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Meetings are monthly the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at the Sam Cox building in Glen Otto park 1106 E. Columbia River Hwy in Troutdale OR

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Guest Speaker; Kevin Price of Oregon State Parks

Kevin Price, the District Manager of Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department will speak to the chapter about opportunities for the Sandy Chapter. This will include the possibility of creating three to five additional spaces for parking for drift boat rigs at Dabney State Park.

President's message

I was fishing on the upper Sandy River a few weeks ago in front of a homeowner's house and I noticed several beer cans, fishing line and other debris. In talking to the owner I found that even though he is far from any public river access, he still gets trash dumped on his property. I had a plastic sack with me to clean up trash (the only thing I caught that day) while I walked the bank fishing. With the help of two other club members we filled it. The home owner was very appreciative and invited us back again.

Some of the best fishing holes on the Sandy are located next to private land. One owner has a remote control TV camera to check on his river frontage. Another landowner has called the sheriff on people fishing in front of his place. I can understand the landowner frustration with people trashing their land; I have people dumping beer cans and trash on my acreage. I just wonder how they would feel if I dumped trash on their front lawns.

This got me thinking, what if the Sandy River Steelheaders contacted the landowners on the river and offered to clean up the trash in front of their places for the privilege of fishing there. I don't expect a

lot of owners to take us up on this offer at first, but if we just got one owner and then the other neighbors could see the results of our clean-up efforts they would be more inclined to join with us.

I see it working like this; we contact the river side home owners and get the address and phone numbers of those who want to participate in our program. If a member wants to fish he calls the owner and asks if it is ok to fish and cleanup in front of their house. We can get lots of small SOLVE bags at no charge.

I am just throwing this idea out for your feed back. Of course we will have to check to see if there would be any legal or insurance issues. Howard Berg



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Raffle Tickets

The Association of the Northwest Steelheaders needs your support! Selling raffle tickets is one of our most important sources of funding. How many of you have been on a fish along? Did you learn something new at one of the meetings? Did you make a new friend or fishing buddy? Any one of these things is well worth the price of a book of raffle tickets.

I joined the Steelheaders because I wanted to donate my time, money, and efforts to an organization that supports fishing and is willing to take on some of the tough issues that face fish and fisherman. I am sure you did too. Now we have a chance to help a great organization keep working and fighting for a cause that is important to us all.

I thank everyone that have already purchased raffle tickets! I encourage everyone else to step up and buy some tickets. They will be for sale at the Chapter meeting or you can contact me if you cannot make it to the meeting.

Please turn in all of your ticket stubs as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Jay Burris

Sandy River Chapter

Raffle Coordinator

(360) 798-9000

STEP Project Update Nov.

As of today (10-31) I do not have a definite date for our "Salmon Toss"

(Putting salmon carcasses in streams) event. It is tough to plan around the variables of weather and fish.

To make up a future project workforce, please let me know by phone or e-mail if you'd like to participate in an event like this. I'll add your name to a list to be notified when more definite plans can be made. Leave your name, phone # or e-mail address.

My e-mail address <u>palmerlarryd@yahoo.com</u>

My phone # 503-286-2093

Please specify if you can be one of the groups listed here-

#A- Can work Saturdays

#B- Can work Sundays

#C- Can work weekdays.

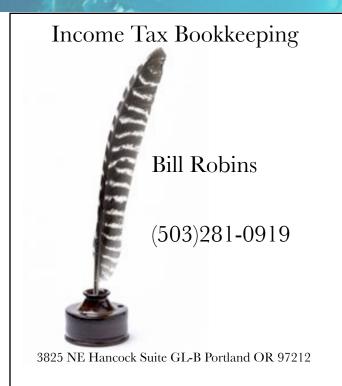
Tillamook Fish along

The Tillamook Fall fishery is going through one of the lowest points in memory. It began last spring when ODFW cut the number of fish that anglers could keep to one per day and five per year. The actual number of fish that showed up have been dismal. But the Fall fish along was anything but dismal. This has a lot to do with camaraderie and good food. The event went off with everyone meeting at the Tillamook county fairgrounds dormitory. Most members slept there and we based the event out of these facilities. The first day saw few anglers hook up and only one fish being caught by Sharon Schuab in Norm Ritchie's boat. But our egos were salved with the spread of stuffed halibut, lemon salmon, potatoes, and flank steak. What the fishing lacked the menu made up for in a tremendous way! Most anglers went home after the first day. A few anglers including Russ Nishitani in Norm Ritchie's boat and Jim Cathcart and Larry Palmer in Eric Neiwert's boat decided to give it another try. They were richly rewarded with some very nice fish. Russ hooked up and landed a 32.5 lb buck and Jim hooked and landed a 33 lb hen both fish caught on a green dot spinner. Jim hooked up again later in the day on a herring but it was gone after a quick head shake. The great thing about these events is it helps anglers learn fisheries they haven't experienced before, gets friends together, and provides great morale for the chapter

Volunteer Hours Needed

It's very important for members to write down all your volunteer hours on the Volunteer hours form that comes in your newsletter each month. You can bring this form to the meeting and give it to the Bill Bieth the membership chairman or mail it to him at Po box 301263 Portland Oregon 97294-9263. These hours go to the association office and this is an important criteria we are evaluated



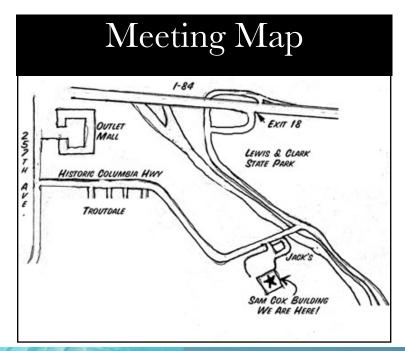


Breakfast Meetings

The Sandy River Chapter will have a get together and breakfast at the Tippy Canoe Restaurant located on the old Columbia river highway between the Troutdale and Stark street bridges. They have several breakfast selections for \$6.00 that I find very tasty and filling. The fisherman's breakfast will be on November 14th at 8:30 am. As usual B-O-B (buy your own breakfast). This is a get together to discuss local fishing and club activities in an informal atmosphere. Wife's are invited.



