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**Top Photo: September 24, 2014. Dennis Therrien** with another beautiful Zymoetz (Copper) River Steelhead landed and this month. Must say, fishing has been outstanding this year! If you are interested to be guided on rivers or ocean please [contact me](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**

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## River, Ocean and Lake Reports

(Smithers, Terrace, Kitimat, Prince Rupert and Haida Gwaii - Queen Charlotte Islands)

*Last update was Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at 2:38pm*

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- 2014 [Haida Gwaii/Queen Charlotte Islands](#) for river and ocean
- 2014 Skeena River [summer-run Steelhead](#) and Salmon
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- 2015 Multi Rivers for [spring Chinook](#)
- 2015 [Kwinamass River](#) for Steelhead (April & May) only

- 2014 [Zymoetz \(Copper\) River](#) class 1 and 2 sections
- 2014 [Nass and Coastal Rivers](#)
- 2014 Douglas Channel ocean fishing for [Salmon and Bottom fish](#)
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**Commentary:** Wind: S 17km/h Rain showers (+13 degrees C) Steelhead, Coho, Trout and Dolly Varden Char are the target fish now. **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: 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:** [Avid Sportfishing](#) sent a pic of their **NEW** Boat; that's right they are now operating 2 - 30 foot **Kingfisher** guide boats, see [Haida Gwaii - Queen Charlotte Islands](#) section. **Update:** More information has come forth from DFO regarding the **2014 Salmon run**, to read all the details cast on the link in the [2014 Salmon Fishing Outlook](#) section. **Update:** Total **YouTube** uploaded views as of May 24th were 811,346 views, see [Noel Gyger has 96 fishing video clips on YouTube](#): section. **Update:** **Fishery Notice:** Clarification of "Possession Limits" for the purpose of transporting fish, see **News update** section. **Update:** [Ariel Koppers of Kitimat Lodge](#) reminds drift boaters on the Kitimat River, there is a **very dangerous log jam around the Sawmill boat launch**, see pic and caption of the extreme danger in the [Kitimat River](#) section. **Update:** Please read the safety measure, see [Lakelse River Bridge](#) section. **Update:** **2014 Skeena River Tyee Test Fishery** charts are now posted, see just below [Skeena River](#) section. **Update:** May I recommend a book: **Waking the Frog** - by Tom Rand. Solutions for our climate change paralysis, see **Conservation** section. **Update:** [Alexandra Morton](#) re: Been to Hell - When **Fraser River First Nations** I work with tracking European salmon viruses called and asked me to take a look at the Imperial Mine disaster I decided to make the trip to the source, see **Conservation** section. **Update:** [Tracey Hittel of Kitimat Lodge](#) sent link to Videos of Bass Pro Shops Manager's Fishing Holiday, see [Kitimat Lodge](#) section. **Update:** **27th Annual Kitimat Fish Derby**, see [Kitimat River](#) section. **Update:** [SkeenaWild](#) celebrates filmmaking, photography and community connection, see **News updates** section. **Update:** [Alexandra Morton](#) re Mt Polley - how you can help? (**sign the petition below**), see **Conservation** section. **Update:** [Dennis Therrien](#) sent pic of his Skeena River Steelhead, see [Skeena River](#) section. **Update:** [Mike Herzberg](#) sent a pic of a Coho his friend Lara caught today, see [Kitimat River](#) section. **Update:** The **Douglas Channel Watch** will work to protect the Douglas Channel and its tributaries, see [Douglas Channel](#) section. **Update:** **NEW** river condition pic for [Bulkley River](#). **Update:** for [Exstew](#), [Kasiks](#) and [Exchamsiks Rivers](#). **Update:** **NEW Product Profile** [Scotty](#), see **Product Profile** section. **Update:** summer-run Steelhead from 2007, see **Vintage Video Clips** section. **Update:** Full month of August 2014 is posted, see [Past Fishing Reports](#) webpage. **Update:** [Peter Krause](#) sent a pic of his

