



Oregon State Police Fish & Wildlife Division

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October 2007 Newsletter

OSP Northwest Region Honored with Top Awards



The **Oregon State Marine Board** honored law enforcement officers from around the state for their heroic actions and performance at their annual post season conference on October 17, in Bend.

The Oregon State Police, primarily from the northwest region, significantly increased their performance and was honored with the Marine Program of the Year award. OSP doubled their patrol hours and made 3,045 boater contacts, conducted 2,220 boat inspections and reports, issued 150 citations, 663 warnings, conducted one hull inspection, and arrested ten boat operators for boating under the influence of intoxicants. Troopers also conducted school education programs, took two stolen boat/motor reports and recovered two stolen boats/motors. **For their outstanding performance, OSP Northwest Region was also honored with the Most Improved Yearly Program Award of Excellence.** In 2006, OSP ranked 19th out of 32 regional law enforcement service providers and in 2007 easily took first place. No other county has made such a significant improvement in performance within one-year's time.

"OSP as a whole has been proactive and productive in 2007, but the Northwest Region really stepped up and stood out," said Bill Rydblom, Law Enforcement Manager for the Marine Board. "The command staff has shown true leadership and inspired the Troopers to bring out their best, day in and day out. Oregon boaters are safer as a result of their hard work."

Consistent performers (and brothers) Sr. Trooper Marshall Maher (OSP Oakridge) and Trooper Martin Maher (OSP Cottage Grove) also earned Trooper of the Year awards for the second consecutive year. Sr. Trooper Marshall Maher conducted 337 boat examinations, issued 31 citations, 140 warnings, and had 509 total boater contacts. His brother, Trooper Martin Maher conducted 340 boat examinations, issued 26 citations, 162 warnings and had 529 total boater contacts. With numbers this close, both deserved equal recognition.

Other awards presented during the conference included: Most Improved Seasonal Program to Yamhill County; Program of the Year *Seasonal to Benton County; Education Award to Klamath County; Education Award *Seasonal Program, to Washington County; Officer of the Year to Deputy Steve Dangler, Multnomah County; Seasonal Officer of the Year to Deputy Jerry Roley, Washington County; Rookie of the Year, Deputy Nathan Thompson, Clackamas County; BUII Enforcement to Deputy Paul Vitus; Tom Rice Instructor of the Year to Bernie Altishin, OSMB Cadre; Special Instructor Award to Deputy Jim Drew, Clark County, Washington; Manager of the Year to Lt. Pat Rowland, Jackson County; Program Administration Award of Excellence to Clatsop and Lane Counties; Volunteer of the Year to Bernie Altishin, OSMB Instructor Cadre and Paul Cody, Deschutes County.

From left- Capt. Markee, Lt. Samuels, Lt. Lane, Tpr. Edwards, Tpr. Buck, Lt. Scorby, Sr. Tpr. Maher and Tpr. Maher.

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OSP TROOPERS, DISPATCH SUPERVISOR RECEIVE DEPARTMENT LIFESAVING AWARD



Wildlife Division Troopers and a dispatch center supervisor received the "Harold R. Berg Lifesaving Award" for their efforts in helping find a 38-year old Florence-area woman missing for 7 1/2 hours in April after leaving work and driving off an area road to where it came to rest in heavy brush. Using cell phone triangulation information, the dispatch supervisor help lead the troopers to a general area where they found the injured woman who also was suffering diabetes-related complications.

On Tuesday, October 9th, the rescued woman's family members joined Oregon State Police Superintendent Tim McLain and other department members for the presentation. "It was wonderful what the State Police was able to do for us in the search for my wife", said the woman's husband, DENNIS PEASE, who worked hard to try and find his wife during the time she was missing.

On April 7, 2007 at approximately 1:00 a.m. DEBRA PEASE, age 38, reportedly was not feeling well and left her job at Three Rivers Casino east of Florence to drive home located north of town. After failing to arrive home, her husband drove area roads she may have driven to try and find her and their green 1999 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup. He also continuously called her cell phone trying to reach her.

At approximately 3:00 a.m., her husband contacted Oregon State Police and Lane County Sheriff's Office to report his wife missing. An attempt to locate bulletin was sent out to law enforcement agencies for special attention to the coast and Coast Range.

At approximately 4:00 a.m. the couple's cell phone carrier, Verizon Wireless, was contacted to see if they could assist with helping narrow down the area where she may be based upon any cell phone activity. Verizon told police that there was no cell phone activity during the last eight hours.

Following numerous calls made by her husband during the night, she finally called him back at 7:40 a.m. disoriented but advising she was trapped in her pickup off an unknown road. While keeping her on the phone, her husband notified Oregon State Police (OSP) Northern Command Center Supervisor Phil Willoughby of this development who in turn re-contacted Verizon. Using the cell phone call activity they were able to narrow the call to an estimated three-mile area south to southeast of Florence.

Lane County Sheriff's Office, working with OSP, began to organize search and rescue personnel. During this time, OSP Trooper Lowell Lea and Senior Trooper Scott Salisbury were checking Highway 101 and connecting roads south of Florence.

At 8:38 a.m., Trooper Lea found signs indicating a vehicle may have driven off the east side of Highway 101 near milepost 191 south of Jessie M. Honeyman Memorial State Park. Upon checking that location, Trooper Lea saw the pickup on its driver's side in heavy brush about 75 feet down an embankment. Senior Trooper Salisbury responded and both troopers worked their way through the brush and found the DEBRA PEASE conscious inside the pickup. Initial first aid care was provided until Siuslaw Fire Department and Western Lane Ambulance personnel arrived.

DEBRA PEASE was removed from the pickup through the windshield and brought back to the highway. Western Lane Ambulance transported her to Peace Harbor Hospital where she was treated for minor injuries.

Trooper Lea, age 28, is a 7-year OSP veteran, and Senior Trooper Salisbury, age 39, is an 18-year OSP veteran. Both are assigned in the OSP Fish & Wildlife Division at the Florence work site.

Dispatch Supervisor Willoughby, age 68, has been with OSP for 13 years and works out of the OSP Northern Command Center in Salem. His lifesaving award was presented to him on an earlier date.

"This was truly a team effort involving the cellular industry, dispatch services, and local police and emergency responders," said OSP Superintendent Timothy McLain.

The "Harold R. Berg Lifesaving Award" is named after Lieutenant Harold R. Berg who died on May 10, 1975. Lieutenant Berg, while off duty, was contacted by a citizen who informed him that a boy scout was missing at Cape Lookout State Park. While attempting to search a cave near the water's edge, he was washed out to sea.

