

The West Seattle Sportsman

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“Keep clam” this Tuesday, June 3rd for The Annual Club Clam Bake at Alki Beach. See you there 6:00PM.

Annual Club Clam Dig and Bake

The Annual Club Clam Bake will be at 6:00 PM Tuesday June 3rd at Alki Beach, shelter by the statue. This will be in lieu of regular club meeting. Suggested donation will be \$5.00 per adult. Any shellfish you would like to contribute would be most appreciated. We are also having a Clam Digging party on Sunday June 1st at Steve Patnode’s place on Hood Canal. Contact Steve for directions. We can really use as much help as possible digging clams as this helps keep down what we need to buy for the event.

Annual Club Campout at Bowman Bay State Park

The annual club campout will be at Bowman Bay State Park June 6th – 8th. Jerry says we still have RV spots open, and room for tenters too. Fishing, Hiking, Cray fishing, and a Pot luck for Saturday dinner. Contact Jerry Mascio.

July Toot-N-Shoot

Get your Chili recipes out, and start cooking. Jerry plans on making this shooting competition more interesting with moving chickadees. Come practice your air pistol skills; You’ll need them.

Conservation Camp

We still do not have any girls signed up for this summer’s conservation camp. We do have 2 boys going.



**MEETINGS FIRST
WEDNESDAY 7:15
Roger Dahl Rifle Range
West Seattle Stadium**

Upcoming Events Mark Your Calendar!

Up Coming events:

June 1st- Crabbing and clam dig. This will take place at Steve Patnode’s place on Hood Canal. The day’s catch will be used for the clubs Clam Bake at Alki Beach (June 3rd). Contact Steve Patnode for directions.

June 3rd - Club Clam Bake looking for a great clam chowder recipe; anybody know one? Contact Jerry Mascio. Clam Bake will be at 6:00pm at Alki Beach, Shelter by the statue.

June 6th - 8th - Club Camp out, Bowman Bay State Park. Jerry says we still have RV spots open, and room for tenters too. Fishing, Hiking, cray fishing, and Pot luck for Saturday dinner. Contact Jerry Mascio.

June 14th - Goeduck trip to Vashon Island, Launch at Point Defiance.

July - Toot-N-Shoot.

July 13 - Hi-Yu Fishing Derby

August 6th - Salmon Bake at Lincoln Park.

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RANGE REPORT

May 21, 2002

The next hunter education classes are August 21, 23, & 24, September 4, 6, & 7. Gary, Richard, Steve, Mike and others interested in being instructors mark your calendar.

As most of you know we have our 10-year contract with the city and now have a firm contract with the IAC. We can now start getting the big equipment. As of now the fan is on order, delivery is in about 5-6 weeks. We are working on details for the backstops next as they have a two month delivery time.

Columbia River hatchery summer chinook fishing to open June 16

OLYMPIA - For only the second time in 30 years, anglers will soon be able to go fishing for adult hatchery summer-run chinook salmon in the Columbia River.

The season, approved today by Washington and Oregon fishery managers, begins June 16 and is scheduled to run through July 31 unless the harvest guideline is met before then.

Fishing will be open seven days a week from the Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to the Highway 395 bridge at Pasco. The daily limit will be six salmon with a minimum size of 12 inches, no more than two of which may be adult fish. Retained chinook must have a missing adipose fin and a healed scar in its place to indicate hatchery origin. All wild chinook as well as all sockeye, chum and wild coho must be released unharmed.



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The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club was founded in 1934 by a group of fourteen men who had the foresight to see that sportsmen, in a united group, would present views, be better heard and achieve goals that were not possible when action as unorganized individuals. The ambitions of these charger members, who strove for the propagation of wildlife and habitat as well as the conservation of all our natural resources, has proven prophetic, for today multitudes of individuals and sporting groups are carrying on the job of conserving the remaining outdoor assets of natural America. The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club helps lead in this fight in the state of Washington. A member has the opportunity to join others in formulating club action in achieving and maintaining these goals.

However, "all work and no play" is not the format of the club. Many events are spaced throughout the year to insure a member many chances to participate in sportsmen's activities. For \$25, what more could a man ask than the opportunity to go salmon fishing with a group of his friends on a charter boat, fresh water fishing with other members and their families, have a salmon bake, a clam feed, or attend a banquet especially for the ladies. But there's more - he can shoot on the club range, go rabbit hunting, and if nothing else, should get \$25 worth just by watching the kids of the community have a real ball at the Kid's Fishing Derby. To sum it all up, a guy gets at least a hundred dollars worth of fun out of a year's membership.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

WEST SEATTLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

Date _____

I, _____ of _____, Washington, being interested in the propagation and conservation of game birds, game animals, and fish in the State of Washington, do hereby apply for membership in the WEST SEATTLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB and tender herewith the sum of \$ _____ in payment of one year's dues.

