



Oregon State Police Fish & Wildlife Division

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Joint Marine Fisheries Enforcement Training

On June 7 & 8, 2007, twenty Oregon State Police, Fish and Wildlife Division troopers participated in a joint training session on federal fisheries issues, held in Astoria, Oregon at the United States Coast Guard (USCG) Air Station. This training brought together more than sixty enforcement officers from the natural resource enforcement agencies of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, California Department of Fish and Game, NOAA/National Marine Fisheries Service - Office of Law Enforcement, USCG and the OSP. Training such as this provides a mechanism to bring state and federal officers together facilitating a unified enforcement effort towards West Coast recreational and commercial fisheries, along with valuable information sharing. Training subjects discussed covered the Pacific Fishery Management Council process, Vessel Monitoring System, Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation Act reauthorization, electronic fish tickets, fish identification, methamphetamine information, and discussions regarding various fisheries. Much thanks to NOAA who funded this joint training session.



State and Federal Officers receiving training on trawl nets.

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Wildlife/Hunting

Horses Neglected by Owner

Senior Trooper Salisbury (Florence) investigated a complaint of animal abuse in the Florence area. A property owner had allegedly failed to attend to three horses in her care. It was determined that they had been inadequately fed, watered, maintained and their hooves had not been trimmed in a year. The owner was cited for **Animal Neglect**. The neglect was not severe enough to require rescue intervention. The owner has since had the horses trimmed, wormed and vaccinated.

Human Safety Statute Allows Landowner to Kill Cougar

Senior Trooper Hawkins (Baker City) responded to a report of a cougar in a tree near a residence in the Richland area. The landowner had contacted Lt. Scorby earlier regarding the cat, which had been observed earlier in the day on his property. The cougar had been in the tree for several hours. After determining the situation fell under the Human Safety Statute, the landowner was authorized to dispatch the cougar. Sr. Tpr. Hawkins picked up the cat, which was a small (30 pound) female, and transported it to ODFW in Baker City.

Father Shows Seven year Old how to Fish Illegally and to be Cited

Trooper Goffrier (Salem) observed a juvenile cast his spinner above the deadline on the North Santiam at Mill City. The subject hooked a salmon in the prohibited area. The father of the subject helped him net the fish. Upon contact, the juvenile was found to be 7 yrs old. Tpr. Goffrier asked the father if he could see the fish that was caught and the father took him up to the truck. The fish was a non-finclipped wild Salmon. The suspect had cut the adipose fin off the fish in an attempt to conceal the non-fin clip. Tpr. Goffrier cited the father for **Aiding in a Wildlife Crime** (Keeping Non-adipose Fin-clipped Chinook Prohibited Area). The salmon was seized and taken to the Union Gospel Mission in Salem.

Case Passes from Patrol to F&W Trooper

Senior Trooper Elmenhurst (Springfield) followed up on a case involving the possession of raptor talons that had been passed on by Springfield PD. After substantial effort to re-contact the associated suspect, Sr. Tpr. Elmenhurst was able to locate him. He was cited for **Possession of Protected Bird Parts**.

Trooper Investigation Leads to 3 Suspects

Senior Trooper Carter (Pendleton) investigated the illegal take of a bull elk during turkey season up West Birch Creek, south of Pilot Rock. He was unable to recover any physical evidence from the scene. He was able to identify three suspects, and through interviews was able to determine who the shooter was. Sr. Tpr. Carter seized the .270 rifle used to shoot the elk and cited the suspects as follows: Shooter: **Hunting Elk Closed Season, Waste of Game Mammal, Hunting on the Enclosed Lands of Another** (Elk), **Criminal Trespass II** (2nd Landowner); Suspect #2: **Hunting Elk Closed Season** (Separate Incident), **Hunting on the Enclosed Lands of Another** (Turkey), **Criminal Trespass II** (2nd Landowner); Suspect #3: **Aiding/Counseling in a Game Violation (x2), Criminal Trespass II**.

Big Horn Sheep Counted

Senior Troopers Ritter and Johnson (both John Day) provided assistance to ODFW with Big Horn Sheep counts in the Aldrich Mountain Area. Over 90 sheep were counted by various teams.

Homeowner Evicts Tenant Finds Multiple Animal Parts

Senior Trooper Pearson (The Dalles) received a report of a person, recently evicted from his residence, having possession of raptor parts. Sr. Tpr. Pearson met with the landowner and did a walk through of the residence. He located parts from an owl outside, and a bobcat hide and a raptor talon inside the residence. Sr. Tpr. Pearson and Sr. Tpr. Gunderson contacted the suspect and cited him for **Possession of Protected Bird Parts x2** and **Unlawful Possession of Untagged Bobcat**. During the contact, they also located a pipe and marijuana. He was cited for **PCS – Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana**.

Holding Wildlife is Illegal

Senior Trooper Price (Central Point) received a complaint that someone in Medford was holding a raccoon. Sr. Tpr. Mike Cushman assisted Sr. Tpr. Price and they contacted several people in the neighborhood trying to locate the raccoon. When they finally determined who had the raccoon, the people had already learned that the troopers were inquiring about it and they released the raccoon back to where they had caught it. They were warned for **Unlawful Holding Wildlife – Raccoon**.

Dogs Running Wildlife

Trooper Bowen (Coos Bay) was called out to respond to dogs running wildlife (fawn). Tpr. Bowen found the fawn on Highway 42 near Lee Valley Road. The fawn was road struck and injured. Tpr. Bowen could find no dogs in the area and the deer was dispatched.

One Suspect Refuses to Talk-Other Suspect Lies to Trooper

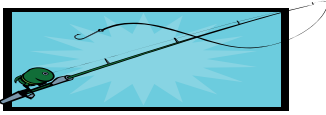
Senior Trooper Gorman (Roseburg) responded to assist the Sheriff's Office Deputies who were out on a traffic stop related to a domestic dispute. Deputies had noticed blood and hair on both of the subjects they believed was from a deer. Sr. Tpr. Gorman determined that they had shot a deer but was unable to locate the deer at that time. One of the suspects stated someone else must have taken it, the other suspect refused to talk. Following up the next day, Sr. Tpr.'s Gorman and Frerichs were able to locate the deer where it had been dumped on the edge of the road several miles away. The suspect who had shot the deer was charged with **Unlawful Take – Closed Season, Black Tail Deer, Waste of a Game Mammal, Placing offensive substance in a Roadway**. The other suspect was cited for **Aiding in a Game Crime**.

Bear Study Program

Trooper Collom (Central Point) assisted ODFW District Biologist Mark Vargas with hanging bear baits at various locations in Jackson and Josephine Counties. The bear baits are used to study bear in a program that has become statewide.

