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Curry Anadromous Fishermen
Gold Beach, Oregon

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**INDIAN CREEK HATCHERY IS RUN BY
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**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,
JUNE 14, 2007 – 10:00 AM
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**(Come at 9:00 AM for Breakfast, to join
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**Next BOARD MEETING Thursday,
JUNE 7, 2007 – 9:00AM
BISCUIT BUILDING**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP NOW FOR 2007 !!**

Upcoming Events

Jun 5 & 6 ODFW fin clipping at Hatchery

June 9 Free fishing day at Libby Pond

June 20 Rotary tour and luncheon

July 4 Open house at the hatchery

July 25 -29 Curry County Fair

August 24 Annual Fundraiser BBQ

Presidents Corner

Mike Kopec

Wow, it's getting busy. June 9th will be free fishing day at Libby Pond from 7AM till noon. We past the hat at the general meeting and raised \$180 to purchase fishing gear for the kids and Joan Cooper donated a rod and reel that was scheduled for her grandson. I volunteered last year and had a ball. If you are not working there that day stop by at 11:30 and watch the weigh in, it's a kick to see the kids have that much fun. Thank you one and all.

On June 20th the Rotary will be touring the hatchery and we will BBQ hot dogs and hamburgers. Members will be asked to provide their favorite salads or deserts. The visitors will be paying \$7 each for the lunch. Spouses have been invited so we stand to benefit financially from the luncheon and maybe fund raising donations will be easier to obtain.

Just an early heads up. July 26-29 will be the dates for the Curry County Fair with set-up on the 25th. Our space will be located in front of the floral building between the two doors and in front of the garden area. ODFW will be providing a huge trailer mounted aquarium loaded with some of our smolts and hopefully a large salmon if we are successful with seining. We will have to man the booth at all times during the fair. Hours are 10AM to 10PM Thurs. through Sat. and 10AM to 5PM Sunday. This will require a lot of volunteers. To help with booth duty. I will be contacting South Coast Fishermen in Brookings to co-sponsor the event. We will be selling our new clothing with the Wright's new logo. Be ready for calls to help at these summer events.

"News and Events" - Keep up to date on the

latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to www.rogueriversalmon.org

Volunteer Report

By Chris Underhill 247-0396

Hello Everyone! It's June already and summer is here.. I'd like to thank everyone for all the prayer's during my dad's ICU adventure. My dad is doing great now and plans are still a go, for my parents 50th Wedding Anniversary Party & Cruise, I'm getting so excited! I just returned from Kingman, AZ, so I need to send many thanks especially too, Dianne MacKenzie and Larry Schnider for taking care of the 2nd graders who returned May 16th to feed the fish they saw spawned last fall. Also a big THANK YOU to Gary Harmon & Herman Neihaus for vacuuming all 3 raceways while I was out of town. Also, looked like Mark Abate & Carrie Hart scrubbed raceway walls - Thank you to everyone who took the ball and ran!!!

We also had about 60 5th graders visit the hatchery on May 10th, National Resource Day, the extension office had 8 stations located up and down Indian Creek. Dianne and I educated the kids on the hatchery and raising Chinook Salmon, it was a fun morning -

Tours are now going on, so daily feeders need to be at the hatchery at 9AM. Remember to call Indian Creek RV Park, the numbers on the wall, to see if they have anyone who wishes to tour the hatchery. The people usually walk to the hatchery, so give them a few minutes to get there - pull out the picture board if you like - or just walk them around and share your hatchery stories and feed the fish. The first tour is the scariest, then it becomes second nature. Thank you to all the daily feeders and Good Luck!

We're preparing for Libby Pond, picking up fishing poles and stuff, they passed the hat at the general meeting and collected \$180. Yippee, I get to go shopping!!

We are still looking for people to help out at Libby Pond the morning of June 9th from 7AM to

noon. Call myself or Sue Kopec, if you'd like to help out.

We will be serving the Rotary Lunch at the hatchery on June 20th, then giving everyone a tour of the facility. I'll be back from my trip by then, so I'll be calling looking for people to make salads or desserts.

It is getting to that time or year where you will be hearing from me more often, it's going to be a busy summer. Thank you to everyone who doesn't hide from my phone calls! I hope everyone has a safe summer and we'll be seeing you around the hatchery!

Chris Underhill
Volunteer Coordinator
247-0396

General Meeting

May 10, 2007

Mike Kopec called the meeting to order at Grants at 10:00 AM. 25 members attended.

Guest speaker Blaine Steinmetz explained his work with OWEB (Oregon Water Enhancement Board) to coordinate groups with similar interests in watershed issues to work together for common goals. He stated 10% of smolts reach the ocean; of those 10% return to spawn. Through habitat improvement these numbers could increase. Grants for habitat work are available through OWEB.

Ron Schwarz recapped the Port of Gold Beach Commissioners Meeting of May 18 regarding the Tidewater proposal to mine gravel bars up river owned by the Port. It was announced that ordinances governing port actions prohibit commercial mining. Ron supports the Port's efforts to seek permits to mine gravel deposits that are clogging the river around the bridge.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as amended. It was Gary Harmon attending to the rat problem. Corrected minutes will appear in

the next Raffle. Minutes approved as amended. Treasurer's Report by Gil Davis. April revenues \$580.73, expenses \$1044.77. Revenue received in May includes the Spring Dance, \$700.00, and a \$1000.00 donation from Middle Rogue Steelheaders. The Hensley donations have been applied to the Memorial Fund. The complete report is filed as presented.

