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The weather has been so mild that I wondered if the weeds had died off and cleared out of Rocky Ford Creek. Until the weeds that choke the creek clear out, it is impossible to catch anything on

this fly fishing only water. I really like to fish this mile-long stretch of flowing river in the winter. It never freezes, as it comes from an underground spring that keeps the water warm enough to remain ice-free even in the coldest temperatures.

I figured the best way to find out if the weeds were gone is to run down there and see for myself. I did just that last Thursday afternoon. I found that there was plenty of weedfree water, so I rigged up my favorite Mini Leech and Ultra Scud combo and went to work. I have a 10

foot, 5 weight rod that I got especially for fishing Rocky Ford. The stream is lined with cattails, and you have to keep your back casts very high to avoid hooking your flies in them, and the extra-long rod seems to help.

There was very little flow, and my line wasn't getting any drift at all. I like to see my line moving with the current to cover more water, without having to make a bunch of casts a few feet apart. I usually know if the fishing is going to be good right away. I made a bunch of casts and moved around, and nothing touched my flies. I wasn't seeing activity on the surface and the other anglers I saw on the far bank weren't hooking any fish.

I finally saw the tell-tale wake of a big fish moving upstream, just under the surface. I tried to judge the direction and speed of the fish and made a cast ahead of the wake to a spot where I thought the

big trout would see my fly. My line settled on the water and--Boom! My line jolted tight, and a big fish came out of the water and made a violent, swirling splash—and spit the hook. I made a few more casts, but it was getting late, so I headed for the truck.

That's Rocky Ford. It can be exciting and frustrating. I have had double digit days here, and others, like this one, when I felt lucky to hook a single fish. Even though the fishing was slow, I am eager to go back. This week's photo is of a Rocky Ford trout, about to be



released, taken on a sunny winter day a couple of years ago.

I have talked about my shore fishing experiences quite a bit recently. The winter is when I do most of it, as there are some really good opportunities that don't require a boat, and mine is tucked away for the snowy months. Pulling a boat around in the winter can be difficult, too. Snowy road conditions can be bad, and navigating a truck and trailer can be hair raising. The stuff they put down on the roads is tough on boats, too. It etches the aluminum and eats the wiring. I can still have a ton of fun in the winter, catching a variety of fish from the shore. The trout fishing is very good on Lake Roosevelt at Spring Canyon, Crescent Beach, and Keller. Rufus Woods Reservoir is famous for producing whopper rainbow from the shore. I have caught some dandies at Brandts Landing and at the middle net pens. Medicare Beach on Potholes Reservoir is another place where people catch nice rainbow casting from the shore until it freezes.

I had a blast the other day catching perch from the shore on Moses Lake, which is really good news. The perch fishing near the I-90 Bridge just hasn't been any good for many years. It's great to see it coming back, and that may also mean there will be good ice fishing for perch when Moses Lake freezes.

A shore fishery that is gaining in popularity is for whitefish on Banks

> Lake. I've been told that whitefish make up fifty percent of the bio mass in Banks, so there's no shortage of them. Right now, people fish from the dike at the very top end of the lake. They simply cast with a weight on the bottom and a couple of small hooks baited with "salad" shrimp. These fish are often weigh 3 pounds or more. They are great just fried or smoked.

As many of you know, I came home with a bucket of perch a while ago, and I decided to do something

different with them. Usually, I dredge the fillets in Panko and fry them, or even just sauté them with a little garlic and butter until they turn white. Sometimes I have even just steamed the fillets, cut into chunks, and then dipped them in butter. They are very delicious any of these ways. This time of year, I like to make soups and stews, so I thought I would try making a perch chowder. I used a base of cream of celery soup and added onions, potatoes, and red peppers. I used some garlic powder, dill and few other herbs and added whole milk to thin it a bit. It simmered for about an hour, to let the seasonings go to work and the veggies cook. Then I added the perch. It only took about ten minutes for the perch to cook, and the chowder was ready to serve. It turned out great.

I plan to take advantage of the continued mild weather and try some of my favorite shore fishing spots. I'll let you know how I do!