Neighbor Calls in Foul Odor

Trooper Young (Salem) responded to a complaint of a homeowner in NE Salem regarding a smell emanating from a neighbor's back yard. Upon contacting the neighbor, Tpr. Young obtained consent to search the back yard and freezers in the home. Tpr. Young located a five gallon bucket of viscera with a spike deer head resting on top and four deer legs in the back yard. The antlers on the deer head were in velvet. The freezers in the house contained the rest of the animal. Investigation revealed that the grandson of the homeowner, had been hunting and brought the animal home. Further investigation showed the suspect shot the deer on or about June 16 near Scotts Mills. Tpr. Young issued a citation for **Taking Deer Closed Season** to the suspect and seized his rifle and the deer meat.



Angling

Angler Caught Has 3 Warrants

Trooper Halsey (Albany) was checking anglers on the South Santiam River near the Waterloo Bridge. A records check of a male suspect revealed three warrants. The warrants were for **Probation Violation/DUII, Fail to Comply Theft II, and Fail to Appear II**. The male suspect was taken into custody and transported to the Linn County Jail where he was released to jail staff.

Trooper Watches from Cover

Senior Trooper Cushman (Central Point) was watching anglers on the Rogue River at Gold Rey Dam. Initially there were three men he was watching from cover as two of them were casting above the deadline and attempting to snag salmon. As Sr. Tpr. Cushman watched, two more men arrive and Sr. Tpr. Cushman could see that they had unlawful snagging gear on their lines. They began casting above the deadline also. One man snagged a salmon on his first cast. The salmon was netted and kept by one of the other men. The same man who snagged that one immediately snagged another, then another, until he had snagged five salmon in five casts. He landed three of them. In the meantime, Sr. Tpr. Cushman called Trooper Collom to assist. When he arrived, Sr. Tpr. Cushman and Tpr. Collom snuck down into the brush behind the anglers as they were landing a foul-hooked salmon. All five men were cited for various violations including: **Loaning/Borrowing an Angling Harvest Tag; Exceeding the bag Limit- Salmon; Angling with Prohibited Gear; Snagging Salmon; Angling Prohibited Area –Above the Deadline**. While watching from the brush Sr. Tpr. Cushman and Tpr. Collom saw two of the men smoking marijuana. They were also cited for **Possession of a Controlled Substance – Less than an Ounce of Marijuana**.

Angler Check Reveals Sex Offender Suspect Angling with Minors

Trooper Turnbo (Salem) contacted a subject angling at the Parkway Pond in Salem with his cousin and their two juvenile kids. The subject was cited for **No Angling License** and a LEDS/NCIC check revealed he was a Sex Offender with a "No Minor" Clause. The subject's PO was contacted and placed a detainer on the subject. He was taken into custody and lodged at the Marion County Jail for the Probation Violation - **Sexual Penetration I**. The subject's juvenile son was released to a responsible adult relative.

Trooper Presence Leads to Everyone Following the Rules

Sergeant Hand (Klamath Falls) assisted the Central Point Team with the Rogue River Chinook fishery. Sgt. Hand decided the best way to get the most bang for the buck was to actually sit at the deadline and inspect every fish hooked as it was landed. Sgt. Hand watched the area from a distance for a brief period of time and noticed how behavior changed after he arrived. In fact it was also noticed that a few anglers left after he arrived. No fish were retained during the two hour period he sat at the deadline. Angling hours ended at 7PM; at 7:02 PM Sgt Hand announced the end of the angling hours with a "reel 'em up." All anglers quickly complied and left the area.

Shooting Fireworks Over OSP Patrol Boat is a Bad Idea

Troopers Davis, Harris, Stone and Sergeant Cyr (Coos Bay) along with Trooper Lea (Florence) and Southwest Region Lieutenant Gifford conducted a BUII saturation on Tenmile Lake. One subject was arrested for **BUII - alcohol**. The subject provided a breath sample of .11 % on Coos Bay's new portable intoxilyzer. One subject was cited for **PCS Less than One Ounce of Marijuana**. One subject was cited for **Unlawful Possession of Fireworks** after he fired off illegal fireworks over a patrol boat. One subject was cited for **No Angling License**. Two subjects were cited for boating violations and 25 other individuals were warned for various marine board violations.

Angler Helps Other Anglers and is Cited

Senior Trooper Maher (Oakridge) worked steelhead anglers on the Willamette River below Dexter Dam. ODFW was in the process of working adult salmon and were releasing adult steelhead back into the river via the return tube at the Dexter Hatchery. This type of fish release has had a tendency to create illegal activity at the location. Sr. Tpr. Maher watched an individual continue to angle for steelhead after taking his combined daily limit of salmon and steelhead. The angler actively assisted his partner anglers by casting, getting their lines unstuck and even fighting their fish over the overflow pipes to give them a better chance at landing them. Sr. Tpr. Maher contacted the angler and advised him it was illegal to continue to angle for the same species of fish after taking a daily bag limit. Sr. Tpr. Maher issued the suspect a citation for **Continuing to Angle for Salmon/Steelhead after Taking a Daily Bag Limit**.

Traffic Stop Leads to Angling Citations

While enroute to Morgan Lake, Senior Trooper Chandler stopped a vehicle because the operator was not wearing his seatbelt. It was determined that both occupants had been angling and had exceeded the bag limit on trout. The operator was cited for **Driving While Suspended** and **No Angling License**. The second subject was also cited for **No Angling License** and warned for Exceeding the Bag Limit on Trout.



OSP F&W Trooper Checking Anglers for licenses and tags.

Angling

Tribal Member Tries to Get One Over on Trooper

Senior Trooper Hoodenpyl (Tillamook) contacted an angler on the Trask River who had retained a spring Chinook salmon. Sr. Tpr. Hoodenpyl asked to look at the angler's harvest tag. The angler stated that he was a member of the Warm Springs Tribe and didn't need a harvest tag. The Trask River is within the boundary of the Grand Ronde Tribe. Grand Ronde members are allowed to angle on the Trask River with a Tribal License but still need a harvest tag for salmon and steelhead. This angler had no license or tag, the salmon was seized and the angler was cited for **Illegal Possession of Salmon - No Tag**.

