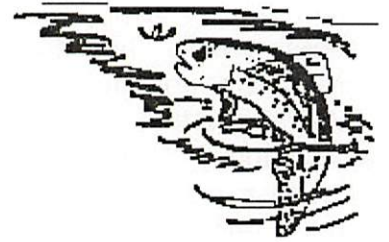




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Next GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 19, 2022 –
10:00 a.m. at the Gold Beach
Community Center. All you can eat
Breakfast will be served.
Further meeting notice will be given by
email to all members.
Come get involved with raising and
releasing Chinook Salmon for the
benefit of us all. You can help keep our
fishing tradition alive.

Next BOARD MEETING

Thursday, November 10, 2022 – 10:00
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\$20.00 - Individual Membership or
\$30.00 - Immediate family
\$72.00 - annual sponsorship

Upcoming Event

General Meeting and Election of Officers for 2023
to be held at the Landing North on
December 10, 2022, open bar at 5:00,
Dinner at 6:00 pm.

ODFW will be collecting brood stock fish for the
hatchery beginning on October 25th. at Lobster
Creek boat launch beginning at 10am. Come on out
and help or just come to watch this fascinating
process.

Fish Release

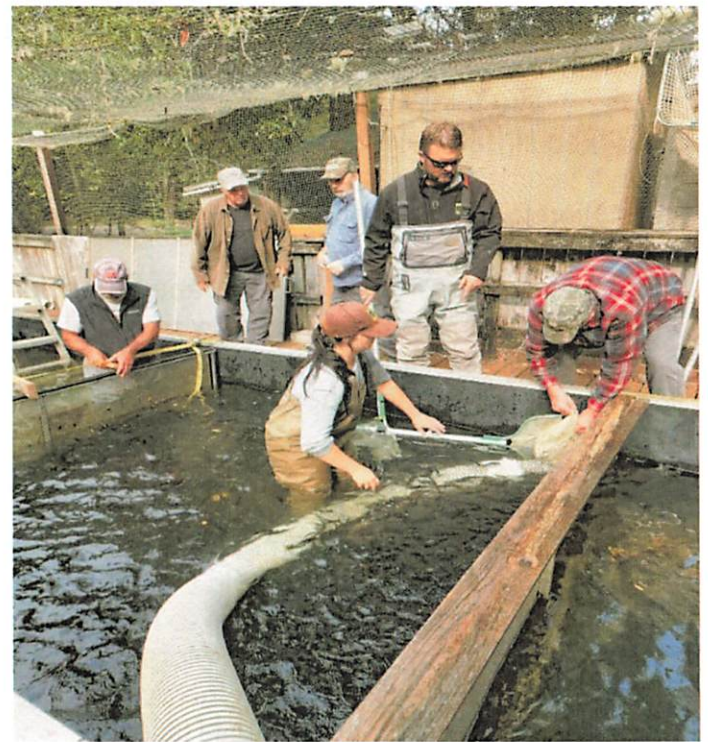


Photo by Bill Budd Fish Release 9/1/2022.

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latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to
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President's Corner

By Roger Lindquist

We're back! We've held monthly general
meetings for the last several months with

attendance growing each month. November's meeting will be held November 19th, at the Gold Beach Community Center. The meeting will be held at 10am in conjunction with the Community Centers monthly all-you-can-eat breakfast. Come on down, have breakfast (but it isn't necessary to buy breakfast to attend the hatchery meeting) and stay for the meeting. You would be helping out two worthy organizations at the same time.

Since the last Riffle we have had two big fund-raising events. We had a real win-win fall into our lap. The county fair offered the hatchery a fund-raising opportunity of collecting admissions at the fair. A large number of members and hatchery supporters turned out to help with this effort. To a person, those who worked the event said that they had a great time. We all enjoyed greeting and welcoming our friends and neighbors back to the fair after a two year hiatus. And, we earned a nice donation to the hatchery.