The award is given to State Police employees who distinguish themselves by performing or reacting to a situation in a positive and professional manner which saves, or reduces the risk of loss of life of another person; and, where a strong possibility existed that if such action wasn't taken, loss of life or serious injury would have resulted.

Wildlife/Hunting

Too Close for Comfort

Senior Trooper Caldwell (Burns) was contacted by a hunter who stated that he had killed a mountain lion that was stalking him. Sr. Tpr. Caldwell went to the scene with the hunter and was able to confirm the hunter's statements. The hunter unknowingly sat within fifteen feet of a freshly killed fawn that the lion had been feeding on. When the lion returned, the hunter was in its direct path to the fawn. The lion was an adult male weighing 115 pounds.



Hunting Prohibited Hours

The night before the deer rifle season, Sr. Trooper Cushman and Trooper Collom (Central Point) worked a deer decoy near Butte Falls. About 12 vehicles drove by the WED deer, several stopped and looked but nobody shot at it. The next morning, prior to shooting hours, they again ran a WED deer in the Butte Falls/ Prospect area. One vehicle stopped, almost 2 hours before legal shooting time, and the driver held a hand-held light on the deer while the passenger shot the WED deer. The shooter was cited for **Taking Deer Prohibited Hours**. The driver was cited for **Aiding in a Wildlife Crime**. Another vehicle stopped about an hour prior to legal shooting hours. The driver maneuvered the vehicle to where the headlights were shining off the roadway onto the WED deer. The driver then shot the WED deer. He was cited for **Taking Deer Prohibited Hours**.

Bear Cubs Taken Illegally

Sr. Troopers Martin Maher (Springfield) and Marshall Maher (Oakridge) completed the investigation of two bear cubs that were shot on Oct 7, 2007 in the Cottage Grove area. The suspect in this case was issued citations for **Unlawful Taking of Cub Bear (x2)** and **No Valid Deer Tag**.

Hunter Recklessly Endangering

Senior Trooper Hawkins (Baker City) cited a subject for his reckless acts in an attempt to get his son a deer. The man saw a buck deer bedded down between two vacation residences in the Sumpter area. His son shot the deer from near the roadway and it moved onto the property of a home behind the first two homes. As the two pursued the deer, one of the homeowners arrived. During the confrontation, the father instructed the son to shoot again to put the deer down. His son did so, in the direction of the third home. The man was cited for **Trespass II** and **Recklessly Endangering**.

Illegal, Lazy Hunter is Cited

Sgt. Meyer (Central Point) was checking deer hunters in the Abbot Creek area when he found a van parked diagonally in the roadway on a gravel road. Other vehicles had to drive into the ditch to go around the van. The driver was in the driver's seat and he had a towel draped over his outside mirror for a shooting rest. His rifle barrel was lying on the towel and he was situated so that he could shoot right down a long straight stretch of roadway if a buck happened to cross the road. The man admitted that he was waiting for deer to cross the road and he did not want to get out of the vehicle and get wet. He was warned for **Hunting Prohibited Area-Roadway** and also for **Hunting Prohibited Method- from a vehicle**.

One Investigation Leads to Other Cites

Sr. Trooper Reid (McMinnville PD) received information that a subject from Grand Ronde had shot and killed a deer illegally last weekend. Sr. Tpr. Reid contacted the subject at his residence in Grand Ronde and was able to determine that the subject had not illegally killed a deer. Sr. Tpr. Reid asked for a consent search of the outbuilding located at the residence, which the subject consented to. During this search Sr. Tpr. Reid located four quarters of a calf elk hanging inside the outbuilding. Investigation revealed that the subject's brother had illegally killed the calf elk that was hanging in the outbuilding. The subject and his brother were cited for the **Unlawful Taking of Calf Elk**.

Hunters Give Biologist Hard Time

Sergeant Pond (Bend) patrolled the Rager area of the Ochoco unit with Brian Ferry and Gary Soules of the Prineville ODFW office. Several hunters were contacted and success was fair for small bucks. Biologist Ferry contacted a large group of hunters at camp who were very uncooperative. Ferry checked a small buck that had a female hunter's tag on it who wasn't present. The hunter's advised they didn't need further interaction with ODFW. Sgt. Pond was advised and contacted the group later in the afternoon and found the boyfriend to the tag holder. The subject was given an opportunity to explain the situation and declined and stuck to a deceptive story. An investigation revealed that the female tag holder is currently living in Missouri and been there for at least three months. The buck was seized, and the next morning the suspect was interviewed and issued citations for **Borrowing a Controlled Rifle Buck Tag** and **Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument First Degree**. The suspect obtained the tag and signed his girlfriend's name to it when he placed it on the buck.

Felon with a Firearm

Reedsport PD received a citizen's report of a subject exceeding the bag limit on deer. Officers arrested the suspect for **Felon in Possession of a Firearm**. Trooper Harris (Coos Bay) responded and located two deer carcasses at the residence. The suspect was cited by Tpr. Harris for **Unlawful Taking Antlerless Deer x2**. A separate suspect was cited for **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense**. As a result of a follow-up interview the next day, Tpr. Harris and Tpr. Stone seized a forked horn buck from a neighbor of the suspect who had aided the first suspect. The suspect was cited for **Borrowing a Deer Tag** and the neighbor was cited for **Loaning a Deer Tag**.

WED Yields Citations

Senior Troopers Madison and Drynan (Prineville) had a busy weekend in the Ochoco unit. They conducted two WED operations that resulted in citations for **Hunting Prohibited Area – Roadway (5)**, and **Carrying a Loaded Firearm on an ATV (3)**. They also checked several camps and hunters and issued citations for **No Valid Tag, No Hunting License, Borrowing a Deer Tag, Improperly Validating Tag**, and **Aiding in a Game Violation**.