Trooper Performs First Aid to Angler

Senior Trooper Canfield and Trooper Urbigkeit (Newport) had Risk Manager Loree Fogleman accompany them on an ocean patrol. While underway they issued citations for **Fail to Validate Harvest Card x5**. Tpr. Urbigkeit performed first aid on an angler who stuck himself in the leg with a gaff hook. Four other anglers were contacted who had been angling all morning and had only caught one halibut. Sr. Tpr. Canfield gave the anglers a suggestion on where to fish and provided them with some GPS coordinates. Later in the day while the troopers were taking their boat out, one of the anglers came up to Tpr. Urbigkeit and thanked her profusely for the tip. Evidently when the anglers got to the spot, they lowered their lines and had three Halibut hooked up shortly after their gear touched the bottom.

Abandoned Drift Boat - Troopers Find Owners and More

Senior Troopers Griffin (La Grande) and Knapp (Enterprise) conducted a float patrol on the Grande Ronde River. They came upon a drift boat that had been abandoned after the operator had struck a large rock with the boat being pinned against it. The operator and passenger made it to shore and had hiked back to where their vehicle was parked. Sr. Tprs. Griffin and Knapp were able to retrieve personal items that identified both occupants. During their attempt to identify the occupants, the Troopers located a prescription bottle full of marijuana, a baggie of marijuana and two pipes. When the two occupants responded to the La Grande Patrol Office to pick up their property both were cited for **Possession of Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana**.

Camouflage Boat Didn't Help Anglers

Senior Troopers Brown (Pendleton) and Gardner (Hermiston) responded to a salmon angling complaint on the Columbia River at the mouth of the Umatilla. Tribal Fish & Game Officer Williams responded as well. Witnesses reported seeing two anglers in a camouflage Crestliner boat catch two salmon and keep them. Witnesses observed the boat go up the Umatilla and believed the fish were hidden somewhere along the bank. The anglers were contacted and cited for **Taking Salmon Closed Season**. The salmon were not located.

Tournament Director Mistakenly Gives Away Illegal Bass

Senior Trooper Maher (Oakridge) and Trooper Maher (Springfield) conducted a boat patrol on Dorena Reservoir working boaters and anglers and also worked a bass tournament. They checked 12 boats and 16 anglers not participating in the tournament. They issued citations for **No Angling License x3** and **Insufficient PFDs x2**. Twelve tournament boats and 6 live-wells were checked, and they attended the weigh-in at 3:00PM. Twenty five bass were weighed in by tournament anglers and also had three dead loss bass. One of the dead loss bass was over five pounds. The bass club donated the bass to a non tournament participant as required, but also gave them the five-pound bass, which is outside the legal bag and possession limit for the Dorena Reservoir. The tournament director was contacted and he was advised that he needed to turn the bass over to ODFW since it was outside of the proper size that could be legally given away to comply with the bass tournament OAR's. He was given ODFW contact information to turn the bass over to them for final disposition. The tournament director was warned for **Fail to Properly Dispose of Tournament Dead Loss Bass**.

Angler Within 50 Feet of Trap

Troopers Turnbo, Young and Brooks (all Salem) worked the Stayton Island area on the North Santiam River. Tpr. Turnbo was observing from the streamside at Lower Bennett Dam, he watched a boat approach with two people onboard. One angler continued fishing up to the exit of the fish trap. The angler's last cast was within 50 feet of the trap. He was cited for **Angling Prohibited Area**.

Angling Sturgeon in Closed Area

Senior Trooper Hanson (Portland) responded to a complaint of several subjects' sturgeon angling in a closed area on the Columbia River. Four suspects were contacted and three were cited for the following: One suspect was cited for **Angling Closed Area** and **Angling Prohibited Method to wit: Two Lines**. Two other suspects were cited for **Angling Closed Area**, and all three anglers were warned for Use of Barbed Hooks. Additionally, the first angler was in possession of a resident license and had only lived in Oregon for two months. The resident license was also seized.

Recruit Conducts Angler Checks- Finds Bail Jumpers Totaling \$26,400

Recruit Olsen (Albany) contacted a male suspect at the E.E. Wilson Pond while conducting angler checks. The suspect came back with a felony warrant for **Contempt of Court** with a bail of **\$17,500** as well as a misdemeanor warrant out for **Fail to Appear on DUII** with a bail of **\$7,500**. Both of which were out of Polk County. Rct. Olsen took the suspect into custody and transported him to the Benton County Jail. At another pond just east of Corvallis, Rct. Olsen contacted a male suspect angling. The suspect came back with a misdemeanor warrant out of Albany Municipal Court with a bail of **\$1,400** for **Fail to Comply with Court Sanctions**. Rct. Olsen took the suspect into custody and transported him to the Linn County Jail.



OSP F&W Trooper with OSP Professional staff on ride along on ocean boat patrol.

Angling

Angling Without Pole or Equipment?

Sergeant Hand (Klamath Falls) along with Klamath County Deputy District Attorney Mark Costello, conducted a plainclothes operation on the Klamath River below Keno Dam. The operation was in response to numerous angling complaints, specifically persons exceeding the daily bag limit of 1 fish per day. After some time on the river, a frequent angler showed up and started to angle. Sometime later, Sgt. Hand saw this man walking out from the brush without a rod or any equipment. This activity piqued Sgt. Hand's interest, and he then focused on this person for the remainder of the operation. The suspect resumed angling and then an hour later the suspect quit angling and returned to his vehicle without any fish. The suspect then drove off, only to stop near where he had originally been seen leaving the brush. Sgt. Hand introduced himself just as the suspect was returning to his truck with two large rainbow trout in a black plastic bag. The suspect told Sgt. Hand that he knew that the limit was one, but one fish was not enough to feed his family. The suspect is now set to appear on a charge of **Exceeding the Daily bag Limit of Trout**.

Boaters Under the Influence

Senior Troopers Lindberg (Madras) and Decker responded to a complaint regarding two intoxicated boaters fishing from their boat and throwing beer cans into the river near Beavertail campground. When the two fishermen were contacted by a fishing guide and advised of the angling regulations, the intoxicated boaters became belligerent and argumentative. The suspect boat was located near Rattlesnake Campground and both suspects were observed taking turns rowing. Contact was made with the suspect boat and both suspects were cited and released for **BUII**. The boaters provided breath samples and the results were .21% and .17% BAC.

Angling Complaints Leads to Patrol

Trooper Brooks (Salem) conducted a bank patrol of Silverton Reservoir after numerous complaints had been received about the area. Tpr. Brooks issued five citations during his patrol including: **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Trout, Possession of a Falsely Applied for Angling License, and No Angling License**. Additionally, Tpr. Brooks gave three warnings to juvenile anglers (aged 14-17) for no license, as well as one warning to an adult for consumption of alcohol in a prohibited area (city ordinance).

Complaints about Snagging –Ironically Turns Out to be About Themselves

While addressing a complaint at the infamous Hatchery Hole, Sgt. Meyer (Central Point) contacted two subjects that complained about the snagging problem at the hole. Sgt. Meyer had received a phone complaint, but had lost cell phone coverage before he could get all the information. While at the hole, he learned that the subjects that had complained to him about snagging were the subjects of the original complaint. Ironically, within the hour Sgt. Meyer issued one citation for **Retaining Foul Hooked Salmon**, to you guessed it, one of the two subjects who had complained to him about all the snagging going on. Apparently they were right.

Suspect Hides Trout Under Clothes

Trooper Collom (Central Point) received a complaint of a subject "double tripping" on trout in the Butte Falls area. He referred the complaint to Sr. Tpr. Cushman who was in the area. Sr. Tpr. Cushman was able to find the suspects vehicle parked in Butte Falls. He waited a short time and the suspect, a resident of Butte Falls, returned to the vehicle from the store. After a short interview of the suspect, Sr. Tpr. Cushman checked his limit of fish. Unfortunately for the suspect, additional fish were located concealed under piles of clothing in the back of the truck. He was issued a citation for **Exceeding the bag Limit on Trout**.

CA Resident Cited for False License

Trooper Thomas (Tillamook) contacted an angler at the dock who had completed a halibut trip. The angler provided Tpr. Thomas with a Resident Angling License. Further checking revealed that the angler was actually a California resident. The angler was cited for **Possession of a Falsely Applied for Angling License**.

Sturgeon Anglers are Cited

Senior Trooper Klepp, Trooper Spurlock and Recruit Schwartz (all Astoria) conducted checks of incoming Sturgeon anglers at Clatsop County Boat Ramps. A number of anglers were contacted and fish checked as angling success was good. Each officer cited two anglers for a total of six citations for **Taking/Possession of Undersized Sturgeon**.

Trooper Dressed as Civilian Radios Another Trooper to Cite Suspect

Senior Trooper Cushman (Central Point) was at the Central Point Office preparing for an early Saturday morning operation when he received a report from dispatch of some salmon snagging going on below Gold Rey Dam. Sr. Tpr. Cushman drove down to the dam and observed several men who were reportedly casting above the deadline and snagging salmon. Sr. Tpr. Cushman, dressed in civilian clothes, a fishing pole and tried to blend in with the others along the bank who were angling. He observed one man making casts above the deadline and snagging a salmon. Sr. Tpr. Cushman called Trooper Bigman (Patrol Division) as she was waiting nearby for Sr. Tpr. Cushman's call. When the man saw Tpr. Bigman's patrol car, he tried to pull the hook out of the foul-hooked salmon and broke his fishing rod. Tpr. Bigman cited the man for **Angling Prohibited Area - Above the Deadline** and also for **Angling Prohibited Method – Snagging**.

Troopers Conduct BUII Emphasis Patrol

Senior Trooper Grove and Trooper Wilson (both Ontario) conducted a BUII emphasis patrol on Owyhee Reservoir. Although several boats were contacted, the majority of activities were angling related. The results from the patrol are: Total Boats Contacted: 18, Total FST's Performed: 1, Total BERS: 2 Written - 34 Visuals, Arrests/Citations: **Unlawful Possession of Brown Trout – 1, No Resident Angling License – 2, No Non-Resident Angling License 2, Warrant Arrests – 2, Warnings**: **Unlawful Possession of Brown Trout – 1, No Angling License – 4, Angling Prohibited Method – 1.**

Another Angler with an Outstanding Warrant, Bail over \$6,000

Recruit Olsen (Albany) contacted a male adult at Freeway Lakes south of Albany while conducting angler checks. The man was visibly nervous and very apprehensive to come to the parking lot where Rct. Olsen was talking with the rest of his family. A records check of the man showed he had an outstanding warrant out of Sweet Home Municipal Court for **Fail to Comply**, with a bail of \$6,250. Rct. Olsen took him into custody and the suspect was cited and released from the scene as requested by the court.

Angling

Trooper Surprises Snaggers

Senior Trooper Cushman (Central Point) put the sneak on two men salmon angling at the deadline below Gold Rey Dam. He saw one man snag a salmon using illegal snagging gear and casting above the deadline. Sr. Tpr. Cushman watched the man land the foul-hooked salmon and then kill it and hide it downstream in some bushes. In the meantime another man tied on some illegal snagging gear and began casting above the deadline while the first man was hiding his poached salmon. Sr. Tpr. Cushman popped out of the brush and surprised the two men by explaining how he had watched all of their illegal activities. It turns out that the man that snagged the salmon had been cited by Sr. Tpr. Cushman for the same thing just a week prior. Sr. Tpr. Cushman cited him again, this time for **Angling with Prohibited Gear, Angling Prohibited Area – Above the Deadline**, and for **Unlawful Possession of Non-Adipose Finclipped Salmon**. Sr. Tpr. Cushman cited the second man for **Angling with Prohibited Gear** and for **Angling Prohibited Area – Above the Deadline**.

Habitual DWS Offender Cited Again

Senior Trooper Frerichs (Roseburg) contacted and warned a subject for angling above the deadline. He later ran a check on the subject and discovered he was DWS-habitual offender for DUII's. A while later, Sr. Tpr. Frerichs observed the same subject drive by his location further down the river. The subject was contacted and admitted knowing he was DWS. The subject was cited for **DWS-MISD** and **Driving Uninsured** and released. His vehicle was towed.

Angler Hides Gear from Trooper

Trooper Harris (Coos Bay) approached two subjects on Camp Creek one subject hid his fishing pole under their vehicle. The subject had a license, but stated he hadn't been fishing. A search of their cooler revealed three undersized Cutthroat Trout. The suspect was cited for **Exceeding the Daily Limit on Trout** and warned for Taking Undersized Trout and Angling Prohibited Method (Bait).



OSP F&W Troopers
Checking for Licenses
and tags.

Commercial Fish

294 Salmon Seized-Sold for \$18,375

Senior Trooper Klepp and Recruit Schwartz (both Astoria) responded to a complaint by an ODFW commercial troll salmon sampler that several commercial troll vessels had illegally delivered an excess amount of troll caught Chinook salmon from south of Cape Falcon (A restriction of 30 Chinook was in place for the area of the U.S./Canada Border to Cape Falcon). The violation occurred once the vessels traveled North of Cape Falcon. In all, five vessels were cited for **Exceeding the Possession Limit of Commercial Troll Caught Chinook Salmon**. A grand total of 294 salmon were seized and later sold to ODFW valued at \$18,375.

