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**INDIAN CREEK HATCHERY IS RUN BY
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**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,
May 10, 2012 – 10:00 AM
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**May 3rd – National Resource Day for Riley
Creek 5th graders
End of May – Fish clipping
June 9th – Libby Pond Kid's Fishing Derby
June ? – July 4th – Fireworks sale**

"News and Events" - Keep up to date on the
latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to
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President's Corner

David Sophusson

David's gone fishing!

Treasurer's Corner

By Mike Kopec, CAF Treasurer

Treasurer's Report	Feb.	Mar.
Operating Capital	\$22,225	\$21,585
Mar. Income		\$ 8,420
Mar. Expenses		9,061

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Re: Indian Creek Fish Hatchery
<http://indiancreekfishhatchery.shutterfly.com/>
Thank you Philip Dickson for creating this site for
our hatchery.

Fishing Quote of the Month

There he stands, draped in more equipment
than a telephone lineman, trying to outwit an
organism with a brain no bigger than a
breadcrumb, and getting licked in the process.
~Paul O'Neil 1965

General Meeting

April 12, 2012

David Sophusson, president, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. The minutes of last month's meeting were approved as printed in *The Riffle*. David noted that some hoses have disappeared from the hatchery and he will make mention of that in his column.

Treasurer's report- In the absence of Mike Kopec, David reported a March loss of \$640.54 and a month end bank balance of \$21,584.85.

Hatchery- Vice president, Gary Underhill, has ordered 3 new feeders and some feeder repair parts. All raceways have been vacuumed to remove the sludge/silt and the daily volunteers will be asked to resume vacuuming.

Memorial Donation- Mike Kopec received an email from Cynthia Cooper mentioning that her mother, Dorothy Combs, had passed away at 101 yrs. old. The Combs have had a cabin on the Rogue River since the 30's. Cynthia and her brother David are interested in possibly setting up a memorial fund supporting CAF involvement in elementary education. Glenn has been in contact and is working on the idea.

Information Kiosk- Jim Freedman presented the current details on the kiosk across the road from Indian Creek Café. The Lower Rogue Watershed Council (LRWC) is going to seek a grant to repair and update the kiosk and is coordinating the participation by numerous groups. As one of the organizations to be involved, CAF is being asked to contribute some matching funds toward the estimated \$11,000 cost. **MOTION-** by Gary Underhill, second by Randy Waters that CAF commit \$500 in matching funds for the grant. Motion approved.

GUESTS- Joan Goodison introduced 3 guests that may be interested in becoming volunteers. We welcomed Gary Barton and Nancy and Bill O'Connor.

OLD BUSINESS- In January of 2009 Ron Schwarz began attending meetings as the CAF committee representative of a forecast 6-month commitment to draft the Rouge Fall Chinook Species Management Unit Conservation Plan. For the past 38 months and 22 meetings Ron has accumulated 3-1/2 notebooks of data that resulted in a completed plan to first present for public review and then to the commissioners in Salem. The goal of the plan is to provide

guidelines to ODFW to preserve the wild Chinook runs from Euchre Creek to the OR/CA boarder. The governor has appointed the commission members and Ron is hopeful they will approve the 250-page plan. Ron feels the final plan was well worth his time. Everyone at the meeting applauded Ron's commitment of his time and expense to a necessary plan that may ultimately save Indian Creek Hatchery. Ron thanked past president Mike Kopec for asking Ron to be our representative.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by: Chris Underhill

Hooray!! The Fetzer's are home! Welcome home Bill and Carol; you were missed! Bill is taking over the fish measuring and food world, and I'll assist him with the PM hand-feeding and measuring out of food.

I hope you've survived all the rain and wind. It's been a very interesting March and April. We had to get out the gas pump to vacuum out the raceways, but someone stole the vacuum hose. Why would someone steal a hose? We had to buy a new hose, but all 3 raceways were finally cleaned, and it was a job with about 2 inches of mud and silt on the bottoms. The head boxes had about 6 inches of mud. It's been a chore keeping the raceways clean this year. Thank you, daily feeders, for all the hard work going into scrubbing the screens and the sidewalls. I like the new brushes and so do my arms; they make the job a little easier.