Wildlife/Hunting

6 Buck Deer-4 Suspects

Trooper Ritter (John Day) received a complaint from a rancher in the Monument area that on Sunday an unknown suspect had killed a deer on the rancher's property. The suspect quickly loaded the deer into a red pickup and hurriedly drove off. Tpr. Ritter was on his way to the rancher's property when he saw the red pickup parked next to a camp trailer in the Lone Pine Campground near Kimberly. When he drove into the campground he saw a man hurriedly walking into the brush. He followed the man into the brush and found two other men gutting two buck deer, neither deer was tagged. An investigation revealed the man he saw walking into the brush was taking tags to the other two men because he saw Tpr. Ritter pull into the campground. There were six buck deer in the camp and none of them were tagged. After lengthy interviews with the suspects, Tpr. Ritter seized three deer and found out the deer from the original complaint had been dumped and wasted. The following citations were issued: Suspect #1: Hunting on the Enclosed Land of Another, Exceeding Bag Limit x 2, Waste of Wildlife - Buck Deer, Borrowing Another Person's Deer Tag x 2, Warnings: Fail to Validate Deer Tag, Shooting From the Roadway, Two deer and his rifle were seized. Suspect #2: Exceeding Bag Limit x 2, No Valid Tag / Taking Deer Outside Controlled Hunt Unit, Borrowing Another Person's Tag x 2, Fail to Validate Deer Tag, Two deer were seized. Suspect #3: Aiding in Game Violation - Waste of Wildlife, Criminal Trespass II, Unlawful Possession of Untagged Deer, Suspect #4: Loaning a Buck Deer Tag. Three other individuals had already left camp and driven home. Trooper Ritter is continuing his investigation into citing all three of them for **Loaning a Buck Deer Tag**.

Father Takes Son Illegally Hunting

Senior Trooper Prodzinski (Madras) completed an investigation where a father knowingly took his 12-year-old son on his first hunting trip in the wrong unit. The wrong unit they were in was more convenient than the one they drew a tag for. The young son was told to shoot a doe deer, which he did. The father then attempted to sneak the deer out of the area. The investigation resulted in the father receiving a citation for **Unlawfully Taking Deer - Closed Season**. Several other warnings were given in this case.

3 Suspects Arrested

Trooper Halsey (Albany) was called out just before daylight on a deer hunting complaint. An investigation revealed that three male subjects were involved in the illegal taking of two spike deer bucks. Each buck had been taken illegally at separate locations in the McDowell Creek area near Lebanon before legal shooting hours on the morning of October 7. One male subject was charged with **Taking Spike Buck Deer Closed Season, Hunting on Another's Cultivated/ Enclosed Land, Hunting With the Aid of Artificial Light and Aiding in a Wildlife Violation/ Taking Spike Deer Closed Season**. A second male subject was charged with **Taking Spike Buck Deer/Closed Season, Hunt With the Aid of Artificial Light, Criminal Trespass 2 and Aiding in a Wildlife Violation/Taking Spike Buck Deer Closed Season**. The third male subject, who was the driver, was charged with **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation/Taking Spike Buck Deer Closed Season (x2) and Hunting With the Aid of Artificial Light**. All three subjects were arrested and transported to the Linn County Jail where they were cited and released. Three firearms were seized. The two spike buck deer were transported to the Union Gospel Mission.

Older Brother Uses Younger Brother's Tag

Trooper Ritter (John Day) was following a vehicle in the Northside Unit with a visible buck head showing through the back window, and it pulled over to the side of the road. Tpr. Ritter pulled in behind it and made contact with the driver, who said he shot the deer. The tag was properly validated. He asked the passenger, who was the driver's grown son, if he was hunting and he said he was. He asked him if he would mind letting him look at his tag and he handed him a Northside Unit tag. Trooper Ritter called the passenger by the first name shown on the tag, to which he responded. Trooper Ritter noticed that he looked older than the birth date on the tag indicated. He asked him how old he was and he said he was 21 (the birth date on the tag indicated he should have been 17). The tag belonged to a younger brother who was out of state. He was cited for **Hunting Without a Valid Tag** and for **Borrowing a Big Game Tag**.

Search Warrant- 3 Suspects

Senior Trooper Madison (Prineville) concluded an investigation after executing a search warrant in the Prineville area with the assistance of Sgt. Wagner (PSD), and Senior Troopers Prodzinski, Cazemier, & Drynan. The subject of the search warrant and his girlfriend had been involved in baiting bears. This has been an ongoing investigation that has spurred other criminal investigations being completed by the Criminal Division. Three suspects have been arrested for: Suspect 1: Theft 1 (2 Counts), Tampering with a Witness, Tampering with Physical Evidence (2 Counts), Use of Bait to Hunt Black Bear (3 Counts), Illegal Taking of Black Bear (2 Counts), Illegal Possession of Wildlife - Black Bear (2 Counts), Unlawful Waste of Wildlife - Bear, Placing Offensive Substance on Property of Another, Failure to Properly Validate Tag, Aiding in a Game Violation (2 Counts); Suspect 2: Use of Bait to Hunt Black Bear, Unlawful Taking of Black Bear, Unlawful Possession of Bear, Unlawful Waste of Wildlife - Bear; Suspect 3: Aiding in a Game Violation - Unlawful Taking of Bear.

Passenger Gets His Decoy

Sr. Troopers Martin Maher (Springfield) and Marshall Maher (Oakridge) teamed up for an early morning WED on Big River Road south of Cottage Grove. Not many vehicles came by but an early 80's model Subaru Wagon, complete with top mounted accessory lights and a bad exhaust system, stopped. The front right passenger decided to get his deer (about 26 minutes before legal time). He walked stealthfully behind the vehicle, which surprisingly was not using the lights to illuminate the decoy, took careful aim (in the dark) and fired one round. Sr. Trooper Marshall Maher cited the suspect for **Hunting Deer Prohibited Hours**.

Man Hunting from Back of Moving Pickup Truck

Sergeant Brown (PSD - Bend) advised that while he was camped and hunting in the Paulina unit he saw a subject standing in the back of a truck holding a rifle while road hunting. Sgt. Brown took a photo of the subject as he passed by his camp. Later that day the subject was contacted by Sr. Tpr. Hayes and issued a citation for **Unlawfully Taking Western Gray Squirrel**. The subject had shot the squirrel and had it hanging from the vehicle antenna.

Wildlife/Hunting

News Release from: Oregon State Police

OSP INVESTIGATING UNLAWFUL KILLING OF BLACK BEAR CUB NORTH OF ZIG ZAG

Oregon State Police (OSP) Fish & Wildlife Division is asking for the public's help in developing information to identify the person(s) responsible for killing a cub black bear and leaving it on an unnamed logging road about 9 miles north of Highway 26 off Lolo Pass Road.

On October 2, 2007 hunters reported finding a dead cub black bear between 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on a logging road about 8.7 miles north of Lolo Pass Road in Clackamas County. OSP Sergeant Chris Allori responded to the area to begin an investigation. The black bear appears to be less than one year old and was shot once in the head as it was walking on the road. According to Sergeant Allori, information indicates the cub bear was not in the area the previous day.

Even though bear hunting is allowed in that area between August 1st and December 31st, it is unlawful to take a cub less than one year old. Oregon law provides that all violations of the wildlife and commercial fishing laws and regulations are Class A misdemeanors, punishable by a maximum \$6,250.00 fine and a maximum sentence of confinement to the county jail for one year.

