

SANDY RIVER CHAPTER NAMED CHAPTER OF THE YEAR!

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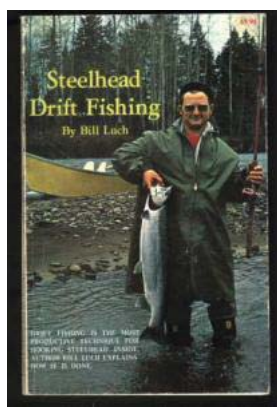
This month our guest speaker was Bill Luch, for those of you who didn't make the meeting - Bill is the author of Steelhead Drift Fishing. Bill was our Association President 5 times (really!), and his love of fishing kept him involved with many different fishing organizations.

Bill is a dedicated fisherman and you can tell that Bill loves fishing. Although his health prevents him from doing what he loves, you can tell that he also loves to share his knowledge, history and some of the most wonderful stories of his fishing adventures.

He told us of an adventure on Hudson Bay. He caught a 55 pound salmon - on a fly. It was so huge that he had to pick it up with both arms wrapped around it. As he lifted it up, the fish decided to come to life in his face and it beat the hell out of him!

This was a wonderful treat, thank you Bill for sharing your evening with us!

(this is *not* Bill, I did not get a photo, I was too mesmerized by his tales! This is the book he spoke about)



December Membership Meeting - Getting Started for Steelhead Clinic

NOTE: The clinic will start at 6:30 pm on night of meeting

This month we will have the first in the series of the Steelhead fishing clinic trifecta!

In preparation of the upcoming winter steelhead fishing season, this year the chapter will be presenting over the next 3 membership meetings clinics to help you not only get ready, but give you some tips and maybe show you some tricks on catching some fish!

The first clinic will be presented by Larry Palmer and will most definitely be informative and captivating! Larry will be overviewing the subjects covered in the clinics.

During this clinic, Larry will cover: choosing a rod & reel, line types, basics of baits and curing, how to tie the improved clinch knot and the egg loop knot, and "Plunking".

These are going to be 3 meetings you want to make sure and attend!

This clinic is free and open to all, but if you want to go to the on-stream fish along event, you must be a member.

Annual Pie Social

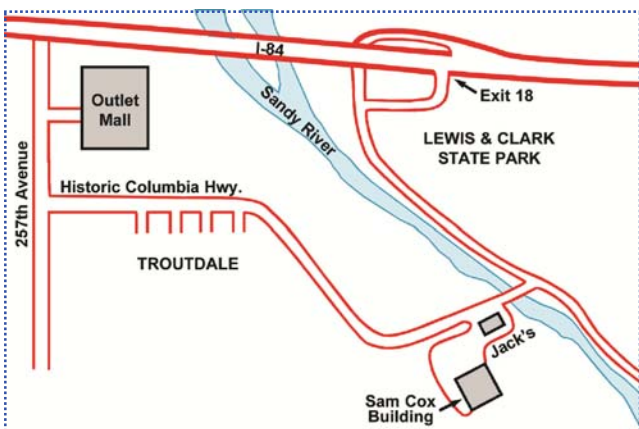
You are invited to the Sandy River Chapter Annual Pie Social

Please join us for an evening of fabulous pies, fellowship and discussion on winter steelhead fishing with Jeff Stoeger

When: Wednesday - December 4th, 2013

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

Hosted by: Joli Ritchie and Kathryn Israelson



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 - December 4, 2013

Sandy River Chapter awarded Chapter of the Year at 26th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet "Opportunity"

This year at the HOF Banquet "Opportunity", the Sandy River Chapter was named Chapter of the year. Association President Bill Kremers presented Chapter President Doug Briggs with the award after thanking the chapter for it's dedication and contributions.

2013 Hall of Fame Awards

Chapter of the Year:

Sandy River

Foot Soldiers of the Year:

Leslie Hinea

Jay Burris

Celebrities of the Year:

Brett Brownscombe, OR Governor's Office

Bill Kennemers, OR Representative

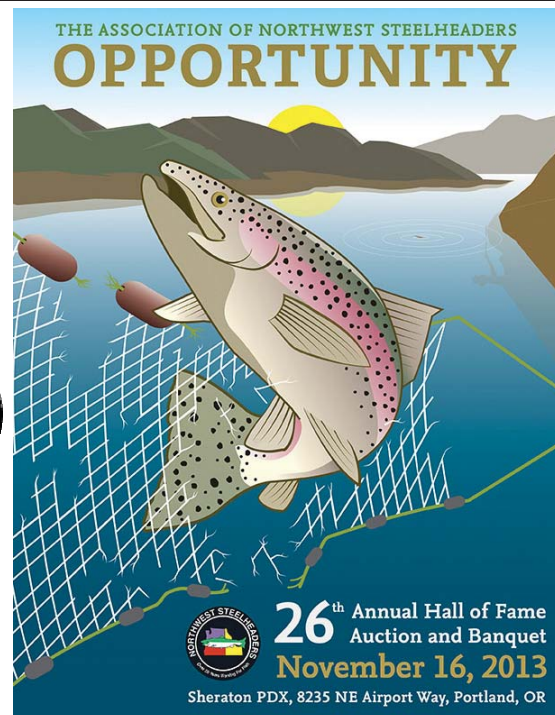
Fred Gerald, OR Senator

Business Supporter of the Year:

Dick's Sporting Goods

Volunteer of the Year:

Sam Wurdinger



Congratulations!

