

## **Learn A Water Trip to the Stamp River on Tuesday, September 7**

Subject to sufficient attendance, Courtney is arranging the next “Learn A Water” trip for Tuesday, September 7, 2010. It will address steelhead fishing on the Stamp River.

These outings respond to a desire among Club members for this sort of program, as presented, discussed, and strongly supported, at the May 19, 2009 Club meeting. The proposed details are shown below.

**Guide/ Instructor:** Courtney Ogilvie

**Attendance:** Please email John (jabeaton@gmail.com) by Saturday night (Sep 4) to indicate your interest in attending. If the trip is oversubscribed, we’ll admit people on a first-come, first-served basis. When we see the response, we’ll confirm the trip and the attendance on Monday morning.

**The Fishing:** The Stamp is one of the best accessible bets for summer steelhead in the area, but it takes skill and know-how to succeed there. Come and learn the ropes of this type of fishing or, for those with experience, to hone your skills.

**Getting there:** Subject to Courtney’s confirmation, the group will meet at Tim Horton’s in Port Alberni and leave from there for the river at 8 a.m. Come early if you want to eat there first. Collaborate on car-pooling or contact Courtney if you want help with it.

**Getting back:** The group will leave the water at about 3.30.

**At the water:** Group introductions and education about the water, the fish and their habits, the best fishing methods, flies and tackle, access points, and reading the water. Then Courtney will demonstrate and you’ll fish with him coaching.

**Price for Courtney’s services:** \$50 per person (to be paid on the day)

**What to bring:**

- Freshwater fishing license
- Sun-screen
- Sunglasses
- Wide-brim hat

- Pen and notepad for note-taking
- Food and drinks (plenty of water)
- Chest waders
- Fly rod and reel — 7 or 8 weight outfits are ideal, but others will do the trick too
- Fly lines -- these can be floating, clear intermediate (or other), or sink tip.
- 10-12 lb leader material
- A small selection of summer steelhead flies (Courtney can supply those not having any)
- Wading staff (recommended)

**Caveats:**

Participation is at your own risk and Courtney, the Club, and the organizers assume no liability for your safety.

**Guide to Local Waters/ Fishing Buddy Program—Will someone volunteer as Trip Recorder?**

We want to capture data from this trip for our forthcoming “Guide to Local Waters”. Would one of you be kind enough to volunteer as “Trip Recorder” and undertake to fill out the attached data sheet and send it to me electronically within a week after the trip? If so, please email me. If I receive more than one offer, I’ll accept the first reply and keep the others as candidates for future trips.

**Questions?**

Contact John Beaton at [jabeaton@gmail.com](mailto:jabeaton@gmail.com).

## Mid-Island Castaways “Guide to Local Waters” Data sheet

Date of “Learn A Water” visit:

Name of water:

Access information (details of entry points, driving directions and conditions, parking, trails, wading, etc.):

Fish present	Best fishing dates		Methods
	From	To	

Additional notes: