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2007 Awards Presented

Sgt. Todd Hoodenpyl (Tillamook) received the 2007 Fish and Wildlife Trooper of the Year award during a surprise presentation on July 30. "Todd is not only a leader respected by many, he also has a vision knowing what he wants to do and takes on many responsibilities that helps the Department, local communities, and fish and wildlife partner organizations," said Capt. Walt Markee (Division Director). Hoodenpyl transferred to the Tillamook office in April 2006 as a senior trooper with a goal of promoting to sergeant at that office, which he achieved December 2007. Throughout his nearly 13-year OSP career, he has approached his job selflessly, gaining the highest level of respect by supervisors, peers, subordinates, and other agencies and community groups. One nominator stated that the award "should acknowledge more than just the trooper who makes the exceptional game case. It is about the trooper who goes to work every day with the qualities that Todd has and conducts his work in a manner that makes the Division and Department proud. Todd is that trooper." In addition to the many cases he worked and solved, Hoodenpyl was recognized for his involvement with the community, relationships with private timberland owners and area public safety agencies, and his help with organizing the Portland Sportsmen's Show and "Wall of Shame." Per Lt. Steve Lane (Northwest Region), "Sgt. Hoodenpyl is the type of officer that we all should strive to emulate." Lane added that Hoodenpyl had prepared himself to the point that he was able to take over the responsibilities of a sergeant immediately because of his vision, as well as his desire to succeed and do his best for the Division and Department.



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The Division awarded the North Central Team (NCT) the 2007 Team of the Year. Awardees are: Sgt. John Katzenstein, Sr. Tpr. Swede Pearson, Sr. Tpr. Les Kipper, Sr. Tpr. Joel McNeerney, Sr. Tpr. David Anderson, Sr. Tpr. Craig Gunderson, Tpr. Sean Carothers, Rct. Justin Frazier, and Rct. Travis Ring. NCT includes The Dalles, Hood River, Arlington, and Fossil/Condon offices. This team experiences some of the state's most diverse enforcement issues in their five-county area, including sensitive fish species; Native American ceremonial, subsistence, and commercial fisheries with the four treaty tribes; enforcement of scenic waterway laws and regulations on segments of the Lower Deschutes and John Day Rivers; and BUII. NCT is very involved in the community and has had many accomplishments. They gave presentations at hunter safety classes, the local youth turkey clinic, American Fisheries Society, and the local Cherry Festival. In one case, while following up on a bear investigation south of The Dalles, two NCT troopers discovered a sophisticated marijuana grow, yielding ~8,900 plants, with a maturity value of ~\$9 million. One suspect was recently convicted on multiple federal charges. In another case, Baker City Fish and Wildlife troopers, investigating an illegal bighorn sheep kill, forwarded suspect and vehicle information to troopers working along I-84. Two NCT troopers spotted the vehicle in The Dalles and contacted the suspects. They found evidence and a weapon used in the crime and charged two suspects. "This group truly operates as a team as they encourage and support each other," said Lt. Randy Scorby (East Region). They "receive high praise by the local DA offices for their comprehensive and professional investigations and reports, as well as their professionalism in court."



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Columbia County Deputy DA Dale Anderson received the first 2007 Wildlife Prosecutor of the Year award for his prosecution of violators of Oregon's wildlife laws and support. On July 31, Capt. Walt Markee (Division Director), on behalf of the Oregon Sportsmen's Coalition (OSC), presented the award to Anderson in front of his peers at the Oregon DA Association (ODAA) 2008 Summer Conference in Bend. "Deputy DA Anderson is on the front line of the battle against those who unlawfully take Oregon's wildlife," said Markee. "We greatly appreciate the coalition's support in sponsoring this award to help recognize the guidance and work of prosecutors around the state working hard to help bring those to justice who blatantly disregard our laws." Anderson said he was "honored to receive this award and quite embarrassed" because he doesn't do it alone. [Please click for the press release detailing Anderson's efforts and about the OSC.](#)

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Wildlife / Hunting

Three More Poached Elk Near Glendale, Total Now Seven Illegally Killed Elk Since October 2007

OSP Fish and Wildlife troopers are seeking the public's help in solving the illegal killing of three more large bull elk in the Glendale area. The latest discoveries are the fifth, sixth, and seventh bull elk shot in open fields and left to waste in that area since October 2007. Troopers believe the same person(s) is/are responsible for poaching all seven elk. Sgt. Dean Perske, Sr. Tpr. Don Frerichs, Tpr. Jason Stone, and Tpr. Aaron Baimbridge (Roseburg) responded. On July 10, after troopers cleared the scene where two dead bull elk were found shot in a large opening just off McCullough Creek Road in the Glendale area by a local resident who was out walking that morning, another discovery of a third dead elk was reported. The first elk, a 5 x 5 branch antler bull, had apparently died shortly after being shot and had gone to waste prior to a trooper being able to salvage it. The second elk, a larger 6 x 6 bull, was still alive when officers arrived, but it had to be dispatched. The trooper was able to salvage the meat and it was given to a local charity. Troopers responded back to the area on the morning of July 11th and found the third elk, a 6 x 6 bull, dead in tall brush about 200 yards from where the other elk were located. Troopers were unable to salvage meat for charitable distribution. Information from local residents indicated three shots were heard just prior to 4:00 a.m. on July 10th.

The reward amount is over \$17,500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for killing the elk. The OHA State Board voted to add \$4,000 to the reward, the Josephine County OHA Chapter added \$500, the Lincoln County OHA Chapter also added \$500, and additional donations have been pledged. The reward donations were added to the \$6,000 reward previously set up by local landowners, elk hunters, and the Roseburg OHA Chapter. [Please click here for the original article that ran in the Statesman Journal](#) and the [follow-up article](#).

If anyone has information, please call the Roseburg OSP office at (541) 440-3334 ext. 3417 or the OSP TIP line at 1-800-472-7888.



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Deer Taken Closed Season

Tpr. Curtis Weaver (Lakeview) received a call of a deer hanging near Thompson Valley Reservoir. Weaver responded and found the deer and three subjects. One subject produced a valid tribal enrollment card and told Weaver she had shot the deer. However, this was not the story obtained from the other two. Weaver learned the tribal member's non-tribal boyfriend shot the deer. Weaver seized the deer and two rifles, citing the boyfriend with **Taking Deer Closed Season**.

Killing and Waste of a Cow Elk Near Oakridge

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) received information regarding a cow elk that had been shot and left to waste in the Huckleberry Flats area northeast of Oakridge on Willamette National Forest land. Maher went to the location of the elk kill and examined the animal. The elk appeared to have been down for at least a couple of days. Examination revealed what appeared to be a single gunshot wound to the neck. No other obvious wounds were observed. There are no suspects at this time. If anyone has information, please call the Oakridge OSP office at (541) 782-4374 or the OSP TIP line at 1-800-472-7888.



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Abbreviations and Acronyms

ATV	All-Terrain Vehicle	NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service	PCS	Possession of Controlled Substance
BAC	Blood Alcohol Content	NOAA	National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration	SO	Sheriff's Office
BER	Boat Examination Report	ODF	Oregon Department of Forestry	SIU	Special Investigations Unit
BUII/DUII	Boating/Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants	ODFW	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife	USCG	United States Coast Guard
DA	District Attorney	ODOT	Oregon Department of Transportation	USFS	United States Forest Service
DEQ	Department of Environmental Quality	OHA	Oregon Hunters Association	USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
JACTMA	Jackson Area Cooperative Travel Management Area	OSMB	Oregon State Marine Board	WDFW	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
		OSP	Oregon State Police	WED	Wildlife Enforcement Decoy

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Wildlife / Hunting



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Suspects Falsely Applied for Landowner Preference Tags

Sr. Tpr. Randy Caldwell (Burns) completed an investigation into subjects falsely applying for landowner preference (LOP) tags. During a recent review of hunt lists, he determined that three subjects had been applying for LOP tags for the Juniper muzzleloader hunt, but they did not own any land within the hunt boundary. He traveled to Central Point, and with the assistance of Tpr. Jim Collom (Central Point), contacted the suspects. During the contact, four head mounts were recovered of deer killed during this hunt. Caldwell determined these subjects have been applying for this hunt each year since 2005. All three were cited for **False Application for Landowner Preference Tag and Unlawful Possession of Deer—Closed Season**.

Toxic Substances Made Accessible to Wildlife

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Allison (Central Point) received a complaint of a dog that died mysteriously in the Talent area and the dog's owners believed it had been poisoned. A check of nearby landowners revealed one who was using gopher poison mixed with ham and peanut butter to keep bears off his property. The cause of the dog's death is undetermined; however, Allison cited the subject for **Making Toxic Substances Accessible to Wildlife**.

Hazed Geese without a Permit

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Allison (Central Point) and Rct. Gregor Smyth (Patrol, Central Point) responded to an anonymous call that someone shot and killed a goose in their pasture. The caller reported that the owners of the pasture commonly haze the geese off their pasture by shooting over them with a shotgun. On this day, they hazed most of the geese off and when a few did not leave, they shot and killed one. No dead goose could be located and the pasture owners were less than cooperative. They were warned for **Hazing Geese without a Permit**.

