

# The Field Review

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## OSP Central Point Trooper Receives Fish & Wildlife Division's 2013 "Trooper of the Year" Award



OSP Fish and Wildlife Division Captain Jeff Samuels (left) with Senior Trooper Jim Collom (right). Photo credit: File

Oregon State Police (OSP) Senior Trooper Jim Collom of the Central Point Area Command office was recognized Wednesday, May 14, 2014, for his dedication to protecting Oregon citizens and our natural resources when he received the OSP Fish & Wildlife Division's 2013 "Trooper of the Year" award. The award presentation was made by Captain Jeff Samuels, director of the OSP Fish & Wildlife Division, at the Cole Rivers Hatchery on the Rogue River in front of his supervisors, peers, and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) staff that he closely works with.

This is the Fish & Wildlife Division's eighth annual presentation of the award honoring a trooper who among many traits embodies excellent efforts and outside-the-

box thinking to address issues, mentorship, teamwork, and dedication to protecting Oregon's citizens and natural resources.

Captain Samuels said selection for this award is made after reviewing nominations submitted from the field force. The selection nomination was submitted by Sergeant Kirk Meyer, and this year's twelve nominations is believed to be the most received since the award was first presented.

Senior Trooper Collom has been involved with enforcing fish and wildlife laws for about 22 years including fourteen years with OSP following nine years as a game warden in Idaho. Passionate about his job, Collom is known to be a top performer on his Fish & Wildlife team including the number of field contacts, investigations, and enforcement activities. He also assists the Patrol Division troopers in handling crashes and other calls for rural law enforcement services.

As the Department's statewide coordinator for the "Turn-in-Poachers" (TIP) program, Collom administers rewards given by the Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) to tipsters for information on fish and wildlife cases. He also writes articles for the OHA magazine, works closely with local ODFW biologists, is a speaker at hunter education classes, and helps organize OSP's booth each year at the Sportsmen's Show.

Some recent cases worked by Collom include:

- \* The investigation of an Eagle Point-area deer poaching ring that led to the service of seven search warrants and the charging of eight suspects for crimes including 23 felony counts.
- \* The investigation of the poaching of a trophy class buck that was shot and left to waste in a field in the Eagle Point area. A difficult case to solve with little evidence, Collom had a news release issued and solicited funding for a \$3,000 reward. The investigation also identified the unlawfully shooting of three large bucks and led to charges for a husband and his wife.

"This isn't just a one year nomination with Jim," said Lieutenant David Gifford. "He continues year after year to be one of the finest Fish & Wildlife officers that we have anywhere in the state and he's overdue for this recognition."

# Wildlife / Hunting

## Shed Horn Hunters Catch Poachers

Sr. Tpr. Klepp (Astoria) responded to a call regarding an illegally shot spike elk a few miles west of Vernonia on the Columbia River Mainline. Approximately ½ hour prior to dark, two men were shed-horn hunting when they drove around a corner (on a dead end spur) of the mainline and witnessed a white van parked approximately 50 yards away from a spike elk standing in a clear-cut. They watched the elk wobble and fall to the ground. The subjects in the van immediately drove away towards the dead end of the one-way spur. The witnesses parked their vehicle in the middle of the road and waited for the subjects to return. Approximately five minutes later, the subjects attempted to leave by driving around the parked truck. The witnesses got out, identified the subjects, obtained license plate information and had a brief verbal confrontation. Then, the witnesses left the scene and reported the incident. Sr. Tpr. Klepp arrived several hours later and discovered the elk had been removed and the head and hide had been concealed with branches. Sr. Tpr. Klepp made contact with both subjects at different residences in Vernonia, where he found the elk quarters, back-straps and a .22 rifle still inside the van, which was parked in the driveway of the residence. Both subjects admitted to the crime, one of which stated he “Needed the meat”. Sr. Tpr. Klepp seized the .22 rifle, elk quarters and back-straps and cited one subject for **Taking Spike Elk Closed Season** and the second subject for **Aiding in a Wildlife Crime - Taking Spike Elk Closed Season**.

## Taking Turkey Closed Season

Sr. Tpr. Ring received an anonymous complaint about a subject who had illegally killed two turkeys out of season in Wheeler County. Follow up investigation led to a subject who was contacted at his place of employment. Upon contact, the subject admitted to killing two turkeys in the general area of Waterman Flat, NE of the town of Mitchell. The subject further admitted that he had not validated his tag, nor his daughter's tag which he borrowed for the second turkey. The subject was subsequently criminally cited and released for **Taking Turkey Closed Season** (two counts) and warned for Fail to Validate Turkey Tag, Borrowing a Turkey Tag and Exceeding the Limit of Turkey. Both turkeys and both the subject's and his daughter's tag were seized as evidence.



Wild turkey. Photo credit: Wikimedia Commons by Vince Pahkala

## Bull Elk Mounts Stolen, Thief Caught

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs contacted a local landowner who reported that three bull elk antler mounts were stolen from his outbuilding north of Roseburg. The landowner received information that two of the antler sets were sold at an antler buyer in Sutherlin and a third sale was attempted when the buyer recognized they were stolen. The subject told the antler buyer that his father had killed the elk and fled the scene. The landowner provided original photographs from the kills to Sr. Tpr. Frerichs that confirmed all three sets belonged to him and his wife. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs tracked the subject to an address in Sutherlin and interviewed him regarding the theft. The subject told Sr. Tpr. Frerichs that he had “found” the antlers less than 1/8 mile from the landowner's residence near the roadside. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs confirmed that the subject did not report the alleged “find” on the road. The subject had sold several previous sets of antlers to the same antler buyer for cash and was cited for the crime of **Theft II**. Information will be sent to the District Attorney's Office for restitution.

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### Abbreviations and Acronyms

AIS	Aquatic Invasive Species	IDFG	Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game	SIU	Special Investigations Unit
ATV	All-Terrain Vehicle	LEO	Law Enforcement Officer	Sr.	Senior
BAC	Blood Alcohol Content	Lt.	Lieutenant	SFST	Standardized Field Sobriety Test
BER	Boat Examination Report	NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	SO	Sheriff's Office
BLM	Bureau of Land Management	ODF	Department of Forestry	TMA	Travel Management Area
BUII/DUII	Boating/Driving Under BUI/DUI	ODFW	Department of Fish and Wildlife	Tpr.	Trooper
Capt.	Captain	ODOT	Department of Transportation	UPCS	Unlawful Possession of Controlled Substance
CDFG	California Department of Fish and Game	OHA	Oregon Hunters Association	USCG	U.S. Coast Guard
DA/DDA	District Attorney/Deputy DA	OPRD	Parks and Recreation Department	USFS	U.S. Forest Service
DEQ	Department of Environmental Quality	OSMB	Oregon State Marine Board	USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
DSL	Department of State Lands	PFD	Personal Flotation Device	UTL	Unable to Locate
DWS	Driving while Suspended	Rct.	Recruit	WDFW	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
FTA/FTP	Failure to Appear/Pay	Sgt.	Sergeant	WED	Wildlife Enforcement Decoy

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# Wildlife / Hunting / Sport Angling

## Cow Elk Left to Waste by Hunter

Sgt. Hoodenpyl, Tpr. Galusha, and Sr. Tpr. Turnbo completed an investigation into a subject that had been hunting during the 2013 general coast, bull elk, first season. Investigation revealed the subject was shooting at a branch bull elk when he unknowingly shot and killed a cow elk that went to waste. The subject was cited for **Unlawful Taking Cow Elk**.

## Hunting and Fishing Revoked 3 Years

A well-known violator from Klamath Falls was convicted last week for taking a deer with a prohibited method (rifle during late archery season) on a case investigated by Sr. Tpr. Niehus in 2013. Along with other penalties, the subject had his hunting and fishing licenses suspended for three years. Over the weekend, Sr. Tpr. Cushman had contact with the subject on the Rogue River where he frequently fished. He hadn't started angling yet, so there was no violation observed – he told Sr. Tpr. Cushman that he knew he was suspended.

## Pelican Captured at Garage Sale



Sr. Tpr. Levi Harris with pelican. Photo credits: Ashley Harris and Wikimedia Commons by Tony Brierton

Sr. Tpr. Harris responded to a report of a sick or injured pelican in a residential area in Lakeside. The pelican was found attending a yard sale to the dismay of the residents. The pelican was captured and evaluated, it appeared to be uninjured but possibly sick or emaciated. The pelican had recently been fed fish by a citizen, so it was released back into the wild.

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## Sgt. Cyr Rescues Newborn Lamb

Sgt. Cyr of Baker City responded to a wildlife complaint in the Lookout Unit on Snake River Road. It was reported that a big-horn sheep lamb was in the ditch on Snake River Road and couldn't make it up the bank to its mother. It was also reported people were stopping, taking photos, and getting too close to the lamb. Sgt. Cyr responded and only the reporting party was there when he arrived. He located the bighorn sheep lamb just off the road in the ditch – it was likely born that day – its mother was up a steep embankment not wanting to leave it. Sgt. Cyr picked the lamb up, carried it up the steep embankment a couple of hundred yards, and got it well off the roadway in a safe location. After returning to the road, Sgt. Cyr observed the ewe go to the lamb and reunite with it. Shortly thereafter, the mother and lamb started making their way up the hillside together.

