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Top Photo: April 28, 2015. Pro fishing guide **Ariel Koppers** of [Kitimat Lodge](#) was out test fishing just before clients arrive. As you can see **Spey Fly Fishing** on this day produced a beautiful result. Did we say the Chinook are coming? Well they are...and clients have a chance to catch both Steelhead and Chinook on the same day! If you are interested to hire a fishing guide, ocean or river... to learn how, where and when to catch these guys please [contact me](#) anytime and I will help make the arrangements for a trip of lifetime.

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River, Ocean and Lake Reports

(Smithers, Terrace, Kitimat and Prince Rupert)

Last update was Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 9:27am

Sunrise 5:59am Sunset 9:03pm

BOOKING NOW for:

- 2015 for [Zymoetz \(Copper\) & Skeena River](#)
 - 2015 Skeena River [summer-run Steelhead](#) and Salmon
 - 2015 Kitimat River for [Coho \(Silver\) Salmon](#)
 - 2015 Multi Rivers for [spring Steelhead](#)
 - 2015 Multi Rivers for [spring Chinook](#)
 - 2015 [Kwinamass River](#) for Steelhead (April & May) only
 - 2015 [Nass and Coastal Rivers](#)
 - 2015 Douglas Channel ocean fishing for [Salmon and Bottom fish](#)
 - 2015 Prince Rupert ocean fishing for [Salmon and Bottom fish](#)
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Commentary: Wind: S 18km/h Overcast (+6 degrees C) Spring Steelheading in full swing. Rainbow, Cutthroat Trout and Dolly Varden Char are available also. Chinook will be coming into the Kalum River soon! **Note: NEW** section added called **Recommended Fly Fishing Gear**. **Note: FOR SALE ECO Tour Tenure license**, see **Market Place** section. **Note: FOR SALE** West Coast floating Fishing Lodge entertaining over 1000 guests per year, see **Market Place** section or [contact Noel Gyger](#) for more info: **Note: Rogers Fishing Lodge FOR SALE** see **Market Place** section; owners of this lodge say they already have over 1000 guests booked for the 2014 season. In total in 2013 they did 1160 guests, so things are already pacing ahead of last year. Certainly a real positive for any potential [Buyer to have a turn-key business](#).

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Recent and Today's updates below:

Recent updates: **Update:** April Vokey interviewed me about the history of Sportfishing and Guiding in NW British Columbia, see pic and caption in the **Skeena River** section (full crew named now). **Update:** Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#) sent detailed report of recent Steelhead fly fishing and **Welcome** folks to stay at their lodge year round, see **Kitimat Lodge** section. **Update: NEW** to the report, links to **Kalum River stories** and **Kalum River videos**, see **Kalum River** section. **Update: NEW** to the report, links to **Copper River stories** and **Copper River videos**, see **Zymoetz (Copper) River** section. **Update: NEW** to the report, links to **Kitimat River stories** and **Kitimat River videos**, see **Kitimat River** section. **Update: NEW** Ad posted on the website for Mario <http://www.mvcc2.com> who can solve ALL your computer issues local and worldwide. **Update: 2015** booking trips for [Skeena River](#). **Update:** Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#) sent an eight minute Video collage created with some amazing fishing pictures from 2014!, see **Kitimat Lodge** section for the link. **Update:** a **NEW** section has been added it is called **Guest Comments**, see below the **Rob Brown** section. **Update:** as of Feb. 27th [noelgyger.ca](#) fishing video clips on [YouTube](#) have received 843,379 views, see **Noel Gyger has 96 fishing video clips on YouTube** section. **Today's updates:** **Update:** for **Skeena** and **Kalum River**. **Update:** for **Zymoetz (Copper) River**. **Update:** for **Lakelse River**. **Update: FOR SALE** Cabin on the Skeena River on 6 acres 12km East of Terrace BC, see **Market Place** section. **Update: NEW Product Profile** [Scotty](#) see **Product Profile** section. **Update:** Full month of **March 2015 Fishing Reports** are posted now, see [Past Fishing Reports](#)

webpage. **Update:** Alexandra Morton re: Norway - about your sea lice, see **Conservation** section. **Update:** **FOR SALE** House on Skeena River Front in Terrace BC, see **Market Place** section. **Update:** Tracey Hittel of **Kitimat Lodge** with pics and info re Skeena River holds the record for the largest hooked steelhead, see **Kitimat River** section below. **Update:** **FOR SALE** House on Skeena River Front in Usk, BC, see **Market Place** section. **Update:** Kai Welle sent a pic and caption of his Steelhead catch on the Skeena River this spring, see **Guest Photos and captions** section. **Update:** **NEW** reg this year: Bait ban Jan 1 - June 15, see **Kalum River** section. **Update:** Rob Brown latest story titled "Annalida Rosea 2", see **Rob Brown - The Skeena Angler** section. **Update:** to receive the May 7, 2015 e-mail NEWSLETTER [subscribe](#) here. **Update:** **NEW** Top Photo posted Apr 28th. **Update:** Govt river level graphs not working, hope they fix the problem soon. More updates will come in as the day moves on. Cast on links to send me your [fishing report](#) or [feedback](#). Or phone 250-635-2568, if I am not available leave your report on my answering machine. Thank you.

