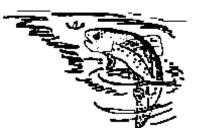


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Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday, January 12, 2012 - 10:00 AM JOT'S Resort (West Conf. Rm.) Gold Beach, Oregon

(Come, join us for good friends and an interesting and informative meeting)

Next BOARD MEETING Thursday, January 5, 2012 - 10:00 AM **ODFW BUILDING**

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Upcoming Events Dec. 21st – picking salmon eggs

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President's Corner

David Sophusson

All who were able to attend the annual hatchery Christmas party had a great time. I can't help but wonder if in a past life Chris Underhill wasn't a cruise ship activities director. Under Chris's guidance and the wonderful help of all the volunteers who helped set up everything, we had another fantastic turkey and ham dinner. Like many members, I really enjoy this annual dinner. It gives me the opportunity to visit with so many members at one gathering - a big thanks to everyone involved. Spawning is over, and we now have 44 trays full of eggs in the incubators. On or about Dec. 21st we will have started sorting out the dead eggs and counting out the good ones, and then we wait for them to hatch. For those of you who really need to plan ahead, the fin-clipping trailer is scheduled to be here in late May. I wish you all Happy Holidays.

Treasurer's Corner

By Hassie Taylor, CAF Treasurer

Treasurer's Report	Oct.	Nov.
Operating Capital	\$25,095	\$26,905
Nov. Income Nov. Expenses		2,634 824

General Meeting

December 9, 2011

President David Sophusson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Election of Board of Directors

CAF secretary, Glenn Kral, presented the slate of members that agreed to serve on the Board for 2012:

Philip Dickson, John Epps, Jim Freedman, Mike Kopec, Glenn Kral, David Sophusson, Tom Tostenson, Gary Underhill, Randy Waters

Glenn asked if there were any other nominations or volunteers and there were none. John Wilson moved that we accept the slate of board nominees. Lucie LaBonte seconded the motion. Glenn Kral called for a show of hands and the proposed slate was unanimously approved.

The Board of Directors for 2012 is:

Philip Dickson, John Epps, Jim Freedman, Mike Kopec, Glenn Kral, David Sophusson, Tom Tostenson, Gary Underhill, Randy Waters

The Board will appoint officers at the next board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Glenn Kral

CAF Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

The CAF (Curry Anadromous Fishermen) held their annual volunteer appreciation dinner and 2012 board member election in the beautiful community room of the Turtle Rock RV Resort. The potluck affair is an annual event to show appreciation to the more than 75 volunteers that contribute to the very successful Chinook salmon hatchery at Indian Creek. John Weber, the ODFW biologist that oversees the program, thanked all the attendees for their commitment to the program and gave personal ODFW recognition to a number of individuals. The recipients of the appreciation awards included: John Epps, Jack Figueiredo, Don Foss, Gary Harmon, Jim Hutchins, Glenn Kral, Herman Neihaus, Vern Tarwater, Hassie Taylor, Chris

Underhill, and Rich Watson.

As CAF volunteer coordinator, Chris Underhill presented Joan Cooper with a special gift in appreciation for her years of dedication to the seining of hatchery broodstock and her contribution in the egg collection process. Chris thanked Dr. Bob Manners for once again contributing \$1,000 to the CAF organization. Because of a very successful salmon derby (it will be better next year), CAF president, David Sophusson, presented a check to Don Foss, Curry Sportfishing Association treasurer, in support of the Sea Lion Patrol. The wonderful evening ended with a raffle of many useful,

quirky or amusing items!



David S. presents check to Don Foss, Treasurer of Sea Lion Patrol



John Weber presents award to Glenn Kral, one of the members recognized for his service to CAF in 2011.

Fishing Quote of the Month

Fishing is boring, unless you catch an actual fish, and then it's disgusting. ~ Dave Barry



...and the fire keeps us warm. We enjoyed our camaraderie both inside and out.



Photos by Phil Dickson

Hatchery Happenings

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

Happy New Year Everyone!

We had a great turnout for the Volunteer Appreciation Christmas Potluck with lots of excellent food. Need I say that I didn't get to taste any of the food? My husband threw my plate away while cleaning the kitchen. Believe me; he hasn't heard the last about that.

I have to thank everyone for helping to set up and clean up, but an extra big *thank you* to Andie Eilek, who hung out with me all day Friday

preparing, cooking, and fine-tuning in preparation for the evening's festivities. I also want to thank BJ and Randy Waters who each year just pop up in the kitchen and start cutting up meat and just doing. We also couldn't do it without Mr. Raffle himself, Gene Trinkler. Thanks for entertaining the crowd and handling the raffle. We have such a great group of volunteers, and I feel honored working with all of you. Thank you all very much for a job well done! Everyone at Turtle Rock Clubhouse had a good time. We enjoyed great weather and even enjoyed a fire built outside.

