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INDIAN CREEK HATCHERY IS RUN BY
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**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,
November 8, 2012 – 10:00 AM
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Ray's Market Receipts

C&K Markets, the parent company for Ray's Food Place, Shop Smart, C&K Markets and Pharmacy Express, has changed their donation program for non-profits. The 1% of gross receipts donation will now be accounted for through their **ALL ACCESS REWARDS CARD** and automatically paid to registered organizations. We need all CAF members to sign up for the ALL ACCESS CARD (available at the checkout stand) and then request that their donations go to Curry Anadromous Fishermen (**NOT CAF**). Once you have signed up, you can register for your card's donations by calling (541) 412-0005, Emailing to AllAccess@ckmarket.com or going to the service counter. Instead of your purchases only benefiting CAF through the Gold Beach store, we will benefit whenever you shop at a C&K outlet. C&K has contributed around \$400 annually for years and we really need to keep that donation coming.

President's Corner

David Sophusson

Hi All,

Due to an over-abundance of articles that need to be printed in this month's *Riffle*, I need to keep this short and sweet. Maintenance and repairs at the hatchery have mostly been made and ODFW has already been collecting brood stock for this year's spawning. As of now, things are looking good for another great year. I would like to shout out a great big Thank You to all the members and supporters for this great cause.

General Meeting – Oct. 11, 2012

President- David Sophusson called the meeting to order at 10:10am. The minutes of last month's meeting will be printed in the Nov. issue of *The Riffle*. David reported that the board had approved a motion to start reimbursing Gary Underhill \$300/mo. for his vehicle expenses. The newest 'trash' pump and all the hoses were stolen from locked buildings. A report was made to the police, a claim has been made to the insurance co. and a letter was written to the newspaper.

Treasurer's report- Mike Kopec presented the monthly report showing a gain of \$3,405.51 and an end of month balance of \$26,144.15. The successful month was due to the salmon derby.

Salmon Derby- Even though the number of participants was 55 lower than last year, the derby did very well. CAF will donate \$500 to the Sea Lion Patrol. The leftover alcohol will be used at next year's derby.

Hatchery- The locks have been changed in critical places and the keys will be selectively distributed. The vault gates have been replaced and we have some spare parts. The blocker dam is in place, the new ladder gate is ready for installation, the walkway to the vault is cleared and the hatchery is set for winter. There are 4 fish in the holding tank. Spawning will be on Tuesdays beginning Nov. 13th. The board will be discussing security cameras as a budget item for next year.

Board Members for 2013- Anyone interested in becoming a board member is asked to please talk to one of the present board members. Barbara Jorge will seek election and become the treasurer. Mike Kopec will leave the board and all other incumbents will be up for reelection. If there is a CAF member that seeks a floor nomination at the Dec. meeting, the board will announce which current board member would prefer to step down.

Christmas volunteer appreciation/election general meeting- Chris Underhill will reserve our meeting site and announce the meeting in this issue. CAF will provide the main meat entrée for the potluck dinner.

Both meetings were adjourned at 11:30am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

General Meeting- Sep. 13, 2012

President- David Sophusson called the meeting to order at 10:10am. The minutes of last month's meeting were approved as printed in *The Riffle*.

Treasurer's report- Mike Kopec presented the monthly report with a gain of \$1,258.86 and an end of month balance of \$22,738.64. The Gold Beach Promotions Committee donated \$1,500 for the derby and became a CAF sponsor-member. The Dorothy and Eldredge Combs Memorial Fund purchased 10 sets of masks and snorkels for use at the 4-H summer camp.

Salmon Derby- The number of participants was down to 77. The number of entrants for the Rotary and Brookings derbies was also lower this year. The total for derby expenses isn't final, but the gross proceeds are \$8,678. Mike will call for a critique meeting to evaluate changes for next year. At the STAC BBQ in Aug., Mike met the OR Distributor for Eagle Claw products who donated many Eagle Claw products for the derby raffle and other CAF fundraisers.

Hatchery- All the fish have been successfully released. There were a lot of volunteer helpers and it was a good rearing year. A short discussion ensued about the timing of future releases to reduce predation losses. The first of Oct. will be the beginning of holding spawners. Gary will take a month off and then will call for work parties. There has been a big increase in rat activity, so baiting activity needs to be increased.