Bulkley River Steelhead landed with a dry fly on Monday Sept 1st see **Bulkley River** section. **Update:** **Alexandra Morton** re Why are there so many Fraser sockeye?, see **Conservation** section. **Update:** for **Kitimat Fish Derby** results, see **Kitimat River** section. **Update:** **Tracey Hittel** of **Kitimat Lodge** suggests you to see their 2014 photo album and post your pics on their Facebook page, see **Kitimat Lodge** section. **Update:** **Dennis Therrien** sent a pic of his latest Steelhead catch, see **Zymoetz (Copper) River** section. **Update:** **NEW** river condition pic for **Kalum River**. **Update:** **Reg: Sockeye** closed September 15th. **Update:** **NEW** river condition pic for **Zymoetz (Copper) River**. **Update:** **NEW** river condition pic for **Skeena River**. **Update:** Salmon Farms can have Significant Impact on Wild Salmon and Sea Trout Stocks, see **Conservation** section. **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:** **Avid Sportfishing** sent a Chinook pic and fishing report, see **Haida Gwaii - Queen Charlotte Islands** section. **THEY SUGGEST: Book Now for 2015!** **Update:** **Brian Ziegler** from New Jersey USA sent pic of his **BIG Skeena River Coho** landed with Spey rod on Saturday September 6, 2014, see **Guest Photos and captions** section. **Update:** **SOS** (Save our Salmon) reports success with land-based closed containment as a sustainable alternative to farming salmon in direct contact with the marine environment, see **Conservation** section. **Update:** **NEW Top Photo** posted September 24th. **Update:** **NEW** stats for **noelgyger.ca** are posted above for September 25, 2014. **Update:** Skeena River is divided into 4 sections, see **Skeena River** section. **Update:** **Rob Brown** latest story titled "**The Intruder**", see **Rob Brown - The Skeena Angler** section. **Update:** **SkeenaWild Conservation Trust** is having a fund raising event this Saturday, September 27 at the Old Church location in Smithers BC, see **Conservation** section. **Update:** for **Kitimat River** and coastal rivers. **Update:** for Bulkley, Morice, Kispiox, Babine River and Lake, see **Smithers BC and area fishing report** section. **Update:** Sep 28 at 9:30am I checked water conditions on the **Skeena River, Kalum River** and **Zymoetz (Copper) River**, see below. **Today's updates:** **Update:** for **Skeena River** and **Kalum River**. **Update:** Coho fishing on the **Exstew, Kasiks** and **Exchamsiks** Rivers. **Update:** for Steelhead and Coho on the **Kalum River**. **Update:** **Alexandra Morton** re Release poisons, really? see **Conservation** section. **Update:** **NEW** river condition pic for **Kitimat River**. **Update:** to receive the Oct. 2nd e-mail NEWSLETTER [subscribe](#) here. 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.

## **RIVER and DATE - High Rez pics of river conditions:**

**Skeena** September 15th

**Zymoetz (Copper)** September 15th

**Kitimat** September 29th

**Kalum** September 12th

**Bulkley** August 30th

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## **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.

We've had lots of rain, the water is really coming up, and is "borderline" fishable. Steelhead and Coho fishing has been excellent! **Reg: Sockeye** closed September 15th. It was a very good run this year, near record so hope we had lots of happy anglers. To check current and recent past water conditions click on the pics below. You may want to consider hiring a guide for Steelhead and Coho [contact me](#) anytime. **Reg: Chinook closure:** Aug 7 - Dec 31 in a zone from Lakelse River mouth upstream to the Skeena River Overpass (New Hwy) Bridge) at Ferry Island.



On my left is **April Vokey** of [flygal](#). April is authoring a book summarized as a reflective novel based on the history of our sport, and both its evolution & migration from the United Kingdom to North America's west coast. She interviewed me September 16th regarding the history of Sportfishing and guiding in northwest British Columbia. The whole interview was recorded by **Nick Pujic** (on my right) of [Vantage Point Media House](#) for a television series on [WFN](#). Got to say we had a lot of fun and it was hard to shut me up! I will keep you updated how this progresses. I am sorry, at this time, I cannot remember the names of the other folks in the crew. I will get them for you later.

As promised here are the names of the rest of the crew: Victor Cooper, Brock Tompkins, Yoshi Aoki, Adrienne Comeau and Catherine Laflamme (who took the photo).



Dennis Therrien landed this beauty on the fly on the Skeena River two weeks ago.



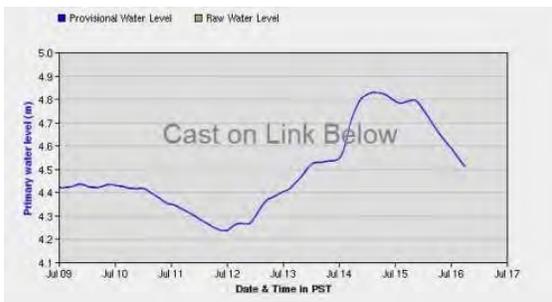
This is the first Skeena River summer-run Steelhead for Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#). Want to be guided for these guys...[contact me](#) anytime. Keep checking the **Tyee Test Fishery** charts below. Hope we have another good run this year.