Anyone with information to assist Sergeant Allori with this investigation is asked to contact the Oregon State Police Northern Command Center dispatch at 800-452-7888.

Suspects First Angling then Hunting

Senior Troopers Hayes (Bend) and Bean (Gilchrist) were patrolling the Paulina and Fort Rock units after the controlled buck season had closed in those areas. They contacted a couple who were angling illegally in Big Marsh Creek (using bait). During the contact they observed western Oregon deer tags in their possession. The subjects were asked if they were deer hunting and they advised they were not. Later in the day Senior Troopers Hayes and Bean set up a WED operation and the same subjects stopped at the WED buck and shot it within the Fort Rock unit. Overall, they were issued citations for **Angling Prohibited Method - Bait** and **Taking Deer Closed Season - WED**.

Several Deer Carcasses Found

During opening weekend of deer season, Trooper Carothers (Fossil) received a call of several deer carcasses with the front shoulders left to waste dumped in a gravel pit on the road going into the town of Lonerock. After interviewing several landowners in the Lonerock area, and a number of hunting parties, a group of suspects were developed. Sr. Tpr. Hoodenpyl assisted Tpr. Carothers with interviewing the suspects and two people received the following citations along with several warnings. **Suspect #1: Taking Buck Deer Without a Tag, Waste of Wildlife, Suspect #2: Exceeding Bag Limit - Buck Deer, Aiding in a Wildlife Violation - Taking Buck Deer Without a Tag.**



Hunting on Enclosed Lands

Senior Troopers McNerney and Pearson (The Dalles) tracked down a suspect in the Colton area who had shot a deer on private property out of Dufur. An investigation revealed that the suspect had killed the deer and did not know who the landowner was. The 2 X 3 buck deer was seized and the man was cited for **Hunting on Enclosed Lands of Another** and **Shooting from a Public Roadway**.

2 Bull Elk Stuck Together

Sr. Tpr Frerichs and Sgt. Perske (Roseburg) responded to a landowner complaint of 2 large dead bull elk on his property. Officers found a 5X6 and a 6X6 bull elk dead with a bunch of barbed wire rapped around their antlers tying them together at the head. The bulls had apparently been fighting and got rapped up in the fence. One bull was salvaged and taken to Wildlife Safari. The other was not salvageable and disposed of.

News Release from: Oregon State Police

REWARD OFFERED RELATED TO OSP INVESTIGATION OF ELK POACHING NORTHEAST OF NEWPORT

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Oregon Hunter's Association is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person (s) responsible for killing two branch antlered Coast Roosevelt bull elk that were left to waste in Lincoln County northeast of Newport. Oregon State Police Fish & Wildlife Division troopers are investigating.

On or about Thursday, October 4, 2007 two branch antlered Coast Roosevelt bull elk were shot and left to waste off a spur road approximately 1.5 miles up Mill Creek, a tributary of the Siletz River near the town of Logsdon. The elk were not salvageable.

A vehicle of interest was seen in the area on that date described as a white newer model Dodge pickup with a white canopy. The back doors of the canopy opened side to side, and there was possibly a ladder/utility rack.

A conviction related to this wildlife crime could lead to a \$7500 fine and/or up to a year in jail.

Any information pertaining to this case should be directed to Oregon State Police Trooper Ryan Kehr at (541) 265-5354 ext. 316.

Anonymous Report 2 Elk Found

Following up on an anonymous report that two elk had been taken unlawfully, Senior Trooper Chandler and Sergeant Tucker (La Grande) contacted a residence near Elgin. Parts of one elk carcass, that had spoiled, were located in an outbuilding. Two large sets of elk antlers were also located in a bedroom of the residence. An investigation revealed that the female occupant located a near dead bull elk in the Keating area while archery hunting. She waited for the animal to die and then attempted to salvage the animal. The second set of antlers was taken from a dead elk she located near her residence. Found within her freezer were deer meat and two turkeys. She produced unvalidated tags for one turkey and a deer. She was cited for two counts of **Unlawful Possession of Elk** and for **Fail to Validate Deer and Turkey Tags**. The investigation is continuing.

Wildlife/Hunting



19 Year Old Kills Bald Eagle-Faces 1 Year Jail, \$6,250 Fine

An Oregon State Police (OSP) Fish & Wildlife Division investigation into the unlawfully killing of a bald eagle south of Independence led to the identification and citing of a 19-year old suspect. On **October 21, 2007**, **OSP Fish & Wildlife Division Troopers Richard Young and Doug Shugart** received information that a bald eagle had been shot and killed on Friday, October 19th, in the area of the Willamette River south of Independence. The investigation indicated three persons had been duck hunting when a bald eagle flew over the top of the group and was allegedly shot by **DUSTIN MILLSAP, age 19, from Sheridan**. After killing the eagle, **MILLSAP** hid it behind a tree. The troopers found the concealed dead eagle today near where it had reportedly been shot. **MILLSAP** was contacted and subsequently **cited to appear for Unlawful Taking Protected Species to wit: Bald Eagle, a class A misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and/or a fine up to \$6,250**. The shotgun allegedly used to kill the bald eagle, along with several rounds of ammunition were seized as evidence.

Trooper Tracks Suspect to Residence

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs (Roseburg) was called out on a spotlighting / shooting complaint that occurred on C.R. Strickland Canyon Road. The reporting party had observed a subject in a vehicle spotlighting the roadside along with hearing several shots. They observed a male subject in a vehicle and upon contact; he stated that he was just out delivering papers. The subject then fled the scene towards highway 42. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs located tire and shoe prints along the roadway at the location. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs located a dead forked horn buck at the location that was still very warm. A license number was provided by the reporting party, which was not current for the suspect. After learning of the current address, Sr. Tpr. Frerichs set up surveillance on the residence. At around 8pm, the suspect returned home. After first denying shooting at the deer, the suspect stated that he was out delivering papers when he saw the buck. He admitted to shooting the deer out the driver's side of the vehicle and leaving it at the location. The suspect was cited for **Unlawful Take of Blacktail deer with the Aid of Artificial light, Unlawful Hunting from a Public Roadway, and Waste of Game Mammal**. A 30-06 pump action rifle was seized in the incident.

15 Year Old Cited

Sr. Trooper Van Prooyen (Gold Beach) responded to a Trespass complaint in which a forked horn deer had been taken the evening before. After interviewing witnesses, the two subjects' were contacted and cited, the deer was seized. The Shooter (15yoa) was cited for **Hunting on the Enclosed Land of Another** and the adult was cited for **Aiding in a Game Violation**.