## Bear Taken in Wrong Unit

Sgt. Brown responded to Pendleton ODFW office to a report of a subject taking a bear in the wrong unit. The subject had drawn a South Blues spring bear tag and shot the bear in a West Blues Unit. The bear was seized and subject cited for **Taking Bear No Valid Tag for Hunt Unit**.

## SPORT ANGLING

### Angler Fishing while Suspended

While working the South Santiam River, Sgt. Thomas contacted an angler who using gear to target trout and admitted that he was targeting trout. Once the angler was informed trout season was not open, he also admitted he had tried to buy his license a few days prior, but was unable to do so. Investigation revealed the angler was currently on a three year angling license suspension for attempting to snag along the same stretch of river. The angler ultimately admitted he knew he was suspended, but he lived a short distance away and hoped he would not get checked. The suspended angler was subsequently cited and released for **Angling While Suspended - Misdemeanor** and his fishing pole was seized as evidence.

### Using Bait where Prohibited

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher and Tpr. Mathews conducted a patrol of the McKenzie River and also checked Trail Bridge and Smith Reservoirs for anglers and boaters. During the patrol they checked 27 anglers, issued two angling citations to anglers at Trail Bridge Reservoir for **Angling with Bait Where Prohibited** and inspected three boats.

### Falsely Applied for Oregon License

Tpr. Galusha and Rct. Thomas were checking anglers at Hebo

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Lake when they located a subject who had just moved to Oregon, but purchased an Oregon resident angling license. The subject claimed to be an Oregon resident despite having a driver license, house, and a job in California. The subject was cited for **Unlawful Possession of Falsely Applied for Resident Angling License**.

## Salmon Poacher Arrested

Sr. Tpr. Gardner contacted a subject while angling for Spring Chinook salmon on the Umatilla River near Echo. The subject was in possession of two salmon on the river bank and said that one of the fish belonged to his friend who was fishing up river. He eventually admitted that both of the fish were his and that he had lied about the second salmon belonging to his friend because he didn't want to get in trouble for continuing to angle. Two more adult salmon were found in his pickup in a cooler, which he claimed he had caught the night before. The subject was arrested and lodged in the Umatilla County Jail for Continuing to **Angle after Retaining the Bag Limit - Salmon**.

## Ochoco Unit Patrol Issues Citations

Sr. Tpr. Vaughn and Tpr. Sogge conducted two man patrols in the Ochoco Unit for turkey hunters and in the High Lakes area for angling. During their time in the Ochoco's, they noticed an increased volume of hunters in the area and made numerous contacts, no violations were observed. Throughout the week, they issued one citation for **Angling Closed Season**, one citation for **Angling Without a License**, one warning for Aiding in Wildlife Violation, and one warning for Angling Prohibited Method (Bait).

## Snake River Anglers Cited

Sgt. Cyr, Sgt. Hawkins and Sr. Tpr. McNeil of the LaGrande Fish and Wildlife Area Command conducted a boat patrol on the Snake River below Hells Canyon Dam. During the patrol five anglers were checked. Three subjects were cited for **Angling Prohibited Method – Barbed Hook**, and a fourth was warned for the same violation.

## Adding Fish to Disabled Anglers Stringers

Tpr. Tague observed a group of people fishing Cottonwood Meadows. Tpr. Tague observed all four in the group actively fishing. As Tpr. Tague approached the group, he observed a subject add a fish to another person's stringer. Upon contact, Tpr. Tague determined that one subject had caught several fish and added the fish to three disabled anglers' limits. All four members were still fishing while each had retained their daily limit. Two subjects were cited for **Continuing to Angle after Attaining a Daily Bag Limit**. The two other sub-

jects were warned for Continuing to Angle after Attaining a Daily Bag Limit.

## China Hole Salmon Snagger Cited

Sgt. Brown responded to a report of subjects snagging salmon on the Umatilla River below Three Mile Dam at a popular fishing location called the "China Hole". Upon arrival, he contacted one of the subjects identified by the reporting person. The subject was interviewed and cited for **Illegal Possession of Snagged Salmon**. The fish was seized and placed into evidence.

## John Day River Chinook Opener



Sr. Tpr. Marv Ritter and fisherman. Photo credit: File

Sr. Tpr. Ritter worked the Chinook salmon opener on the John Day River. It is only the second Chinook salmon season on the upper John Day River in over 30 years. The other season was in 2012. Sr. Tpr. Ritter checked 17 anglers. He issued two warnings for weights not being 18" or higher above the hooks. The first known fish that was caught during this opener is the one shown in the attached photo, which measured 32 ½ inches in length.

## SIWA Patrol Finds Sturgeon under Seat

Tpr. Shimer (SIWA) received information that a group of subjects, with a large cooler, had left the Big Eddy parking lot on Sauvie Island in a hurry. Suspecting they might be in possession of a sturgeon, Tpr. Shimer located and stopped the vehicle. With assistance from Tpr. Bush (St Helens Patrol), Tpr. Shimer interviewed all four subjects in the vehicle. All subjects stated there were no sturgeon in the vehicle and offered to open up all coolers and bags and allowed the trooper to search the vehicle. Ultimately, Tpr. Shimer reached under a seat and located a live sturgeon wrapped in a garbage bag. Two sub-

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jects were cited criminally for **Aiding in a Wildlife Crime to wit - Unlawful Take of Sturgeon**. The subject who caught the sturgeon was criminally cited for **Unlawful Take of Sturgeon, Angling Prohibited Method to wit - Barbed Hooks for Sturgeon**.

## 40 Carp Dip Netted

Tpr. Shimer (SIWA) was patrolling the West Unit of the SIWA when he noticed two men with large dip nets in the middle of a pond. The trooper sat in the nearby brush and watched both men net numerous fish out of the pond. On contact it was determined the men had netted approximately 40 carp unlawfully as well as each having an unattended fishing line the water. The men were cited for **Unlawful Take of Carp**.

## Non-Resident Angler Cited

Sr. Tpr. Niehus contacted a subject angling on Klamath Lake. The subject was in possession of a Nevada driver's license and was driving a Nevada licensed vehicle yet had an Oregon resident angling license. The subject had filled out that he lived in Oregon for 10 years and 0 months. When questioned about his residency, he admitted to having lived in Oregon a short time (maybe six months) and then having lived in Nevada again before his latest move two weeks ago to Oregon which is when he purchased the license. He was cited and released for **No Non-Resident Angling License (Crime)**.

## Angler Hid Rainbow Trout in Tackle Box

Sr. Tpr. Bean was observing anglers at South Twin Lake for exceeders on opening morning. Sr. Tpr. Bean watched a subject hook and retain nine rainbow trout. Eight of the trout were put into the cooler and the last fish was put into an unknown container. When the two subjects were contacted at the boat ramp, they had ten trout in the cooler and denied having any other fish. After being told by Sr. Tpr. Bean that he had been watching them for the last two hours, the subject admitted to exceeding his bag limit. He opened his tackle box to reveal a large rainbow trout hidden in the bottom. He stated that he just got excited and was cited for **Exceeding Bag Limit - Rainbow Trout**.

## 50 Angler Checks

Tpr. Freitag and Tpr. Andrews worked a saturation patrol at Green Peter Reservoir, Foster Reservoir, and Quartzville Creek. During the saturation they performed approximately 50 angler checks, wrote two angling violation citations, arrested two warrants, and cited and released one subject for **DWS - Misdemeanor**.

## Applegate Lake Anglers Cited

Lt. Gifford found two subjects angling at Applegate Lake. Both were using two poles and neither had an angling license. They were both cited for **No Angling License** and warned for **Angling Prohibited Method – Two Lines**.

## Unlawful Chinook Seized and Donated

Sgt. Warwick and Tpr. O'Connor conducted a boat patrol on the Columbia River for the one day spring Chinook opener. After receiving a tip from some other anglers, they contacted a boat with two subjects angling with four rods. Gear inspection showed all four rods to have barbed hooks. Each angler was cited for **Angling Prohibited Method to wit: More than One Angling Rod** and **Angling Prohibited Method to wit: Barbed Hooks for Salmon**. Later that afternoon, just as the troopers reached the dock, they received a call from an ODFW fish checker describing suspicious circumstances about a boat that had caught two fish but only showed one to the fish checker. The fish checker provided the boat number, which was the same as the boat contacted earlier in the day, receiving the other citations. Sgt. Warwick and Tpr. O'Connor contacted the men at the registered address for the boat and they eventually admitted to catching and retaining a non-adipose fin clipped Chinook and hiding it in the bow of the boat. The angler who caught the fish was cited criminally for **Unlawful Take of Non-Adipose Fin Clipped Chinook Salmon**. The salmon was seized and donated to the local food bank.

