

# The Field Review

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## OSP Bend Fish & Wildlife Trooper Receives Department's Lifesaving Award

A Bend-area Oregon State Police (OSP) Fish & Wildlife Division trooper received the Department's "*Harold R. Berg Lifesaving Award*" for his heroic, lifesaving action responding to a fiery injury traffic crash east of Bend. The trooper's actions, assisted by an off-duty Oregon National Guard member, saved the lives of a mother and her 6-year old child.

Major Travis Hampton presented the "*Harold R. Berg Lifesaving Award*" to Trooper Travis Ring at the Bend Area Command office in August. In attendance for the presentation was the mother and child saved following the February 2014 traffic crash. The lifesaving award is presented to OSP employees who distinguish themselves by performing or reacting to a situation in a positive and professional manner which saves, or reduces the risk of loss of life of another person; and, where a strong possibility existed that if such action wasn't taken, loss of life or serious injury would have resulted.

On February 21, 2014 at approximately 5:10 p.m., OSP Trooper Travis Ring witnessed a two-vehicle injury traffic crash at the intersection of Highway 20 and Ward Road east of Bend. A fire was immediately visible starting in the engine compartment of a vehicle occupied by Shannon Jackman, age 50, from Bend, and her 6-year old daughter, Kendall.

As the fire grew in intensity, Trooper Ring, with the assistance of Oregon National Guard Staff Sergeant Joshua Mosley, broke out a window. Ring and Mosley removed the woman and the child before the fire spread into the passenger compartment prior to Bend firefighters arrival. Both were taken to an area hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

During the frightening scenario, Ring exhibited extraordinary leadership and courage that helped the woman and child be confident that they would be rescued. Afterward, Shannon Jackman told OSP that the smoke was suffocating and her daughter was screaming at her, telling her not to die when she overheard the trooper say he would take care of them. She said that without their help, she would not have been able to get out of the car.

Captain Jeff Samuels, director of the OSP Fish & Wildlife Division, praised the trooper for his professionalism and calm in the face of danger.

"Trooper Ring took control of a life-threatening situation, provided clear direction to assisting citizens and was a calming reassurance to the mother and her daughter while rescuing them from their burning vehicle. He is a dedicated member of the Fish & Wildlife Division who is not only responsible for protecting our natural resources, but, like all of our troopers, he is devoted to serving the public and protecting lives. I am very proud of him and admire his lifesaving actions," said Samuels.

Trooper Ring, age 36, joined OSP on May 1, 2006, with an initial assignment to the Fish & Wildlife Division at the Arlington office. In September 2009, he transferred to the Bend Area Command office.



Left to right: Shannon Jackman, Kendall, & Trooper Travis Ring. Photo credit: File

# Recognition / Wildlife / Hunting

## Tillamook Hunters Association Chapter Recognizes Sergeant Hoodenpyl

The Tillamook Chapter of the Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) recognizes and congratulates Oregon State Police Sergeant Hoodenpyl on a job exceptionally well done. Wildlife crimes steal from all Oregonians, hunters and non-hunters alike. Sergeant Hoodenpyl, a supervisor at the Oregon State Police, Tillamook Office, is an outstanding Fish and Wildlife enforcement officer making a tremendous difference.

Nominated by OHA's Tillamook Chapter, Sergeant Hoodenpyl was awarded the 2013 Jack Burt T.I.P. Award by the Oregon Hunters Association state office for his dedication to Oregon's wildlife, and because of his diligence in investigating and prosecuting wildlife crimes often while pulling double-duty working a very intense, often understaffed workload. Sergeant Hoodenpyl often goes above and beyond in performing his duties and in working cooperatively with the Turn in a Poacher or T.I.P Program. OHA supports the Turn in a Poacher by offering additional rewards to those who take a stand and turn in poachers.



OHA Tillamook Chapter President John Putman (left) and Sgt. Todd Hoodenpyl. Photo credit: The Tillamook Headlight Herald

The Turn in a Poacher (T.I.P.) hotline is a reward program where people can report information about fish and wildlife violations and crimes to the Oregon State Police, Fish and Wildlife Division. Suspected illegal activities can be reported anonymously 24/7 at 1-800-452-7888, or the TIP E-Mail: [TIP@state.or.us](mailto:TIP@state.or.us) (M-F 8am-5pm). *Article courtesy of the September 18, 2014, Tillamook Headlight Herald.*

## WILDLIFE / HUNTING

### Illegal Cougar Hunter Cited, Cougar Seized

Sr. Tpr. Ring received a game complaint from ODFW in Bend regarding a cougar that was possibly killed before a tag was purchased. Sr. Tpr. Ring met with Sr. Tpr. Hayes and they located the subject dropping the cougar off at a local taxidermist studio. During Sr. Tpr. Ring's interview, the subject told the trooper multiple times that he killed the cat two days prior while calling for bears. The subject showed the troopers pictures of himself, with the dead cougar during daylight hours. After listening to the subject's story, Sr. Tpr. Ring asked him if he purchased his cougar tag prior to killing the cat and he stated he did. Sr. Tpr. Ring confirmed that the cat was killed around 5pm, and the subject again stated right around 5pm. The trooper asked the subject if he killed the cougar at 5:00pm, why he purchased the tag at 6:40pm that same day. At that point, the subject gave a full confession to the troopers stating he had killed the cougar without a tag, and then purchased one. He was criminally cited and released, and the cougar was seized as evidence since this was the subject's second offense for illegal hunting of cougars.

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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

## Buck Shot in Harry and David Orchard

Tpr. Nugent was called out at 2:00am regarding four adult males that were caught by Jackson County Sheriff's Deputies in a Harry and David apple orchard. Deputies found a buck in the back of the vehicle and called Oregon State Police. Tpr. Nugent responded as did Tpr. Waldport (Patrol). The primary subject said that his cousin had shot the buck earlier that evening with a bow. A core temperature on the buck revealed that it had recently been shot and eventually the truth was told that subject had just shot it. Tpr. Nugent also recognized the subject's name as a person he had been trying to locate regarding the subject being caught by Cascade Ranch a few months prior for Angling on Another's Lands without Permission. Tpr. Nugent cited the man for **Unlawful Possession Deer** and seized the deer. Tpr. Nugent also cited the subject for the previous case of **Trespass/Angling on Another's Land without Permission**.

## Doe Deer Taken, Archery Season

Sgt. Meyer was patrolling the Rogue Unit for archery deer and elk hunters when he found two people field dressing a doe deer. Antlerless deer (does) are not allowed to be taken during the archery deer season in the Rogue Unit. A 16 year old shot the doe with his bow and arrow and an adult male, who had taken the 16 year old hunting also shot it with a firearm to finish it off. The adult was cited for **Aiding in a Fish and Wildlife Offense – Taking Doe Deer** and additionally warned for hunting deer with a firearm during bow deer season. The youth was issued a citation for **Taking Doe Deer Closed Season** and warned for Failing to Validate Deer Tag.

## Cow Elk Wasted, Hunter Cited

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs was in the Loon Lake area and observed a subject driving out with the remains of a cow elk in the back of his pickup. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs checked the bow elk tag and it was validated for that day. The subject told Sr. Tpr. Frerichs that he shot the cow in the Siuslaw Unit and was just coming back after trying to call his dad hunting in the Tioga Unit. He refused to admit the cow elk was killed in the Tioga Unit and maintained it was killed in the Siuslaw Unit. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs gathered the information and started looking for the kill site near the contact location. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs contacted two persons who had assisted the subject and they admitted the cow was killed illegally in the Tioga Unit. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs accompanied the persons back to a steep canyon ravine, where the cow remains were located. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs hiked back into the canyon and located a front shoulder of the cow that had been left. After Sr. Tpr. Frerichs contacted Springfield/Florence to attempt to locate the subject that killed the cow, the

man (who lives in Junction City) contacted Sr. Tpr. Frerichs regarding the cow elk and admitted to killing it in the Tioga Unit. The cow elk parts were seized and the man was cited for **Take/Possession of Antlerless Elk** and **Waste of Game Mammal**.