Hunter on Suspension is in Violation of Release Agreement

Sr. Troopers Carver, Hoodenpyl, Tpr. Seaholm, (Tillamook) Troopers Dietz (Banks) and Carothers (Fossil) and set up a decoy a few miles outside of Newberg in an area that was the subject of numerous night hunting complaints. The set was strictly set for spotlighters, (could not be seen with headlights). Shortly before 10:00 PM a vehicle working a light stopped and shot the decoy. The shooter realized it was a decoy and sped off. Tpr. Dietz and Sgt. Seaholm stopped the vehicle and the operator, also the shooter denied shooting the decoy and the troopers could find no weapon. Tpr. Carothers walked the road between the decoy and the stop and found a Ruger 10/22 in the brush. The shooter is well known to the F&W troopers and his angling license is currently suspended after Sr. Tpr. Hoodenpyl caught him snagging spring Chinook on the Trask River last May. He has a prior hunting suspension on a spotlighting case that Sr. Tpr. Carver investigated. A couple of weeks ago, a 3pt. deer was shot and left in the same field of the decoy set. This shooter was suspected in that case and investigation revealed that he had shot the buck and left it. He was lodged in the Yamhill County Jail for **Violating a Release Agreement-Possessing a Firearm** and cited for the following: **Taking Deer Prohibited Hours (x2) and Waste of a Game Animal - Deer**.

16 Year Old Cited for Killing Bighorn

Senior Trooper Hawkins (Baker City) responded to a complaint of subjects who had killed a Bighorn Sheep ewe in the Conner Creek area of the Lookout Mountain Unit. The carcass and other evidence was located at the scene. He was provided with suspect and vehicle information, and an ATL advisory was put out to I-84 corridor stations as the suspects were en route back to the Portland area. Later that evening, Senior Troopers Pearson and Gunderson located the vehicle in The Dalles and contacted the suspects. The meat was spoiled and was recovered along with the .243 rifle used to take the animal. A 16 year old suspect was cited for **Taking Bighorn Sheep Closed Season**, and an adult was cited for **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation - Taking Bighorn Sheep Closed Season**.

Irrigation Officer Hears Shots Fired

Senior Trooper Wilson (Ontario) assisted the area BLM ranger in contacting two hunters near the Owyhee Dam. An irrigation official heard shots and noted one individual standing in the roadway with a firearm. The subject had taken a deer the day earlier and stated that this most recently killed deer was his girlfriend's. The girlfriend then drove up in a truck. Evidence and interviews indicated that the subject took the second deer and the tag holder was not in the immediate area. The subject was cited for **Exceeding Bag Limit - Buck Mule Deer and Borrowing Big Game Tag - Buck Mule Deer**. The second subject was cited for **Loaning Big Game Tag - Buck Mule Deer and Driving While Suspended - Misdemeanor**.

Wildlife/Hunting

Washington Man Fined-Troopers Still Looking for his Partner

One Washington state man has been fined more than \$22,000 and Alaska Wildlife Troopers have an arrest warrant for another man after a hunt last fall in which they illegally killed brown bear, caribou, moose and Dall sheep, troopers said Wednesday. "This is actually a very serious case," trooper investigator Robert Welch said. "It was a clear and deliberate attempt to go after multiple Animals illegally." Carson Kemmer, 24, pleaded no contest Friday to two counts of taking brown bear and Dall sheep without a guide, two counts of taking big game without a tag, one count of failure to salvage the edible meat of a big game animal and one count of hunting without a license. He was originally charged with 22 hunting violations. Troopers are looking for Kemmer's hunting companion, 53-year-old Joseph Querin, who faces 21 charges and failed to appear for his arraignment. A \$10,000 warrant has been issued for his arrest. Both men are from Ocean Park, Wash. The investigation began when troopers received a tip from Washington Fish and game officials that Querin may have been conducting illegal hunts in Alaska. Troopers say the men were in Alaska to hunt big game between Aug. 29 and Sept. 16, 2006. Querin illegally obtained an Alaska resident hunting license and four tags, then transferred the tags to Kemmer, troopers said. "People from out of state tend to feel a little intimidated by the regulations," Welch said. "That's not the case in this. (Querin) had lived in Alaska. He was very familiar with the regulations." Kemmer, who didn't have a license, killed a caribou, sheep and brown bear along the Dalton Highway in the Brooks Range. He

also shot a sub-legal Bull moose near Turnagain Arm, troopers said. Querin shot a second sub-legal sheep in the Brooks Range and did not have a tag for it, troopers said. "He shot the animals for the experience of it but had no way to get it back to Washington," Welch said. "All the animals had some meat removed, but regulations require that they salvage all the edible meat." By Alaska law, nonresident hunters must be accompanied by a guide or by a close relative who is an Alaska resident to take brown bear, sheep and goats. Neither man met those requirements, Welch said. HOME SEARCHED Washington wildlife officials serving a search warrant at Kemmer's home on Dec. 11, 2006, found an Alaska brown bear's hide and skull, along with the horns of a big-horn sheep that had been illegally killed in Washington, the Alaska troopers said in a written statement. The following day, a search warrant served at a taxidermy shop in Oregon turned up an illegally hunted Dall sheep's horns and hide, troopers said. As part of his plea agreement, Kemmer was sentenced to 440 days in prison, fined \$50,000 and ordered to pay nearly \$6,000 in restitution. The prison time and \$27,500 of the fines were suspended but can be re-imposed if Kemmer violates Alaska wildlife laws during a five-year probation period. Querin is wanted on charges including unlawful possession of big game, unsworn falsification, nonresident hunting without a guide, and multiple license and tag violations. A message left for Kemmer in Washington was not immediately returned. Querin did not have a listed phone number.



Five Suspects Cited

Senior Trooper Hayes received an anonymous complaint of a subject exceeding the bag limit of mule deer bucks in the Paulina unit. A subsequent investigation revealed that a subject was camped in the Paulina unit and shooting deer for other people. So far there are five suspects involved and citations have been issued for **Exceeding the Bag Limit of Mule Deer Buck (5), Failure to Validate Tag (6), Theft First Degree, Aiding in a Game Violation (3), and Loaning a Big Game Tag (3)**. Sr. Tpr. Hayes also responded to a report of a subject who shot a cow elk. Sr. Tpr. Hayes salvaged the elk late at night during a rainstorm. The reporting party gave a partial license plate to him. A subsequent investigation led him to the suspect who was issued a citation for **Taking Cow Elk Closed Season**.

