

# Best of Salmon River 2009

## SALMON RIVER AND SURROUNDING AREA.

The best (and most importantly) atmosphere goes to River Rock Café, with honorable mention going to the beach and Shore Lodge.

For the bar portion, Rodeo Club wins, with Seven Devils hot on their tail.

In the barista category, Marcina at Mountain River Outfitters tied with Jeff Lund of Roadhouse Java, that was an exciting one.

Sonya Pullen captured the best bartender, with Tazanna Manley and Glenna McClure receiving honorable mentions.

Shannon Vander Esch received top honors in the beautician category, with Brad Dyer at Strutters in New Meadows getting the runner up.

A tie for best dentist was between Dr. Blaine Symons at Skookumchuck and Dr. Brian Charles in McCall.

The Rodeo Club was voted best drinks on the Salmon River and the River Rock Café received best eats.

The Park Hole was voted best fishin' spot, with Rattlesnake Creek coming in as second choice.

Ya'll couldn't resist all the great bargains at Pioneer Enterprises who wins best grocery store with Cloninger's Family Foods, biting at their heels.

The best mechanic was voted as Steve Smith of Hoots Auto and Dan Catherman of Crump's Chevron received honorable mention.

Best pizza pie was awarded to Seven Devils with River Rock Café running a very close second.

Vicki Heath was voted best realtor and runner-up goes to Cloe Nuckols.

In probably the closest race, on the river, Steve Schultz floats away with the honors for best river guide, with Sam Whitten and Matt Laine in a tie right behind him.

For the best steakhouse, Rodeo Club takes the title, with River Rock Café and Ernie's Steakhouse nippin' at the heels.

Shorts bar won the best swimmin' hole easily over Lightning Creek.

Of course, Etc was chosen as favorite thrift store.

And lastly, grand champion waiter/waitress was Katelynn Manley at the River Rock Café with Tammy Stone as first runner-up.

But we know what you really want to know is what categories are being considered for next year. Well, on your recommendations the following are what we are or are not going to put on the ballot: Best....car dealership, outfitter, restaurant, event, most eligible bachelor, town drunk

and breakfast. We may have a few more ideas by the time next summer rolls around; watch for it.

Thanks to everyone for all their votes! We had a great response from hand delivered, emailed, and mailed entries, we even had a few from out of state. We are looking forward to doing it all again next summer. If you have any more ideas, suggestions or comments you can email them to [currentnews@frontiernet.net](mailto:currentnews@frontiernet.net).

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