Sgt. Culp with OSP aircraft. Photo credit File



## OSP Plane Finds Spot-Lighters

Sr. Tpr. Hayes conducted a night flight with Sgt. Culp who observed two subjects spot-lighting in the Paulina Unit. The subjects were on a closed road and were located after they had observed the plane. The main subject was known to Sr. Tpr. Hayes as he had been previously contacted for illegal hunting activities including spot-lighting deer while armed. A firearm was not located during this contact although both subjects were cited for **Violation of the Road Closure**.

## Bear Meat Donated to Charity

Sr. Tpr. Harris responded to the Hauser area to investigate a report of two bears attacking a dog next to a residence. The landowner shot one of the bears and recovered his dog uninjured. The second bear eventually left the area. Investigation revealed the bear was shot about 30 feet from the landowner's garage. The bear meat was processed for charity.

## Successful WED Operations

Sr. Tpr's. Lindberg, Prodzinski, Vaughn, and Love, Lieutenant Wagner, and Sergeant Lea worked a night hunter saturation with the department airplane and WEDs. No violations were observed with the airplane however, Sr. Tpr's. Lindberg and Love along with Sgt. Lea, successfully apprehended three subjects during a WED operation. Two archery hunters were cited for **Unlawful Take of Deer** after shooting at the decoy from the roadway, approximately 1.5 hours after legal hunting light. A third subject was cited for **Aiding in a Game Violation** after it

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was determined he operated the spotlight. Two bows and a spotlight were seized for evidence.

## WA Resident Used OR Address

Tpr. Herman finished an investigation into a Longview Washington resident that that been using an Oregon address for several years to buy her two juvenile sons and herself Oregon resident licenses and tags. Tpr. Herman interviewed the subject and cited her criminally for multiple counts of **False Application for a Resident License/Tag**, and multiple counts of **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense**. Twelve current Oregon resident big game tags, licenses, and angling tags were seized at the interview.

## Felon with Firearm, Bucks Seized



Buck deer. Photo credit: ODFW myatt

Sr. Tpr. Hayes received a call from an individual who stated that he picked a guy up that was out of gas and that he appeared to be hunting with a rifle near the conservancy property. Sr.

Tpr. Hayes responded to the area and located the camp. Sr. Tpr. Hayes then conducted surveillance and after dark made contact and found a 3x4 and forked-horn bucks at camp. Subject#1 was previously arrested for felon in possession of firearm while poaching in 2009. Both subjects were cited for **Unlawfully Taking Buck Deer**. Subject#1 was also cited for **Felon in Possession of Firearm**. Two rifles and the two bucks were seized.

## Hunters Cited off Beaver Creek Rd.

Sgt. Cyr took a citizen complaint of three hunters reportedly trespassing off of Beaver Creek Road, the reporting party observed the subjects shoot an elk with a bow. Three adult male subjects were later located on private property off of Beaver Creek Road. As a result of the investigation, all three subjects were cited and released. Two of the subjects were cited for **Hunting on Cultivated Land of Another** and the third subject was cited for **Criminal Trespass II**.

## Road Struck Antelope Head Taken

Sr. Tpr. Caldwell responded to a report of a possible wildlife violation. The report came from off duty Sgt. Brian Williams who observed a vehicle in the area of Highway 20 near mile

post 140 acting suspiciously and then, left the area. When Sgt. Williams returned to the area, he located a headless antelope which had been left behind. Sr. Tpr. Caldwell located the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop where he saw the antelope buck head in the bed of the vehicle. Further investigation revealed the antelope had been road struck and the subject had removed the head to take to a local taxidermist. The antelope head was seized and the subject was cited for **Unlawful Possession**.

## Fern Ridge Wildlife Area Violations

Tpr. Imholt checked pheasant hunters at the Fern Ridge Wildlife Area and found several violations from **Possessing Lead Shot**, **Fail to Validate Pheasant Tag**, and **Improper Validation of Pheasant Tag**, in addition to numerous vehicles without wildlife area parking permits.

## Questionable Hunting Ethics

Tpr. Tague was called by a hunter who stated a deer he just shot on his property had run to a neighbor's property. The property the hunter shot the deer on was incredibly small with little chance that any legally shot animal would die on the property, the neighbor was upset but reluctantly allowed retrieval of the deer. Tpr. Tague arrived and assisted in keeping peace between neighbors. In another case this week, Sgt. Hand responded to a call of a dead deer being found in the back yard of a rural subdivision home. The deer had clearly been shot with a three-bladed broad head. It is suspected the deer was shot from the road and when it ran off behind the house, was left.

## Deer Shot w/Rifle During Bow Season

Sr. Tpr. Young received a complaint of a subject in Terrebonne who had taken a deer with a rifle during bow season. The deer was reportedly hanging in a barn in Terrebonne. Sr. Tpr's. Young and Prodzinski responded to the area and found not one, but three deer hanging in the barn, all of which had been shot with a rifle. Investigation revealed that the subject had not only shot his deer with a rifle, but aided his nephew in taking two addition deer with the same rifle. Both the uncle and nephew were cited and released for **Taking Deer Prohibited Method** and the uncle was also cited and released for **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense**.

## Non-Resident Bow Hunter Cited

Sr. Tpr. Hayes contacted a bow deer hunter south of LaPine who had been living and working in California and admitted to falsely applying for an Oregon resident license and tag. The subject stated that he didn't understand the portion of the license that he signed, although he wrote down that he had lived in Oregon seven months prior to purchasing. He was cited for **Possession of Falsely Applied for License and Tag**.

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## Bear Dumped, Not Tagged

Sr. Tpr. Niehus received a complaint of a poached bear near the Klamath - Jackson County line. He and Sr. Tpr. Bertram responded and found a small bear that had been gutted and then dumped at the location within the last 24 hours. Evidence was collected and documented before the bear was turned over to ODFW for mandatory check in procedures (tooth extraction). Sr. Tpr. Bertram checked the local area and located a campsite with a parked pickup truck. Located in the bed of the pickup was dried blood with bear hair. Several days later, Sr. Tpr's. Bertram and Niehus and Rct. Michaels contacted two subjects in the campsite. One of them admitted that his father had shot the bear and dumped it after finding the meat was tainted by a previous injury. The subject, who was in Southern California, phoned Sr. Tpr. Niehus and admitted that he had not tagged the bear because the meat did not smell right and there were maggots covering a prior injury. He will be cited and released for **Failing to Validate Big Game Tag - Bear** when he returns to Oregon later in the week.

## Poaching, Trespass, Arrest Warrant & Drugs

Sr. Tpr. Bean was patrolling along a small back road between the forest and a small subdivision when a vehicle approached and pulled over as he saw the trooper. Upon contact, Sr. Tpr. Bean noticed that he did not have a shirt on and was not wearing a seatbelt. The subject stated that he did not have a driver's license and Sr. Tpr. Bean noticed a blue tarp covering something in the back of the car with a rifle sitting on it. The driver admitted that he had a deer in the back of the car, stated that he had accidentally struck the deer with his car, finished it off with his rifle, and was taking it home to eat. He had no licenses or tags for 2014. The passenger in the vehicle was extremely nervous and did not want to look at the trooper. Sr. Tpr. Bean doubted that the passenger had given his correct name. After questioning the driver, he admitted that he was out hunting deer and shot the 3X4 buck while trespassing on a large ranch. A pat down of the subject revealed methamphetamine and prescription drugs. The passenger continued to be elusive, was taken into custody and later admitted to giving a false name. Sr. Tpr. Bean found the passenger had a valid warrant for his arrest and was lodged. He was cited for **Aiding in Game Violation** for his part and the driver was cited for **Hunting Closed Season and Criminal Trespass**. The driver was also cited for **PCS Methamphetamine and Oxycodone**. The deer and rifle were seized.

## Trophy Buck, Bow, Deer Tag Seized

Sr. Tpr. Gunderson received a call from Sr. Tpr. Davis requesting he attempt to locate two subjects that would be passing

through The Dalles who were involved in an incident regarding the unlawful taking of a buck deer in violation of Hunting on Enclosed Lands of Another without permission. Sr. Tpr. Gunderson located the subjects later that day on Interstate 84, at milepost 108. They admitted to the offense, including providing the ranch employee with a false name and phone number. Both subjects were cited and released for the crime of **Hunting on Enclosed Lands of Another**, and the 4x4 trophy buck deer, bow and arrows, and bow deer tag were seized as evidence.

## Deer Seized in Days Creek Area

Tpr. Baimbridge was dispatched to a shooting complaint in the Days Creek area that occurred at 4:00am. Tpr. Baimbridge contacted a female who provided a permit issued by ODFW to haze deer 24 hours a day with a shotgun from 50 yards with #7.5 or #8 shot. There was no sign of blood in the area and the female stated all the deer ran out of her garden. Tpr. Baimbridge was contacted again about the incident, given more information and after follow up, determined two deer had been killed with #6 duck and pheasant shot from about 25 yards. One deer ran off to the neighbor's yard and died while the other deer was skinned and hung at another residence. The female was cited and released for **Unlawful Take of Antlerless Deer** and the deer was seized.

## Wounded Buck in Terrebonne

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg and Sgt. Lea responded to the town of Terrebonne on a report of a subject chasing a wounded buck through town. The incident garnered significant attention from the local residents due to the tame nature of the large buck. It was determined the buck was shot in a legal area and was running through adjacent streets and yards. The hunter was advised regarding trespass issues and the local residents were advised of the legal rights of the hunter.

## WED Shooter Cited

Sr. Tpr. Hagedorn conducted a night time deer decoy operation in the Wendling TMA with the assistance of LCSO Deputy Coombs and BLM LEO Woods. The operator of the second vehicle that observed the WED exited his vehicle and shot the WED with a rifle, he was cited and the rifle was seized (the subject also had a bow in the vehicle). Incidentally, the officers Sr. Tpr. Hagedorn was working with had been looking for this same subject regarding an Illegal Camping violation on nearby BLM property. They took separate action for that offense.

## Elk Seized from Cottage Grove Residence

Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher followed up on an elk case at the request of Tpr. Smith. A subject was interviewed who had killed a calf elk in the Silvies Unit during a controlled antlerless hunt. It was

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determined the hunter was outside the controlled hunt boundary when he killed the elk. A rifle, elk tag, and meat were seized at his residence in Cottage Grove. Tpr. Smith forwarded a citation and the subject was cited for **Take Elk Closed Season**.

## Heppner and Fossil Area Checks

Sr. Tpr. Jewett patrolled Heppner and Fossil areas for archery and grouse hunting seasons. Sr. Tpr. Jewett reported the following contacts; 24 hunter checks, five citizen contacts and one unfounded complaint. No violations were observed.

## WED Reveals 'Road Hunters'

Sgt. Hand and Lt. Gifford ran a deer decoy in the Interstate Unit in response to unexplained rifle shots being heard. Vehicle traffic by the decoy was equal to, or greater than what is seen during rifle season. A total of three hunters made attempts at the decoy but all did so legally and had legal tags. However, it must be noted that all vehicles driving through were road hunting and few were wearing what would traditionally be called clothing appropriate for bow hunting.

## Bear Shot Day Before Season Opens

Sr. Tpr. Thompson has been working on a case where a bear was shot the day before bear season opened. He received the report from an anonymous caller that someone shot and killed a bear and butchered it up the day before bear season opened. When Sr.



Black bear. Photo credit: ODFW

Tpr. Thompson went to the residence on opening morning, nobody was home but evidence of a bear being butchered was found in plain view at the front of the residence. Sr. Tpr. Thompson eventually contacted the residents and they admitted to killing the bear. Two subjects were cited for **Taking Bear Closed Season** and for shooting the bear the day before the season opened. The subjects stated the bear was coming toward them at a distance of about 20 yards so they shot it and were going to tag it the next day when the season opened. Several packages of bear meat were seized.

## White River Wildlife Area

Sr. Tpr. Gunderson and Tpr. Frazier responded to a wildlife complaint near the White River wildlife area resulting in several

charges for **Taking Elk Prohibited Method - Rifle, Aiding, Waste Elk (x2), Wildlife Area Road Closure Violations (x2)**. The elk, rifle, fake bloody arrow, shell casings, and tag were seized as evidence.

## 5x5 Bull Elk Salvaged, Donated

Sr. Tpr. Hayes responded to Christmas Valley on a report of a 5x5 bull elk that had been shot with a rifle and left. The bull was salvaged and donated to a meat list recipient.

## Bow Hunters Started Before Season

Tpr. Brandon received information regarding a hunting party in the Siuslaw Unit which was in the act of recovering a bull elk two days prior to start of general bow season. Tpr. Brandon responded and contacted the hunters as they were getting ready to leave the location and found one vehicle had a 7x7 bull elk loaded in the back. During the interviews, the three hunters stated the season had started on that day, punched the general season bow tag for the 28<sup>th</sup> when the general bow season did not start until the 30<sup>th</sup>. It was explained that they were two days too early and the hunter who had killed the bull was criminally cited for **Unlawful Take/Possession Bull Elk - Closed season**. Charges on the other two hunters may be referred to the district attorney's office. The bull elk was seized and taken to a butcher for processing.

## Bow Hunter Shot WED

Tpr. Herman and Tpr. O'Connor conducted a night Wildlife Enforcement Decoy following the opening day of archery season. At approximately 10:00pm, a vehicle approached the decoy and illuminated it with headlights then, the vehicle stopped while keeping its headlights on the decoy. The passenger then exited the vehicle, shot and hit the decoy with an arrow, got back into the vehicle and sped off. Tpr. Herman stopped the vehicle and subsequently cited and released the passenger criminally for **Hunt with the Aid of Artificial Light** and the driver criminally for **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense**. The passenger's bow was seized.

## Ranchers Request WED Ops

Sr. Tpr. Young and Vaughn followed up on signing up landowners requesting to be included in WED operations. Several new ranches have requested decoy patrols and two are located in the Grizzly Unit with borders on USFS land.

## Metalized Deer Skull & Antlers Seized

Sgt. Hand seized a large deer skull with intact antlers. The finder of the skull found it more than a month after shooting at and hitting a deer with an arrow in the same general area. The

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finder thought the skull might belong to the deer he had previously hit, so he placed his bow tag on the deer (not bow season) and retained the skull and antlers. He had the skull professionally cleaned and metalized for display but later, after learning that keeping intact horns was unlawful, he turned himself in. He was warned and the horns were seized, they will be used for educational purposes.

## Fern Ridge Hunters Cited

Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher worked the Fern Ridge Lake area on opening day of the September goose season. Eighteen hunters were checked and one was cited for **Shotgun Capable of Holding More Than Three Shells** and two hunters were cited for **No Federal Waterfowl Stamp**. Two Canada Geese were seized.

