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Top Photo: January 19, 2013. Dennis Therrien with a very nice Kalum River winter Steelhead. If you are interested to book a fully guided fishing trip for Steelhead, Salmon or any fish please [contact Noel Gyger](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**

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Commentary: Wind: S 9km/h Rain showers (+5 degrees C) Steelhead are the main target fish now on a few very special rivers. Trout (Cutthroat and Rainbow) and Dolly Varden Char are always available in the rivers, streams and lakes. Check out the size of the Steelhead and Salmon 2012 runs in the Skeena River [Tyee Test Fishery](#) section below. **NOTICE:** [please send me pics](#) of your catch, I would love to post them. **Note:** **NEW Product Profile:** Gibbs-Delta www.gibbsfishing.com **Note:** **For Rent** Fully furnished quaint cottage near Lakelse and Skeena Rivers, scroll to [Accommodation](#) section near end of this webpage. **Note:** We would like to **WELCOME Avid Sportfishing** on board, see [Haida Gwaii - Queen Charlotte Islands](#) section. **Note:** **The BEST place to stay and fish in Terrace BC is New Remo Bed & Breakfast and in Smithers BC is Santernos B&B** <http://www.santernos.com> Phone 1-250-876-8951. **Note:** **B&B For Sale** in Smithers BC scroll to [Market Place](#) section near end of this webpage. **Note:** Noel Gyger [YouTube](#) videos have received over 718,000 views. **Note:** **Jamie Hunt** of the [Great Pacific Salmon Lodge](#) reports for Prince Rupert **Note:** **November 2012 FULL** reports just posted, see link above. **Note:** guests **Phil Deol, Fred Whitford, James Grimes, Dillon Peters, Peter Jones, Vivian and Ken Lopetinsky** and **Aaron Fitzpatrick** sent pics and reports of their trips this year, see [Guest Reports and Photos - 2012 Season Review](#) section. **Note:** [Avid Sportfishing](#) Sign up to receive their E-newsletters and email notifications on last minute deals, see [Haida Gwaii - Queen Charlotte Islands](#) section. **Note:** **2013 trip discounts** offered from [Grizzly King Fishing](#), see [Skeena & Northwest Rivers](#) section. **Note:** Fishing some sections of the [Zymoetz \(Copper\) River](#) closed Dec 31st. **Update:** [Skeena](#) and [Kalum Rivers](#). **Update:** **Alexandra Morton** re "No Mistake", see [Conservation](#) section. **WARNING:** Please be careful walking on ice at edge of rivers. **Update:** **Rob Brown** latest article titled "Misunderstood fish", see [Rob Brown - Skeena Angler section](#). More updates will come in as the day moves on. Cast on link 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. **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.**

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Luanne Roth, Marine Director **Prince Rupert Environmental Society** 250 627 4201

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Thu Jan 31/13 5:17am

Skeena River:

River is very low and in good shape. **WARNING:** Ice along edges so please be careful. Most of the Steelhead have gone through but there is still a chance to catch some. Trout and Dolly Varden Char fishing is very good and is available year round. **Reg:** all wild Steelhead everywhere in British Columbia are catch and release. The Steelhead run is very strong. Check out the **Tyee Test Fishery** charts below. Here is a direct link to the [Steelhead chart](#). **Tip:** I suggest the fishing rod be a [GLoomis](#) STR 1265c/10'6" MED-HEAVY Moderate Action (GL 2 8-17lb – 3/8 to 1 oz.). Reel [Shimano](#) Calcutta (400B) filled with 20lb test [Maxima](#) mono. [Gibbs](#) makes some great floats. Be sure to use a [Gamakatsu](#) hook. The Coho (Silver) Salmon run is below average. Here is a direct link to the [Coho chart](#). Many anglers are catching both Steelhead and Coho in the same day. The weather forecast is very good over the next few days, so get out there and catch some fish. If you need a fishing guide just [contact me anytime](#).