Click on pics for **high rez** view



[CLICK HERE](#) to view “**high rez**” pic of river conditions for Sept. 15, 2014

Skeena Water heights below:

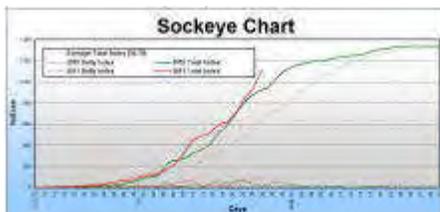


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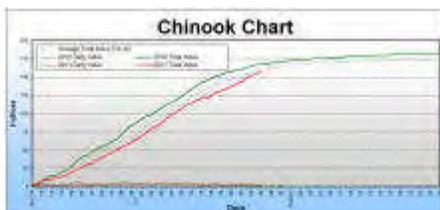
# Skeena River Tyee Test Fishery for 2014:

## Sockeye Charts



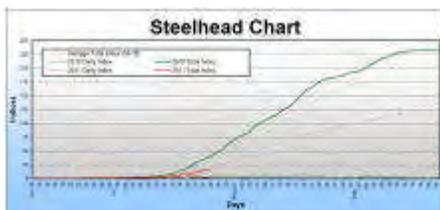
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## Chinook Charts



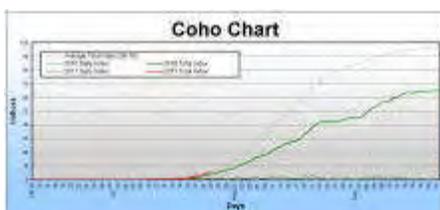
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## Steelhead Charts



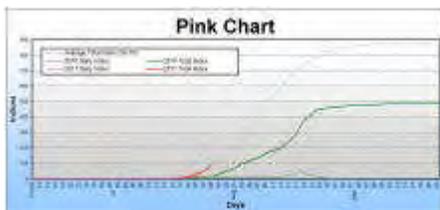
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## Coho Charts



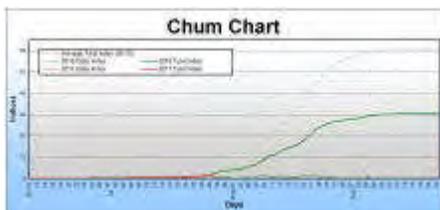
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## Pink Charts



- [Current, Average and Previous Year](#)
- [Cumulative Index 1956-2013](#)
- [Average Daily Index 1956-2013](#)

## Chum Charts



- [Current, Average and Previous Year](#)
- [Cumulative Index 1956-2013](#)
- [Average Daily Index 1956-2013](#)

[Cast here](#) to view 2011, 2012 and 2013 **Tyee Test Fishery** numbers

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### **2014 Salmon Fishing Outlook:**

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

Fri July 18/14 4:23am

More information has come forth from DFO regarding the 2014 Salmon run, to read all the details cast on this link:

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/images/Preliminary-2014-Salmon-Outlook.pdf>

### **2013 Salmon Fishing Outlook:**

Can be seen here:

<http://www.noelgyger.ca/news-bulletin.htm>

### **Skeena River Tyee Test Fishery for:**

2011, 2012 and 2013 can be seen here:

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## Morning Comes Early For Steelheaders

Really want to share our 2014 photo galleries before going out fishing in the morning! Apr, May, June, July, and August photos are now on the Kitimat Lodge website!

<http://kitimatlodge.com/gallery/>

Hey! We've been doing guided Steelhead fishing trips in BC since 2001, and many of you have been on our email list for a long time...

If you have fishing trip pictures from over the years - I invite you to post them to our page on Facebook!

<http://facebook.com/kitimatlodge>

Stay tuned - we have an awesome new video coming!

Ok, tight lines all, Tracey Hittel

## Videos of Bass Pro Shops Manager's Fishing Holiday!

**New** on the Kitimat Lodge website and YouTube!

Videos of Bass Pro Shops Manager's Fishing Holiday!

Check out the Coho Salmon spin fishing action!

<http://kitimatlodge.com/dspFX>

Tight Lines, Tracey Hittel

**SEE BELOW** for complete [Kitimat Lodge](#) guiding season:

**The 2014 season is closing in on us fast and the bookings are at an all-time high**

## 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.



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### **Kalum River:**

Water coming up due to lots of rain. Lower end is quite dirty. Upper end is always cleaner than the lower end. I am still getting good reports, lots of Steelhead and Coho being caught. The Spey fly rod is working well. One can catch both Steelhead and Coho on the same day. It is just a matter how knowing which pools and runs they are holding in. If you need a guide to show you how and where just [contact me](#) anytime. Chinook closed August 7th.

