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**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,
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informative meeting)**

**Next BOARD MEETING Thursday,
April 7, 2016 – 10:00 AM
ODFW BUILDING**

MEMBERSHIP DUES UPDATE

The board of directors has decided that *July 1st* of each year will be the due date for all membership annual dues. The bookkeeper, treasurer and membership coordinator suggested that their jobs would be much easier and more efficient when everyone paid at the same time. You will receive a prorated billing inside your April Riffle. Thank you in advance for your cooperation during our change over.

\$20.00 - Individual Membership or
\$30.00 - Immediate family
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President's Corner

By David Sophusson

Greetings from the quaint little hatchery nestled quietly in the woods. The babies are doing very well at this time and have learned to feed on their own. I would like to thank David Barnes for stepping up and doing the annual maintenance on the automatic feeders. Also Gary and Chris Underhill and their crew for prepping the raceways for the fish and for lining up the volunteers and putting a feeding schedule together. Thanks to the volunteers for all the hours they put in doing fundraisers for the hatchery we have made a few extra dollars to make some improvements to the hatchery. In the next couple of months we plan to remove the white storage shed, which a wood rat has built a nice little house in, and replace it with a more secure storage container. This will also clean up our little junk pile in that area. Second due to the demand from the ladies and for the disabled we will be bringing in a nice flush type restroom, for the guys well you're stuck with what we've already got for the time being. Also on our list is to improve the roadway in front of the raceways to redirect the surface water drainage problem that may be going underneath number three raceway. We are also trying to put together an open house/membership drive sometime this summer with hot dogs, sodas, and ice cream. Speaking of members we have a lot of volunteers that are not members of the hatchery and I wish you would consider becoming members. The small annual amount that we ask for really helps with the costs of running the hatchery and it also gives you voting privileges. Thanks everyone for all that you do and to the new faces I see at the hatchery please bear with me I'm slow to putting names to faces but I try.

CAF General Meeting

March 10, 2016

John Epps- the CAF vice-president called the meeting to order at 10:07am. The minutes from the February general meeting were approved as printed in *The Riffle*. John reported that the wooden storage shed is in bad shape and had been invaded by wood rats that had caused damage to equipment. The board approved the purchase of a metal shipping container for the cost of \$3,750 delivered contingent upon the approval of the landlord.

Treasurer's report- Barbara Huff reported a monthly loss of \$1,241 for the month of February. The expenses for the month included a new pressure washer and CAF's contribution for the purchase of aquatic treatment chemicals for the weeds at Arizona Beach pond. There's a glitch in the bookkeeper's formal accounting due to the transfer of money to the checking account. Barb and Becky Sophusson met with the CPA to review the yearly taxes, discuss the possible transition to QuickBooks and to establish the entry requirements for both the salmon derby accounting and the scholarship expense.

Hatchery- Gary Underhill reported: all fish are in the raceways; some mechanical feeders are in place on raceways 2 & 3, but multiple daily feedings are still being used for the newer placements; a few fish have come in the head boxes from upstream; there is too much mud to start using the vacuums; Chris & Gary will be gone for 2 weeks, but Chris has worked out the feeding schedule to make sure everything is covered while they're gone; SLOW and small dosage hand feeding is crucial at this stage of development.

ODFW- Reel Fishing Days are at the end of April and many volunteers are needed. ODFW appreciates the tremendous cooperation of CAF and the South Coast Fishermen in making this program successful.

Scholarships- Jack Sheehan and Barbara Hoffman have established the requirements for Gold Beach High School seniors to qualify for a \$500 secondary education scholarship. The applications will be submitted by March 18th and the award ceremony will be on May

5th. Jack and Barbara will judge entries, but asked for another CAF volunteer to help. Hassie Taylor quickly raised her hand.

Lower Rogue Watershed Council (LRWC) - CAF representative, Jim Freedman, announced that there will be a tree planting project at the library on March 16th at 2:30pm and volunteers would be welcomed; LRWC will make a presentation at the Soroptomist meeting next month; LRWC will soon be DEQ certified for water quality testing.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

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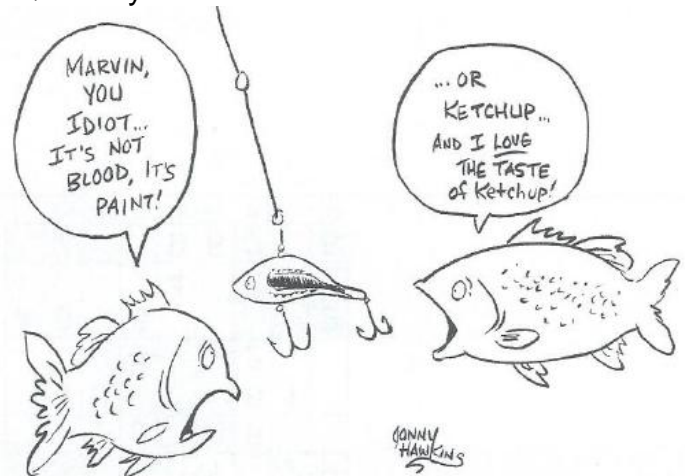
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Fishing Quote of the Month

"I worry about kids today not having time to build a tree house or ride a bike or go fishing. I worry that life is getting faster and faster."

Quote by John Lasseter



By Jonny Hawkins

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by Chris Underhill,
Volunteer Coordinator 247-0396

March winds bring April showers, which brings May flowers. Okay, we might have it all in one month, Surprise, Surprise welcome to Oregon weather!!