Sample Skeena River heights below:



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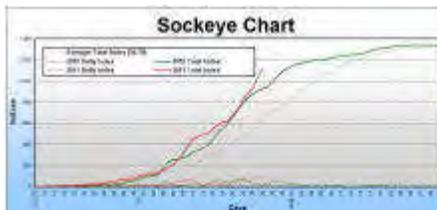
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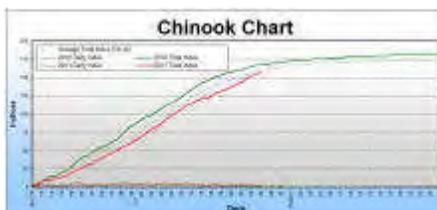
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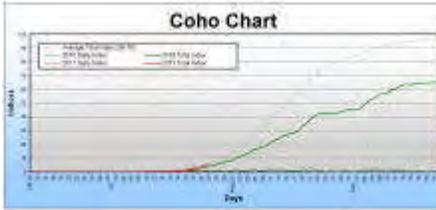


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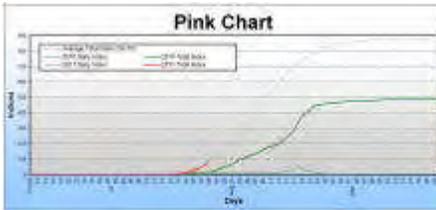
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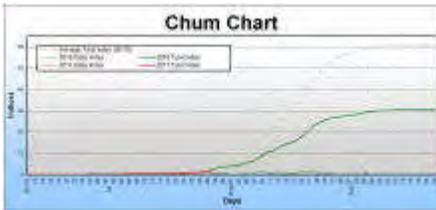
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Kitimat Lodge



Tracey Hittel, owner [Kitimat Lodge](#) steelheading for himself now that his guiding season is over.
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Thu Jan 31/13 5:17am

Kalum River:

Water very low. Both lower and upper sections are fishing well for Steelhead. This river seems to have all three runs of Steelhead, spring, summer and fall. The fall run, from my experience, is the largest. So if you are coming to the Kalum to fish for Steelhead I would suggest the fall, starting mid September to end of October. This river usually does not freeze over in the winter. It will freeze if conditions are right and that would be if it is very cold and snowing. Slush forms and starts to back up the water when it hits the rocks. This slows the river to such an extent it freezes over. So far so good this year. The fishing guides can guide from April to November 1. If you are interested to book a trip [contact me](#) anytime. Guides and rod-days are very limited on this river so book soon. **Warning:** Jet boater be very cautious as a few new channels on the lower end have formed and logs are nearly across the river.



Local angler Willie McCleary landed this wild Steelhead while fly fishing on the Kalum River this winter. Photo Dennis Therrien

How to: This is a good river to float fish a Pink Worm or Goey Bob. I suggest the fishing rod be a [GLoomis STR 1265c/10'6"](#) MED-HEAVY Moderate Action (GL 2 8-17lb – 3/8 to 1 oz.). Reel [Shimano Calcutta \(400B\)](#) filled with 20lb test [Maxima](#) mono. [Gibbs](#) makes some great floats. Be sure to use a [Gamakatsu](#) hook. **Fly fishing suggestion:** [Kamloops Dragon fly rod](#), [10' Kamloops fly reel](#), AFTMA #8line. Backing [Dragon Fly](#) "Bright Orange" 30lb, 150 yard spool. Fly line [SA Sharkskin](#) Steelhead WF-8-F.

Lakelse River and Lake:

Sun Jan 20 /13 5:12am

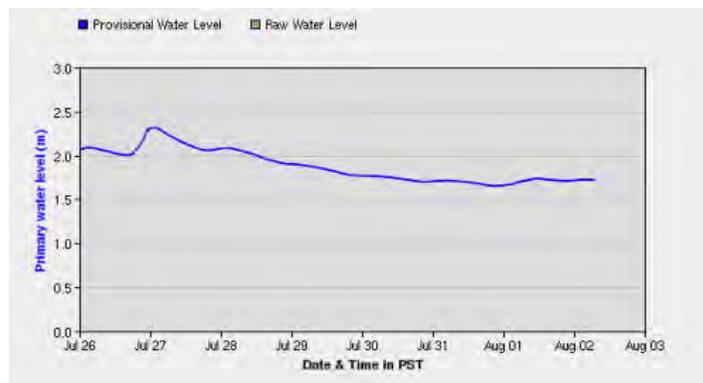
I have a report of some good Steelhead fishing. Access to the river is tough and you may need snow shoes. These are summer-run Steelhead that winter over and spawn in the spring. Trout and Dolly Varden Char fishing is excellent as well. A good number of these Trout head for the lake to winter over. BTW the lake is frozen so the ice fishing has started...and some skating.

