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Division Trooper Recognized as a TOP COP

An Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division trooper from the John Day work site was selected to receive a special award at the Eighteenth Annual TOP COPS Awards ceremony on Thursday, May 12 at the Warner Theatre in Washington, D.C.

Each year since 1994, the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) has presented the TOP COPS Awards Ceremony. The purpose of the TOP COPS Awards is to educate the American public about our nation's heroes and to pay tribute to law enforcement officers in federal, state, county, and local agencies from across the country for actions above and beyond the call of duty during the preceding year. Nominations are submitted by fellow officers from whom the top ten cases are selected as the 2011 TOP COPS. In each remaining state, one case is selected for which the officer(s) will receive an Honorable Mention award.

Trooper Marv Ritter, 58, received an Honorable Mention award from NAPO at this year's awards ceremony. On May 20, 2010, Ritter saved a 90-year-old man from his partially submerged car in the John Day River. The man, Milton Pearlman, had reportedly been in the water for over 30 minutes after failing to negotiate a curve and driving off the road into the river. Putting himself at significant risk in the swollen river water, Ritter donned a life jacket, tied a line to himself, and entered the river several hundred feet above the car to perform a swift water rescue. Swimming into the middle of the river and getting carried downstream, Ritter was able to grab the car and Pearlman. After placing a life jacket on Pearlman, they were pulled back to shore by assisting emergency responders.



Ritter rescuing Pearlman from the John Day River. Photo credit: File

"Trooper Ritter's response that day was truly heroic as he put himself at great risk going into the water to save Mr. Pearlman. The men and women of our Department are very proud of Marv and the special recognition he is receiving from NAPO," said Superintendent Chris Brown.

NAPO is a coalition of law enforcement unions and associations from across the United States that serves to advance the interests of America's law enforcement officers through legislative and legal advocacy, political action, and education. Additional information regarding Ritter's lifesaving actions is mentioned in this linked news release: http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/NEWSRL/news/08_06_2010_ritter_berg_award.shtml.

The NAPO TOP COPS awards news release and associated information is provided in these links: <http://www.flashalertnewswire.net/images/news/2011-05/1002/44341/NAPO.TopCops.doc> and <http://www.flashalertnewswire.net/images/news/2011-05/1002/44341/NAPO.Ritter.doc>.

Ritter has worked for OSP for over six years in the Fish and Wildlife Division in John Day. He had previous law enforcement experience before joining OSP.

OHA Presented Awards to Troops

The Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) awarded Senior Trooper Ryan Kehr (Newport) and Trooper Marvin Ritter (John Day) Jack Burt TIP (Turn in Poacher) awards on May 21 at the annual statewide OHA convention banquet at the Chinook Winds Casino in Lincoln City. The two troopers were chosen for the award based on their accomplishments in fish and wildlife enforcement in their respective areas that resulted in the conviction of several poachers. Many of their investigations have stemmed from public tips. Congratulations.

Dispositions

Suspects Found Guilty and Sentenced

Lt. Gifford (SW Region), Sgt. Hand, Sr. Tpr. Randall, Sr. Tpr, Niehus (Klamath Falls), and Sr. Tpr. Harris (Coos Bay) testified in Klamath County Circuit Court regarding a 2009 deer season case involving a subject who shot a WED without a valid tag and tried to fill his father's deer tag (the passenger in the suspect's vehicle). The troopers charged the suspect with **Unlawful Take of Deer—No Valid Tag** and seized his rifle. The following day, the same subject was caught shooting the decoy at a different location; and, again, the troopers cited the suspect for **Unlawful Take of Deer—No Valid Tag** and seized this second rifle. Only during the time of citation service did the troopers learn a different team caught the suspect the day before. After the reports were filed with the DA's office, the DDA asked OSP to interview the father and cite him for Aiding (if deemed appropriate). The DA also asked the shooter to spend the next opening weekend of deer season in jail. Troopers contacted the father and cited him for **Aiding in a Game Violation**. The court found both suspects guilty and on all counts. The court sentenced the first suspect to five years license suspension, forfeit both rifles seized, one year bench probation, 40 hours of community service, and \$302 in fines and fees. The court sentenced the second suspect to two years hunting license suspension and miscellaneous fines and fees.

Tpr. Boyd (Springfield) attended court regarding a trophy 4 x 4 mule deer buck taken outside the controlled hunt boundary last High Cascade buck season. The suspect pled guilty, and the Lebanon Justice Court sentenced the suspect to **\$7,500** restitution to ODFW, three years hunting license suspension, three years bench probation, and forfeit all seized items to the State of Oregon.