How to read this webpage: Scroll down to read ALL the Current updates in **Red** highlighted in **Yellow** The most up-to-date reports are DATE STAMPED (Example: **Tue July 11/11**) So when you scroll through the report look for these markers.

Skeena River:

Skeena River is divided into four sections:

Skeena 1 (non-classified) Exchamsiks River downstream to the ocean.

Skeena 2 (class 2 water) Exchamsiks River upstream to 1.5 km above Kalum River.

Skeena 3 (non-classified) 1.5 km above the Kalum River upstream to 1.5 km above Zymoetz River.

Skeena 4 (class 2 water) 1.5 km above Zymoetz River upstream to the head-waters.

Water is coloured up near Terrace, best to fish out west. Chinook are starting to show up at China Bar, one could assume this run is heading for the Kalum River. Fishing is good for Steelhead but you have to know where and how to fish for them. You may want to consider hiring a guide to learn how? If so please [contact me](#) anytime I will get you set-up with the BEST.

Skeena River stories:

Skeena River - Four Seasons of Angling Paradise - by Noel Gyger

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/articles/skeena-river-four-seasons-of-angling-paradise.doc>

Golden Opportunities From Skeena Country - by John Beath

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/articles/skeena-country.doc>

[Cast here](#) to read more stories on more rivers

Skeena River videos:

Skeena River Sockeye Fly Fishing-1 [Cast here](#) to watch the video

Skeena River Sockeye Fly Fishing-2 [Cast here](#) to watch the video

[Cast here](#) to watch more videos of local rivers and oceans - Salmon and Steelhead

Skeena Water heights below:



Cast on link for current Skeena River water heights
http://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/report/report_e.html?type=realTime&stn=08EF001

Skeena River Tyee Test Fishery:

2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 can be seen here:
<http://www.noelgyger.ca/news-bulletin.htm>

2015 Test Fishery coming soon...

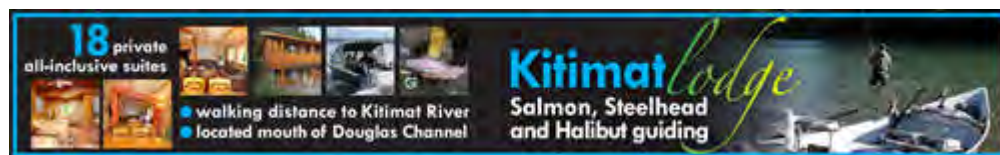
2014 Salmon Fishing Outlook:

from Fisheries and Oceans Canada [Cast on this link](#) to read the Preliminary 2014 Salmon Outlook.

2015 Salmon Fishing Outlook coming soon...



Kitimat Lodge



Skeena River holds the record for the largest hooked steelhead

Kitimat Lodge has been operating guided fishing tours since 1999!



When it comes to Steelhead Fly Fishing, it can't get better than fishing in the [Skeena River](#) which is one of the largest and best rivers in British Columbia for thousands of fly fishing enthusiasts. What makes it such a special place to fish is not only the amazing spring steelhead run, but also its amazing Pink, Chum and Chinook [fishing season](#) followed by a robust, yet a bit short Coho run.

Steelhead Guiding Since 1999! [Located](#) six hundred air miles north of Vancouver, Skeena is the second largest river in BC and is better known amongst fishermen as the River of Mists. This is a pristine river system that offers many streams and rivers that flow rich with trout, salmon and especially steelhead.

The etymology of the **Skeena River** comes from the word Ksan which in Gitksan means river of the mists. Breaking down the word even further, we get the words Git (people of) and Ksan (the river of mists). When combined, they literally translate to '**the people of the river mists**'.

Largest Hooked Steelhead

Steelhead Fishing Trips 2015 The [Spring run Steelhead](#) begin their migration from April until the middle of May and head over to their spawning grounds. They'll also spend the winter preparing and feeding in the ocean so they can finally spawn in April and then return to the Ocean. These fish are not only well conditioned, but also quite strong, chrome and fat. In fact, the moment they get on your hook they'll go ballistic. Compared to other Steelheads out there, they're undoubtedly the stronger ones.



Yet as an experienced and even novice fisherman, you'll probably be more excited knowing that the **Skeena River holds the record** not only for the [largest hooked steelhead](#) (36 lbs), but also the **largest Coho salmon** (25 lbs) as well. On top of that, it also holds the world record for the **largest Chinook salmon**, weighing a massive 92.5 lbs.