Zymoetz (Copper) River:

Tue Jan 1/13 5:02am

The water is in good shape but has substantial ice flows and is frozen over in some locations. I have had reports of excellent Steelhead catches using both spin, conventional and fly gear. **Reminder:** No fishing above the sign at the transmission line crossing (below) Zymoetz Canyon Jan 1 – June 15. You can still fish below the sign all winter. **Fact:** Last year we had a record run of Steelhead, lets hope we have good run this year. **Tip:** check the **Tyee Test Fishery** charts and see the numbers for Steelhead, they look real good. The fly rods work extremely well in this river. **Fly fishing suggestion:** [Kamloops Dragon fly rod](#), [10' Kamloops fly reel](#), AFTMA #8line. Backing [Dragon Fly](#) "Bright Orange" 30lb, 150 yard spool. Fly line [SA Sharkskin](#) Steelhead WF-8-F. **Where:** Sockeye fishermen are working the bars across from the Copper River. Fly fishing is the choice of many anglers on this river. Wading with quality [Simms](#) waders and accessories is the way to go. A friend of mine is very happy with his new [Islander](#) fly reel. [Trophy XL](#) fly rod, [Cortland Line](#) and [Maxima Tippet](#) . **Tip:** Fly fishermen please wade safely by using a wading staff. [Trophy XL](#) makes a nice one in 7 sections. Easily folds up and stores in a pouch on the waist.

Sample Zymoetz (Copper) River heights below:



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

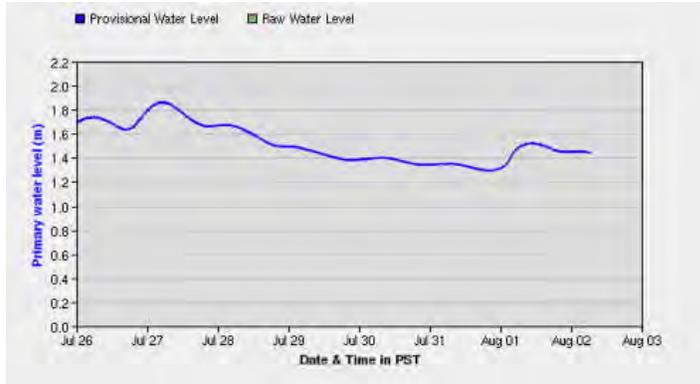
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Kitimat River:

Sat Dec 22/12 5:07am

This river usually has a good run of Cutthroat Trout due to the Federal Hatchery and because the Provincial Government funds a tagging program. Much is learned about numbers, health, spawning and migration.

Sample Kitimat River waters heights below:



Cast on link for current Kitimat River water heights:

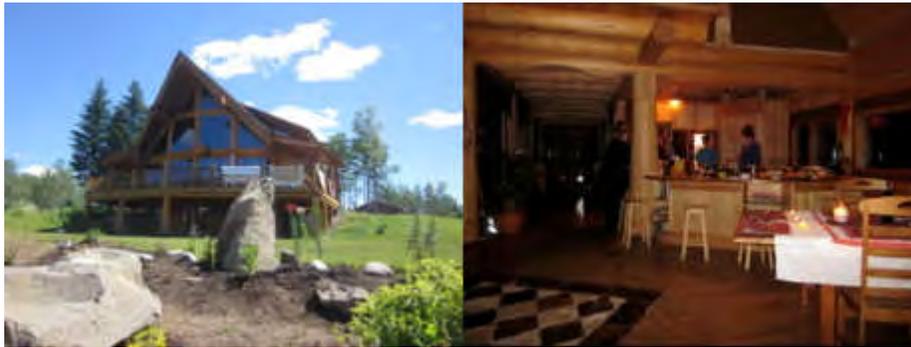
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Douglas Channel:

Winter Springs are slow right now. Crab and Pawning is excellent.

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Fishing Report from [Oscar's Source for Sports](#) in Smithers, BC

Ice fishing has been hit and miss so far. Klinger Lake near Houston has done ok. A few fish have also been caught on Helen Lake and Irrigation Lake. Round Lake, Call Lake, Lake Kathlyn are also options and so is Ross Lake. Use some jigs, glow hooks, artificial bates.....

Hello Noel, I'd like to introduce you to **Friends of Morice-Bulkley** (we call ourselves FOMB). Friends of Morice-Bulkley are a grass-roots community group deeply concerned about proposed Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipeline.

