

Anglers Announce: Let's go fishing!

The long-awaited Kids Fishing Day event, canceled in May due to adverse water conditions, is going to be a fall fishing opportunity for kids 14 years old and young.

Puget Sound Anglers-North Olympic Peninsula Chapter President, Bob Keck, says, "We decided to plant trout in the Carrie Blake Park Reclamation Pond this fall to provide fishing opportunities throughout the fall and winter rather than have a one-day event like we have been holding. Trout are cold water fish and we are hoping that this fall plant will make for a longer fishing season for the local kids since the pond really gets too warm in the summer months to sustain the fish."

Seven hundred trout will be planted starting Oct 3rd and continue periodically over the next few months. This will utilize the fish that had been raised for the May 2018 event. The Hurd Creek Hatchery has already received the 2019 fish. The annual Kids Fishing Day, hosted and coordinated by Puget Sound Anglers, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and the City of Sequim, will be moved up one month to April 2019 (exact date to be determined) to avoid the on-going problem of high water temperatures.

The trout being planted are nice sized and each kid can take two per day. They need to keep the first two fish caught; catch and release or sorting is not permitted. Kids 14 years and under don't need a fishing license.