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

By David Sophusson

Well, we did it again! We clipped the adipose fins off of all our little fish. With thanks to Chris Underhill and her great organizing skills, everything went smoothly and the job is done. I got to meet a lot of new people, some of whom are now members of CAF. Also, by the time you read this our fireworks fund raiser might be in the history books. Our next two big events which will happen almost simultaneously are the release of the fish and the Cape Blanco fund raiser July 27th – Aug. 2nd. It's going to be a busy but fun time. Most of us will get to take a break for a few months before we start all over again. But it's all for a good cause, and what we do is appreciated by more than you can imagine. So, thank you all!

Newsletter Editor Wanted

Our wonderful editor of *The Riffle*, Hassie Taylor, is going to retire. This job is essential to keeping CAF happenings exposed to the community, sponsors, contributors and our fantastic membership. This is an opportunity to work at your home computer and use all those creative ideas you've been keeping inside for years. This job would be ideal for two members to take on. For details call Hassie at 247-0733.

CAF Welcomes New Members

Bruce Kikuta, Gold Beach
Jon & Dawn Vandort, Gold Beach

CAF General Meeting

June 11, 2015

President- David Sophusson called the meeting to order at 10:15am. Minutes from the April and June meetings were approved as printed in the June edition of *The Riffle*. David informed everyone that Don Foss passed away and that Gary Harmon is recovering at home following a heart attack. We all wish Bo Gemeinhardt a speedy recovery.

Treasurer- Barbara Jorge reported a monthly loss for May of \$817.67. There were miscellaneous expenses for Reel Fishing Days and a \$270 expense for taxes and bookkeeping.

HATCHERY- Gary Underhill reported: water pressure and oxygen levels are fine; the oxygen system will be activated after fin clipping; the vacuum systems are working well except for a breaker tripping when both systems are used together; the mort rate is high in raceway 3 and samples have been sent for analysis; the spiders in the D.O. box are getting larger.

2015 Fundraisers- The fireworks booth will be operational from June 27th thru July 4th. Most positions for the BiMart Country Music Festival have been filled and Becky S. expects all positions to be filled by CAF members. Plans for the salmon derby are going well and Harry Carlson is looking for a chairman trainee. Sunset Family Pizza has a new owner, but the fall pizza night commitment will be honored.

Free Fishing Day- The turnout was great with 84 registered children. Hot dogs and fixings were donated by McKay's and Ray's and 67 prizes were awarded. **ODFW-** The ODFW volunteer form needs to be signed by everyone who works at the hatchery. The completion of the ODFW form is required by the CAF insurance carrier.

The Riffle- Desperately seeking a new editor to relieve Hassie Taylor. The membership list is being updated and an announcement in the next issue will notify delinquent members about the termination of their subscription. Returns by the post office will be discussed with the postmaster. **Membership-** Barb Huff has offered to be in charge of membership and will update the mailing list, notify delinquent members and handle the dues billing. Thanks Barb.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, Secretary

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by:

Chris Underhill, CAF Volunteer Coordinator
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Thanks to a great group of volunteers; we have finished fin-clipping our babies. We have a total of 31,340 smolt in Raceway #1, 31,180 in Rwy #2 and Rwy #3 hasn't been totaled yet. A big "Thank You" goes out to all the volunteers who helped clip fins or crowded and bucketed fish into the trailer and the cooks who made great salads and desserts. We also thank Mangia Buff for preparing a great Ravioli Pasta lunch which accompanied my Caesar salad. Great combo! Then we had great pizzas from Sunset Pizza which has new owners. We wish Tyson and Spike the best of luck. Thank you Carla and Brad for all you contributed and donated to the hatchery. Enjoy your retirement!

I also want to add a big thank you to my hubby, Gary, who cooked hot dogs on all breaks and hamburgers on 2 lunches. He ran everything outside; he started up the trailer each morning, crowded, bucketed, got very sunburned and sore, and was there with me every day. Everyone who helped out is awesome.

Another big thank you goes out to Mary and Aaron Duncan for taking on and doing an incredible job at Libby Pond Family Fishing Day!

So glad you guys are a part of CAF. You've been wonderful in getting donations and taking care of business! Thank you also to everyone who helped out and showed up to lend a hand at Libby Pond. We have such a great group of volunteers; thank you all for answering the phone when I call.

The fireworks booth will again be at the Rogue Outdoor Store. I know Becky is hard at work on the schedule for the 4th of July Booth and Cape Blanco.

Update: Gary Harmon is recovering from his heart attack and has been given an okay from his doctor to help at the hatchery again. I'm very sad to say we lost our longtime volunteer and friend, Don Foss this last month. I'm sending love and condolences to Marilyn and also to Bo Gemeinhardt on his loss of his beautiful wife, Wylene.

Volunteer of the Month Profile

Ron Farnsworth



Photo by Hassie Taylor

Born in San Diego, CA while Ron's dad was overseas fighting the Korean War, the family soon moved to San Jose, CA when Ron was eight. Upon graduation from high school in 1973, Ron went to work for a large cattle ranch in Belle Fouché, South Dakota. He worked the cattle ranch for approximately 2 ½ years learning ranch management. He then drove back to San Jose to help his mother who had undergone a hip replacement.

In 1982 Ron graduated from Sequoia Automotive Tech where he became a production shop mechanic and completed a body shop course for auto mechanics; Ron has a love for cars and motorcycles. Ron is also a certified welder in Oregon. He joined union Local #3 and worked until 1992 in construction in the northern California area. After working in road construction he worked for Oberto Sausage Co. in Albany, Oregon for the next seventeen years. Three years ago Ron discovered Gold Beach. He moved to Gold Beach to be close to his daughter, Kimberly, and granddaughter. Ron has two daughters and two sons. He has a special connection to his family and likes working with children. Ron reared his children as a single dad and is proud that he raised them to be hard-working citizens.

In 2012 Ron met Jack Sheehan as they were picking up their grandchildren at the bus stop. Jack invited Ron to join a CAF meeting. Donuts and coffee lured him in, and he has been a volunteer ever since. He enjoys the activities

with children including the Arizona Reel Days. He also enjoys feeding fish and vacuuming with Jack and Chuck. He has also helped with various work projects such as painting the deck. He is looking forward to his first fin clipping this weekend.

Ron's hobbies and interests include bird watching and hiking; he hopes to get back into golf in the near future. Simply stated, Ron loves the outdoors.

Since settling in Gold Beach Ron spends his time working landscape maintenance for many of the park residents and various other clients around Gold Beach. Ron tells me that "he brought his ingenuity to Curry County and is here to stay!"



Driving to and from the hatchery. Honking sometimes helps move the cattle aside.

Photo by Hassie Taylor

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.

Members and Sponsors

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Fishing Quote of the Month

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~Author Unknown

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Submitted by Hassie Taylor

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Historical Bits of our Salmon Fishery

Contributed by Laurel Gerkman

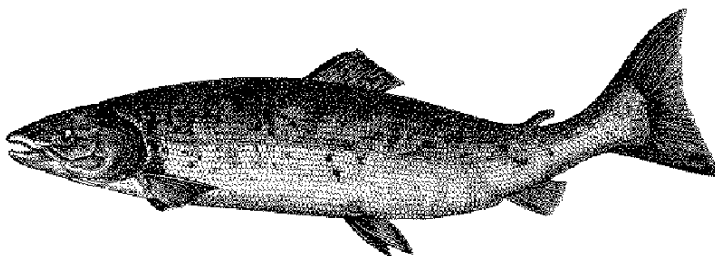


Setting the Drift Nets – Rogue River: Circa 1907
Submitted by Laurel Gerkman

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