



Sooke Salmon Enhancement Society

Spring 2014

Greetings from Fish World.... I sincerely hope summer is around the corner somewhere !
The following is an update of activities at the Jack Brooks Hatchery.

After very challenging water conditions last fall we have managed to pull off another successful brood incubation of

250,000 Chinook eggs and 200,000 Coho eggs

Mortality rates have been very low once again this year and we are currently beginning the release of Chinook and Coho fry into the Sooke River & DeMamiel Creek.

Some notable activities of late include :

We received 20 students from Edward Milne Community School Environmental Studies class for a discussion on the complete cycle of salmon rearing at the hatchery.

Various local schools are in the midst of releasing Coho fry in DeMamiel creek from eggs supplied by our hatchery as part of the Salmon In The Classroom program.

Coming up in May.....

Sooke Rotary Spring Fair & Auction , Sooke Salmon Enhancement will have a booth at the arena on Saturday May 3rd.

We will receive approximately 74,000 Chinook smolts from DFO Nitnat Hatchery for rearing in our sea pen in Sooke Harbor. These fish will be fed for the first 3 weeks of May during which time they will double in size before being released into the harbor.

May 24th & 25th will be our annual Coho Clipping Extravaganza ! Over those two days we will clip approximately 40,000 Coho for release into the DeMamiel Creek system.

May 30th , we will have a booth at Camp Bernard in support of Scouts Canada Beaveree.

Once again we would like to thank all of our volunteers for their dedication to the cause & the MANY hours of donated time at the hatchery and in support of our other initiatives.

Many thanks to the Sooke business community for their continued generous financial support of our Society. Our motto is " Shop Local " we encourage all to do so.

Cheers for now.

Robert Gamache, President , Sooke Salmon Enhancement Society

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Eleventh Annual

CHINOOK SALMON DERBY

AUGUST 2 & 3, 2014

Tickets Go On Sale, June 12th, 2014

Look for us at the

New Weigh-In Station Site

Sooke Road at Philips Road

Saturday June 12th to kick off Ticket Sales for 2014

