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

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Next GENERAL MEETING
Thursday, June 13, 2013 – 10:00AM
JOT'S Resort (West Conf. Rm.)
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Next BOARD MEETING Thursday, June 6, 2013 – 10:00 AM ODFW BUILDING

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Libby Pond Derby – June 1st Fin Clipping –begins June 3rd Fireworks stand fundraiser- June 25-July 4th Hospice & CAF hold a fish feed – July 6th

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President's Corner

By David Sophusson

Hopefully, by the time you read this, we will have all new raceway walkways at the hatchery. To be polite and not to try to offend any of our readers I'll just say that the whole ordeal has been a wee bit trying. As I write this today is Mother's day and last week we finally got our stamped drawings from the engineers, the contract with R&E has been signed, and we have been given the go ahead to start construction. Completion of the project should be on or around June 1st. I would like to say a great big thank you to Tom Tostenson for getting the ball rolling and submitting all the necessary paperwork and forms for the grant request. For those that don't know it is a time consuming ordeal. I would also like to thank Jim Freedman for making the trip to Salem to present our project in front of the R&E board. I would also like to thank all of our daily feeders cleaners for their patience understanding during the construction process. Due in part to the walkway construction we managed to postpone the fin clipping until on or around June 1st. Not only do we hope that the construction project will be done but it also allows the fish to get a little bigger and make fin clipping a little easier making proper fin clips. In closing, since it's Mother's day, I would just like to add: Roses are red

Violets are blue
So come to the hatchery
And fin clip too!

CAF General Meeting

May 9, 2013

<u>David Sophusson</u>, president, called the meeting to order at 10:05am. The minutes of last month's meeting were approved as printed in *The Riffle*.

Treasurer's reportBarbara Jorge reported an April loss of \$1,034.36 and bank balance of \$22,222.19. The \$1,200 expense for the month was the surveillance system and that cost will be reimbursed by the STAC mini grant when the system's completed.

R&E Grant- All approvals are complete for the deck replacement. The contractor is ready to begin work. We will need to do the prep work of disconnecting the predator proof wall supports.

<u>Fundraisers</u>- The tickets are ready for the July 6th salmon dinner and Jim Freedman will be calling for volunteer help. Mike Kopec said the derby is a go, but the facility details are still in question. No report on the July 4th firework sales.

Hatchery- Vice president, Gary Underhill, reported that all the fish are feeding well and the water flow is fine, but some fungus appeared after the warm days. The splash protection has been finished by Wayne Adams, but the oxygen system won't be functional until after the deck replacement. The generous \$1,000 donation from the Middle Rogue Steelheaders will be used to upgrade, rewire and relocate the vacuum system, which makes it safer and easier to use. Gary asked that the feeders be reminded to not put the morts in the tube leading into the adult holding tank. New 'No Trespassing" sign will be ordered through ODFW and placed along the creek facing the campground.

Volunteer Coordinator- Chris Underhill reported that all four Reel Fishing days went very well, but the week 2 students caught more fish. Natural Resource Day on May 2nd was a great success. Fin clipping will be delayed, but the fish will be bigger, so there's a higher likelihood of better clips. ODFW has, again, arranged to use Libby Pond for 'Free Fishing Day' on June 1st.

<u>Miscellaneous-</u> Everything is ready to go on replacing/rebuilding the kiosk across from Indian Creek Café and CAF volunteers will be involved with the project. Hassie Taylor, our devoted editor of *The Riffle*, reported that we are down to

22 paid sponsors. Hassie checked with another group in town that charges less, but only has quarterly newsletters and no sponsor's corner.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15am Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

Treasurer's Corner

Submitted by Barbara Jorge, CAF Treasurer

Treasurer's Report	Mar.	Apr.
Operating Capital	\$23,257	\$22,222
Apr. Income Apr. Expenses		1,291 2,325

Fishing Quote of the Month

Give a man a fish and he has food for a day; teach him how to fish and you get rid of him for the entire weekend. ~Zenna Schaffer



Photos from Port Orford 3rd graders at the Arizona Reel Days April 2013 taken by Chris Underhill

Gary at the helm giving these youngsters direction on how to catch a fish.



Photo taken by Aaron Duncan

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by Chris Underhill, CAF Volunteer Coordinator 541-247-0396

Hello everyone out in Riffle Land!!

Well let's get this month going, I think I have kept quite a few of you volunteers busy these last months.

We ended April by teaching eight classes of 3rd & 4th graders from Brookings, Gold Beach & Pt. Orford how to fish at Arizona Beach, on 4 beautiful overcast days. The kids were excited and ready to learn, the volunteers were ready to teachteach, fish were biting and the fish cleaners were cleaning. Great Job and Thank you to the ODFW personnel and all our Curry Anadromous Fishermen and Oregon South Coast Fishermen Volunteers who took the time to helpout with Reel Days! We owe a super big Thank You to Randy & BJ Waters and Mike Kopec who showed up all 4 days and cleaned more than 350 fish!!! They averaged almost a fish a minute the last day, with more then 150 fish caught that day alone, WOW!!!

&OSCF also donated money to feed all the volunteers and thank you to Subway & Sunset Pizza for the discounts and to Kevin of Mangia Buff, in the Gold Rush Building, who donated a whole pan of spaghetti on our final day, everything was great and everyone survived my cooking!! Great Job till next year......