Congratulations to this year's award recipients.

Thank you for all you do, most of which is behind the scenes and most of us are unaware of the hard work, dedication, perseverance it takes to continue to consistently and constantly support the efforts of the Steelheaders and our mission to protect and restore our Pacific Northwest fish runs and enhance the future of fishing.



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Art, very festive with his turkey hat on, greeted guests at the door. Of course, he was more than happy to sell a raffle ticket or two!

Volunteers: (L-R) Art Israelson, Doug Briggs, Scott Bowling, Joe Blum, Kimber Roberts, Neal Harris, , Jeff Kirkman, Jeff Stoeger, Robert Wisner, Bob Askey, Arlene Askey, Katie Kirkman.



Joe Domenico, Association VP perusing the silent auction tables



Kathryn Israelson relaxing in front of the drift boat prize Mr. Thanksgiving (Art) is selling tickets for



President Doug Briggs and former President Jeff Stoeger, looks like someone had their eye on this jacket at one of the silent auction tables!



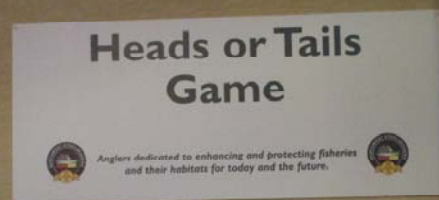
Volunteer "Vanna Whites", (L-R) Jeff Kirkman, Scott Bowling and Mike Myrick displaying auction item #5, 3 (YES THREE !!) Lamiglass rods - trolling, drifting and spinning rods that went for a crazy bid, someone got a heck of a deal!

Although, by the looks of Jeff - the bidder may have a hard time getting that rod out of his hand!





Volunteers: (L-R) Leslie Hydorn, Leslie Hinea (Foot Soldier of the year!), Connie Kirkman, Brandon Hersh and Joyce Sherman.



The Heads or Tails Game - this is SO MUCH FUN to watch and you get to wear the awesome beads as an accessory before the game!



Silent auction tables, as usual, there were some fantastic items up for bid!

Tripapalooza, the SUPER SILENT auction, the trips generously donated were amazing! The fishing and hunting trips were for various species and if you were a winning bidder, what a deal!



Auctioneer Grant Putnam of Grant's Outdoors served not only as our auctioneer, but also as our Master of Ceremonies.

Thank you Grant for doing a great job!





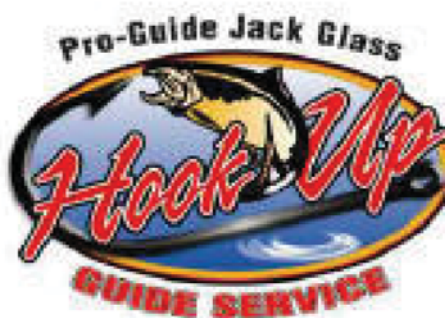
Events Calendar

When	What	Where	Who to Contact
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
12/4/13 <i>Clinic begins at 6:30</i>	Winter Steelhead Clinic - 1st in series of 3 clinics Presented by Larry Palmer	Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	
1/8/14	Membership meeting	Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023
1/8/14 <i>Clinic begins at 6:30</i>	Winter Steelhead Clinic - 2nd in series of 3 clinics Presented by Jeff Kirkman and Jeff Stoeger	Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	
1/8/14 - 1/12/14	Portland Boat Show	Expo Center	
1/11/14	1st Annual Pontoon Float Meet at Dabney @ 6:30 am, or 7:30 am at Oxbow ** All invited, no host - just bring your pontoon & have fun **	Dabney or Oxbow	Jeff Stoeger 503-704-7920
1/15/14	January Board Meeting	Round Table Pizza NE 122nd & Shaver	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023
2/5/14	Membership meeting	Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023
2/5/14 <i>Clinic begins at 6:30</i>	Winter Steelhead Clinic - Final in series of 3 clinics Presented by Ed Fast and Jeff Stoeger	Glenn Otto Park Sam Cox Building	
2/5/14 - 2/9/14	Portland Sportsman Show	Expo Center	
2/8/14	Annual Ray's Frostbite Follies ** Member only activity **	*details to come *	Jeff Stoeger 503-704-7920
2/12/14	February Board Meeting	Round Table Pizza NE 122nd & Shaver	Doug Briggs 503-729-2023



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A Great Day on the River

Scott Bowling

In early November we learned that one of the "kids" that we have known since he was a freshman in high school would be home for a visit. Aaron is serving our country as a Marine, and was home on leave after a tour of Afghanistan.