Suspect Criminally Cited for Taking Deer

Tpr. Mark Schoenborn and Tpr. Mike Buck (Portland) conducted a "knock-and-talk" at a residence about a deer poaching that may have occurred in mid-June. They revealed a deer had been taken during the closed season. A consent search revealed one 2 x 3 blacktail deer head in velvet, along with the remains, meat, two flashlights used to spot the deer, and two Ruger 10/.22 rifles used in the take. They criminally cited one subject for **Unlawful Take of a Game Mammal—Blacktail Deer Taken during a Closed Season** and seized the flashlights, weapon, and all remaining parts of the deer.

Group Effort Rescued Elk Calves

Tpr. Marvin Ritter (John Day) observed 10 elk calves trapped inside a pasture with an eight-foot high fence. The calves apparently entered the pasture through an open gate about ¼ mile away. They appeared distressed, as the temperature was hot and there was no water around. They had probably been there, away from their mothers, since early that morning or the night before. He attempted to contact the property owner, but no one was home. He contacted a Grant County SO deputy who was in the area and another property owner who, along with five family members, agreed to help free the calves. They cut the fence where it formed a "v" at the end of the pasture. They spread out across the pasture and herded the calves toward the apex of the "v" and all 10 calves escaped. The neighbor said he would mend the fence and let the property owner know what had occurred upon return.

Eagle Recovered

Tpr. Ryan Kehr (Newport) responded to a report of an injured juvenile bald eagle. Fish and Wildlife volunteers also assisted. The eagle was recovered and the volunteers took the bird to an Astoria rehab center.

Suspect Cited for Animal Abuse

Tpr. Dirk Anderson (Portland) investigated an abuse report after Milwaukie PD notified OSP about a subject who ran over five Canada geese. He cited the subject for **Animal Abuse in the First Degree**.

"Gunning" Rabbits Illegal from Vehicle on Road

Sr. Tpr. Darin Bean (Gilchrist) received a call from a Fort Rock area landowner reporting a subject shooting from a pickup on a county road. The landowner provided a license plate. Bean located the subjects the next day. The subjects were "gunning" rabbits from the pickup as the rabbits crossed the road. Bean cited both for **No Hunting License and Hunting Prohibited Method—Motor Vehicle**.



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Cited for Using Sight Bait

Tpr. Adam Turnbo (Salem) responded to a call of a vulture caught in a leghold trap. Upon arrival, the vulture was gone and the trap was re-set, baited with bass within inches of the trap. Turnbo warned the suspect for **Using the Flesh of a Game Fish For Bait—Bass** and cited for **Using Sight Bait within 15 Feet of a Trap Set for Carnivores**.

Fish / Angling

Guide Warned for Taking Media on Fish Ladder

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Allison (Central Point) took Rct. Gregor Smyth (Patrol, Central Point) on a boat patrol of the Rogue River from Touvelle to Gold Ray Dam. They checked several boats, performed five BERs, checked several salmon anglers, and warned a guide for taking a local news crew on the fish ladder at Gold Ray Dam.

Angler Tried to Scare Fish out of Hiding

At Gnat Creek, Tpr. Jim O'Connor (Astoria) observed an angler throw rocks into the water and use a large branch to move the fish out from under fallen debris. He contacted the angler, who said he had seen the salmon in the water and was trying to "scare" them out by poking at them with a branch. The angler was cited for **Harassing Wildlife**.

Suspect Tried to Conceal Fish was Native

Sgt. Chris Allori (Portland) responded to a report from WDFW Officer Tim Meyers of an angler who kept a wild steelhead on the Columbia River at Tanner Creek. Allori found that the angler caught the fish and cut off the adipose fin to conceal that it was wild. The angler was cited for **Unlawful Take of Wild Steelhead**, and the fish was seized and donated to charity.

Tribal Members Caught Fishing in Prohibited Area

Sr. Tpr. Craig Gunderson (The Dalles) observed a Yakama tribal member and his two grandsons, 16 and 22, fishing with a hoop net within the closure below the John Day Dam off of a new tribal platform. They netted a wild steelhead in short order. He determined the grandsons were not enrolled members of a treaty tribe with fishing rights on the Columbia River. Gunderson cited the tribal member for **Fishing Prohibited Area** (crime), seized the steelhead, cited the 22-year-old for **Unlawful Participation in Treaty Tribal Fishery by a Non-Treaty Enrolled Member** (crime), and warned the 16-year-old.

Salmon Hid in Motor Home

Sgt. Chris Allori and Tpr. Mike Buck (Portland) responded to Clackamette Park after receiving a call on a suspect who illegally kept a Chinook on the Willamette River, which is closed to Chinook angling. Allori contacted the suspect and his friend as they were tying their boat up and found that the suspect who caught the Chinook handed his fishing pole to his friend, then drove his boat into the Clackamas River, dragging the Chinook with them. They landed the Chinook on the Clackamas River, which is open to Chinook angling. Allori found the Chinook hidden in a compartment in the suspect's motor home. Allori cited the suspect for **Unlawful Take of Chinook Salmon—Closed Season**, cited his friend for **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation**, and seized the salmon and donated to charity.

Fly Fishing Only and Catch and Release for Rainbow Trout on Gold Lake

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) conducted boat patrols at Gold Lake using a cataraft on two occasions and a pontoon boat on a third. On the first trip, he checked 10 anglers, completed 10 boat checks, and issued one citation. On the second patrol, Maher checked 11 anglers, completed seven boat checks, and issued two citations. On the third occasion, Maher checked 13 anglers, nine boats, and issued four citations. Gold Lake is restricted to fly angling only, with a fly rod and reel and barbless flies, and catch and release only for rainbow trout. Boat motors are also prohibited on this lake. The Tualatin Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited donated this sign, as they are "dedicated to preserving clean water and wild fish."



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Patrols Yield Numerous Violations

Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher (Springfield) and Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) teamed up to patrol Cottage Grove and Dorena Reservoirs during a BUII saturation organized by Sr. Tpr. Chris Ashenfelter (Springfield). They inspected 11 boats, checked 23 anglers, and issued five citations. They investigated an accident where a boy was injured by a tow rope. They cited the operator for **Unsafe Boat Operation**. They also cited two operators for **Towing without an Observer**, one for **No Boater Education Card**, and one angler for **No Non-Resident Angling License**. The troopers learned a small bass night tournament was being held. They contacted the tournament director, who had not notified ODFW/OSP, as required, and issued citations for **Bass Tournament Director Fail to Notify ODFW/OSP of Small Bass Tournament** and **Fail to Properly Mark Small Tournament Boat**. They contacted the five participating boats and checked 10 anglers. They cited one operator for **Insufficient PFD's** (no Type IV throwable) and another for **Fail to Properly Mark Small Bass Tournament Boat**. Three of the participating boats retained bass greater than 15" in their live wells. The bass were released unharmed and the anglers were warned for Taking Bass over 15".



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Anglers Spotted for the Wrong Reason

Sr. Tpr. Swede Pearson (The Dalles) and volunteer Bill Ward were shuttling vehicles for a boat patrol on the Deschutes River when they observed four men—all wearing official-looking, bright green, reflective vests—fishing from the bank on the Columbia River just east of The Dalles. The men wore the vests to be more visible to traffic as they walked along I-84 to their fishing spot. Two of the men were cited for **No Angling License**.

Over 150 Anglers Checked in Two Days

Sr. Tpr. Scott Salisbury and Tpr. Lowell Lea (Florence) conducted patrols on the ocean over a two-day period. They checked about 150 anglers for coho and halibut. They issued several verbal warnings for Barbed Hooks and Fail to Validate Tag, three citations for **Failure to Validate Harvest Card**, three for **Prohibited Method—Barbed Hooks**, and one for **No Harvest Card**. They towed two disabled boats—one was disabled several miles south of Winchester Bay due to a mechanical problem. They towed this boat into Windy Bay.

Contacts Made on Horse Patrol

Sr. Tpr. James Griffin (La Grande) made a three-day horse patrol of the Upper Imnaha River. He contacted two anglers salmon angling at the Blue Hole, which is closed to salmon angling. He cited both for **Angling for Salmon Prohibited Area**. Griffin and Lt. Randy Scorby (East Region) also made a three-day horse patrol into the Wenaha Wilderness. They contacted two subjects, who advised they caught a large *brook* trout. When shown a picture of a *bull* trout, one agreed that was what they caught. They were warned for Unlawful Possession of Bull Trout. At Elk Flat Trailhead, they warned two subjects for No Non-Resident Angling License.

Subject Tried to Cover Up Taking Trout with Bait

Sgt. Tom Hulett (Springfield) located a van parked at a popular angling spot on the South Fork of the McKenzie River below Cougar Dam. A subject was angling near the van and, unfortunately, saw Hulett first. Upon contact, the subject had moved away from the water and broke off his gear. The subject claimed to be casting a lure and denied catching any fish or using bait. The subject had a glob of blood on his thumb that smelled of fish and admitted he had trout in his van and permitted inspection. Hulett found 16 fish (one native 20+-inch trout, one native 15-inch trout, and 14 headless, fin-clipped trout). The subject claimed to have caught the fish over the last three days at a nearby reservoir. He denied catching the larger fish in the South Fork. Hulett seized the six trout in excess the two-day possession limit and cited him for **Exceeding Possession Limit**. Hulett suspected that the subject had been using worms and had killed fish prior to being contacted. Hulett walked back to the shore for one last look and found a freshly killed 13-inch native trout and a worm container with fresh worms at the edge of the stream, about five feet from where he made contact. The subject denied catching the trout or owning the container and cast blame on the proverbial bushy-haired-stranger. Hulett seized the fish and issued a citation for **Unlawfully Taking Trout**. Hulett has cited this subject twice in the past for similar angling violations.