Click on pics for **high rez** view



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### **Lakelse River:**

Water is higher than normal and tea coloured. Steelhead fishing is slow. Check regs for the fly fishing only rule in some section. Steelhead are started to spawn in some sections, if you see them you should let them be and move on to other areas. **Reg:** Fly fishing only between Lakelse Lake and CNR bridge Mar 1 -May 31. **Tip:** Fly-fishing egg pattern flies work the best, also, the brighter the egg fly the better. **Tip:** Float fishing corkies (painted cork balls in various sizes) and a little bit of white wool works well. The bright red or orange ones are favored.

### **Lakelse River Bridge:**

Lots of anglers and I heard of a few nice Chinook landed. **Camping:** There is a rough forestry campsite close to the bridge. When my kids were young we camped there often. We have many fond memories. Met some wonderful people there too. **Tip:** Fishing off the bridge with a marabou jig is the most popular, so is a **Hot Shot** or **KwikFish** plug.

**FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY:** Please get off the bridge when large trucks and equipment are crossing. This bridge has a wide deck sitting on a central pair of girders, and is designed to have the load travel the centre of the bridge. When a truck has to move over because someone didn't want to get out of their lawn chair it endangers everyone on the bridge by putting the load off-centre. In some cases, especially lowbeds with excavators etc on them are too wide to pass without people moving. Thank you.

### **Zymoetz (Copper) River:**

Water coming up now due to the rain and it not fishable. Steelhead fishing has been fantastic! This rain should bring in even more fish. **See:** current **Top Photo!** When wet fly fishing give the Steelhead a chance to react when the fly comes drifting by. Dry fly works pretty good too. And for conventional here is a **Tip:** Float fishing the Pink Worm works very well in this river. Need a guide for 2014 in either the Class one or Class two section [contact me](#) anytime.



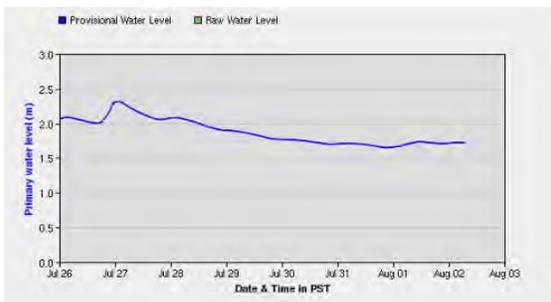
**Dennis Therrien** with another beautiful Zymoetz (Copper) River Steelhead. This one landed on September 10th and was estimated to weigh 15-pounds. Dennis is the same fellow who has the **current Top Photo**, scroll to the top of this webpage to see it.

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

### **Kitimat River:**

**NEW** high rez river condition posted Sept. 29th. Photo is from this afternoon. River height approx. 1.35m. Clarity only 18". Coho fishing is still possible as long as it does not rain too much and the river goes "totally" out. Anyway you just got to know where and how to fish for them? The BIG Northerns are in! The coastal rivers near Kitimat are fishing very well for Coho also "if" the rivers stay fishable. Need the "best" fishing guide to show you how and where? Just [contact me](#) anytime. Thanks.



Hi Noel, here's a nice photo you might like for your report. My friend Lara drifted the Kitimat with me today, August 29th. Water was low and clear. Not many fish moving through, but we managed to hook into a few beauties. Best, Mike Herzberg

Click on pics for **high rez** view



[CLICK HERE](#) to view “**high rez**” pic of river conditions for Sept. 29, 2014

Sample Kitimat River waters heights below



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### **Exstew River:**

The Coho are coming in and slowly moving up river. These are bright fish. Concentrate fishing beside tree structures and deep cut-bank pools. Watch for rolling fish, if you don't see them rolling they are probably not there.

### **Exchamsiks River:**

The Coho are coming in. These are bright fish. Concentrate fishing beside tree structures and deep cut-bank pools. Watch for rolling fish, if you don't see them rolling they are probably not there.

### **Kasiks River:**

The Coho are coming. These are bright fish. Concentrate fishing beside tree structures and deep cut-bank pools. Watch for rolling fish, if you don't see them rolling they are probably not there.

### **Kitimat River Estuary:**

Coho fishing is good. Please **BEWARE** it can be dangerous getting into and out of the estuary with jet boat. If you would like to experience this unique fishery may I suggest you [book with a fishing guide](#).