Sr. Tpr. Collom and Rct. Nugent (Central Point) worked a case in 2010 where two dogs were seen chasing and killing deer. Both dogs belonged to the same owner, and a complaint had previously been made. The case was set to go to trial for allowing dogs to chase deer, but the defendant, the dogs' owner, made a plea deal. The charges were reduced to a violation from a misdemeanor, and the court sentenced the suspect to a \$600 fine and \$1,600 restitution to ODFW.

Two Sentenced Related to Unlawful Take and Waste of Trophy Bull in NE Oregon

A Division investigation into the unlawful taking of a trophy bull elk in northeast Oregon during a closed season led to the conviction of a Hermiston-area father and son. In September 2010, Pendleton troopers received information that a suspect and his father unlawfully took a trophy bull elk in the Walla Walla Unit with a rifle during the last day of the 2010 archery season. Troopers responded to the suspect's residence and subsequently seized a large 10 x 7 trophy-class bull elk and a rifle allegedly used to kill the elk. Troopers also located the scene east of Milton-Freewater where the bull elk was killed and found the elk's carcass. Upon inspection they determined the meat had spoiled and was no longer fit for human consumption. On March 17, the son pled guilty in Umatilla County Circuit Court to **Theft First Degree, Waste of Wildlife, and Illegal Take of Wildlife**. The court sentenced him to \$15,000 joint restitution with his father to ODFW, 180 days in jail—suspended, three years bench probation, three years hunting license suspension, and forfeiture of seized evidence to the State of Oregon. On April 24, the father pled guilty in Umatilla County Circuit Court to **Theft First Degree and Aiding in a Wildlife Violation**. The court sentenced him to \$15,000 joint restitution with his son to ODFW, 180 days in jail—suspended, three years bench probation, and forfeiture of seized items to the State of Oregon.



Trophy bull poached in northeastern Oregon. Photo credit: File

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Abbreviations and Acronyms

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

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General Law / ATV / Environment

Environmental and Habitat Laws Enforced

While checking bear hunters in the Pine Creek Unit, Sgt. Cyr (Baker City) contacted several hunters on ATVs. Cyr issued numerous ATV warnings and issued two citations for **Loaded Firearm on ATV**.

Sr. Tpr. Maher (Oakridge) cited an ATV operator for **No ATV Operating Permit (Decal)** at the Huckleberry OHV Area and issued warnings for No ATV Permit and No ATV Safety Education Card.

Ret. Sr. Tpr. Bertram (Klamath Falls) spent a weekend on the JWTR lands and located a number of off-road violations. He and a Klamath County SO Deputy issued five citations for **Traveling in Violation of Posted Restrictions**.



Off-roading can cause habitat damage. Report habitat law violators. Photo credit: File

Sr. Tpr. Maher (Springfield) followed up on an ATV trespass complaint on timber company property in the Cottage Grove area. A timber company employee contacted the suspect the prior week riding his motorcycle behind a locked gate. Maher interviewed the suspect and cited him for **Criminal Trespass II**.

While Tpr. Imholt and Tpr. Boyd (Springfield) patrolled Winchester Bay for shellfishers, they located a subject operating an ATV on the road, although the operator had passed several signs stating ATVs were not permitted on the road. They cited the operator for **Operating ATV on Roadway** and gave a warning for No ATV Education Card.

Sr. Tpr. Bean (Gilchrist) spent time concentrating on ATV enforcement. During one weekend, he wrote citations for **Driving while Suspended (ATV)**, **Unlawful Operation of ATV on Highway**, **Driving while Revoked—Misdemeanor**, **Careless Driving (ATV)**, **UPCS—Less than One Ounce of Marijuana**, and **No OHV Permit**. He also issued 12 warnings for No OHV permit and Operating ATV where Restricted.

Tpr. Clement (Salem) received a report from the E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area (EEWWA) manager regarding a subject shooting a 9mm handgun at their trap range. EEWWA prohibits the discharge of handguns or rifles and requires non-toxic shot. Clement contacted the suspect and cited him for **Discharging Handgun Prohibited Area—Crime** and warned him for **Using Lead Shot** and seized the handgun as evidence.

Sr. Tpr. Maher (Springfield) received an anonymous tip about wood theft. The caller stated they watched two suspects pull a maple log out of a timber company unit near Raisor Road. The suspects cut the log into firewood, loaded the wood into a pickup, and drove away. Maher contacted the suspects at a residence and seized the stolen firewood. He issued one citation for **Unlawful Cut and Transport of Special Forest Products—Firewood** to the suspect who claimed responsibility.