Native Trout Retained

Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher (Springfield) and Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) conducted a jet boat patrol on the lower McKenzie River. They issued citations for **Insufficient PFD, No Angling License (2), No Non-Resident Angling License, Unlawful Taking of Non-Adipose Fin Clipped Trout (2), Counseling in a Game Violation—Unlawful Taking of Trout, and Angling with Bait Where Prohibited**. They also issued five warnings for Unlawful Use of Bait. The two anglers cited for taking of trout had each taken a native rainbow trout larger than 16".



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Angler Lodged in Jail for Multiple Offenses

Sr. Tpr. Mike Cushman (Central Point) was working the Rogue River near Gold Ray Dam when he saw a man casting above the deadline trying to snag salmon. Cushman cited this same man for snagging salmon at this location a few weeks prior. Sr. Tpr. Jeff Thompson (Central Point) cited him a few weeks prior to that incident. Cushman worked his way down to the man and waited for the man to reel in. Cushman then ordered him to put his rod down. The man bit off his line and tried to discard his gear. Cushman found the gear was an illegal setup, with two treble hooks tied just above the weight. Cushman lodged the subject in jail for various angling offenses.

Multiple Snagging at Confluence on Wilson River

Troopers worked the Wilson River near the confluence of the South Fork several times this month. At this location, steelhead and salmon are commonly snagged due to the water flow, water clarity, and the number of fish that congregate there. On one occasion, Sgt. Todd Hoodenpyl (Tillamook) saw four anglers using bobbers and eggs with no success. One angler switched his fishing gear to a spinner and eventually hooked one fish in the tail. Hoodenpyl cited the subject for **Angling Prohibited Method—Snagging**. On another occasion, Hoodenpyl and Tpr. Casey Thomas (Tillamook) watched three subjects, with one fishing with a bobber and jig. When one subject discovered fish visible in the shallow water, he ran to his pickup and retrieved a large treble hook. He tied the hook on, added a weight, then proceeded to drag the line through the water. The other subjects stood guard on the trail. When the lookout saw Thomas, he yelled to the snagger, who cut his line, leaving the treble hook in the river (which was later retrieved). They cited two subjects for **Angling Prohibited Method—Snagging and Aiding in A Wildlife Violation**. On another occasion, Tpr. Ryan Howell (Tillamook) and Thomas watched two subjects using 40-inch leaders and large single point hooks with yarn attempting to snag fish. They cited both anglers for **Angling Prohibited Method—Snagging**. On a fourth occasion, Sr. Tpr. Lalo Guerra (Tillamook) worked snaggers watching a fishing hole with a large amount of steelhead in it. Guerra watched the angler hook a steelhead in the dorsal fin and then retain the fish. Guerra cited the angler for **Unlawful Possession—Foul Hooked Steelhead**.

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State Employee Cited for False Applications

Sgt. Todd Hoodenpyl (Tillamook) completed an investigation of a state employee who moved to Oregon in May 2008, then purchased resident licenses in June. Hoodenpyl cited this subject for **False Application of Resident Angling and Shellfish Licenses**.

Anglers Said They Did Not Know How to Measure

Tpr. Tim Schwartz (Astoria) contacted anglers who possessed two undersized sturgeon. The anglers stated that they had measured the sturgeon incorrectly, as they did not know how to measure, for this was their first time sturgeon fishing. Schwartz seized two sturgeon, cited both anglers for **Unlawful Possession of Undersized Sturgeon**, and one for **No Valid Angling Harvest Card**.

Continued to Angle after Obtaining Limit

Tpr. Tim Schwartz (Astoria) contacted two anglers walking up a trail near Gnat Creek, possessing two Chinook. The anglers stated that they had caught the salmon about an hour before and did not have any other fish. A consent search revealed a third Chinook in the vehicle. Schwartz cited both anglers for **Failure to Immediately Validate** and one for **Continuing to Angle after Obtaining a Daily Limit**.

Guide Cited for Using Barbed Hooks

Tpr. Tim Schwartz and Sr. Tpr. Trygve Klepp (Astoria) conducted an RHI ocean patrol. They made several contacts, including a guide boat in which every angler aboard was using barbed hooks. They cited the guide for **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense—Prohibited Method** and warned him for **Failure to Validate (x 3)**. They issued other citations for **Angling Prohibited Method—Barbed Hooks, No Angling Harvest Card**, and **No PFD's**.

Chinook Seized

Tpr. Tim Schwartz and Tpr. Jim O'Connor (Astoria) conducted an ocean patrol. They boarded over 20 boats and issued several citations. Schwartz boarded one boat, locating a marijuana pipe on the dash. A consent search located two hidden Chinook. The subjects did not have their angling licenses and tags, as well as using barbed hooks. They seized two Chinook and cited the couple for **No Angling Harvest Cards** and **Angling Prohibited Method—Barbed Hooks**.

Over 200 Miles on Ocean Patrol

Sr. Tpr. Doug Canfield and Tpr. Heather Van Meter (Newport) logged 218 miles on RHI ocean patrol out of Newport over three days. They contacted 120+ anglers, a few commercial tuna vessels, and issued 23 citations. The charges ranged from **Fail to Validate Harvest Card, Angling Prohibited Method—More than One Rod, Angling with Barbed Hooks, Angling Prohibited Area—Stonewall YRCA, Unlawful Possession Prohibited Species, Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit on Halibut**, and **Improper PFD on Juvenile**. They also issued 88 warnings for various angling and boating violations. They seized and donated to charity two halibut, one Chinook, and three rockfish.



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Illegally Possessed Fish

While on boat patrol on the Columbia River, Sr. Tpr. Mike Hanson (Portland) contacted two anglers in a boat. Hanson found both were in illegal possession of a Chinook salmon and a wild steelhead. A female angler was cited for **Keeping Chinook Salmon Closed Season** and **Unlawful Take of Wild Steelhead**. The male angler was cited for **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation** after it was discovered he had cut off the adipose fin of the wild steelhead to conceal it was a wild fish. Both fish were seized and later donated to charity.

Unlawful Possession of Oversized Sturgeon

Tpr. Luke Schwartz and Rct. Jay Vogel (St. Helens) assisted Tpr. Tim Schwartz and Tpr. Jim O'Connor (Astoria) with Lower Columbia River sturgeon anglers. Luke Schwartz and Vogel fished undercover for several hours, observing two anglers catch and land what appeared to be an oversized sturgeon. Tim Schwartz and O'Connor were advised and contacted the anglers, who were in possession of a 68-inch sturgeon. The anglers stated their yard stick broke, so they were not able to get an accurate measurement. Eventually, they admitted that the first measurement showed the sturgeon to be oversized. They cited one angler for **Unlawful Possession of an Oversized Sturgeon** and warned the second angler for **Aiding**. They issued other citations for **Failure to Immediately Validate (x 2)**, and **No Angling Harvest Card (x 2)** and many warnings. All sturgeon were donated to charity.

Combo Patrol Successful

Sgt. Tom Hulett and Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) worked a combination patrol on the Upper McKenzie and South Fork McKenzie Rivers and Trail Bridge Reservoir. Boyd patrolled on bicycle, while Hulett drove ahead and picked him up. While on the South Fork, they checked four anglers and a guide. One citation and one warning were issued. On the McKenzie River Trail, Boyd checked several anglers and issued two citations for bait violations. One of the bait anglers retained two native trout and was cited for **Unlawful Taking Trout Prohibited Area**. At Trail Bridge Reservoir, a subject had been rowing a rubber raft with two children on board. Hulett cited this subject for **No PFDs**. Several anglers, believed to be violating bait restrictions, quickly left the area. They completed the day with another bike and foot patrol at the Waterboard Park at Leaburg Lake. They checked eight anglers and issued five citations.

Environment / Habitat



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Citizens Helped with Dumpster

During a patrol, Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) and Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher (Springfield) located a large garbage dumpster at the Harvest Lane boat landing that had been pushed into the river and was in the water at the bottom of the boat ramp. With the help of some concerned citizens, the troopers were able to remove the dumpster out of the river, with most of its garbage contents still contained inside.

Explosive Targets Violated Act

Tpr. Adam Turnbo (Salem) contacted a group target-practicing on ODF property near Mehama. As he approached, he determined that they were shooting explosive targets in violation of the Regulated Closure Fire Protection Act. He issued citations for **Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor, MIP—Alcohol (x 2)** and **Violation of Regulated Use Closure—Exploding Targets (x 2)** (fire regulation violation).

Subject Caught Abandoning Camp

Tpr. Ryan Kehr (Newport) contacted a male subject in Neotsu who was looking for an abandoned camp on USFS road. The subject and a friend had left a tent, a cooler full of rotten food, and other garbage. The spot had been abandoned for about a month. The subject also just happened to be the suspect in a poaching/drug case Kehr had from last year. He had recently gone to grand jury on the case and received a felony indictment. The subject was lodged in the Lincoln County Jail for the felony warrants and also charged with **Offensive Littering**.