Check out our website www.friendsofmoricebulkley.ca for our take on the pipeline and links to research on the risks the pipeline poses to the steelhead and salmon resources of the Morice and greater Skeena. You will also find FOMB's evidence to the Gateway joint review panel on the genetically unique trophy rainbow trout of Babine Lake. You can now also find us on FaceBook and Twitter.

Best, Dawn

Prince Rupert Ocean Fishing:

Great Pacific Salmon Lodge

Reg: Halibut Fishery closed September 9, 2012 [Cast on this link for Official Notice](#)

Fri Nov 9/12 5:11am



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Simple report.

AND... This is only the beginning of August. I cant wait for this part of the season to REALLY kick in.

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Jan 1/13 5:00am

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Tue Dec 18/12 5:05am

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Update:

New in 2013

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Best regards,
David Wulms

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History: 2002



The photo of the week shows guide Dustin Kovacvich with another fine looking Kalum River winter Steelhead.

NORTHWEST B.C. WEEKLY FISHING REPORT dated January 13 - January 20, 2002

(Number 307)

Dear Fishing Friends:

The winter daytime temperatures have been above normal making for some very “comfortable” winter Steelhead fishing. The Kalum, Zymoetz (lower end) and Lakelse Rivers are the main rivers fished for Steelhead, resident Dolly Varden Char and Cutthroat Trout. There are lots of Steelhead around.

We are already looking forward to this season. We’ll start guiding for (wild fish, no hatchery) Steelhead March 15th on the upper Kalum River (tributary of the Skeena River). We guide from 19 foot drift boats or 12 foot rafts and fish a five mile stretch that has 27 pools. We match however you like to fish using both fly and spin methods! We are usually the only boats on the river because the only “take-out” for float boats is on private property. The water is too low for jet boats. On average each boat can expect to hook about a dozen fish per drift. The most fish hooked from one boat was 27 on March 27, 1997. Our lodge record 32-pound Steelhead was landed the first week in April. Good fishing should last until April 30 or until the water gets too high from the spring melt -off. WE STILL HAVE SOME DATES OPEN... so if you are planning a trip [please let me know](#) your preferred dates ASAP.

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Vintage Video Clips

Winter Steelhead - 2007



Dustin Kovacvich, Rob Vodola and I fly fished for Steelhead on the Zymoetz (Copper) River early winter 2007. We floated with Dustin's raft to some very nice pools. Does this look like a 20-pounder to you? We had a great day! Cast on the link below to watch the video:

[Video Clip 0023](#) (Dustin that was awesome)

The small screen WMV (Windows Media Video) video plays for one minute

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Hope to hear from you soon. Take care. Best regards, Noel Gyger

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Guest Reports and Photos - 2012 Season Review:



Hello, Greetings from Slovenia - Europe. I was fishing in BC from Terrace to Kitimat, Burns Lake, Nass River, Douglas Channel, Kispiox River, Babine River and more...

I would like to share this short video with you.

You have the most beautiful country.

I hope I will return someday.

If someone needs a guide or help let me know I would like to help.

All the Best,

Marko Berčič

YouTube Video titled **Beautiful British Columbia**

To watch the video cast on this link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zhx-93FahXE>

The video plays for 3:48 minutes.

Note to Marko from Noel: Hi Marko, thank you for sharing the video. It is well done. You are WELCOME BACK to our area anytime! Best regards, [Noel Gyger](#)



Paul Deol sent me these pics. Here is a nice Chinook (King) Salmon. He said he had a great trip with Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#) He also said he wants to come back next year. Thanks for sending the pics Paul. If you are interested to book a trip with Tracey please [contact me](#) anytime.



Hi Noel, Fished the lower Kitimat River for 10 days had a blast despite the high water. Lots of catch and release, but we did keep one the last day 16lbs. Feel free to use the pictures. Enjoy your on line stuff. Thank you. Fred Whitford



Note from Noel: Above is my good friend James Grimes who is a past guest of mine when I had the lodge. I am so happy his friends and family are still coming back to enjoy our beautiful fishery. Here is a report from Jim in his own words:

Halfway through our flight to Smithers the pilot came on the radio and said Smithers was fogged in and we would land in Terrace. We were expecting a little wait in Terrace. Not to be—they announced a bus ride to Smithers. A nice 2-1/2 hour scenic ride parallel to the Skeena river.

