

# Washington Trollers Association

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## WTA BOARD MEMBERS

### Port Angeles:

Jeremy Brown F/V Barcarole  
Mike Ziara F/V Ocean Home

### Ilwaco:

Dick Good F/V Pamela Jean  
Kim Reisbick F/V High Hope

### Seattle:

Glen Aurdahl F/V North Star  
Joel Kawahara F/V Karo Lee  
Tony Rouff F/V Dream Catcher

### Tacoma:

Jim Olson F/V Cynthia T  
Steve Wilson F/V Deep Threat

### Westport:

Doug Fricke F/V Howard H  
Ron Harper F/V Kathy Ann  
Michael Baldwin F/V Nellie M

## President's Message

By Doug Fricke F/V Howard H

We hope everyone had a safe winter and are starting to think about the projects they need to complete before the salmon season opens this Spring. February 27 is the official "kick off" to determine the 2007 troll season with a presentation of the 2007 projected stock status by WDFW. This is an open public meeting and we encourage anyone who is interested to attend. Contact me or Jim Olson if you are interested in attending. We will be determining our desired three options at the early March Board meeting and picking our desired season at the late March Board meeting. The board meetings are open to any paid member and we encourage any troll interested to attend.

The preliminary season projections are starting to "leak" out and the preliminary projections are for a reduced opportunity North of Falcon, but probably a slight increase in opportunity South of Falcon. We are monitoring an analysis of the lower Columbia River wild chinook (Coweeman) and the result could dramatically affect our salmon troll opportunity. The Klamath River returns were better than forecast and the jack returns were up as well. Oregon and California should have some increase opportunity when compared to last season. We are also monitoring the renegotiation of the

US/Canada salmon treaty Chinook Annex that expires at the end of the 2008 season. Washington and Oregon State Managers are promoting that the Troll fishery go to a chinook marked-select fin clipped fishery in the future when the salmon treaty is renegotiated for 2009 or 2010. The WTA Board is unanimously against making the fishery into a chinook marked-select fin clipped fishery and has forward a letter to that affect to WDFW.

Many members are active in other issues that affect our salmon troll fishery. We have allocated \$2,500 to continue the Marketing program that we have pursued with the Makah Nation the last couple of years. Steve Wilson is monitoring legislation in Olympia that may affect our industry. A special thanks to Ed Owens and his efforts in Olympia to protect the fishing industry. Joel Kawahara has recently been appointed to the Habitat Committee on the PFMC which will be a valuable asset in monitoring the recovery of the Columbia River Salmon. Joe Dazey has been helping in monitoring the analysis of the Lower Columbia River Wild Tule recovery requirements. As you can see, there is a lot happening and we can always use volunteers. I hope to see many of you at the Board meeting on March 2 or March 30.



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INFORMATION**

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**UPCOMING WTA BOARD MEETINGS**

Friday, March 2nd

Friday, March 30th

A light meal will be served at 6:00pm.  
The Board Meetings will begin at 6:30pm

*Fife School District Administration Building*

*5802 20th Street East*

*Tacoma, WA.*

Please call or email if you are planning to attend.

**1% Totals for 2006**

**\$11,218.19**

**Thank you to all who  
contributed!**

**FIRST AID COURSE**

**Wednesday, March 28th**

**9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Class fee: \$80**

U.S. Coast Guard-approved **First  
Aid At Sea Course** for commercial  
fishermen and recreational boaters.

The course will be held at:

WSU Jefferson County Ext. Office  
Pt. Hadock, WA

Space is limited, **pre-registration is  
advised.**

To register or for more information  
on these courses, contact:

Sarah Fisken  
(206)543-1225  
sfisken@u.washington.edu

**PFMC March Council Meeting**

**March 5-9**

**Doubletree Hotel  
2001 Point West Way  
Sacramento, CA  
Phone: (800)-222-8733**

The Pacific Fishery Management Council and its advisory entities will be addressing issues related to salmon, Pacific halibut, coastal pelagic species, groundfish, and essential fish habitat. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session to be held from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, March 5, to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

**PFMC Public Hearings**

**Monday, March 26th  
Chateau Westport  
Beach Room  
710 W. Hancock  
Westport, WA 98595  
(360)268-9101**

A **Public hearing** will be held on **March 26 2007**, to receive comments on the proposed ocean salmon fishery management options adopted by the Council. The public hearings in Washington will begin at **7 pm** on the date and at the location specified above.