The babies are eating great and all raceways will be on the automatic feeders by March 21st. Weber weighted on the 16th raceway #3 was 468 per pound, raceway #2 is 560 per pound, with both of them eating S1 feed, raceway #1 hasn't been weighted yet and they are still on S0. I had a little scare the beginning of March I thought I'd killed fish by overfeeding, but thank goodness they were okay I backed off on the feed, so we are behind on the feed amounts. I'd like to say a big **THANK YOU** to Barbara Hoffman, Dave,



Photo by Richard McKinney

Carol Barnes, Jim Pennington, and Pat Eakles for handling the afternoon and evening handfeeding and measuring out food for the daily feeders, **THANK YOU!!** We are starting to vacuum the raceways, but right now daily feeders make sure you clean all screen on each raceway and scrub walls on your assigned raceway. We are looking for daily feeders to take over the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month and the 1st Sunday of each month, we also have some new volunteers that would like to be teamed up with a regular feeder to learn and help with the vacuuming and scrubbing walls. The Knox's have some escapee black Angus, so they've put a gate up by the hatchery. You can either park at the

gate and walk to the hatchery, or open the gate, drive through close gate behind yourself if the gates not closed then don't worry about it. We are still expecting the clipping trailer to arrive around June 10th; with fin clipping starting on the 13th of June it should take about 4 days to clip all our babies.



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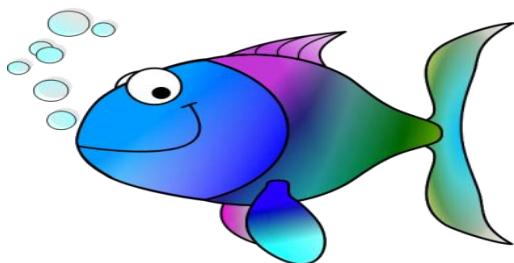
The Main event this Month

The main event this month is **Arizona Beach Reel Days!!** We need volunteers to help teach 3rd graders how to fish, we also need fish cleaners, people to help get all the fishing poles ready for the kids and last but not least, cooks and bakers, so we can feed the volunteers. The kids will be coming from Brookings on Tues. April 19th and Thurs. the 21st, Gold Beach will be on Tues. the 26th and the Port Orford kids will come on Thurs. the 28th. We will be starting around 8:30am each morning, rain or shine, and should be done around 2pm. I'll be calling looking for volunteers and the more people we have the easier it is to teach the kids, we try to have a volunteer for each kid. The Youth Anglers and Aquatic Trailer has all the gear we will need, from fishing line, hooks and poles to teach each child to tie knots and to cast, to open faced and closed reels set-up with bobbers and hooks to catch fish in the pond. ODFW will stock the pond with trout, ranging from pan size to a couple hundred lunkers; those are the big guys usually ranging from 12 to 24 inches. Boy the kids get excited when they catch a fish and the volunteers get pretty excited too! I can guarantee you won't regret volunteering for this worthwhile project, but come prepared with mud boots, coats, I bring pliers to get hooks out and if it's sunny, hats

and sun screen. We have a morning class and an afternoon class, and we will have morning munchies and water & coffee available, and we'll also feed you lunch.

Come out and join the fun, you won't regret it, and there's nothing better than a kids smile holding their first catch!!

I'll be calling looking for volunteers, so I'll talk to you later. Thank you, Christine Underhill, Volunteer Coordinator



Happy fish; Said good chow

Volunteer Profile of the Month

Mike Ananos

Interview by Hassie Taylor



Photo by Hassie Taylor

Mike Ananos, born in Berkeley, CA, but he was primarily raised in Kelseyville on the Adobe Creek Ranch and attended school K-12. Mike worked the ranch with his dad who taught him how to buy and sell livestock, build fences, cultivate and raise hay and sheer sheep.

At the age of seventeen Mike joined the Air Force and worked as a quality control inspector on B 52's for four years. Once out, he went to work for Patchetts Bus &

Transportation in Newman, CA. Mike worked there for eight years training school bus drivers. In 1967 he was offered a position by the Pleasanton Unified School District as the director of facilities and put in charge of all maintenance. Five schools were remodeled and ten new schools were built during his thirty-five years of service with the school district.

In 2002 Mike retired and decided to live the life of Riley, traveling and playing golf. Mike's desire to see the world has put him on a journey to explore some interesting and wonderful places such as China, Peru, Egypt, Costa Rica, Scotland, Ireland, several trips to Mexico and a seventeen day trip across Europe. As a passionate world traveler, he's not completed his bucket list quite yet. He wants to explore Australia and New Zealand with his traveling partner, Barbara Huff.

He now runs the Adobe Creek Ranch with his son-in-law and daughter.

Mike likes to spend as much time in Gold Beach and Ophir as possible. When here, he keeps busy volunteering for Hospice, the hatchery and Pick of the Litter/ Pennies for Pouches.

Mike is a regular at the Cedar Bend Golf Course where you might find him playing golf with Bob and Mary Tindall, and Barbara Huff. Or you might just want to give him a call and challenge him to a game.

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Submitted by Hassie Taylor

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Did you know that Colleen's husband, Gary, who has since passed, used to own the Mail boats and was a fishing guide? Colleen and Gary have been members of CAF since the early 1990's and have generously donated

many gift certificates for fundraisers and sponsor the Curry Anadromous Fishermen monthly newsletter, *The Riffle*. Colleen feels CAF is a huge component to our "town team." The businesses here depend on good fishing and good weather. We invite you to the Nor'Wester Seafood Restaurant located at the Port of Gold Beach for that *special occasion* or anytime you want a real fine dining experience in Gold Beach. Tell them you heard about them in *The Riffle*. And don't forget the warm sourdough bread with creamy butter and their warm spinach salad. Upon my last visit I had their spinach salad with chicken and bleu which was a delight. They are open seven days a week. For more information, please call (541) 247-2333.

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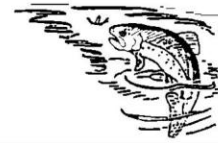
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