They have a new fishing regulation this year that basically closes all the Skeena tributaries to fishing by non-residents on the weekends. You also must buy a tag each day depending on fishing conditions for the river you are going to fish. These tags range from \$20 to \$40 depending on the river. I would be fishing with a fellow named Tim who had fished the rivers last year. We thought we would be fishing the Kispiox the most so we booked a B&B near there. Since the Kispiox was at a forty year low Tim decided to camp in Smithers. This met an hour drive for one of us to meet up each day.

There were two small areas of the Skeena that were open to non-residents so we fished one of them on Sunday in a light rain (the only rain on the trip). Did fish some decent water but neither of us got a fish. Monday we bank fished the Bulkley River with good results. I was 5/7 with a 16lb fish my biggest and Tim was 2/11 with a problem landing fish. Tuesday it was the Kispiox which was extremely low. I managed 3 for 4 with another 16lb buck and Tim was 1/3. The next 3 days we did the same float on the Bulkley where I ended up going 5/14 and Tim got back in the groove and landed several fly fishing and spoon throwing. This was my first experience in an individual pontoon. The river was extremely easy to float except for one rapid at the take out. I got ahead of Tim on the first float and did it all wrong but came out OK with a couple expletives shouted. The next 2 days I followed Tim through.

Saturday Tim and I did some intensive exploring since the Skeena was out and we encountered one bear. Sunday I just packed up and drove back to Smithers for an 8:00 PM uneventful flight back to Vancouver.

Note from Noel: Check out the video link below, I think it should be titled **Steelhead Gentle Release**



A video Link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TWChEwhdVHg>

Jim Grimes

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Thank you for all the fond memories Jim, you made my day...

Best regards, Noel



Hi Noel, we had plans to come fish the Terrace and Kitimat area rivers but we did not simply because the fishing on the Morice was too dam good! These are a couple of pics from our first day (of 3) on the Morice and Bulkley. Thanks and take care. Dillon Peters



Chinook (King) Salmon Chum (Dog) Salmon



Sockeye (Red) Salmon Coho (Silver) Salmon

Hi Noel, **Here's my testimonial:**

Words can't describe the elation that I feel when I reminisce about what I will always call "the greatest trip of my life," period! It was absolutely extraordinary. Tracey, Ariel, Barkley and Donny were all absolutely awesome when it came to putting me onto fish. They were phenomenal. I was taught local techniques used in pursuing these magnificent fish. I had days with a "grand slam" hitting all five species of Salmon (Chinook, Coho, Chum, Pink and, yes, Sockeye) on the same fishing day. It was the best trip ever! It is money well spent. These gentlemen are extremely capable anglers and superb guides and some of the most stand up guys that I have met. They treat all guests most respectfully. Sometimes they will even give you your lucky fly, jig or lure as a souvenir. (Thank you Ariel) They tie their own flies. They have everything ready long before one even gets out of bed. Most days were forty to fifty fish days. Should you ever break your line on a fish, or a snag there's another rod ready for you to use within seconds. Their level of hospitality and professionalism exceeded all expectations. A first class organization all the way. I'm going back next summer. Join me please, won't you. I can guarantee that you'll have a blast!

To all the staff at [Kitimat Lodge](#) and Noel Gyger, I wish you all and all of yours, **Merry Christmas, Happy New Year** and GOD BLESS

See you next summer!

Your friend,
Pete Jones



Hi Noel: My husband and I booked a day of great fishing with Tracy Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#). The weather was unbelievable - the ocean was calm and the fishing was worth the trip. My husband caught an 80lb. Halibut apparently the largest Tracy's clients caught this season. We will consider booking Tracy again in the future.

Merry Christmas

Vivian and Ken



(Top left) A limit of Dundas Coho's caught by Aaron Fitzpatrick, Shane Fitzpatrick, Leigh Roberts and Jim Fitzpatrick of Washington State, USA.

(Top right) Shane Fitzpatrick of Olympia Washington 1st Halibut caught while fishing with his dad and two Grandfathers.

Hi Noel, I fished, self guided with my own boat, out of Kincolith BC at **Eagle Point Lodge**. We rented a cabin there. Hope you and your readers enjoy the pics.

Thank you.
Aaron Fitzpatrick

NOTE: Some of the above fishermen did not use a fishing guide (this year) but when you are new to an area the best thing to do is hire a fishing guide. [Contact me](#) anytime to hire the BEST guides. I have been in this business for over 30 years and I know them all.

