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President's Corner

By David Sophusson

David has gone fishing!

Financial Update

By Becky Sophusson

CAF made a profit of \$5949.38 from the Music Festival. We do not have a final amount for the derby as yet; there are still outstanding bills to be paid. We should have an amount by next month. Thanks again to the great volunteers!!

CAF General Meeting

October 9, 2014

Vice President- John Epps called the meeting to order at 10:00am. There were only 7 members present, which included 5 board members.

Minutes- The minutes for the September meeting, as printed in *The Riffle*, contained a major error by the secretary. The new refrigerator was donated by Don Woods. The minutes are approved with the noted correction. Thank you Don.

Treasurer's report- Barbara Jorge was absent.

Hatchery- Gary Underhill and crew have the hatchery ready for the new spawning season. There are fish in the holding tank and the hydrogen peroxide will be delivered next week. ODFW is seining at Huntley Park on Mon., Wed. and Fridays. Spawning will begin around the middle of November. The oxygen system units and the vacuum systems have been stored for

the winter. The non-slip coating has been applied to the deck. Wayne Adams repaired several parts for the vault unit. Gary reviewed mesh samples for replacing the raceway screens.

Pizza Fundraiser- The Pizza Night is cancelled due to a lack of a chairperson, which is necessary with all that needs to be done immediately. John Epps will call Sunset Family Pizza after the meeting to let them know and thank them for the opportunity.

Volunteer Appreciation/Election General meeting Dinner- Gary will talk with Chris Underhill about a date for the meeting and possible locations. The meeting information will be printed in the November edition of *The Riffle*.

Board nominations- All of the present 9 board members have agreed to serve next year, if no other CAF members express interest in becoming a board member. The candidates will be announced in the November edition of *The Riffle*.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45am
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary

Volunteer Profile of the Month **Marshall Dickson**

Submitted by Marshall Dickson



My name is Marshall Philip Dickson.

I was born in Texas. I lived there until I was 6. We moved to Gold Beach in 2009. The main reason I moved here was for the clean air. I've been volunteering at the hatchery since 2009. CAF is my favorite organization in Gold Beach. I especially like clipping fish. I clipped 2400 fish this year; I also like feeding and releasing fish. I have not caught any salmon but I am looking forward to it. I even love to eat salmon, and I never ate it until we got to Gold Beach. The people I've met at the hatchery are some of the most amazing people I've ever known. I enjoy all their stories and love to hear about their fishing trips. I'll be in the 6th grade this year at Riley Creek. I'll also be changing classes for the first time which will be interesting. My dad Philip was on the board for 2 years and my mom just took a new job with the Sheriff's office. My brother Matthew starts 3rd grade this year with Mrs. Hoffman, a teacher at Riley Creek. Thanks for letting me be a part of the hatchery; it has been a lot of fun!!

If you're ever looking for some company on your boat, please give me a call I would be happy to join you!



Photos submitted by Phil Dickson

Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by:

Chris Underhill, Volunteer Coordinator 247-0396

Happy Wet November!!

We had an early first rain and a small return of salmon on Sept. 25th, the day Gary & I were leaving for Las Vegas, thank goodness we had a late flight out of Medford. We called in a small group of volunteers and along with ODFW's help collected 6 adults for broodstock and donated 9 returning Jacks to the GoldBeachSeniorCenter and Shore Pines. Thank you, Fishermen Direct for processing and filleting the salmon, and helping me make a speedy departure so we didn't miss our plane.

We had a great vacation and returned to weirder Gold Beach warm weather, which was good, because it gave Jack Sheehan's painting crew time to apply the second coat to the walkways and let it dry before the next rain. Thank you to Art & Larry for keeping the vault clear of leaves and monitoring the water and hatchery while Gary was gone.

There was some great salmon fishing on the Rogue in the bay and at the mouth of Indian Creek the first 2 weeks of October. Then, the rains came, and the salmon headed up the creek. Volunteers Cher & Ken, who live at Indian Creek RV Park, called late on the 14th because they could hear the salmon making their way to the hatchery, so I started making calls early the next morning rounding up volunteer's game to play with fish.

I called in new & old faces to help on Oct. 15th, so armed in waders and rain gear we herded the strays into the ladder and started sorting fish in the ladder and collected 30 more adults for broodstock and 34 were sent to the Brookings Harbor Food Banks. We did the exact same thing on the 16th and moved more than 75 fish between the adult holding tank and transported many to the creek headwaters up on the Knox Ranch, and 27 more fish were sent to the 3rd Street Food Bank.

A Big Thank You to Fishermen Direct for processing, filleting and vacuum packing all 70 of the food bank fish at reduced prices, it's good to see the fish go to good use.

I think we have roughly 100 adults in the adult holding tank, and have started the hydrogen

peroxide treatments to keep the fish from getting fungus. We should start spawning Nov. 17th or 18th, so everyone get ready to play, I'll be calling. If you don't get a call from me, feel free to call 541 247-0396/425-0396. I don't mean to miss anyone, but we have a lot of new faces and I try to give everyone a chance to help out. Lastly I've tallied the Volunteer Hours for the 2013-2014 Spawning Season and have come up with 7,692 volunteer hours, not including hatchery tour hours, so I'll be adding a little more time when I get the Tour Log Book, Great Job Volunteers, you all deserve a pat on the back!! See you all at spawning; if anyone wants to help with the food, give me a holler!

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

2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEES

The following CAF members have been nominated for election to the Board of Directors at the annual meeting in December:

Harry Carlson

John Epps

Jim Freedman

Barbara Jorge

Glenn Kral

Jack Sheehan

David Sophusson

Gary Underhill

Randy Waters

All of the above candidates are present board members. Nominations from the floor will be welcomed and greatly appreciated.

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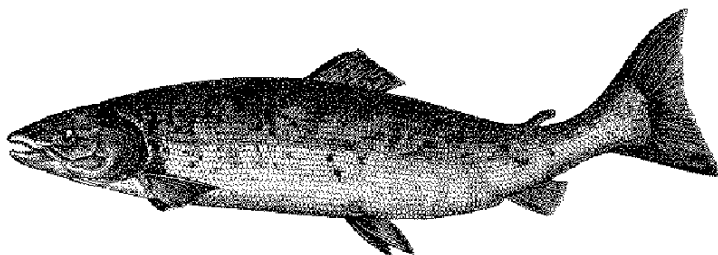
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Submitted by Hassie Taylor

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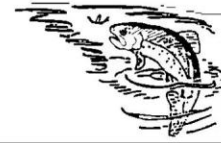
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