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2020 SOUTHEAST ALASKA SABLEFISH TAG RECOVERY DRAWING WINNERS

Douglas . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announced today the winners of the 2020 annual tag recovery incentive drawing for sablefish tag returns.

The winners are:

1.	Dale Bosworth	Kruzof	Petersburg, AK	\$1,000
2.	Paul Sorenson	Wind Walker	Kenai, AK	\$500
3.	Bruce Bauer	Kaia	Juneau, AK	\$500
4.	Glenda Huff	Kariel	Gig Harbor, WA	\$250
5.	James Phillips	Pacific Dawn	Pelican, AK	\$250
6.	Jim Hubbard	Kruzof	Seward, AK	\$250
7.	William Hammer Jr.	Silver Lady	Port Townsend, WA	\$250

All persons who return an ADF&G sablefish tag receive a tag reward (e.g., hat or t-shirt). Tag returns with valid recovery information (fisherman's name, date of recovery, and latitude and longitude) are entered into a random drawing for a cash prize. A total of 1,052 tags qualified for this year's drawing.

The department has been tagging sablefish in Southeast Alaska since 1979 to obtain information on sablefish movement, growth, and abundance. Tags are bright orange or green in color, approximately three inches long, and located below the first dorsal fin. Sablefish tagged in the internal waters of Southeast Alaska have been recovered from as far away as Northern California and the Pribilof Islands in the Bering Sea. Movement information collected from tagging studies is important to the management of sablefish fisheries, and the department appreciates the participation of fishermen and processors in this program. Information detailing the release and recovery of tag returns may be requested from ADF&G staff.

For additional information on groundfish fisheries, visit the Southeast Regional Groundfish Fisheries website: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.groundfish.

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