## Deschutes River Multiple Citations

Over the weekend of working anglers along the Deschutes River and High Lake's area, Tpr. Sogge issued three citations for **Angling without a License**, one citation for **Angling Closed Season**, one citation for **PCS - Marijuana Less than One Ounce**, one warning for **Unattended Line**, and two warnings for **Offensive Littering**.

## Chinook Salmon Seized and Donated

Sr. Tpr. Klepp and Tpr. Herman used the Department's Zodiac patrol boat to work the Columbia River from Astoria to Rainier during the Tuesday closure of recreational salmon and steelhead angling. They contacted several boats and nine anglers (Including four shore anglers). They issued five citations and two warnings for **Angling Salmon/Steelhead Closed Season** and two citations for **Taking Salmon Closed Season**. The two Chinook were donated to Astoria Loaves & Fishes.

## Willamette River Patrol Issues Citations

Tpr. Boeholt and Tpr. Ferguson conducted a 4.5 hour boat patrol on the Willamette River. The troopers contacted approxi-

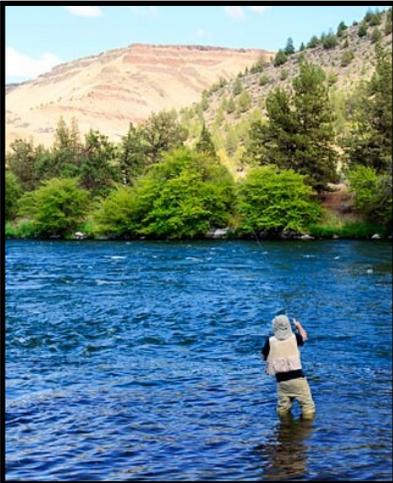
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mately 30 people and checked multiple Chinook salmon. They issued six citations, three for **Using Barbed Hooks**, one for **Angling without a Combined Angling Tag**, one for **Angling with More Than One Line** and one for **Using Too Many Hooks**. The troopers contacted one boat trolling with two anglers on board, three rods and a downrigger line off the back of the boat. The anglers told the troopers there was a third person on board who was asleep. However, when the troopers asked to board the boat and speak with the third angler they were told there was no one else on board. Further investigation revealed they were using barbed hooks; angling with more than one rod and the third rod attached to a downrigger had three lines attached with three hooks per line, for a total of nine hooks. The anglers were cited and one of the rods was seized. The troopers also issued multiple angling and boating warnings throughout the entirety of the patrol.

## Unlicensed Angler Did not Listen

Tpr. Brandon checked three subjects at Lake Marie. Upon initial contact, two subjects had poles in the water and the third was standing by a pole out of the water. The two subjects with poles in the water had licenses, the third subject did not. All three were informed the one subject could not fish without a license. Tpr. Brandon left, then, returned fifteen minutes later and observed the unlicensed subject angling and one of the other subjects assisting by rigging the pole and baiting the hook. They were re-contacted and one was cited and released for **No Angling License**. The other was cited and released for **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation**. Four trout caught by the unlicensed angler were seized.



Fisherman. Photo credit: Wikimedia Commons

## Angling Closed Stream

Sr. Tpr. Stone observed an angler on Canyon Creek (closed all year to all angling). Upon contact, the man told the trooper that he knew the stream was closed however he didn't think "It was a big deal" to fish there because he was planning on releasing anything he might catch, he was steelhead angling. The man was cited for **Angling Closed Stream** and released.

## Suspended Angler Cited on Birthday

Tpr. Freitag and Sgt. Thomas were checking anglers near St. Paul when they contacted a subject who had caught a fish just prior to their arrival. When questioned as to how his day was going, he said it was not going very well, that he didn't have a fishing license because his angling privileges were suspended. When questioned as to why he was fishing even though his angling privileges were suspended he said it was his birthday and he likes fishing. He was subsequently cited and released at the scene for **Angling While Suspended - Misdemeanor**.

## Trout Anglers at Johnson Mill Pond

Tpr. Keeler contacted two trout anglers as they were taking their boat out of Johnson Mill Pond. The anglers were happy to show Tpr. Keeler their 12 trout they had caught. One of the subjects had just bought his license and this was his first day fishing. They stated they thought they were allowed to keep six trout apiece. They were given an angling regulation book and the subject in charge was warned for Exceeding Daily Limit of Trout.

## Sturgeon Poacher Caught, Sandy River

Tpr. Ferguson responded to a complaint of a sturgeon that had been poached in the mouth of the Sandy River at Thousand Acre Park in Troutdale. Tpr. Ferguson contacted the witness and was then led to the exact location where the three suspected individuals were fishing. After a lengthy investigation, a suspect was identified as the individual who caught and then hid the sturgeon in the bushes inside a white plastic bag. When asked an innocuous question, after denying any knowledge a sturgeon was ever caught, the subject slipped and admitted to catching the fish two hours earlier. One of his friends fishing with him also told Tpr. Ferguson that the subject had indeed caught the sturgeon. The main subject was arrested for **Unlawful Possession of Sturgeon-Closed Season**, and was lodged at the Multnomah County Jail. His fishing rod and reel were seized along with the 40" white sturgeon which was donated to charity.

## Subject Hides Pole, Bait/Hook on Pants

Tpr. Andrews and Sgt. Thomas contacted a group of subjects, including two anglers, which Tpr. Andrews had seen fishing in Foster Reservoir. Just prior to contact, one angler tried to hide his fishing pole behind a tree. Investigation revealed neither angler had a current angling license, and the one who had hid his fishing pole was also in possession of marijuana and a marijuana pipe. While issuing citations, it was pointed out to the angler who hid his fishing pole that if he was going to pretend to not have been fishing, he should make sure to not have a bait-

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ed hook stuck to the back of his pants. Both subjects were cited for **No Angling License**, and the angler possessing the drugs was additionally cited for **PCS – Less than One Ounce of Marijuana**.

## Angler Lies about 2014 License

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg conducted a foot patrol in the Middle Deschutes River Canyon near Steelhead Falls. Four anglers were checked. One angler assured Tpr. Lindberg that he had purchased a 2014 angling license, but had forgotten to bring it with him. Tpr. Lindberg hiked out of the canyon and ran a license check on the subject through Outdoor Central. It was found that the subject did not have a 2014 angling license. Tpr. Lindberg later re-contacted the subject as he returned to his vehicle and he was cited for **No Angling License**.

## Jones Beach Citation and Warnings

Tpr. O'Connor contacted 25 anglers on Jones Beach and issued warnings for No Columbia Basin Endorsement and Angling Prohibited Method - Barbed Hooks. One citation was issued for **Unlawful Possession of Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana**.

## Trooper Shimer Snags Sturgeon Poachers

As Tpr. Shimer patrolled the Big Eddy area on Sauvie Island, he sat in the brush and observed a group of three men angling. After watching the men for only five minutes, Tpr. Shimer witnessed one man reel in a large sturgeon. Once landed, another man grabbed the fish and ran into the nearby brush. Tpr. Shimer contacted the men and located the sturgeon which was still alive. One man was cited criminally for **Unlawful Take of Sturgeon and Angling Prohibited Method to wit - Barbed Hooks for Sturgeon**. The other two men were both cited criminally for **Aiding in a Wildlife Crime**.

## Rogue River Boat Patrol Issues Citations



Rogue River. Photo credit Wikimedia Commons

Sr. Tpr's. Bennett and Marchand conducted a boat patrol on the Rogue River in the Grants Pass to Robertson Bridge area. They

contacted 34 anglers (10 not in compliance) and conducted five boat exams. Four citations were issued, one for **Unlawful Take of Wild Trout**, two for **Angling for Trout Closed Season**, and one for **No PFD**. Six warnings were issued for **Angling for Trout Closed Season** and five boat warnings were issued.

## Two Illegal Hoop Nets

Sr. Tpr. Gunderson and Sr. Tpr. Jubitz located two illegal hoop nets off a tribal scaffold in the sanctuary at the mouth of 15 Mile Creek. After several hours of surveillance, a subject was spotted checking the illegal nets. The nets were removed, and the suspect was criminally cited and released for **Fishing Closed Area**.

## MARINE FISH

### Ocean Angler using Barbed Hook

Sr. Tpr. Harris and Tpr. Brandon patrolled the ocean out of Coos Bay. One salmon angler was cited for **Angling Prohibited Method - Barbed Hooks** and another subject on the boat was warned for the same violation.

### Unlawful Take Cabezon

Tpr. Keeler with the assistance of ODFW personnel cited one subject for **Unlawful Take/Possession of Cabezon – Closed Season** out of Charleston and the cabezon was seized. Tpr. Keeler also cited one subject for **Unlawful Take/Possession of Cabezon – Closed Season** out of Bandon and seized those two cabezon.

## COMMERCIAL / SHELLFISH

### Captain Cited for Incomplete Crab Log Book

Sgt. Hoodenpyl and Rct. Thomas contacted a commercial crab boat as it arrived in Garibaldi and started to off load Dungeness crab. Upon contact with the captain, a request was made to look at his Dungeness crab log book, which is required to be completed prior to landing. The captain told the troopers that the log book was in his pickup and consented to retrieve it for them. The troopers followed the captain to his pickup where they located him rapidly filling out the log book for the month of March. The captain was cited for **Fail to Maintain Commercial Crab Log Book**.

### Charter Boat Angler Cited

Tpr. Van Meter checked a charter boat and found one angler who retained a halibut but didn't have his tag with him. A records check revealed the angler didn't have a salmon / steelhead / halibut tag. The angler claimed he was unaware that he needed a tag in addition to his angling license and never purchased one previous years either. Tpr. Van Meter cited this same angler in 2011 for false application as he was a Colorado

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resident who was buying Oregon resident angling licenses. The angler was cited this time for **No 2014 Harvest Card**. The halibut was seized and donated to the Lincoln County Food Share.

### Six Vessels with 200,000 lbs. Shrimp

Sr. Tpr. Harris, Tpr. Brandon and Tpr. Keeler conducted counts on six commercial pink shrimp vessels. The legal count limit for pink shrimp is not to exceed 160 whole pink shrimp per pound. All six of the vessels possessed catch that exceeded this limit. The highest average count for the entire load for one of the vessels was 247 whole pink shrimp per pound. Four of the captains will be cited for **Exceeding the Maximum Pink Shrimp Count per Pound**. Two of the captains will be warned for the same offense. The value for all six loads of pink shrimp is being seized. The poundage from the six vessels exceeded 200,000 pounds of pink shrimp.

### Crab Boat Member Arrested for Warrant

Tpr. O'Connor contacted a commercial crab boat in Astoria as it was making a delivery of crab to a fish processor. One of the crew members had an outstanding arrest warrant and was taken into custody and lodged in the Clatsop County Jail.

### Commercial/Shellfish Cites in Charleston

Sr. Tpr. Harris contacted several sport crabbers in Charleston. One nonresident crabber was warned for False Application for a Resident Shellfish License and his license was seized. The ODFW licensing agent that sold the license was contacted and counseled regarding selling the resident license to a nonresident. Several other crabbers were warned for undersized crab. Another subject was walking off a dock with a closed container. The subject advised he had bait in the container. A search of the container revealed a female Dungeness crab and an undersized Dungeness crab. The subject was cited for **Unlawful Taking Female Dungeness Crab**. A commercial salmon troller that came into the dock was also contacted. A search of the hold revealed a halibut and a lingcod that hadn't been sold with the catch of salmon. The fisherman related that he was taking the fish to another dealer. He was warned for **No Commercial Fisherman Transportation Receipt** and his deckhand was cited for **No Nonresident Individual Commercial Fishing License**.



*Female Dungeness crab, halibut, and crab trap. Photo credit Wikimedia Commons*

### Skipper Cited for Undersize Halibut

Sgt. Thompson checked a commercial salmon troller and received consent to search a cooler on the back deck of the boat where he discovered two undersized halibut. The halibut were seized and the skipper was issued a citation for **Unlawful Possession of Undersized Commercial Halibut**.

### Possession of Crab, No Shellfish License

Tpr. Galusha and Rct. Thomas responded to the Garibaldi Marina where two Tillamook County Deputies contacted a subject without a 2014 Shellfish License. Upon contact, the subject had five crabs in his possession and did not have a current Shellfish license. The subject showed the troopers a 2013 resident shellfish license, which included a Tillamook address. Investigation revealed that the subject had used a family member's address to obtain a resident license, even though the subject resided in Utah. The subject was issued a citation for **No Non Resident Shellfish License** and warned for **Unlawful Possession of Falsely**

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**Applied for Resident Shellfish License.** The license was seized as evidence and the crab were returned to the bay. A suspension of the subject's license is recommended to the Tillamook Justice Court.

## Skipper had warrant and no license

Sgt. Thompson checked a commercial fishing vessel while it was off loading and discovered that the skipper and a deckhand did not have commercial fishing licenses, additionally; the skipper had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. Both subjects were cited for **No Commercial License** and the skipper was cited to appear on the warrant.

## Yaquina Bay Skipper Cited

Sr. Tpr. Canfield and Tpr. Van Meter conducted a boat patrol in Yaquina Bay. One of the vessels they checked had 11 undersized Dungeness crab. The skipper was cited for **Possession of Undersized Dungeness Crab**.

## Over Limit on Cockle Clams

Newport fish and wildlife troopers targeted clambers in Alsea Bay and observed a subject in the water, dig and throw 14 Cockle clams to his friend on the beach. He continued digging and eventually left the water, counted his clams and threw 14 extra clams back into the bay. Tpr. Van Meter contacted both subjects at their vehicle where initially, both subjects claimed to have dug their own clams. After they learned their activities had been observed, both admitted to their conduct. The first subject was cited for **Exceeding the Daily Limit on Clams**. The second subject was cited for **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense**.

## 14 Citations Clatsop Beach

Tpr's. from the Astoria, St. Helens, Portland, and Salem areas worked a razor clam saturation on Clatsop Beach for a series of low tides. The troopers issued 14 citations for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Clams, Fail to Retain Clams as Required, Digging Part of another's Bag Limit, and No Valid Shellfish License**.

## Commercial Offload Cited

Tpr. Van Meter was monitoring a commercial offload and cited two deckhands for **No Individual Commercial Fishing License**.

## Commercial Salmon, Barbed Hooks

Sr. Tpr. Stinnett was told last week of a commercial salmon boat that was towed in and had only barbed hooks on

board. Sr. Tpr. Stinnett learned that there were salmon on board that day, and the next day they were landed at Hallmark Fisheries in Brookings. Sr. Tpr. Stinnett contacted the fisherman offloading at Hallmark the next week and questioned him about catching fish with barbed hooks. The fisherman admitted to using all barbed hooks saying he found nothing in the regulations requiring barbless hooks. He was cited criminally for **Taking Salmon with Prohibited Gear**.

## Exceeding Gaper Clam Limit

Sgt. Hoodenpyl responded to Netarts Bay where an ODFW Shellfish Sampler had contacted a subject who was six gaper clams over his limit. The subject told Sgt. Hoodenpyl that he thought the extra clams were butter clams and did not recognize the difference. The six clams were seized and the subject was issued a citation for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit Bay Clams**.

## OREGON STATE MARINE BOARD (OSMB)

### Trooper Cites Canoeists for No PFD's

Tpr. Shimer (SIWA) was patrolling the Sauvie Island Wildlife Area and observed three men in a canoe paddling across the Columbia River in a two foot chop. He watched the canoe take several large waves over the side and the subjects returned to shore with their canoe half full of water. None of the three subjects had any kind of flotation device therefore; they received citations for **No Personal Flotation Device**.



### Deschutes River BER's

Sr. Tpr. Sogge patrolled Wickiup Reservoir and the Deschutes River conducting numerous Boat Examination Reports (BER's). Six warnings were issued for various boating offenses and one warning was issued for angling prohibited method on the Deschutes River near Cline Falls.

### Boating Safety Event

Sr. Tpr's. Love and Young assisted Deschutes County Sheriff's Office with the Marine Board Boat Safety Inspection operation at Sportsman's Warehouse. The turnout was one of the largest in recent history and over 75 boats were inspected throughout the day.

### Boat Operator Cited

Sr. Tpr's. Marshall and Martin Maher conducted a 5.5 hour jet boat patrol on the Willamette and Middle Fork Willamette River

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from the "D" street landing in Springfield to Dexter Dam. During the patrol they checked 40 anglers and completed 12 boating safety inspections. One boat operator was cited for **No Certificate of Number on Board** and **No Boater Education Card**.

### BER's on Prineville Reservoir

Sr. Tpr's. Love and Young conducted a boat patrol of Prineville Reservoir which resulted in three BER's and multiple warnings.

### SW Region Patrol

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher and Tpr. Mathews teamed up and conducted several patrols during the Memorial Day Weekend. On Friday, they conducted an early morning boat patrol at Odell Lake. During the patrol they completed 14 BER's, and checked 74 anglers. Several warnings were given for minor angling and marine violations. On Friday evening Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher and Tpr. Mathews worked Hills Creek Reservoir near Oakridge for anglers and boaters. A boat was observed being operated on the reservoir after sunset without the required navigation lights. The boat was contacted and the operator was cited for **Operation without Required Navigation Lights**. While continuing the patrol around Hills Creek Reservoir the troopers observed a car parked along USFS Road 21 near MP 4.5. Upon contacting the occupants of the vehicle, the male subject that had been seated in the driver seat fled on foot over a steep bank toward the reservoir, eventually jumping / falling into the water. Due to the steepness of the terrain, Sr. Tpr. Maher had to get the Oakridge patrol boat to search the shoreline for the subject. Sr. Tpr. Maher and Tpr. Mathews searched the shoreline of the reservoir and eventually found the subject sitting on the bank. The subject was injured and cold and had to be extricated and treated by medics. The subject was transported to the River Bend Hospital in Springfield for treatment. After being treated and released from the hospital, the subject was taken into custody by a Springfield Area Command Patrol Trooper for an outstanding felony warrant out of Klamath County.

### Boat Operator Cited, BAC 0.15%

Sr. Tpr. Hayes worked in the Cascade Lakes area and conducted 27 written BERS, 25 visuals and one HIN inspection issuing warnings for registration and PFD violations. One boat operator fell out of his motorized boat and landed on the bank. He was found to have exceeded the bag limit on trout and was arrested for **BUII - Alcohol** after failing SFST's. It was also discovered that the boat operators did not have accessible PFD's on board. The operator provided a 0.15% BAC. The passenger was cited for **Exceeding the Bag Limit on Trout** and the operator was cited and released for **BUII** and warned for multiple angling and marine board violations.

### Over 40 Boats Inspected

Sr. Tpr. Hayes spent the majority of the week working on State Marine Board issues. Over forty boats were inspected and multiple warnings were issued for minor violations. During one of these patrols, two kayak operators were contacted and found not to have PFD's. One of the subjects provided a false name during the contact and once his true name was revealed, received a citation for **No Personal Floatation Device**.

### Columbia River Patrol Citations

During the last day of the open salmon/steelhead season, Sr. Tpr. Schoenborn, Tpr. Borchers and Tpr. Ferguson conducted a boat patrol on the Columbia River from Chinook Landing upriver to the deadline at Rooster Rock. Multiple boats and numerous anglers were checked during the six hour patrol. Approximately 12 individuals were cited for various angling and boating safety violations including **No Angling License, Improper Number/ Type of PFD's**, and for **Angling Prohibited Method - Barbed Hooks**.

### Boater Cited for No PFD's

Sr. Tpr. Bennett contacted a boater at Lake Selmac and cited him for **No Personal Flotation Devices**. The subject and one other in the boat each had a type IV, but no wearable lifejackets. They were warned for No AIS and No Sound Producing Device.

### No Boat Registration Since 1982

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg contacted the operator of boat on Lake Billy Chinook at the Crooked River Arm boat launch. The boat operator was cited to appear in court for **Operating a Boat without a Certificate of Registration**. The last time the boat had been registered was in 1982 according to a faded registration decal on the side. Sr. Tpr. Love was unable to locate a HIN on the boat. The boat operator was also warned for No Boater Education Card in Possession.

### Marine Board Warnings and a Citation

Sr. Tpr. Klepp contacted numerous spring salmon anglers on the shores of the Columbia River east of Astoria and conducted approximately 20 BERS to boat anglers. Several Marine Board warnings and one citation for **No 2014 Angling Harvest Card** were issued.

## ENVIRONMENT

### 6000 Lbs Rotten Mink Dumped in Water

Tpr. Smithers received a littering complaint in the Port of Brookings. The complaint was that approximately 1000 lbs. of rotten mink had been thrown into the port water from a commercial

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crab dock. Tpr. Smithers interviewed all of the port workers who were involved in the clean-up. The workers had to wear multiple types of protective gear to include painters masks lined with "Vicks" to combat the smell. The workers gathered approximately 4000 lbs. of rotten mink from the port waters and stated they would continue to clean up the mink as it came up. Tpr. Smithers interviewed both the captain and the crew of the commercial boat responsible for the dumping of the rotten mink. Both the crew and captain were untruthful during the investigation initially. After advising the crew and captain the videos of the port showed their boat never left the harbor they admitted to throwing approximately 6000 lbs. of rotten mink off of the commercial crab dock. The captain of the boat was subsequently cited for **Water Pollution I**.

### Environmental Assessment after Fatal Crash

Sr. Tpr. Harris and Tpr. Brandon assisted the Patrol Division with a fatal crash on Highway 38. The troopers assisted with interviews and an environmental assessment from the chemicals that spilled from one of the vehicles.

### Big Eddy Surveillance

Tpr. Shimer (SIWA) conducted surveillance at the Big Eddy area on Sauvie Island. During the surveillance the trooper watched two men angling. Over a period of 30 minutes, one of the men angled with two poles and the other smoked marijuana and both men threw numerous cigarette butts in the water. After the men left, Tpr. Shimer conducted a traffic stop on them. One man was cited for **DWS, No Insurance and SIWA Day Use Restrictions - Fail to Pack out Garbage**. The other man was cited for **SIWA Day Use Restrictions - Fail to Pack out Garbage**. During the same surveillance, Tpr. Shimer watched a group of three men angling and drinking beers. Two hours later, when Tpr. Shimer returned to the area where he had observed the men, there was a fresh pile of garbage including several beer boxes. Tpr. Shimer was able to locate the men angling on the other side of the island. They admitted to leaving the garbage and all three of them were cited criminally for **Littering within 100 Feet of a Waterway**.

### Trash Dumped in the Woods

Tpr. Imholt received a complaint from Roseburg Forest Products employees about a large amount of trash that had been dumped on their property. Tpr. Imholt contacted a subject of interest at his residence. After a short period of denying dumping the trash, the subject decided to change his story and tell the truth. Three subjects were contracted to clean up a foreclosed house and remove all the trash and belongings for \$1000. After making one trip to the dump, they decided to dump the rest in the woods to save money. All three were cited and released for **Depositing Trash within 100 Yards of a Waterway**. They

were going to go back out and clean up the rest of the trash.

### Blossom Bar Area Mining Complaint

Sr. Tpr. Merritt responded to a mining complaint along the South Umpqua River in the Blossom Bar area. Sr. Tpr. Merritt was able to make contact with the miners prior to them engaging in any mining activity. Both were advised of the in-stream mining period dates along with some of the new mining rules that take affect this year and were warned.

## ATV

### Deschutes ATV Riders Cited

Sr. Tpr. Hayes patrolled the Upper Deschutes River area and contacted seven ATV riders. None of the ATVs had current OHV decals. Two of the riders were found to be **Misdemeanor Driving While Suspended** and were cited and released for that charge. Another subject was cited for **Operating without Valid Driving Privileges**. Two more were cited for **No OHV Decals**. Multiple warnings were issued for other various charges.

### John's Peak ATV Warnings

Sr. Tpr. Thompson conducted an ATV patrol in the John's Peak area and contacted six ATV riders. Two were warned for No ATV Permit and one was warned for No ATV Education Card in Possession.

### ATV and Carp Citations SIWA

Tpr. Shimer (SIWA) received information regarding an ATV out on the SIWA. When the trooper arrived in the area he observed six individuals using an ATV to pull a canoe out of a lake. The group was 200 yards behind a closed gate with a sign stating "No vehicles beyond this point." It was determined the group had a gill net permit for carp, however, some of the gill nets being used were smaller than the legal net size. The group had retained approximately 100 carp. One individual was cited for **Operate ATV in Violation of Posted Restrictions** and the holder of the gill net permit was cited criminally for Unlawful Take of Carp to Wit - Unlawful Gill Net Size.

### Off Road Vehicle Driver BAC 0.24%

Sr. Tpr. Niehus assisted the KFPD with an ATV that was supposed to be headed away from Moore Park after it had been tearing up the hiking trails there. When the ATV did not arrive in the subdivision it was last headed to, Sr. Tpr. Niehus drove around the area. He located a matching ATV speeding through the Stewart Lenox neighborhood with a helmetless rider. Sr. Tpr. Niehus stopped the operator as he was pulling into his residence, Rct. Neville assisted with the DUII portion of the stop, and the driver was arrested by Rct. Neville for **DUII**. He

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was cited by Sr. Tpr. Niehus for **No Motorcycle Endorsement** and **Failure to Wear a Helmet**. A second person, the owner of the motorcycle, was additionally cited for **Permitting Unlawful Operation of a Motor Vehicle**. The motorcycle operator blew a 0.24% BAC at the jail where he was lodged.

## UTV Operator Cited for DWS

Sr. Tpr. Davis stopped a UTV for unlawful operation on 31 Road. Operator was found to be **DWS - Misdemeanor**. The subject was cited and released.

## Gerber Reservoir Public Awareness

Sr. Tpr. Niehus conducted two ATV campground staging area checks in the area of Gerber Reservoir. There were 20-30 campers and 30-35 ATV's between the two campsites. Several violations were noted upon contact, mostly involving children on ATV's. Sr. Tpr. Niehus turned the incidents into public relations education contacts, making the parents and children aware of the ATV rules.

## ATV Cited on BLM Land

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg checked a male subject riding a dirt dike on BLM & county owned property. The subject was subsequently cited for **Operation of an ATV without Driving Privileges** and **Operation of an ATV without Permit & Decal**. A second subject was warned for no ATV Operator's Card in Possession.