Next we had about 80 5th grade students from Gold Beach & Pt. Orford visit the hatchery on May 2nd for National Resource Day. The Oregon Extension Office organized 7 different stations and they set-up from the mouth of Indian Creek, up to the vault, Mary Duncan & myself were station #1 Fisheries. We gave each group of one adult and 7-10 students a tour of the hatchery then they handfed the fish, when the horn blew they moved to a different station The kids followed with sack lunchs on the hill at the hatchery, then off too the port where they learned about the sea lion population, a tour of the port and then went for a quick ride on the Jet Boats.

Also on May 2nd, Weber from ODFW with the help of Harry Carlson & Bill O'Connor took a small group of Special Needs Adults out to Arizona Beach and taught them how to fish too! They get more excited then the little kids and it is so rewarding watching their happy faces.

Currently all the fish are weighting between 70-80 fish to a pound and have been eating really good. I'm so happy Fetzer does all the weighting and feed distribution amounts, and Carol I appreciate the time you've put into making the yearly feed amount charts, it really helps me to start the fish off each year. See, it really does take the whole village to raise our fish.

The warm weather has made the algae grow real fast in all three raceways, so it is a battle to keep the side walls clean. Daily feeders pull all the morts and throw into the bushes and just do your best on the walls, but make sure you vaccuum your assigned raceway and clean all We'll be adding more shade the screens. covers on the ends of each raceway, so just clean the one side of the screens that you can reach. Feeders please make sure the timers are working when you pull the feed belt, you should see a little gear moving inside the clear plastic cover, if it's not moving, jiggle the belt alittle and it should start. Any problems please call me 541 425-0396.

Fin clipping has been delayed till June 3rd, since we are rebuilding the decks, so if you go visit the hatchery, don't be surprised by the dumpster and piles of wood. The job is expected to be completed by the beginning of June, keep you fingers crossed. I'll be calling setting up the clipping schedule, we will have two shifts 8AM-12 & 1-5PM with a few early people needed to help bucket fish. Clippers don't forget your glasses, waterproof shoes and smiles and that it's not the quanity of fish you clip, but the quality of the clip, take your time and do a good job!!

Almost forgot June 1st, is the kid's fishing derby and we have permission to use the pond for the annual Libby Pond Kid's Fishing Derby from 8AM-12, so if you want to volunteer to help we'll set-up at 7:30 at the old Rod & Gun Club behind Libby Pond. We need people to help register kids, help set-up and checkout fishing poles for kids with none and maybe teach them how to cast. Bring your lawn chairs and kick back and watch the kids fish till the horn is blown, then we measure fish and bbq hot dogs and give out prizes. It's a fun filled morning and were usually done by 1:30PM, come join the fun.

Also I hope I have this correct but, ODFW is offering a class to any volunteers who wish to become ODFW Youth Angler & Aquatic Instructors, call myself or John Weber 541 247-7605 Ext. 223 for more info. It's a short morning course and enables you to help teach youth fishing Oregon wide if you wish, or just locally and you get a uniform.

Boy, it seems like it's been a busy month and getting busier. You all will be hearing from me if your on the contact list and if I don't have your number, but you want to volunteer, please call 541 247-0396 or 541 425-0396.

If you haven't heard we will be joining with Coastal Home & Hospice to have a Salmon BBQ at Buffington Park on July 6th, Jim Freedman has been doing the coordinating on this, so we will be hear more next month. Yes, the Salmon Dinner is back on!!!

You all enjoy this warm weather and I hope I haven't forgotten any events or people to thank, but if I have Thank you and sorry, you all know how blonde I am, till next month---



Volunteer of the Month Profile Katie DeBord

Interview by Hassie Taylor

Katie was born in Washington DC at Georgetown University in 1945. Her father was an oil broker so the family moved around a lot settling down in Palo Alto, CA where Katie went to high school and attended junior college. She recalls living a "Father Knows Best" youth, riding her bicycle until 10:00 PM on summer nights without her parents having to worry. Katie says, "Life sure has changed."

As an adult Katie went back East to work for Bristol Myers in the accounting department. In 1982 she made the Santa Cruz Mountains her home and worked for General Electric as an administrative assistant. Katie always longed for a life by the ocean. The next thing she knew, she decided to move to Brookings in 1998. Today Katie considers herself fortunate to live on the Rogue River. She loves flowers and gardening and enjoys her only daughter, now thirty-eight who works for an accounting firm and is doing great. Katie also loves music. She was part of Merle Haggard's camp for fifteen years.

Merleshared his gift of songwriting with Katie.Recently, she has begun writing songs of her own again and dreams of someday getting her work published.

Katie became involved with the hatchery several years ago. Gary Underhill wrangled her to volunteer and she has enjoyed her volunteer experiences ever since. She helps with CAF

events and fundraising activities such as working the clothing booth, the bake sale at the pizza fundraisers, feeding fish, and participating in the fish release. In the past Katie served as our Raffle Queen at general meetings. She is anxious to pitch in and help when asked and do what she is capable of doing.

Katie begins each day with meditation. Her mantra: "So Ham."



First fish release (photo from Shutterfly)

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Submitted by Hassie Taylor

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