Warnings and Citations Issued to Skipper

Trooper Lea (Florence) worked an ocean boat patrol with Sr. Trooper Lane (Coos Bay). They worked south to Port Orford. They boarded numerous commercial boats and issued several warnings. Sr. Tpr. Lane cited two commercial boats for various violations. Tpr. Lea boarded a charter boat angling for salmon and cited the skipper for **Angling Prohibited Method – Barbed Hooks** (5 out of 6 rods had barbed hooks).

Commercial Salmon Trollers Cited

Trooper Davis (Coos Bay) and Trooper Lea (Florence) conducted a boat patrol on the ocean targeting commercial salmon trollers. One commercial vessel was cited for **commercial salmon fishing prohibited method: more than 4 spreads**, and another commercial vessel was cited for **commercial salmon fishing prohibited method: barbed hooks**. A charter boat was also boarded and the skipper was cited for **angling for salmon prohibited method: barbed hooks** after 5 out of the 6 riggings were found to have barbed hooks.

25,000 Pounds of Shrimp Wasted

Senior Trooper Torland (Newport) was working the Whiting operation when he smelled rotten shrimp emanating from a Shrimp Boat at a neighboring plant. The boat was in the process of offloading. The entire load of 25,000 lbs of shrimp was rejected by the fish plant due to the amount of decomposition. The skipper was cited for **Waste of Commercially Caught Shellfish**.

Subject with Commercial Violations

Troopers Thomas (Tillamook) and Shugart (McMinnville) were working the Whiting Fishery special enforcement effort and at a local seafood processor in Warrenton. Two commercial fishing vessels owned (and one vessel operated by) a known subject began unloading halibut from the 12 hour Halibut opener. The allowable bi-catch of sablefish was exceeded on one vessel by 21% and on the other by over 50%. A NMFS agent was contacted and the skipper of each vessel was interviewed. Information on the overage violations will be forwarded to the Tillamook County DA's office.

Environment/Habitat

Rogue River Clean Up Spearheaded by Gold Beach Trooper

On Saturday, June 2, 2007, Trooper Davis (Coos Bay) and Senior Trooper Van Prooyen (Gold Beach) assisted with the annual Rogue River clean up by operating the State's North River jet boat to shuttle garbage to the Quosatana Creek Boat Ramp for removal. This clean up day is sponsored by the Lower Rogue Watershed Council to involve local youth with helping clean up the environment. Approximately 40 vehicle tires, 1 refrigerator, 1 couch, and numerous bags of assorted garbage were removed from the river between Gold Beach and Foster Bar. After the clean up was complete, local merchants sponsored a barbecue for all who participated in the clean up effort. This year's clean up effort for OSP was originally spearheaded by Sr. Tpr. Dan Stinnett, Gold Beach.

1980 Tpr. Jack Baker (Ret.) releasing Owl
Photo courtesy of Tpr. Baker.

Shellfish

Suspects Cutting Firewood on US Forest Service Roads

Senior Trooper Gallaher (Pendleton) contacted several suspects cutting firewood along a closed forest service road near Tollgate on SR 204. They were local woodcutters and it appeared they were taking advantage of not having a Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer assigned to the Walla Walla Ranger District. Several gates blocking closed roads have been removed by persons primarily for the purpose of obtaining firewood. Information was taken and will be referred to the USFS Law Enforcement Supervisor Dwight Johnson in Pendleton.



Car Dealer Dumping Waste into River

Sergeant Tucker (La Grande) investigated an anonymous complaint of a local Baker City car dealer dumping petroleum products into the Powder River. The investigation revealed that they were emptying material from the sump of their car wash onto the bank and into the river. The material consisted mainly of dirt and sand. The business owner agreed to discontinue this practice and dispose of the material in the local landfill.

Landowner Diverts Creek to Make Pond

Senior Trooper Ashenfelter (Springfield) was in the Walton area and discovered a landowner put in an illegal block on a small tributary creek that flows into Wildcat Creek. The landowner was trying to make a pond on his property and he created an impassable spot for salmon/steelhead/trout. Sr. Tpr. Ashenfelter is working with the landowner and ODFW to resolve the illegal blockage.



Clammers and Anglers Over the Limit

Troopers Howell and Thomas (both Tillamook) started the day off working clam diggers on Tillamook Bay. They contacted one group that had 81 clams over their limit. After the clam tide, the troopers hit the ocean and contacted halibut boats. For the day, they issued citations for: **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Clams x5, Failure To Validate Halibut Tag x5, and Illegal Possession of Coho Salmon x1.**

Crabs Must Measure to Legal Size

Trooper Boyd (Newport) contacted two suspects on the South Beach fishing pier. They had in their possession 9 female Dungeness crab (all undersized), 24 undersized male Dungeness crab and only one shellfish license. The two suspects were cited for **Unlawful Possession of Undersized Dungeness Crab, Possession of Female Dungeness Crab**, and one suspect was cited for **No Shellfish License**.



OSP F&W Trooper Checking Clams

Suspect with 107 Razor Clams

Senior Trooper Klepp (Astoria) cited an individual who dug razor clams on Clatsop Beach near the Peter Iredale wreck. The man was contacted by shellfish project leader Matt Hunter and Zach Forester, the suspect had 107 razor clams in his possession. Mr. Hunter recognized the man as failing to possess the proper commercial licenses. He seized the clams and referred information to Sr. Tpr. Klepp, who later cited the man for **No Commercial Razor Clam Harvest Permit, Failure to Dye Commercially Harvested Bait Razor Clams and Failure to Complete Commercial Razor Clam Logbook.**

Adults Cited for Undersize Crab

Trooper Kehr observed a truck backed onto the beach at Siletz Bay loading a boat. Tpr. Kehr contacted two adult males and one juvenile. They had 53 Dungeness crabs and 16 of them were undersized. The two adults were cited for **Possession of Undersize Dungeness Crab.**

Clammers & Crabbers Proud of Success, Whoops, Here Are the Citations

Troopers Howell and Thomas (Tillamook) were working on Netarts Bay when they contacted a boat with four individuals that had completed a clamming and crabbing trip. The four proudly showed their limits of clams and 18 crab (12 of the 18 crab were undersized) and when the troopers asked to see life jackets, Tpr. Howell noticed the tip of a clam sack under one of the life jackets. There was an additional 60 clams hidden in a couple of sacks under the life jackets. Three suspects were cited for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Bay Clams** and one suspect was cited for **Taking Undersized Crab**. Later, Sr. Tpr. Hoodenpyl was on Tillamook Bay and cited a subject for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Bay Clams**, this suspect had 39 clams over his limit. The next day, Tprs. Howell and Thomas cited a local attorney and her son for **No Shellfish License** when the two had just completed a clamming trip on Tillamook Bay.