"I solemnly swear that I will abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the West Seattle Sportsmen's Club and help in its up-building and I will not willfully disobey the Game Laws wherever I fish or hunt. I will always be a true sportsman both in the field and to my brother members at all times.

Signed _____

Street Address _____

City _____, Zip _____

Phone _____

Recommended by _____

Fishing the John Day River

By Darrell Kirk

I had the pleasure of fishing one of America's greatest Smallmouth Bass rivers last weekend-the John Day. Located about 6 hours drive from Seattle, the river is world renown for its ability to produce about 50 Smallmouth per day with the average fish weighing about 1.5 to 3lb. each. In addition to great fishing, the John Day area has some of the most scenic territory in the world and the people are some of the nicest you will ever meet.

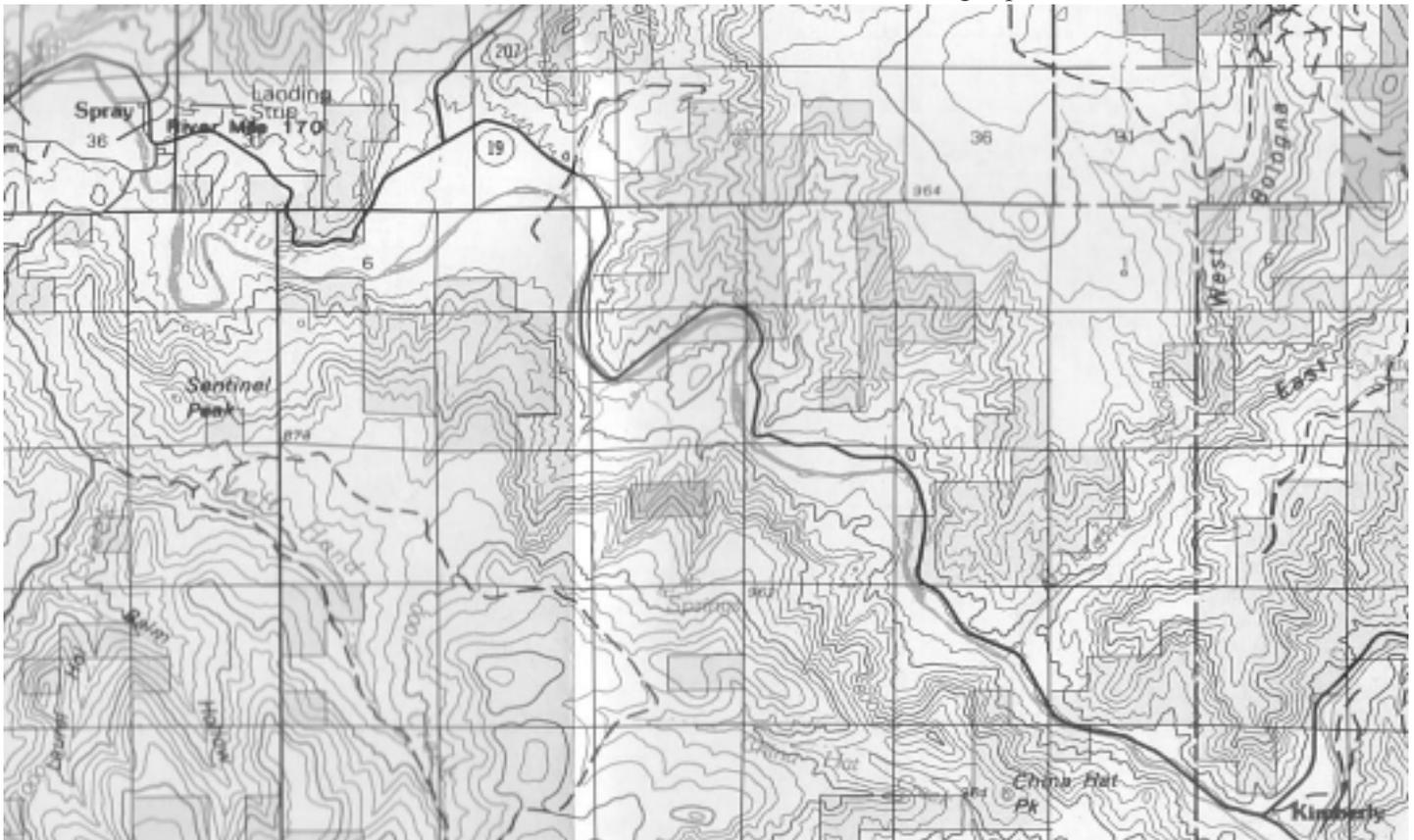
The main river routes for fishing the John Day are: Spray to Service Creek, Service Creek to Twickenham, and Kimberly to Spray. The route we took was from Kimberly to Spray, a very private section that the fishing guides use. It's about a 10 mile stretch that takes about 6 - 8 hours to float depending on how many "holes" you stop to fish along the way. The float is very scenic and you will see deer, huge beavers, and many different species of birds. Surrounding you are the many "painted mountains" of red, yellow, green, and brown that make the John Day a world class destination for River Rafting. Drop your boat at Kimberly and give Jim a call at (541)468-2182 to bring your vehicle down to your take out at Spray. He charges \$15. for this great service.