A One Of A Kind Experience

If you're looking to fish for the hottest and meanest steelhead, then you'll probably want to come and fish on the Lower Skeena and its tributaries this spring. These are really amazing fish that average eight to fifteen pounds while twenty pounds are definitely not uncommon. [Fishing for steelhead](#) is an experience that fills your entire body with adrenaline and leaves you desiring for more. Just make sure to prepare the right line, fly and rods for when you come here and you'll be guaranteed to have one of the best, if not the most exciting steelhead fishing experience ever.

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or scroll down for more ways to contact us...**



Tracey Hittel reports good water conditions on the lower **Skeena River** and fly fishing for Steelhead is going well. He reports many happy guests! You should be one of them :-) !!

Direct quote from **Tracey**, "*Testing out our newest vessel and chasing fresh Steelhead on the majestic Skeena River, snow capped mountains and fresh air.*"

Kitimat Lodge Report for April 1, 2015

BOOKING Spring Steelhead NOW!



Fly anglers visit Skeena River and Kalum River from different parts of the world. For many anglers, catching steelhead is one of the best experiences!

There are several fish that migrate up the Skeena River, giving anglers a great chance to catch many steelhead in a single day.

To catch these fish, you need to fish in the right conditions. Steelhead are usually found in water that is fast flowing and between 3 and 6 feet of water.

Where To Find Steelhead



Steelhead are always on the move. This means you may find several in a certain pool today and they will not be there tomorrow. It is also necessary to know the best time of day, depending on weather and water conditions on the river.

Our experienced steelhead fishing guides have skill in navigating the rivers, and know the specific locations where we have spotted steelhead in the past.

New! Tracey Hittel offers Steelhead **SPECIAL** April 1 - 11, 2015 \$600 per day "All Inclusive" for 5 days \$3000 plus tax. This is a limited time offer you should **BOOK NOW!**



Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#) posted another video. This one is titled "Fishing With Our Best Steelhead Spey Guides"

They are **Ariel** and **Gordon**

Tracey says, "We ventured over large snow hills to access the river. Fingertips were cold in the morning but we felt confident with the chance of a hookup.

First pool, not a bite.

Brrrr, I wondered is this the day? I've guided my clients in these runs so many times, is my fly worthy of a steelhead?

The video says it all as pro guide Ariel is humbled, by perhaps, his largest spey caught Steelhead of his life!"

Cast on link below to watch:

<http://kitimatlodge.com/fishing-best-steelhead-spey-guides>

Spring Steelhead fishing the Classified rivers of BC.



Spring Steelhead fishing season on the Classified rivers of BC only runs from March to May!

Read the full update:

<http://kitimatlodge.com/spring-steelhead-fishing/>

Classified rivers are special rivers with are considered a quality experience regarding scenery and quality of fish, Salmon and Steelhead. This allows us many miles of water with reduced angler traffic!

These limited 'classified rod days' are held only by a few guides, providing our clients the best opportunity to hook that monster steelhead! **BOOK NOW!**

If you've been dreaming about hooking up some famous chrome steelhead check out this video from our guided Steelhead fishing trips on the world famous Skeena River and Kitimat Rivers in British Columbia Canada!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X0oHnA0cLg8>

Tight Lines and have a safe holiday!

Tracey and the crew

Kitimat Lodge 2014 Season In Review!

Hi all! Here are some fishing memories to warm your weekend!

An eight minute Video collage created with some amazing fishing pictures from 2014!

Watch the video and scroll through photos here:

<http://kitimatlodge.com/2014-season-bc-north-coast-fishing/>

Enjoy! Tight Lines, Tracey Hittel

- Skeena River April Steelhead Fishing Packages
- 2015 best dates for Kitimat River Coho Salmon
- 2015 Coastal BC Spring Steelhead Fishing
- Multi Rivers for 2015 Chinook Fishing
- Douglas Channel Ocean fishing - Salmon, Halibut, Crab

2015 BC whale watching trips and hot spring tours

Year Round Motel and Accommodations in Kitimat BC



Passing thru town and looking for the best place to stay? [Kitimat Lodge accommodations](#) are open 365 a year!

Contact us to book a hotel room or cabin rental any time of the year!

SPRING STEELHEAD

Spring Steelhead begins this late March for 6 weeks. If the run of Steelhead was like last year our guests are going to hit pay dirt.



CHINOOK SALMON

Starting in May, thru to August, Chinook Salmon we target either by Jetboats or spacious driftboats, on the rivers, or 30ft Aluminum, twin Volvo Diesel, ocean vessel. All our boat are fully equipped with top of the line gear.



COHO SALMON

Late July to late September all 5 species of Salmon are in full charge from the ocean to the rivers. We intercept these Salmon either in the Saltwater or small coastal micro streams, using like tackle or fly.