General Law

Suspect Stopped for Seatbelt Violation- Leads to Warrant and \$40,000 Bail

Recruit Gordon and Trooper Halsey (Albany) stopped a passenger car near Lebanon for seatbelt violations. A records check revealed that the male passenger had a warrant out of Clackamas County for **FTA/ Menacing and Interfering with Making a Report**. Bail for the warrant was **\$40,000**. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Linn County Jail where he was lodged.

Follow Up on Bear Investigation –F&W Troopers find 8,900 Marijuana Plants- Estimated \$9 Million

Senior Troopers Pearson and Anderson (both The Dalles) discovered a large outdoor marijuana grow site south of The Dalles while following up on a bear investigation. While checking the area, Sr. Tpr. Anderson noticed a rock that appeared out of place and believed it was a marker for a possible bear bait station. The Troopers noticed near the rock there was a set of tracks that they followed into the woods approximately 100 yards where they saw two subjects drinking beer come out of the brush where it was littered with empty cans. As the Troopers attempted to make contact with them, they tried to elude the Troopers on foot. The Troopers caught one of the suspects and detained him, at which point they found he was in possession of a 9mm handgun. Further observation of the area found several sets of tracks that went over the edge of a draw. Following these tracks, it led the Troopers down a steep ravine for approximately one mile into a large clearing that contained what appeared to be several hundred marijuana plants with a sophisticated watering system including a cistern, water lines, and gravity fed sprinklers. There was also a camp with camping equipment, food, stoves, propane tanks, and firearms. They followed up on the grow the next day with a multitude of agencies participating, and found nearly 8,900 marijuana plants with an estimated value of nearly \$9 million if grown to maturity. The lone suspect arrested by Sr. Tprs. Pearson and Anderson was lodged in The Dalles on the following charges: **Manufacturing of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Marijuana, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm, Attempt to Elude an Officer on Foot, Escape in the Third Degree, Offensive Littering**.

Traffic Stop-License Plates Stolen

Trooper Stone (Coos Bay) stopped a 1983 Mitsubishi after observing erratic driving and the driver and passenger not wearing seatbelts. The Nevada license plates were stolen and all three occupants appeared under the influence of a controlled substance. Consent was obtained to search the vehicle, resulting in the arrest of both passengers for **Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine**, one passenger was cited for **Unlawful Possession of Marijuana** and the driver was arrested for **DUII/CS**. The vehicle was impounded, license plates seized, 5 bindles of Methamphetamine seized, three used needles, a crack pipe, marijuana and several other contraband items were seized. All three suspects were lodged in the Coos County Jail.

Suspects Driving Van at 100mph ends at Cement Planter

Lt. Lane (Salem) was returning from Astoria on I5 where he was dispatched to check on a female jumping into traffic and walking the fog line northbound between MP 267 and 268. This person was not located. While at the Woodburn off ramp, NCC dispatched Salem PD in pursuit of a green Plymouth Voyager van northbound at MP 261 at 100 mph. The van was confirmed stolen out of Salem. Salem PD discontinued the pursuit due to an armed bank robbery in Salem. Reports continued to be received of the van passing traffic on both the left and right shoulders at high speeds. The vehicle passed Lt. Lane at a very high speed as he waited at the gore point at the Woodburn off ramp. Lt. Lane pursued the vehicle on side streets in the southwest Woodburn area until it was determined the suspect vehicle was being operated too recklessly. Lt. Lane lost sight of the van until he came around a corner and discovered the van had crashed into a cement planter in front of a residence at a t-intersection. The driver fled north from the location and a female fled south. The female was apprehended by Lt. Lane and Woodburn PD on an adjacent side street. The male suspect was tracked by a Salem PD canine but was not located. Woodburn PD is following up to locate the suspect. Salem PD took recovery of the vehicle. The female was transported to the hospital to be checked due to being nine weeks pregnant. She was later arrested by Salem PD on **outstanding warrants (x7)** and **UUMV**.

News Release from: Oregon State Police

VOLUNTEERS AND POLICE OFFICERS TEAM TOGETHER ENFORCING UNDERAGE DRINKING LAWS IN LINCOLN COUNTY

Following tips from several concerned citizens, Oregon State Police and Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, assisted by volunteers from the Enforcement of Underage Drinking Laws (EUDL), cited 26 minors for alcohol-related violations Thursday night southeast of Toledo. On June 7, 2007, state and county officers were following up on several tips regarding a large alcohol party involving students from a local high school. With the assistance of an Oregon State Police aircraft, a large bon-fire was spotted from the air near Table Mountain about ten miles southeast of Toledo. Officers responded to the location and encountered approximately 50 individuals. The investigation led to officers issuing 26 citations for Minor in Possession of Alcohol (MIP). Assisting troopers and deputies were seven EUDL volunteers who helped obtain identifications, contact parents, and monitor the group. The EUDL is a group of volunteers funded through a Lincoln County grant to educate and address underage drinking issues. About 20 volunteers are trained to assist police during MIP parties. The program works closely with area schools and keeps school principals advised if an MIP citation is issued.

Sergeants Thompson, Vanderberg -PD, and Sr. Trooper Torland (all Newport), Troopers Plummer and McGladery, multiple Lincoln County Deputies and the EUDL (Enforcement of Underage Drinking Laws) Group broke up a large MIP party on Table Mountain in which 26 suspects were cited for **MIP**. The party was located with the assistance of the OSP aircraft flown by Sr. Trooper Culp.

Suspect Flattens Tires on Jet Ski Trailers

Trooper Kehr (Newport) responded to a Jet Ski complaint at Knight Park on the Salmon River. A canoeist complained that a jet ski's wake nearly tipped him over. While taking the complainant's statement Tpr. Kehr noticed that the two Jet Ski trailers in the park had all four tires flattened. Based on information from the complainant, an unrelated suspect was located who admitted to flattening the tires with a hammer and a hole punch. The suspect was cited for **Criminal Mischief II**.

General Law

Anglers Check-Suspect With Warrants Flees

Trooper Halsey (Albany) was checking anglers on the South Santiam River near Sweet Home. A records check revealed that a male suspect had two warrants out of Linn County Sheriff's Office. The suspect ran to his vehicle and drove away. Tpr. Halsey stopped the vehicle a few miles away from the original contact. The male suspect was arrested on the two confirmed warrants-**FTA DUII** and **contempt of court for an angling violation**. The suspect was also **DWS/Misdemeanor**. The vehicle was towed and impounded. Tpr. Halsey transported the male suspect to the Linn County Jail where he was lodged.

