

Wishing You Were Here Fishing Report February 25, 2003

Hello Folks and welcome to the first edition of our newsletter for the season. We have arrived home from the sport shows and are excited about getting our new season under way. Spring Steelheading will begin on April 1 this year. Not much time left to prepare for opening day.

We would like to thank everybody who put up with Gill and myself down at the shows this year. With out all the help we received from our good friends and past guests down in the US our show season would not have been as successful as it was. A special thanks to Don Osbourne, Brent Hanson and Fred Cantaoi. To Don for working the booth with us in Pleasanton, Brent for putting up with the two sisters and putting us on our first stripers and Fred for the use of his truck among numerous other things. We can't forget Clint Bailey for the night on the town in San Francisco. Time and room won't allow us to thank everybody personally.

While were down south with a few days to spare our good friend Brent Hanson took us Striper fishing. I have attached a photo of Gill and Brent with Gills first Schoolie.



As I mentioned in one of our previous news letters we purchased our new lodge. In that new lodge we will have a small yet fully furnished tackle shop. For those of you thinking about purchasing new equipment let us know what you are after and we will have it here for you when you get here. We are putting in our orders during the next few days.

There's not much to report about the fishing as of yet as we have only been out on the river once since we arrived home last week. We are anticipating getting out more a soon as the weather warms a little. Never the less our guide Rob Vodola landed a nice buck on his spey rod on our Sunday drift down the Kitimat. This was our first drift of the year and boy has the river changed after last falls high water. The river is set up beautifully with a lot of new runs and riffles to fish. As soon as we are on the water more reports will be forthcoming along with photos.

We have a few prime dates left for those of you that are on the fence. They will go quickly so book them soon. We are heading down to Del Mar in San Diego for one more show this season. The dates are March 19-23 and it is a Fred Hall show.

We are looking forward to fishing with our past and new guests in the upcoming months. Remember to keep your tip up! Tight Lines!

Justin and Gill

