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**INDIAN CREEK HATCHERY IS RUN BY  
CURRY ANADROMOUS FISHERMEN,  
AN ALL-VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION.**

**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,  
July 12, 2018 – 10:00 AM**

**At the Indian Creek Fish Hatchery  
Gold Beach, OR**

**General meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Thursday of each month.**

**Come; join us for an interesting and  
informative meeting.**

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**Next BOARD MEETING Thursday,  
July 5, 2018 – 10:00 AM  
ODFW BUILDING**

## **NEW MEMBERSHIP DUES**

**\$20.00 - Individual Membership or**

**\$30.00 - Immediate family**

**\$72.00 - Annual sponsorship**

**JOIN TODAY!**

## **Upcoming Events**

Fin Clipping – begins July 10

Salmon Derby – August 1- 4

***Derby Banquet in the Showcase Building  
at the Fairgrounds not Sunset Family Pizza***

Everyone can show their support by  
entering this year's Salmon Derby –  
Hope to see you on the river!

## **CHECK OUT OUR UPDATED WEBSITE**

"News and Events" - Keep up to date on the  
latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to  
[www.rogueriversalmon.org](http://www.rogueriversalmon.org)

## **President's Corner**

By David Sophusson

Some of you may be wondering (now that June has come and gone), why there has been no mention of fin clipping our fish to identify our hatchery salmon from wild salmon. Normally we would have clipped the adipose fin off all the fish by mid-June. But the clipping trailer that ODFW supplies us with each year was needed by others with a higher priority. So, we will be clipping almost a month late this year starting on July 10<sup>th</sup> and will probably take at least four days to complete. Now that I think about it, that might not be such a bad thing as the fish will be bigger. So those of us with, let's say, ageing eyes will have a better chance of seeing that dang tiny little fin to clip. Also, like last year, we will again be marking the first 25000 – 28000 with a coded wire tag that will identify them to our hatchery and the year they were released. It should be interesting in a few years to see the results.



*Fin Clipping Flash Back Photo by Mary Duncan*

On June 8<sup>th</sup> some of our hatchery volunteers again gave a hand to our local ODFW folks at Arizona pond to teach about 60 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, all the way from Medford, how to fish. Most of them had never even touched a fishing pole, but with the help of the volunteers and having the pond restocked with fish for them, I believe it will be something they will never forget. They had a ball and I'm guessing that a lot of them will be fishing in the future.



ODFW "Day at the Office"  
Medford "Reel Days" at Arizona Pond  
Photo by Mary Duncan



Medford "Reel Days" at Arizona Pond  
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## **CAF General Meeting**

June 14, 2018

**President**-David Sophusson called the meeting to order at 10:10am. The minutes from May will be in the next newsletter.

**Treasurer**-Barbara Huff reported a loss for May of \$1,099.92 and a year-to-date loss of \$8,912.11. The income is normally low in the first half of the year and we have the increased expense of the very impressive office area remodel.

**Hatchery**-Gary Underhill reported: the oxygen system is on and the DO readings are good; the fish are feeding well; volunteers need make sure the strainer baskets are in the vacuums; there will be a garbage clean-up tomorrow; there are 3 orphaned baby skunks hanging around; the screens on the REDD units need to be cleaned on a daily basis.

**2018 Salmon Derby**-Mary Duncan received approval from the board to spend \$360 on 66 multi-state radio stations advertising for the week before the derby. Sunset Family Pizza will be the location for the awards dinner.

**ODFW**-John Weber thanked everyone who helped with the 60 students that participated in the June 8<sup>th</sup> Reel Fishing Day.



Lunch Break - Medford "Reel Days" at Arizona Pond  
Photo by Mary Duncan



**College Scholarships**-Jack Sheehan presented a \$500 scholarship to Nathan Malamud of Pacific High School

**Libby Pond Free Fishing Day**-Mary Duncan said the day was a complete success with the turnout, the donations, a lot of prizes and all the food was eaten. Thanks to Mary and everyone who helped.

**Estuaries**-Jim Freedman brought more copies of the Lower Rogue Watershed Action Plan.

**Fin Clipping**-Clipping will be July 10<sup>th</sup> until finished.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10am  
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

## **The July 12th General Meeting will be held at the hatchery**



*Photo by Jerry's Rogue Jets*

## **Sponsor's Corner**

Submitted by Hassie Taylor

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*Huggins Canyon*

*Photo by Jerry's Rogue Jets*



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*Devil's Staircase*  
Photo by Jerry's Rogue Jets



*Osprey with Fish*  
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*Eagle with a Steelhead – Lunch is served!*  
Photo by Jerry's Rogue Jets

## **Quotes of the Month**

"Many of the most highly publicized events of my presidency are not nearly as memorable or significant in my life as fishing with my daddy."  
- Jimmy Carter

## **Quotes of the Month**

Time is but the stream I go a-fishing in. I drink at it; but while I drink I see the sandy bottom and detect how shallow it is. Its thin current slides away, but eternity remains.  
- Henry David Thoreau

"Fly fishermen are born honest, but they get over it"  
- Ed Zern



*Libby Pond Lunker - Free Fishing Day, 2018*  
Photo by Aaron Duncan

## **Notice to Local Members:**

Don't forget to save your McKay receipts. It is an easy way to add money to feed our babies. You can turn the receipts in at the **hatchery, Jots, or The Indian Creek Café**. Each location has a donation jar.



You know fish is great brain food."-"Well, you know, then you should fish for a whale!"  
Larry and Moe (of the Three Stooges)

**Support those who support the Indian Creek Hatchery.**

## **2018 CAF Board & Officers**

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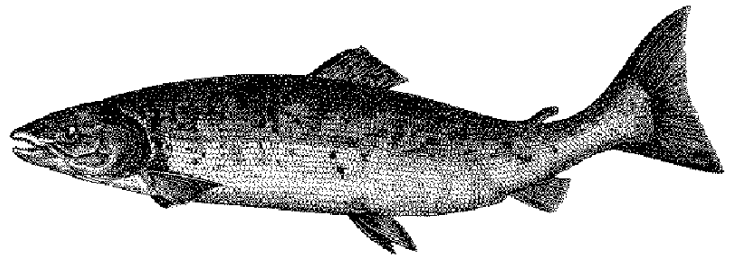
### ***Doctor***

*A small town Doctor was famous in the area for always catching large fish.*

*One day while he was on one of his frequent fishing trips he got a call that a woman at a neighboring farm was giving birth. He rushed to her aid and delivered a healthy baby boy.*

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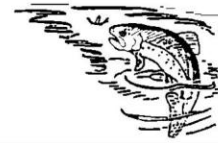
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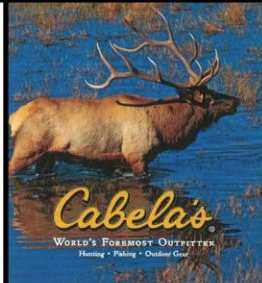


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