We spawned a total of forty-four fish in four spawning sessions. We had the 3rd graders from Riley Creek come visit and watch CAF members pulling eggs and view salmon spawning naturally in Indian Creek. Thank you Gene Trinkler and Bill Budd for helping me with the kids. Pat Eakles made some yummy cookies for the 3rd graders. Sorry, but I kept all his leftovers, 'cause he's a really good cookie maker.

Today is the December 15th and the egg counter has arrived, so we expect to start picking eggs Dec. 21st The eggs will be at about 600 ATU's. We have already noticed some of the eggs are eyed-up, and Weber says they don't hatch until around 800 ATU's. Remember all who are on the calendar should be doing the Daily Feed Schedule, but all we are doing now is taking the temperature. Please call me when you have finished, so we know someone has checked the babies for the day. Just for everyone's information, I turned in 7,900 volunteer hours to operate and maintain the Indian Creek Hatchery. I'm guessing that was accomplished by around fifty volunteers. Like I said, we have a great group of volunteers.

Here's to a successful 2011/2012 spawning season! Take care and Happy New Year!!!

A Message from Phil Dickson

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Volunteer of the Month Profile Dean Pollen

Interview by Hassie Taylor

Dean was born in Elmira, NY in the 1950's where he began his career working for the telephone company. Because the company was going through a period of lay-offs, Dean headed for San Diego in 1980 where there was an abundance of sunshine. Dean's phone company, Pacific Bell, was very generous with its workers, allowing them to take time off without pay. And for Dean, still having a few wild oats to sew, this was good news. So he took the opportunity and left for Australia from 1988-1991. During that time he worked for Telecom Australia. Here he cruised the East Australian coastline and ended up on the West Coast hanging out in the Indian Ocean. He returned to San Diego and continued to work for the phone company completing twenty-eight years of service until he retired in 2009.

Dean has an easy-going personality and enjoys just kicking back and enjoying life. He mentioned that if there's one thing he still needs to do, it's that he needs to do more fishing. Otherwise he spends his time camping, crosscountry skiing, and going to music festivals listening to bluegrass.

Volunteering in his community has become a part of his life. Dean volunteers for both CAF and Hospice. He credits John Lento for bringing him on board volunteering at our hatchery after the hatchery group had taken a field trip to visit to the Elk River Hatchery. Now Dean is involved in work parties and feeding fish at the Indian Creek Hatchery.

He credits John Epps for pulling him into Hospice. He does pick-ups and drop-offs, sells appliances, and helps out wherever he is needed.

Well, of course the real reason to join volunteer organizations – "Join for the pot lucks!"

Seriously, Dean feels it's great working with everyone from both organizations in an effort to get important things done that help the community. He describes his co-workers as "a good group to work with." In addition to his volunteer work, Dean enjoys working on his house and taking vacations.



Photo submitted by Hassie Taylor

Salmon King Of Oregon

Robert D. Hume – Part 3 Reprint – Courtesy of Laurel Gerkman

Shipping was also a crucial element of Hume's empire, and he acquired vessels of various types – among them steamers, tugs, and gasoline-powered schooners – to import supplies and export product. In 1880, he built a sturdy steamship in Ellensburg, the Mary D. Hume, fondly named after his wife. The little ship operated in a number of capacities for more than 100 years. Today its decaying hulk sits in the harbor of Gold Beach.

Hume's enterprises included gold mines, timber harvest, livestock ranches, and commercial fruit and vegetable farms.

In addition, Hume held stock in an Alaskan salmon fishery, but her refused to support the policies of the Alaska Packers Association. His lack of cooperation fueled a series of hostile disputes, and members of the APA made attempts to interfere with his Oregon operations. The final result was ruinous. On Oct. 20, 1893, Hume's newspaper, the *Gold Beach Gazette*, ran the headline: "A DESPERATE ACT-Gold Beach Cannery fired by an Enemy's hand. Burned flat to the ground."

Hume was certain the fire was an act of arson and that Gold Beach citizens were involved. After numerous legal battles with the APA, he gave in and sold his Alaskan holdings. Angry yet determined, he moved his entire operation to the Rogue's north shore. Loyal employees followed, floating lumber, machinery, dry goods, and three houses across the river, establishing the town of Wedderburn.

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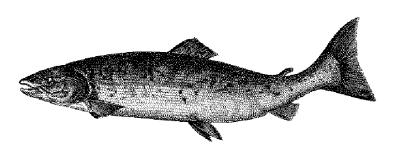
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Submitted by Chris Underhill

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Chris Underhill: 541 247-0396.

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