Dead Fish Found in River Came From Wapato Lake

Sr. Tpr. Doug Shugart (McMinnville) dealt with a complaint on the Tualatin River near Gaston. The complaint was that water from Wapato Lake was being pumped into the Tualatin River and the water was then killing fish in the river. Shugart worked with personnel from the DEQ and ODFW and determined that the dead fish found in the river came from Wapato Lake and were killed while going through the pumps. There will be further monitoring of this area while they continue to pump from the lake into the river.

Oregon Plan Complaints

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Allison (Central Point) contacted two men operating a gold dredge on the Applegate River. He warned them for not having proper permits for operating the dredge in the river. The information was given to Sr. Tpr. Jeff Thompson (Central Point) for follow-up.

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Thompson (Central Point) and ODFW Biologist Chuck Fustish checked on a complaint of raw sewage running into the Rogue River in Gold Hill. They found a construction worker who said that a sewer pipe had been plugged up the day before and caused the spill. DEQ also received a complaint and they are doing follow-up.

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Thompson (Central Point) investigated several Oregon Plan complaints. One involved a report of a neighbor operating a Caterpillar in Sucker Creek. No evidence of any Cat work could be located. Another complaint involved a subject who had been mining in Wolf Creek with a dredge for several months, putting the activity prior to the in-stream work period. Thompson checked the stream and could not locate any mining operation. Another report involved a subject who had re-channeled Rock Creek causing it to flow into some ponds with non-native fish in them and then back into the old channel. Thompson checked and the complaint was unfounded.

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Thompson (Central Point) investigated several Oregon Plan complaints. One involved the removal of riparian vegetation along the Applegate River. A landowner had hired someone to remove the brush and about 150 yards of riverbank had the riparian vegetation removed up to about 100 yards deep. Thompson contacted the landowner. All work has been stopped until a proper re-planting plan can be developed by ODFW. The information was forwarded to Jackson County Code Compliance enforcement.

Sr. Tpr. Jeff Thompson (Central Point) received a complaint about heavy equipment working in Evans Creek. He contacted the complainant who advised that the suspect had created a pushup dam blocking East Evans Creek and creating heavy turbidity during the construction of the dam. Thompson contacted property owners where the push up dam was built. They took him to the location of the dam about upstream. The subject pushed up material from the riverbed to cover concrete pillars in the creek to create the dam. There were blue plastic tarps across the top of the dam. The dam did not allow for fish passage so the property owners attempted to create fish passage by lowering a small section in the middle of the dam. The information was forwarded to ODFW and the DSL. Thompson and ODFW Biologist Chuck Fustish returned to the site later. The dam had been modified and was no longer in violation.

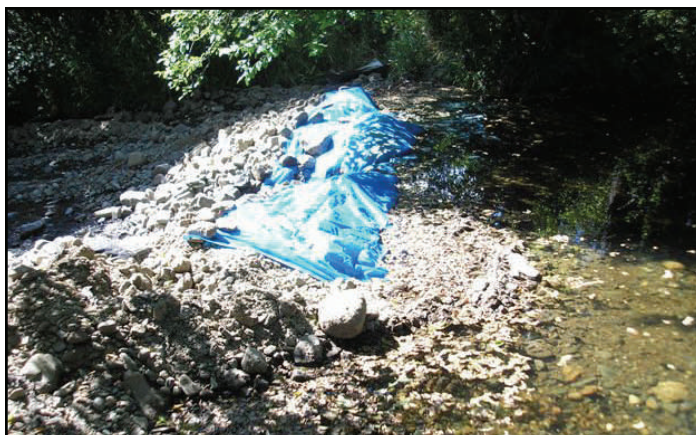


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Commercial / Shellfish



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Failed to Sell Clams within 48 Hours

Sr. Tpr. Trygve Klepp (Astoria) cited a commercial razor clam digger for **Failure to Sell Commercially Harvested Razor (Bait) Clams within 48 Hours**. The man failed to sell the clams to a licensed buyer and requested the purchaser to "back-date" the commercial shellfish ticket three weeks after the harvest.

Non-Resident Tried for an Extra Day

Tpr. Ryan Howell (Tillamook) contacted a clammer leaving the digging area on Netarts Bay and discovered the man had 12 gapers and no shellfish license. Howell learned the man was from Texas and had bought a 3-day shellfish license four days prior to contact. Knowing his license was no longer valid; the man ripped up his expired license, attempting to clam one more day in Oregon before leaving. He was cited for **No Non-Resident Shellfish License**.

Illegal Commercial Clamming

In May, Trooper Howell started investigating some illegal commercial clamming activities by four individuals from Washington. In 2007, the group made a total of 14 landings, but only one fish ticket was made out. The group also failed to submit their 2007 logbooks to ODFW. In April and May 2008, the group again harvested clams commercially in Tillamook Bay. As of July, no fish tickets or logbooks were submitted to ODFW. On July 24, members of the WDFW and NMFS agents executed a search warrant on an unrelated case involving the same individuals at their residence in Washington. NMFS agents conducted interviews regarding the violations in Oregon and seized the suspects' logbooks. All four individuals were issued citations for **Failure to Sell Commercially Taken Clams, Failure to Submit Logbooks and Failure to Complete Logbooks** prior to leaving the digging area for the Oregon violations. Based on the logbooks seized, it is estimated the group made 34 landings in 2008, totaling an estimated 11,000 pounds of clams. In addition to the citations listed, the report will be submitted to the DA's office for consideration of additional charges.

Subject 182 Over the Limit

Sr. Tpr. Greg Torland (Portland) contacted a bay clammer and discovered he was 182 clams over his daily limit of cockles. He was cited for **Exceeding Daily Limit of Bay Clams**.

Family Kept Undersized Crab

Sgt. Todd Hoodenpyl (Tillamook) responded to a call on Netarts Bay reporting a family who retained over their limit of Dungeness crab. Hoodenpyl located the vehicle, but it was unoccupied. After a short wait, several people arrived in a boat at the dock with a bucket which was quickly taken to the suspect vehicle. Upon contact, he found short and female crab in the bucket. The subject who caught the crab was cited for **Unlawful Possession Undersized Dungeness Crab**.

Skipper Failed to Offload

Tpr. Levi Harris and Tpr. Kristopher Davis (Coos Bay) were following up on checking records of bait fish dealers and wholesalers in Charleston when they observed a local skipper with two other subjects, one of which was carrying two garbage bags of fish up from the docks. An investigation revealed that the fish were not legally possessed. The skipper was cited for **Failure to Completely Offload Groundfish**. One lingcod, two dark-blotched rockfish, and two slope rockfish were seized and added to the fisherman's trip limits.

Skipper Failed to Deliver Crab within 14 Days

Tpr. Lowell Lea (Florence) followed up on a commercial case from June. Lea had contacted a fishing vessel as the skipper was delivering crab at the Port of Florence. The skipper had left his gear in the ocean for about two months without making a crab delivery. Lea searched ODFW records, with the help of Kevin Kemper (Admin, Newport), to verify the boat was still fishing and making hagfish deliveries during the time period in question, but no crab had been delivered. Lea cited the skipper for **Fail to Deliver Dungeness Crab within 14 Days with Crab Gear Deployed in Pacific Ocean**.



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Deckhands Cited

Tpr. Ryan Howell (Tillamook) was working commercial crabbers in Garibaldi. During dock patrol, he located two deckhands who were working on a commercial crab boat without commercial fishing licenses. He cited both subjects for **No Commercial Fishing License**.

Commercial Clammers Disputed Location

Sgt. Todd Hoodenpyl and Tpr. Ryan Howell (Tillamook) responded to Tillamook Bay where two commercial clammers, who commonly dive in the Bay, were having a dispute relating to each other's clamming location and concerns about each other's boat operation around divers. The dispute was resolved after contacting each clammer and discussing possible citations for unsafe boat operation.

Unlawfully Possessed Marine Fish and Crab

Tpr. Casey Thomas (Tillamook) observed three anglers on the South Jetty of Tillamook Bay and contacted Tpr. Ryan Howell (Tillamook) to assist as there are multiple routes leaving the area. They located the anglers as they were loading their mountain bikes with coolers and fishing poles. A fabricated story was initially provided to the troopers. They learned that two of the anglers did not have angling licenses and each had retained multiple marine fish, now filleted and in the coolers. The third angler had an angling license, but no shellfish license, and admitted to having retained the crab that were cooked and on ice in the coolers. Citations were issued for **Unlawful Possession of Marine Fish (x 2)** and **Unlawful Possession of Dungeness Crab**.



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Restaurant Lacked Proper Dealer License

Sr. Tpr. Trygve Klepp (Astoria) investigated a commercial clam harvester who sold 10 pounds of razor clams harvested from the Clatsop Beach area to a restaurant. Although commercially licensed, a harvester is required to sell clams intended for human consumption only to properly certified dealers. The restaurant lacked the proper dealer license required by the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Klepp cited the commercial harvester for **Failure to Sell Commercially Harvested Razor Clams to Licensed Buyer**. Klepp also cited the restaurant owner in Seaside to which he sold clams to for **Unlawful Purchase of Commercially Harvested Razor Clams—No Shellfish Sanitation Certificate**.

