

EFFC Membership News - The Next Meeting is August 25, 2026

August Program - Coastal Cutthroat Coalition



We have such a bounty of Searun Cutthroat fishing here on the Westside, both in the salt and our rivers. Many of us have been chasing SRC for years, but until recently, we knew surprisingly little about their habits and the habitat they need.

Enter the Coastal Cutthroat Coalition! Their research and studies have taught us so much about where and when Searun Cutthroat travel and what they need to thrive.

We are so lucky to have the Executive Director of the Coastal Cutthroat Coalition, Greg Shimak as our speaker this month. Greg gives us an entertaining and informative talk that you won't want to miss!

Greg Shimek is the Executive Director of the Coastal Cutthroat Coalition and one of the organization's founders. A retired telecommunications executive he has been involved with numerous conservation and environmental organizations around the world for decades. Born and raised in Western Washington, he attended both Skagit Valley and Olympic colleges before entering the telecommunications field. He is passionate about our native fish species, especially Coastal Cutthroat Trout. Greg is a past president of Puget Sound Fly Fishers. He also is on the board of directors of Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group. Greg has volunteered with the WDFW for the past 11 years and has been trained extensively by WDFW and HCSEG biologists in many aspects of fisheries research.

This presentation will consist of a brief update on the Coalition, a short history of some of our research projects and their findings as well as some threats and concerns for Coastal Cutthroat Trout in Washington waters. We will also explain and update our two ongoing projects, Oakland Bay in Mason County and Samish Bay Skagit County.

2026 Annual Auction and Christmas Gala

Reserve your place soon to take advantage of the $40 per person price which increases to $50 after the September club meeting on September 25th.

Cash, Check or Card will be accepted at EFFC monthly meetings.

To pay by phone: Call Suzanne Livingston at 360-631-1802 or om Freeburg, 425-306-9290

To pay by mail: Send the RSVP using the EFFC 2026 Auction Banquet Invitation form and mail checks to Evergreen Fly Fishing Club, P.O. Box 221, Everett, WA 98206

Updates From the Auction Comittee

- Door open time is now 1:00 pm and close at 6:00 pm
- The donation cutoff date is now October 27th, the last general club meeting of the year
- The deadline for ticket sales is November 21st

Help Needed

The committee is overwhelmed with the amount of work so we are asking for volunteers up to and including the day of the auction. You can help a little or a lot but any help will greatly benefit the club and success of the gala/auction. Remember this is your club too.

Donations

More donations are needed, so please bring them to an upcoming meeting. *Donations are not accepted the day of the gala.* The one exception is perishable items, but please notify the auction committee ahead of time.

We are also in need of non-fishing and holiday related donations to provide a wide variety of items of interest to all guests. Of course cash donations are welcomed and our auction committee will use the money to purchase new items to be auctioned off.

You will find CASH DONATION bags at each table during the general meeting (no pennies please!!!) or you can always donate cash or check to the Treasurer Tom Freeburg indicating that you want your donation to go towards the Auction.



Want to get real-time fishing reports and plan your next fishing trip?

For those already using WhatsApp, you were able to see some great fishing reports for July and August.

Use this link to join in on the conversation:

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Fly of the Month - Hopper Pattern

Bring your favorite version of this summer classic for a chance to win a $25 Cabela's gift card.





Don't forget to report your fish…

Club members can win rewards (such as gift cards) in a variety of categories each year. Be sure to make note of your nicest fish and report them to Bret Livingston, the Awards Chair.

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