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HORSES, HAY & LIVESTOCK

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Our First Sale of 2024 is Friday, January 12

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Chicken scratch, livestock grower or finisher, \$40 per 100 lbs, grass pellets \$20 per 100 lbs, available in large tote bags, 500-2000 lbs or will gladly fill your own containers. No texts, please call 208-691-6676 or 208-687-0099 Rathdrum

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weeks old & ready for her

new forever home. She will

be ready to go right before

Christmas. She has had her

tail docked & dewclaws re-

moved. Current shots as

great addition to any fam-

time great Christmas gift!

weight. Dam is 3-1/2 lbs. &

the sire weighs 3 lbs. so

she will be tiny. She is al-

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to do much traveling due

to weather, but if you are

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more pictures & informa-

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AMERICAN COCKER SPANIEL PUPPIES Five available, three females & two males, tails docked, dew claws removed, shots & dewormed, ready to go home, \$800. 509-216-2838 Spokane Valley



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Fantastic Romanian lineage, impressive structure, excellent health, parents currently work as homestead dogs, protecting pasture, family & buildings, pedigrees available to view, they are sweet with our family & little children, \$1200. Call/ text, 208-568-1475



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AUSSIE DOUBLE DOO-DLE PUPPIES

Seven puppies available January 5, 4 females & 3 males, vaccinations up to date, potty pad trained, males \$1250 & females \$1500, willing to deliver. 509-683-2850

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Adorable, healthy purebred Rough Collie pups

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F1B GOLDENDOODLE PUPPIES

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POMERANIA/LHASO APSO MIX

2 female & 4 male puppies, born October 10, available for adoption. Current on shots & wormed. Males are \$650. Females are \$700. For more information, call or text 509-480-1065

CANE CORSO PUPPIES

AKC registered Cane Corso pups available for adoption. \$1500. For more information, text Jeana at 360-903-1157

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JACK RUSSELL TERRIER **PUPPIES**

Five males & five females, AKC registered, dewclaws removed & tailed docked, up to date on vaccinations & wormings, short legged & smooth coats, parents are laid back & good around children, \$800. 541-786-0467

CHRISTMAS MINI GOLD-ENDOODLES

White & apricot F1bb puppies available for adoption. Sweet temperaments. ENS trained with vet check. Can deliver to Spokane. \$1800. Call or text Amy at 253-224-2431 Pasco



CHAMPION BLOODLINE BOSTON TERRIERS Born September 14, 1 chocolate brown & white male, 1 black & white female & 1 silver grey & white female, kennel trained & started puppy pad training, up to date on



LABRADOODLE PUP-PIES!

The puppies are multigenerational, both parents are F3 & we have 8 years of breeding experience to get them to have the best coats, temperaments & size. 4 black males & females, 1 blonde male, expected adult weight of 45-65lbs, they make the best family dogs & companions, are so sweet, raised indoors, hypoallergenic, first round of shots & dewormed. They are ready to be picked up now, \$1000- \$1300 or best offer. For more pictures & showings, text or call Alivia, 509-608-9322 Spokane

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will apply. For more information, call or text Vivianna at 509-212-8195 Tri-Cities



START YOUR NEW YEAR WITH A NEW YORKIE **TERRIER PUPPY!**

We have 3 wonderful boys & 2 wonderful girls. Beautiful puppies from a loving home, born September 19, 2023, hypoallergenic, mom 7 lbs & dad 5 lbs - they live with us, AKC registration, vaccinations & deworming up to date. Get yours today, \$1200 each. Weaned & ready to go now! Text/ call anytime, 509-666-9794. Spokane Valley MINIATURE SCHNAUZER PUPPY Male puppy available for adoption. He is current on his shots, wormed & is ready for his forever home, \$1200. Please call Donny or Jackie for more information 509-930-9848



BOSTON TERRIER PUP-

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BOXER PUPPIES

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Beautiful boxer pups avail-

For more information, text

MALTIPOO PUPPIES

vaccinations, wormed,

2 males & 1 female, avail-

able for adoption. Current

dewclaws removed & tails

able for adoption. \$1500.



ASCA/ASDR PUREBRED AUSTRALIAN SHEP-HERD PUPPIES

Born November 28, 3 females & 4 males, both parents have DNA-CP and OFA certified hips & elbows, accepting deposits, come check them out, call or text 503-474-7994

ready now for new homes. Sire is AKC registered & handsome. Both parents have excellent dispositions. Smart, gentle, & good with all family members. Wormed, first shots, regular nail trims, doing great! MDR1 (DNA) results for parents. 2 sable/ white females, \$1200.6 sable/ white males, \$950. \$250 Deposit to hold. See pictures & videos at our website www.doggyhavenllc.com. Call or text Rhonda 503-756-0057. Email rhelth@yahoo.com

pups are ready to take hunting. \$2500 each. Also available, AKC registered black female German shorthaired pointer, 14 months old & fully trained. \$4600. Also, AKC German shorthaired pointer liver colored male, 3 years old, named "Free Loader Freddie," available for adoption. \$4500. Freddie spent 8 days in South Dakota this year hunting pheasants. Please contact Cov Moore at Reliable Kennels. Call home 509-452-1433 or cell 509-406-7569

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vaccinations, 20 years ex-

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Two seperate litters, excellent bloodlines, blocky heads, curly hair, vet checked, first shots & wormed, white coloring \$900, cream coloring \$600. Call/ text 509-948-4695 Pasco

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YORKIE PUPS

2 male Yorkies ready for their forever homes. Born October 14, up to date on vaccines, wormed, tails docked, & dewclaws removed. Asking \$700. For more information, please text 509-439-5284 Prosser

BEST GIFT: A PUPPY!

