

# Summary Eve River Pink Reports 2009 to present

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I was at the Eve for 3 days on the **15th., 16th., and 17th.** and there wasn't a sign of Pinks there then. I really didn't expect them that early on the odd numbered year. Bob Kissinger and I have been keeping a record on when they arrived for the last several years and so it should traditionally be pretty close to the first week in August.

Here are the records for the Eve going back to 09. It was largely Bob Kissinger's work so I got his o.k. to send it to you and for you to publish it on the site if you think it would be useful for our members. The main benefit of this is that it establishes a time table for when the Pinks show up on odd years as opposed to even years. And of course, it's not a sure thing that it will continue like that, but in my opinion it's likely.

Don

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In **"09** we went to the Eve On the **17th July** to put in our first crapper. We didn't bring our gear so we didn't do any fishing. We did talk with a fellow who had fished the mouth that morning. He reported seeing a small school but didn't hook anything. On the way home we stopped at the junction pool to show some of the fellows where it was. There were no fish in it.

I went back to the Eve on the **5th August**. Started at the boundary but didn't see any fish until the estuary. I managed to land 3, my partners nothing. The river temp at the grassy banks was 61.1 'F and it was low. The fish were basically coming in with tide but going back out when it dropped.

On the **9th August** I got a report that the fishing was "fantastic"

On the **17th August** I went to the Eve. We fished the boundary. Both Mike Orr and I beached at least 12 each and probably had 20 on. The river temp had dropped to 58.3'F

**31August** back up and limited within 1 hour.

**2nd Sept-** back up and limited again on fresh fish.

After the first trip I had switched to a floating line and strike indicator due to the low water.

## **2011**

**7th July** up to the Eve to put in the 2nd crapper. Brought our rods this time. Didn't see anything, didn't catch anything.

**16th August.** fish were in but had to work for them. It took us until 1:30 p.m. to limit, fishing from the boundary to the grassy banks. River temp was a nice cool 54°F

**29 Aug** lots of pinks. Does were still chrome but the bucks were starting to colour.

**1Sept** lots of pinks. My new Kiss -Off was working well-Mike hooked 20 on it. I also hooked and lost two coho on it.

**7 Sept.** lots of pinks but about half were coloured so had to pick and choose. Some fellows from Campbell River were up to just fish the coho although I didn't hook any of these.

Mike Fall was up this past week. He got a few but had to work for them. He wasn't impressed with the crowds.

I don't think that there is any rush and will probably wait another week or two.

Unless we get a good rain I would think that a floating line and strike indicator would be the right set up due to the low water.

If I get any reports I will send them on.

cheers basher

## **2012**

**July 13-July 17** , We had a great fishing trip in total caught lots of fish. Returned Aug. 13 and caught lots of fish in the one day. Bright fish.

## 2013

Two or three fish caught on the **25<sup>th</sup>** July. By over 20 fishermen all day. School came in in the morning and then left.

## 2014

Went to the Eve on **July 7** to put in new crapper at the upper village and to weed whack and clean up at the village. Finished work by 10:30 or so and several guys went fishing. Lots of fish in and some limited out quickly. Gerry Stevens was there and reported lots of fish in by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Don G.

## 2015

Second hand report from Bob Kissinger that Jerry Stevens was getting a few on July 26 and there were more coming every day. Kissinger reports tonight, the 30<sup>th</sup>. That there were lots of fish at the mouth but 54 guys lined up across. They tried the stump pool but no luck. Very low water level so it could be they didn't come up because of low water, or because of too many people blocking the way. Gerry Stevens says that it's the first day they didn't come up since about the 26<sup>th</sup>.

Don G.

## 2016

Last year we did the Crapper Caper on the **9th July**. We spotted some pinks but no one landed any. My last trip was on the 28th July. Again we saw a few pinks but didn't hook any. As mentioned we fished the "kiddie pool". There were 13 fishers on it and in 3 hours I only saw 3 fish hooked. Usually at that time of the year I would have expected to find the bottom black with fish. On that trip I could see nothing on the bottom except sand and gravel.

The last "Off Year" 2015, I went up on the 30th July. I started at the boundary but didn't see any fish until we got to the mouth. I got 2. There were 34 other fishers lined up at the mouth from bank to bank.

Went up next on the 11th August to find the river from the boundary down filled with fish. Last trip was on the 27th August. Easy limits.

In the "Off Year" of '09 I was catching clean fish on the 2nd Sept. and one old member reported getting clean fish as late as the 15th Sept. that year.

Cheers, Basher.

Don