The second opportunity was the annual Lower Rogue Salmon Derby. The derby was a big success with well over 100 entries and many fish caught, several in the high 20-pound range.

The holidays are right around the corner. Our annual December general meeting/dinner is back on! The dinner will be held December 10th, at the Landing North. Hope to see as many of you there as possible. More information on the dinner is on the poster attached as the last page of this Riffle.

Lastly, we have several openings on the board of directors. **If you want to be on the ballot, or if you want more information on what serving on the board entails, please let us know.** You can leave a voice mail on the hatchery phone (541) 247-7638 or an e-mail at, cafroque@gmail.com.

Derby Results and Sponsor Acknowledgments

Who was the winner this year and the lucky weight? **Merbeth Bin** (13.3 pounds) and a second winner due to a clerical error, **Deanna Page** (13.1 pounds) - 12.96 Pounds was the lucky weight. Congratulations Merbeth and Deanna - Well Done Ladies!

What was the biggest fish weighed in this year? two people landed and entered their 26.2 pound fish: Alan Plumbridge and Keith Waters. Nice Fish Guys!

109 people entered the Derby this year and thirty two fish were entered over the four day event. The Derby "netted" a little over ten thousand dollars which is about one third of our yearly operating expenses. All and all, it was a complete success

Thank you to all of our sponsors, volunteers, and members for their support of this yearly event to help raise funds to feed and care for the fish:

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STAC: What is it, and why care?

The Salmon and Trout Advisory Committee (STAC) was established with STEP in 1981 to serve as an advisory committee to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and the Fish and Wildlife Commission. STAC duties outlined in statute include:

- The review of ODFW policies concerning the implementation of STEP
- To make recommendations to the Department and the Commission
- Be the voice of the STEP programs in their area.

In addition, STAC will help administer the STAC mini-grant program which provides monetary support for qualifying projects. There are 9 regional committee representatives.

OK, that is a bunch of words. What does it mean to you as a STEP member/volunteer? Simply stated, as the Southern Coast STAC representative, I am your voice to the ODFW

Commission and the ODFW staff. It is my responsibility to keep you informed of policies and initiatives that will affect you and the fish you support here in the Southern Oregon Coast Region. In turn, I keep the committee informed regarding your concerns and comments as well as projects that you are engaged with.

Recently we were fortunate enough to have STAC as well as ODFW staff here on the Southern Oregon Coast. This was one of 3 meetings held annually around the state. The engagement from both Oregon South Coast Fishermen (OSCF) and Curry Anadromous Fishermen (CAF) was noted and very much appreciated by STAC.

The main topic of this meeting was the updating of the Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) with respect to STEP/STAC. These rules had not been updated since 1986 (Yes, it was time!) and have been undergoing extensive review by ODFW staff, ODFW STEP biologist, STAC members and STEP clubs, as well as many concerned citizens for over a year now. This effort has been challenging to say the least, but with the help of all we are getting close to finalizing the rules.

While there have been countless people that have been involved, I want to personally thank several people that attended the STAC meeting here in Gold Beach. OSCF was represented by Dave Kuehn, Leonard Krug, and Rich Heap. and CAF was represented by Mary Duncan, Bruce Blanthorn, and Joe Janowitz.

Roger Lindquist
 Southern Coast STAC

Ways to help the Hatchery through donations

As many of you are aware, we have been getting donations from the collection of McKay's receipts as well as by linking your Ray's rewards cards to the hatchery account. The board thanks everyone for their help with these rewards programs. As a reminder:

McKay's

McKay's will rebate back to the hatchery 1% of eligible purchased items. Receipts must be dated within the last 12 months and all McKay's receipts, not just Gold Beach, are eligible. There are collection containers at the following locations: Oceanside RV Park, Turtle Cove RV Park, Indian Creek RV park, the Crow's Nest restaurant, Rogue Outdoor Store, and at the hatchery itself, or they may be turned in at any monthly meeting.

