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Up Coming Events

September is our CAF Rogue River Salmon Derby Sept. 6 thru 11th. The banquet will be Sept. 11 at the fairgrounds, doors open at 5pm in the smaller building, we'll have entertainment, food & beverages will be available. There will be raffle boards at Rogue Outdoor Store displayed by Sept. 1st, then brought to the banquet, along with silent auction items and Jim Carey will be the MC. We need volunteers to assist in getting sponsors signed up for the Derby Prize Boards. We need the Volunteers to go door to door with

a list of the items for the boards and request that the business owner pick an item or two from the sponsor list-they give you a check in the amount of the value of the item and their business name goes up on the board with the items they sponsored.

President's Corner

By David Sophusson

As most of you may already know, the Bi-Mart music festival folks just completed their third and last event here on the coast. For our small hatchery it was a fantastic fundraiser opportunity which I was hoping would have lasted a few more years. It is what it is and with the help of some great volunteers from our group we pulled it off and made some pretty good money for our hatchery. I would like to thank everyone involved for their sacrifices and time spent to pull off such an endeavor and do it so well. For all three years that we worked this event we were praised by the people on the grounds and the promoters for being so well organized and stepping up to the plate when asked to fill other needs for the event. At this time we don't know what the dollar amount is for this year's participation in the music fest, but whatever we get is more than we had. So, good job everyone! By the time you read this the salmon derby fundraiser headed up by Aaron and Mary Duncan should just about be at an end. I can't thank the Duncan's enough for taking this on. There is a lot more to putting together these fundraisers than most people realize.





CAF Volunteers at Music Fest –Photo by Becky Sophusson

CAF General Meeting-August 11, 2016

President- David Sophusson called the meeting to order at 10:08am. The minutes from the July general meeting were approved as printed in the August edition of *The Riffle*.

Treasurer's report- Barbara Huff reported income for July of \$399.17 and expenses of \$3,382.57 resulting in a monthly loss of \$2,983.40. The big expenses in July were the \$500 scholarship and the country music festival.

Hatchery- Gary Underhill reported: all the fish are eating very well and raceway #3 will be released next week; the water level has dropped in the creek and the emergency pumps have been operating for 2 weeks; the oxygen generator has kept the DO level up; work will begin on raceway #3 liner prep after the release.

Music Festival- Barbara Jorge reported that breakfast sales and donations were less than last year, but everyone did a fantastic job. The breakfast income was \$9,509 and donations were \$701. The final figures will be available after we receive the food reimbursement and the VIP hospitality payment. The 3 years of running this fundraiser were extremely successful thanks to the organization and dedication of the core group of volunteers. Phil Dickson has published many festival pictures on Shutter fly.

The Riffle- Richard McKinney (richardmckinney94258@yahoo.com) continues to publish our newsletter on time and updated with the latest information. Richard welcomes all suggestions for improvement. There was a short discussion about the costs of our mailing permit and mailing costs versus sending the newsletter via e-mail. A major obstacle is having and maintaining an accurate e-mail list. There will

always be some members that prefer a hard copy and we will always need to print some newsletters for distribution around town.

The Raffle- Jack Sheehan is doing a great job of obtaining a variety of prizes from merchants around town.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42am

Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary



Aaron making pancakes at music fest-Photo by Becky Sophusson

Check out our updated website

"News and Events" - Keep up to date on the latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to www.rogueriversalmon.org

Notice to local members:

Don't forget to save your McKay receipts. It is an easy way to add money to feed our babies. You can turn the receipts in at the **hatchery, Jots, or The Indian Creek Café**. Each location has a donation jar.

Raffle Coordinator

Jack Sheehan

Jack Sheehan wants to publically acknowledge and thank the local merchants and business that support our hatchery by donating gifts and merchandise for our monthly raffle. The Monthly meeting held on the second Thursday of every month at 10:00 A.M. at the meeting room at Jot's Resort. All members Volunteers and public are invited to attend and hear reports about the actions taken by the (CAF) Curry Anadromous Fishermen Board of Directors, and get an update on the condition of the Hatchery

fish. Following the business session those attending can enjoy pastries and drinks and participate in the Raffle.

The CAF Board and the members want to thank and acknowledge the following for their generous donations and we urge all of you to patronize and thank these local businesses: The Silver Hook Restaurant; The Outdoor Store; The Corner Drug; Flowers by the Sea; Spinners Restaurant, and The Chowder House see you all at the meeting.

Fishing Quote of the Month

"From birth to death, anyone can fish. I just think it's fantastic to see old people going fishing with young people and teaching them things. I'm very critical" by Rex Hunt Australian Entertainer born 4/7/1949

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by: Chris Underhill,
Volunteer Coordinator 247-0396

Hello All by the time this article comes out we will have released our last raceway, so our 2015/2016 spawning season is complete. Thank you to everyone who showed up and helped release our approximately 77,000 Chinook Salmon Smolt into the Rogue River Estuary! The babies are on their way. We had the one albino in raceway #1, it was a bright white with black spots on it that would be so cool to see it survive and return in 3 to 5 years down the road, good luck hope to see you back.