### **Douglas Channel:**

Chinook fishing in the channel is basically over as all of the fish have moved into their natal rivers, although one has a chance to catch "feeder springs", these would be smaller fish. Coho fishing is slow; they are all heading for their home rivers...and their home rivers don't have much water in them. Coho are being caught but way down the channel. Halibut and other Bottom fish are being landed in good numbers and lots Dungeness Crab. 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. My suggestion is to [book a charter guide](#) for trip or two, then you will be up to speed how to do it on your own.

### **Douglas Channel Watch**



### **Where We Stand**

**Vision Statement:** The [Douglas Channel Watch](#) will work to protect the Douglas Channel and its tributaries.



South African girl with a slab. Halibut fishing down the Douglas Channel is GREAT! Caption and photo by Tracey Hittel of [Kitimat Lodge](#). If you are interested to hire a charter [contact me](#) anytime.

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### **Bulkley River:**

A bit or rain a few days ago clouded up the river below Telkwa but clean now. Going out fly fishing Monday. Steelhead and Coho are fishing well now, stay tuned.



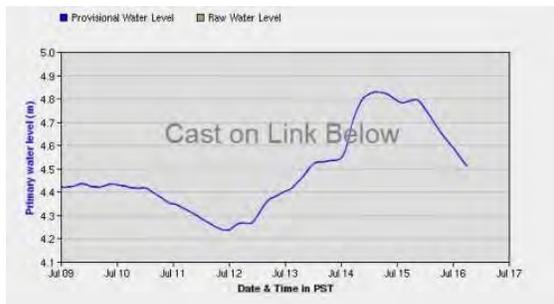
From the reference above, here is the result of fishing on Monday Sept. 1st. Peter Krause landed this one on a dry fly. Peter is the owner of [McBike](#) in Smithers BC.

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Sample Bulkley River (near Smithers BC) heights below:



**Cast on link for current Bulkley River water heights**

[http://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/report/report\\_e.html?type=realTime&stn=08EE005](http://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/report/report_e.html?type=realTime&stn=08EE005)



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## **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.

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## **Smithers BC and area fishing report:**

### **Fishing report for September 25, 2014**

**Bulkley/Morice** – Slowed down over the last couple days but is still good. River needed with rain though. Telkwa will hopefully clear up in the next couple days to improve the conditions. Bulkley upstream of the Telkwa confluence is not as murky.

**Kispiox** – Packed with people. River is on the rise but color is nice. Fishing is tougher than previous weeks.

**Babine** – Fishing for Steelhead is pretty good right now. Water levels did not bump up as much as other rivers.

### **Thu Sept 25/**

#### **Fishing report for September 14, 2014**

**Bulkley** – Really good fishing throughout for Steelhead. Coho fishing is okay, some big Northerns are around.

**Morice** – Water is super low and clear, dry fly fishing is good.

**Kispiox** – Nice Coho are in and fishing is good. Busy with people and dry fly is doing well for Steelhead.

**Babine** – expected to fish better after gets a shot of forecasted rain. Other than that, good.

### **Mon Sept 15/**

#### **Fishing report for September 5, 2014**

**Bulkley/Morice** – Doing well for Steelhead on both wet and dry flies. Water has dropped to good levels again and good clarity too. Coho fishing is excellent recently....

**Kispiox** – Murky from recent rain should be better fishing for the weekend. Water level has dropped to fishable levels again. Coho fishing is good.

**Babine** – Steelhead fishing is good, water is low and clarity is improving. Sockeye retention is finished on the river.

### **Wed Sept 10/**

**Fishing report for September 3, 2014**

**Bulkley/Morice** – Pinks, cohos and steelhead are in the Bulkley/Morice. Rivers came up over the weekend. 2-3 feet of vis on the Bulkley below the Telkwa confluence. Much better vis above Telkwa.

**Kispiox** – Was real bony. Has come up over one meter. Not fishable. Fishing should be fantastic once the water drops.

**Babine River** - Blown out at this time. Again, steelhead fishing should be good once it drops!

### **Wed Sept 3/**

**Fishing report for August 28, 2014**

**Bulkley/Morice** – Steelhead are in! Coho are also in! Pinks are still making their way through still. Telkwa giving a little bit of glacial sediment but is clearing up quickly.

**Kispiox** – Low, low water but fish have moved in. Steelhead have been caught lower down on the river consistently. Coho throughout.

**Babine** – Sockeye are still fishing extremely well, fish are becoming colored at this time.

### **Fri Aug 29/**

**Fishing report for August 22, 2014**

**Bulkley/Morice** - Water is perfect right now and salmon are everywhere. Pinks may be getting a little old but Coho are doing really well especially near Telkwa. Steelhead are in too!!