Tools Seized from Metal Theft

Senior Trooper Gunderson (The Dalles) and Trooper Carothers (Fossil) checked on the old hydro facility regarding a burglary and discovered one of the doors had been kicked in again. They checked the area and discovered a camouflage bag with a lot of tools for cutting metal including a gas powered disc grinder that was concealed under a pile of rocks and boards. The items were seized and the Tprs. left the area. On their way back to The Dalles, they passed a vehicle matching the description of the suspects. They contacted Sr. Tpr. Pearson and Recruit Ring who stopped the vehicle. After a lengthy roadside interview, evidence of metal theft was recovered from the car and enough information was obtained to cite and release both suspects for the crime of **Burglary II**.

Campground Thefts, Tribal Member Interviewed

Senior Trooper Lindberg (Madras) and a Warm Springs PD Detective conducted an interview regarding a Warm Springs Tribal member in connection with an ongoing investigation into numerous campground fee-box thefts that have been occurring in the BLM campgrounds along the Deschutes River. Evidence recovered at one of the fee thefts was sent to the crime lab and a fingerprint resulted in the identification of the suspect in the case. Based on the fingerprint evidence, the tribal member was cited and released at the conclusion of the interview for **Attempted Theft II** and **Tampering with Public Records**.

Crash Involves Boat, Bus and '58 Ford

Trooper Brooks (Salem) investigated a motor vehicle crash on Hwy. 22E near milepost 47. The driver of an 18 passenger bus was unable to stop and rear-ended a 2003 Acura sport utility vehicle pulling a 2007 Bayliner ski boat, pushing the boat off the trailer and into the lane of an oncoming '58 Ford pickup that was heading to a hot-rod car show in Salem. The occupants received only minor injuries, however, the boat, boat trailer, '58 Ford pickup, and bus sustained severe damage.

Weyerhaeuser Theft Costs Thousands of Dollars and Equipment Damage

Trooper Maher (Springfield) received a call from Weyerhaeuser Security regarding a theft/trespass at an active logging site south of Cottage Grove. An employee of Knudson Logging had witnessed a male suspect driving down a logging road at the site. The employee noticed items in the open bed of the pickup, including radiators which he believed were removed from equipment at the site. The suspect tried to drive his vehicle around the employee's pickup when the suspect got stuck. The suspect got out and walked away. Items in the back of the pickup were identified by the owner of the logging company and returned. These items included two large radiators which were removed from a log loader, misc. tools, spill kit items, and a 50 gallon barrel of diesel that had been removed from the loader. The victim also mentioned that about 25 gallons of gasoline had been stolen from a water truck at the site on a prior night. The suspect vehicle was not reported stolen. Tpr. Maher found the owner of the vehicle (who was not the registered owner). At about the same time, Tpr. Maher was advised by dispatch that the vehicle was now reported stolen. The victim, who eventually became the suspect, was interviewed and it was determined that he was involved in the theft of gasoline on the prior night. He later was identified by the employee as the person leaving the vehicle earlier that morning. The suspect was cited and released for **Criminal Mischief I**, **Theft I**, **Theft II**, and **Criminal Trespass II** (x2). Early estimates of the damage to the loader (a Link Belt 370 LX valued at \$385,000) is about \$7,000. The estimate of the value of the stolen property is about \$9,700. The suspect used a cutting torch, cables and an axe to remove the large radiators. One radiator was left in the loader but had been cut down the middle with an axe totally destroying it.

ATV Riders Cited for Criminal Trespass

Trooper Halsey (Albany) contacted two male adult suspects and one male juvenile who were operating their three wheeler ATV's behind locked gates on private timber property near Wiley Creek in Sweet Home. The operators had driven across Wiley Creek to gain access to the road system. The two adults were cited and released for **Criminal Trespass II**.



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General Law

ATV Crash-Injuries-Suspect Local Felon

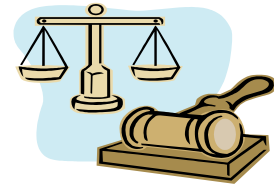
Senior Trooper Carter (Pendleton) investigated an ATV crash involving two ATVs' on US Forest Service Road 52, the paved Ukiah-Granite highway. Sr. Tpr. Carter was eastbound when he observed two ATV's westbound with two adults and three children with no helmets. By the time he turned around and pursued the vehicles, they had disappeared around a corner. As he attempted to stop them, the father on the front ATV braked, and the second ATV, operated by his 13-year-old son, struck him from behind, flipping the first ATV. The mother was holding the 2 1/2 year-old son in her lap, and they were both catapulted to the pavement. The mother and child had significant abrasions and bruising on their faces and bodies. The father was pinned beneath the ATV. Sr. Tpr. Carter assisted him in getting out, and determined he wasn't significantly injured. He recognized the suspect as a local felon, who was wanted by Sr. Tpr. Wilson (PSD – Hermiston) for **Theft II**. He was cited for the following: **Reckless Driving, Reckless Endangerment (4 Counts), Operating ATV on Highway, Allowing Unlawful/Dangerous Operation of ATV by Juvenile, DWS-Violation**.

Pellet Rifle Looks Like a Real Assault Rifle-3 Men Warned

Senior Trooper Pearson (The Dalles) walked into Boulder Lake to check anglers but did not observe any, so he started to walk the trail around the lake since he saw a vehicle parked at the trailhead. He observed a young man standing uphill from him about 60 yards away, as he suddenly bolted and began to run at an angle in the direction of Sr. Tpr. Pearson towards the lake through the trees and brush. As he began to run, Sr. Tpr. Pearson noticed he was carrying a black assault rifle by a sling. The subject obeyed Sr. Tpr. Pearson's commands to stop and put the rifle down. Upon contact, Sr. Tpr. Pearson discovered that an Airsoft pellet rifle (a look a like assault rifle) looks very much like the real thing even up close. The young man and his three companions were talked to about the importance of being aware of their surroundings and to be careful not to put themselves in danger.

Driver Swerves Towards Troopers

Trooper Schwartz and Senior Trooper May (St. Helens) were leaving Portland after conducting a follow-up investigation, when an oncoming vehicle swerved towards them. The oncoming vehicle had substantial damage to the left front quarter panel. Tpr. Schwartz turned around and overtook the vehicle, which at one point was driving on the wrong side of the roadway, and upon contact the operator was clearly impaired. Tpr. Huskey (Patrol Portland) arrived shortly thereafter. As Tpr. Schwartz attempted to arrest the operator for DUII a struggle ensued. The Troopers gained control of the operator and he was transported to the Portland Patrol Office where he provided a valid breath sample indicating a .10% BAC. The operator was transported to the Multnomah County Jail where he was cited and released for **DUII, Reckless Driving, Resisting Arrest and DWS**.



