

This months' program - Our Guest Speaker is Tim Hurst of BigFishBite custom rods

Tim Hurst is Owner of BigFishBite custom rod building. Tim specializes in custom rod handles and rod wrapping. His entire rod handles our made from specialized pieces of wood that are hand crafted and are hand inlaid. These are one of kind rods that you help design and he will build to your specification. He also offers rod building classes for small groups, for those who want to learn the technique of building and making your own rods. If you would like to see some of his work, follow this link. Please make sure that the letters that are capitalized are cap or you won't connect to his site. <u>BigFishBite custom rods</u>. So if you every wanted that one special rod that will stand out against all other rods, come and see what Tim has to offer.



# **Our Chapter Officers-**

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## November 2010 You could win big!

Well its that time of year again when we start to sell the Association Raffle tickets. The association has made some changes in the selling process. The tickets will cost a dollar a piece, with the only break being that if you buy a book of 25 tickets it will cost you twenty dollars. This was to simplify the accounting process at the association office to help with what the department of justice would like to have happen. Here is my challenge. I would like for every member to buy at least one book of tickets. Joe Blum is our chapter ticket coordinator and you can get your tickets from him. He doesn't have the tickets yet. But when he gets them here is the challenge. If you sell a hundred dollars worth of tickets or if you personally buy a hundred dollars worth of tickets you will receive a trip with lunch on the sandy. If you sell 75 dollars worth of tickets your name will go into a drawing for one of our chapters hooded sweat shirts. PS. I still owe a couple of trips because date issues. I will take care of them ASAP. All I can say is that the guys who were able to go had a great time and some fish were caught and one lost anchor. Tight lines and Good Luck Fishing. **Jeff Stoeger Pres.** 

# **Chapter Raffle Ticket Coordinator**

Joe Blum has graciously volunteered to be the chapter raffle ticket coordinator for both the Alaska trip and the drift boat raffles. If a member receives tickets from Joe to sell he will be given the tickets and a bookkeeping sheet. When it is time to turn in the paperwork, money, and ticket stubs DO NOT turn into anybody but Joe all other officers etc will refuse to accept them. If you cannot make the meeting and need to turn in the above mentioned items please contact Joe either by email at icecreaman310@hotmail.com or by phone at 503-704-2483 to make the proper arrangements to deliver the goods. Thank you for your cooperation. Joe Blum

## New Salmon Festival is headed our way **Sponsored by: MHCC & ODFW**

After a gap of several years the Salmon Festival, previously held at Oxbow Park, has been revived at Multnomah Falls. Scheduled for Sunday November 7th, from 9 AM to 3 PM it represents an opportunity for the chapter to contact interested members of the public and network with other groups on things concerning the Sandy River and its fish.

Be a part of it by volunteering! Sign up and talk to Art Israelson at the November Chapter meeting. He'll have a sign up sheet, and naturally it counts towards your volunteer hours so keep track of them and turn them in. Hey...you may even win a prize!



### Presidents' Note

Hello to All. I can't believe how fast this month is passing bye. Our chapters fall fish a long which was scheduled for this past weekend was cancelled due to extreme weather conditions. Norm had been watching and listening to the weather reports when the national weather service posted an extreme weather hazard for the weekend, with winds blowing in the 40 to 50 miles per hour range and with heavy rains. Norm then decided to cancel the event because of these conditions and for the safety of our members. I didn't receive this info until I had driven all the way down to the coast. It wasn't until I ran into Joli at the fair grounds and she informed me that we had cancelled because of the hazardous conditions forecasted. Norm and I talked about rescheduling an event in either January or February for winter steelhead . Tualatin valley chapter and North coast chapter would like to join us. We will be discussing this very shortly and working out all the arrangements. Here is your chance to fish the Nestucca, Wilson, Trask or Kilchis rivers. These are four great rivers to fish for winter steelhead. We hope to see you there. Tight Lines and Good Luck Fishing.

As your President I can't express enough all my gratitude in thanking all those individuals for all the work they do for this chapter. When you look at the way things operate around here, it looks so simple and so smooth. It's because of all the countless hours that take place behind the scene. We need recognize our volunteers and unsung heroes. This chapter wouldn't be what it is, without these individuals. You need to thank our board of directors and officers. These individuals put in countless hours of time as well as a hand full of devoted members.

Thanks, Jeff Stoeger Pres.