John Weber, ODF&W discussed plans for Libby Pond Free Fishing Day for kids. Helpers will be needed on June 9th. Today is Natural Resources Day bringing the 5th grade classes to the hatchery for a tour and lessons. Dianne McKenzie and Chris Underhill are working with kids and teachers..

Hatchery Manager Larry Schnider is working on a better support system for the raceway shade. The fish are looking good. The new DO meter is not working and may have to be sent back. Larry thanked all the volunteers who call after feeding. It's a long trip to drive out from Ophir to check that fish have been fed. He will be planning a work day to replace the dam boards when the creek water drops.

Larry thanked Jim Hutchins of Oregon Stewardship for all his help on the last workday.

Volunteer Coordinator Chris Underhill was absent. Sue Kopec reported on upcoming events needing support from members.

June 9: Free Fishing Day at Libby Pond.

June 20: Rotary Club luncheon and tour of the Hatchery

July 4 : Open House at the Hatchery. Free Hot Dogs

July 26: County Fair. We will have the large portable aquarium on display and need volunteers during the four days of the fair.

August 24: Annual Salmon Barbecue

Sue also reported she is working on a clothing order and other items with the new CAF logo to sell at the fair. Thanks again to Harvey Wright and family for the great logo design. Watershed Council representative Gene Trinkler

reported on his first meeting that many activities are underway with an active and aggressive group.

The CAF 501(C)3 Non-Profit status should be approved by June 30 per Mike Kopec.

Fund Raising: Sue Kopec thanked all who made this a fun evening. Pat Barnett found a wonderful DJ who volunteered her time, Honey Bear donated their facility, and many members helped with food, serving, parking, etc.

\$180.00 for prizes at the Libby Pond event was donated at the meeting today by passing the hat. Thanks to all of you.

Joan Goodison reported that the Grant for the Sedimentation Project. Has a deadline for submission of May 21 with final approval in September.

Hatchery Tours: Feeders need to call the campground at 9 AM. and give the tour if one is scheduled. Mike will arrange for several members to give tours at other times as needed. He has scheduled tour trainings as well.

Raffle by Gene Trinkler was lots of fun as usual. Ruth McKibben won the door prize. Nice jacket, Ruth!

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Joan Goodison
Secretary, Pro-Tem

Treasure's Corner

By Gil Davis

Treasurers Report	Mar.	Apr.
Operating Capital	\$16,519	\$16,055

Apr. Income	\$ 581
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Apr. Expenses	\$ 1,045
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Hatchery Happenings

By Larry Schnider

Things are going good at the hatchery. The feeders are doing a great job and the fish are growing.

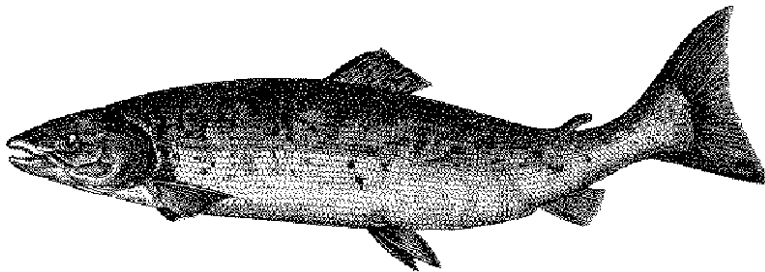
Thanks to Gary Underhill we now have a self closing door to the feed room. Gary Harmon has done a good job of keeping the mouse population down. I think he has caught 8 so far.

I've been adjusting the water flow to keep the DO's up. The overhead screen helps with the temperature by keeping the sun off of the water. The screen also helps keep leaves etc. out of the water.

Thank all of you for not letting the DO probe hit the bottom of the raceway. It's working better now. Thank all of you for always being dependable.

Trivia: Mistakes can be life's greatest disasters or life's greatest teachers.

Larry Schnider,
Hatchery Consultant



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As always we hope you make a special effort to support those who support the Indian Creek Hatchery.

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President:	Mike Kopec
Vice President:	Tom Tostenson

Curry Anadromous Fishermen --- Indian Creek Hatchery Volunteer Opportunities

Call Chris Underhill --- Volunteer Coordinator --- 247-0396

Seining for broodstock	October	Weekdays/Weekends
Spawning	Nov/Dec	Weekdays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleaning buckets • Cleaning hatchtrays • Fish collection • Assist in fertilization process • General cleanup 		
Supply Sargent (paper products, etc)	On going	
Egg sorting and counting	Dec/Jan	Weekdays
Hatchtrays monitory (D.O, Temp. Water flow)	Dec - Feb	Daily *
Fry release <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Into tributaries • Into raceways 	February	Weekdays
Fish feeding and raceway monitoring	Feb-Jul	Daily *
Vacuum raceways	Feb-Jul	Three time a week *
Net fry for tagging process	June	Weekdays - 3 days
Release smolt into Rogue River	Jul/Aug	Weekdays
General work parties – maintenance and repairs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building • Raceways • Water lines • Dam • Vault • Grounds • Feeders • Aerators 	As required	
Tours	As requested	
Raffles / Fundraisers	On going	
Other opportunities		
CAF Officers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President • Vice-President • Treasury • Secretary 		
CAF Board Member (five required)		
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