We fished almost exclusively with 1/4 and 1/8 ounce lead head jigs with 3" Mister Twister Exude grubs in Pumpkin Pepper color. Fish this rig along the bottom very, very slowly hitting the rocks. The big fish love this presentation as it looks just like their favorite meal-crawdads. Again, fish this rig very slowly. For fly fishing enthusiasts, a Clouser Minnow in white works great. Poppers are also a favorite of the locals in the area. The river is ripe with sagebrush, reeds, and other plants that grow along the shore. All of these places are filled with Smallmouth bass just waiting for your presentation.

Getting there:

Take I-90 East through Yakima and then take 97 South through Toppenish. Continue on 97 crossing over the Columbia River. Continue on 97 until you hit Hyway 206. You will pass through the towns of Wasco, Condon, and Fossil. Be sure to stop into Fossil if you get the chance. From Fossil, take Hyway 19 towards the town of Spray. There are several campgrounds on the road from Fossil to Spray, we stayed at one of the best, "Big Sarvice Corral" Give Judy a call at (541)468-2121 to make a reservation. Big Sarvice is located just a mile or two from Service Creek, an important stop along the John Day River.

The John Day River is known around the world for its Smallmouth Bass fishing as well as its "painted" mountains, and makes for the fishing trip of a lifetime.



Shellfish surcharge for domoic acid monitoring, fee for additional catch record cards adopted

OLYMPIA - A new surcharge will be levied starting July 1 on Washington shellfishing and combination fishing licenses to pay for stepped-up monitoring of domoic acid, the substance that closed the state's razor clam season this year.

The shellfishing surcharge, recently approved by the Legislature, was signed into law last week by Gov. Gary Locke. The governor also signed other licensing legislation that will levy a \$10 fee for duplicate or subsequent catch record cards.

The shellfishing surcharge will add \$3 to the cost of annual shellfish licenses and \$2 to the cost of annual combination fishing licenses.

The surcharge will fund biotoxin testing and monitoring by the state Department of Health on beaches used for recreational shellfishing and by the Olympic Regional Harmful Algal Bloom (ORHAB) monitoring program.

Van Riper's Resort

Hello from Sekiu!

Once again, we will try to clear up any confusion about the newly released regulations as best we can regarding the Sekiu area. This is only Marine Area 5 information.

We have some good news for expanded chinook and humpy opportunity this year. After many years of either no or 4-5 day chinook seasons, we finally have a selective chinook fishery that will provide us with a good fishing season. Also, there will be an additional bonus of two humpies during August. Chinook season runs 41 days or until the 3,500 fish quota is reached. We anticipate that this fishery will last 41 days

We appreciate the support you've shown our business during the past and look forward to seeing you this season!

Chris & Val

-2003 SEKIU REGULATIONS-

<u>SALMON</u>	July 1-July 4:	Marked coho and humpies (pinks) only. Daily limit 2 (combined). No size minimum.
<u>CHINOOK</u>	July 5-July 31:	Marked chinook, marked coho and humpies. Daily limit 2 (combined). No size min. on coho or humpies. Chinook 22" size minimum.
	Aug. 1-Aug. 14:	Marked chinook (or until quota is reached), marked coho and humpies. Daily limit 4 fish (combined). No more than two chinook or two coho per limit. Chinook 22" size minimum, no size minimum on coho or humpies.
	Aug. 15-Aug. 31:	Marked coho and humpies only. Daily limit 4 fish (combined). No more than two coho per limit. No size minimum. No chinook retention.
	Sept. 1-Sept. 30:	Marked coho and humpies only. Daily limit 2 (combined). No size minimum.
<u>HALIBUT</u>	May 22-Aug. 1:	Limit 1 fish. No size restrictions CLOSED Tuesdays and Wednesdays
<u>LINGCOD</u>	May 1-June 15:	Limit 1 fish. 26" minimum - 40" maximum
<u>ROCKFISH</u>	May 1-Sept. 30:	3 fish limit, of which only 1 can be other than a black rockfish. Limit does not include lingcod.

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