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SYRCL tour offers view of wild Chinook salmon in our own backyard


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What: SYRCL Salmon Tours

When: Oct. 15 and Nov. 5

Where: Lower Yuba River below Parks Bar

Cost: \$75 for the general public, \$65 for SYRCL members, \$50 for kids

Details: www.yubariver.org

Registration is now open for the South Yuba River Citizens League's (SYRCL) 2016 Salmon Tours.

Join SYRCL River Science staff, trained local naturalists, and river guides from H2O Adventures for this educational and fun day rafting on the river.

"This is an unforgettable opportunity for you and your family to explore the lower Yuba River and to witness spawning salmon," said SYRCL's

River Education Manager Heather Kallevig. "Get outdoors, enjoy the rafts and the river while learning about the salmon life cycle and the impact humans have on these incredibly resilient fish."

The wild Chinook salmon travel more a hundred miles from the Pacific to their native spawning grounds in the Yuba River. The tour shows salmon as they jump two feet out of the water and dart around the rafts. On the excursion, participants will learn about the Yuba River ecosystem and how mining has impacted the river, while also seeing firsthand SYRCL's salmon habitat restoration project underway at Hammon Bar.

The Salmon Raft Tours begin on the main stem of the Yuba River at Parks Bar, just below the Highway 20 Bridge, and end at Sycamore Ranch Park. This run is about five miles long and the tour takes approximately six hours.

To sign up for a tour, register online at: <http://yubariver.org/our-work/river-education/salmon-tours/>, or contact Kallevig at 530-265-5961 ext. 218, or heather@syrccl.org.

Visit www.yubariver.org for information about the South Yuba River Citizens League (SYRCL).