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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
March 10, 2011 – 10:00 AM
JOT'S Resort (West Conf. Rm.)
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Next BOARD MEETING Thursday,
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Rowdy Creek Fish Hatchery
Hank "Raider" Derby

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latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to
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Presidents Corner

David Sophusson

The President is on vacation this month.

Treasurer's Corner

By Hassie Taylor, Treasurer

Treasurers Report	Dec	Jan
Operating Capital	\$19,104	\$18,271
Jan Income	\$ 328	
Jan Expenses	\$ 1161	

General Meeting

February 10, 2011

David Sophusson, president, called the meeting to order at 10:00am. The minutes of last month's meeting were approved as printed in *The Riffle*.

Treasurer's report- Hassie Taylor reported a Jan. loss of \$832.88 and a month end bank balance of \$18,271.40.

Hatchery- Vice president, Gary Underhill, has relocated the oxygen system lines. There will be a raceway cleanup on Tues. and the first fish will be put in on Wednesday.

ODFW- John Weber stated that he will need to produce a new Propagation Plan for the hatchery in 2012. He then gave an excellent explanation of what's in our current plan and how we run the hatchery to meet the goals of the plan without placing excess fish in any of the lower Rogue feeder streams. The approved plan is based on a lot of data and statistics regarding returns, nutrient availability and water flow. Indian Creek Hatchery (ICH) smolts are released to supplement the lower Rogue, as well as the ocean commercial and sport fisheries. If ICH smolts are released as late as possible, they'll be bigger, they'll more likely return as older fish and their return will likely be later in the year when there's more water in Indian Creek.

Miscellaneous- The scouts have moved eggs to the hatch boxes on Cedar Creek and the Cub Scouts will be checking them. We received the STAC mini grant for the trash pump and Tom Tostenson has ordered it. Our screen czar, Don Foss, will be in charge of repairing the separation screens for the new season. We donated \$150 matching funds to the Lower Rogue Watershed education program (Statia Ryder) for the purchase of children's boots to be used in riparian projects. The R&E Board approved the \$20,000 grant to purchase the shared fish pump. CAF will pay \$1,000 toward the pump and will assume ownership. Oregon South Coast Fishermen will also pay \$1,000 toward the purchase as the pump will be used yearly for their fish transfer.

Kate DeBord- Kate would like people to pay more attention to their ticket numbers during the raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

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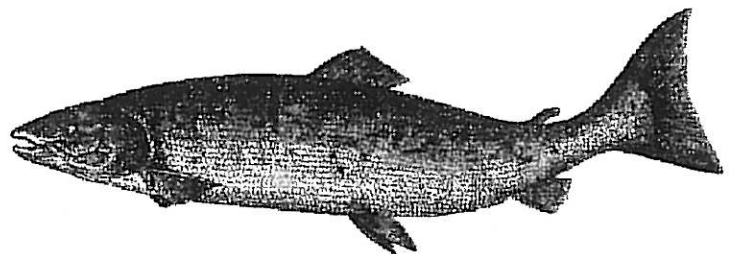


Hatchery Happenings

By Chris Underhill 247-0396 / 425-0396

The Curry Anadromous Fishermen (CAF) has had another successful spawning season at Indian Creek Salmon Hatchery. Our hardworking CAF volunteers with the assistance of Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) personnel started spawning fish mid November and by Christmas we had 45 females spawned and eggs in the Incubator Room. The end of December, after the eggs had eyed up, we started counting, picking and re-picking all the eggs. Volunteers handpick each tray, pulling out all the unfertilized or bad eggs with tweezers, it's a tedious job, but thank goodness we rent an egg counter. This year we ended up with around 125,000 eggs

In January, with the help of Gold Beach Cub Scouts Webelos, 10,000 eyed Chinook salmon eggs were placed into the Cedar Forks hatch boxes. These are the last and oldest remaining hatch boxes on the Southern Oregon Coast and have been used to educate our youth in this area since the 1980's when it was located up on Coy Creek/Euchre Creek and maintained by the Ophir School Students, and later the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. About 5 years ago we lost our water holding tank, so Colin, a Brookings Boy Scout, took on restoring the hatch boxes and relocating them to Cedar Fork Creek for his Eagle Scout Project. This is our 4th successful year at the new location and spawning salmon and carcasses were spotted in the creek last season, so I say, "GREAT JOB SCOUTS!" The cub scouts will be releasing the buttoned up fry mid March. CAF would like to thank Cub Scouts Leaders Jacqueline Smith & Phil Dickson and all the boys for your time and help.



On February 15th, the first group of approximately 28,000 buttoned-up fry was placed into Raceway #1 and is currently being hand fed continually throughout the day by CAF volunteers. We also the fry protection from bigger fish and a released 20,000 unfed fry into Libby Pond by the Old Rod & Gun Club. The weeded area surrounding the dock looked like a good area, offering good food source, only time will tell. Heads up everyone, this year the Libby Pond Kid's Fishing Derby will be held June 11th and maybe we can have a work party before the derby to cut back some weeds and make some fishing spots for the kids.

CAF, ODFW and Oregon South Coast Fishermen (OSCF) will also be teaching 3rd graders from Gold Beach, Brookings and hopefully Pt. Orford, HOW TO FISH, at Arizona Beach Pond the end of April. This is a fun and incredibly unique opportunity to teach our future fishermen and fisherwomen how to tie knots, cast and hopefully catch their first fish. The smiles and squeals of delight when their first fish is caught are priceless. We are always looking for new volunteers to help out with this 4 day event or at the Indian Creek Hatchery, so if you have the time and would like to help out please call me, Chris Underhill, CAF Volunteer Coordinator at 541 247-0396.

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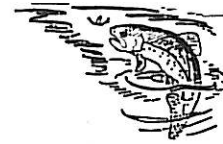
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