**Kispiox** - Steelhead have been caught mid river recently. Coho are good near the mouth.

**Babine** - Low water and lots of fish. Make sure you have a heavy sink tip for the faster water. River is two sockeye per day, Babine Lake is four per day.

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## **Guest Photos and captions:**



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



Here is a pic of my son-in-law **Troy Ritter** releasing a Skeena River summer-run Steelhead landed Saturday August 16th. Sorry the pic not too clear as I took a snap-shot from a video clip. Nice job Troy. And thank you Deb (my daughter) for shooting the video. River conditions were low and very clean...and the air temp really high around plus 30 degrees C .



Hi Noel, We read your fishing report all the time and always look forward to opportunities to fish in northern BC.

I have attached a few photos of our success story from this year's fishing trip to China Bar (last week).

Marty Schneider, from Saskatchewan, is holding a 32 pound Chinook and Colby Schneider is holding a 33 pounder which is the result of a double-header on the Skeena! This was an exciting morning for us.

The next day, we hired a charter at Prince Rupert and caught a couple of good halibut.



Hi Noel, Sockeye fishing on the fly was good today (July 14th). Here's my Dad Tom Hodgson with a nice one. Thank you for posting. Luke

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## **Vintage Video Clips:**

### **Skeena River 'summer -run' Steelhead 2007**



**Another bright one!**

Pro fishing guide **Randy Marshall** holds up **Astrid Gangl's** Steelhead for a quick shot. Astrid is from Luxembourg and is a many-time repeat guest.

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It runs for about 1:00 minute and is a small screen wmv.

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

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1. [Noel Gyger Home Family and Friends Page](#)
2. [Skeena River Guided Spey Fly Fishing](#)
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8. [Terrace BC Fishing Guides](#)

## **Guest Reports and Photos - 2013 Season Review:**

Guest reports and photos are posted here:

[http://www.noelgyger.ca/archived-fishing-reports/february-1-28\\_2013.pdf](http://www.noelgyger.ca/archived-fishing-reports/february-1-28_2013.pdf)

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### **Past Top Photos**



**September 17 to September 24, 2014.** Photo and caption courtesy Michael Herzberg. My biggest Coho in the last four years. Best fight in probably ten. This thing hit as we were reeling in the hot shots. Then went crazy on the surface. Love those big Northern! If you are interested to be guided on rivers or ocean please [contact me](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



**September 8 to September 16, 2014.** Dennis Therrien with a beautiful Zymoetz (Copper) River summer-run Steelhead landed September 6, 2014. If you are interested to be guided on rivers or ocean please [contact me](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



**August 31 to September 8, 2014.** Ray Barker-smith with a beautiful fly caught Skeena River summer-run Steelhead. If you are interested to be guided on rivers or ocean please [contact me](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



**August 24 to August 31, 2014.** Hi Noel, my friend, Michele, drifted the Kitimat River with me this morning. Water is low and clear. Were a few coho around. We managed to hook six, landing three, including this nice chromer. Photo and caption by Mike Herzberg. If you are interested to be guided on rivers or ocean please [contact me](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



**August 17 to August 24, 2014.** Spey fly fishing for Steelhead and Paradise are the same thing! This angler is a guest of [Kitimat Lodge](#). Photo by **Ariel Koppers**. Ariel is a pro fishing guide at the lodge. If you are interested to be guided on rivers or ocean please [contact me](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**



**August 6 to August 17, 2014.** We've been too busy reeling in fish lately to post anything so here is a fresh pic from our most recent outings, enjoy! Pic and caption from **Neil Goodwin** of [Avid Sportfishing](#), see [Haida Gwaii - Queen Charlotte Islands](#) section. If you are interested to be guided on rivers or ocean please [contact me](#) anytime. **Cast on photo to view in larger size**

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**Weather Reports telephone numbers: Terrace:** 250-635-4192 **Kitimat:** 250-632-7864 **Prince Rupert:** 250-627-1155 **Smithers:** 250-847-1958.

**Tide Charts** – for BC Coast: <http://www.waterlevels.gc.ca/eng/find/region/1>

## **Conservation**

Release poisons, really?

Hello, members of Parliament John Duncan and James Lunney are reaching out to the public regarding new salmon farm "regulations" that would allow the industry to release chemicals that kill fish. They would also allow for killing wild fish to control pathogens.

As one of the big Norwegian operators in BC considers selling out to Mitsubishi, we have three weeks to speak up about these proposed regulations.

