



Welcome to the 2026 fishing season. I hope everyone has had a relaxing winter and is all rested up to begin another year of pursuing the “big one”.

The Board of Directors has met many times during the off season with meetings centered around a review of the 2025 season and current ideas or issues to discuss that would impact the 2026 season.

The community of Campbell River has supported the Tyee Club for many years. The directors wanted to give back to the community, and it was decided that \$500 donation would be given to both the Knights of Columbus Food Hamper and the Angel Tree Society in early December 2025. A graduating student from Carihi and Timberline Secondary Schools were each awarded a \$500 bursary in early June 2026. Both students showed a passion for fish and wildlife and are pursuing post secondary education in related fields. The Tyee Club also donated a generous gift basket to the Campbell River Salmon Foundation (CRSF) for their annual dinner and auction.

After 13 years of serving as weigh master and accomplished gardener, Bob and Judy Goodwin have passed the torch onto to our new tenant Anna. The long days of summer require dedication and at times patience also. Thank you Bob and Judy for your lengthy commitment to the Tyee Club.

After hundreds of volunteer hours, Peter Wipper has completed digitizing 102 years of club history from Tyee Club registrars. Peter has been working closely with a team of UVic grad students for the last 2 years who helped with digitizing club records so they will be recorded safely and be accessible to the public on the club web page by summer of 2026.

Jeremy Maynard and the Campbell River Guides Association once again organized a net pen for chinook smolts at the Fisherman’s wharf. A big thank you to the Campbell River Salmon Foundation for covering towing costs to get the net pen from Duncan Bay to the downtown location.

Preliminary meetings with a few Tyee Club and CRSF directors took place this winter to discuss concerns about the possible adverse effect that the reservoir is having on downstream water temperature that is harming the development on salmonids. More meetings are planned to discuss a proper process and then determine the required funding to carry out the work on gathering water temperatures.

An additional camera will be installed at the Tyee Club wharf this year which will provide video coverage of the wharf to the clubhouse. The club web cam will be functioning during the season only as WIFI will not be needed during the off season.

Raffle ticket sales for 3 main prizes will be coordinated through the clubhouse this season. On-line sales of raffle tickets is also being investigated. The three prizes this year will be;

- Tyee rod and reel donated by River Sportsman
- Whale watching trip for 2 donated by Campbell River Whale Watching
- Local float plane mail run flight donated by Coril Air.

The annual set up and yard clean up will occur on July 11 this year. A gear and tackle sale will be held on July 25th at the clubhouse which will have local members set up tables and showcase Tyee Club memorabilia for sale.

A social committee will be formed this year which will coordinate many gatherings at the clubhouse during the season. A few directors will be working with passionate club members to communicate dates and ideas for these events that will occur numerous times throughout the fishing season.

A tradition from many years ago that will occur this season again will be the recognition of the angler who caught the largest tyee in each week of the season. This year's weekly winners will receive an old tyee spoon that has a bronze pin engraved in it.

The Annual General Meeting will be held August 15 this year at the Maritime Heritage Centre once again.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on the water again this season.

Roger Gage

President Tyee Club of British Columbia