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June Meeting, Lets Plan Those Summer Outings

BOWMAN BAY CAMPING

Our Bowman Bay Fishing Trip and Craw fishing extravaganza is nearly here.

We will be going the weekend of June 9th – 11th to Bowman Bay, part of Deception Pass State Park. This weekend also coincides with the states free fishing weekend, so if you don't have a fishing license you don't need one this Saturday or Sunday.

On Saturday we will have a fishing derby for the kids, providing there is interest and we have enough show up, at nearby Heart Lake.

Saturday evening will be our potluck dinner with lots of good food, Jerry's famous cala-

mari and hopefully Rolf's salmon spread. Bring your Craw Fish traps to set out in Pass Lake and we will have some crawfish as well. After dinner we will sit around the campfire and recover from all the good food we just ate.

This is always a fun outing and even if it rains we have a covered shelter to use for the dinner. If you just want to come for the Potluck you are welcome. Jerry still has one spot open, so call him ASAP if you would like to reserve it.

This has always been a fun event for all and the extended weather forecast looks very favorable for this weekend. †

June 7th Club Meeting

Come learn about and give input on this summer's upcoming events.

We will discuss the upcoming Bowman Bay Trip, a possible Halibut and Salmon fishing trip to Sekui, the Kids Fishing Derby, Ocean Smelting, our August Salmon Bake and any other ideas that members may have.

As for the Halibut and Salmon Fishing trip to Sekui, we are looking at one of two weekends, either July 28th - 30th or Aug 4th - 6th. Both of these weekends have favorable tides. If you are interested in this trip please call Greg Boyd at 425-337-3771.

See you at the meeting. †

SMELTING TRIP

The Weekend of August 18th – 20th has been picked for our annual smelting trip to the ocean near Forks. We plan to stay once again at the Hoh River RV Park and Resort, 175443 Hwy 101 S., Forks, WA. (the actual Smelting will be at the nearby ocean beaches). The camp sites at this park are flat and grassy good for both tents and RV's. The campground is also a good place for the kids to ride their bikes around.

A limited number of cabins are available to rent, if you are interested in these, contact the Hoh River RV Park and Resort at 360-374-5566 to reserve.

We will be having our usual Pot Luck on Saturday night and I'm sure Jerry will have his deep fry going to cook up some of those Smelt.

We will be needing a count of how many plan to attend so for more information or to reserve a

spot contact Jerry Mascio at 206-937-3614 or e-mail us at info@westseattlesportsmen.org and put "Smelting Trip" in the subject line. We will have more information at the July club meeting and August newsletter. †



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The following is from Washington Fishing & Hunting News Email Alert dated June 2, 2006

Written by Andy Walgamott

June 1 Openers Produce Kings, Steelhead

Here's a roundup of salmon and steelhead action from yesterday's opener:

SKAGIT RIVER

For the second year in a row, the upper end of the Skagit River from Rockport to the mouth of the Cascade opened for springers. WDFW biologist Brett Barkdull says he checked 17 fish for about 100 anglers by 3:30 p.m. June 1. "The river had a lot of water and it was dirty," Barkdull says. "The high water kind of kept catch rates on everything down."

Guide Cal Stocking of Cause for Divorce Guide Service (360-428-5038) says half the catch came from the bank, with Little Eddy - the first hole below the Cascade mouth - producing better than Big Eddy, just downstream. Stocking's boat hooked four and landed one in the high teens while Running eggs, Kwiks and Wiggle Warts.

He says the opener was comparable to last year, but this go-around there's a lot more water in the Skagit "Tell the

guys, fish the edges," Stocking says.

Fifty kings had returned to the hatchery already, and WDFW expects 1,600 back this year. Daily limit is two. The lower mile of the Cascade is open for kings as well. Stocking also reports that Dollies to 6 and 7 pounds are biting roe. Barkdull adds that a few steelhead were caught.

SKYKOMISH RIVER

Fifty miles to the south, the king/steelhead opener on the Skykomish Appears to have produced more summer steelies than summer kings. By his count, Jordan Doucet at Three Rivers Marine (425-415-1575) says it ran 3:1 in favor of steelhead.

"It was actually pretty good," adds Scott Weedman, also at the Woodinville tackle/boat/motor retailer. His boat landed an 18-pound king and fought several steelhead. His partner, Dave Lee, went out for three hours last night and caught 7- and 13-pound steelhead.

Weedman also reports good catches from the bank way upstream at Cable Hole - "probably more than I've heard of in 15 years." Cable is the stretch about a quarter mile below Reiter Ponds (which is closed until Aug. 1).

Expect better numbers of kings to roll in later in June. The Sky jumped to 8,000 cubic feet per second before the opener, and has since reached 11,500, which means fish close to shore. "As soon as it drops in, it should be good," says Doucet.

The opener's results have Weedman upbeat about the season. "I'm excited about it," he says. "I think we're gong to have a good summer.

AREA 11

In the saltwater, the king reopener was "overall slow," says WDFW Puget Sound salmon manager Steve Thiesfeld. He reports 39 kings and 127 boats checked at two Tacoma ramps yesterday. "That's not red hot, but there are some fish there," Thiesfeld says. "There's bait in South Sound, so there should be blackmouth around." F&H News salesman Brian Lull, who fished the opener, said that one old salty dog had two nice immature kings. "All he would say is he got them in 130 feet of water," Lull says.