Crash Victims Assisted

Lt. Scorby (East Region) was returning from a meeting in La Grande when he observed a disabled motor home on I-84 near North Powder. Upon arrival, the driver began to leave but was driving erratically and stopped again a very short distance later. When contacted, the driver appeared quite impaired; but after talking to his wife, Scorby determined the driver just had a stroke. Scorby had an ambulance dispatched, and the driver was transported to the hospital.

On Hwy 101, Sgt. Lea (Coos Bay) drove upon a serious injury, single vehicle crash moments after it occurred. Lea cared for an unresponsive, combative boy with massive head injuries while directing bystanders through his medical bag to care for the other two injured occupants, a woman and a child. Lea activated Reach Air through dispatch, and paramedics arrived 15 minutes later. The helicopter transported the boy to Portland. Tpr. Mullins (Patrol) conducted the investigation and Tpr. Brandon (Coos Bay) assisted.

Patrol and Drug Violations Detected

Sr. Tpr. Bean (Gilchrist) was nearly run off the road near Wickiup Reservoir by a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed and out of control. He stopped the vehicle and learned the 16-year-old driver did not have a license. The passenger just purchased the vehicle for \$50, and the vehicle had expired plates, no insurance, and no door. Bean cited the driver for **Careless Driving**, **Driving while Uninsured**, and **No Operator's License** and the new owner for **Allowing Unlawful Operation of a Motor Vehicle** and towed the vehicle.

As Sr. Tpr. Allison and Sr. Tpr. Thompson (Central Point) were driving from Lost Creek Lake, a traffic crash occurred just in front of them. A Washington woman was driving a minivan on Hwy 62 near Shady Cove when a bee landed on her leg. As she squirmed around trying to brush off the bee, the woman swerved to her left, crossed the oncoming lane of traffic, and struck a rock cliff with the front end. The crash occurred on a blind corner and blocked one lane of travel—a very dangerous situation. As Allison and a Jackson County SO deputy attended to the crash, Thompson stopped westbound traffic. OSP received a report of an impaired driver in a Corvette traveling westbound, and two troopers stopped the driver near the crash site. Tpr. Lee (Patrol) responded to assist with the impaired driver who was taken into custody for **DUII**. The woman was treated at the scene for a broken arm.

Tpr. Peterson and Tpr. Galusha (Tillamook) were checking spring Chinook anglers on the Tillamook River when they contacted several subjects angling from an area known as the Handicap Dock. When the troopers asked the anglers to see their licenses and tags, they noticed one angler was very hesitant to display his license and tag. After checking everybody, the troopers left the area and ran the hesitant subject and found he was a registered sex offender. Additionally, Peterson noted the address the sex offender was registered to was not the address listed on his angling license. The troopers re-contacted the subject, and the investigation revealed he was a sex offender who had moved to Netarts about a month prior. This subject was out of compliance since he had not registered at his new address within 10 days of his move. The troopers took the subject into custody and lodged him in the Tillamook County Jail, charging him with **Fail to Register Sex Offender—Felony**. When this subject was taken into custody, a small amount of marijuana was found, so the troopers issued him a citation for **UPCS—Less than One Ounce of Marijuana**.

Commercial Fish / Marine Board

Subject Participated in Tribal Fishery

Sr. Tpr. Pearson (The Dalles) and Sr. Tpr. Lindberg (Madras) contacted a nontribal subject who was taking salmon from the Sherars Falls tribal platforms. Lindberg warned this same subject three years prior to not assist with the Sherars Falls Warm Springs Tribe dip net fishery. The troopers cited the nontribal member criminally for **Unlawful Participation in a Treaty Indian Fishery**.

Pots Displayed Unlawful Mechanisms

Tpr. Herman (Astoria) concluded an investigation of a local commercial crab vessel that began when he, Sgt. Schwartz, Tpr. Warwick (Astoria), and Tpr. Vogel (St. Helens) conducted a Pacific Ocean commercial crab patrol on OSP's patrol vessel *Guardian* in April 2011. While patrolling off of Clatsop County, the crew pulled and inspected the crab pots of a local commercial crab vessel. Every pot inspected displayed unlawful equipment with the pot's lid strap blocking the release mechanism. After interviewing the skipper of the vessel, Herman cited him for **Fishing Commercial Crab Pots without an Adequate Destruct Mechanism**.