Over 750 Clams and Snails Seized

During the holiday, Sr. Tpr. Doug Shugart (McMinnville), Tpr. Ryan Howell, Tpr. Casey Thomas, and Sgt. Todd Hoodenpyl (Tillamook) worked clammers. On July 3, Howell worked the clam beds of Tillamook Bay. Howell cited two subjects for **No Shellfish License** and seized 212 snails and two yelloweye rockfish. On July 4, Shugart, Howell, and Thomas worked the clam beds of Netarts Bay. They issued nine citations for **Exceeding the Bag Limit on Bay Clams** and **Fail to Retain Broken Bay Clams** and seized 375 bay clams. On July 5, Hoodenpyl and Thomas worked clammers on Netarts Bay, while Shugart and Howell worked clammers on Tillamook Bay. They issued seven citations for **Exceeding the Bag Limit on Bay Clams** and **Fail to Retain Broken Bay Clams** and seized 167 bay clams.



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Multiple Shellfish Violations over Holiday Weekend

During the holiday, Sgt. Jeff Scroup, Sr. Tpr. Trygve Klepp, Tpr. Tim Schwartz, and Tpr. Jim O'Connor (Astoria) worked the minus tide series on Clatsop County beaches. Scroup cited one subject on July 3 for **Exceeding the Daily Bag limit of Razor Clams**. On July 4, Klepp caught up to a commercial harvester and cited the individual for a May commercial violation for **Failing to Sell Clams to a Licensed Dealer**. The subject had sold clams to a restaurant in Seaside. Klepp also cited the restaurant owner for **Unlawful Purchase of Razor Clams From Other Than a Wholesale Dealer**. Also on July 4, Schwartz contacted a clam digger as he approached his vehicle. Schwartz asked to see the digger's clams. Initially, the digger began stalling and talking about various life issues before investigation revealed he was over his daily limit. A consent search located a total of 60 razor clams in the vehicle. The digger admitted he was aware of the daily limit of 15 razor clams but figured, since the clams were so small, he would keep a few extra. Schwartz cited the digger for **Exceeding the Daily Limit of Razor Clams** and seized 45 razor clams. On July 5, O'Connor contacted a family digging razor clams. The three kids did not have shellfish licenses. O'Connor cited the father for **Aiding in a Game Violation—No 2008 Shellfish License** and seized 22 razor clams.

General Law / Other



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DUI Arrest While on Patrol

Sr. Tpr. James Hayes (Bend) was patrolling near Wickiup Reservoir checking anglers when he was advised of campers lighting illegal fireworks. Upon contact, a subject drove up, exited his vehicle quickly, and advised he was going to jail. When asked why, the subject replied that he had a warrant. The subject was arrested on the warrant, **DUII** (BAC .13%), and **DWS**.

Tpr. Jim O'Connor (Astoria) was in the Hwy 202 area doing follow-up on a littering investigation when he overheard a call being dispatched of a possible intoxicated driver coming toward Astoria on Hwy 202. O'Connor intercepted and stopped the vehicle. During the interview, the subject began nodding off. The subject, who was driving a rental car, had traveled from Rainier and been in multiple crashes along the way. The driver was arrested for **DUII**.

Marijuana Plants Found

Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) was patrolling the upper areas of Quartz Creek, a McKenzie River tributary, when he came across a parked vehicle. Boyd could not locate the anglers. He hiked to the top of a ridge and watched for a short while before observing three subjects watering marijuana plants below him. He watched them for several minutes, then the subjects picked up their watering jugs and started to walk out of the drainage. Boyd hid in the brush next to the trail that he assumed the subjects would be on when they hit the road. Boyd detained all three without incident and cited them for **MCS I—Marijuana, Criminal Trespass II, Depositing Trash within 100 Yards of a Waterway, Unlawful Possession of Marijuana—Less than 1 ounce, and Unlawful Possession of Deer Parts**. Boyd and a detective from INET pulled 14 marijuana plants that will be destroyed.

Attempted to Elude, Reckless Driving and Endangering

A subject passed Sgt. Chris Allori (Portland) at a high speed on I-205. The subject made numerous unsafe, unsignalled lane changes while Allori tried to catch up. Allori paced the subject at 86 mph and attempted a stop as the subject exited at Sunnyside Road. The subject attempted to elude and, after a short pursuit, the subject stopped and fled from the vehicle, leaving the passenger. Allori identified the subject, contacted him the next day, and arrested him for **Reckless Driving, Attempt to Elude—Vehicle, Attempt to Elude—Foot, and Recklessly Endangering** (x 2). Allori also cited the driver for **Exceeding Maximum Speed** and **No Operator's License**. Allori learned just prior to the stop, Multnomah County Circuit Court convicted the suspect of arson (x 5).

Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield), while patrolling on US Army Corps of Engineers on contract overtime, attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation. The resulting pursuit reached speeds close to 100 mph, covered about three miles, and ended in Lowell. Boyd arrested the driver without incident for **Attempt to Elude Police in a Motor Vehicle, Reckless Driving, Reckless Endangering (x 4), DWS, and Driving Uninsured**, and the vehicle was impounded. During the same patrol, Boyd stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation near the Unity Bridge. The 19-year-old driver showed signs of impairment, failed SFSTs, and was arrested for **DUII**. Boyd issued additional citations for **MIP, Furnishing Alcohol to Minors, and Fail to Wear Seat Belt**.

Sr. Tpr. Darin Bean (Gilchrist) observed three ATVs driving from South Century Drive to Waldo Lake Road. Bean attempted to stop the subjects, but two sped away. Bean learned one subject who sped away was misdemeanor suspended and had four outstanding felony warrants. Bean cornered the subject on a dead-end road. The subject fled cross-country on the ATV through extremely rough terrain. Bean chased the subject on foot for about a ½-mile until the subject hit a main road and sped away. About an hour later, the subject was taken into custody while walking down Cascade Lakes Highway. He stashed his ATV about a mile away in thick cover. The subject was lodged in the Deschutes County Jail.

Sr. Tpr. Darin Bean (Gilchrist) was patrolling near Crescent Lake when he attempted to stop an ATV, but the subject fled. Sr. Tpr. Don Newcomb (Patrol, Gilchrist) stopped the suspect at his residence. The suspect stated his ATV permit was inside his safe. The subject opened the safe, releasing an overwhelming odor of marijuana and displaying a large amount of cash. The subject denied a search. Newcomb was on the phone to the DA to obtain a telephonic search warrant, when the subject tried to shove his way back to the safe. A scuffle ensued and ended with OC being deployed. Once the dust settled, the drug team was consulted. The subject rescinded his denial. Troopers discovered over an ounce of marijuana in the house and safe and cited the subject for **Attempt To Elude, Reckless Driving, Resisting Arrest, Tampering with Evidence, and PCS—More than Once Of Marijuana**. Sgt. Mark Crisp (Patrol, Gilchrist) also responded.

Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) was just clearing from a traffic stop when he heard tires skidding. He looked up and saw a large motor home, with the front tires locked up and smoking, slide through the intersection against the red light at about 60 mph. He caught the suspect, pacing him at 78 mph for one mile. Boyd activated his siren as they approached Main Street, for the driver was noticeably attempting to elude. The suspect slid around a corner, almost losing control, turned into a parking lot, jumped the entrance, and traveled through the lot at 40+ mph. The suspect turned onto a street so hard that the left rear tires left the pavement, raising about 12 inches. The suspect turned and slid into a driveway, almost hitting a fence. The driver jumped out and quickly moved toward the back of a residence. Boyd prevented the driver's escape and arrested him for **DUII, Reckless Driving, and Attempt to Elude Police in a Motor Vehicle**.

General Law / Other

Subjects Cited for Violating Various Laws

Tpr. Brent Sitowski (Klamath Falls) was patrolling when he saw a young girl operating a jet ski (PWC) in the middle of the reservoir. Sitowski learned she was 5 years old. The PWC owner and her mother stated she was doing so well, they just let her go out by herself. The owner was cited for **Recklessly Endangering a Minor**. Charges against the mother are pending. [Click for OSMB's rules.](#)

Sr. Tpr. Richard Carter (Pendleton) observed suspects lighting fireworks despite "No Fireworks" signs. Carter stopped the vehicle, as they drove back to the entrance, and pointed out the signs. He cited the driver (mother of two teenaged girls in the pickup bed) for **Fail to Use Seat Belts**. Carter checked out a 26-year-old male, who was also in the pickup bed lighting fireworks, and revealed he was an out-of-compliance sex offender who had moved and not changed his address. The subject was on probation, with a no-minor-contact clause. He was lodged in the Umatilla County Jail for **Fail to Register and Violation of Release Agreement**. A report will be submitted to the DA recommending charges against the mother, who knowingly allowed a sex offender to live with her and her daughters. The subject's original charge was Rape III with a 15-year-old girl.

Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) watched two PWC operators as they sped near and past skiers and boaters within 30 feet at speeds at 60+ mph. They continued that type of operation near the dam, swimmers, a dock, a boat ramp, boats, and skiers. Boyd drove to the dock, but prior to contact, he received complaints from others boaters telling Boyd, "Thank God you're here. Go get 'em." Boyd cited both subjects for **Reckless Operation of PWC** and one for **No Boaters Education Card**.

While on US Army Corps grant overtime, Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) watched a PWC and 20-foot ski boat operating recklessly. The PWC operated too close to shore at about 55 mph, hit a wave, throwing the operator over the handlebars and her passenger against the handlebars and over the side. The PWC ran the operator over. Boyd located them near the shore with minor abrasions and torn clothing. Boyd cited the operator for **Reckless Operation of a PWC**. The ski boat operator, who was unrelated to the PWC operator, arrived at shore close by. The operator showed signs of impairment and failed SFSTs. At Springfield PD, the subject had a BAC .20%. Boyd cited the subject for **BUII** and released the boat to the owner.

Troopers Assisted with Searches and Rescues

Sr. Tpr. Doug Shugart (McMinnville) was on boat patrol on the Willamette River when he responded to a plane crash about seven miles south of Dayton. The pilot attempted to land his small airplane on a small island when the plane touched the water and its nose planted into the ground. He was alone and not injured. Fire personnel from St. Paul and Newberg areas also responded to assist at the scene.

During a patrol of the Upper McKenzie River, Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) stopped to assist two subjects that were waving flashlights at him. The disoriented bikers were about 16 miles from their vehicle. Boyd provided the thankful bikers with a courtesy ride. During the same shift, Boyd rendered first aid to a hiker who sustained serious, but non-life threatening, injuries from a fall in a rocky area.

Sgt. David Pond (Bend) conducted a boat patrol on the Upper Deschutes River. He observed a subject in chest deep water holding onto a kayak with others near him. The subject, an older gentleman who was talked into kayaking by his family, fell into the water. He was out of breath and very cold from failed attempts to get back into his kayak. The bank was lined with a sharp drop off and deep mud keeping him from going to shore. Pond took the subject to dry ground to warm up. The subject rode in a different style boat downstream.

Tpr. Ryan Kehr (Newport) heard a broadcast of a subject who had been lost in the woods for two days. The subject had called Lincoln County and advised he had started his journey the previous afternoon on a USFS road east of Lincoln City but had no idea where he was. He gave a description of his location. Kehr was in the area. Within about one hour, Kehr located the subject on Miami Timber Company property a few miles southwest of Grand Ronde. The subject was a little tired and hungry, but alright. He just wanted to go for a drive in the coastal mountains. That he did. He was very thankful for the help. Kehr led him back to Hwy 18 and he returned home to Salem.

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) was en route to investigate a case when he was flagged down by a man who said his wife was missing. About 6:45 p.m., Maher went back to the area where she was last seen. A walk of the area revealed no sign of her. He called Lane County SO Search and Rescue, who began their search about 10:30 p.m. Tpr. Caleb Ratliff (Patrol, Oakridge) also assisted. About 3:20 a.m., Maher and Ratliff cleared the area. Ratliff found the missing woman about 10-15 miles from the original search location. The female was tired but okay. She did not know if anyone was coming for her, so she took a trail out of the area and got turned around. She was reunited with her party and units cleared at 4:20 a.m.

During two different boat patrols on the Willamette and Lower McKenzie Rivers, Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) and Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher (Springfield) assisted rescuing rafters. On the first patrol, rafters capsized in the left channel below Bellinger boat ramp. A man and a young boy made it to shore, but a woman and a girl were stranded on a log. They assisted Springfield FD and McKenzie FD with the rescue. Both rafts were recovered. John Miller (Lane County Search and Rescue) also responded. There were no injuries.

On another patrol, rafters were swept down a side channel downstream of Bellinger with numerous downed trees. The rafters all made it to shore. A couple of people had consumed alcohol. One operator, who tossed an empty beer can into the river, appeared to be intoxicated. The boater refused SFSTs and was arrested for **BUII**. Four rafters were transported to the boat landing to continue the investigation. Deputy John Bock (Lane County SO) assisted. One of the operators voluntarily performed SFSTs and passed. Maher also cited the boater arrested for **BUII for Littering in a Waterway**. They then received a call about rafters stranded on the McKenzie River upstream from Hayden Bridge. They responded by boat, accompanied by Bock. They located the group on top of a tree blockage above a rapid and assisted them to shore. They recovered their raft.

Interagency Cooperation

Interagency Patrols and Investigations

Sr. Tpr. Brad Bennett (Grants Pass) assisted the Josephine County SO with two water rescues on the Rogue River involving boaters/rafters.

Tpr. Brent Sitowski (Klamath Falls) participated in boat patrol with Klamath County SO on the Lake of the Woods. No BUIIs were located, but several BERs were completed.

Tpr. Jim O'Connor (Astoria) and Deputy Dimmick (Clatsop County Marine Patrol) did a boat patrol on the Columbia River. They completed several BERs and issued citations for angling violations.

Sr. Tpr. Phillip Grove and Sr. Tpr. Bob Wilson (Ontario) conducted a BUII saturation with the Malheur County SO Marine Patrol over the holiday weekend on the Owyhee Reservoir and Snake River. They issued six citations and 19 warnings, performed 59 angler checks and 55 BERS, inspected 34 boats, and assisted with two disabled boats.

Tpr. Curtis Weaver (Lakeview) and Klamath County SO conducted a BUII saturation of Drews Reservoir in Lake County. Several boating crashes have occurred at Drew's Reservoir during the past two Fourth of July holidays. This year, people just left after seeing the saturation effort. No BUIIs were located, but numerous BERs were completed.

Sr. Tpr. Les Kipper (The Dalles) assisted WDFW officers on a boat patrol contacting a tribal boat fishing the Columbia River. The two subjects did not have tribal identification. They learned that one of the subjects was not an enrolled treaty tribal fisherman and both subjects provided false names. Kipper cited the subject for **Commercial Fishing without Treaty Fishing Rights**. WDFW officers cited the subjects for **Giving False Information** and other related charges.

Sgt. Chris Allori, Sr. Tpr. Ken Moore, and Tpr. Dirk Anderson (Portland) patrolled the Sandy River between Lewis and Clark and Dabney State Parks. Tpr. Mark Schoenborn (Portland), Sr. Tpr. Ken Poggi (Seasonal—Parks, Portland), and two



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Multnomah County SO deputies assisted from the shore. They issued 16 citations and eight verbal warnings for various violations. Allori and Moore also responded to a request from Multnomah County SO (MCSO) who reported that several people in the water near Oxbow Park were stranded after their raft overturned. They located five stranded boaters about a 1/2 mile upstream of Dabney, after their three rafts became entangled in and punctured by downed tree limbs. They all made it to shore, although no one had life jackets. Two were injured—one with a minor back injury and another with a possible broken arm. The troopers transported them to Dabney and rescue personnel treated the injured subjects. MCSO cited all five for **No PFD**. After this event, MCSO asked OSP if they would assist in looking for some overdue boaters. Allori and Moore, together with MCSO, located the boaters at about 6:00 p.m., a few miles upstream of Dabney. They transported the boaters to their destination downstream.

After attending a meeting in Pendleton, Kelly Skye, General Counsel for Governor Kulongoski, and Amber Hollister, Deputy General Counsel, took time to participate in a joint enforcement boat patrol on the Columbia River near



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Hermiston. Sr. Tpr. Michael Mayer (Heppner) and Officer Jon Horn (WDFW) conducted the interagency boat patrol and they were able to demonstrate how our two agencies often work together.

During a BUII saturation at Fall Creek Reservoir, Tpr. Marc Boyd and Sr. Tpr. Chris Ashenfelter (Springfield) contacted two boat operators that showed signs of impairment. They were working with Lane County SO and had two deputies aboard. The deputies investigated one of the operators, who was arrested for BUII (BAC .18% two hours after contact) and Boyd arrested the other operator for **BUII** after he failed SFSTs. At Springfield PD, Boyd's custody submitted a BAC .09%, almost three hours after contact.

The Central Point Team conducted a patrol with Jackson County SO. The purpose was to detect and apprehend BUIIs as well as to encourage boater safety on Jackson County waterways. The two-man teams (one trooper and one deputy) were posted at all the boat ramps at Lost Creek Lake, Emigrant Lake, and on the Rogue River in Shady Cove. One subject was arrested for BUII at the Shady Cove boat ramp, one automobile driver was stopped and arrested on a warrant for Fail to Appear on a BUII charge, and many BERs were completed, with about 20 written warnings for various boating violations.

The North Central Team conducted joint boat and shore patrols with WDFW during the commercial gill net season on the Columbia River, Zone 6. Both activities combined for both Oregon and Washington resulted in citations for **Warrant Arrest, PCS—Less than One Ounce of Marijuana (2), Non-Tribal Member Participating in Tribal Fishery, No PFD, Angling Prohibited Method—Bait, No Angling No License, Taking Sockeye Salmon—No Valid Harvest Card, and Angling for Salmon Prohibited Method**. They also issued warnings for No Tribal ID on Person (4), No Type IV Flotation Device, and No ID on Commercial Fishing Gear (2).

