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DESTINATION OF THE MONTH: VALDEZ, ALASKA

Looking to get into some great fishing this summer and not leave the United States? **Valdez**, Alaska is a fantastic place to fill your freezer full of salmon, ling cod, halibut, yelloweye rockfish, plus other species.



Fly into **Anchorage** from your home town then rent a car for the approximately 5 hour drive. Drive out of Anchorage on the Glennallen Highway to the town of Glennallen. You will see numerous glaciers, mountains, and most likely some wildlife on your drive.

At Glennallen, you take the Richardson Highway to the town of Valdez. The original town of Valdez was destroyed in 1964 by an earthquake and tidal wave and had to be abandoned. Valdez was rebuilt in its new, safe location.



In 1989, the **Exxon Valdez** loaded with 1,264,755 barrels of oil crashed into a reef spilling oil into the waters. However, the fishery made a **quick** recovery and is as good as ever.

The scenery in the Sound is breathtaking and is full of orcas, sea lions, porpoises, beluga whales, seals, and eagles.

If halibut is in your plan, there are numerous charter boat captains ready to take you fishing. Do your homework and plan your trips around good tides.

If you plan your trip in August, the **silver salmon** fishing is fantastic inside Valdez Bay which is protected from high winds which might make halibut fishing impossible.



I have visited Valdez numerous times and cannot wait to return to fill my freezer again with delicious halibut, ling cod, rockfish and silver salmon.

For more information contact the Valdez Chamber of Commerce.

Speaking of Alaska, most of the state has experienced **poor** runs of **King Salmon** the past few years. An exception is the good King Salmon runs on the **Alaska Peninsula**.

Friend, **Gary LaRose**, who operates **Pumice Creek Lodge** has a good run of Kings while fishing the **Cinder River**.



The **Cinder** River is approximately 13 miles from the lodge.

Gary flies clients to the river each day for some fantastic fishing. Here, you will see **no** other fishermen other than those in your group or the occasional **Alaska Brown Bear!**

Gary is a **lifetime** resident of Alaska and knows the rivers on the Peninsula well. I have been to the lodge numerous times and highly recommend this is **THE** place for good kings, monster silvers, numerous dolly varden char, trophy moose, and gigantic Alaska Brown Bear plus good bird hunting.

Contact Gary at www.garylarose.com for more information

In early June, a lodge record 106 lbs **sorubim** (catfish) was caught in **La Zona** on the Uruguay River. The sorubim is a beautifully spotted/stripped black and white catfish. They are great fighters and are known to strike lures. This particular sorubim was caught on a cd magnum rapala



Kermett Adams of www.klures.com now has available the same models of dorado lures I field tested on my recent trip to La Zona, Uruguay River, in Argentina for **monster** golden dorado. These lures are made of **high** quality wood and fantastic painting of each lure. The lures stood up to the dorado's jaws of steel. I was able to land trophy dorado up to 46lbs on these lures.



Kermett recently has come out with a **woody woodpecker** coloration with redhead and black body. Check out Kermett's site at <http://klures.com//GoldenDoradoLures.html>



Kermett also makes great **peacock bass** chopper lures!

Friend, Steve Yatomi, of www.adventuretravelalliance.com recently led a group of fishermen into **Egypt** for the monster **Nile Perch**.



The Nile Perch is a member of the snook and Barramundi family. They have been caught over 200lbs.

Cabelas currently has a big sale on various items such as Quantum rods, Storm lures, and Yo-Zuri lures. Check out www.cabelas.com then go to the bargain cave then to the fishing section. **Great deals with great prices.**



Judy Heidt, owner of **Rio Parismina Lodge** in Costa Rica, reports the fishing for giant snook and tarpon is fantastic.

Rio Parismina Lodge sits on the banks of the Rio Parismina River surrounded by dense jungle. Every morning, you awake to the sounds of howler monkeys in a tropical paradise.