HALIBUT and CRAB

May to November is best for Halibut and Dungeness Crab. For 2014 the size limit for Halibut has increased, retaining a 70lb fish, up from the 60lb fish in 2013



SUMMER - FALL STEELHEAD

The lower 100 miles of the Skeena and its tributaries are a Steelheaders dream, miles of fly water to chase the elusive steelhead. With our access to **Classified waters** in Skeena country, this allows us flexibility and tranquility for our customers.



BOOK SOON - don't be disappointed:

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Kalum River:

Water in fair shape. Both lower and upper ends are fishing vey good for Steelhead. The Spey fly rod is working well. It is just a matter how knowing which pools and runs they are holding in. Guiding started April 1st. Chinook will be coming in soon! Then one can catch both Steelhead and Chinook on the same day. If you need a guide to show you how and where just [contact me](#) anytime. **Note: NEW** reg this year: Bait ban Jan 1 - June 15.

Kalum River stories:

Sweetheart Steelheading on the Kalum River - by Noel Gyger

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/articles/sweetheart-steelheading-on-the-kalum-river.doc>

North Country Spring Time Steelhead - by Dave Vedder

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/articles/Articles-3--Vedder-2-Northcountry-Spring-Time-Steelhead-long.doc>

Big River Mixed Bag - West Coast Bounty - by Italo Labignan

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/articles/Articles-7-BIG-RIVER-MIXED-BAG-by-Italo-Labignan.doc>

[May 2nd on the Kalum – by Noel Gyger](#)

[North Country Spring Time Steelhead \(Short\) – by Dave Vedder](#)

[20- Pound Steelhead – Making the Dream Come True – by Dave Vedder](#)

For more stories cast here: <http://www.noelgyger.ca/info-articles.htm>

Kalum River videos:

Kalum River Coho

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Cast on link below to watch more videos:

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/images/video-clips-web.htm>

Kalum River Podcasts:

Dustin Kovacvich & Noel Gyger "test fish" for Kalum River Chinook

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/Podcast/podcast0016.mp4>

Please note: it may take awhile for the podcasts to load.

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Lakelse River:

The Steelhead fishing is really good in the upper end and mid river. **Tip:** Fly fishing is good technique. Instead of a fly I would use a bright red cocky as I knew the Steelhead were eating the Coho eggs that would escape from the Coho reds. Sometimes in the deeper runs I would tie on a flatfish plug and feed it into the deep pool. I know it is not a fly but no problem as the “fly-only” time is from Mar 1 to May 31. Also in the deeper runs I liked float fishing the corky with a little white wool. My friends and I really liked to fish the upper end this time of year while we waited for the Kalum River levels to drop so we could use our drifts and not have to compete with the jet boats. We would run our drift boats all winter and for many years the Steelhead fishing was simply outstanding and I know it still is. Good luck!

Zymoetz (Copper) River:

Water is shaping up. **Tip:** Float fishing the Pink Worm works very well in this river. Need a guide for 2015 in either the Class one or Class two section [contact me](#) anytime.

Copper River stories:

Copper River Steelhead - by Jim & Carolyn Z. Shelton

http://www.noelgyger.ca/images/copper-river-steelhead-nov-29_2014.doc

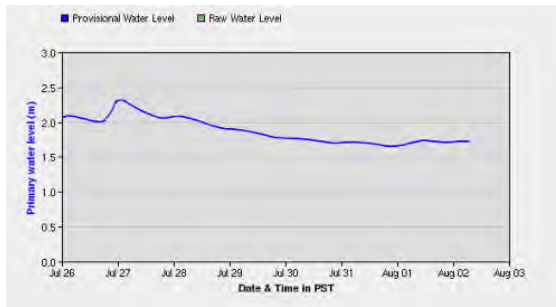
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Copper River videos:

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/video-clips/Steelhead-0010.wmv>
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Enjoy!!

Sample Zymoetz (Copper) River heights below:



Cast on link for current Zymoetz (Copper) River water heights:

http://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/report/report_e.html?type=realTime&stn=08EF005

Kitimat River:

Water in good shape. I have reports of lots of Steelhead this year. If you need the "best" fishing guide just [contact me](#) anytime. Thanks.

Kitimat River stories:

12 Seasons of Kitimat River - by Noel Gyger

http://www.noelgyger.ca/articles/kitimat-river-nov-29_2014.doc

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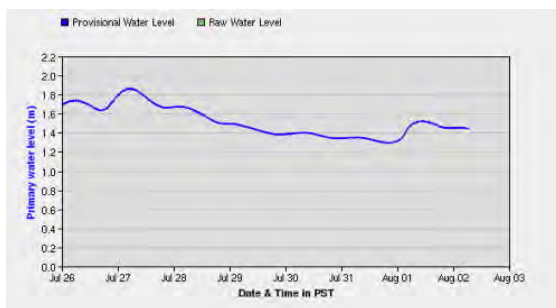
Kitimat River videos:

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/video-clips/Jerry%20and%20Kevin%20Kitimat%20drift.wmv>

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/video-clips/Coho-0001.wmv>

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/video-clips/Coho-0006.wmv>

Sample Kitimat River waters heights below:



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http://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/report/report_e.html?type=realTime&stn=08FF001

Douglas Channel:

I have reports of good Salmon and Halibut fishing! Now when I say this fishing is good you got to know what to fish with, where to fish and how. Pink and Sockeye are out their too. Fishing for Dungeness Crab is simply outstanding. My suggestion is to [book a charter guide](#) for trip or two.