Stories Differ Regarding Killing of Deer

An anonymous report was received that a deer had been illegally taken and was hanging in a barn on a ranch near Summerville. Senior Trooper Chandler and Sergeant Tucker (La Grande) contacted the owner of the ranch and the building was searched. A small skinned deer was located in one of the outbuildings. Two suspects were identified and denied shooting the deer as was reported. They both claimed the deer was struck with their vehicle and they did not want it to go to waste so they took it back to the ranch. Both were cited for **Unlawful Possession of Deer**. During the search, Sr. Tpr. Chandler located a cut-and-wrapped deer in a freezer. A different man claimed to have killed that deer during archery season. When asked where the tag was, he produced a slick tag from his wallet. He was cited for **Fail to Validate Big Game Tag**.

Washington Suspect Claims to be Oregon Resident

Senior Trooper Knapp (Enterprise) contacted two archery hunters operating a Washington plated vehicle. Both produced Oregon resident tags and licenses. The vehicle owner claimed to be an Oregon resident and only had an apartment in Washington. With the aid of a Washington Fish and Game officer, it was learned the subject also had resident tags and license in Washington. They recontacted the suspect and determined that he was not an Oregon resident, and he was cited for **Possession of a Falsely Applied for Hunting License**.

Wildlife/Hunting

Hunter Cited for Unlawful Importation

Trooper Mayer (Heppner) and Recruit Ring (Arlington) were conducting a check at a meat locker in Heppner when they discovered an elk carcass, split through the length of the spine, from Wyoming. The hunter was contacted and met with Tpr. Mayer. The hunter was allowed to remove the edible meat from the spinal column, and he was issued a citation for **Unlawful Importation of Prohibited Cervid Parts**. The skull cap/antlers were examined by an ODFW biologist and found to have been properly cleaned. The carcass was transported to the approved Arlington landfill by Rct. Ring.

Man Too Tired to Pack Out Elk

Trooper Schwartz (St. Helens) responded to a report of a bull elk carcass that was found in a farmer's field near North Plains. All four quarters were removed from the elk as well as the head. One of the quarters was found a short distance away from the elk. The subsequent investigation revealed that a Hillsboro man was on his way home from hunting deer when he spotted the elk in the field. He shot and killed the elk and left it to lie in the field. He returned later in the middle of the night and packed out three quarters and the head before getting too tired to pack out the fourth quarter. Tpr. Schwartz seized the elk antlers, elk meat and the man's rifle and cited the man for **Hunting on the Enclosed Land of Another** and **Taking Bull Elk Closed Season**.

Troopers Search Butcher Shops

Sr. Trooper Allison (Central Point) received anonymous information of illegal hunting that occurred in Eastern Oregon by local hunters. He checked with local butcher shops and, with the help of Sr. Trooper Marchand, they located three elk at a butcher shop in Grants Pass with two men's tags and one of their wives' tag on them, all from opening weekend. Sr. Trooper Allison contacted the wife and she said she had not been bow hunting, but she wanted to. She said her husband had filled her tag as well as his own. The husband was contacted and he admitted to killing both elk. He was cited for **Borrowing an Elk Tag** and **Exceeding the Bag Limit-Elk**. One of the elk was seized. His wife was warned for loaning an elk tag.

ATVer's Cited

Senior Trooper Carter (Pendleton) contacted two subjects riding ATV's in the Ukiah Unit in the Butcherknife area. Both subjects had firearms loaded with ammunition in both the magazine and chamber. It was determined that one was also a convicted felon. Both subjects were cited for **Loaded Firearm on an ATV**, and one firearm was seized and that subject was also cited and released for **Felon in Possession of a Firearm**. Sr. Tpr. Carter issued several other citations over the opener for **Loaded Firearm on an ATV**.



Search Warrant Yields Unlawfully Owned Hawk, Owl, Eagle feathers and More

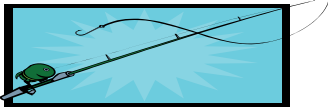
Sergeant Hulett and Sr. Trooper Martin Maher (Springfield) assisted US Fish & Wildlife agents with a search warrant in Veneta. Unlawfully possessed hawk, owl and eagle feathers were the target of the investigation. Numerous illegal feathers and bird parts were found and seized. A 30+ marijuana plant grow was also found. The grow, which consisted of about 39 plants (nine of which were mature plants) was found in a hidden room in the basement of the residence. About 20 pounds of green marijuana, one pound of dried marijuana, scales, and grow lights were seized. Federal charges for violation of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act are pending for an adult female resident. An adult male resident was charged by Sr. Trooper Maher for **Manufacturing, Possession and Delivery of a Controlled Substance**.

Juveniles Charged with Shooting Birds

Coos Bay Troopers received a complaint of four juveniles shooting approximately 30 sea gulls, cormorants and other shore birds on the north spit of the Coos River. Sr. Trooper Lane and Sgt. Cyr checked the area, took photographs and recovered evidence. Follow-up interviews conducted by Tpr. Davis and Sgt. Cyr led to confessions by four local high school kids. Charges against all four individuals are expected.

The Early Trooper get the Felon

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher teamed up with Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher and worked early morning deer hunters in the Cedar Creek drainage east of Cottage Grove. ODFW Wildlife Biologist Chris Yee rode with Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher during the patrol. A deer decoy operation was conducted prior to legal hunting hours. The decoy was set up along the Weyerhaeuser Cedar Creek mainline. A total of six vehicles passed by the buck deer decoy prior to legal hunting hours. Five of those vehicles observed it. Twenty-one minutes before legal hunting hours, a pickup pulled up to the decoy location with its headlights illuminating the decoy. The passenger exited the vehicle and fired two shots at the decoy. Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher took the violator up the roadway and was issuing the shooter a citation for **Unlawful Hunting With the Aid of Artificial Light** when Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher observed two more vehicles approach the deer decoy location at approximately ten minutes prior to legal hunting hours. The first vehicle passed by it and stopped further up the roadway. The second vehicle stopped in the roadway and illuminated the decoy with the vehicle headlights. The driver used the high beams to enhance the vehicle lights. The passenger then fired one 30-30 round at the decoy. The second violator was contacted and was found to be a **Felon in Possession of a Firearm** and did not even have a deer tag valid for the season. He had a deer bow tag in possession. The subject's wife, who was the driver of the vehicle, possessed a valid Western Oregon rifle deer tag. The shooter was cited for **Hunting With the Aid of Artificial Light, Unlawful Hunting of Big Game Mammal for Another** and **Felon in Possession of a Firearm**. The driver was cited for **Aiding in a Game Violation - Hunting Deer With the Aid of Artificial Light**. The firearm used by the felon was seized as evidence.