Ray's

With your Ray's rewards card, talk to a manager and have them go into their computer and link your card to Curry Anadromous Fishermen, account number 50642. Then, each time you make a purchase at Ray's, give them your rewards card number or phone number. A donation will be sent to us each quarter.

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Link your Rewards Card to the hatchery at fredmeyer.com. Enrolling is an easy process that's clearly outlined on the site. Customers can begin earning donations for our nonprofit when they shop at Fred Meyer using a linked Rewards Card. This is an ongoing program and customers may enroll at any time. First log into your account and next select Community Rewards; it is on the left side. Type Curry Anadromous Fishermen in the search bar. Once our organization comes up hit enroll. This will not affect your existing Fred Meyer's rewards or gas rewards program; you will just be providing a donation to the hatchery with eligible purchases.

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On your first visit to AmazonSmile, smile.amazon.com, you need to select a charitable organization to receive the donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation. This cannot, at this time, be accessed from the Amazon App for iOS or Android, so you will need to access through a web browser. If you have an existing Amazon

account this will not affect it, you will just be providing a donation to the hatchery with eligible purchases. This program is a great way for friends and family from out of town to help support our hatchery.

Thank you for anything you can do to help out the Indian Creek Hatchery and its support of the Lower Rogue River salmon fishery. If you have questions, please contact Roger Lindquist at rlindquist95457@gmail.com or (541) 373-7848