I wanted to take Aaron to the coast, but heard that fishing went from bad to even worse. A buddy called and said that he heard that they were catching up above Bonneville. Aaron didn't have time to get his license so we had to wait until Freddy's opened, so we got a little bit of a late start. Got the boat loaded and off we went. Launched the boat, and we looked over at the spot we wanted to fish and saw 5 boats already there. I rowed out to have a look, and then I hear "hey Scott, come fish by me" - and there was Nate the bait man.

And we gladly obliged!

I set Aaron up on eggs & shrimp thinking I had plenty of time to get my rod baited up. Aaron barely had his bait in the water and he hooked up a nice salmon! One of 12 that day he hooked! This was pretty cool, Aaron had told me before that he had never landed a big salmon.

He went home with a nice little salmon, a smile on his face and a sore shoulder!



The holidays are just around the corner, have you been naughty or nice?

Are you looking for a special or unique gift idea? Well, then as you read this newsletter, watch for the gift icon → It will mark great gift giving suggestions!



From the editor.....

Beginning with the October Newsletter, I changed the timing of when the Newsletter goes to print and online access. Previously, we were behind a month. Now, the Newsletter is sent to print and online access the 3rd Monday of the month. This format allows me to include who and what the topic at the monthly membership meeting was and current information from the monthly Board meeting.

Of course, sometimes there are delays, like this month's newsletter delay, I was volunteering at the HOF banquet and wanted to make sure to get pictures and information about the event in the newsletter.

Please let me know if you have any questions, concerns and of course - suggestions!

Cheers!

Nona Bowling



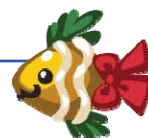
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7. Length of rope
8. Frozen Water bottle
9. Protein snack (nuts)
10. Sugar snack (fruit)



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River Nutrient Revitalization, A.K.A. Toss-A-Carcass

Robert Wisner

Escaping a fog shrouded North/Northeast Portland early Saturday morning, I burst into glorious sunshine just past 39th on I-84. Arriving at Glenn Otto at about 7:30 a.m., I found Hal Blenn already there. By 8:00 am, the team had gathered with their revitalization tools: wheel barrow, a gardening cart, large blue rolling recycling bin and five gallon buckets. Everyone was decked out in their finest foul weather gear on a perfectly sunny October morning. Obviously, we were ready! The team at this stage of the operation consisted of Brian Rolan, John Bennett, Hal Blenn, Jamie Romaine, Jeremy and me. We headed out for the Ranger Station in Zig Zag to meet up with Jeff Fulop of the ODFW, who already had a busy morning, Brian and John provided the transportation of the team and equipment.

We hooked up with Jeff at the Ranger Station at about 9:00 am. He was waiting with coffee and donuts. Jeff had two totes with approximately 1,000 pounds in each tote of freshly harvested carcasses. We then followed Jeff up the LOLO Pass Road a ways to a day use area, passing multitudes of mushroom hunters on the Zig Zag River. Amazing as it was, most of the carcasses could have been on someone's dinner table. Literally NO offensive smells! These carcasses had just recently been processed and were now ready to provide nutrients back into the Columbia River systems. The long and short of it - we had a great time giving these carcasses a send off. On the way back, we stopped off at the Sandy River Hatchery on Cedar Creek where Jeff gave us a tour of the holding ponds and explained some of the process of the harvesting of the carcasses.

I felt it was a wonderful outing and rewarding experience.
I thank everyone who was involved !!

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(Trip donated by Yakutat Lodge; airfare donated by Steelheaders)

2nd Prize: Lamiglas Certified Pro Kenai Kwik 106', 15-30# casting rod. (Donated by Lamiglas) \$360 Retail Value

3rd Prize: Pendleton Blanket (Donated by McCall Chapter, Northwest Steelheaders) \$175 Retail Value

4th Prize: Lamiglas X11 86', 10-20# casting rod \$120 Retail Value (Donated by Lamiglas)

5th Prize: Northwest Steelheaders hoodie \$30 Retail Value

Proceeds from this raffle will go to support our ongoing efforts to ensure quality fishing opportunities.

The Association of Northwest Steelheaders acknowledges the support of Yakutat Lodge and Lamiglas. Need not be present to win. Purchase of tickets is not tax deductible. Total of 20,000 tickets will be printed.