## COLUMBIA RIVER FALL CHINOOK 2007 PRESEASON FORECASTS

	2007 February Forecasts	2006 Actual Returns	2006 February Forecasts
Lower River Hatchery - LRH	54,900	58,300	55,800
Lower River Wild - LRW	10,100	18,100	16,600
Bonneville Pool Hatchery - BPH	21,800	27,900	50,000
Upriver Bright - URB	182,400	230,400	253,900
Bonneville Upriver Bright - BUB	38,500	45,200	49,700
Pool Upriver Bright - PUB	29,500	35,200	58,600
<b>Columbia River Total</b>	<b>337,200</b>	<b>415,100</b>	<b>464,600</b>

### 2007 Forecasts

LRH - Similar to last year's return, and 69% of the ten year average. Similar to the average return in the 1990's.

LRW - Poor predicted return. Third lowest return since 1964.

BPH - Below average return. Less than last year's return and 25% of the ten year average.

URB - Less than last year's actual return. 77% of the ten year average.

BUB - Less than last year's actual return. Similar to the recent 10 year average.

PUB - Less than last year's actual return. 71% of the 10-year average.

- Total forecast of 337,200 Columbia River fall chinook is 67% of the recent 10-year average return.

*February 8, 2007*

*Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife*

*U.S. v Oregon Technical Advisory Committee Sub-group*

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### Salmon Websites and Hotlines

- **Ocean Salmon Hotline** (National Marine Fisheries Service): (800) 662-9825 or (206) 526-6667  
[NWR Salmon Fishery Regulations Website](#)
- **California Fishing Hotline** (California Dept. of Fish and Game): (707) 576-3429  
[http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd/index\\_regs.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd/index_regs.html)
- **Oregon Fishing Hotline** (Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife): (503) 947-6000  
<http://www.dfw.state.or.us/OSCRP/main.html>
- **Washington Fishing Hotline** (Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife): (360) 902-2500  
[https://fortress.wa.gov/dfw/erules/efishrules/rules\\_current\\_order\\_by\\_date.j](https://fortress.wa.gov/dfw/erules/efishrules/rules_current_order_by_date.j)

Preseason Report I Stock Abundance Analysis for 2007 Ocean Salmon Fisheries is available on the Council's website at:

<http://www.pcouncil.org/salmon/salprel06/salprel06.html>

## WTA CAPS

Need a new embroidered cap?  
Start your season with a new one!  
A new shipment is on the way!

A donation of \$20 for 1 cap or  
\$35 for 2 is suggested.

Will ship ASAP!

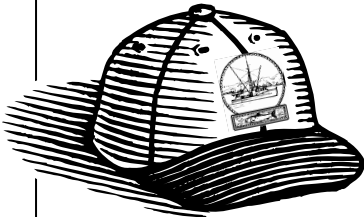
Colors to choose from:

**Khaki/Navy**

**Red**

**Navy**

**Green**



## WTA MUGS Stainless Steel

Order a WTA Mug today.

These sturdy  
stainless steel mugs  
are imprinted with  
our logo and name.  
Keep your hot drinks  
hot and your cold  
drinks cold this up-  
coming season.

Place an order by fill-  
ing out the form be-  
low and send a \$20  
donation.



### WTA Cap and Mug Order Form

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

	Quantity	Price	Total
Stainless Steel Mug	@	\$20.00	=
<b>Green Cap</b>	@	\$20.00	=
<b>Red Cap</b>	@	\$20.00	=
<b>Navy Blue Cap</b>	@	\$20.00	=
<b>Khaki/Navy Cap</b>	@	\$20.00	=
<b>Total</b>			

Please send donation to:

WTA

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# 2007 WTA ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND LOYALTY TO OUR INDUSTRY