Boat Patrols Terminated

Sgt. Lea (Coos Bay) contacted two anglers in a small unregistered boat. Upon inspection, Lea discovered the boat did not contact any PFDs on board. Lea cited the operator for **No PFDs** and terminated their voyage.

Lt. Wilson (NW Region), Sgt. Allori, and Tpr. Fromme (Portland) conducted a boat patrol on the Clackamas River. They contacted a bank angler who suspiciously stuffed items into a eyeglasses case as soon as he saw OSP and found the subject in possession of marijuana. The troopers lodged the subject on a **Parole Violation** warrant, additionally citing the subject for **UPCS—Less than One Ounce of Marijuana**. Also during the patrol, they contacted a boat observed with California registration decals and an Oregon 2011 expiration sticker. The owner did not have a Boater Education card and had only one PFD for the two adult anglers. Fromme cited the subject for **No Boat Registration, No Boater Education Card, and No PFD**; and the troopers terminated their voyage.

Troopers Provided Assistance on Patrol

Sr. Tpr. Duncan (Baker City) and Tpr. Spencer (Ontario) rafted the Owyhee River from Rome to Birch Creek, the wild and scenic section, and contacted 44 people and 22 rafts. They issued three citations, one for **No Nonresident Angling License** and two for **No AIS Permit**. They also assisted two women whose raft overturned in a section of rapids.

While on a boat patrol, Tpr. Warwick (Astoria) and Tpr. Vogel (St. Helens) responded to a call of a man who had fallen out of his kayak, which had floated away from him in the Multnomah Channel. The troopers located the man clinging to the remnants of an old wooden pier. After rescuing the kayaker, they searched for and retrieved the swamped kayak and returned the subject to the boat ramp.

Sr. Tpr. Bennett and Sr. Tpr. Marchand (Grants Pass) conducted a jet boat patrol on the Rogue River. Of the 13 anglers checked, Bennett issued one warning for No Angling License in Possession. Additionally, one boat operator contacted received warnings for No Certificate of Number, No Validation Stickers, No Boater Education Card, and No Sound Producing Device. Later in the day, the troopers assisted this same operator, for the boat lost power and was drifting downstream. They towed the boat back to the ramp.

Fish Unlawfully Harvested on Commercial Trips

Tpr. Warwick (Astoria) responded to a local fish plant to investigate a reported green sturgeon brought in by a gillnet fisherman. Warwick was able to contact the out-of-town fisherman prior to him driving home. The fisherman told Warwick he thought the fish looked a little pale. Warwick cited the subject for **Unlawful Commercial Harvest of Green Sturgeon**. Fortunately, the sturgeon was revived and released by the fish plant.

Sr. Tpr. Klepp (Astoria) checked commercial gillnet fishermen and dealers immediately after the 12-hour night Columbia River main stem spring salmon season. While ODFW samplers were also checking the plants, they detected two undersized sturgeon at a plant after a fisherman delivered his catch. Klepp arrived to measure the fish and had the plant issue a check to ODFW for fair market value. Klepp contacted and cited the fisherman for **Taking/Illegal Possession of Undersized Commercial White Sturgeon**.

Tpr. O'Connor (Astoria) monitored a groundfish offload at a Warrenton area fish processor. During the offload, O'Connor noticed a tote of lingcod that appeared to be undersized. Upon measuring, he discovered 42% of the total 348 pounds of lingcod were undersized. O'Connor contacted the captain of the vessel and determined he had misunderstood regulations. Consequently, O'Connor cited the captain for **Unlawful Possession of Commercially Taken Undersized Lingcod** and seized 145 pounds of lingcod.

Violations Detected during Patrols

Sgt. Cyr and Lt. Scorby (Baker City) conducted a boat patrol on Owyhee Reservoir up to the motorized deadline. They contacted numerous boats and anglers and issued one citation for **No AIS Permit**.

Tpr. Baimbridge (Roseburg) observed two subjects in a boat on the Umpqua River take turns smoking from a marijuana pipe. He called them in to shore where he discovered the operator was also under the influence of alcohol. The operator failed SFSTs, BAC .13%. Baimbridge cited the operator for **BUII and UPCS—Less than an Ounce of Marijuana** and the passenger for **UPCS—Less than an Ounce of Marijuana**.

