



Welcome to our newsletter



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Dale headed up to the Harrison last weekend, playing out the jigging for pinks Gameplan. In fact, one of the “prime directives” of that guide proved most important, again: *Keep Moving Until You Find the Fish.*

Which is just what happened, as Dale and Dad, also an FC member, searched the whole river until finding water that met the Gameplan criteria.

It paid off: their first day, they hooked five species of fish—chums, Coho, sockeye, whitefish...and *lots* of humpies. (See the video www.fishingcoaches.org/gameplans.html)

What they didn't hook, but saw leaping, were some enormous king salmon, and a sturgeon seven feet long.

Other notes:

There's a new boat launch on the northwest side of the river, near the North Highway bridge. We'll add that to the Gameplans for pink, chum and white king as soon as we get an updated map.



While the Harrison Gameplan suggests using a split shot above the jig, this trip Dale found it more effective to leave the shot off.

Observation of the surface, and subsurface using Fishing Coaches' AquaVu—available to borrow!—along with information from the electronic fish finder, revealed few fish upstream of Morris Creek, although this could change. What the tech devices did show was lots of salmon suspending at mid-depths—fish holding at between three and five feet, over an eight foot bottom; and between 14 and 22 feet where the bottom was 31.

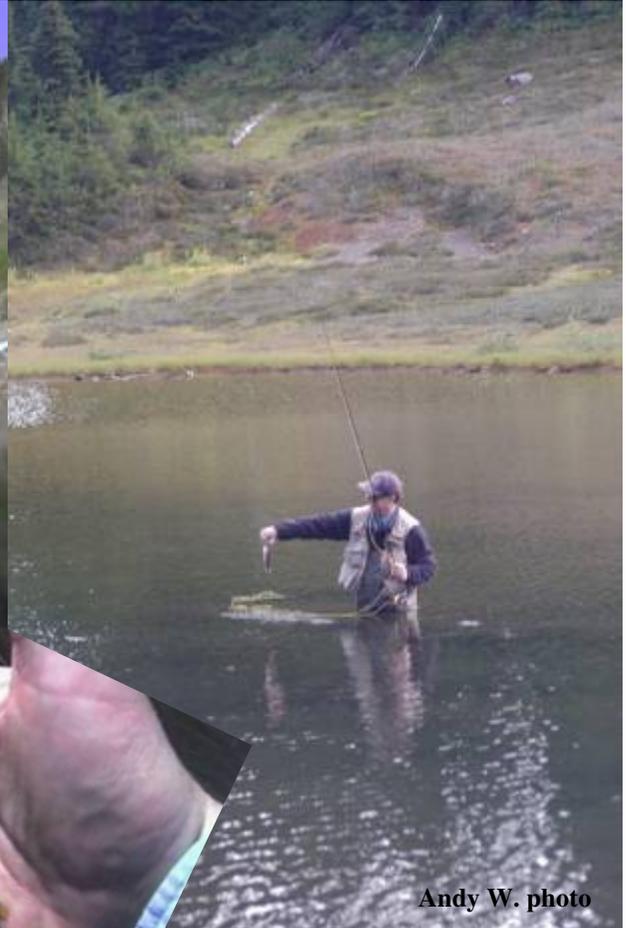
October's certainly a great time to catch fish on the Harrison, but if you're hoping to keep some for home, not so much. *Make sure to check regulations before you go.*



A sleek female pink salmon, fresh from the sea, with jig in mouth, and a male that after a few days in fresh water shows why these fish are also called “humpies.”



Not to belabor the point, or anything like that...



...but the Fishing Coaches trip to the high country did produce memories. Dale met FC member Andy W, and together they hiked on up to a pair of lakes seldom tapped—by anglers, anyway.



Andy W. photo

Fishing proved more productive in, and waders were a big plus, and spectacular scenery—that make for a

from the float tube Dale packed but it was the abundant fish—**great day.**

FYI: Winter—or a the first snow of an autumn awfully wintery—closed in on this Scenario not long after these photos were taken, closing the trail.

Next year, we promise to get our invites our earlier!

So what's with this other "invite," anyway?

Well, let's see—for more than two years we've been building--refining surveys, constructing Gameplans, adding to the most productive of our Pacific Northwest Scenarios. So far, every member has been offered a free year, with the option to pay the following year's dues directly to us, to a bona fide conservation group, or even by volunteering their time for habitat restoration. We've grown. We want to grow more—to increase the number of members we serve, and expand the services we provide them. Getting your help is just one way we hope to do that.



Have something to offer?

Fishing Coaches hopes volunteers will help us get bigger faster, so contact us if you can:

- 1) "Test" a Fishing Coaches scenario and report on your trip. (Photos welcome!)

OR

- 2) Make phone calls to help us research new fishing scenarios!

What's Coming Up and Going On!



Gameplans Going—**SALMON:**

Harrison River Pinks will continue strong, and a bunch of big chums will soon join them, although the tackle-bashing dogs run better here in even number years.

www.fishingcoaches.org/members/gameplans/100_harrison_river_pink.pdf

Not far away you'll find an even better chum Scenario, on at the **Chilliwack/Vedder**, where they **mix with Coho and kings**.

www.fishingcoaches.org/members/gameplans/363_364_vedder_river_chinook_chum.pdf

Starting a week later—usually—target those Vedder chinook—white kings—an unusual run to be sure. (Same Gameplan as above.)

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Gameplans Going—**TROUT:**

Oh, what a time of year this is—grab every hour you can!

On **Fish Lake**, for example in North Central Washington, for rainbows to 18", and a shot at **giant browns**.

www.fishingcoaches.org/members/gameplans/399_fish_lake_trout.pdf

On the **San Poil River**, in NE Washington, where you'll have drop dead pretty water, and fish eager to eat flies.

www.fishingcoaches.org/members/gameplans/400_san_poil_river_rainbow.pdf

That's also true on the nearby **Kettle River**, another fly fishing destination, where there's lots of rainbows and, again a chance for a bustin' big **brown**.

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