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### Violation of Restraining Order at Camp

Sr. Tpr. Davis contacted a camp in the Palmer Valley area. The female subject was evasive in answering any questions but stated it was just her and two small children and they would be staying for a couple of days. Sr. Tpr. Davis left but checked the license plate and found that the male registered owner had a restraining order against him with the protected person matching the description of the female Tpr. Davis had just spoken with. A short time later, Sr. Tpr. Davis saw the vehicle with a male subject inside. The subjects were contacted and it was confirmed the male subject was the registered owner. The male was in violation of the restraining order and he was also found to be on probation out of Yamhill County with a no contact order for the female. He was taken into custody and transported to the Union County Jail.

### Lt. Gifford Takes Long Way Home

Lt. Gifford attended commercial fish training in Newport and the trip home proved to be rather eventful. Separate traffic stops on a motorcycle and later a passenger car resulted in citations for speeds of 90+ mph. A mother with three small children had a

disabled vehicle that came to rest on the shoulder, around a corner, on Interstate 5 going up a steep hill commonly traveled by trucks. Lt. Gifford activated emergency lights and stayed on scene for approximately 50 minutes until the tow truck arrived. A short time after clearing, Lt. Gifford responded to a stabbing that occurred in the area of Jump Off Joe Creek north of Grants Pass, the victim was located and the scene was secured for medics to respond. The victim was involved in a domestic dispute with his wife and a brief statement was taken from him. It was determined that the wife had likely returned to the residence a short distance away from where the victim went for help. The residence was checked and the vehicle was located (an ATL had been put out for the wife and her vehicle). Lt. Gifford stood by until Tpr. West and Tpr. Wetzel responded and made contact at the residence, the wife claimed that her husband was assaulting and choking her. She was able to grab a butter knife off of the kitchen table and stabbed him.

### Gang Member Slashed with Knife

Tpr. Galusha and Rct. Thomas were driving through McMinnville when they observed two male subjects, who appeared to be gang members, getting ready to fight. The troopers turned around and observed one subject slashing at the second subject with a knife. One subject fled the scene and the second, who was on probation, was taken into custody and treated for knife wounds to his hands. McMinnville Police Department detectives are working with the troopers to identify the subject who fled.

### Drug User Arrested at Rest Stop

Tpr. Freitag pulled into the Santiam rest area to perform angler checks when he was flagged down by a citizen and advised of a subject in the restroom who was acting 'jittery'. The subject was contacted and admitted he was coming down off meth he had injected two days ago. He was on supervision and a detainer warrant was issued for his arrest. A search of his person revealed a small amount of tar heroin and paraphernalia. He was lodged on the detainer warrant and cited for **PCS - Heroin**.

### Topsy Reservoir Underage Drinking

Sr. Tpr's. Niehus, Bertram, Tpr. Jennings, Rct. Michaels and US Forest Service LEO Kepa contacted several underage subjects drinking at Topsy Reservoir. Nine subjects aged 15 – 20 were cited for **MIP** and sober drivers were able to take the under-aged children home. One subject was criminally cited for **Offensive Littering within Water** as he decided that the best way to not get caught with beer was to throw it into the Reservoir.

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## Driver DWS and DUII

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs contacted and cited three different drivers for **Driving While Suspended - Misdemeanor** during this past week. The last suspended driver who Sr. Tpr. Frerichs stopped was also impaired. Sr. Tpr. D. Stone (Patrol) responded to the scene and arrested the driver for **DUII**.

## False Information to Trooper

Sr. Tpr. Davis stopped a vehicle for following too closely and the operator was unable to produce a driver's license but provided a name and date of birth. After checking the subject's status, it revealed a near hit with same name but different date of birth. The near hit was on subject who was DWS - Misdemeanor and on probation therefore, the subject was contacted again and provided the same name, date of birth. He was then taken into custody for **DWS - Misdemeanor, Giving False Information** and transported to Union County Jail where he was released to the custody of jail staff. The vehicle was released to a passenger.

## Artifacts Taken from Private Land

Officer John Megan observed a subject collecting artifacts on Malheur Refuge with the use of a tool on private land. The subject was not the landowner and did not have permission to be on the land. The subject was contacted and found to be in possession of two artifacts that he had collected from the private land. Sr. Tpr. Caldwell later re-contacted the subject and cited him for **Unlawful Collection of an Archaeological Object**.

## Minor Injuries after Horse Trailer Crash

Sr. Tpr. Harris investigated a two-vehicle non-injury crash on Coos River Highway. The driver of a passenger car turned in front of a truck towing three horses in a horse trailer. Two of the horses received minor injuries. Both vehicles were towed from the scene and the horse trailer and horses were retrieved by family members of the crash victims. The horse owners also lost a dog that ran away after getting spooked and possibly injured in the crash. The passenger car driver was warned for Fail to Yield When Entering Highway.

## Inebriated Subject Falls 100 Feet

Sr. Tpr. Bennett was patrolling near Grave Creek Bridge and the trailhead to Rainie Falls. As he drove his marked patrol pickup on the north side of the river, he observed two subjects near the trailhead that seemed to be in a panic. As Sr. Tpr. Bennett slowed down to observe, one of the subjects jumped off of the trail and started sliding down the steep embankment. Then, the trooper moved his vehicle forward and observed a

third subject down at the bottom of the cliff near the water's edge who was covered in blood and picking himself up off the beach. Sr. Tpr. Bennett called for medics and contacted the subject and his friends who said that he had just stepped off the edge of the trail and fell down the estimated 100 foot embankment. The subject had lacerations to his head and nose that probably required stitches, but other than that, was not seriously injured.

## Helmick State Park Arrest

Tpr. Clement observed a suspicious vehicle at Sarah Helmick State Park and advised dispatch he would be contacting the vehicle. He was informed that the vehicle had been reported stolen the day before. Sr. Tpr. Burdick (Salem Patrol) and units from the Polk County Sheriff's Office responded. While waiting for cover, a female subject noticed the trooper and began to get out of the vehicle. Tpr. Clement immediately identified and detained the subject, who explained that her mother had asked her to go to the store to buy cigarettes (two days ago). The subject also admitted that marijuana and methamphetamine were inside the vehicle. Tpr. Clement subsequently arrested the subject for **Unlawful Use of Motorized Vehicle, PCS - Methamphetamine, and PCS - Marijuana**.

## Felon in Possession

Tpr's. Mathews, Imholt, and Martin Maher contacted a subject about hazing turkeys with a pistol. During the investigation the subject was found to be on parole. The parole officer was contacted and said he had good rapport with the subject and the troopers learned the subject was contacted by the Sheriff's Office last year for shooting at people. The parole officer accompanied the troopers to the subject's residence where Tpr. Mathews received signed consent to search the property. In the garage the troopers located two pistols. The parole officer placed a detainer on the subject and he was taken into custody for **Felon in Possession**. There was no evidence in the area of the turkeys to support fish and wildlife charges.

## Felony Warrant in Transient Camp

Sr. Tpr. Connell contacted a subject along River Road MP 1 in a transient camp. Sr. Tpr. Connell contacted and ran a wants checks on subject. The subject returned wanted for felony warrant issued by Morrow County Circuit Court and was arrested and lodged in the Umatilla County Jail.

## Driver had Warrants in Several Counties

Sr. Tpr. Hayes observed a vehicle traveling in a non-motorized area of BLM land and made a stop. The driver was found to be **DWS Misdemeanor** and to have arrest Warrants in Grant,

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Crook, and Deschutes Counties and was lodged at the Deschutes County Jail.

## Firecracker Round Hits Woman

Sr. Tpr. Klepp conducted a follow-up investigation from a man who complained that his wife may have been the victim of a shotgun "BB" while they were angling salmon on the Columbia River near Jim Crow Island. The man's wife was struck in the ear by an unidentified object after a single blast was fired from a shotgun by another angler nearby. The shooter claimed he only used a "Firecracker" round to scare a sea lion. The woman was not seriously injured. Information was obtained from both parties and a report will be forwarded to the Clatsop County District Attorney's office for a charge consideration of Negligently Wounding Another.

## SIWA after Hours Camper Cited

Over the past few months, Tpr. Shimer has given numerous warnings and one violation citation to a man camping within the Sauvie Island Wildlife Area. The man states the trooper has "No authority" on the island. Tpr. Shimer again found the man camping in the SIWA after legal use hours. The man was cited criminally for **Day Use Restrictions** and warned for Camping in Prohibited Area and Trespass II.

## Woman Treated for Hypothermia

Tpr. Galusha and Rct. Thomas responded to a water rescue on the Wilson River near milepost 27. A female subject was extremely intoxicated and decided to go swimming in the high water, with all her clothes on. The subject was pulled from the water by witnesses and treated for hypothermia by the troopers until medical assistance arrived.

## DUII Driver on Highway Tests 0.18%

While working steelhead anglers along the Santiam River, Tpr. Andrews noted a vehicle committing a traffic violation on a nearby highway. Tpr. Andrews subsequently stopped the vehicle and noted multiple signs of impairment on the driver, who subsequently failed SFST's and was taken into custody. The operator provided a breath sample of 0.18% and was ultimately cited and released for **DUII**.