'Zoo' Predicted for Neah, La Push Hali Reopener

Official prediction for the June 22 and 24 halibut reopener out of Neah Bay and La Push: "It'll be a zoo, but a zoo with big halibut," says WDFW ocean fish checker

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Up coming Small bore & Air Matches

Jun 3-4	Tacoma	Schützenfest / NRA 3-P Championship
Jun 10-11	Tacoma	Koehler Memorial prone
Jun 24-25	Puyallup	NRA 3-Position Regional
Aug 12-13	Puy. / Tac.	USA Shooting Zone Championship
Aug 25-27	Tacoma	State Smallbore International Camp & PTO
Sep 9-10	Tacoma	State Conventional Prone Championship
Sept 23-24	Tacoma	Schützenfest / Outdoor Int'l Championship
Nov 4-5	Olympia	State Indoor Int'l 3-P Championship (West)
Nov 18	Centralia	JORC (West)

Range Hours and Activity

Monday - Small Bore - 6 PM
Tuesday - Air Pistol & Air Rifle
Wednesday - Juniors - Call Fred Burr at 206-935-4883 for information.
Cost: Adult members \$2.00, non-members \$4.00, Juniors \$1.00.

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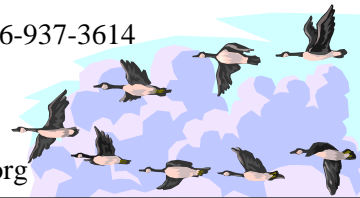
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Rolf's Cooking Corner

Crab Cakes Made Easy

¼ Cup Finely Chopped Red Bell Pepper
 ¼ Cup Finely Chopped Green Onion
 ¼ Cup Mayonnaise
 1 Tablespoon Fresh Squeezed Lemon Juice
 ½ tsp Garlic Powder
 ¼ tsp Johnny's Seasoning Salt
 Dash Cayenne Pepper
 (2) 6 oz Cans Crab Meat
 1 Egg Beaten
 1 Cup Seasoned Bread Crumbs
 3 Tablespoons Butter
 In a bowl, combine red pepper, green onion, mayonnaise, lemon



juice, seasoned salt, garlic powder and cayenne pepper. Stir in crab, egg and 1/3 cup breadcrumbs (mixture may be sticky). Divide and form mixture into 4 balls. Roll crab balls in remaining breadcrumbs; flatten into cakes about ½-inch thick. In a skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Fry cakes 3 to 4 minutes per side or until golden brown. Makes 4 servings. †

Events Calendar

June 7th - Club Meeting
 June 9th - 11th - Bowman Bay
 July 5th - Shoot & Toot, Club Meeting
 July 16th - Hi-Yu Kids Fishing Derby
 Aug 2nd - Salmon Bake
 Aug 18th - 20th - Ocean Smelting Trip

If you have any ideas for programs to have at the club meetings or any good outing ideas let one of the Officers or Trustees know. You may contact us at: info@westseattlesportsmen.org

New

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION WEST SEATTLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

Renewal

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 \$25.00 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 _____, Email _____

Recommended by _____
 (New Only)

If you would like to receive the Club newsletter by email check here.



Stuff For Sale

For Sale – Daisy Model 717 Target Air Pistol \$75.00. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883



For Sale – Pistol box with spotting scope \$150.00. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883

For Sale - 2002 Big Foot Camper \$11,000. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883.

For Sale - Mossberg 12 gage, model 500, slide action, 30" Full choke barrel accepts 3" shells. Like new, one scratch, used very little. Asking \$200. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883.

For Sale - Assorted Fly and Spin Cast Fishing Poles \$10.00 each.

Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883.

For Sale - Lowrance LMS350A GPS/Fishfinder. Transom mount transducer and 5 channel external GPS head. \$400.00. Contact Cam Robison at 206-431-8337.

For Sale - Brass oar locks, \$20.00 each, Wooden Water Skis - \$50, Volvo Props are \$20.00 ea. They are in

pretty fair condition, great for spares or main prop. They are 15 x 16 LH, 15 x 17 LH and 15 x 16 RH rotation, Folding Helm Step - \$10. LD-3 Boat fender, keep those little guys from bumping your boat in the locks or wherever \$25.00, Center drain stainless steel sink, 13" w x 11" d x 4" d Used for boat, camper, etc \$30.00. I can send pictures of the above mentioned items contact Tom phone 206-935-1064 email: tkocir1@comcast.net

For Sale - Outboard motor gas tanks: one with fittings; one tank only. Trailer hitch post type boat carrier. Call Ken McKim 206-935-2853.

If you have something you would like to list in this section please send an email to "info@westseattlesportsmen.org" listing the item or items you would like to sell, the price, and your contact information. Put "Stuff For Sale" in the Subject line of your email. Keep in mind that this comes out only once a month. In order to be listed in the coming month's newsletter you will need to have your ad emailed to us no later than the 20th of the prior month.....

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Scott Barbour.

The North Coast closed after just five days in May, but after running the numbers, WDFW decided to add the two days. There are still 55,847 pounds of halibut available for harvest. The fishery has turned into a madhouse of effort - more of a derby than a season, says Barbour. "It's closing faster every year. The effort is incredible. They (anglers) know it's going to be short," he says. In fact, on the season's first Saturday, May 13, WDFW counted 350 boats at Neah. "That's a lot of boats up there for a two-lane road," says Barbour. Another 120 were checked at La Push. †



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