Dispositions

Wasting Hen Turkeys and MIP

A subject cited by Trooper Wilson and Senior Trooper Walker for unlawfully taking and wasting two hen turkeys, as well as MIP was convicted in the Malheur County Justice Court. He was sentenced as follows: **Fine \$1,125 (Five F&W Convictions), Fine \$190 (MIP Conviction), Restitution: \$200, Hunting License Suspension: Two Years**.

Suspect Forgets About Another Wildlife Offense while on Trial

Senior Trooper Thompson (Central Point) had a trial on a Central Point suspect that committed numerous game offenses this past year. The suspect was planning to contest his Turkey hunting offenses claiming his turkey was domestic. Sr. Tpr. Thompson's testimony ended that defense before it started, and the suspect was found guilty on the turkey offense. After his conviction on the turkey offense, the judge asked if he had ever been convicted of a wildlife offense before, to which the suspect replied NO. Apparently, he forgot about a prior criminal conviction for taking deer closed season. Sr. Tpr. Thompson then reminded the suspect of the prior conviction in which he was the investigating officer. The suspect mumbled an inaudible response. He was fined **\$175** for his turkey offense. His hunting partners pled guilty to the other offenses involved in this case, which were criminal offenses. The case involved not only the turkey offenses but also involved bear, deer and numerous license and tag offenses. Dispositions on the Criminal part of case are not yet available.

Plea of Guilty Sends Suspect to Jail

Last October, Senior Trooper Hand (Klamath Falls) and Galen Chandler (OSP Retired) conducted a decoy operation just outside the town of Silver Lake to detect and apprehend those persons hunting without valid big game tags. On this operation, a vehicle stopped in front of the decoy set and both the driver and a rear passenger shot at least once at the decoy. The rear passenger was found to be hunting on a Western Oregon Deer Tag deep in the heart of the Silver Lake unit. This person was charged with **Unlawful Take of Deer (No Valid Big Game Tag)** and his rifle was seized. Later it was learned that this same person had been involved in killing a large buck on the winter range several years ago in an investigation by Sgt. Meyer. In June, the suspect entered a plea of guilty. The judge ordered **30 days in jail, a loss of hunting license for 60 months, forfeiture of the rifle, 12 months of supervised probation and ordered to pay fees and fines of nearly \$2000**.

Public Relations - Interagency Cooperation

OHA Free Youth Shoot

Trooper Bowen and Trooper Stone (Coos Bay) assisted with the OHA's free youth shoot at the Myrtle Point Gun Club. Over 80 children and 20 adults were present. A brief presentation was given and questions from the children and adults were entertained.

F&W Troopers Protect Navy Fleet

Senior Troopers Hanson and Moore, Recruit Schoenborn (all Portland), Sr. Trooper May and Trooper Schwartz (both St. Helens) all assisted with the Rose Festival Navy Fleet Protection on the Willamette River in Portland via boat patrols in the security area.

Trooper Gives Presentation to Rifle Club

Senior Trooper Prodzinski (Madras) gave a presentation at the Master Hunter training at the Mt. Jefferson Rifle Club in Madras. This presentation was focused on hunter ethics and sportsmanship. His presentation was well received.

F&W Trooper Briefs U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

After attending the Corps of Engineers meeting, Senior Trooper Maher (Oakridge) attended the annual U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ranger training at the Dorena Grange outside of Cottage Grove. Sr. Tpr. Maher briefed area rangers about fish and wildlife enforcement issues around local area Corps of Engineers projects.

Free Fishing Kids Weekend

Trooper Kehr (Newport) participated in the Salmon River Fish Hatchery Free Fishing Weekend event. Over 100 kids attended.



OSP F&W Tpr. during Free Kids Fishing Weekend at Big Creek Reservoir

Weekend Tournament-Only 1 Warning

Senior Troopers Ritter and Johnson (both John Day) provided assistance at the Free Fishing Weekend Tournament at McHaley Pond in Prairie City. Fifty-three kids registered for the tournament and there were well over 85 participants. The USFS, ODFW, Umatilla Tribe and OSP were well represented. One warning was issued for continuing to angle after retaining bag limit.

OR & WA Patrol Water Together

Senior Trooper Gardner (Hermiston) and Trooper Mayer (Heppner) conducted a joint boat patrol with Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife officer John Horn. They had the following contacts: Angler Checks – 30; Visual Boat Checks – 9; BERS – 2; Citations: **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation – Failure to Release Oversize Sturgeon Immediately** (held out of water), **Angling for Sturgeon Closed Area**. Warnings: No Angling License (Suspect was arrested on a warrant), Angling Prohibited Method - Unattended Line.

Trooper Holds Hunter Education Class at Denman Wildlife Area

Trooper Collom (Central Point) spoke at a local Hunter Education class. There were about 25 youths and some parents at the class which was held at the Denman Wildlife Area.

Hunter Safety Class is given at Douglas Ridge Rifle Club

Senior Trooper Moore (Portland) gave a presentation at a Hunter Safety Class at the Douglas Ridge Rifle Club in Eagle Creek, 28 people were in attendance.



Tpr. Wilson, Presentation at Payette Public Library on Public Safety, Boating Safety, F&W duties and seat belts

Trooper Talks to 3rd Grade Students

Senior Trooper Prodzinski (Madras) gave 14 separate 20 minute presentations to over 420 third grade students from Jefferson County Elementary Schools. He spoke to them about pollution and littering effects on the wildlife, trespassing and vandalism, respecting private property, and the importance of fish and wildlife laws.

400 Kids Participate in Free Fishing

Senior Trooper Canfield, Trooper Urbigleit (both Newport) and OSP Fish and Wildlife Volunteers participated in a Free Fishing Weekend Activity at Big Creek Reservoir in Newport. The event was sponsored by Wal-Mart and NW Steelheaders. Approximately 400 kids attended the event.

F&W Troopers are Guest Speakers

The Rogue Valley Chapter of Oregon Hunters Association had their monthly meeting. The guest speakers were the Central Point OSP Fish and Wildlife team. Sgt. Meyer, Sr. Trooper Thompson, Sr. Trooper Cushman and Sr. Trooper Price spoke to the group of about 40 members in attendance which also included the Chapter President and a SW Region Director.

Torch Run, Group Raises over \$20,000

Lieutenant Gifford (SW Region) participated in the 2007 Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. Lt. Gifford ran his usual 4.5 mile leg in the Reedsport area. The local group raised over \$20,000 for Special Olympics during the year.



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