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The Fishin' Club News

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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Fishin' Club will feature Fred Ludtke, long time member of the Fishin' Club and an expert salt and fresh water fisherman.

He will tell us about beach fishing for salmon and steelhead on Whidbey Island. He will show and tell about equipment and lures for good results as well as the best tides.

There will also be fishing reports, information on upcoming events and other club activities. Don't forget our world famous monthly raffle!

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

Ralph Downes, a Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Officer, spoke about new fishing rule changes.

He spoke about their method of estimating the number of crab pots at various locations and monitoring the catch of Sport, Commercial and Indian fishermen.

He fielded many questions put to him by the members and his answers were very informative.

Ralph introduced his counterpart, Steve Lee, who spoke of his duties and area of responsibility for policing the hunting of birds and land animals of area 4.

There was an exhibition of the new Fishin' Club booth, set up by Mac Shearer and Wayne Furber. It looked good!

Anyone who has fishing related photographs (large) they would like to loan us for display on the walls of the booth during the fair should contact Mac (678-6898) or Wayne (321-2499). They would be greatly appreciated.

FISHIN' CLUB BOARD MEETING

The board meeting was held at the home of Don Steadman. Ten members were in attendance.

Wayne Furber sug-

gested we have a notice board set up at the general meetings, to show what fishing areas are open and which are closed, what species can be kept and which must be released what kind of hooks can be used, etc.

Plans are in place for the fair. We still need a few volunteers to man the booth.

Jennifer Kelly reported that the cook books will be shipped by August 15. It looks as though we are nearing the break point to cover the costs.

Mike Gallion proposed a low key trip to Banks Lake on September 14, 15 and 16. The club will not be coordinating the trip. Members who decide to go must make their own reservations with Coulee Playground at 888-633-2671 or the Sky-deck Motel 800-708-3014.

FISHIN' CLUB BOOTH

We need four more volunteers to man the booth at the fair:

August 17, 1:30—6 pm (one spot)

August 19, 9:30am—1:30 pm (one spot)

August—19. 6 pm—9 pm (2 spots open).

Volunteers get a ticket to enter the fair grounds the day they work. Share your fishing stories with potential new members. With two people manning the booth on each shift, you can take a break for food, or whatever you need to do.

With the new design of the booth, we are sure to draw greater interest.

Call Richard Guenther at 321-5140 or e-mail at richardg@langleywa.com to sign up.

POT LUCK PICNIC

We will have our annual Maxwellton Pot Luck picnic a little earlier this year. It will be on Saturday, August 25. This should give us better weather than in the past.

We will get together at 12 noon and begin eating at 1pm. The format, which has worked so well in the past, will

be the same this year.

Bring any dish of your choice to feed about 8 people, a main dish, dessert or whatever you like to bring to a potluck.

Bring serving utensils, if necessary, and your own plates, silverware and drinks.

Bon Appetit—that's the word the French invented to describe the great food we have at our potlucks. Don't miss it!

SKAGIT RIVER OUTING

We are now sorting out the plans for our club outing to fish the lower Skagit river in September, with the date and final details to be announced at our September 6th general meeting.

We will meet at Mike Reeve's place on the Skagit. Don't forget to bring your waders. How you get there is up to you, but anyone interested in carpooling can arrange it at the meeting in September. The driving directions are as follows:

1. Take highway 20 north across Deception Pass, and head east towards Burlington.
2. At Burlington, just past Holiday Market, get onto #1-5 Southbound.
3. Exit 15 at College Way. It's the first exit into Mt. Vernon.
4. Turn right on College Way and go 1 block to Freeway Drive.
5. Turn right on Freeway Drive and go 1 long block to Stewart.
6. Turn left on Stewart and it will change into River Bend Road. Go about a mile and a half to 14235 River Bend Road.

Mike says he has a pasture next to the house and we can park there.

MEETINGS: First Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at the Bayview Senior Services Center across from Casey's grocery on Hwy 525 between Freeland and Clinton.