## SPORT ANGLING

### Criminal Citations for Anglers

Tpr. Ferguson received a complaint of three males actively poaching Coho salmon on Eagle Creek (tributary to the Clackamas River) downstream of the hatchery. The information given was that one male was wearing a scuba mask to locate and corral the Coho salmon while the other two males attempted to snag the fish or net them. Tpr. Ferguson and Sr. Tpr. Schoenborn (Portland) hiked into the remote location, located the subjects and observed them using the scuba gear while attempting to snag/net the salmon. At the conclusion of the investigation, the troopers seized seven adult Coho salmon, one spinning rod/reel, one salmon net, two "snagging" rigs, one falsely applied for Oregon resident license/tag and one set of scuba goggles. The three adult males were criminally cited and released for **Fail to Immediately Validate Harvest Card, Possession of Falsely Applied for License or Tag, No Combined Angling Tag, Angling Prohibited Method - Attempt to Snag and Possession of Foul-Hooked Game Fish**. The adult males and three juvenile males were also issued multiple warnings for other angling violations.

### Deschutes River Enforcement

Sr. Tpr. Frazier and Sr. Tpr. Gunderson conducted an overnight Deschutes River patrol and reported the following contacts; 54 angler checks, 12 boat checks, and eight guide checks which resulted in two guide warnings, one warning for No Columbia River Endorsement, one for Improper Validation, two citations for **Fail to Validate** and one citation for **No Angling License**.

### Subjects Not Tagging Fish

Tpr. Galusha and Rct. Thomas have received countless complaints about angler conduct on the Nehalem River near the

mouth. Most of the complaints involve subjects keeping fish and not tagging them in an attempt to keep more than 10 fall Chinook within the yearly limit. During the patrol, the troopers wrote five citations for **Fail to Validate Angling Harvest Card**, one citation for **Continuing to Angle after Retaining Daily Bag Limit**, and one citation for **No Combined Angling Tag**.

### Salmon Citations Issued, Columbia River

Tpr. Shimer contacted two men angling for salmon on the Columbia River while using barbed hooks. The men stated they had not caught any fish that day, but Tpr. Shimer noticed fresh blood on the side of a cooler inside the anglers' boat. When asked to look inside the cooler, one man quickly lifted it open and then tried to hide the cooler. Tpr. Shimer saw there was a salmon inside the cooler and boarded the subject's boat. A probable cause search of the cooler revealed five non-adipose fin clipped Chinook. The men admitted to catching the salmon in the closed area and stated all of the salmon were caught with barbed hooks. The men were issued criminal citations for **Angling Prohibited Method to Wit: Barbed Hooks for Salmon/Steelhead (x2)** and **Unlawful Possession of Non Adipose Fin-Clipped Chinook (x5)**. Their fishing poles and hooks were seized as evidence.

### Garibaldi Citations

Sgt. Hoodenpyl worked the docks of Garibaldi over the weekend as the fishing has been extremely good in Tillamook Bay. During this time, the non-adipose fin clipped Coho season was closed and anglers tend to have issues identifying Coho from Chinook. During this patrol, Sgt. Hoodenpyl seized two wild Coho salmon and 18 undersized Dungeness crab. Citations were issued for **Aiding in a Game Violation, Unlawful Possession Non-Adipose Fin Clipped Coho, Unlawful Possession Undersized Dungeness Crab (x2), Fail to Register Boat**, and multiple warnings were given.

### Patrol on Lake Billy Chinook

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg & Sr. Tpr. Prodzinski conducted an afternoon boat patrol on the upper Metolius arm of Lake Billy Chinook. The troopers were on the watch for anglers who might be intentionally snagging kokanee. One angler retained a questionably caught fish and was warned by the troopers after being educated in legal take regulations. A second angler was warned because he and his fishing partners had miscounted their daily catch and possessed one kokanee over their bag limit.

### OSP Responds to ODFW Sampler

Sr. Tpr. Canfield responded to the Salmon River on a complaint from an ODFW sampler. The ODFW employee contacted a subject who had caught and kept a Chinook salmon and would

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not show him his angling tag. The subject had become confrontational and the ODFW employee left the area to wait for OSP. The subject later told Sr. Tpr. Canfield that he didn't think the sampler had the authority to ask to see his tag and he didn't want to be harassed while he was trying to fish. The subject was cited criminally for **Fail to Allow an ODFW Employee to Inspect Angling Tag.**

## 11 Anglers Cited Sandy River

Sr. Tpr. Reel and Tpr. Borchers conducted early morning angler checks on the Sandy River near the mouth of Cedar Creek. During several hours on the river, the troopers cited 11 anglers and seized five fishing rods as evidence. Five citations were written for **Angling before Legal Hours**, three citations were written for **Attempting to Snag Salmon** and three citations were issued for **Fail to Validate a Harvest Tag.**

## Zodiac Patrols Near Astoria

Sr. Tpr. Klepp used the Zodiac to conduct a boat patrol of salmon anglers from the mouth of the Columbia River to Astoria. He contacted numerous anglers and issued eight citations for **Angling Prohibited Method - Barbed Hooks.** Later that day, Sr. Tpr. Klepp and Tpr. O'Connor used the Zodiac to patrol the Columbia River near Astoria just before nightfall to enforce the No Chinook Possession rule below Tongue Point / Rocky Point. They contacted six boats, two of which were in violation of the rules. One small boat with two men aboard was in possession of a Chinook salmon (both men were on their second trip of the day and had dropped off their initial catch earlier). One of the men had recorded two salmon on his Washington harvest card without indicating what species. One man was cited for **Illegal Possession of Chinook Salmon Closed Season** and the other was cited for **Failure to Properly Validate Salmon Harvest Card - Species.** Another boat contacted had two adults and a small child on board with their limit of nine salmon, one of the nine salmon was a Chinook. One of the men on board did not have enough entries left on his harvest card for the three Coho he harvested and none of the salmon on board had been validated. One citation was issued for **Aiding in a Game Violation to wit - Illegal Possession of Chinook Salmon** and one citation was issued for **No Valid Salmon Harvest Card.** They were warned for Failure to Validate Salmon Harvest Card.

## Eleven Salmon Seized

Tpr. O'Connor responded to numerous ODFW complaints of illegal salmon being caught by sport anglers. In total, 11 salmon were seized and citations were issued for **Aiding in**

**a Wildlife Offense, Unlawful Take of Non Adipose Fin Clipped Coho Salmon, Unlawful Take of Undersized Chinook Salmon, and Unlawful Take of Non Fin Clipped Chinook Salmon.** The salmon were taken to the local food bank.

## Salmon Anglers Cited

Salmon anglers. Photo credit: ODFW swart



Sr. Tpr. Klepp used the department's 17 foot skiff to patrol salmon anglers in the Clatskanie area of the Columbia River during the last remaining weekend of adipose fin-clipped Chinook retention. He contacted seven boats and 14 anglers near the Washington shoreline. Two anglers in a "hog-line" were contacted and subsequently issued citations for **Angling Salmon Prohibited Method - Barbed Hooks.** Then, approximately 150 yards down river, Sr. Tpr. Klepp witnessed three men on board a boat land a large Chinook salmon. Sr. Tpr. Klepp waited (10 minutes) for the men to cast their rods out again before contacting them. The men stated only one salmon was on board, but Sr. Tpr. Klepp discovered two additional non adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon hidden on the boat. Two criminal citations were issued for **Taking/Illegal Possession of Non Adipose Fin-Clipped Chinook Salmon.** The two salmon were later donated to the Astoria Food Bank.

## Anglers License Seized

Sr. Tpr. Routson contacted a male subject angling on the Deschutes River. Further investigation revealed the male subject moved to Oregon in December of 2013 and purchased a resident angling license in February of 2014. The subject was issued a citation for **Possession of Falsely Applied for License** at the Deschutes River. His angling license and tag were seized.