[http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/alexandra\\_morton/](http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/alexandra_morton/)

Also there is a new film on salmon farming premiering this weekend at the Vancouver International Film Festival <http://www.viff.org/festival/films/f14044-the-pristine-coast> The ending will surprise you!

We need to decide if we want Norwegian and Japanese companies deciding which fish will live or die in BC.

Our voices are important. See my blog on how to comment on this.



AlexandraMorton

**SkeenaWild Conservation Trust** is having a fund raising event this Saturday, September 27 at the Old Church location in Smithers BC. The event is emceed by April Vokey. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Dinner served 6:30pm. Tickets \$40. If you have something to donate let them know ASAP. Wild Salmon will thank you for it! For more info cast on this **FaceBook** link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1464616407141882>

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It is with great pleasure that we can report on the continued success of SOS's strategy to advance land-based closed containment as a sustainable alternative to farming salmon in direct contact with the marine environment.

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### **MSalmon Farms can have Significant Impact on Wild Salmon and Sea Trout Stocks!!**

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### **Why are there so many Fraser sockeye?**

Hello, The Fraser sockeye run is looking very good this summer! They are breathing life into the ecosystem and the economy.

Only a few years ago scientists were wondering if the Fraser sockeye were going extinct. So what changed? If we are serious about these fish, we need to know why we are having good returns after 18 years of decline, so that we can make sure it keeps happening.

In this blog I take a look at whether the big Fraser sockeye returns of the last few years are due to the fewer salmon farms on their migration routes. Is disease in salmon farms the reason Fraser sockeye have become unpredictable? Are salmon farms the reason Fraser sockeye declined for 18 years?

See what you think:

[http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/fraser\\_sockeye\\_vs\\_farmed\\_/2014/09/fewer-salmon-farms-more-wild-salmon.html](http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/fraser_sockeye_vs_farmed_/2014/09/fewer-salmon-farms-more-wild-salmon.html)

Thank you, Alexandra Morton

### **Mt Polley - how you can help? ([sign the petition below](#))**

Hello, I have been posting blogs on my onsite investigation into the situation around the largest mining disaster in history that tragically entered Quesnel Lake, where 1/4 of the Fraser sockeye rear.

The BC government's first response was that all the grey slurry pouring out of the mine was just sand, no different than an avalanche and that we got "lucky" - the water is safe to drink. That is not at all what the situation looks like and the people in the area and downstream have virtually no confidence in the BC government's assessment. The federal government is completely missing in action - a stunning silence.

My sense is that this is very similar to the situation with European salmon viruses in BC

waters. Government appears to be doing what they can to support the companies, not the public. However, this disaster is bad for the mining employees, as well as, the rest of the public. Everyone knew this was going to happen and government and Imperial Metals apparently just let it happen. The BC government likes to promote itself as pro-industry, but have catastrophically failed once again in that capacity. Salmon farms have lost social licence and this mining disaster confirms they have transformed Canada into a third world country.

I am writing to ask that you sign and share a petition below to inspire government to clean up this mess. Imperial Metals knows how to move massive amounts of material, they need to apply this expertise to their tailing waste on land and underwater. If this is not cleaned up it is going to leech into the Fraser watershed for 100s of years impacting the ability for juvenile salmon to rear in Quesnel Lake (all sockeye spend a year in fresh water) and the entire watershed.

Clean up is not going to happen unless government knows the people demand action.

So, once again if we want wild salmon it is up to us. [Here is the petition](#) to save you the effort of going to my blog

Please check my blog as I will update it as this continues to unfold.

Thank you for your efforts on this. Alexandra Morton

### **Been to Hell**

Hello, when Fraser River First Nations I work with tracking European salmon viruses called and asked me to take a look at the Imperial Mine disaster I decided to make the trip to the source.

What I saw yesterday was deeply disturbing. The warnings were clear. Earthen berms don't hold water and yet the warnings, engineering and common sense were ignored. This is the same behaviour I deal with regarding farm salmon viruses. The warnings are ignored.

This is no way to do business. Are we really so unintelligent that pillaging is the only way businesses can make money off BC natural resources?

If you read this please think about sending instructions to government. These pictures are a glimpse of something very, very wrong that we have the power to stop.

[http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/alexandra\\_morton/2014/08/been-to-hell.html](http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/alexandra_morton/2014/08/been-to-hell.html)

As for Grieg Seafood - don't think for one minute that I am distracted.