Angling

News Release from: Oregon State Police

OSP INVESTIGATING THEFT OF SEVEN STURGEON FROM BONNEVILLE HATCHERY POND

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Cascade Locks — Oregon State Police (OSP) and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) are seeking information to identify the person(s) responsible for the theft of seven white sturgeon from Bonneville Hatchery last weekend.

Monday, October 1, 2007 an ODFW volunteer discovered the lower sturgeon pond at the hatchery was empty. There were seven sturgeon in the pond ranging from 2 1/2 feet to over 5 feet in length.

The small sturgeon pond is managed by ODFW hatchery staff and compliments the larger sturgeon exhibit created more recently in 1998 by the Oregon Wildlife Heritage Foundation and ODFW. The Sturgeon Viewing and Interpretive Center was designed as an educational opportunity for the public to view this prehistoric fish in a natural environment and learn about the history of sturgeon on the Columbia River.

"It's very disappointing that someone would steal these sturgeon away from the enjoyment of all Oregonians," says Greg Davis, Bonneville Hatchery Manager. "It really impacts our educational program – one that has been an Oregon favorite for many years."

Bonneville Hatchery is ODFW's flagship hatchery located 3 miles west of Cascade Locks, off of Interstate 84 within the Bonneville Dam Complex. Nearly half a million people visit Bonneville hatchery annually to view the sturgeon ponds.

The Columbia River's white sturgeon population remains one of the world's last healthy self-sustaining populations. The white sturgeon is the largest freshwater fish species in North America and can reach lengths of almost 20 feet, 1,000 pounds and may live well over 100 years.

Oregon State Police Senior Trooper Mike Hanson is investigating the crime. Anyone with information is asked to call OSP Northern Command Center dispatch at 800-452-7888.



Troopers Inspect Salmon as Suspect Kills it with a Rock

Trooper Kehr (Newport) observed a subject drag a salmon out of the Salmon River and up on the bank. Tpr. Kehr inquired if the fish was fair hooked just as the subject hit it with a large rock killing the salmon. Tpr. Kehr inspected the hook site and discovered the salmon was hooked in the top of the snout. The 30 lb. hen Chinook was seized and the subject was cited for **Unlawful Possession of Foul Hooked Game Fish**.

Trooper Checks Complaints

Recruit Schwartz (Astoria) followed up on a complaint of subjects exceeding the bag limit on Big Creek near Knappa off Hwy 30. A suspect was contacted with a salmon in his possession and when questioned it was determined the subject had two additional salmon in his vehicle. The suspect was cited for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Salmon and Fail to Validate Harvest Card**. Two other subjects were cited for **Continuing to Angle After Retaining Daily Bag Limit and Failure to Validate Harvest Card**. Several warnings for angling violations were also issued to other anglers on Big Creek.

Recruit Cites Several Anglers

Recruit Schwartz (Astoria) was busy checking anglers and crabbers on local rivers and bays. Rct. Schwartz contacted two subjects angling on bridges in Seaside without angling licenses. One subject was cited for **No Non-Resident Angling License** and the other for **No Resident Angling License**. Rct. Schwartz cited a subject on the Necanicum River for **No Angling Harvest Card**. Rct. Schwartz cited a subject on Neawanna Creek for **No Recreational Shellfish License**.

Angling

ODFW Hatchery Manager Advised of Illegal Angling

Sr. Trooper Hoodenpyl and Trooper Thomas (Tillamook) watched a subject while he was angling on Three Rivers near the confluence of Alder Creek. This area is owned by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and is commonly known as Rhodes Ponds. Rhodes Ponds is a location where the Cedar Creek Hatchery has held smolts in the past, but has since been leased out to the Nestucca Anglers. The troopers watched the subject for a short period of time. They watched the subject as he fought a large trout which he later retained. Cedar Creek is currently closed to any retention of trout. The subject was contacted and it was found that he knew he could not keep trout in the stream; and he did not have an angling license. The subject was cited for **Taking Trout Closed Stream** and the ODFW Hatchery Manager at Cedar Creek Hatchery was advised.

Anglers Cited for PCS and Exceeding Limit

Sr. Tpr.'s McNerney and Pearson (The Dalles) contacted two anglers at Eagle Creek and issued citations for **Angling Prohibited Method - Barbed Hook on Non-Buoyant Lure** to both anglers, and **Possession of a Controlled Substance – Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana** to one of them.

Angler Hides Fish in Brush

Senior Troopers Pearson and Gunderson (The Dalles) worked Eagle Creek during early morning hours, about an hour before legal angling time. They watched as a man showed up after their arrival and walked down to the gravel bar next to the stone bridge near the hatchery. They observed him snagging with heavy line, large weight, and bare treble hook. After the suspect was contacted, the troopers discovered that the man had taken four Coho salmon (one non-finclipped) and concealed them in the brush. They contacted the man and cited him criminally for **Angling Closed Area, Angling Prohibited Method (Snagging), Exceeding the Bag Limit – Coho Salmon, and Retaining Non-Finclipped Coho Salmon**. They contacted two other men who had retained a finclipped Coho salmon that were angling in the closed area and issued violation citations to both for **Angling Closed Area**.

Commercial Fish

Commercial Fish Plant Cited

Sr. Trooper Klepp (Astoria) cited two Astoria area commercial fish plants for: **Failure to Weigh Commercial Sardines by Round Weight**. Both plants were found to be in non-compliance with Oregon Administrative Rule requiring round weights. Both plants had previously been warned prior to citation. A third plant is also in violation. NOAA Fisheries Agent Hellberg has forwarded case details to OSP for follow-up.

Skipper Cited for Overages

Sr. Trooper Klepp (Astoria) cited a commercial skipper of a ground fish vessel twice for: **Illegal Possession of Lingcod to wit: Exceeding the Cumulative Trip Limit**. The citations are a result of an overage that occurred on July 23, 2007. The second overage occurred on September 13, 2007. A total of 564 pounds of lingcod was seized and sold to ODFW.

Clam Digger Cited Failed to Submit Log

Sr. Trooper Klepp (Astoria) cited a commercial razor clam digger for: **Failure to Submit Commercial Razor Clam Logbook**. The man failed to submit his monthly logbook to ODFW shellfish biologists as required at the end of each month.