Drawing will be held at Noon, April 30, 2014, at the office of Association of Northwest Steelheaders 6641 SE Lake Rd., Milwaukie, OR 97222 (503) 653-4176.

Winners will be notified. Prizes to be picked up at the office. Winning ticket numbers posted at 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.

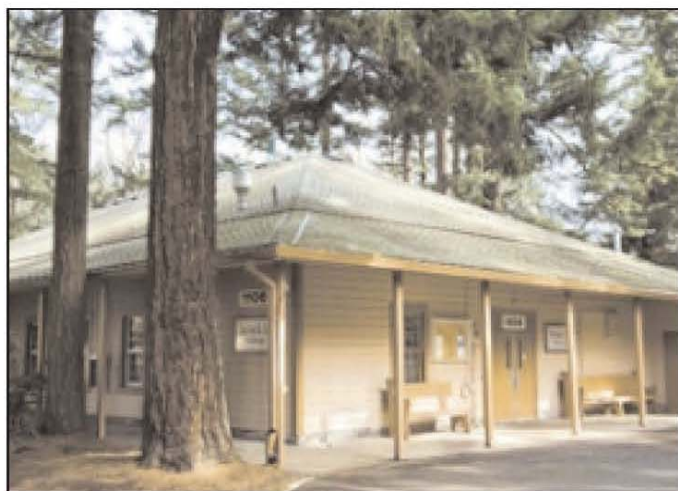
See Doug Briggs for more information

December Newsletter Submission Deadline
Saturday December 14th - 6:00 P.M.

Send your stories, pictures, tips to:
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.



Cedar fish make great gifts, inexpensive and easy to give! We will send the person for whom you buy a fish a gift certificate—no hunting for parking, fighting crowds, wrapping, just a donation toward the work needed for the building!

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**Sandy River Chapter Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday - November 13, 2013**

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Wednesday – November 13, 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 Hinea	<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 type="checkbox"/> Russ Sumida
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Briggs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Rothenbucher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Wisher
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brad Halvorson			

Old Business:

1. October meeting minutes – approved as published, if corrections necessary – publish in newsletter.
2. The storage unit for the Chapter's use is located at Troutdale Mini Storage – see Doug for details.

New Business:

3. Doug suggested a newsletter regular feature to connect members together, members that have boats and members that don't.
4. John Hydorn requested that pictures sent in for use on the website be landscape not portrait.
5. Doug requested notice in newsletter about meeting date change for the first meeting of January.
6. Mike Myrick distributed the Treasurer's report balance as of 11/13/13 is \$11,265.06
7. Brad Halvorson has been named Clothing Sales Director and was asked if there were any history details of past clothing sales. Mike Myrick indicated that he did not have details about specific clothing sold, just the amount the deposits were for clothing sales.
8. Doug Miller has assorted apparel and will give to Brad.
9. Brad initiated discussion on what type apparel would the chapter like to see, Larry Palmer suggested more simplicity to minimize the task of keeping track of different sizes – such as mugs, hats, beanies.
10. Doug Briggs suggested promoting name tags
11. Doug Briggs re-affirmed motion sent via e-mail regarding the Hall of Fame banquet chapter table guest list. Motion passed.
12. Jolie Ritchie proposed pulled pork sandwiches for the Chapter banquet, motion proposed and passed.
13. Discussion regarding reminding members that they need to pay in advance for activities.
14. Larry Palmer gave an update on the Stream projects and the continued slow communication regarding proposed projects. One of the projects that has been on and off the table is the placement of Christmas trees in Beaver Creek and the details on planning and executing. There are still many details that need to be fine-tuned, when this would happen, who will acquire the trees and from where, storage, getting permission from land owners, and hopefully completing the project. Larry Palmer continues to get commitment from ODFW.
15. Ray's Frostbite Follies scheduled for 2/8/14, Robert Wisher will be serving as Master Chef for the event.
16. Brad Halvorson requested some time at membership meeting to discuss the Alsea Basin Research Hatchery, may be able to schedule the Director of the Hatchery to speak at a future membership meeting.
17. Doug Briggs requested a notice in the newsletter on when it comes out.
18. Doug Briggs asked Scott Bowling to make sure the meeting hall is cleaned up, chairs and tables put away at the end of the meetings.
19. Doug Briggs was asked to reach out to the Molalla Chapter and suggested the pontoon float.

Meeting adjourned – 8:20 p.m.

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At this month's board meeting, Doug Briggs suggested having a section in the newsletter for members to connect. A section that will list people with boats and without boats and what would be the best way to contact.

It would be great to have a contact if you decided to pack up the gear and head out for a few hours (uh huh...) or so and give a jingle to another member to see if they are busy and want to go looking for some fish.

Please let us know your ideas and if you would like to be put on the list.

Contact: Doug Briggs - 503-729-2023



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