#### New Date for Ray's Follies

Well it was posted that Ray's Follies was going to take place on February 19th. Well we ran into a road block. The date that we had selected was filled last year. When talking with Camp Angelo's, they informed me that between now and the middle of June. They had only 2Saturdays opened for us to choose from. The first date was February 12<sup>th</sup>, the weekend of Valentines and the other date was March 5th. I asked if they would hold March 5<sup>th</sup> date for us for the follies. After talking with a few of the guys that fish a lot during this time of year on the middle Sandy, they felt very confident about our luck. It was clear that there would be good numbers of fish in the river, as well as a shot at an early Springer. So please mark your calendars for March 5th for Ray's Follies. More info will follow in the next couple of months via email blast as well as at the meetings. The cost for this event is going to be \$20.00 for all participants except for the boat captains. This year the participants will be buying their boat captains their lunch. The reason is that the boat captains almost always supple all the equipment as well as bait and their boat. I've been informed by numerous people, that we should compensate the boat captains for all their hard work. It was also mentioned that it's the cheapest guide trip that they will ever have to pay for that also includes a hot lunch. I tend to agree. If you have any question? Please feel free to call me at 503-704-7920



## Pictures from Sandy River Cleanup

### A SUCCESS.

The result of the Sandy River Clean-up was successful and I am sure individually fulfilling. We collected about thirty-five bags of trash and according to SOLVs guidelines at thirty pounds per bag a total of 1,050 pounds, the iron railroad plate boosted our total weight. As most of you know from a prior report from SOLV, that I e-mailed to you, the state-wide SOLV clean-up was a major success too. SOLV appreciated the Sandy River Chapter coordinating our event with theirs.

We had twenty-four members participate in the clean-up for a total of 126.50 hours credited to the Sandy River Chapter. The weather cooperated and we completed our project within the three hours planned for it.

A reminder to those that participated in the clean-up, please submit your individual hours to Larry Palmer to receive you chance for a prize to be drawn at our regular meeting.

SOLV is sponsoring a tree planting restoration on the banks of Beaver Creek near Glenn Otto Park. Dates are: October 23, October 30, November 20, and December 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. All tools will be supplied. The project purpose is increase native vegetation to lower steam temperature to make the water more comfortable for fish. For more detailed information contact: Tom Gemelli, 503 667 4197 or e-mail tigemini@aol.com

A big THANK-YOU goes out to those that volunteered for this project. we left Glenn Otto Park, Lewis and Clark Park, Dabney Park, the Gorge highway and the river banks much cleaner than we found it. Mr and Mrs. Steelhead and Mr. and Mrs. Coho and their little ones thank you too. Tom Gemelli

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#### **THE GREAT 2010/11 STEELHEAD CHAPTER COOKIE LIST** October 6<sup>th</sup> Joe Blum

October 6<sup>th</sup> November 3<sup>rd</sup> January 5<sup>th</sup> February 2<sup>nd</sup> March 4<sup>th</sup> April 6<sup>th</sup> May 4<sup>th</sup> June 1st

Rob Gibbs Bill Beith Jeff Kirkman Howard Berg Tom Gemelli Patty Hemsley ?????????

We have a spot open in June on for a cookie volunteer, so this might be your chance to distinguish yourself in the chapter. And have a cookie.... **Howard Berg , Chapter cookie manager** 

**Who Likes Coffee ????** I love to have a nice cup of Coffee. I spend \$2.00 for a Starbucks Venta coffee. Do you like Cookies. I spend .75 for a large peanut butter cookie. Where is this going. We have coffee and cookies at all our meeting. We make 80 cup of coffee and some one provides 72 cookies. All we ask is that you make a small donation to our coffee and cookie fund. Last month we took in just \$4.70 in donations. The coffee fund should be self providing, taking enough money to replace the coffee that is drank. Also limit your self to one or two cookies. If we have 60 people show up and every one takes a hand full. some one isn't going to get one. So if you take a cup of coffee and a cookie drop .50 cents into the bucket. If we keep loosing money on this, we will have to stop having coffee at the meetings. Jeff Stoeger



Cookie Chairmans Report

I would like to thank the following members for offering to bring cookies to the chapter meetings.

Dave Bisacre for September, Joe Blum for October, **Rob Gibbs for November**, Bill Beith for January, Jeff Kirkman for February, Tom Gemelli for March, Patty Housley for May, and Mike Myrick for June.

Howard Berg Chapter Cookie executive

### My First Steelhead

Seeing as my intended content for this space was not possible because the Tillamook Fish Along was cancelled, I will try my hand at writing any interesting and true story.

On a cool but clear day in early April my brother and I launched his driftboat at Barton ramp on the Clackamas for my annual birthhday fishing trip. We started by bobber and jig fishing the first few holes without success. When we arrived at the hippie hole we sidedrifted there and several other spots again without success. We were approaching the slab hole where he has had success in the past pulling plugs. When we arrived there we set up the plug rods and I chose a size 30 Blue Pirate and put it out the premeasured distance and set it in the rod holder, my brother had barely gotten his plug out when my rod folded double and I yelled FISH ON. Well for the next ten minutes it was me and a very hot female late winter steelhead of about 15 pounds after many runs and jumps I had her at the boat and she was a keeper. Full of mature eggs. What an adrenalin rush needless to say I am hooked.

