

~ Salmon River News - Fall 2002 Edition ~

Hello from Salmon! The snow has started to fly here and we're wrapping up another great year at Silver Cloud Expeditions. The 2002 whitewater season was wild and wonderful. To top it all off, this year's steelhead run is on pace with last year's record count. Fishing has been great!

Trip News - 2002 was another successful year on the Main Salmon River, thanks to our great guests and guides. We have some great photos from these trips, and if you went on a trip with us this year you'll be receiving a copy of images taken by us and by many of you. If you are interested in receiving a copy of these great images, call or email us and we'll send one out!

"We had the most wonderful time! The perfect break from our stressful jobs! We will send our friends and join you in the future. Your crew are simply delightful!"

- Helen and Keith Holley

We are planning two theme trips for 2003. Retired BLM biologist Loren Anderson will be back to interpret the wildlife and fire ecology in the canyon. Tentative date: June 28. Hydrogeologist Julie Wright will teach us about the diverse rocks and forces of nature that form the beautiful Salmon river canyon. She'll probably let us get our hands on a rock hammer, too! Tentative date: August 23. Don't forget about our 1-5 day steelhead fishing trips in spring and fall. Visit the website and Call Chris for more info.

Recipe Corner - We're happy to share one of our menu favorites. Enjoy!

Dutch Oven Chicken Piccata

Mix a little salt and pepper into 1 C. flour, and dredge four chicken breasts in the flour mix. Brown both sides in olive oil to seal in the juices. Add enough white wine (we use Pinot Grigio for this dish) to deglaze the hot pan and make a sauce. Add sliced scallions, mushrooms and crushed garlic to taste. Cover and simmer until done (about a half hour.) Squeeze a lemon and sprinkle capers over the top. Simmer for another minute and serve!

Guide News - Our guides have a lot going on that we'd like to share with you.

Lead Guide **Victoria "The**

Kiwi" Woods is rafting on the Clarence and other rivers on New Zealand's South Island, and bemoaning the fact that she has to suffer through a little spring weather in order to continue hitting summer after summer in her quest for year round whitewater! When **Tom**

Dieffenbach isn't teaching, he's kayaking in his buddy's private hot spring to perfect his off-side roll - a nice

way to paddle during the winter. **Frank Green** sneaks in as much fishing and hunting he can around his teaching schedule. **Dick Wilkin** finished his sheepherders wagon and is back at school teaching. **Jacie Green** got married this summer and has settled into a great teaching job in Eastern Idaho. **Keri Knudson** toured Italy with friends and is nursing in Pocatello. **Shane Moser** is studying hard at the University of Idaho. **Jo Myers** is trying to fit in college around her busy rugby/hiking/biking (soon to be snowboarding) schedule in southwestern CO. **Bill Blackadar** was signed by the Minnesota Owls, a Junior B league hockey team, and **Sam Myers** is building houses in California. Tom's son **Max Dieffenbach** and **Luke Keavney** trained on a trip each this summer, and we're looking forward to many more with both of these great guides in the future.

Chris just finished directing the competition at the Great American Beer Festival and is trying to catch as many steelhead as humanly possible. **Mary** is working on Lewis & Clark projects at the BLM, **Duncan** is learning to read, write and add and **Connor** is acting his age: 3!

Best Wishes and Happy Holidays from Salmon. See you on the river.

Chris, Mary, Duncan & Connor
Swersey

- Chris, Mary, Duncan & Connor