In the waters surrounding Rio Parismina Lodge awaits **monster** tarpon, snook, and a variety of other species.

To get in while the fishing is hot, contact **Judy** at 18003385688 or check out the lodge's website at www.riop.com

Captain Keith Kennedy of **BORN TO FISH CHARTERS** out of Venice, LA was recently interviewed on WCCO radio out of Minneapolis, MN.



Keith is a great friend and one of the **best** charter boat Captains out of Venice for **big bull redfish**. He and others are greatly waiting for the oil spill to be cleaned up so fishing can resume. As mentioned earlier, Valdez, Alaska **came back to life** soon after the clean with fishing **better** than ever.

To listen to Keith's radio **interview** click on the link below
<http://wcco.cbslocal.com/tag/captain-keith-kennedy/>

For more information on **Keith's Charter Service**, contact David Fields at www.fishinexpeditions.com or Dan Tracy at www.trophyfishhuntworld.com

Toward the end of January, a Brazilian angler, caught and released a **potential** world record **peacock bass**. The peacock was **unofficially** weighed at 28.9lbs. The peacock was caught aboard the yacht the **Tayacu**.



Contact Steve Yatomi at www.adventuretravelalliance.com for more information on the Tayacu.

Bill Gassmann was recently **awarded** the **official** world record peacock bass by IGFA . Bill fished out of the houseboat Captain Peacock.



Untamed Angling has immediately **switched** the fishing days for golden dorado in La Zona to Friday to Monday from Monday to Thursday. The reason was to **protect** the fishery from the excessive amount of **poaching** which occurs on the weekends from Uruguay fishermen.

 *untamed angling*

Casting to the wild side

Many of us are not so **fortunate** to have the time or money to travel to exotic fishing destinations such as the Amazon and La Zona.

Friend and fishing guru, **Steve Ryan** spends most of free time fishing locally in the Midwest while not off on an International Adventure. Steve recently caught **monster** Chicago “Golden Dorado” **aka**.carp

The **carp** are **tremendous** fighters. Normally carp do not attack lures so you can have wonderful fishing **locally** at a low cost.



Tsimane Lodge, which is located in the **Bolivian** jungles where the Amazon jungle meets the Andean Mountains, is now open for their fishing season.

The lodge is located in a **secure** National Park where rivers such as the secure, Pluma, Maniquisito, among others, are abundant for species such as the golden dorado, pirapitingas, pacus and yatoranas.



Recently, I had the **opportunity** to have lunch and pick the brain of fishing pro **Steve Ryan**. Last year, Steve had the **opportunity** to fish the Mnyera River and Rhudji River in **Tanzania** for tigerfish. I am going to have the opportunity this coming October and received **much advice** from Steve regarding tackle and other fishing equipment tips.

Steve says we will **observe** much wildlife such as **numerous** elephants, hippos, monkeys, baboons, possible lions, plus a variety of many more.

We will be fishing for the elusive **tigerfish**, which is very high on my trophy list.

For more information on this trip contact Steve Yatomi at www.adventuretravelalliance.com



Speaking of **Steve Ryan**, he recently put on roughly **1250** miles on his truck during a weekend search of **monster crappie** in Nebraska.

Steve probably has the **most** knowledge of fishing and exotic destinations of any person I have met. Also Steve has **more** fishing tackle than I do which is very **hard** to imagine!!1



Steve Shoulders of the **Headwaters Fishing Club** on Lake Guri, Venezuela reports the lake has risen almost thirty feet in the past few weeks. The payara have recently schooled together in the strong rapids in front of the camp enabling numerous trophies to be caught by Steve's clients.



Steve also offers trophy peacock bass fishing on Lake Guri.

Contact Steve at www.headwatersfishing.com for more information

Remember to check out my blog at
www.doradokiller.blogspot.com

Please keep the fishing reports coming in.

You can e-mail them to me at
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Until next issue, relax with a cold beer, have fun
and have a great time fishing!!!

Bob Daly