# Sport Angling / Marine Fish

## Winchester Bay Anglers Cited

A citizen reported an angler was exceeding his daily limit of salmon in Winchester Bay. Sr. Tpr. Harris responded and contacted two anglers. One subject had caught and retained three salmon and the other had kept one. The anglers thought they had three Chinook and one Coho, but they actually had three wild Coho and one wild Chinook. Two wild Coho were seized as evidence. One subject was cited for **Borrowing a Salmon Tag** and the other subject was cited for **Loaning a Salmon Tag**. Numerous warnings were given including **Exceeding the Daily Limit of Wild Coho, Continuing to Angle after Retaining a Limit of Adult Salmon, Exceeding Annual Wild Coho Limit on the Umpqua River, and Failure to Properly Validate Salmon Tag**.

## Repeat Snagger Cited

Tpr. Nugent was on routine patrol when he received a call from Sr. Tpr. Thompson about a boat we have received numerous complaints on for snagging in the Power Line Hole on the Rogue River. Tpr. Nugent arrived and watched two individuals attempting to snag salmon from the boat. They were later contacted by Tpr. Nugent when they arrived at the Touvelle State Park boat ramp and were each issued citations for **Attempting to Snag Salmon**.

## Angler Cited, Coho Seized

Tpr. Herman worked in plain clothes to observe salmon anglers at the river beach in Ft. Stevens State Park. Tpr. Herman watched as an angler caught and retained what appeared to be a non-adipose fin clipped Coho salmon. The angler put the salmon inside his truck and continued angling. Later in the day, after changing to a uniformed patrol, Tpr. Herman located the angler on the far side of the beach away from all of the other anglers. The angler had cut the back and adipose fin area off of the salmon, and was preparing to filet the rest. The angler said that he had thrown the back of the salmon in the river, and had not tagged the salmon because he was planning on catching some bigger salmon. The angler was cited and released criminally for **Possession of Mutilated Game Fish** and **Fail to Immediately Validate Harvest Card**. The Coho was seized and donated to the food bank.

## Coho Donated to Food Bank

Tpr. Herman conducted a boat patrol on the Columbia River. Tpr. Herman issued five citations for **Angling Prohibited Method - Barbed Hooks for Salmon**, and one citation for **Unlawful Taking Non Adipose Fin Clipped Coho Salmon**. Two Coho were seized and donated to the food bank.

## Columbia River Boat Patrol

Sr. Tpr. Schoenborn, Tpr. Ferguson and Sr. Tpr. Reel conducted a boat patrol on the Columbia River near the mouth of the Sandy River. While on patrol, they contacted a fishing guide who was found to be using barbed hooks, which are prohibited on the Columbia River when angling for salmon, steelhead and sturgeon. Sr. Tpr. Reel had contact with this guide several months prior and found him using barbed hooks at that time as well. The guide was issued a criminal citation for **Aiding in a Wildlife Crime** and the barbed hooks were seized as evidence. The troopers wrote citations to several other anglers for using barbed hooks, seized one Chinook salmon and issued the angler a citation for **Illegal Possession of Salmon** and **Failure to Possess a Harvest Card**.

## Siuslaw River Citations

Tpr. Farrar and Tpr. Cutsforth received information from ODFW regarding two separate non-adipose fin-clipped Coho salmon that were caught and retained by anglers on the Siuslaw River. Investigations lead to the anglers being cited for **Unlawful Take/Possession of Non Adipose Fin Clipped Coho Salmon - Closed Area**.

## 23 Salmon Seized and Donated

Tpr. Herman contacted salmon anglers as they returned to the local docks. Tpr. Herman issued eight citations for **Unlawful Taking Non Adipose Fin Clipped Chinook Salmon**, three citations for **Unlawful Taking Non Adipose Fin Clipped Coho Salmon**, two citations for **Exceed the Bag Limit of Chinook Salmon**, one citation for **Aid in a Wildlife Violation**, and two citations for **Unlawful Taking Undersized Chinook Salmon**. A total of 23 salmon were seized and donated to the food bank.

## Sandy River Angler Arrested

Sr. Tpr. Reel was checking anglers on the Sandy River near Brightwood when he saw a male subject who had been angling take off on foot, up river. Sr. Tpr. Reel recognized the suspect as a person he had arrested prior on a warrant and was able to make contact with him. The subject was from Minnesota, did not have a non-resident license, and had a valid FTA warrant out of Clackamas County. The suspect was lodged on the warrant and cited for **No Non-Resident Angling License**.

## MARINE FISH

## Ocean Patrol checks 100 Anglers

Sr. Tpr. Harris and Tpr. Keeler conducted an ocean boat patrol out of Charleston where approximately 100 anglers were contacted. Multiple warnings were issued and citations for **Fail to**

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**Immediately Validate Salmon Tag, Angling Prohibited Method – Barbed Hooks (x2) and Unlawful Take Undersize Chinook Salmon.**

## Angler Retained Yellow-Eye Rockfish

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs was called to assist the Coos Bay office with an angler that had retained a prohibited yellow-eye rockfish at Charleston Harbor. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs contacted the subject in Coos Bay and cited him for **Take/Possession of Prohibited Species - Yellow-Eye Rockfish**. The fish was released to the South Coast Gospel Mission in Coos Bay.

## COMMERCIAL

### Multiple Citations for Commercial Boat

Tpr. Borchers and Sr. Tpr. Schoenborn were on a nighttime boat patrol conducting compliance checks on the Columbia River commercial gillnet fishery. Several commercial boats were checked for compliance including checking the mesh size of the nets, which are required to have a minimum size of nine inches. Sr. Tpr. Schoenborn and Tpr. Borchers contacted one commercial fisherman near Hayden Island who was found to be using an illegal net with mesh openings that were too small. The net had been used to catch and keep 44 Chinook salmon that were on board the vessel. The troopers seized the 1200 foot long net and all of the salmon, which had a total weight of 748 pounds. The fish were sold to a wholesale fish dealer with the proceeds to be paid to ODFW. The commercial fisherman was charged with **Commercial Angling Prohibited Method - Mesh Size and Unlawful Take/Possession of Commercially Caught Salmon** (44 counts).

### Commercial Captain Cited

Trp. Pearson and Trp. Ocheskey performed a routine check on several subjects on a commercial fishing boat on the Columbia River. Investigation revealed two of the individuals had outstanding warrants for their arrest and were taken into custody and lodged at NORCOR. The boat captain was issued three citations for **Insufficient Number of PFD's, No Tribal ID on Person and Possession of Undersized Sturgeon**.

### Facebook Seller Investigated, Cited

Tpr. Van Meter finished up a joint investigation with SIU on a Yachats woman who had attempted to sell recreationally caught salmon on a Lincoln County Facebook page. The initial report came in from someone who had seen the post and contacted OSP. Tpr. Van Meter interviewed the subject and she admitted to posting on Facebook, but told Tpr. Van Meter she was only offering to take people on a boat trip in exchange for a donation towards gas money and claimed never to have offered to actual-

ly sell someone a fish. Tpr. Van Meter completed her investigation and cited the subject for **Illegally Selling Recreational Caught Salmon**.

### South Jetty Crabber Cited

Tpr. Cutsforth contacted a group who were crabbing at the South Jetty crab dock. No one in the group had a shellfish license and in addition, they had caught and retained 11 undersized crabs, some of which were female. The individual who had retained the crab was issued citations for **No Shellfish License and Unlawful Possession of Undersized Dungeness Crab**. He was warned for Unlawful Possession of the Female Dungeness Crab.

### Skipper Who Snubbed ODFW Got Cited

Sgt. Thompson responded to commercial docks to follow-up on a commercial fish complaint. The previous day, an ODFW sampler was sampling a commercial salmon load at a local fish plant. The skipper approached a fish tote and pulled out the only small salmon in the load. He held it up and made a comment that he needed to get rid of it. The ODFW sampler identified herself and told the skipper the fish had a coded wire tag that needed to be recovered and it also needed to be measured for length. The skipper then turned around and threw the salmon in the bay. The skipper said, "There's nothing to measure now." Sgt. Thompson took statements from the ODFW employee and fish plant personnel. The skipper was cited criminally for **Fail to Allow Inspection of Catch by ODFW Employee, Waste of Commercially Caught Food Fish, and Tampering with Physical Evidence**.

