



BREMERTON SPORTSMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER
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THE SPORTSMAN

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President's Message

I hope everyone is out enjoying the start of the 2021 Summer. I've been plenty busy keeping up with WDFW's rule changes and closures.

Our club picnic will be on August 7th at Otto Jarstad Park 4230 W Belfair Valley Rd, Bremerton, 98312. We have the park reserved from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Put this date on your calendar. Along with the picnic, we will hold a brief general meeting and have what promises to be a great raffle. The picnic will be a potluck venue with BSC providing hot dogs, burgers, and refreshments. I hope to see everyone at the picnic, and please bring a friend. If possible, please let us know if you plan on attending.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the BSC's internet website is up and running and can be viewed at <http://www.bremertonsportsmensclub.org/>.

I've been monitoring the site periodically. We have signed up a couple of members through the site, which means the pay by credit card is working. I'm continuing work on my WordPress (WP) skill set, allowing us to post updates and information related to our club business and membership. The club still needs a couple of volunteers who are willing to help us with website updates. If someone is willing and wanting to help, give me a call at **360-328-4954 (C)** or email me at rflerx@wavecable.com (private email) or getoutdoors@bremertonsportsmensclub.org.

Columbia River: Washington State 2021 legislative session came to a close in late April. The Columbia River non-tribal gill netting in the main stem continues to be pushed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Commission and WDFW Director Kelly Susewind. I've asked Cheyanne to insert the article printed by our friends at CCA Washington, which explains with a summary of this gillnet issue.

Point No Point: The Army Corps has denied WDFW's permit application.

Hunting Season Approaching – It's time to start your preparations for deer and elk hunting. Break out the sleeping bag, camp cook gear, boots, etc. Get out and physically/visually inspect the areas you plan to hunt.

BSC Meeting Schedule

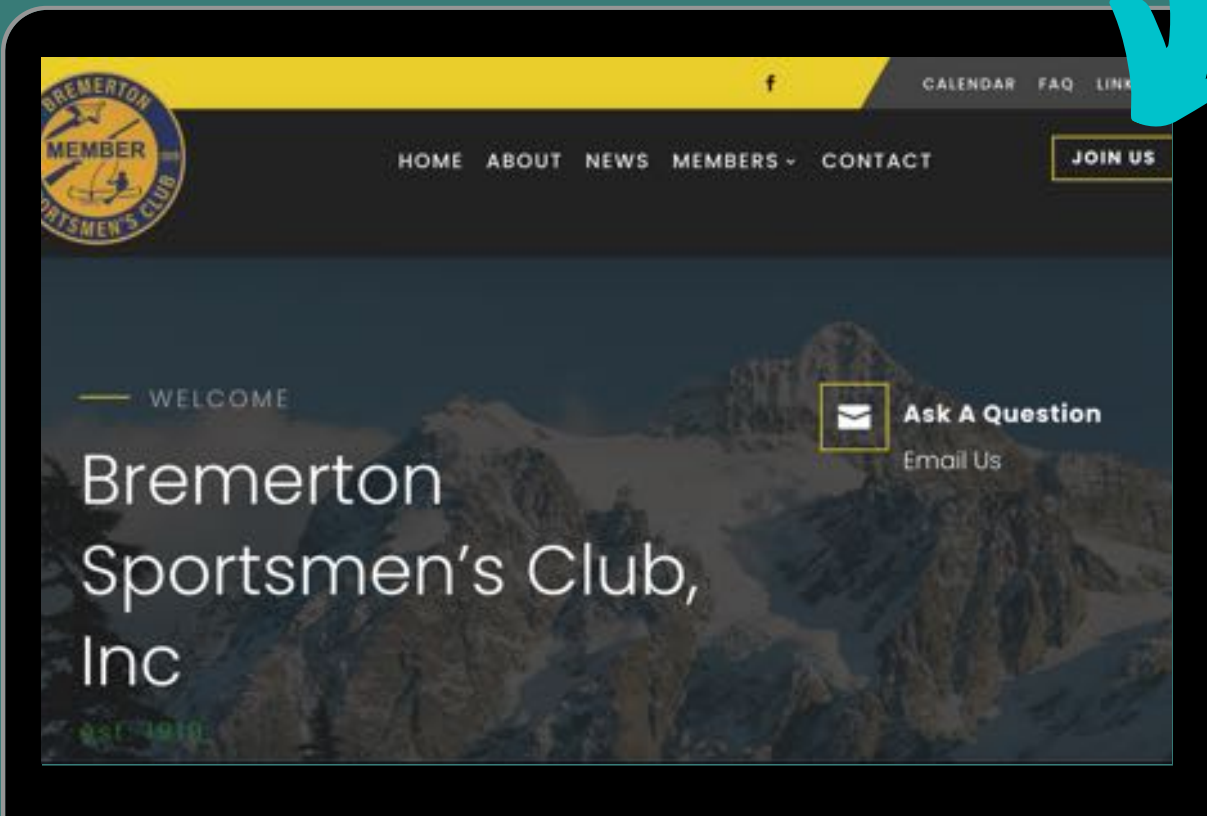
- August 7th - Brief meeting and then the picnic
- September 28th - General Meeting with Pot Luck. This meeting will be held at our regular meeting place at Bremerton Trap and Skeet Club on HWY 3
- October -2021 No meeting
- November 23rd - General Meeting with Thanksgiving Pot Luck.
- December 28th – General Meeting – TBD

