

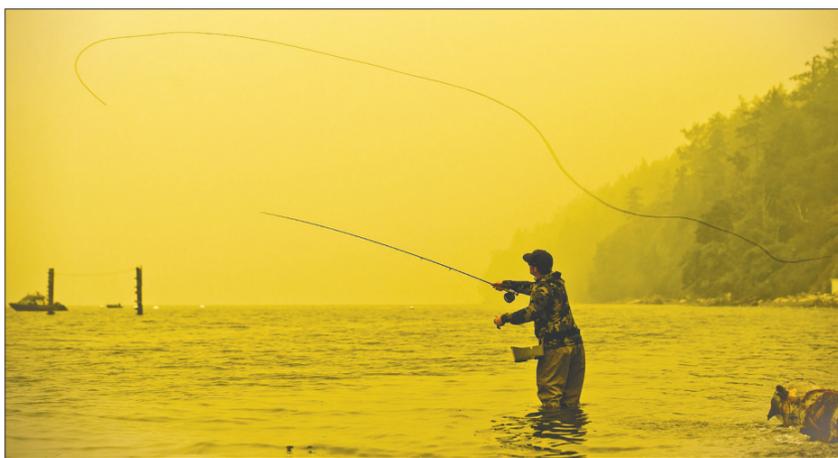
Smoke here to stay this week

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Turns out the smoke will hang around much longer than expected, forecasters said Monday.

The weak weather system that was expected to bring light rain and wind Monday to help push out the smoke won't be strong enough to clear the air, according to the weather service.

"Smoke models have been forecasting decreasing smoke the last couple of days but this hasn't panned out. Smoke seems certain to linger today and possibly further into the week with generally light winds and limited mixing," forecasters said Monday morning. "A weak frontal system will bring some showers later today and tonight.



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Matt Everett of Lynnwood fishes for cutthroat trout Saturday in the waters off Camano amid wildfire smoke that has turned the skies yellow-orange.

Models have been trending weaker and drier with this system and showers will be light and spotty at best. This seems unlikely to be

enough to scour the smoke and poor air quality affecting the area."

The state Department of Ecology said the "lackluster

weather feature that won't do much for us."

Air quality is expected to remain "unhealthy," Ecology officials said. Unhealthy

air means that everyone should stay indoors, avoid strenuous activity, close windows and doors, set air conditioning to recirculate air, and use HEPA air filters if possible, according to the weather service.

"To add to our woes, light southerly winds will continue for another day at least, dragging more smoke directly from Oregon fires northward along the I-5 corridor," according to the Ecology smoke forecast. "So even if the ubiquitous smoke pool from offshore starts to erode a bit, a replacement is en route."

The next possible chance for wind to blow the smoke away is Friday when another weak system is forecast to slide through, according to the weather service.

Fires nearby

Firefighters quelled a 3-acre brush fire Sept. 7 east of Stanwood.

Crews from North County Fire & EMS and the state Department of Natural Resources contained the bulk of the blaze in a remote area south of Lenz Enterprises and north of Pioneer Highway.

No structures were damaged, and no firefighters were injured, North County chief John Cermak said Monday night.

The nearest wildfire, the Downey Creek Fire about 17 miles east of Darrington, has grown to more than 2,400 acres as of Sunday, according to the U.S. Forest Service.

An air quality burn ban — which means campfires or fire pits — for the region remains in effect.

Community Golf

Camaloch Ladies

• On Sept. 1, 40 golfers participated in the Monthly Medal competition.

Jessica Bowman shot a 82 to earn the Low Gross title, and Cindy Nickels shot a 62 to claim the Low Net victory.

Flight 1: Jane Wells shot a 67 to finish in first place. She was followed by Karla Frey (69) and Helen Maris (72).

Flight 2: Linda Duffield shot a 64 to finish atop the leaderboard. She was followed by Ellen Falk (67) and Liz Fagan (72).

Flight 3: Margie Wright won with a 66. She was followed by Joan Haidle (68) and Barb Schustek (71).

Flight 4: Pat Ruse took the top spot with a 68. She was followed by Jan McCollough (70), Sunny Venegas (73) and Betty Thompson (73).

Low putts: Cindy Nickels led with 26 putts. She was followed by Jessica Bowman, Theone Holms, Jane Wells and Meg LoDolce each with 30 putts.

Chip-ins: Cindy Nickels on Hole 3, Carolyn Bowman on Hole 13 and Meg LoDolce on Hole 16.

• On Sept. 8, 35 golfers took part in a Stableford competition, where points are awarded on each hole.