Clam Digger Cited Over Harvest

Sr. Trooper Klepp (Astoria) cited a commercial razor clam digger for: **Failure to Sell Commercially Harvested Razor Clams to a Licensed Buyer**. The incident occurred on May 17, 2007.



General Law

Two Suspects Arrested for 1,500 Pounds of Stolen Copper Wire

Trooper Weaver (Lakeview) arrested two occupants of a pickup truck laden with stolen copper wire near Christmas Valley. Tpr. Weaver was on routine patrol when he stopped a black Mazda pickup which was nearly dragging its trailer hitch on the highway. The pickup was westbound on Christmas Valley Hwy near US 395 about three to four miles east of Christmas Valley in rural Lake County. The reason for the pickup being overweight was that the bed contained approximately 1,500 pounds of coiled copper wire. Through follow-up investigation, Tpr. Weaver discovered that the theft occurred from the former US Air Force Over the Horizon Backscatter Radar System Transmit Site. The suspects unlawfully entered the Center Building and stole the copper wire and roughly 40 pounds of metal pipe fittings. The exact value of the theft has not been determined but it is greater than \$750 which elevates the theft to first degree. The driver of the pickup, of Mt. Angel, is being charged with **Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine, Theft I and Burglary I**. His brother, also of Mt. Angel, was a passenger and is being charged with **Theft I and Burglary I**. Both suspects are now lodged at the Lake County Jail in Lakeview. UPCS and Theft I are Class 'C' Felonies and Burglary I is a Class 'A' Felony.

General Law

Woman Flees Scene While Trooper is Investigating Her

Trooper Goffrier (Salem) made a traffic stop on Hwy 22E at about milepost 25. The suspect gave a false name and date of birth. While Tpr. Goffrier was investigating the identity of the suspect, she fled the scene in her 2003 BMW 530. Tpr. Goffrier pursued the suspect westbound on Hwy 22E. The suspect was traveling in excess of 100mph in the rain. Marion County set up spike strips just west of the exit at milepost 9. The suspect took the exit and missed the spikes. Tprs. Shinnerer and DelGreco were waiting at the top of the off ramp. The suspect fled down a dead end road and gave up. The suspect was identified and was found to be misdemeanor suspended for DUII. She was transported to Marion County where she was cited for **Felony Elude, Reckless Driving, GFI, DWS Misdo, DUII**, and for **100+mph**. The suspect was held by her PO on a detainer.

Hunters Find Woman's Purse, Woman is Cited When Retrieving Purse

Sgt. Meyer (Central Point) was checking deer hunters near Dutchman Peak. He checked two hunters. They then gave Sgt. Meyer a woman's purse that they had found on the roadway near Wagner Gap. Sgt. Meyer checked the purse for identification and then called the woman. The good news was that her credit cards and some cash were still in the purse. The bad news was her stash of marijuana was also found in the purse. She was cited for **Possession of less than an ounce of Marijuana** when she came to the Central Point OSP office to retrieve her purse.

Dispositions



Man With Numerous Fish & Wildlife Violations

Curry County Circuit court accepted a guilty plea from David Palmquist for the Crime of Angling Prohibited Method- by Sgt. Hand. This charge originated on August 12th 2007, when Mr. Palmquist kicked a Chinook Salmon out of a small depression in which it was trapped on a low tide near the Mouth of the Rogue River. This fish and one other that Mr. Palmquist claimed to have legally caught were then taken to his boat. Mr. Palmquist has numerous prior Fish & Wildlife violations. Judge Beaman accepted Mr. Palmquist's guilty plea and ordered him to pay **\$500 in fine, 12 month court probation which includes not to fish without a valid fishing license and that his Angling license be suspended for two years starting on October 1st, 2007 through September 30th, 2009**. One week earlier, the court accepted a guilty plea from Mr. Palmquist for Failure to Validate Salmon Tag, and ordered a fine of **\$309** be paid. This charge was detected when Sr. Tpr. Van Prooyen contacted Mr. Palmquist for an interview in regards to the above complaint and observed him with an untagged Chinook he'd just caught.

Guide Fined \$5,133

Trooper Spurlock (Astoria) initially contacted the Deer Island subject's son angling for sturgeon in 2006. The son had resident tags for both Oregon and Washington. After questioning the juvenile regarding his state of residence, Tpr. Spurlock seized the Oregon documents and began an investigation. The Deer Island subject had been purchasing resident licenses and tags (including Western rifle deer tags) for his son who was a resident of Washington. In addition, the subject was a registered guide with the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB). The subject eventually pled guilty to one count of **Aiding in a Wildlife Crime**, was **fined \$5,133**, and **suspended from hunting for two years**. After being cited by Tpr. Spurlock, the subject gave false information to the OSMB on his application affidavit, consequently his guide's license was placed under "conditional" status. Sr. Trooper May (St. Helens), the Columbia County DA's office and the OSMB were instrumental in the outcome of this case.

Public Relations - Interagency Cooperation

Oregon and Washington Work Together on Border WED

Senior Trooper Carter (Pendleton) assisted Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Officers and US Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer's in a joint WED operation on the Washington/Oregon border behind the Walla Walla Watershed near Indian Camp. This was in response to complaints of Oregon hunters hunting on the Washington side of the border in this remote area. They contacted one Oregon hunter who got his rifle out of his vehicle to look at the decoy. His chamber was empty and he had been carrying ammunition in his magazine, which is illegal in Washington. He was cited by Washington officers. Another Oregon man was stopped for reckless operation of his vehicle. He was cited for **Possession of Marijuana** and a driving violation. During their contacts, six other Oregon vehicles drove by the location.

Klamath Falls Team Hosted Summer Lake Invitational

The Klamath Falls team hosted the second annual Summer Lake Invitational. Team members were Sgt. Hand, Sgt. Cyr (Coos Bay), Senior Trooper Randall (K-Falls), Trooper Davis (Coos Bay), Trooper Howell (Tillamook), Trooper Deitz (Banks), Recruit Weaver (Lakeview) and Recruit Sitowski (K-Falls). Additionally, US Fish and Wildlife Service Law Enforcement Officer Meeghan (Burns) assisted with the effort. The saturation effort was requested by ODFW to address numerous hunting-related problems. Opening day statistics are as follows: 255 hunters checked, 25 were not in compliance, 7 citations issued (unplugged shotgun, lead shot, hunting in refuge), 18 warnings were issued for various charges, the resulting compliance rate was 90.2%.

Trooper Attends Oregon Hunters Association Meeting

Sgt. Meyer (Central Point) spoke at the local OHA monthly meeting. There were about 40 members in attendance. The topics included recent fish and wildlife cases from the Central Point team, of which there were many.

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