ODFW – David relayed the information presented to the board by Todd Confer relating to a possible study of cormorant predation on the lower Rogue. An informal and concerned discussion about CAF involvement resulted in the following motion:
Motion- presented by Gary Underhill, seconded by Philip Dickson, that CAF formally reject the ODFW offer for CAF to participate in hazing of cormorants. Motion approved.

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Ray's Market Receipts- Ray's has restructured their Community Rewards Program and will no longer be accepting receipts. They will still donate to non-profit groups, but it will be done automatically through their **All Access Rewards Card**. Information will be printed in the next issue of *The Riffle*.

Volunteer of the Month Profile

Pat Eakle

Submitted by Pat Eakle

I grew up in Pope Valley, CA (Napa County) – population 300. My parents made a living dry land farming and running the family business which included a grocery store, bar & grill, and a gas station. My mother was also the postmaster of our small town. My elementary school was a two-room schoolhouse with one teacher teaching all six grades. Junior high/high school was located in St. Helena, a full hour bus ride each way. Chores growing up for myself and four brothers included feeding livestock, stocking shelves, waiting on customers, pumping gas, cooking burgers, dicing, plowing, sowing, mowing, raking, baling hay, and even sewing sacks on a grain harvester.

I decided after high school that if I didn't want so many jobs, I should go to college. I graduated from Napa Jr. College while still helping at home and working a swing shift at Kaiser Steel in Napa. I then enrolled at Fresno State College and lived in an international housing complex. My roommates included John from Bakersfield along with two Vietnamese kids, Duy and Tuan. After three semesters, one thing led to another, and I found myself enlisting in the USMC.

Following Boot Camp and Artillery School, I was sent to the 12th Marines in Vietnam and assigned to Headquarter Battery 2nd Prov, a 155-towed battery at a fire base ten miles south of the DMZ. I was then transferred to the 11th Marines Headquarter Battery SII and assigned to a counter rocket team. Eventually, a long awaited call came over the radio, "Echo-4-echo, your ride home is coming. Get your gear." At Camp Pendleton ten days later, I got in line for early outs.

Returning home to Pope Valley, I went back to help with the family business, worked as a laborer for a construction company, and also worked as a billiard table mechanic. Again, too many jobs. I decided to finish college. Sadly, it was during this time that my former roommate, John, who had become my best friend, was killed in Vietnam. With the help of the GI Bill and working on the school farm, I graduated from Fresno State with a B.S. in Agricultural Science. My first after college employment was with a small farming company as their working manager farming cotton,

watermelons and grapes. The job included the responsibilities of payroll, employee supervision, planting, pruning, irrigating, spraying, and other farming duties. After three years I took a position as Fresno Branch manager for Dadant & Sons, Inc., a 150 year-old beekeeping supply and manufacturing company. This position included responsibility sales, inventory control, public relations, customer service, employee supervision, as well as forklift operation and other warehouse management duties. Again, too many jobs.

Also during this time, Charlene and I farmed 40 acres of Thompson grapes while she worked full time as a high school special education teacher. Eventually, the vineyard was sold and we built a home in Shaver Lake, a small town in snow country in the Sierras about fifty miles from Fresno. After my 33 years with Dadant & Sons and Charlene's forty years in education, we retired to Gold Beach. Here I totally enjoy my new jobs: household/yard projects of my choosing, preparing meals, entertaining grandchildren, walking the Jaz and Jed, and regularly losing at cards to Charlene. I also enjoy the work parties at the hatchery, and especially making sure there is a quorum for the "safety meetings."



Photo submitted by Hassie Taylor

Fishing Quote of the Month

Men and fish are alike. They both get in trouble when they open their mouths. ~ Author Unknown

Sponsor's Corner

Submitted by Bobby Chambers

It was back in 2003 when Kathy Roseberry and her husband sold their home in Portland and moved to Curry County. For months Kathy had been planning to open a gift shop and was waiting for just the right time for all the pieces to come together. And in a matter of months it did! By the Spring of 2004, Sweetbriar Fine Gifts and Candy opened their doors to the public and through the years we have become accustomed to not only the unique gifts and jewelry at Sweetbriar, but the fine candy and of course... the fudge. Did you know, that from the beginning, Kathy and Sweetbriar have been proud sponsors of the Hatchery and Curry Anadromous Fishermen? She has never hesitated to donate to our events when asked.