Flight 1: Margo Lane and Liz Fagan tied for the victory with a score of 38. They were followed by Meg LoDolce (37) and Carolyn Bowman (37).

Flight 2: Peggy Dixon scored 38 to earn the win. She was followed by Rose Seaburg (34) and Linda Duffield (34).

Flight 3: Teri Swamer scored 41 to finish ahead of Teri Mattson (36) and Gini Henderson (36).

Low putts: Helen Maris led with 28 putts. She was followed by Meg LoDolce (31), Liz Fagan (32), Joan Haidle (32) and Jane Wells (32).

Chip-ins: Barb Schustek on Hole 2, Pat Ruse on Hole 9 and Helen Maris on Hole 12.

Camaloch Lassies

• On Sept. 1, 39 golfers played a competition of Odd Even Partners on the Front 9.

The pairing of Helen Thayer and Debbie Pladsen shot a 32.5 to finish atop the leaderboard. They were followed by the teams of Bonita Stuns and Marion King (35), and Juanita Hamlin and Nancy Bentley (35).

Less than 50: Bonita Stuns (49) and Patty Lewis (48).

Chip-ins: Irene Zook on Hole 4, Stacey Learned on Hole 7 and Helen Thayer on Hole 9.

Low Putts: Stacey Learned (15), Juanita Hamlin (15) and Patty Lewis (15).

Birdies: Pam Cramer on Hole 4, Helen Thayer on Hole 9 and Debbie Pladsen on Hole 9.

• On Sept. 8, there were 32 golfers in a Low Net competition.

Flight 1: Hollie Caley, Pam Cramer and Kathy Nielsen each shot 36 to tie for first place.

Flight 2: Nancy Bentley shot a 31 to finish in first place, ahead of Cathy Lofton-Day (32) and Jackie Gerard (33)

Flight 3: Debbie Holtman and Bonnie Restemayer each shot 35 to tie for the win. Sandy Simmons shot 36.

Camaloch Men's Club

On Aug. 26, there were 104 golfers for a competition of Low Gross and Low Net.

Flight 1: Jim Reece took the Low Gross win with a 74. Bill Dreyer shot a 66 to win the Low Net competition, followed by Steve HeLaas (69), Elwood Boehmer (70), Jason Hannum (70) and Jon Hamlin (70).

Flight 2: Glenn Case

earned the Low Gross victory by shooting an 81. Frank Kukuk shot a 66 to claim the Low Net title, followed by Jim Thayer (68) and Doug Baker (70).

Flight 3: Mike Nickels shot a 68 to claim the Low Gross crown. Chuck Akers

shot 69 in the Low Net competition, edging Bill McGlashan (69) in the tie-breaker. They were followed by Dennis Tanji, Bartlett Hooper and Russ Schustek, who each shot 72.

Closest to the Pin. Hole 4: Jim VanHorn (11 feet).



Coffee break

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ACROSS

- Pretzel coating
- Bro's sib
- Living room item
- Frosting user
- Big fuss
- Startled
- No charge
- Ruby or opal
- Depart
- Gull-like bird
- Actor Clark ____
- Big truck fuel
- Cleo's serpent
- In arrears
- Type of tire
- Twining plants
- TV and radio
- Panic
- Rationally
- Earlier than, in poems
- Minimum
- Fasten again
- Emerald ____

DOWN

- Put through a sieve
- Farm unit
- Malicious look
- More stylish
- Drooped
- Hunches
- Gloomy
- Umpire's call
- Nocturnal bird
- Admission charge
- Juicy thirst-quencher
- South American animals
- Halt, to a horse
- Find a sum
- Kind of carpet
- Yours and mine
- Ball holder
- Sharp flavor
- Hold on to
- Finish
- "____ So Cold"
- Shoe part
- Camp helper
- Use a catamaran
- Theater production
- Morsel of food
- Continuously
- Employ
- Tooth fixers
- Turn
- Sowed
- Extend
- Grate
- Deposed Iranian ruler
- Bowling area
- Nest contents
- Stir-fry pan
- Color tone
- Mined matter

Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY :

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once. Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember: **You must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column, or 3x3 box.** Below are the answers to last week's puzzles:

CURL	UNIT	PAD
ASEA	RIDE	LIE
MESSENGER	ODE	
PRIER	HAMSTER	
DRAB	SET	
ADE	SAD	DECAL
RANT	ROW	POLO
MYTHS	CAR	NEW
UPS	DEBT	
VESSELS	ALIBI	
ICE	EYEOPENER	
SHE	CLAW	SULK
EON	HYMN	TEAS

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7	3	1	4	6	2	9	8	5
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