The North Valley Team and the Clackamas County SO (CCSO) Marine Patrol conducted a mini-saturation on the Clackamas River. Participating in this saturation were the following officers: CCSO's Sgt. Steve Thoroughman, Deputy Doug Olson, and MSO James Atkerson and OSP's Sgt. Chris Allori, Sr. Tpr. Mike Hanson, Tpr. Mike Buck, Tpr. Mark Schoenborn, and Tpr. Dirk Anderson (Portland). Between 3:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., numerous rafts and boats were contacted floating down the Clackamas River. They issued 27 citations for **No PFD**; 21 citations for **MIP—Alcohol**; two citations for **Depositing Litter within 100 Yards of Water**; 28 verbal warnings for No Sound Producing Device; three verbal warnings for Littering; and one verbal warning for No PFD. They also arrested one person for **Giving False Information to a Police Officer**.

Interagency Cooperation / Public Relations

Boy Injured by Dory Boat

Sr. Tpr. Doug Shugart (McMinnville) was checking dory boat fishermen at Cape Kiwanda, home to a large dory fishing fleet and a popular surfing location. The ocean was fairly rough, with swells over nine feet providing excellent surfing but poor visibility to dory boats coming to shore. Shugart saw a dory boat preparing to come to shore, then heard from people the boat struck a surfer. He located the injured surfer, bleeding from a left arm amputation, who was aided to shore by other surfers. The limb was recovered. Shugart began providing emergency medical care for the 14-year-old boy. He located an emergency room physician who was walking on the beach nearby. Shugart transported the victim to the main parking lot of Cape Kiwanda while the emergency room doctor provided care. The boy was transferred to a Tillamook County Ambulance to Tillamook General Hospital but later flown to Legacy Emanuel Hospital and Health Center in Portland, where surgeons re-attached his arm. The boy was surfing with his 16-year-old sister and her boyfriend. Other family members were at the scene. Due to high surf and numerous surfers and dories on the water, Tillamook County SO and OSP requested that all surfers exit the water so dories could come to shore safely. Tillamook County SO is investigating the boating incident.

Illegal Fish and Game Discovered

Sr. Tpr. Swede Pearson (The Dalles) received a call about a non-tribal member who was participating in the tribal fisheries in The Dalles and possessed large quantities of salmon. Pearson contacted the residence and the suspect's wife consented to a search, revealing large coolers, new smokers, and large quantities of vacuum sealed frozen and canned smoked salmon, fresh frozen salmon, vacuum sealed smoked sturgeon, vacuum sealed packages labeled deer and elk jerky, and packages of meat labeled deer and elk, with a wide variety of dates on the packages. Pearson learned they were assisting tribal members in the treaty fisheries and working together to process and sell the smoked salmon for \$20 a pound. The suspect was trying to apply for Umatilla tribal membership. The wife claimed tribal members gave them the game and they had no written transfer records. Pearson broke contact and researched the issue further. He learned that the suspect was not an enrolled member of any of the four treaty tribes with treaty rights to fish on the Columbia River. The person who provided the game did not have a Umatilla tribal permit to harvest an elk and was not an enrolled member of that tribe. Pearson, Sgt. Mitch Hicks (CRITFE, Hood River), Sr. Tpr. Scott Rector, and Ret. Bohince (Patrol, The Dalles) went to seize the evidence. This time, they made contact with the suspect (a convicted felon), who would not release the evidence without a warrant. Pearson left the officers to secure the scene to obtain a warrant. Lt. Patrick Ashmore (Patrol, The Dalles) responded to help with security. The suspect changed his mind, asked Pearson to return, and consented to the release. Evidence seized included at least five elk, three deer, and numerous sockeye, Chinook, and sturgeon. The suspect did not have tags or written transfer records for any of the fish and game. Paperwork in plain view indicated a substantial commercial operation as the smoked salmon and sturgeon were labeled and packaged for sale. Pearson cited the suspect for **40 counts** on the following: **Unlawful Possession of Elk** (x 5), **Unlawful Possession of Deer** (x 3), **Unlawful Possession of Sturgeon** (x 2), **Unlawful Possession of Sockeye Salmon** (x 25), and **Unlawful Possession of Chinook Salmon** (x 5).

Meetings and Events

Sr. Tpr. Kyle Elmenhurst and Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) assisted hunter's education instructors by attending their live fire range day near Creswell. Both troopers worked directly with the nearly 20 students as they learned to fire their guns.



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Tpr. Ryan Kehr (Newport) attended an OHA meeting of the Lincoln County Chapter, who decided to add \$500 to the T.I.P. reward for the Glendale-area poached/wasted bull elk case.

Tpr. Tim Schwartz (Astoria) transported several ODFW biologists and volunteers to Miller Sands Island, on the lower Columbia River, for their annual goose banding project. More than 80 geese were netted and trapped throughout the day.

Lt. Randy Scorby (East Region), Lt. David Gifford (Southwest Region), Sgt. Andy Heider, Sr. Tpr. Dain Gardner, Sr. Tpr. David Anderson (Salem), Sr. Tpr. Randy Caldwell (Burns), Sr. Tpr. Brad Van Prooyen (Gold Beach), and Sgt. Tim Brown (Pendleton) attended the Quad State Meeting and exchanged information with officers from Nevada Department of Wildlife, California Department of Fish and Game, Idaho Fish and Game, and USFWS.

Agencies Helped to Resolve Bear Complaints

In July, the South Coast Team, ODFW, and Wildlife Services (WS) responded to 20+ bear complaints. Sr. Tpr. Greg Torland, Sgt. Todd Thompson (Newport), and WS Specialist Perkins responded to a nuisance bear on the Yachats River. Perkins was working on a snare nearby for a public safety bear. That evening, he was to return to dispatch a bear, but two people shot it. Thompson seized the bear the next day. Sr. Tpr. Doug Canfield (Newport) and Thompson responded to the Yachats River and dispatched and salvaged a large bear caught in a snare. Torland and Perkins again were called to the same area. Perkins dispatched a bear that had been breaking into a waterfowl coup to eat the feed. Torland learned this property owner shot a bear four weeks prior and did not notify ODFW. Torland cited the owner. The above cases are within a ¼ mile of each other. Complaints continued. A bear was caught in a snare and removed and another was caught in an ODFW live trap and removed. After ODFW issued a press release about the problems and steps for the public to take to reduce bear interactions, complaints dropped. On August 1, Torland contacted a Yachats area subject on a feeding complaint. The subject has been suspected of feeding bears for many years but has been uncooperative. Her property is within a ¼ mile of where bears were recently removed. The bears have become aggressive toward her and her property. They determined she is responsible for altering the bears' behavior in the area and was cited for **Wildlife Harassment**.

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SUPERINTENDENT HOLLY V. HOLCOMB

Superintendent Holly V. Holcomb died of wounds he received outside of his office building on November 25, 1975. He joined the Department on January 11, 1939 and served thirty-six faithful years with the Oregon State Police. He was appointed Superintendent May 1, 1966 and continued until his death.

In Memory of Holly V. Holcomb
Superintendent of Oregon State Police
May 1, 1966 - November 25, 1975

Holly Holcomb was a just man, a fair man, a decent man and a fine Superintendent of State Police. We mourn his loss, but we are better persons and a better Department because of him.

Holly Holcomb had pride in his profession; he enjoyed the confidence of Governors; and he was an excellent administrator who played no favorites. He believed in and maintained discipline, but without creating rancor among his subordinates. He came up through the ranks gaining knowledge along the way of the problems of those in the ranks. He was, by nature, an outstanding and compassionate man whom the men regarded as their friend. It is due to the character, intelligence and fidelity to duty of men like Charles P. Pray, H. G. Maison and Holly V. Holcomb that the Oregon State Police holds its position of eminence among the law enforcement agencies of this country, today.

Annual Reports Highlight "Stories" from the 1970's

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Fish and Wildlife Captain and Major Retire



Captain Irving A. Larson
03-01-1934 to 12-31-1971



Major W. S. Hershey
06-01-1946 to 12-31-1978

Everyone called him "Father Tom"