Past Top Photos:



Posted January 1 to January 19, 2013. Darren Bisson with a very nice Skeena River winter Steelhead. Darren is an AAG (Assistant Angling Guide) for Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#). If you are interested to book a fully guided fishing trip for Steelhead, Salmon or any fish please [contact Noel Gyger](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



Posted December 11 to December 31, 2012 Local angler, Dennis Therrien with a very nice Kalum River winter Steelhead. If you are interested to book a fully guided fishing trip for Steelhead, Salmon or any fish please [contact Noel Gyger](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



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Fight for Halibut – **Take Action Now!** <http://fightforhalibut.wordpress.com>

Conservation

Thu Jan 31 /13 5:16am

No mistake

Hello: In April, 1984, more than 200 biologists, civil servants and hopeful entrepreneurs gathered in a penthouse ballroom high above Vancouver to see the Science Council of Canada unveil a discussion paper designed to lay the groundwork for a Canadian aquaculture industry.

"The days of common property fishing are over," they were told.

This is how salmon feedlots got started. The fishing union paper, THE FISHERMAN, was there and over the next 10 years they chronicled what the politicians, bureaucrats, fishermen and First Nations said and did.

I have collected some of what was written and it makes for chilling discovery. Decisions were made that would affect 10,000s of British Columbians. Everyone in the coastal communities as well as those waiting for the sockeye to come up the Fraser River.

This was done in broad daylight, so it is understandable why the politicians might think we don't care.

[Cast here to read the details](#)

It is time for a conversation about what we, the people who do want wild salmon and lobster, two of the last great fisheries left in the world, are going to do about this.

Alexandra Morton

Fri Jan 25 /13 5:09am

Farmed Salmon: Unhealthy and Unsustainable

[Cast here to watch the YouTube video](#)

Sun Jan 20 /13 5:11am

Thousands jeer Northern Gateway hearings in Vancouver

Thousands of people gathered during a rare Vancouver snowfall to mark the start of community hearings on the proposed Northern Gateway pipeline.

Opponents of the project were bolstered on Monday by the nationwide Idle No More campaign, which brought First Nations from as far as the Haisla Nation on the North Coast, near the would-be tanker port of Kitimat, B.C.

At Victory Square, protesters gathered before marching to the site of the hearings in the city's downtown and sending a message to the panel now touring B.C.

[Cast here to read the full story](#)

Sun Jan 13 /13 7:05am

Silenced one by one

Hello; As we embark on this New Year, I cannot help but hope this is the year we make meaningful progress to protect wild salmon from European salmon disease.

Almost everyone who tried to stop Atlantic salmon from entering BC has now been silenced. I assembled their words into a blog, because it is really quite remarkable.

As I continue the viral research, I cannot help but feel a growing sense of dread. I spoke today to one of my heroes in DFO (retired now) and he thinks we are probably too late. He knows more about viruses than me.

My hope is someone with influence will take note how serious this is, that we stop the viral spillage and that the salmon can do what they do best - vanish into a predator when they are sick and thrive to feed the world around them when they are healthy and spawn. We are asking a lot of them, we have thrown something at them they have not had time to adjust to. The ISA virus developed in just two salmonids - Atlantics and sea trout and now we are letting this influenza-type virus mutate in the feedlot environment in its favorite host and pour relentlessly over 5 Pacific salmon. No one knows what it will do. That is virus number one, there are at least three.

This blog is a tribute to some of the early heroes - they were right, and a plea to others to please take note of what is going down here.

http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/alexandra_morton

If you are so inclined there is a boycott underway: <http://www.salmonfeedlotboycott.com>

Alexandra Morton

Sun Jan 6 /13 5:00am

Feds systematically gut environmental protection

Did the support of 24 per cent of the electorate on election day give the federal government a mandate for its radical project to gut environmental protection? Apparently. In our apathy-inducing first-past-the-post political system a small minority can translate into a big majority, which can disregard public opinion and do whatever it wants.

Here is a list of what the feds have accomplished so far in their three-pronged environmental strategy of deregulation, cutting information and research and targeting dissenting voices:

[Cast on this link for the full list](#)

Sun Jan 6/13 5:00am

From TheCanadian.org: The Year of Energy Politics

2012: The Year of Energy Politics - by Damien Gillis

2012 was a year that began with Conservative Natural Resources Minister Joe Oliver dismissing opponents of the Enbridge Northern Gateway pipelines as "radicals" and ends with the Idle No More rallies sweeping the nation. It was a year when two very different visions for the future of Canada and its place in the world collided headlong with each other. One seeking to curb the Tar Sands and new arteries essential to its growth, the other striving to make Canada into a new Saudi Arabia - provider of oil, gas and coal to emerging Asian markets. Each policy piece from the Harper Government was part of a bigger puzzle, designed to bring this new vision to fruition.