Anderson Attorney-at-Law, Paul Anderson, Seattle	(206)467-0237
Ballard Sheet Metal Works, Inc., Custom Fabrication for Fishing and Processing, Seattle	Fax: (206)781-0118 (206)784-0545
Boat Seafoods, Stine Fricke Buyer/Manager, Aberdeen/Westport	(360)533-2069
Dyno Battery Co., Mfg. Electric Storage Batteries Seattle	(206)283-7450
Englund Marine Supply Co. Complete Marine Service, Astoria & Westport	1(800)228-7051, (541)325-4341 (360)268-9311
FISHERMAN'S NEWS, [Philips Publications] Fisherman's Terminal, Seattle	1(800)258-8609 (206)282-7545
Hatch and Kirk, Heavy Duty Engine Specialists; Diesel Marine Parts Specialists; Seattle	Fax: (206)782-6482 (206)783-2766
High Tide Seafoods, Buyer, Jim Shefler, owner; Port Angeles, Neah Bay, LaPush	Fax: (360)452-6710 (360)452-8488
Hingston, Phil, of Jones , Kushman, Hingston Certified Public Accountant, Seattle	Fax: (206)284-4525 (206)285-2777
Howard Moe Enterprises, Inc. Little Hoquiam Boats	(360)538-1622
Jessie's Ilwaco Fish Co., Inc.—Salmon Buyer; Pierre Marchand, owner/manager	Fax: (360)642-3362 (360)648-3773
J & G Marine Supply, Don and Harold Jacobson, Tacoma	1(800)381-4217 (253)572-4217
Luhr Jensen and Sons: A Heritage of Quality Fishing Lures since 1932, Hood River, OR <a href="http://www.luhrjensen.com">www.luhrjensen.com</a>	(541)386-3811
New Day Fisheries, Inc., Scott Kimmel, Port Townsend	Fax: (360)385-6455 (360)385-4600
PACIFIC FISHING Magazine, Jon Holland, Editor <a href="http://www.pfmag.com">www.pfmag.com</a>	Fax: (206)324-8939 (206)709-1840
Pacific Net and Twine, Ltd., Richmond, BC, Frank Nakashima, Mgr	1(800)895-GEAR (604)274-7328
Redden Net Co. (Steveston) Ltd., Richmond, BC, Canada	Fax: (604)274-9068 1(866)233-1422
Sampo Inc., Manufacturers of Terminal Tackle/Fishing and Marine Supplies, Barneveld, New York	(315)896-2606
Schiewe Marine Supply, Commercial Fishing Supplies, Newport, Oregon	(514)265-7382
Seafood Producers Cooperative, Bellingham, Sitka	[WA] Fax: (360)733-0513 (360)733-0120
Seattle Marine and Fishing Supply, Co., Commercial Gear and Marine Hardware; Sea	(206)285-5010
Select Fish, Quality Buyer, Scott Barton, Airport Way in Seattle	(206)767-2642
Sid's Super Market, serving Seaview, Long Beach and Ilwaco, WA	(360)642-3737
Silver Horde—Gold Star Sports and Commercial Fishing Lures and Supplies, Lynnwood, WA	(425)778-2640
South Bend Packers, Russell Raymond, owner/manager—salmon buyer	(360)875-6570
Stanto Enterprises, Stainless Products for the Troller, Westport, WA	(360)268-0342
Star Video, Bill Berger, President, Port Angeles, WA	Fax: (360)452-8499 (360)452-8575
Ted's Red Apple Market, Serving Westport and the fishing fleet with their grocery needs, WA	(360)268-9650
U.S. Seven Oceans, Inc, Jinkai Monofilament Trolling Line and Gear, Mukilteo, WA	1(800)346-2228 (425)347-7770
United Trollers Fund, Phil Hingston, Mgr., Seattle, WA	(206)285-4341
Washington Crab Producers, Bottom fish fillets, salmon, crab, shrimp, Seafoods-Wholesale-Retail, Westport, WA	(360)268-9161
WESMAR—Western Marine Electronics, Woodinville, WA	Fax: (425)486-0909 (425)481-2296

**Individual Associate Members** (some retired): Rick Andries, Richard Haugen, Ron Wawworth, Diane Jones, Louis Miller, Ragnar Nergaard, Augie Roehr, Sandy Sanquist, Sig Sela, Harm VanSlyke, and Jack Warren.

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**  
**Washington Trollers Association**

Yes-I would like to renew my WTA membership

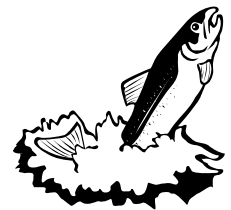
\* Name \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address/P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_ Apt.# \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

\*Troll Licenses : (Check all that apply)     WA     OR     CA     AK

\*Port of Registration     Ilwaco     Tacoma     Westport     Seattle     Port Angeles

- Fishermen's Membership—\$150/year from subscribing date
- Associate Membership—\$50/year for retired fishermen
- Business Membership—\$50/year from subscribing date
- 1% season donation included if not contributed through season buyer
- Meeting/Marketing Fund donation, (i.e. PFMC, N of Falcon process) - \$100 year/additional suggested to help us with our marketing endeavors and representation of our industry in the processes.
- I would like to receive my WTA newsletter via e-mail



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