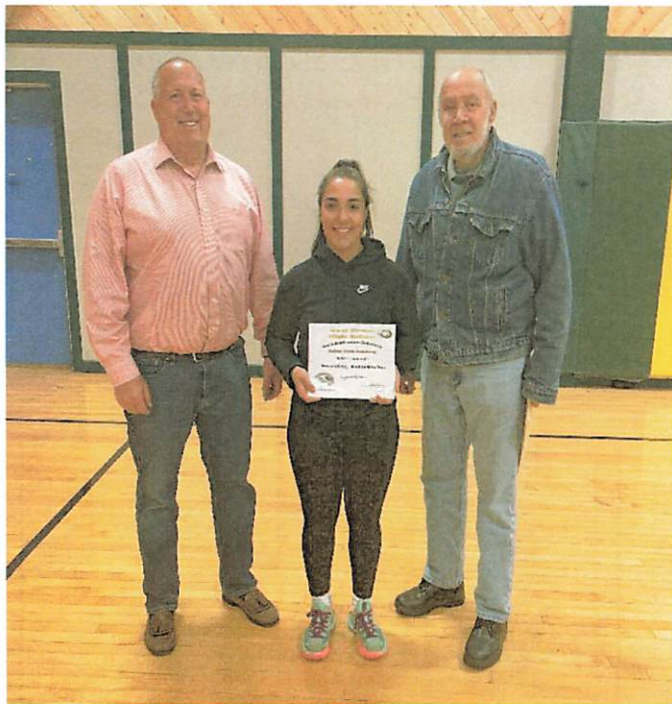


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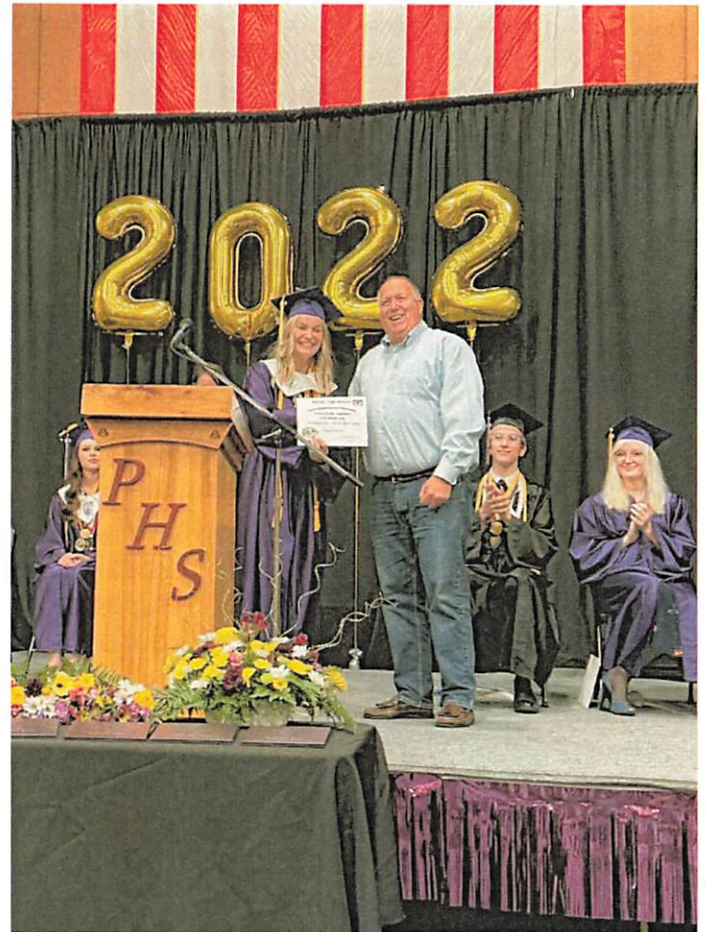
For the past seven years, Indian Creek Fish Hatchery has offered a financial scholarship to one qualified graduating student from each of the high schools in Curry County. Home schooled students are also considered.



Brookings scholarship to Kailina Hamilton. She is going to South Western Community College to become a nurse.



Gold Beach scholarship to Megan Pearson. She is going to OSU to become a Dietician.



Pacific High scholarship to Wiley Lang. She is going to OSU to become a Veterinarian.

Thank you, Jack Sheehan
Scholarship Coordinator

CAF Welcomes New Members

John Connor
Bill and Carey Budd
Jesse & Barbara Dolan
Warren & Linda Riemath

We challenge all interested residents of Curry County to become active members of CAF. Join us as each year we succeed in placing between eighty and one hundred thousand salmon in the Rogue River; get involved in teaching others to fish, and help give back to our community. Come on out and enjoy the outdoors on the Southern Oregon Coast!

On a sadder note, Art Tidmarsh passed on quietly at home with his family in attendance.

Joe Janowicz speaks for all of us in this time of sorrow. Art was a solid figure of a man with a huge heart. When I first met Art I have to admit I was a little intimidated. Standing at all of 6'5" and 320 lbs., with long hair, and a huge beard, it's easy to see why. But his easy laugh and great sense of humor won me over quickly.

Art was always there for every Hatchery work crew detail. He loved raising salmon and interacting with other like minded folks. Art always had a good word to say, and was one of the first friends to make me feel at home when I started showing up at the hatchery. He took me under his wing and showed me the workings from the ground up so to speak. I was really shy...me, shy? Yep. It can happen to best of us. As most of you know, I got over being shy.

Art was a hard worker, a good friend, a happy warrior. This year's spawning will not be the same, and the Underhill Work Gang will sorely miss its major mover and shaker, Art Tidmarsh. May his soul Rest In Peace.

Joe Janowicz
Hatchery volunteer

SNOUT RECOVERY PROGRAM

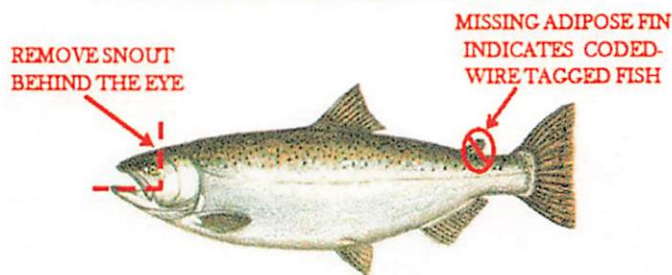
Snout Recovery Program Drawing
Winner for 2022 went to Pat Hull, shown here holding his new rod and reel.



Photo by Aaron Duncan

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