## SHELLFISH

### Crabbers Ignored Rules

Rct. Thomas worked crabbers on Tillamook Bay and Nehalem Bay. He seized 22 undersized crab and issued two citations for **No Shellfish License** and two citations for **Unlawful Possession Undersized Dungeness Crab**. One case involved a marina owner who reported one of his rental boats was keeping short crabs. The marina owner contacted the subjects to try to educate them and was dismissed by the crabbers. He called Rct. Thomas who seized the crab from the boat and cited the boat operator.

## OREGON STATE MARINE BOARD (OSMB)

### Brookings Salmon Derby Patrol

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs assisted Tpr. Smithers and Sr. Tpr. Thompson with the Brookings Salmon Derby - they conducted boat

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patrols and dock checks for anglers in the area. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs warned one subject for Fail to Validate Halibut Harvest Card, one for Unlawful Take of Canary Rockfish and another for No Boaters Education Card and Insufficient Personal Flotation Devices.

## 17 BER's Conducted

Sr. Tpr. Klepp worked the docks in Warrenton and Astoria and contacted 21 crabbers and 36 salmon anglers. He issued one warning each for **Illegal Possession of Undersized and Female Dungeness Crab**, and **Taking Dungeness Crab Prohibited Method - Excessive Number of Pots/Rings (x5)**. He also issued two citations for **Illegal Possession of Non Adipose Fin-Clipped Coho Salmon** and conducted 17 BERS with one Marine Board warning.

## Boater Cited 0.15% BUII and More

Sr. Tpr's. Stone and Frerichs located a boater and observed him smoking marijuana and likely fishing for salmon in a closed area (south Umpqua River). He initially refused to come ashore and the troopers later spotted and recovered his coffee thermos which contained his marijuana and pipe floating in the river which he denied throwing out. During the contact, both troopers observed signs of impairment, the boater agreed to perform SFST'S and failed. He was arrested for BUII and tampering with evidence, later providing a breath sample indicating a 0.15% BAC. He was cited for **No PFD, No Angling License, and Unlawful Possession Marijuana Less than One Ounce**.

## Boat without Navigation Lights Cited

While patrolling after dark along Dexter Reservoir, Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher observed a boat on the reservoir without required navigation lights. Sr. Trooper Maher went to Lowell State Park where he found a parked vehicle with an empty boat trailer. Sr. Tpr. Maher waited for the boat to return to the ramp, once it returned, the operator was cited for **Fail to Display Navigation Lights When Required**. The boat operator was also warned for no sound producing device on board and for having a defective ventilation system.

## ENVIRONMENT

### Anglers Cited for Littering

Sr. Tpr. Kehr received a snagging complaint on the Salmon River. He located and observed subjects below the hatchery targeting early salmon trapped in shallow pools with "flossing" gear, corkies and yarn with very large hooks. While Sr. Tpr. Kehr was watching the subjects, two of the individuals who had been warned before, were smoking and throwing their cigarette butts in the river and on the bank. They were contacted and

cited for **Littering within 100 yards of a Waterway and Littering in a Waterway**.

### Multiple Citations at Old Mill Site, Yachats

Sr. Tpr. Canfield and Sgt. Thompson responded to an old mill site in Yachats at the request of the Lincoln County SO (LCSO). There was an active wild land fire at the site and the LCSO observed possible environmental violations. Sr. Tpr. Canfield and Sgt. Thompson discovered multiple environmental crimes upon their arrival. There was an active fire where fiberglass, tires, and plastic had been burned. There were piles of garbage and dismantled travel trailers adjacent to Big Creek. There were large holes dug in the wetlands, and several yards of fill dirt piled in the wetland and on the bank of Big Creek. The on-site employee who was interviewed took responsibility for the situation and was cited for **Air Pollution II, Water Pollution II, Unlawful Fill and Removal, and Littering within 100 Yards of a Waterway**. The Oregon Department of Forestry cited the business for **Reckless Burning**. DEQ, DSL, and ODFW were contacted and coordination is being done with them for possible civil action and mitigation.

## ATV

### Speeding ATV's Cited

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg contacted and warned two bow hunters operating side by side ATV's for **No ATV Operator's Cards and Driving Off-Road** (destroying live vegetation). Later in the day, the same two subjects were observed travelling at a high rate of speed on a paved county road. Both ATV operators were cited for **Unlawful Operation of an ATV on a Highway or Railroad**.

### Felons on Probation Cited

Sr. Tpr. Hayes observed two subjects hunting from their ATV's without OHV permits. The subjects were contacted and found to have no tags and to be on felony probation. Citations were issued for **Operating While Suspended** and **for No Valid Tag**. Their parole officer was also notified.

### Archery Hunters Cited

Sr. Tpr. Jewett was checking archery hunters on a road that's closed to ATV's when two of them drove past him and waved. Sr. Tpr. Jewett stopped the ATV's and arrested the front operator for an outstanding felony warrant out of Morrow County and cited the subject for **DWS, Operation of ATV in Violation of Posted Restrictions**.

### Heppner Unit ATV Patrol

Sr. Tpr. Jewett conducted an ATV patrol in the Heppner WMU

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and reported the following contacts; four hunter contacts, three ATV checks, and one warning for USFS Campfire Violation.

## **INTERAGENCY COOPERATION**

### **Stolen Vehicle Tracked**

Sr. Tpr. Ring assisted Deschutes County SO and Redmond PD with locating two subjects who eluded them in a stolen red Camaro. The vehicle was located unoccupied off a dirt road in a sparsely populated area. Sr. Tpr. Ring assisted the K-9 team with the track and successful apprehension of both occupants of the stolen vehicle.

### **OSP Body Camera Major Asset in Case**

Troopers from the Coos Bay, Gold Beach and Roseburg offices were assisted by officers from the Bandon Police Department, Sgt. Markee, and the South Coast Interagency Narcotics Team (SCINT) in executing search warrants at two residences and one business in the Bandon area. Evidence of fish and wildlife crimes, as well as evidence of drug crimes, was seized including a 7 point elk mount, a set of spike elk antlers, a compound bow, and two shot guns. Over 19 pounds of usable marijuana and marijuana products and over \$17,000 in cash were also seized. SCINT took over the drug investigation. The subject was cited for **Exceeding the Bag Limit for Elk** in Curry County which occurred during the 2013 archery elk season. The subject was also cited for **Unlawful Possession of Elk** and **Felon in Possession of a Firearm** in Coos County. While Tpr. Keeler was talking with the subject, the subject was busy texting and answering calls. The trooper seized the subject's cell phone as directed by the search warrant. The cell phone turned out to be a new iPhone 6 and consulting with the crime lab revealed that the files couldn't be analyzed without the security code. Tpr. Keeler spent almost three hours reviewing video from his (new) body camera and located footage of the subject entering his phone security code. After three attempts, Tpr. Keeler was able to unlock the phone and found several incriminating photos of the subject and the multiple elk that he took in 2013.

### **OSP and LCSO Boat Patrol**

Sr. Tpr. Canfield conducted a boat patrol with LCSO on the Yaquina River. He issued citations for **Depositing Litter within in 100 Yards of a Waterway** and **Fail to Validate Harvest Card**. He also responded to South Beach Marina and issued a citation for **Possession of Non- Adipose Fin Clipped Coho Salmon**.

