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**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,
Aug. 14, 2014 – 10:00 AM
Mangia Buff Café in Gold Rush Center
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President's Corner

By David Sophusson

The board would like to welcome Harry Carlson as a new board member. Thank you for volunteering your time and commitment, Harry. When I first became involved with the hatchery, the general meetings were held at the pancake house and we used to have a pretty good turnout. Things changed after a time and we were in need of finding a new meeting place. I can't thank Jot's enough for allowing us to use one of their meeting rooms every month for the past years, what a great place and great people! Up until recently there wasn't any place in town that could both host us for breakfast and the general meeting like we used to do. Awhile back we heard that Mangia Buff Café in the Rush building is now serving breakfast. So knowing that the owner, Kevin Buffington, has two separate dining rooms, Becky and I approached him with the idea of getting back to having breakfast followed by the meeting. He was very enthusiastic about the idea and agreed to host our meetings with a no host breakfast prior to the meeting. Our July meeting there went very well with a great turnout, thank you Kevin for your support! So our next general meeting held on Aug. 14th will again be held at the Mangia Buff Café with breakfast at 9:00am and the meeting at 10:00am. By the time you read this the fin clipping will have been done and this year it will have taken a few hours longer since we have a full 90,000 to clip. Gary Underhill built us some new steps leading out of the raceways by the head of raceway #3 so that should be a big help for getting the fish delivered to the clipping trailer. Thanks Gary! I have to give another thanks to Glenn Kral for knocking

down the blackberries and nettles around the raceways. Now I can put the D.O. probes back into each raceway and get that system back online. Also, by the time you read this I should have the new booster water pump wired, plumbed, and running. I can't wait to see what that will do for our water supply for the hatchery building.

We now have more information on our job assignments for the Country Music Festival. Becky will be contacting you to volunteer for the event. Hope to see you there. Thanks to everyone for your support and the hours you have put in to help raise our fish for 2014!

Profile of the Month Sign-ups for 2014

Here's the list of the sign-ups gathered for 2014. If you would like to be published in 2015, please call me at 541-247-0733.

January	Chris Underhill
February	No <i>Riffle</i> publication
March	John Weber
April	Becky Sophusson
May	Harry Carlson
June	Rich Watson
July	Chuck Dwyre
August	Bill Fetzer
September	Marshall Dickson
October	Nancy Howe
November	Pat Kellis
December	Gary Harmon

CAF General Meeting

May 8, 2014

David Sophusson, president, called the meeting to order at 10:10am. The minutes from the May general meeting were approved as printed in the June issue of *The Riffle*. At last week's board meeting, Harry Carlson was unanimously approved to fill the vacant board position. The board approved the purchase of 500 brochures to distribute around town.

Treasurer's report- Barbara Jorge reported the May monthly loss of \$834.16. A donation of \$300 was made to Oregon Stewardship in appreciation for their continued involvement with riparian education of K-12 students in Curry County.

Hatchery- There was a pressure drop in the water flow due to leaves blocking the inlet screen at the vault. The oxygen generator system will be turned on as needed when the water flow decreases.

The new sign is 98% ready to install. The slip preventative deck surface will be applied when activity scheduling allows.

Volunteer Coordinator- Chris Underhill reported that Free Fishing Day went smoothly with 58 children registering. Awards of fishing poles, tackle boxes and gift certificates from local merchants were given out with the free lunch and drinks. Chris will be calling volunteers for fin clipping, which begins June 23rd conducted on Wed., Fri. and Saturday.

Fireworks- Becky Sophusson has the schedule ready for volunteer signups to work the booth beginning June 27th larger profit percentage this year. Becky really needs a replacement chairperson next year, if CAF wants to continue this fundraiser. BiMart Music Festival- CAF will staff 2 VIP hospitality tents Aug. 1-3. Becky has all the details worked out and will signup volunteers and coordinate an organizational meeting well in advance.

Salmon Derby- Harry Carlson will chair the derby and work with Jim Carey on the details. Jim has most of the information generated by Mike Kopec and he'll pass it on to Harry. Harry has a volunteer willing to help generate the donation request letters.

CAF is very thankful that Harry volunteered to continue making the derby a significant fundraiser for the hatchery. Harry assisted Mike as the "derby chairman in training" for the last 2 years.

John Epps- John has worked out the price and coordinated the ODFW grant details for intake screens on the 2 emergency water pumps. CAF will provide matching funds of in-kind labor for installing the screens, as well as, spending up to \$550 for materials.

New meeting place- Dave & Becky had a conversation with Mangia Buff restaurant owner Kevin Buffington about his offer to have CAF hold the monthly general meeting at the restaurant. Attendees could have breakfast at 9am and the meeting would begin at 10am.

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

CAF General Meeting

July 10, 2014

David Sophusson, president, called the meeting to order at 10:00am. David welcomed everyone to Mangia Buff and thanked owner Kevin Buffington for offering CAF the use of his dining area. Since *The Riffle* was not printed before today's meeting, the minutes from the June general meeting will be printed in the next edition of *The Riffle* and approved at the August general meeting.

Treasurer's report- Barbara Jorge reported the May monthly loss of \$619.24. Our monthly incomes will improve with the 3 major fundraisers.

Hatchery- The leaves blocking the inlet screen at the vault are still a problem. The oxygen generator system is operating. Volunteers need to be careful about over tightening the covers on the vacuum pumps. Jim Freedman donated a handmade, custom cover remover in case someone has trouble opening the vacuum filter enclosure. Tour activity has increased and so have donations. Fin clipping went very well and was completed in 3-1/2 days. There are still high mortality counts.