Applehead Teacup Chihuahuas, two 11 week old, black-white-tan males available. \$800. Also have 2 year old Dobie male who needs new forever home. Current on vaccinations. More information 509-572-5624 Kennewick

TRICOLOR BEAGLE PUP-PIES

Beautiful tricolor Beagle puppies available. They are current on shots, wormed & ready now for their forever homes. Please call Donny or Jackie for more information, 509-941-9977



START THE NEW YEAR WITH A NEW BEST FRIEND! MEET WILLOW! 1 year old female Husky mix. Willow has done great

in her foster home, embracing love & structure, getting along with her two foster sisters & playing with lots of toys. She does great with cats, car rides, loves time outside, and is not a barker. Willow is house & crate trained. loves walks, but does need some leash training, she's so smart she'll learn in no time. Her ideal family would be active, walk, hike, camp & go on road trips, she's perfect in the car! Willow is spayed, up to date on all shots, dewormed & micro-chipped, her adoption fee is \$200. If you are interested in Willow, please complete an adoption application at www.FurryFarmRescue.org



ROTTWEILER PUPPIES Were 8 weeks on December 1, dewclaws, tails docked & first set of shots! \$1000.509-601-8100 Newman Lake

GOLDENDOODLE PUP-PIES

Born November 14, available for adoption. Hypoallergenic dogs. 8 puppies, 4 males & 4 females, 1 red, 2 apricot. 2 merle, 3 black. Males are \$800. Females are \$900. Text 509-802-0975 or call 509-802-0975 for more information. Tri-Cities & Prosser

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Female Mini Schnauzer puppies available for adoption. They are current on their shots & wormed, & ready for their forever homes. \$1200. Please call Donny or Jackie for more information, 509-930-9848

PITBULL PUPPIES

1 female & 5 males ready now for new homes. \$300. For more information 509-941-9321 Yakima



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PUREBRED GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPPIES

Available January 11, parents on site, dewormed & first shots, \$600 to \$800. Call or text 509-590-8678

ADORABLE MINI RED POODLES

AKC mini red Poodles available for \$2000. Pickup on January 12 in Mattawa. They come with their tails docked, dewclaws removed, AKC papers, shots & dewormed. 509-947-5259

BELGIAN MALINOIS/ GERMAN SHEPHERD

Male & female puppies available. Born August 29, current on shots & wormed. \$200. More information, 509-531-9833



MINI AUSSIEDOODLES We have three beautiful boys available, ready January 7, taking deposits now, health tested parents, puppies will be up to date on shots & worming, New Year's special, \$1150. Call/ text 509-680-7072

PUGS

7 weeks old & already vaccinated. 3 girls & 1 boy. Girls are going for \$700 & boys \$650. 509-406-4388

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CANE CORSO PUPPIES

AKC & ICCF Cane Corso puppies ready for new homes. One 4 month old blue brindle male & one 5 month old fawn female. Ears cropped & vet checked. Excellent temperament. \$800-1500. For information, call or text 458-300-6771

POMERANIAN PUPPIES

1 purebred Pomeranian male, 1 year old & a purebred Pomeranian female, 2 years old, are available for adoption. Super cute & affectionate. If you see them, you will fall in love! \$500 each. More information call, 509-380-2270 or 509-845-1250



CHRISTMAS PUPPIES! AKBASH/AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD PUPPIES Ready December 20, first shots, \$500. Call 208-507-2647 Grangeville



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- Contact one of your local shelters today and make a new friend!
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- Helping Hands Rescue:
- 208-743-3157 or www.HelpingHandsRescue.org Whitman County Humane Society: (509) 332-3422 or

www.WhitmanPets.org

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CHRISTMAS GOLDEN RE-TRIEVERS

Purebred golden retrievers available for adoption, & ready now for their new loving homes. 9 weeks old females & males available. Puppies are well socialized & healthy. \$550. For serious inquiries, contact me at 541-561-8815 Hermiston

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Ready now, sweet, intelligent, hypo-allergenic puppies, raised in loving home, crate & pad trained, vet checked & first shots, \$900. Ask 3 year health guarantee & delivery options, 509-601-3690 Loon Lake