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SANDY STEELHEADER CALENDAR

Date	Event
November 5	General Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm Sam Cox Building Glen Otto Park Troutdale Kevin Price speaker
November 14	Breakfast Meeting at Tippy Canoe
November 29	Jig fishing clinic at Gresham Joe's
December 3	Chapter Auction and Desert



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Sandy River Chapter Volunteer Hours Form

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Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Mike Myrick, Larry Palmer, Jeff Stoeger, Larry Beaver, Howard Berg, Leslie Hinea, Jay Burris, Bill Beith and General Thomas started at 6:00

I OLD BUSINESS

- 1. The Diack/Nature Conservancy Sandy River property, for various reasons, will be closed for one year. Art is presently discussing the issues with the land owner. Discussion to get work parties to go to the property and help with clean-up. We also have permission more or less- to fish the river near Camp Angelos.
- 2. Five people responded to our initial breakfast gathering, with he next scheduled for 11/14, Shirley's Tippy Canoe, 8:30AM. We invite all members, family and friends to join us for a friendly get together.
- 3. The projection screen is installed, and we are working on obtaining a key. We may have to employ Don Nelson's skills to accomplish this task.
- 4. Fall clean-up is scheduled for 11/1, with a pre no host breakfast at Dea's 7:00. Goal is to clean Glenn Otto, Dabney and Lewis and Clark areas.

II OFFICER REPORTS

1. Bill brought up that currently we are sending newsletters to more addresses than are members. In an attempt to limit the lost postage, we are going to check the mailing list and I.D. who is and should be receiving a copy. We have approximately 60 members receiving the email version, more members signing up for this would save the chapter funds.

III NEW BUSINESS

1. Our December 3 auction dessert will be free with the chapter picking up the costs. Be sure and mark this date on your calendar and support your chapter by attending with open wallets; please pass the words to your friends. In a brave move to help the chapter,

Colonel offered to take home any leftover desserts. In appreciation for his service and being such a good all around guy, the board members gave him an embarrassingly long ovation. WHAT A GUY

2. Leslie updated the auction status, we can always use more donations - fishing related or not. It was decided to limit the number of trips to three so as to improve their value - so far we have three quality trips: Jack Glass, Brandon Glass and Russ Morrow. Colonel volunteered a trip, but the board tearfully declined his offer.

- 3. There will be a fishing clinic 11/29 at Joe's: Jeff is presenting bobber/jig techniques. Tickets will be also sold that day but not in the same area as the clinic. Clinics are also planned for 12/6 and 12/13 details yet to be determined.
- 4. For a myriad of reasons, the salmon toss needs to be rescheduled with details coming from ODFW. If you are interested in still being involved, please contact Larry Palmer.
- 5. ALERT: Jeff misplaced the "cookie/treat list". When this was mentioned Jay hit his head on the table while doubled over with laughter. However, we must go on so if anyone knows of its location, please contact Jeff. As a last resort, we can still begin a new sign up list and possibly hire an armored car company to safe guard it.
- 6. Howard and Mike will represent the chapter at the ASWS quarterly meeting in Springfield. Because the chapter is allowed three reps, if anyone has an interest in attending, please contact Howard. meeting ended at 7:15PM

November Cleanup

Today, November 1, 2008 the Sandy River Chapter of the Association of Northwest Steelheaders held a Sandy River Cleanup in association with our volunteer commitments and working arrangements with SOLV, Oregon State Parks, and Glen Otto Park in Troutdale. Sixteen members of the chapter split into several groups to cover the beaches, parking and picnic areas of each of these parks. Also included were several areas along the highway between the parks. The group accumulated over thirty bags of which would be about 600 pounds of trash. No bad considering this was mostly plastic and aluminum. In the photos attached are numerous duplications necessitated by the early departures of members; and I wanted to get everyone's picture included. Member included were Steve Ackley, Roger Beal, Larry Beaver, Howard Berg, Dave Bisacre, Hal Blenn, Jay Burris, Joy Gannett, Tom Gemelli, Leslie Hinea, Mike Lane, Russ Nishitani, Jeff Stoeger, Chris Sawyer, Colonel Thomas and Mike Thomas. This was a great job dune in a light rain on a windy day. Thanks to all. Larry Beaver, River Cleanup Chairman.

Tillamook Fall Fish along Pictures



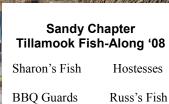






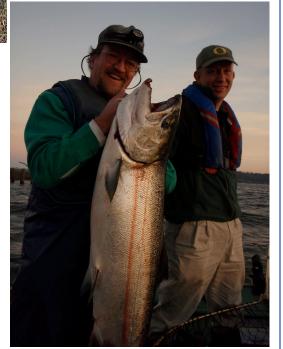
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Mike and Eric in Eric's boat



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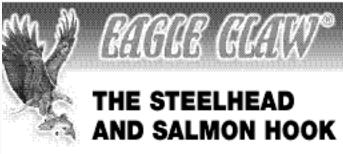
Jim and and his fish in Eric's boat

November River Cleanup Pictures



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