We are getting prepared to teach 3rd graders how to fish at Arizona Beach, but by the time this is published, we will be done. So, I hope everyone survived. I'm sure all had a good time. You'll hear about it next month. Riley Creek 5th graders will be at the hatchery May 3rd for National Resource Day.

We will be getting the fish-clipping trailer the last week of May, so I'll be calling volunteers looking for clippers- fish crowders, and food cooks. Harry, are you coming to help?

Libby Pond Kid's Fishing Derby will be June 9th and volunteers will be needed to help register

kids, cook and give moral support. The last week in June and beginning of July we'll need help manning the 4th of July Fireworks Stand. I'll be providing more information in next month's *Riffle*. The hatchery is doing great. The fish have a good appetite and are getting bigger every day. Life is good in our soggy little fishing town of Gold Beach and it sounds like a good Springer run is starting. Gary and I are going Springer fishing with Gene Gardnier April 23rd, and we hope we have good luck.

Call me if you wish to be on the volunteer list! 541 247-0396

Volunteer of the Month Profile

Bo Gemeinhart

Interview by Hassie Taylor

Bo graduated from Carpinteria High School, located just south of Santa Barbara and went on to attend Cal Poly San Luis Obispo majoring in horticulture with a minor in math. While attending college, Bo worked for Chevron on weekends and then worked as a psychology technician at the Atascadero State Hospital for the criminally insane administering medication and, "...did stuff you don't really want to know about." These technicians were known to put the fear of God into these patients.

After college, Bo got married and volunteered for the draft in the US Army. His wife encouraged him to get out after two years of service. He then worked for the State of California as a correctional officer for the administration of justice and put time in with Soledad Prison (meant to be a pun). He retired from there as a correctional lieutenant.

Then Bo got a job offer from Chevron as a roustabout and became a world traveler as his job led him to Australia, New Guinea, Nigeria as well as Singapore and Malaysia.

In Nigeria Bo worked in the production department (environmental safety, fire, and health) for operations. I can only imagine what kind of hard work that must have been in production and drilling on the oil fields.

How did Bo get to Gold Beach? Well, his father came to the Gold Beach area to fish and so naturally Bo followed his father's footsteps. Bo and his wife built their home, a log house, in Gold

Beach in the year 2000. He had twenty years in with Chevron and decided it was time to retire.

Today Bo works for CAF as a volunteer. He has served as a board member and was Vice President for two years. He firmly believes that the Indian Creek Hatchery is one of the best things happening in Gold Beach, and he is proud to be a member of this fine organization. He helps out whenever he can and adds, "...even though I can't catch any damn fish."

Restoring old Model A's is a hobby he enjoys. He has completed the restoration of two 1930 Model A's and is in the process of completing the last, a 1931 vintage. These are to be gifts to his three grandchildren. Bo also helps out at Shore Pines; he cooks pigs in the ground for them on their festive occasions.

CAF is indeed fortunate to have such a fine crew of active volunteers. As Bo mentioned to me, "Helping out at the hatchery is the best thing I've done."



Photos from Shutterfly

Bo working the fish release – a view from his better side.



Photo from Shutterfly – Bo at the CAF Christmas party 2011

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Submitted by Chris Underhill


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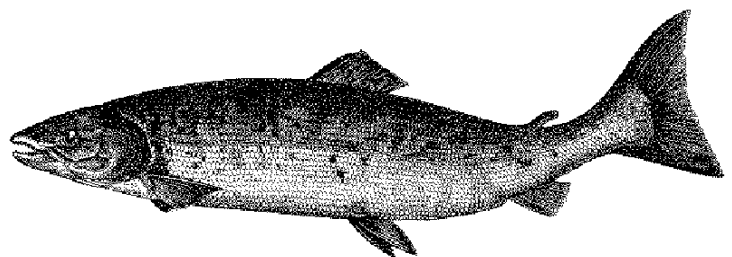
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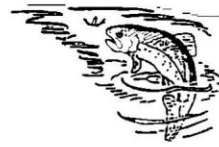
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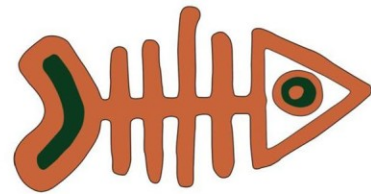
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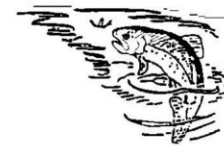
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