<http://thecanadian.org/item/1862-2012-the-year-of-energy-politics>

Thu Jan 3/13 5:11am

#IdleNoMore trends Canada-wide as movement grows [Cast on this link](#) to read the full story

Thu Jan 3/13 5:11am

Salmon Feedlot Boycott

Hello All: I hope this Christmas, holiday, Yuletide, New Years season is a good one for you.

I am writing to let you know that a salmon feedlot boycott has begun today asking that your New Years' Resolution include rejection of farm salmon as "food".

<http://www.salmonaresacred.org/blog/2013-new-years-resolution-salmon-feedlot-boycott>

After twenty fruitless years of asking the salmon feedlot industry to please move off the major wild salmon, prawn and herring grounds, after asking Fisheries and Oceans Canada to do what they are supposed to be doing with our tax dollars - *protect wild fish*, after asking the NDP and Liberal provincial governments not to grant new sites, or renew old ones in critical wild fish habitat *but they continue on both coasts* - **I SUPPORT THIS BOYCOTT!** Many on the east coast of Canada are behind this boycott as well.

Businesses are good at adapting to consumer needs, but they just refuse until the consumer tells them it is not acceptable to be killing off Canada's largest wild fisheries - wild lobster, salmon, herring etc. in pursuit of their own financial gain.

The European farm salmon viruses I am tracking in supermarkets and beyond have raised my sense of urgency. I am racing an epidemic and government is stupidly giving the viruses the head start. I cannot for the life of me understand this!

Please consider going to the Salmon Boycott website and signing the petition.

<http://www.salmonfeedlotboycott.com>

Thank you and I am so hoping THIS is the year we stop the needless destruction of the wild fisheries on both coasts of Canada and can get on to the work to restore the wild fish and the jobs they bring.

If you would like to contribute to this effort you can donate on line here:

<http://www.gofundme.com/FishFeedlotsOut>

Or by snail mail: Pacific Coast Wild Salmon Society, Box 399, Sointula, BC V0N 3E0

Happy New Year! Alexandra Morton

Rob Brown - The Skeena Angler

I am honoured to have Rob contributing to my **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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Thu Jan 20/13 8:03am

January 31, 2013

Misunderstood fish

http://www.noelgyger.ca/images/rob-brown-jan-30_2013.pdf

Sun Jan 20/13 5:10am

January 6, 2013

On bear tracks 2

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Sun Jan 13/13 7:05am

January 9, 2013

On bear tracks

http://www.noelgyger.ca/images/rob-brown-jan-9_2013.pdf

News updates:

Cast on this link to see the latest [flood watch](#) update

Wed May 2/12 5:00pm

[Tyee Test Fishery for 2011](#)

Sun April 8/12 5:00pm

[Northwest BC man pleads guilty to illegal guiding](#)

Sun April 8/12 5:00pm

[Safety and survival on water](#)

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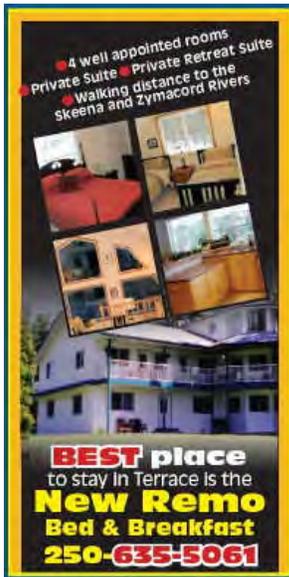
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Fishing Regulations:

2011-2013 **BC tidal waters and fresh-water** (Federal) Salmon fishing information (including recent updates):

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

Effective April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2013 (Note: regs good for two years)

Shellfish Contamination Closures:

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

On-line tidal waters fishing licenses:

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

2011-2013 **Freshwater** (Provincial) Fishing Regulations Synopsis:

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

Effective April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2013 (Note: regs good for two years)

Check for In-season Regulations Changes at:

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

Buy your fishing license online at:

www.fishing.gov.bc.ca

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