In closing, I hope to see everyone at the picnic; until then, get outdoors, have fun and be safe.

Best Regards,
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WASHINGTON
Derby Season is Here

It is derby season for CCA Washington, and we're gearing up for an exciting event on the upper Columbia River. The CCA North Central Washington Chapter will be hosting its 8th Annual Peter Fiske Memorial Salmon Derby on the Columbia River in Wenatchee this summer. The derby will be held July 30-31, with an awards ceremony featuring a raffle and auction items to follow.

Thousands of dollars in prizes will be awarded to the contestants, and fishing is expected to be good during this summer's fishery. Both boat weights and individual big fish prizes will be awarded. Tickets and more information can be found at wenatcheesalmonderby.com or at CCAWashington.org/derbyes.



WASHINGTON
Legislative Session Ends

In late April, the 2021 Washington state legislative session came to a close. CCA Washington and our coalition partners secured several important victories for conservation and recreational angling, including a \$2 million budget provision for a voluntary buyback of non-tribal Columbia River gillnet licenses connected with Oregon and Washington conservation reforms to transition non-tribal gillnets from the mainstem lower Columbia River.

Unfortunately, Gov. Inslee vetoed the provision, marking the second year he has vetoed funding for a buyback of Columbia River gillnet licenses. In the Governor's veto message to the legislature, he claimed that budget proviso language limiting mainstem gill netting "conflicts with Washington's agreement with the state of Oregon on the management of commercial gillnet fisheries on the Columbia River."

In truth, the budget proviso would have brought the two states into much closer alignment compared to the recent Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission (WFWC)

Despite our profound disappointment with Gov. Inslee's veto of the Columbia River gillnet buyback and reforms, we are proud of all we accomplished in this recent legislative session to fund important advancements for recreational fishing, hatcheries, pinniped predation, and salmon conservation - all of which were signed into law by Gov. Inslee.

policy decision to increase gill netting on the lower Columbia River mainstem, which conflicted with the policies of the State of Oregon across every single fishing season.

Sadly, Governor Inslee has done nothing to signal his opposition to the WFWC policy and the widespread conflicting policies that have resulted in the eight months since the decision was made. Instead, his latest veto of a widely supported gillnet license buyback provision casts serious doubt on the Governor's commitment to protect ESA-listed salmon and steelhead in the Columbia River.

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WHERE:

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WHEN:

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We have the park reserved from
9:00 AM to 8:00 PM

WHAT:

Potluck venue with BSC
providing hot dogs, burgers,
and refreshments

Salmon fishing to close early in San Juan Islands following successful opener

Date

Jul 7, 2021

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OLYMPIA – Fishery managers at the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) announced today an early closure to salmon fishing in the San Juan Islands (Marine Area 7) to meet conservation objectives for Chinook salmon following highly successful catch rates. The closure goes into effect July 8.

“Since the season kicked off July 1, Chinook fishing has really taken off in the San Juan Islands,” said Kyle Adicks, WDFW’s intergovernmental salmon manager. “So much so that the total Chinook catch has already met the quota for the full month of July. This closure helps to support salmon conservation and preserve fishing opportunities in the future.”

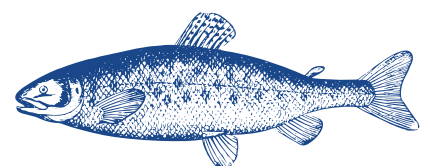
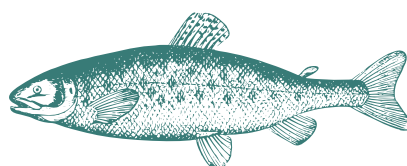
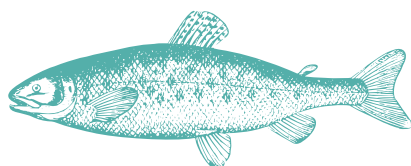
Staff will continue analyzing data and will reevaluate whether fishing for coho salmon may reopen later in the summer while remaining within management guidelines for Chinook incidentally caught and released. The Bellingham Bay fishery as described in the 2021-22 Sport Fishing Rules Pamphlet will continue as planned.