## Adult Male Taking Topless Pics of Minor Female

Tpr. Shimer (SIWA) and Rct. Morgan observed a vehicle parked in the closed Sauvie Island Wildlife Area. The troopers located the 45 year old owner of the vehicle and observed him taking topless pictures of a 17 year old female. Troopers ultimately arrested the male subject and charged him with **Using a Child in Display of Sexually Explicit Conduct, Encouraging Child**

**Sexual Abuse in the Second Degree and Trespass II.** The subject's cameras, phone and vehicle were seized as evidence. The 17 year old girl was returned to her mother and an investigation is continuing with the assistance of major crimes detectives. Further charges are pending.

## Stealing Wood from Private Property

Tpr. Galusha and Rct. Thomas received a complaint of a subject stealing wood from private property. Tpr. Galusha set up a trail camera and obtained pictures of the subject cutting down a live tree on the victim's property. The subject was contacted at his residence where he admitted to falling the tree and taking a small portion of the wood. The subject was cited and released for **Trespass II** and **Theft III**. Possible charges of Criminal Mischief will be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office.

## Meth and Trespass on State Lands

Sr. Tpr. Turnbo and Sgt. Hoodenpyl conducted a boat patrol on the Willamette River near Wheatland Ferry to check carp nets in the river. During the patrol the troopers located two vehicles on Division of State Lands (DSL) property, an area where vehicles are not allowed. The operators of the two vehicles were cited and released for **Trespass II** by the request of DSL. After completing the patrol, the troopers watched a vehicle drive right past a marked patrol pickup onto DSL property. When the troopers approached the vehicle, they could see one person smoking methamphetamine from a pipe. Both subjects were taken into custody for **PCS-Methamphetamine** and **Trespass II**.

## DUII Driver in Custody, 0.17% BAC

While patrolling the Main Umpqua River Sr. Tpr. Stone conducted a traffic stop along Mehl Creek road for two observed traffic violations. After initial contact was made, several signs of impairment were noted and the man agreed to perform SFST's. The operator failed tests and was taken into custody for **DUII**. After nearly an hour-long transport to Douglas County, the suspect provided a breath sample indicating a 0.17% BAC. He was cited and released for **DUII** and **Open Container of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle**. The open container spilled out inside the cab during the stop when the suspect hid the beer underneath some clothes in the console area. The vehicle was released to the female passenger (wife) who had not been drinking.

## Park Host Trapping Squirrels Warned

Sr. Tpr. Merritt finished up on an investigation into a subject who was trapping silver grey squirrels in the Sutherlin area. The incident occurred in a park area and the park host was live trapping the squirrels and then releasing them in a different

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area. According to the host, the squirrels were causing damage to the park. ODFW was contacted and the park host was given information on how to apply for a permit that would allow him to live trap silver grey squirrels. The park host was warned.

## Driver Flees, Crashes, Gets Arrested

Sgt. Hand stopped a vehicle for speed and following too close. Upon checking the driver through LEDS / NCIC, Sgt. Hand learned he had an outstanding warrant for Failure to Appear out of Klamath County. The driver was re-contacted and asked to step from the vehicle to which he responded by fleeing the scene in his car. A pursuit followed with speeds ranging from 80 to 100 miles per hour. The pursuit occurred mostly on rural roads and then turned on to Highway 39. A few moments later, the suspect vehicle lost control for an unknown reason and rolled multiple times. Once the vehicle came to a rest, the driver fled on foot through an alfalfa field. Deputies from Klamath County SO located the driver and took him into custody. The female passenger refused medical treatment.

## OSP Recovers Senior's Stolen Property

Tpr. Frerichs stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and contacted a very nervous driver. The driver was suspended criminally for **Driving While Revoked** and was in possession of the registered owner's purse underneath the front seat. Sr. Tpr. D. Stone (Patrol) assisted by contacting the owner of the purse and determined that it had been stolen by the driver a few days ago and \$100 had been removed. The driver had been allowed to use the vehicle while completing home repairs for the victim (a senior). The subject was cited for the criminal offenses of **Driving While Revoked** and **Theft II**. The property was returned to the victim in the case.

## Failure to Stop finds Felon with Rifle

Sr. Tpr. Ring stopped a vehicle near Horse Butte for failure to stop before entering a roadway. The vehicle matched the description of a vehicle called in as a shooting complaint in the area. Upon contact with the lone occupant, Sr. Tpr. Ring discovered there was a loaded .22 caliber rifle behind the driver's seat. A check of the lone occupant through LEDS/DMV/NCIC showed he was a convicted felon and also suspended from driving. The suspect was cited and released for **Felon in Possession of a Firearm** and warned for **DWS - Violation**. A licensed driver was called to the scene by the suspect and removed the vehicle.

## INTERAGENCY COOPERATION

### Victim Pushed off Rocks, Seal Rock

Sgt. Thompson, Sr. Tpr. Canfield and Sr. Tpr. Kehr assisted the Lincoln County Major Crime Team with a homicide investigation.

A suspect confessed to pushing a victim off the rocks in Seal Rock. The troopers assisted with a search of the area.

### Status of Wolf OR7

ODFW announced that wolf OR7 appears to have settled down in the eastern portion of Jackson County. Trail cameras in the area have captured images of OR7 and a female wolf. ODFW has reason to believe that the pair have mated and are displaying denning activity. A check of the den is planned by ODFW and USFWS near the end of June to confirm if there are pups in the den or not.

OSP Fish and Wildlife Lt. Gifford attended a big game regulation meeting in Grants Pass with ODFW biologist Mark Vargas. The meeting was held in conjunction with the monthly OHA meeting, 38 people attended. The majority of the questions at the meeting were about wolf OR7, his new mate and what impacts the wolves might have in the area. Lt. Gifford was invited back to speak to the group in July. ODFW Timeline: <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/Wolves/OR-7.asp>

### Smart Phone Mapping ODFW

Sr. Tpr. Niehus trained ODFW personnel on smart phone mapping and location data that will assist them with real time tracking on vast areas of un-numbered roads.

### National Parks Issues in Africa

Lt. Gifford, Sgt. Hand, and Tpr. Jennings had a unique opportunity on May 20th to meet with approximately 20 conservation officers from various locations around Africa. Most of the participants work at National Parks and were on a leadership development tour for a couple of weeks in the US. The subjects toured the area around Rocky Point, just west of Klamath Falls. Representatives from the US Fish and Wildlife Service, Forest Service, California Department of Fish & Game, and the Park Ranger from Crater Lake National Park were in attendance for the three hour discussion / luncheon. The subjects then spent the afternoon on a tour at Crater Lake National Park. Africa is experiencing a continuing problem with organized crime being involved in the poaching of elephants and rhinos for their tusks and horns respectively. Two kilograms of rhino horn are selling for ~\$200,000 US dollars on the black market. Poachers are coming into the National Parks armed with automatic weapons and hand grenades, working in groups to harvest the animals, and pose a serious threat to anyone who tries to intervene. When confronted, the poachers are sometimes executed on the spot.

### Stealing Firewood near LaPine

Tpr. Ring stopped a vehicle near LaPine that was coming out

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of a wooded area towing a trailer with firewood. The wood had no firewood permits displayed. USFS LEO Reed responded to the location and took over the stop which resulted in the operator and passenger being cited for **Stealing Firewood** and the wood was seized by LEO Reed.

## Joint Patrol Lake County

Tpr. Tague conducted a joint non-motorized patrol of Cottonwood Meadows Lake with Lake County Sheriff's Office and the US Forest Service. In all, ten boats were contacted and inspected. Six warnings were given while one was cited for **No AIS Permit**. The US Forest Service issued one citation for having a fire in prohibited area.

## Man Airlifted from Wickiup Reservoir

Sr. Tpr. Ring responded to the Davis Arm area of Wickiup Reservoir on a report of a male subject found down on the bank of the lake. Sr. Tpr. Ring and a USFS LEO Reed were able to locate the man who was having a medical issue. Once paramedics arrived Sr. Tpr. Ring and USFS LEO Reed secured a landing zone for air life, which transported the subject to St. Charles Hospital in Bend.

## USFS & OSP Respond to Campsite

Sr. Tpr's. Vaughn and Ring responded to a USFS request for cover officer in the Ochoco's off Hwy 26E near MP 38. The reporting party is a USFS employee whom was camping with family. He advised a nearby camp was occupied with four to five males shooting bottle rockets. Sr. Tpr's. Ring and Vaughn responded to the camp location with USFS Fred Pearl. One individual was contacted by the USFS LEO and cited for **Unattended Fire** in the camp. A firecracker which had not been set off was found in the still smoldering fire. Signs of off-trail ATV operation were evident. The cited individual also indicated he is an applicant with OSP and has tested. A follow up call to HQ on Monday will be made.

## Wanted Albany Man Taken into Custody

Tpr's. Andrews and Burkholder attended a local OHA banquet with the Trailer of Shame. While at the banquet, they were notified of a male subject at a nearby residence who was attempting to break into a house and threatening to kill the people inside. The troopers immediately responded and identified the subject, who fled the scene on foot. Both troopers were able to apprehend him after a short foot pursuit and take him into custody. The subject was later identified by the local police department as being wanted in connection with a domestic disturbance and subsequently charged with multiple crimes.