"What is it about that store that you like so much?" A friend asked. Well I couldn't think of just one thing! But if I had to pick just one item... it would be the fudge! And even then, I'm not sure I could tell which ONE flavor I like the most. Though I'm fond of just plain chocolate – Sweetbriar makes amazing dark chocolate fudges and this summer I had a slice of some fresh Oregon Blackberry Fudge. Ummm! Yep, it's the fudge – it's made fresh at the store! It's been almost 10 years and now Sweetbriar finds itself ready to move on to a new phase. Just like Forrest Gump says, "Life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you're gonna get." And we're so happy to learn that SWEETBRIAR Fine Gifts & Candy plans a big move to their new home in Wedderburn at the old Mail Boats facility and open their doors to the public on November 1st! It's going to be a four day celebration from Thursday, November 1 until Sunday, November 4 with lots of hor dourves, beverages, door prizes, fudge and candy samples and a couple of nice raffles. They've been remodeling for the past 2 months and plan to create a store that's bright and delightful with an even greater assortment of gifts, candies and of course their trademark FRESH FUDGE and a few added surprises. Sweetbriar plans to send out their own GOLDEN TICKETS, a la Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory, to enhance the celebration of a new store opening and give everyone a chance to win one of the many gifts baskets, fudge boxes and assorted candies

we've come to expect from our own "chocolate factory" in Curry County. And as a member of Curry Anadromous Fishermen, one has been included with this month's publication. Lucy Van Pelt in Peanuts by Charles M Schulz said it best: All I really need is love, but a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt!

Check them out at www.Sweetbriar.biz or on FACEBOOK at www.facebook.com/Sweetbriar Fine Gifts & Candy. You can also call the store at (541) 247- 2231.



Photos submitted by Bobby Chambers

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Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by Chris Underhill

Happy Early Thanksgiving!

I'll be quick and short; we have 20 females & 12 males in the holding tank, with 12 Jacks going to the Food Bank as of Oct. 17th. The first spawning date will be Nov. 13th or 15th and I'll give you a call as we get closer to the date.

We need desserts for the Pizza Feed on Nov. 7th. We sell them for \$1.00 a piece. If you'd like to donate, call me or drop off during the feed.

Still working on Dec. **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner**, Election, Xmas Potluck, at this time. It's **Dec. 7th at Turtle Rock Clubhouse**. Any questions give a call 541 247-0396. Boy this is my shortest article ever; don't get used to it. See you at the hatchery!!

2012 Board of Directors Nominees

The following CAF members have been nominated for election to the Board of Directors at the annual meeting on Dec. 7:

Philip Dickson
John Epps
Jim Freedman
Barbara Jorge
Glenn Kral
David Sophusson
Tom Tostenson
Gary Underhill
Randy Waters

Eight of the above candidates are present or former board members and some would like to step down. Nominations from the floor will be welcomed.

Treasurer's Corner

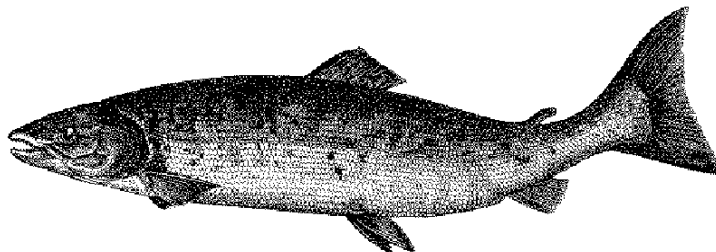
By Mike Kopec, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report	August	Sept.
Operating Capital	\$22,739	\$26,144
Sept. Income	\$ 7,535	
Sept. Expenses	\$ 4,129	

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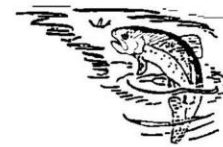
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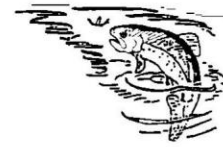
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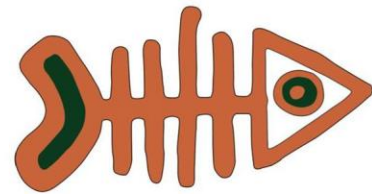
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