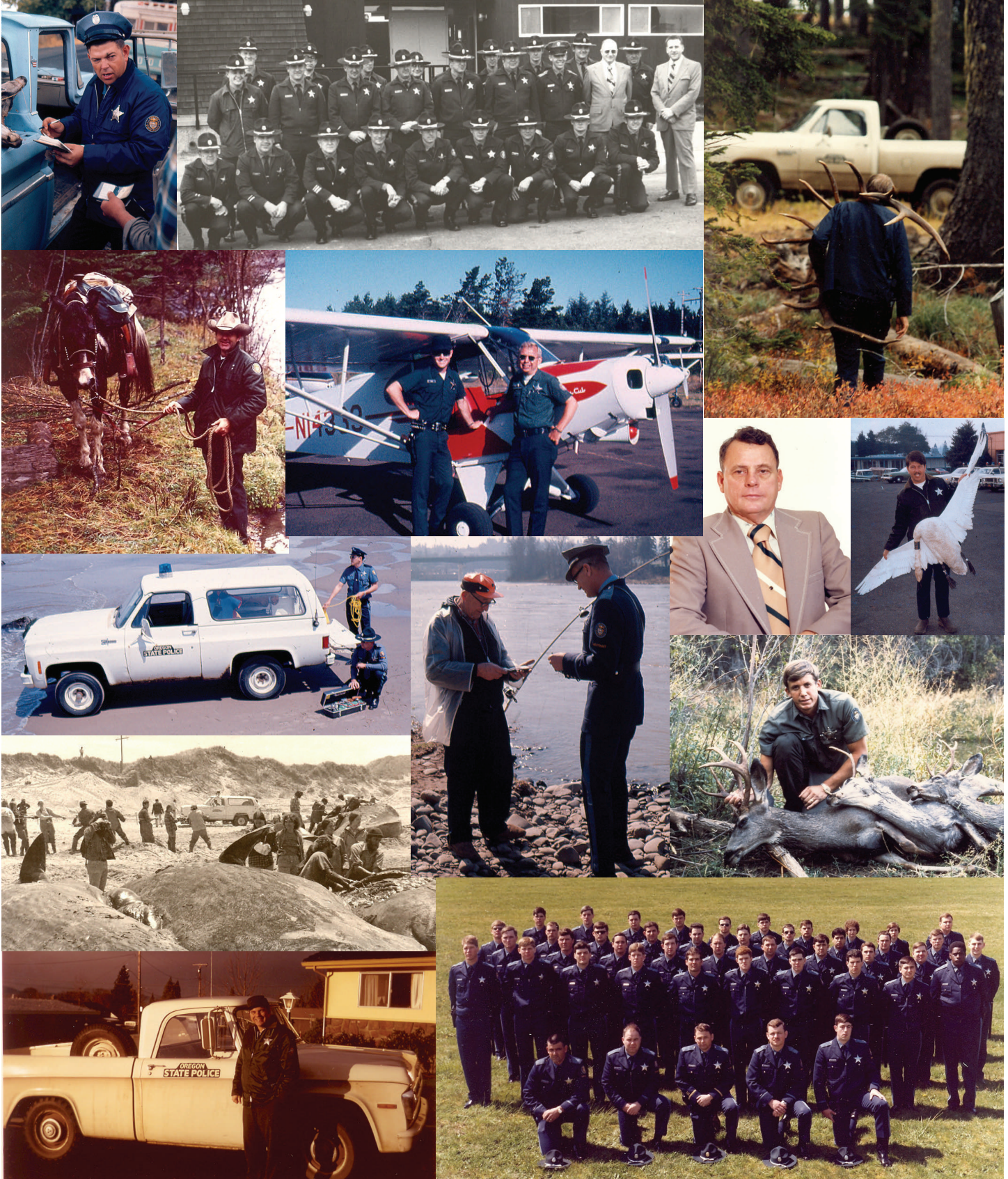
"Tom Fithian, Oregon State Police game officer, who was honored at a retirement banquet last Thursday at Driftwood Shores, and his wife, Leona, enjoy a hearty laugh during the memory-packed evening. Fithian will retire Dec. 31 after 31 years with the Oregon State Police, 25 of them in Florence."





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Dispositions

Court Rulings — Not-Guilty and Guilty

In May, a Gold Beach business was cited for **Unlawful Possession of Halibut and No Tag**. The matter went to court who determined the evidence did not support the charge and found the business not guilty.

A subject pled guilty to Taking Deer Closed Season (December 2007) and was sentenced to: forfeit deer, 30-06 rifle, and spotlight; \$700 fine; \$800 restitution to ODFW; and three years probation ([terms](#)).

Tpr. Jim Collom (Central Point) arrested two men October 2007 for poaching deer. One of the men recently pled guilty to seven counts all as violations. He was sentenced to: \$700 fine (\$100 for each count), three-year hunting license suspension, and \$1,600 restitution to ODFW. The gun he used was not forfeited, but returned to his father.

In 2004, Tpr. Luke Schwartz (St. Helens) responded to a report of a spike shot during a controlled cow elk hunt. Upon arrival, Schwartz located one dead spike, as well as a blood trail. He followed the trail and found a wounded cow. He dispatched the elk and cited the suspect for Unlawful Taking of Spike Elk. In June, the suspect was sentenced to: diversion and \$500 restitution to ODFW.

Subject Took and Held Fawn

Tpr. Marc Boyd (Springfield) cited a male subject for **Hindering Prosecution** stemming from a Fugitive from Justice/Take Hold Young Game Mammal—Deer Fawn June case. The subject attempted to hide the fugitive from Boyd in his mother's home, but Boyd was invited in by the mother and the fugitive was found hiding in the washroom. The fugitive had captured and held a deer fawn for about two hours holding and petting it as it cried and tried to get away, then he drove it around to show his neighbors. The fugitive, who had two outstanding felony warrants out of Clark County, Washington, was lodged in the Lane County Jail on all charges. Boyd cited the subject for **Take/Hold Young Game Mammal—Deer Fawn**. While awaiting extradition on the warrants, the subject pled guilty to the fish and wildlife charge on a fast-set plea, so he could be transported to Washington on the warrants; and, for that charge, served three days in jail and received a two-year hunting license suspension.

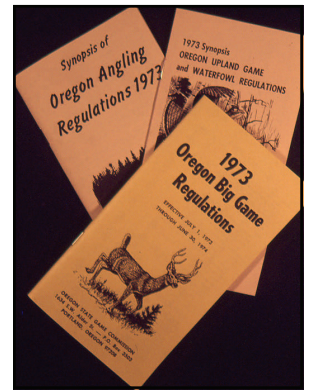


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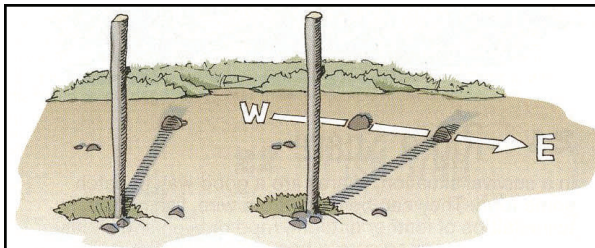
Helpful Outdoor Tips

Tip #13. Bug Repellent. Black pepper sprinkled in the body cavity of a deer or other field-dressed big game animal will ward off flies, yellow jackets, and other insects while the meat hangs in camp.

Tip #16. Is it a Buck's Bed? There are three ways to tell if a deer bed you find was made by a trophy buck: 1) The shape of a buck's bed will be ovular and it will be at least 40 inches long. 2) It will have a musky, rank smell to it. 3) It's alone. Big bucks usually bed down by themselves.

Tip #37. Catching Crawdads. 1) Turn rocks and leaves in stream riffles and catch darting crayfish with your hands. Watch out for pincers! 2) Tie bacon on a line and lower it to the bottom of a stream or pond. When crawdads grab hold, swing them into a bucket. 3) Cut the necks off one-gallon plastic milk jugs above the handle. Bury each jug in the bottom of a stream or pond with the opening protruding slightly above the bottom. Bait the jugs with chunks of slab bacon. At night, crayfish enter the traps and cannot escape.

Tip #39. Get Your Bearings. One way to determine direction without the aid of a compass is to drive a straight three-foot long stick into the ground in a sunny location and set a stone where the tip of its shadow falls on the ground. Wait 20 minutes and then place another rock in the spot where the top of the shadow has moved. The first marker indicates the west end of a line running between the two rocks; the second marks the east.



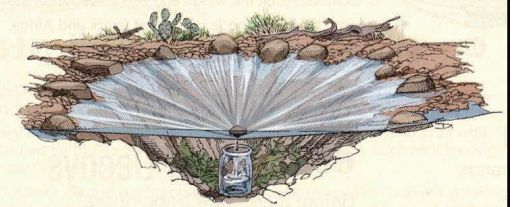
Tip #50. Toxic Seeds. Wild cherries can be eaten raw, but do not ingest the pits, as they contain poisonous hydrocyanic acid, or cyanide.

—Keith Sutton, "Basic Training 101 Simple Skills" *Outdoor Life*, May 2008

42 | Build a Solar Still

A solar still is one of the best methods for obtaining water in apparently dry areas.

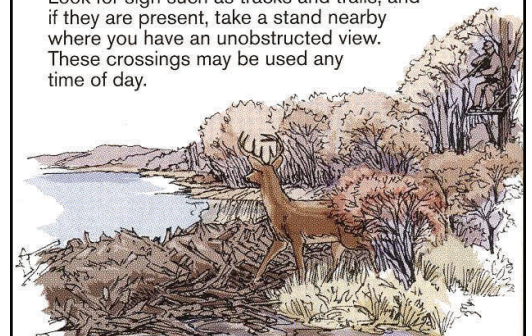
In a low, unshaded area, dig a hole 1½ feet deep and 3 feet in diameter. Place a can or jar in the center of the hole and cover the hole with a large sheet of plastic, sealing the edges with dirt and rocks. Put a rock in the center of the plastic directly above the container. Moisture is drawn from the earth beneath the plastic and condenses on the underside of the sheet. The water then runs down and drips into your container. Greenery, such as chunks of cactus, lining the hole will increase production. Depending on conditions, you might produce one pint to one quart of water daily.



97 | Dam Crossings

A beaver dam across a creek flowing into or out of a long lake often will be used by deer as a water crossing.

Look for sign such as tracks and trails, and if they are present, take a stand nearby where you have an unobstructed view. These crossings may be used any time of day.



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