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SANDY STEELHEADER NEWSLETTER

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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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ANNUAL BANQUET AND AUCTION

Our December meeting is on the first Wednesday evening as usual. The December program will again feature a buffet style banquet catered by our own Kathryn Israelson & Joli Ritchie. This will be followed by our auction and Door prize "raffle". Dinner this year will be marinated flank steak barbecue and Salmon. The entrée's will be complimented with baked beans, potatoes, rolls, green salad, and desert.

The price is low and we expect everyone to come dressed the way they normally come to our meetings. 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. Each dinner ticket includes one raffle ticket. So bring the whole family for a great dinner with your fishing friends before the auction. If you have any items to donate to the auction or know someone who does, please call Mike

Myrick at (503) 281-6438 or Colonel Thomas at (503)666-5035. The donated value of any item is tax deductible and we will provide a receipt. Please use the following form to order your banquet tickets. Our hall will only seat 80 people for dinner so we will need to limit attendance at the banquet to this number. If you wish to still participate in the banquet please call Joli Ritchie at (503)760-5551 to see if there are tickets still available. 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 with the auction starting at 7:15.



Brandon Glass and guest show off a winter run from 2007. Hook Up Guide Service will be donating trips during our annual auction



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Nominating Committee

The Sandy River Chapter of the Northwest Steelheaders need to start thinking about our chapter elections to be held in April. We are looking for individuals who would be willing to serve on a nominating committee. The responsibility of this committee will be to bring a slate of officers to the chapter for voting at the April general meeting. There are four positions that we need to fill. Positions that will be vacant include: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. We would love to have three to five members to serve on this nominating committee. You must be a current, dues paid member to serve on this committee. If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact Jeff Stoeger (503-282-4830) or me (503-720-7958). We hope to announce the committee at the January meeting and bring the slate of candidates to the general meeting in March.

Rex McIntire, Chapter President

Steelhead Clinics

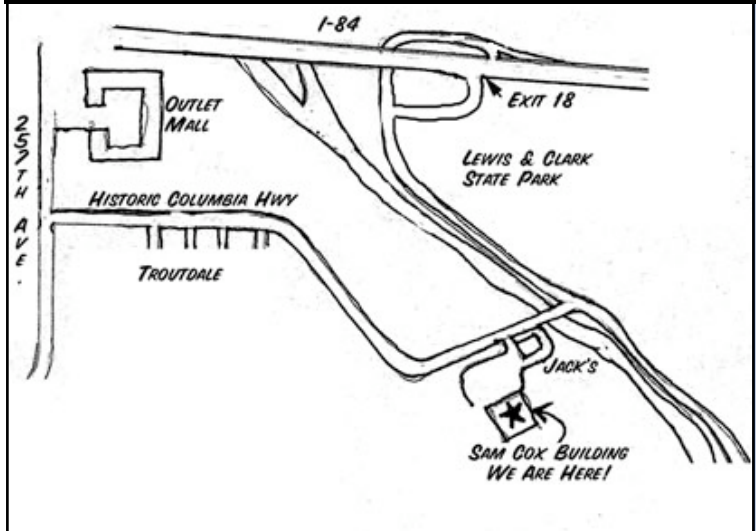
The chapter put on two clinics this last weekend. Ed Fast volunteered his services and he put on an excellent clinic at sportsman's warehouse. Ed thought more advertisement would've helped out in the turnout department. Ed said that his clinic was more informative about fish being released and broodstock planting on various northwest rivers. The individuals who attend the clinic were very pleased because it was more than just talking about jig fishing with bobbers or drift fishing with eggs and yarn. Ed talked about how to get the information to narrow your trip down to make it a productive trip and not a waste of time. He told the group that you can contact your hatcheries to see when the fish are showing up at the hatchery, and were they plant the fish on the rivers, and what time of the year they do this. Ed also mentions that you should log all your info, so you can use it in the future. Sportsman's was very pleased with how it went and how very informative it was. They would like to have more clinics in the future and help support our chapters efforts. We also put on a clinic at Joe's in Gresham. I had table set up in the back of the store next to the fishing department. The clinic was very small. I had a total of about 10 people who showed up and asked question. I shared a lot of info about what was happening on the Sandy River and how the removal of Marmot dam would affect fishing and in the future. I shared info about items that they had on sale in there news paper add. The biggest thing that seemed to draw people were the E-Z eggs. Larry Beaver and Howard Berg sold tickets at Joe's and sold a couple of new memberships as well as boat tickets. Mike Myrick sold tickets at Sportsman's warehouse as well as boat tickets. Joe's also would like to have more clinic's put on at the store. Both stores said that if we put on more clinics that they would advertise more and get the news out. Thanks to everyone who helped out this weekend.