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<http://www.mcbike.ca>

Recommended Fly Fishing Gear:

Courtesy Chad Black [Nicholas Dean Outdoors](#)

In the low water conditions of early April, we generally used light sink tips to cover the shallow riffles and tailouts where Steelhead were holding. Type 3 and Type 6 tips were generally all that was needed for most conditions. With the higher flows of late Spring, and in particular on the tributary rivers, we've also been using Rio's MOW tips in a variety of weights and lengths to get the fly down to the fish. The Heavy MOW tips, made of T-14 material, have been particularly useful, in lengths of 5, 7.5, 10 and 12.5 ft.

As with March, best colours have been pink, black, blue and orange. When fishing the Skeena and its tribs, larger flies from 2.5" to 4" in length have been most productive. Smaller flies in a variety of weights in the 1" to 2.5" range have worked the best on coastal rivers.

When targeting Steelhead, we've been using rods in the 12.5' to 13.5' ft range, for a 7 or 8 weight line on the larger rivers. Our personal favourites for this fishing include the 7126 **Sage TCX** and the 8139 **Loomis Dredger**. When targeting Chinook specifically, we've been using heavier 9 and 10 weight rods in the 13' to 15' range. Single hand rods and switch rods have gotten the nod on the coastal rivers. In particular, I had a chance to fish a 8116 **Sage One** rod and can confirm that it's a very good rod that's ideally suited to the coast!

Rods, Reels, Lines: For Steelhead - Spey rods in the 12' to 14' range, with a **Skagit** head to match. A 7126 TCX paired with a 500 grain **Skagit Flight** and **Loomis 8139 Dredger** with a 525 grain **Skagit** are excellent choices. A good quality disc or cork drag reel (e.g. **Islander** and **Ross**) with a minimum of 150 yards of 30 lb backing. For Spring Chinook Salmon, same as above, except with heavier gear - 9 weight minimum, 10 weight better.

Sink Tips and Tippet: A 15' Type III and 15' Type VI for most shallow water applications, and a variety of **MOW** tips - medium (T-11) and heavy (T-14) for deeper and/or heavier water. Always 15 lb **Maxima Ultragreen** for Steelhead. Increase tippet to 20 lb **Maxima Ultragreen** if targeting Spring Chinook.

Flies: **Idylwilde** String Leech, Bunny Tube, Marabou Tube and Popsickle, in shrimp pink, cerise, black, blue and orange.

If you need info to book a pro fishing guide please [contact me](#) anytime.

Prince Rupert Ocean Fishing:



Fish from this **Grady White** for **ALL** the bottom fish plus **ALL** the Salmon, Dungeness Crab and Alaskan King Crab...with a captain who has over 40 years experience. If you are interested to book a charter please [contact me](#) anytime for **ALL** the details.

Terrace BC Canada:

Skeena Salmon Lodge Guiding





Flyfishing in Canada

Welcome to the Skeena Salmon Lodge Guiding! Our unique Lodge sits right on the banks of the salmon-rich Skeena River, surrounded by snow-covered peaks and pristine nature. In the north-western part of British Columbia, where you find Canada at its most beautiful, where lakes and rivers dazzle with their purity, and wilderness can be truly experienced, you will find some of the world's best salmon river; among them, the Skeena River, possibly Canada's best know salmon river. Join us and experience outstanding fishing while enjoying comfort of the highest standard in the primal wilderness of Canada. Thank you and tight lines, **Willi Schmidt**

Please visit our website for more info: <http://www.canada-flyfishing.com/en>

Smithers BC and area fishing report:

Coming again in July 2015

Recent Top Photos:



April 14 to April 28, 2015. Local angler **Dennis Therrien** with another bright **Kalum River** Steelhead. This one is a Doe and was landed mid last week. Fishing on the Kalum is **"hot"** right now! And as a bonus Chinook (King) Salmon will be coming in soon. Then one has a chance to catch both Steelhead and Chinook on the same day. WOW - it doesn't get any better than that! **NEW** reg this year: Bait ban Jan 1 - June 15. If you are interested to hire a fishing guide, ocean or river... to learn how, where and when to catch these guys please [contact me](#) anytime and I will help make the arrangements for a trip of lifetime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



April 7 to April 14 2015. Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#) out "test fishing" on the Skeena River before guests start arriving. See [Kitimat Lodge](#) section below for more pics and info. If you are interested to hire a fishing guide, ocean or river... to learn how, where and when to catch these guys please [contact me](#) anytime and I will help make the arrangements for a trip of lifetime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