Alexandra 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](http://www.bclocalnews.com/bc_north/terracestandard)

**Rob Brown blog:** [http://web.me.com/skeenaangler/Skeena\\_Angler/Blog/Blog.html](http://web.me.com/skeenaangler/Skeena_Angler/Blog/Blog.html)

**Rob Brown Welcome:** [http://web.me.com/skeenaangler/Skeena\\_Angler/Welcome.html](http://web.me.com/skeenaangler/Skeena_Angler/Welcome.html)

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### **The Intruder**

[http://www.noelgyger.ca/images/rob-brown-sep-24\\_2014.pdf](http://www.noelgyger.ca/images/rob-brown-sep-24_2014.pdf)

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### **Three honest men**

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### **Tuning in**

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## **(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](http://www.steelheadsociety.org/sites/default/files/June_2013.pdf)

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## **News updates:**



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**FIRE BAN** in Northwest BC was set to begin 4:00pm August 12th.

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**Fishery Notice:** Sockeye limit has increased from 2 fish per day to 4 fish per day.

[Cast here](#) to read the full notice.

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## **Noel Gyger has 96 fishing video clips on YouTube:**

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

Total Uploaded Views as of May 24, 2014 were: **811,346**

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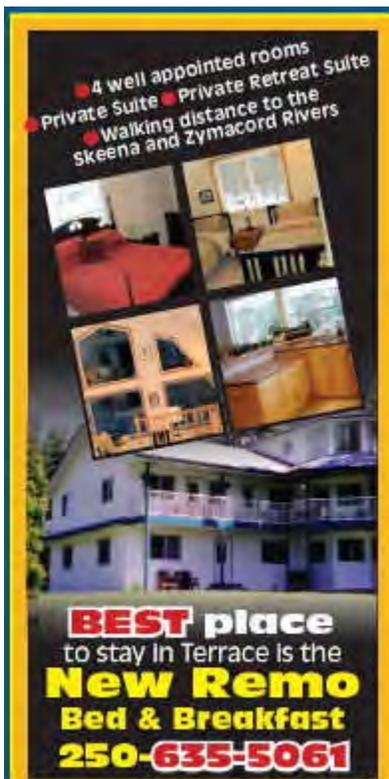
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## **Highway webcam:**

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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, 2013 to March 31, 2015

Shellfish Contamination Closures: [www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/PSP](http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/PSP)

On-line tidal waters fishing licenses: [www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/recfish](http://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, 2013 to March 31, 2015

Check for In-season Regulations Changes at:

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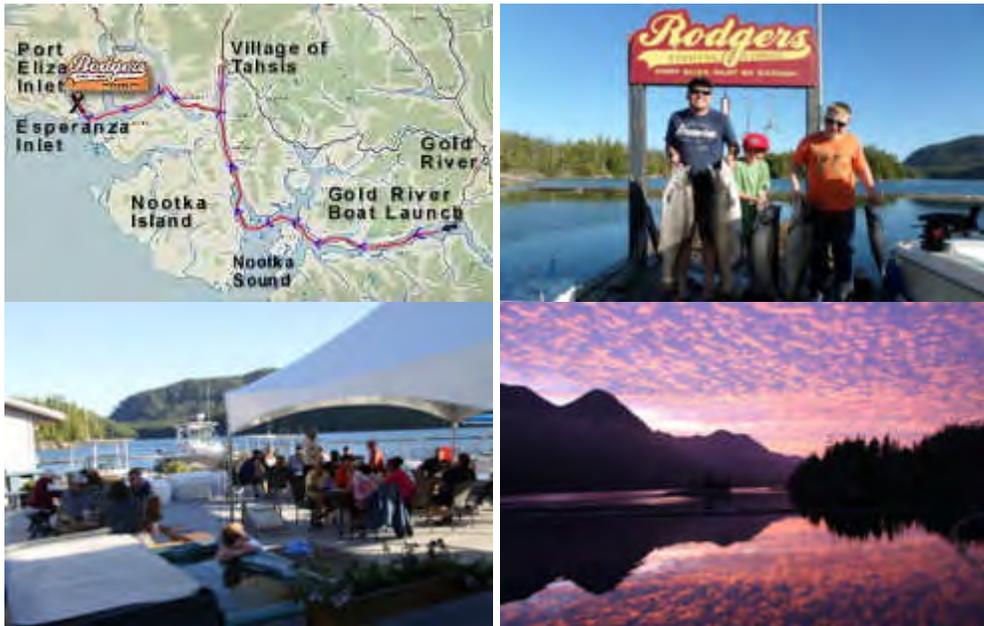
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## **For Sale**

### **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.

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