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Camp Angelos Lamb and Salmon Dinner

Camp Angelos will sponsor its annual lamb and salmon dinner on December 9th. The camp will also be selling Christmas trees for very good prices. If you want a good tree at a low price now is the time to get it! Contact Camp Angelos at 503.695.5267 for information



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Date	Event
Dec. 5	Annual Banquet and Auction; Sam Cox Building 6:00 & 7:15
coming soon!	Ray's Frost Bite Follies

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Take Action, Win a Gift

Frustration with the management of Columbia River fisheries is growing to a crescendo. Members of the NW Steelheaders are writing emails and letters to their state legislators to express their anger. Our lobbyist, Phil Donovan, has confirmed some numbers of correspondence while talking these legislators in the Capitol. Yet, without a copy of your email or letter, we have no idea what our members' communications actually said, making it impossible to bolster your efforts with reinforcing follow-up. In other words, the NW Steelheaders would be much more effective if we had copies of your e-mail or letters to your legislators.

All Sports Supply (distributors of sport fishing products) has offered to help the Steelheaders motivate its membership, facilitate necessary tracking of letters to legislators, and get more people to attend their chapter meetings.

Here is how it will work. E-mail or mail us a copy of your letter to your state legislators, and we will have a great 'Thank You' gift at your chapter meeting. (The gifts are being provided specifically for letters addressing the issue of selective commercial harvest addressed to state legislators - not Federal legislators - at this time.)

So please write your state representative and senator today. If you don't tell them there is a problem, they won't know one exists. Together we can make a difference with a well-thought out campaign to influence decision-makers about an issue that is making you (and lots of others) very mad.

To find out who your legislator is go to <http://www.leg.state.or.us/findlegsltr/findset.htm> It is important that you use your own words, stay on message and stay polite.

Explain your concerns with non-selective commercial harvest and by-catch mortality. Let them know that ODFW can do a better job of managing fisheries.

Write or call back if you don't hear from them after a week. Let them know that you need their voice to solve this problem. If they have any ques-

tions, feel free to refer them to Phil Donovan (phil@nwpublicaffairs.com).

Share your e-mail/letter and forward it to your fishing friends and family. We are all very frustrated and the only way change is going to occur is if we can push this issue over the tipping point.

Make sure you blind copy emails to: nsh@nwsteelheaders.org or mail:

NW Steelheaders
PO Box 22065
Milwaukie, OR 97269

A Sample Letter

State Representative/Senator,

My name is _____. I live in your district at (street and address).

I am writing to you because the Oregon Fish & Wildlife Commission and staff at the Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife tell me they are managing Columbia River fisheries according to the intent of the Oregon Legislature. As you know, salmon and steelhead fisheries have been crippled with closures and sport anglers are contributing both time and money to save fish. NW Steelhead chapters are working to improve habitat and our license dollars fund the mission of the Oregon Dept of Fish & Wildlife.

Yet ODFW continues to manage the Columbia River like 100 years ago:

- ODFW allows gill-net fisheries in the Columbia River that indiscriminately catch whatever swims into them.
- ODFW allows gill-net fisheries in the Columbia River to harvest endangered fish before the run size is known.
- ODFW allows gill-net fisheries in the Columbia River when water temperatures are high which kills wild fish that are supposed to be released.
- ODFW allows gill-net fisheries in the Columbia River when every other state, except Alaska, has eliminated gillnet fishing.

NW Steelheaders support commercial fishing. But we insist that those commercial fisheries fish selectively so we can restore wild runs to healthy, sustainable numbers. If ODFW insists on gill-net fishing, then we should put them in areas that do not have endangered wild salmon and steelhead.

Sincerely,

Your name

Cc: Governor Kulongoski (900 Court St, NE, Salem, OR 97301)

Bcc: nsh@nwsteelheaders.org



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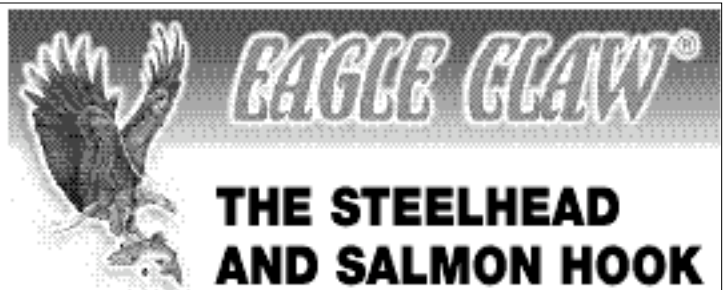
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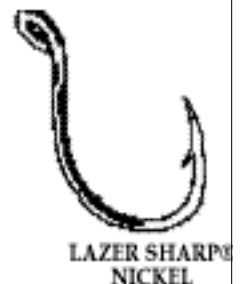
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