March 30 to April 7, 2015. Local angler **Dennis Therrien** landed this beautiful Kalum River Steelhead on March 28, 2015. He said the water was higher than normal but the clarity was good. He also said lots of fish to be had. Guiding starts on this river on April 1st. If you are interested to hire a fishing guide, ocean or river... to learn how, where and when to catch these guys please [contact me](#) anytime and I will help make the arrangements for a trip of lifetime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



March 17 to March 30, 2015. LOOKING FORWARD to the Chinook season! Here is **Greg Buck** with a huge Skeena River Chinook (King) Salmon caught a few years ago but well worth having another look. If you are interested to hire a fishing guide, ocean or river... to learn how, where and when to catch these guys please [contact me](#) anytime and I will help make the arrangements for a trip of lifetime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



March 4 to March 17, 2015. Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#) says, "we've been exploring the rivers before the guests arrive and I'm quite happy with the catch numbers and the health of the Steelhead is very good." If you are interested to hire a fishing guide, ocean or river... to learn how, where and when to catch these guys please [contact me](#) anytime and I will help make the arrangements for a trip of lifetime.
Cast on photo to view in larger size

2014 Season Review:



Josh Buck shows us how to pose a Steelhead yet keep in fully in the water. Well done Josh. Josh's Dad, **Greg Buck** gave us permission to post this pic. **FYI** - Greg started his fish guiding career with me in the 1990's. Where has all the time gone?

Guest Photos and captions:



Dear Noel! I'll send you a nice picture of my catch from 10.04.2015 in lower Skeena. Had booked a wonderful week at **Nicolas Dean Lodge** via **Salmonjunkies.com**

Superb fishing in your country, great food, excellent accommodation and Professional guiding.

All the best from Germany

Kai Welle

Note from Noel: Thank you very much for your kind words and sending the pic and caption. So happy to hear you had a great guided trip for Steelhead this spring!



Brian Ziegler from New Jersey USA sent this pic of his Skeena River Coho landed with Spey rod on Saturday September 6, 2014. It measured 36.5 x 24. WOW ! That's one BIG Coho. Thanks for send the pic. Best regards, Noel

List of Noel Gyger FaceBook pages:

1. [Noel Gyger Home Family and Friends Page](#)
2. [Skeena River Guided Spey Fly Fishing](#)
3. [BC Steelhead Fishing Guides](#)
4. [BC Heli Fishing](#)
5. [British Columbia Salmon Charter and Fishing Guides](#)
6. [Chinook King Salmon Guide Services](#)
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Tide Charts: – for BC Coast: <http://www.waterlevels.gc.ca/eng/find/region/1>

Conservation:

Norway - about your sea lice

Hello, Fourteen years ago I discovered the wild salmon near salmon farms in the Broughton Archipelago were infested with sea lice. After monumental effort by scientists, my own work, First Nations and many of BC's biggest environmental groups we got the salmon farmers to delouse the fish in their pens *before* our wild salmon started leaving the rivers and passing the farms.

It worked, the lice numbers fell and the Area 12 mainland pink salmon population rebounded.

This spring we have gone backwards ten years, lice numbers are high again. Broughton is loosing a lot of wild salmon. Why is that Norway? Did the salmon farmers fail to treat their fish, or are the lice resistant to the drugs? [Click here](#) to have look for yourselves

This dirty industry has no business operating on our wild salmon migration routes.

Please consider signing the letter asking Norway to divest from dirty salmon - see top of my blog.

On another note:

Greg McDade, my fierce lawyer, friend and supporter, and a long-time environmental and social justice activist is up for re-election for the Board of Directors of VanCity Credit Union. Greg recently stepped up as Burnaby's lawyer on the Kinder Morgan matter. Vancity and McDade are a powerful combination. He is a leader among lawyers in BC. I don't often do this, but McDade is important to this province we need him working for us...You have 16 days left to vote.

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Alex Morton



FRIENDS OF
WILD SALMON

Prince Rupert joins call for climate action with forum featuring renewable energy expert and First Nations leader

Climate Change Begins Here

PRINCE RUPERT CLIMATE CHANGE FORUM

On April 11th,
Canada's premiers
are heading to
Quebec City to
talk climate.

Be Part of
The Solution

Presenters

 **Guy Dauncey**
A New Green Economy
Guy is the founder and
Communications Director
of the BC Sustainable
Energy Association.

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APRIL 11th 7:00 pm FREE
Lester Centre 1100 McBride Street

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On April 11th Canada's Premiers are headed to Quebec City to talk climate. In conjunction with events happening in Quebec, **Guy Dauncey** and **Roy Henry Vickers** will be in Prince Rupert to discuss climate change solutions and share positive ideas.

When: Saturday, April 11, 2015 @ 7:00 pm

Where: Lester Centre – 1100 McBride St.