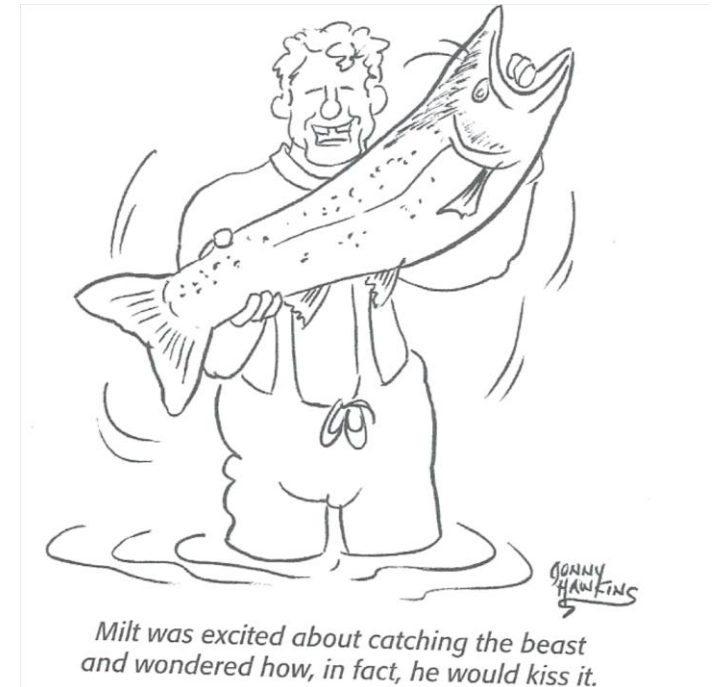
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You can enter the derby at Rogue Outdoor Store, the entry fee is \$25.00, with daily big fish prizes awarded and on Sept. 11 at the banquet the blind boogey weight and winner will be announced, so no one knows the winner until the banquet!! Surprise, Surprise anyone could

be the winner, and it's not limited to boat fishermen, people bank fishing can also participate. Just for general knowledge, we had a bank fisherman down from the mouth of Indian Creek land a 47 lb. Chinook salmon the first week in August; it was a wild fish, but a beauty. Our babies are starting to show up too, so everyone get out there and catch some salmon. Mary & Aaron Duncan have been collecting some beautiful raffle items and prizes, and I know she is also looking for help during the derby so if anyone would like to help or donate, please give me at call 541 247-0396.

Okay all, I'm off to work at the Smoke Hut so if I've missed anything, I'm sorry but this is what you get this month. You all take care and hope to see you at the Derby Banquet Sept 11.

Thank you, Chris Underhill, CAF Volunteer Coordinator 541 247-0396



Profile of the Month

Joe Janowicz and John Chafin

By: Hassie Taylor and Anne Morgan

Joe and John have similar backgrounds. Both share a love for the outdoors; both grew up in the San Luis Obispo (SLO) area. They became buds while serving in the same National Guard unit in the late 1960s and early 1970s. After being discharged from the National Guard, they went their separate ways and lost track of each other for about thirty years. In 2002, while on the job working for PG&E, Joe was assigned to do a

shut off at John's home in Templeton, California. This "by chance" meeting recharged their friendship. They realized they still had a lot in common. They enjoyed nature and hiking and especially shared a love (or affliction as John describes it) for salmon fishing.

John had sold his home in Templeton and was moving to Oregon with his wife, Barbara. They invited Joe to join them for a visit to the Oregon Coast. After visiting John and Barbara in Gold Beach, it didn't take long for Joe and his wife, Janet, to purchase a home on Hunter Creek that would eventually become their retirement home.



Photo by Ann Morgan

Volunteer: Joe Janowicz

Joe grew up near San Luis Obispo in Pismo Beach, California, where his father served as mayor during Joe's high school years. After high school and the National Guard, Joe worked for PG&E for forty years and raised three children. Together, he and Janet have raised five children.

Vacations for Joe and Janet frequently meant traveling with their children to connect with other

family members in Vancouver Island, Canada. For many of these years, Joe managed to make his way back from Canada along the Pacific coast highway - to fish for salmon in the various coastal rivers of Northern California. He also spent several years exclusively fishing the Smith River.

Between 2003 (the year they purchased their home on Hunter Creek) and 2012, Joe and Janet visited Gold Beach many times for camping and fishing vacations. As retirement materialized for them in 2012, they were well-prepared for Gold Beach and its small town atmosphere. They had spent the previous 20 years living in Janet's home town, Santa Margarita (population 800).

Joe thoroughly enjoys his volunteer work at the hatchery. He particularly enjoys working with kids at Arizona Beach's Rod & Reel Days. He volunteers in most hatchery activities including fin-clipping, spawning, and feeding. In addition, Joe volunteers for Friends That Care, the Trash Dogs, and actively attends meetings for the anti-nickel mining campaign. Janet has also embraced Gold Beach. She volunteers at the Coastal Hospice Thrift Store; Friends That Care; Friends of the Library; Master Gardeners, and the Red Cross.



Photo from Joe's photo album

Note: John Chafin's will appear in the October *Riffle*.

Sponsor Corner

By Hassie Taylor

Jot's Resort provides waterfront lodging, pool facilities, and a fitness room for their guests. They also have a tackle and gift shop and offer guided fishing trips and will gladly help book tour boat trips up the Rogue. Jot's is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The resort also sells daily fishing licenses and provides fishing advice for free. In addition, **Jot's Resort** also offers meeting rooms. CAF has their monthly general meeting there as well. Thank you, Jot's!

Jot's Rod & Reel restaurant is located adjacent to **Jot's Resort**. Owners Dean McKinney and Sam Waller feel that CAF and the Indian Creek Hatchery are extremely important to the community and the future of Gold Beach in the fishing opportunities that it helps supplement as well as keeping the standing tradition of working the longest continually running fish hatchery in Oregon. As we all know, we need all the help we can get.

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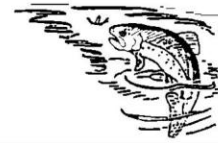
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