More information about other Puget Sound salmon fishing opportunities is available on WDFW’s website at wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/management/north-falcon/summaries.

Anglers should check the Washington Sport Fishing Rules pamphlet at wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/regulations and WDFW’s emergency rules page at fortress.wa.gov/dfw/erules/efishrules/ before heading out, and download the Fish Washington mobile app for up-to-date regulations at their destination.

Puget Sound salmon seasons are a result of an annual collaborative state and tribal salmon season-setting process known as North of Falcon, which WDFW uses to preserve, protect and perpetuate fish, while providing sustainable fish recreational and commercial opportunities. The public is invited to participate in this process in late winter each year.

Individuals who need to receive this information in an alternative format, language, or who need reasonable accommodations to participate in WDFW-sponsored public meetings or other activities may contact the Title VI/ADA Compliance Coordinator by phone at 360-902-2349, TTY (711), or email (Title6@dfw.wa.gov). For more information, see <https://wdfw.wa.gov/accessibility/requests-accommodation>.





catch, cook, eat

Pan Seared Red Snapper With Summer Corn Salad

The red snapper population in the Gulf of Mexico has never been healthier so enjoy this timely recipe and be sure to check out the editorial on page 6 - *The Fishery That Won't Stay Small*.

ingredients

DRESSING

- 1/2 c mayonnaise
- 1/2 c sour cream
- 2 tbsp fresh lemon or lime juice
- 1 tbsp Cholula (or favorite hot sauce)

CORN SALAD

- 1/2 c fresh cilantro, chopped
- 1/2 c fresh basil, chopped
- 1 tbsp fresh jalapeño, diced
- 1/2 c green onion, chopped
- 4 ears fresh corn, grilled or roasted, kernels removed (making about 2 cups kernels)
- 1 c fresh tomato, seeded and diced
- 1 clove garlic, grated
- 1 15 oz can seasoned black beans, drained and rinsed
- 2 ripe avocados, diced

RED SNAPPER

- 4 medium red snapper filets
- 2 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp Cajun seasoning
- 2 tsp paprika
- 3 tbsp vegetable oil

directions

DRESSING: Make dressing by mixing together mayonnaise, sour cream, fresh lemon or lime juice and Cholula until combined, set aside.

CORN SALAD: Pour half of the prepared dressing into a large mixing bowl. Add in the cilantro, basil, jalapeño, green onion, corn kernels, tomato, garlic and black beans and gently stir. Once combined, gently fold in the diced avocado, taking care not to mash the avocado pieces too much. Set aside for serving.

RED SNAPPER: Lay all four filets out on a cutting board or sheet pan. Lightly dust all sides evenly with the flour, then season all sides evenly with the Cajun seasoning and paprika.

Heat oil in a large skillet to medium-high. Once oil is hot, add filets to the pan and cook for about 5 minutes, or until golden brown. Flip filets and cook an additional 3-5 minutes, until fish is cooked through and golden brown. Once cooked through, set aside for plating.

TO SERVE: Evenly distribute the corn salad onto four separate dinner plates. Top each plated salad with a snapper filet. If desired, finish plating by drizzling some of the extra dressing over the filets and salad, garnish with extra herbs or lemon wedges. **SERVES 4.**

Recipe & Photos By Heather Peterek | JoinCCA.org/recipes



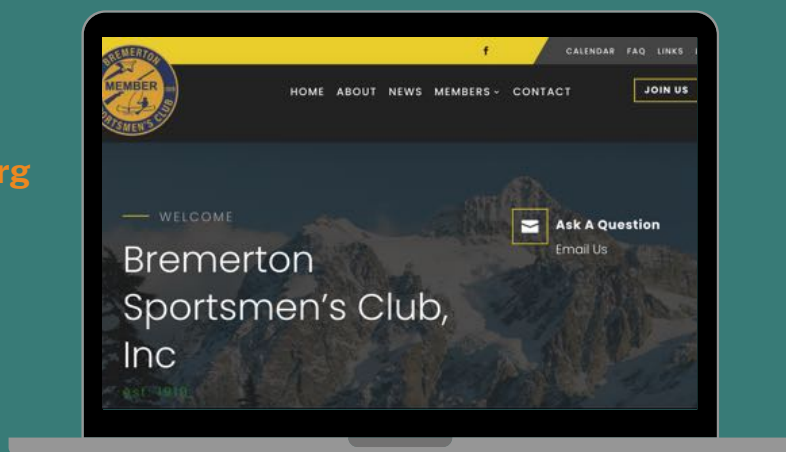
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2021 BSC Membership Form

Individual \$15.00 / Couples \$20.00

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