Everyone is welcome and admission is FREE.

Guy Dauncey is founder of the BC Sustainable Energy Association and a speaker and author who works to develop a positive vision of a sustainable future, and to translate that into action.

Roy Henry Vickers is a recognized leader in the First Nations community and a well-known artist, author and sought-after keynote speaker.

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Canada's wild fish need to be handled with care

Lawyers with **Ecojustice** have recently brought three court cases that touch on a profound problem with the aquaculture industry in Canada: Government agencies, companies, and professional bodies like the College of Veterinarians of B.C. are not doing enough to protect wild salmon and the marine environment on which they depend.

[Cast here](#) for the full story

Divest from Dirty Salmon

Hello, please view the letter hundreds of people from around the world are signing asking Norway to divest from dirty salmon. Most of the fish farm companies in BC have their head offices in Norway.

Many of the people signing this letter are Norwegians (scroll to bottom of page to read all the comments), also people from Germany, UK, Sweden, Denmark and Canada.

Here's the letter:

<https://www.change.org/p/to-the-citizens-of-norway-divest-from-dirty-salmon>

Here's my blog if you need an explanation.

http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/alexandra_morton/

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Please share this letter widely. Alex Morton

Rob Brown - The Skeena Angler:

We are honoured to have Rob contributing to the **Fishing Report**. Rob also contributes a weekly column to our local **Terrace Standard Newspaper**: http://www.bclocalnews.com/bc_north/terracestandard

Rob Brown blog: http://web.me.com/skeenaangler/Skeena_Angler/Blog/Blog.html

Rob Brown Welcome: http://web.me.com/skeenaangler/Skeena_Angler/Welcome.html

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Guest Comments:

A letter in response to Rob Brown's Skeena Angler column "Setting Them Free" by Dennis Therrien:

After reading Rob Brown's Skeena Angler column "Setting Them Free" of Oct. 29, 2014, I couldn't help but feel that the steelhead stocks must be in dire straits and are doomed to extinction, unless we take drastic steps to turn things around.

The crux of his argument is...[full letter](#)

A letter in response to Jim Culp's letter in the Terrace Standard "Stop the Brickbats" by Dennis Therrien:

After reading Jim Culp's recent letter "Stop the brickbats" of Dec. 31, 2014, I could see that both of us are on a similar path, which is to do as little harm as possible to our wild steelhead, as recreational anglers. Where our paths diverge, is on overregulation.

Rob Brown's position on regulation change is...[full letter](#)

(SSBC) The Steelhead Society of BC:



<http://www.steelheadsociety.org>

Here is the last **News Letter** that was sent out to paid up **SSBC** members via E-mail and is a brief synopsis of what **SSBC** has been up to since the last newsletter in January:

http://www.steelheadsociety.org/sites/default/files/June_2013.pdf

NEW FaceBook page link here: <https://www.facebook.com/SSBCmain>

Noel Gyger has 96 fishing video clips on YouTube:

<http://www.youtube.com/profile?user=noelgyger>

Total Uploaded Views as of February 27, 2014 were: **843,379**

PLUS Noel has another **50** or so posted on his webpage:

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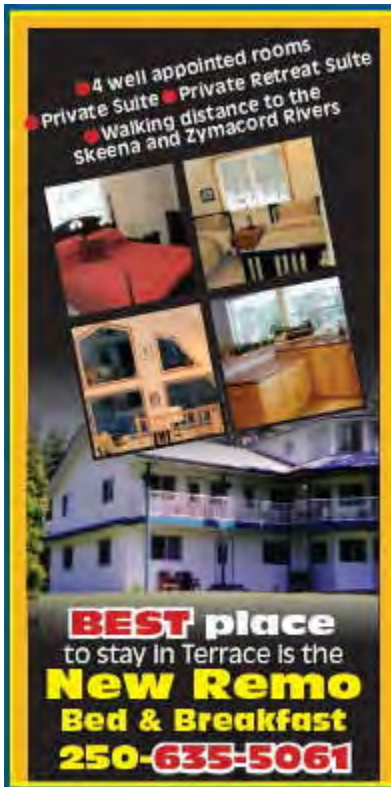
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Fishing Regulations:

2013-2015 BC tidal waters and fresh-water (Federal) Salmon fishing information (including recent updates):

<http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/index-eng.htm>

Effective April 1, 2015

Shellfish Contamination Closures:

www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/PSP

On-line tidal waters fishing licenses:

www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/recfish

2013-2015 Freshwater (Provincial) Fishing Regulations Synopsis:

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/fish/regulations/#Synopsis>

Effective April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2017

Check for In-season Regulations Changes at:

www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/fish/regulations/#Inseason

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www.fishing.gov.bc.ca

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Usk, BC

12Km East of Terrace



One of the last Skeena riverfront properties **FOR SALE** is right here:

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Call Jeff at 250 615 7036 or Cathy 250 631 2704
E-mail beaukat71@hotmail.com for more info.