### **20 Marine Board Citations Issued**

Tpr. Shimer and Tpr. Vanrenterghem assisted Columbia County Sheriff Deputies in a "Make Way" operation. The operation included the U.S. Coast Guard and deputies from Columbia,

Clackamas and Washington Counties. Tpr. Shimer and Tpr. Vanrenterghem split up during the patrol and worked with sheriff deputies. During the operation, a total of 20 marine board citations were issued (nine of which were issued by the troopers).

### **Transient Hunting with No License**

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg assisted BLM Rangers with a resident transient camp. One subject associated with the camp was found hunting using a bow with the arrow knocked. The subject was cited for **No Resident Hunting License / Bow Deer Tag**. The subjects were warned for an Illegal Campfire and advised to move their transient camp.

### **Camper with Meth Cited**

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher assisted USFS officers at the Deception Complex Fire Camp located near Oakridge with a drug investigation. A USFS officer found a subject in camp in possession of methamphetamine. The officer requested that the case be handled by the state. Sr. Tpr. Maher interviewed the suspect and cited her for **UPCS – Methamphetamine**.

### **Illegal Possession of Salmon**

Sr. Tpr. Klepp used the zodiac to provide DSL wetland specialist Lauren Brown and opportunity to visually inspect Miller Sands as part of a statewide survey of randomly selected wetlands throughout the state. Upon returning from the island, several salmon anglers were contacted near the Tongue Point area. As they were returning to the John Day River boat ramp to contact an angler with an undersized Chinook salmon, Ms. Brown pointed out a group of four men and asked "What are they doing?" as they were moored to the shore at an unusual location near a railroad bridge approximately 1/4 mile from the boat ramp. Upon contact, two men were in the process of filleting four Coho which had already been placed in Zip-Lock bags. Inside another cooler were seven more adult salmon and three jacks. One man was not in possession of a salmon harvest card or angling license. He claimed they had harvested their Chinook below Tongue Point but admitted to traveling upriver of Tongue Point to continue angling for Coho while the Chinook were still on board (violation of possession rule). Only one of the 11 adult salmon caught had been validated on a harvest card. The men were warned for Failure to Validate Salmon Harvest Card and Illegal Possession on Chinook salmon, all four were cited for **Illegal Possession of Mutilated Game Fish - Salmon**.

### **Columbia Citations Issued**

Tpr. O'Connor and Officer Mitchell (NOAA Fisheries) conducted

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a boat patrol on the lower Columbia River. Six citations were issued for **Failure to Immediately Validate Angling Harvest Tag, Angling Prohibited Area to wit: Young's Bay Control Zone** and **Angling Prohibited Method for Salmon to wit - Barbed Hooks**.

## OSP Assists Domestic Disturbance

Tpr. Tague assisted the Lake County SO with a domestic disturbance. While passing through the area, Tpr. Tague observed the subject and when he attempted to stop, the man ran off. Lakeview Police Department arrived and went to the man's relative's house and located him. Before police officers could cuff him, he ran out the door to where Tpr. Tague was staged. After a short foot chase, the subject gave up and was arrested for numerous County charges including **Interfering with a Peace Officer**.

## Skipper Found Deckhand Deceased

Tpr. Van Meter and Rct. Severson (Patrol Newport) assisted the USCG with a death investigation. A commercial boat out of Charleston was headed south from a north bound salmon trip. The skipper and his deckhand switched on and off all night sleeping and driving. The skipper awoke and found his seventy+ year old deckhand deceased. The boat came to Newport, USCG Yaquina Bay, OSP and USCG investigators from Portland MSO are investigating.

## PUBLIC RELATIONS (PR)

### OSP Assists Hunter Education Day

Tpr. Van Meter and Sr. Tpr. Canfield assisted with the Hunter Education field day at Big Timber Rifle and Pistol Club in Siletz. 24 students and 12 parent observers attended.

### Hunter's Education Guest Speakers

Sr. Tpr. Vaughn and Sr. Tpr. Prodzinski attended a hunter's education meeting in Jefferson County as guest speakers. There were about 80 people in attendance and troopers took part for three hours.

### Prineville Nature Conservancy

Sr. Tpr. Young met with the new managers of the Nature Conservancy property east of Prineville. The managers had previously expressed an interest in meeting with local OSP Fish and Wildlife Troopers. They had questions about how to deal with trespass issues, and poaching on the property. All of their questions were answered and contact information was exchanged.

## GENERAL LAW

### Heroin User Needed CPR

Sr. Tpr. McDowell responded to Forest Service Road 5160 for report of CPR in progress due to a suspected drug overdose. Upon arrival, the subject was semi-alert and breathing on his own. Investigation revealed that the subject had recently used heroin and when the other two members of the hunting camp woke up, he was blue and unresponsive. CPR was performed for an estimated fifteen minutes before he awoke. Life Flight was activated and ultimately cancelled by medical staff since the subject refused medical care. A consent search of the subject's vehicle and hunting camp revealed he was in possession of heroin and paraphernalia. He was cited and released.

### Crump Lake Artifacts Recovered

Lt. Gifford, Sgt. Hand, and Tpr. Tague attended a local meeting on archaeological issues. While visiting Crump Lake, a subject was observed possibly gridding for artifacts so, Tpr. Tague made contact with the subject who was found to have several artifacts. Artifacts were recovered and a report will be submitted to the Lake County District Attorney's Office.

### Vehicle Search Reveals Drugs, Stolen Items

Sgt. Lea contacted a suspicious vehicle parked on a USFS Rd in the Metolius Unit. Upon contact with the operator, numerous indicators of illegal activity were noted. A search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of Methamphetamine, Marijuana, stolen jewelry, and stolen Black Butte Ranch property. Black Butte PD arrived on scene and recovered the Black Butte Ranch Property. The subject was cited and released for **PCS Methamphetamine, Theft of Lost or Misplaced Property**, and **PCS Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana**.

### Drunk Bow Hunter Arrested

Sr. Tpr. Jubitz observed a white Toyota pickup stopped on the wrong side of the road with the backup lights on and a subject in camouflage standing outside the truck at the driver's door. Sr. Tpr. Jubitz contacted the subject, who was bow hunting and had an odor of alcohol coming from his person. The subject consented to SFST's and was placed under arrest for **DUII**. He was transported to NORCOR where he submitted a breath sample of 0.08% BAC and was cited and released for **DUII and Open Container**.

### Weyerhaeuser Access Key Mis-Used

Sr. Tpr. Reid (NCTMA) contacted a subject that was behind locked Weyerhaeuser gates placing out trail cameras. This

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subject had a Weyerhaeuser key, but it was only to be used for wood cutting and nothing hunting related. This subject was cited for **Unlawful Motorized Entry**.

## Arrest for Reckless Driving

Tpr. Galusha responded to a reckless driving complaint on Hwy 101 where a subject had driven other vehicles off of the highway. Investigation revealed the subject was following a vehicle that had thrown rocks onto his windshield. This subject attempted to stop the vehicle that threw the rocks, but drove in a manner that caused multiple vehicles to drive off the roadway to avoid head on collisions with him. The driver was arrested for **Reckless Driving** and lodged in the Tillamook County Jail.

## Reckless, DUII Driver Arrested

Sr. Tpr. McDowell responded to an ATL of a driver harassing other motorists on Interstate 84 near milepost 261. Sr. Tpr. McDowell located the subject and initiated a traffic stop at which time the driver attempted to flee. The driver ultimately crashed on the on-ramp near milepost 257, climbed out of the window and attempted to run on foot. Sr. Tpr. McDowell deployed his taser and after a brief struggle with assistance from other troopers, the subject was taken into custody. He was charged with **Attempt to Elude, Reckless Driving, DUII, Resisting Arrest, Harassment and Reckless Endangering of Another**.

## Hunters on Private Timber Land

Sr. Tpr. Reel and Tpr. Borchers contacted three bow hunters off Weber Road east of Sandy for hunting on the enclosed land of another. The private timber land was closed with a gate across the road and marked with a no public access orange sign. The hunters admitted to walking past the gate and all were issued citations for **Hunting on Enclosed Land of Another**.

## Reckless Driver also Unregistered Sex Offender

Tpr. Galusha was traveling on Highway 6 in Tillamook when he was flagged down by multiple motorists who reported a motorhome that had just traveled through the area striking cars. Witnesses reported that an older man got out, looked at his vehicle damage, and left the scene. They were able to obtain the vehicle's license plate which came back to a Tillamook area resident. The man was contacted (his motorhome was outside) and said he didn't know that he had done damage to other vehicles. A check of the subject showed that he was a registered sex offender who was also out of compliance with his reporting requirements. He was cited for **Fail To Perform The Duties Of A Driver-Property Damage and Fail To Register Sex Offender - Felony**.

## Hunters Locked Behind Logging Gate

Sgt. Thomas was contacted by Hancock Security regarding a group of hunters who had trespassed onto Hancock property through a gate that was open for logging operations. Investigation revealed the group was told they would be locked in behind the gate by the loggers, but they proceeded on to their camping location where they were contacted by Hancock Security the following day. One individual for the group took responsibility, and was subsequently cited and released for **Criminal Trespass II**, while the rest of the group was warned for the same offense.

## Criminal Trespass, Hancock Property

Sr. Tpr. Tindle (NCTMA) was contacted by a private timber security company out of Lincoln City. The security person told Sr. Tpr. Tindle that two individuals, one on a quad and the other on a motorcycle, had eluded him on closed property of Hancock Forest Management. The person on the quad gave the security officer a false name before leaving. The security officer said he thought he recognized the person on the quad as a resident of Depoe Bay. Sr. Tpr. Tindle contacted a residence in Depoe Bay where he spoke with the grandfather of one of the subjects. The grandfather said one of the quads was gone and that his grandson had left earlier with a friend. While Sr. Tpr. Tindle was at the residence, both subjects returned with the mother of the quad driver. They both admitted to being on the closed property saying they were scared and didn't know what to do but also knew they should not have ran. Both subjects were cited for **Criminal Trespass 2nd degree**.

## WARRANTS

### Felon with Warrant Arrested

Sr. Tpr. Bennett contacted a suspicious person at the Grave Creek boat ramp who was observed leaving an area between two parked vehicles. The trooper noticed one vehicle's passenger window was broken out and when questioned, the subject told Sr. Tpr. Bennett that he had been driven to the location by his friend "Jason" who owns the truck. He said "Jason" was down the trail fishing and he came back to get some of "Jason's" gear and noticed the window was broken. The subject gave a suspicious story and provided a name that came back UTL. Sr. Tpr. Bennett told the subject that the pickup should be registered to a "Jason" however, it was not. After Sr. Tpr. Bennett observed a small crowbar in the man's back pocket, he asked for consent to search his backpack (which was granted). The trooper found the angling license of the vehicle owner in the backpack. At that point, Sr. Tpr. Bennett placed the subject under arrest, and he confessed and gave his true name. He was found to have two felony warrants for **PV-**

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**Dangerous Drugs and FTA - Burglary.** He was lodged at the jail and also charged with **False Information to Police, Theft II,** and **Unlawful Entry into a Motor Vehicle.**

## Multiple Charges for Loon Lake Felon

Sr. Tpr. Frerichs received several complaints regarding an ATV in the Loon Lake area with a man carrying a rifle. Sr. Tpr. Frerichs observed a subject off Loon Lake Road in a pickup and attempted to stop the vehicle. The operator tried to elude the trooper by driving up several gravel roads, where he was eventually stopped. He was arrested and lodged in the Douglas County Jail for **Attempt to Elude, Criminal Trespass and PCS - Schedule IV.** Sr. Tpr. Frerichs located several rounds of rifle ammunition in the man's pocket while on felony probation with a restraining order prohibiting firearms and ammunition. The man stated that he did not have any firearms with him but Sr. Tpr. Frerichs suspected the rifle was tossed out during the chase. The trooper went back to the scene after lodging the man in jail and located the rifle which was tossed by the subject. The man was charged additionally with **Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Tampering with Evidence** and **Criminal Trespass with a Firearm.** He was also in possession of a validated 2014 Bow Elk Tag belonging to his girlfriend and additionally charged with **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation.**

## Felon in Possession of Firearms

Sr. Tpr. Hayes contacted two subject's deer hunting in Klamath County and noticed some suspicious evidence even though they stated that they hadn't gotten anything. One subject was a convicted felon and found to be in possession of multiple firearms. The passenger was arrested on an outstanding arrest warrant. A consent search at the residence revealed firearms and a deer that the subject with the warrant admitted to shooting without a tag. The subjects were cited for **Felon in Possession of Firearms X5, Unlawfully Taking Deer without Tag, Aiding,** and lodged on the arrest warrant.

## Warrant Arrest in LaPine

Sr. Tpr. Ring contacted a subject in the parking lot of Shop Smart grocery store in La Pine, Oregon. A check of the subject through LEDS/DMV/NCIC showed an outstanding warrant out of Klamath County for failure to appear on an original charge of DUII. The warrant was confirmed and the subject was arrested and lodged at the Deschutes County Jail for the warrant.

## DISPOSITIONS

### Orchard Corporation Wasted Deer

A tentative plea agreement has been reached with The Dalles District Attorney's Office and a local Orchard Corporation involv-

ing eight wasted deer. The case was originally investigated by Sr. Tpr. Swede Pearson. The Dalles District Attorney's Office offered the Orchard Corporation to plead guilty to one count of **Waste** and pay civil restitution of \$8,000 on the eight deer. The Orchard Corporation attorney still needs to confirm the agreement with the client, who is currently out of town, but has tentatively agreed to the offer.

### Vernonia Poacher Sentenced

Sr. Tpr. Klepp was notified by the Columbia County Courthouse of a Vernonia man sentenced for **Aiding in a Wildlife Offense - Taking Spike Elk Closed Season.** The man was an accomplice who provided a .22 rifle to his friend who shot the elk out of season in April, 2014 in the Saddle Mountain Unit and also assisted in gutting and removal of the elk. The elk was quartered and transported by van to a Vernonia residence where it was later discovered that night (still inside the van in a driveway).

He was sentenced to:

- \* 36 month hunting license suspension
- \* Forfeiture of a .22 rifle
- \* \$2,600 total fines (which included a \$500 contribution to OHA TIP reward fund and \$500 restitution to ODFW)

### Commercial Pink Shrimp Cases

The Coos Bay Fish and Wildlife Team received three adjudications from Commercial Pink Shrimp cases investigated earlier this year. In each case, the fishermen were cited for **Exceeding 160 Count/Pound Rule.** The three fishermen were convicted of a **Class A Misdemeanor,** forfeited the value of their catch to ODFW, and were ordered to pay restitution to ODFW for 5% of the value of their catch. One of the fishermen was additionally placed on court probation for one year. The stipulated pleas waived additional penalties provided for by statute of a \$2,500 fine in each case and additional fines of double the value of the catch. A fourth fisherman is expected to plead not guilty and the case may go to trial. Two other fishermen were warned earlier in the year after their catch was sampled and found to be slightly over 160 Count/Pound. Additionally, a dock manager for one of the shrimp processing plants pled guilty earlier this year in a related case for **Falsifying Commercial Fish Records.** The dock manager was convicted for a violation as requested by OSP under a plea agreement.

### Coos Bay Woman Fined, Suspended

Sr. Tpr's. Lindberg and Harris worked a case last year where a woman from the Coos Bay area had killed a trophy mule deer buck on the winter range in 2012 near Sisters. The woman pled guilty to **Taking Buck Deer Closed Season.** She was fined \$7,500 restitution, received a three year hunting license suspension, and one year court probation.

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