Fireworks- Becky Sophusson reported an estimated profit of \$1,800 and thanked all the volunteers for helping. Becky and Dave were thanked by the audience for all their hours to make sure the fundraiser went smoothly. CAF appreciates the contributions of Jim Carey for the excellent location in front of The Rogue Outdoor Store and Mark Pearson for the loan of the storage trailer.

BiMart Music Festival- This first year's concert is a learning experience for everyone involved, but should be a much smoother operation if it's held again. Becky has all the volunteers signed up and is optimistic that this will be a profitable fundraiser for CAF. The board authorized the expenditure necessary to pay (reduced price) for the camping spaces needed for the full shift, onsite volunteers.

Salmon Derby- Sponsor request letters have been mailed and plans are on track.

ODFW- John Weber announced that the annual Step BBQ will be held on Aug. 9th at Tugman State Park and is sponsored by the STEP volunteers from Florence. Since there has been no apparent explanation for this year's

excessive mortality rate, new samples have been submitted to the lab for culturing.

New meeting place- Mangia Buff restaurant owner Kevin Buffington introduced himself, welcomed everyone and thanked CAF for coming. Kevin explained that he's glad to help out CAF and will become a new sponsor. A gracious applause for Kevin.



*Breakfast @ Mangia Buff
Photo by Hassie Taylor*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

Fishing Quote of the Month

"Carpe Diem" does not mean "fish of the day."
-Author Unknown

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by:

Chris Underhill, Volunteer Coordinator 247-0396

Boy, this year is just flying by, it's mid June and the fish are growing biggereach day, Rwy#1 and Rwy #2 are both up to 58 fish per pound and Rwy #3 is alittle behind at 63 per pound. We are clipping June 23rd to 26th and I'm working on the schedule as I type this article so I'll have more of a clipping report next month.

I have been introducing a few new volunteers to the hatchery, so if you see a new face around the hatchery, introduce yourself and make them feel welcome, more people to play and help with the babies!



Fin Clipping at Indian Creek Hatchery

We had a great turnout of volunteers and kids at the 24th annual Libby Pond Kid's Fishing Derby on June 7th. I'd like to start by thanking all the volunteers who helped weed whack Libby Pond before the fishing derby. Also a big Thank you to everyone who helped set-up and register kids, cook hot dogs and later measure fish and help with tear-down, I think everyone had a great day.



Activity at Libby Pond

Photo submitted by Phil Dickson

The kids were ready and fishing early we only had 60 kids enter, but it was the perfect turnout for Libby Pond. The weed whacking had helped and everyone had room to cast and a good time was had by all. When I blew the whistle at noon, the kids brought in their fish to be measured and everyone had hot dogs donated by Ray's & McKay's. Thanks to Harry Carlson and myself we collected donations for all the winner's. I messed up and didn't get the names of all the winner's, I apologize, but I do remember that Philip Dickson's son, Marshall won 2nd in the 10-14 age group and Christopher Watling won the biggest fish.



Photo submitted by Phil Dickson

I would like to thank Jerry's Jet Boats, Dairy Queen, West Coast Game Park, Prehistoric Garden's, Brookings Municipal Pool, Fred Endert Municipal Pool, Fred Meyer's, Kidz Zone, Flowers by the Sea, Rogue Outdoor Store, Curry Anadromous Fishermen, Oregon South Coast Fishermen, Ray's Food Place, McKay's Market and Nesika Market for donating the prizes and food for this fun free fishing day!

Tours have started at the hatchery at 10 am every Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, so if you feed on one of those days please remember to call and see if anyone wishes to take a hatchery tour. Gary & Bo have given a few tours already and received donations, good job guys!!

The 4th of July fireworks booth will be open from June 26th to July 4th, Becky Sophusson will be calling looking for volunteers, and she's also looking for volunteers to help with the Cape Blanco Music Festival.

I'm working at the Smoke Hut Friday, Saturday & Sunday's so if you get a chance stop by and say Hello. I'm juggling quite a few things right now so I hope I haven't missed anything this month, apologizes if I have. If anyone has any questions about hatchery activities or upcoming events please give me a call.

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.

Barbecue Invitation **South Coast STEP**

The annual STEP Barbecue will again be held this year at Tugman State Park on Saturday, August 9th, 2014 beginning at 12:00 Noon.

STEP volunteers from Florence to Brookings will be attending this growing Fun Day event, which gives all our volunteers a chance to get to know each other and share ideas. This will be a great day to kick back and celebrate all the hard work our volunteers and ODFW have accomplished through education, enhancement and habitat restoration. This year's host will be the Florence STEP group. They will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks, plates and utensils. Everyone is asked to please bring a Potluck side dish of salad or desert to share. You may also want to bring hats, sunscreen and chairs. Florence STEP will also host a Silent Auction so be sure to bring your checkbooks as the host group usually have some great bargains. More information will be provided at a later date along with a reminder notice. The lake has a boat ramp, fishing dock and bank fishing for those who might like to throw a line in for some trout or take a boat ride. There are hotels in Lakeside and Winchester Bay and a campground at Tugman State Park for those from out-of-town. You should plan to get your reservations for camping and hotels early since summer is the busy season here. I have recently resigned from the STAC Committee, and Armand Pena has graciously agreed to coordinate efforts for the STEP Barbecue. Hope to see everyone in August.

Reese Bender

South Coast Angler's STEP Association

CAF Thanks Jim & Mark

CAF wishes to express a special thanks to Jim Carey for the use of his facility to promote the CAF fundraiser for the fireworks booth and to Mark Pierson for the use of his trailer for storage. THANK YOU!!

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Submitted by Hassie Taylor

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