Please support these generous donors and members of our chapter by fishing with them and using their excellent products!





# **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!....<u>VOLUNTEER !</u>

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!

Volunteer of the Month Norm Ritchie	
My vote for volunteer of the month, has to go to Norm Ritchie not only for all the work and planning he did for our annual fish along which	Sandy River Chapter, ANWS
unfortunately was cancelled because of lack of cooperation from good old Mother Nature.	Volunteer Hours Record
I also give him my vote because of all his work in conjunction	Member Name
with many other people for our annual auction and dinner, by making the ar- rangements and designing the cool flyer and signup form.	Event/ Activity
Also all his work on behalf of the ANWS in Salem to help make the fishing experience better for all the sport fishermen and his relentless at- tempts to get legislation passed to ban gillnetting.	Date Hours
Norm you Rock!!!!!	

### Twelfth Annual Banquet Auction

#### Wednesday, December 1, 2010 at 6:00 PM in Glen Otto Park, Troutdale

Our December meeting is on the first Wednesday evening as usual. The December program will feature a light buffet catered by our own Kathryn Israelson & Joli Ritchie. That's light on bulk (because the hall's kitchen is out of commission for remodeling) but not light on flavor! Pulled BBQ pork sliders are being provided by The Outback Angler, Hobart Manns! Other fare includes: Trays of ham & turkey sandwiches; Potato Salad; Shrimp Platter; Vegetable Tray; Cheese & Cracker platter; Smoked Salmon Spread; and a Desert selection. Of course there will be coffee & soft drinks.

The price is just \$5 for those who purchase their tickets at the November meeting or mail in a check by November 22<sup>nd</sup>. The cost will be \$6 after that and at the door. We expect everyone to come dressed the way they normally come to our chapter meetings.

## Sandy River Chapter, Association of Northwest Steelheaders 12/1/2010 Annual Auction / Dinner ticket order form

Number of dinners: _ Preregistration cost (1	 total number of dinners at \$5	5.00 each):
Preregistration cost (	otal number of dinners at \$5	5.00 each):
		per 22, 2010. Price after this and at the door is \$6.00)
		Make checks payable to the Sandy Chapter, ANWS
Send to: Jol	Ritchie	
283	34 SE 166th Ave.	Call Joli
Por	tland, OR. 97236	<i>(a)</i> 503-760-5551

Please use the following form to order your banquet tickets. Our hall will only seat 80 people for a meal so we will need to limit attendance at the banquet to this number. Please place your order soon to insure you will have seats and to allow us to give the caterer an accurate head count.

You do not need to participate in the banquet to attend the auction, which takes place after the meal. Dinner will be at 6:00 to 6:45, with the auction starting at 7:15.

You will want to bring your family and check book to this one. You should be able to do a lot of Christmas shopping at this auction. If you have any items to donate to the auction or know someone who does, please call Mike Myrick (in the Portland Core area) at (503) 281-6438 or Colonel Thomas (East Metro) at 503 666-5035 or Leslie Hinea (Vancouver area) (360) 892-0473. The donated value of any item is tax deductible and we will provide a receipt.

## Sandy River Chapter -Schedule of Events -November 2010 Sandy River Chapter

BiMart - Steelhead Clinic October 30, 2010 Noon- 2:00 PM Winter Steelhead Clinic Gresham Bi-Mart 2800 NE Hogan Drive Gresham, Oregon Jeff Stoeger and Jeff Kirkman will be presenting basic winter steelhead fishing techniques, gear, and how-to to help improve your Sandy River winter steelhead fishing.

Contact Jeff Kirkman- 503 250-0724 Volunteers needed

#### **MHCC & ODFW Salmon Fest**

November 7, 2010 Multnomah Falls 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Volunteers needed

Fisherman's Marine and Outdoor - Steelhead Clinic

November 11, 2010 6:00-8:00 P.M. Oregon City location Contact Jeff Kirkman- 503 250-0724 Volunteers needed

#### **Sandy River Chapter**

Steelhead Clinic November 13,2010 9:00 A.M. To 2 P.M. Glenn Otto Park, Sam Cox Building



Tired of your buddies story about the giant steelhead he *almost caught*? Tune him out with some coffee and a big plate of French toast at Dea's. Get bacon with that too, this story is likely to go on for awhile. The coffee , unlike the story, is fresh....holy moly what would the story be like if he ever *caught* a fish...? Geez.....

Larry Palmer

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