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Tongass National Forest youth fishing events

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, May 18, 2017– The Tongass National Forest, partners and local volunteers are sponsoring youth fishing events throughout Southeast Alaska through the summer. No experience is needed to participate in these events. It is a great way for children to learn how to fish or practice their fishing skills. Event planners will provide a wealth of experience and knowledge to help the beginning angler get started. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and all persons should bring proper footwear and clothing.

Juneau Ranger District Family Fishing Day

- Location: Twin Lakes Park, Juneau
- Time/Date: June 3, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Activities: fishing and fish printing
- Key Partners: Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Rotary Club
- For more information contact Barbara Adams at 907-789-6252

Hoonah Ranger District Annual Kids Fishing Derby

- Location: Hoonah, AK at the Icy Strait Point Cookhouse/Beach
- Time/Date: June 3, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Activities: Fishing derby and free family lunch provided by Hoonah Trading Company
- Prizes/Special Guests: Prizes awarded at 2:30 p.m. by age categories
- Key Partners: City of Hoonah Parks and Recreation
- For more information contact Robin Hasselquist at 907-945-1211

Ketchikan/Misty Fiords Ranger District Kids Fishing Derby

- Location: City Park, Ketchikan
- Time/Date: June 18, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Activities: fishing, lure making, fish printing
- Key Partners: Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association and Alaska Department of Fish and Game
- For more information contact the KMRD at 907-225-2148

Sitka Ranger District Kids Fishing Day

- Location: Swan Lake, Sitka
- Time/Date: June 10, fishing starts at 9 a.m.

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- Activities: Fishing, boating, recreation
- Prizes/Special Guests: Many prizes donated from local businesses and Sammy the Salmon will make an appearance
- Key Partners: Sitka Rotary Club and Alaska Department of Fish and Game
- For more information contact Joe Serio at 907-747-4283

Prince of Wales Island Ranger Districts, Craig/Thorne Bay, 25th Annual Kids Fishing Day "Jim Beard Memorial" Event

- Location: Gravelly Creek Picnic Ground, USFS Thorne Bay Ranger District
- Time/Date: June 17, 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Activities: Featuring many fun and educational outdoor summer fishing and safety related activities, booths, and demonstrations. Free BBQ and Cotton Candy at noon.
- Prizes/Special Guests: Check you registration bags for the golden fish tickets with fishing related prizes provided from our wonderful island "spawners"!
- Key Partners: Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Prince of Wales Tribal Enterprise Consortium, Prince of Wales Watershed Association, Prince of Wales Health Network, Strictly Local Gallery.
- For more information contact the Brandy Prefontaine at 907-828-3217 or Ariel Cummings at 907-826-1602

Yakutat Ranger District Family Fishing Day

- Location: Yakutat small boat harbor
- Time/Date: July 15, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Activities: Fishing (rods provided), barbeque, casting contest, fish prints, and face painting
- Key Partners: City and Borough of Yakutat, Student Conservation Association, National Park Service, and Alaska Department of Fish and Game
- For more information contact Nate Catterson at 907-784-3999

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Youth fishing events offer a variety of activities, many include fish printing.

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