## Felon in Possession Arrested, BAC 0.22%

Sr. Tpr. Hayes was investigating several subjects who were

shooting a pistol near Crane Prairie Reservoir for being convicted felons in possession of a firearm. While doing surveillance, three of the suspect vehicles with intoxicated drivers left the area. Nearby, USFS LEO Reed, assisted by stopping the most intoxicated driver who was observed driving off of the roadway. The subject was arrested for **DUII** after failing SFST's, a .45 caliber pistol was located concealed in the vehicle and the subject provided a 0.22% BAC. The subject was cited in lieu of custody for **DUII** and **DWS**.

## Snake River Joint Patrol

Sr. Tpr. Knapp, Sr. Tpr. Miller, Tpr. Downing and Wallowa County Deputy Pagono conducted a boat patrol on the Snake River. During the patrol they checked 20 boats, warned three anglers for license violations and cited three anglers for **No Angling License**.

## DUII Subject Claims Life, Jailed

Sr. Tpr. Niehus assisted the Klamath County Sheriff's Office with a hit and run that resulted in a fatality. Sr. Tpr. Niehus contained the crime scene and then backed the detective who interviewed the subject. Sr. Tpr. Niehus performed SFST's on the subject and determined that he was under the influence of alcohol when he ran over a female subject as he was fleeing a fight at a party. Sr. Tpr. Niehus transported the subject to Sky Lakes Medical Center where a warrant was served for the subject's blood. He was then lodged in the Klamath County Jail.

## JWTR & OSP Remove Abandoned Camp



Abandoned camp. Photo credit File

Sr. Tpr. Niehus and Rct. Michaels assisted JWTR with a civil standby as they removed a camp that had been on their property over the one week allowed. Sr. Tpr. Bertram had left information at the camp about fire restrictions, picking up their trash and the maximum length of stay, but the unknown subjects had left everything behind.

## Winchuck River Subject Arrested

Tpr. Smithers assisted the Forest Service LEO with three intox-

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icated subjects approximately 10 miles up the Winchuck River. One of the subjects was found to have a felony warrant out of Coos Bay. The subject was taken into custody without incident.

## Violations on BLM Restricted Land

Sr. Tpr. Vaughn responded to a report of three or four individuals observed in a BLM 'restricted no access' preserve which contained a raptor nesting site on the Deschutes River between Bend/Redmond. The reporting party observed the subjects on an ATV, accessing a cliff site, and throwing rocks above a nesting area. Sr. Tpr. Vaughn and USFS LEO Fred Pearl located ATV tracks and followed them back to a residence about three miles from the restricted area. A resident at the location was contacted and confessed to the incident and information given to BLM law enforcement. The raptor nest had been inspected the day before by a biologist because it had already been abandoned by a nesting pair of eagles for an unknown reason.

## Oakridge Residents Taught Bear Proofing

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher responded to a report of a black bear wandering around in front of houses on High Leah Drive in Oakridge. Sr. Tpr. Maher and Oakridge Police Department units located the bear up a tree in the residential area. The bear came down out of the tree but then went up another, and eventually left. A check of the area revealed the bear had been getting into residents' garbage cans. Sr. Tpr. Maher contacted area residents the next day and provided information about how to bear proof their properties and remove their garbage so the bear does not have a food source to return to. ODFW Biologist Brian Wolfer drafted a news release informing the public how to avoid conflict with bears, which appeared in the Eugene Register Guard.

## Joint Patrol Columbia River

Tpr. Herman and WDFW Officer Anderson, conducted boat patrols on the Columbia River from Astoria to Kalama. Numerous boats and salmon anglers were contacted and multiple warnings were given. Eleven citations were issued for **Angling Prohibited Method - Barbed Hooks for Salmon**, and one criminal citation was issued for **No Harvest Card**.

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS (PR)**

### Hunter Ed Class Enforcement Talk

Tpr. Van Meter gave an enforcement talk at a local Hunter Education class. Twenty three students were in attendance.

### Youth Angler Day in Bend

Sr. Tpr. Love assisted ODFW on a youth angler day in Bend. Lots of area children enjoyed the experience.

## OSP Instructs Hunter Safety

Sr. Tpr's. Love, Sogge, and Vaughn instructed a hunter safety class in Bend. Sr. Tpr. Love instructed a hunter safety class in LaPine.

## Middle School Field Day

Sr. Tpr. Harris and Tpr. Keeler took part in a career day at Coquille Middle School. There were approximately 150 students in attendance at the event. The troopers were well received and the students were interactive with numerous questions about the Fish and Wildlife Division.

## Veteran's Memorial Day Event

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs participated in the Glide Veteran's "It's a Matter of Honor" program over the Memorial Day weekend. Approximately 45 persons were in attendance at the event.

## Returning Hearts Celebration

Lt. Gifford, along with eight other volunteers from the Central Point area, spent a day in the Pitchess Detention Center, a segment of the L.A. County Jail, assisting with a Returning Hearts Celebration. The event involved approximately 70 inmates, 140 children, and 200 volunteers. Select inmates were able to spend about five hours interacting with their children in a variety of games, activities, and enjoying a BBQ lunch. This was the second year Lt. Gifford volunteered at the event which has been going on there for the past seven years.

## Port Orford Event

Sr. Tpr. Stinnett and Tpr. Smithers attended a Red Fish Rocks Reserve meet and greet in the Port of Port Orford. The Gold Beach SAFE boat was taken to the event as well for the public to see.

## Elderly Man Stuck for 36 Hours

On a late Sunday night patrol, along a county road east of Madras, Sr. Tpr. Prodzinski discovered an elderly man whose four door Infinity sedan was hopelessly stuck in the mud. The man had apparently been stuck there for more than 36 hours without anyone offering him any assistance. By this time, his fuel tank was completely dry and his car battery was dead – used up while apparently trying to stay warm. Sr. Tpr. Prodzinski provided the man with food, water, a warm blanket, and eventually some gasoline for his car, after seeing to it that the man's car was also freed from the mud and operational once again.

Once the motorist and his vehicle were safely guided back to the Prineville/Madras Highway Sr. Tpr. Prodzinski, Sr. Tpr. Todd Burke (Patrol-Prineville) came to assist as well. Tpr. Burke made several 3:00am phone calls to potential relatives

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and finally managed to contact the motorist's brother in the Willamette Valley. The brother assured the troopers that he would immediately be on his way to transport his brother back home. This late night motorist assist by two OSP troopers spanned a five hour period of time. The troopers considered it unlikely the motorist could have endured another long night in the bitter cold temperatures without the help which they provided him.

## Lower Columbia Walleye Club

Tpr. Borchers was the guest speaker at the "Lower Columbia Walleye Club." There were approximately 40 members in attendance. Some of the topics covered included agency mission, Portland Fish and Wildlife year-round focus, prosecution, and ways the public can help.

## WARRANTS

### Angler Arrested, Found to have Warrant

On the bank of the Columbia River in Umatilla County, Tpr. Connell contacted a subject while angling for bass and found he had no angling license. A check of LEDS/NCIC/DMV records showed a valid misdemeanor Warrant for the subject's arrest. He was cited for **No Angling License** and lodged in the Umatilla County Jail on the Warrant.

### Deschutes County Transient Arrested

Deschutes County Sheriff's Office received information regarding a transient living in a tent on BLM land 1/8 mile SE of NE Hemlock and NE 17th in the Redmond area. The SO received information that the transient had parts of deer and elk near his camp. The camp was located and bones from deer and elk were photographed. The bones photographed were estimated to be a year or more old. Several attempts to locate and identify the transient were unsuccessful. Later, when the transient was identified and located, he was arrested on two misdemeanor warrants issued out of Deschutes County for FTA on two separate disorderly conduct charges. The suspect was lodged at the Deschutes County Jail.

### Angler Arrested, Two Felony Warrants

Tpr. Herman and Tpr. O'Connor conducted a boat patrol on the Columbia River in Clatsop and Columbia Counties. Numerous salmon anglers and boats were checked and two angling citations were issued. The troopers contacted an angler on one boat who stated that he had forgotten his wallet at home. After running the angler to verify his identity, they found that the angler had two Felony Warrants out of Tillamook County and had absconded from probation. The angler was arrested and lodged at the Clatsop County Jail.

## DISPOSITIONS

### Waste of Game Mammal



Rct. Michaels with wasted deer. Photo credit: File

Monty Crum pled guilty to **Taking a 6x6 Bull Elk without a Valid Tag** and to **Waste of a Game Mammal**, both as A Misdemeanors.

The charge of Hunting on the Enclosed Land of Another was dismissed.

Mr. Crum received the following sentence:

- \$10,000 restitution to ODFW
- \$1,300 in other fines and fees
- 36 month hunting license suspension
- 24 hours in the Grant County Jail
- 12 month probation
- Forfeit all meat and antlers



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