For Sale

Terrace, BC 4354 Queensway Drive



You could be salmon fishing and watching the northern lights dance from the comfort of your own property on the Skeena River. From the large partially covered deck you have a perfect view of Sleeping Beauty Mountain and the Terrace Bridges. This quaint retreat, retirement home or recreational property has plenty of room for extended family and friends to park RVs. Conveniently located 4 km to Wal-Mart and 7 Km to the Airport.

With 780 sq ft on the main floor and partially finished 8 ft basement, this 2 Bedroom, 1 Bathroom home has many updates including, but not limited to: new windows, roof, GE stainless steel kitchen appliances, LG steam washer & dryer, and a wired insulated 12 X 24 shop.

Asking price \$330,000

Please contact us for a viewing: 250 922 4860 or email: graham4632@gmail.com

For Sale

Terrace, BC 800 sq ft - 1-1/2 story rancher cabin w/loft



Are you looking for a rustic getaway in the heart of Salmon and Steelhead country? Look no further than this picturesque cabin in a rural setting 12 km east of Terrace BC on the Skeena River. This cabin provides the rustic charm of a cozy living space with a covered deck, wooden tongue-in-groove interior finishing, and an old-fashioned Heartland wood stove. In addition, you also get all the amenities expected of a modern home, including full electric hook-up, interior plumbing with water provided from a natural spring, a bathroom plumbed to septic, 43 litre hot water tank, washer/dryer, fridge, stove, excellent cellular coverage, and availability of internet. This cabin has been lived in year-round for the past 2 years!

Property size ~ 6 acres with a mix of cleared and landscaped grounds and natural treed areas. Lots of fruit on the property including blackberries, raspberries, currants, blueberries, apples, plums, cherries, and pears. Property also has ample room for storage with an open wood shed, a closed garden shed, and an unfinished house/workshop.

Asking price \$189,000 Contact: **Ric Bennett** wbennettchofo@gmail.com

For Sale

SOLD

Telkwa, BC
Bulkley Riverfront Home



Updated Bulkley Riverfront home in Telkwa features 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, and a huge sundeck. Basement has been redone with concrete in-floor heat, large master bedroom, and a very modern bathroom. The bathroom has heated concrete floors, an open-room shower, and a beautiful pedestal bathtub. Main floor has original hardwood flooring, freestanding wood stove, and a large sunroom. Great river and Hudson Bay Mountain view, large treed lot and riverside firepit.

Great Steelhead fishing 40ft from the backdoor or long run 250 yards down, good spot to keep a jet or drift boat. Best time for Steelhead Aug 15 and it is fishable until Dec 31. Also there is Coho, Chinook, Pinks and Trout. **Could be yours for \$339,000**

Contact Noel Gyger noel@noelgyger.ca for more info

For Sale

West Coast of Vancouver Islands, BC
Rogers Fishing Lodge

Owners of this Lodge say they already have over 1000 guests booked for the 2014 season. In total in 2013 they did 1160 guests, so things are already pacing ahead of last year. Certainly a real positive for any potential [Buyer to have a turn-key business](#)



Rodgers Fishing Lodge is located on the west coast of Vancouver Island about 90 miles due west of Campbell River in Esperanza Inlet. Rodgers is one of the busiest fishing lodges on the B.C. coast, entertaining over 1000 guests a year. They also enjoy one of the longest seasons on the coast, operating 19 weeks in 2013.

This will be their 31st year in the Sport Fishing business and their 20th year in Esperanza Inlet. Rodgers has shown a remarkable rate of growth over the past 3 years due mainly to an aggressive, innovative and successful marketing programme. Their gross revenue has more than doubled since 2010 and 2014 looks to be another banner year with over 550 guests already booked.

The Lodge has a location second to none as it is ideally situated to take advantage of some of the most outstanding fishing opportunities on the BC coast for Salmon, Halibut, Bottom Fish and Tuna. The addition of Tuna fishing this year will add a new dimension to the business and will add increased revenue to the months of August and September. The Tuna fishery is going to be a huge breakthrough in the future for West Coast fishing lodges. Rodgers Lodge is perfectly positioned to take advantage of it. Historically, the Tuna in their migration pattern will follow the warm water temperatures that occur along the Continental Shelf. In Rodgers Lodge's location the Continental Shelf is just 12 to 15 miles offshore as opposed to 50 miles offshore for places like Tofino and Bamfield.

Black Bear and Bald Eagles are regularly seen by the lodge. They have the largest colonies of Sea Otters on the coast and the Gray, Orca and Humpback Whales pass by on their way to and from the Bering Sea.

The owners love the business and wish that they were 30 years younger. However, they feel that it is now time to turn the reins over to someone who shares the same passion for the outdoors and who is looking for a wonderful rewarding lifestyle.

Asking price \$1,199,000

Please [contact Noel Gyger](#) if you are interested.

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