POMERANIAN MALE PUPPY

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YORKIE PUPPIES! Purebred, 10 weeks old, ready for their forever homes, one male & two females, docked tails, dewclaws removed. \$600 each. Call, 509-868-7223 Chenev

MINI AUSSIE PUPPIES

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SCOTTISH BRITISH KIT-TENS

3 females & 1 male, will be ready to go first weekend in January, socialized, friendly & affectionate, current on shots & wormed, \$650. More information, 509-431-4380



AKC SILVER LAB PUP-PIES FOR CHRISTMAS! Two 7 month old females, ready to train your way! Age appropriate shots & dewormed, well socialized & friendly, smart & eager to learn, \$500 each. Call or text, 509-710-1449 Spokane



ADORABLE BERNESE MOUNTAIN PUPPIES Seven cute girls & three handsome boys, AKC registers, dewormed & dewclaws removed, will be vet checked with shots before they go to their homes, born November 10, ready January 5. Call/ text, 509-821-0942 Deer Park

MINI AUSSIE PUPPIES

Registered mini Aussie puppies available; 3 red tri males with green or hazel eyes. Born July 18, tails docked, dewclaws removed, fully vaccinated. \$1000. For information, text or call 707-845-3598 Kamiah



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BIEWER TERRIER PUP-

bloodline, dad is American.

born November 11, 2023,

vaccinations & deworming

each, females \$2500 each.

666-9794 Spokane Valley

up to date, males \$2000

Text/ call anytime, 509-

MINI AUSSIE DOODLE

Ready for new homes,

born September 21, ex-

pected adult weight 20-25

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lbs, both parents geneti-

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"Our championship battle was nothing short of exciting," Hermiston Raceway's 2023 Street Stock top driver Preston Brock wrote in an email.

The Prescott, Washington driver said, We had several great battles on the track, and I raced tight all year against my dad who is second in the points standings." David Brock was 91 points back in this racing version of "Family Feud."

man under the helmet.

Brock had several main event wins, but was also consistently able to make all of the races at Hermiston Raceway this year. "It was exciting to see the growth in the class, and hopefully that continues into next year," Brock added.

As far as Brock's history in racing, "I have wanted to race as long as I can remember. As a young kid my dad raced super stocks and late models at Hermiston, so I grew up around it." Brock raced go carts at TCKC at Horn Rapids as a kid. He has run street stocks for 3 years now and looking forward

HERMISTON RACEWAY 2023 STREET STOCK POINT LEADERS

Pos	Car #	Competitor	Hometown	Points	Gap
1	72	Preston Brock	Prescott, WA	356	-
2	97	David Brock	Prescott, WA	265	-91
3	36	Travis Bonney	Hermiston, OR	242	-114
4	18	Dustin Nolan	Stanfield, WA	196	-160
5	13	Stacy Hunt	Hermiston, OR	83	-273

QLISPE RACEWAY TRACK SURFACE IS RE-GROUND

While the off-season has Qlispe Raceway Park quiet from the sound of revving engines and smoking tires, another noise has been present in the past few weeks.

Track operations manager Ben Zimmerman reports on behind-the-scenes improvements that ought to please racers.

"We hired TVC to come and surface grind the drag strip," Zimmerman wrote in a Facebook message. "They are taking out the bumps and low spots so the track is as smooth as it can be. Just one of the many upgrades this facility needs."

Spokane County purchased the track in 2007 and leased it to Bucky Austin who rebuilt much of the track surface in 2008.

"Bucky did basically a complete redo of the surface," Zim-

to 2024.

By trade, Brock is a dry land wheat farmer in Walla Walla County, but "considering the top speeds of tractors and combines, racing at Hermiston is extra fun," he said.

Brock offers a lot of thanks to people who gladly support his hobby.

"I would like to first thank my wife for understanding the late nights in the shop, and everything she does to contribute," he said. "I would like to thank my mom and dad for helping me get into such a sport."

"Thanks also to my grandparents, my aunt, and my wife and kids for being there to cheer on every race. Thank you to our crew in the pits: Tylor, and Christy for being there to help every race day."

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273 Preston Brock in action on the track. Photos courtesy of Preston Brock.

Raceway news and info page for updates.

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merman said. That included a 1/8-mile concrete launch area and then he overlayed the asphalt past that.

Austin provided a very good base to work with but over the years the earth moves from frost and natural things. "This gives us a restart to a smooth surface. The work for me and our crew will come in the spring, cleaning and repainting and laying new rubber down," Zimmerman said.

"The current white appearance is nothing more than the raw concrete, not snow," Zimmerman explained. Watch this page for other developments and Zimmerman also suggests following his personal Facebook or the Qlispe



Crews work just prior to Christmas on a project at Qlispe Raceway that will smooth the track surface. Photo by Paul Delaney

