a win-win situation!

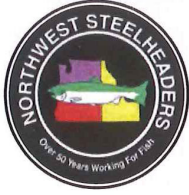
Respectfully,

For more information, please don't hesitate to contact me at 503-310-9824. Thank you for giving it your best SHOT! Anglers dedicated to enhancing and protecting fisheries and their habitats for today and the future.

Tim Lenihan
Event Chair



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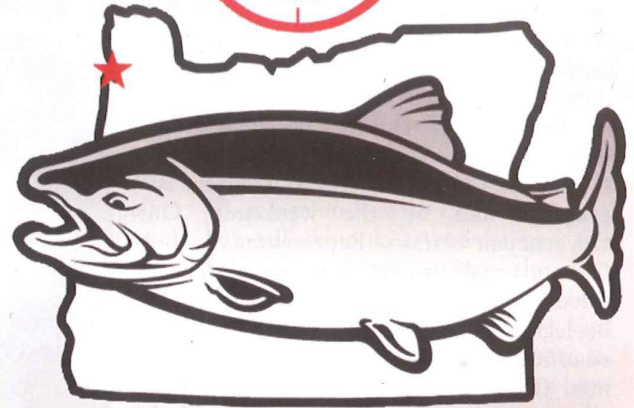
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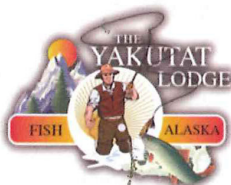
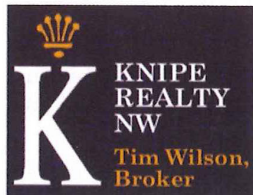
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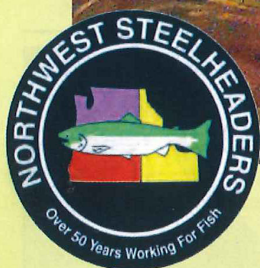
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