Sr. Tpr. Collom (Central Point) patrolled Expo Ponds and checked several bass anglers. He contacted two anglers in a bass hunter boat using an electric motor. Collom determined the boat did not have current registration and lacked life jackets and other required equipment. Additionally, a passenger on board who was angling did not have an angling license. Collom cited her for **No Angling License** and warned the operator for numerous boat violations.

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) and Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher (Springfield) conducted a boat patrol at Odell Lake. During the patrol, a lake trout tournament was in progress, so they divided their time between checking tournament participants and regular anglers and boaters. Overall, they checked 50 sport anglers and 15 tournament anglers and conducted 14 BERs. They issued only one citation for **No Angling License** and one for **No Certificate of Number on Board**.

Shellfish Saturation

Shellfish Poachers Caught

Sr. Tpr. Urbigkeit (Newport) responded to an ODFW complaint of a subject who exceeded on bay clams. The subject left prior to Urbigkeit's arrival, but he released his extra 43 clams to ODFW. Later the same day, Urbigkeit contacted the suspect at his residence and issued a citation for **Exceeding the Daily Limit on Bay Clams**.

During low tides one week, Sr. Tpr. Van Prooyen (Gold Beach) observed and contacted numerous clammers, abalone harvesters, crabbers, and anglers from Brookings to Sixes River. He issued three for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Butter Clams** and two for **No Shellfish License** and gave out warnings for other minor violations.

Tpr. Warwick (Astoria) contacted a lone female after a low tide with two separate limits of razor clams in separate bags in the back of her vehicle. The woman claimed she dug one limit the day before. Both limits of clams were lively and cold, despite being in a warm cooler. Warwick cited the subject criminally for **Unlawful Possession of More than One Limit of Razor Clams while in the Field**.

Tpr. Herman (Astoria) observed a subject with a full "jug" of clams return to his vehicle and attempt to hide something behind the seat. When contacted, a consent search of the vehicle revealed the subject had a second plastic jug of razor clams hidden behind the seat. He also found marijuana. Herman cited the subject criminally for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit—Razor Clams** and **UPCS—Less than One Ounce of Marijuana** and seized the extra clams and marijuana.



Gaper clams seized as evidence. Photo credit: File

On May 18, Tillamook, Salem, and McMinnville troopers conducted a large saturation clam patrol in Tillamook while Grant McOmie and Channel 8 News filmed them. During the patrol, troopers observed a subject throwing clams to seagulls as his group dug several clams and appeared to have too many in possession. The entire group came together and sorted the clams amongst themselves and then pushed the remaining clams back into the holes. Inspection of the holes revealed 53 clams left behind. In total, the troopers seized about 68 clams as evidence and issued the group citations for **Fail to Retain Gaper Clams** and **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Bay Clams** and several other warnings. Tpr. King (Tillamook) contacted another subject trying to dump his extra clams back into the bay before King contacted him. The subject said he had miscounted his clams. King cited the subject for **Exceeding the Daily Bag Limit of Bay Clams**.

Unlawful Take of Crab Discovered

Tpr. Brandon (Coos Bay) checked sport crabbers in Winchester Bay. He contacted numerous recreationalists and discovered fair compliance. During the patrol, he issued one citation for **Unlawful Take Undersized Dungeness Crab** and several warnings for various shellfish-related violations.

Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher (Springfield) and Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) worked crabbers in Seaside. Near the 12th Avenue Bridge, they observed a male, accompanied by a female and juveniles, pull a crab pot containing Dungeness crab, take the pot to his vehicle, put the crab into a cooler, and put the cooler and pot in the vehicle. The troopers contacted the subject before he left the area, and a check of the crab revealed seven female and two undersized male Dungeness crab. The troopers issued the male a citation for **Unlawful Take of Female Dungeness Crab** and a warning for Unlawful Take of Undersized Male Dungeness Crab. Fortunately, the crab were still alive and released.

Lacking Valid Licenses is Poaching

Tpr. Herman (Astoria) conducted a boat patrol on Nehalem Bay. Along with several warnings given for shellfish offenses, Herman issued one citation for **Unlawful Take of Shellfish—No Valid 2011 Shellfish License** and seized 74 bay clams and 8 Dungeness crab.

Sgt. Lea (Coos Bay) contacted a crabber at the Empire Boat Ramp. The crabber spoke with a southern drawl and produced a resident shellfish license. When asked how long he had lived in Oregon, the crabber indicated he moved to Oregon two months prior to buying his license. Lea cited him for **False Application for Resident Shellfish License**.

Sgt. Lea (Coos Bay) contacted a clammer who exceeded the daily limit. When asked, the suspect produced an Arizona driver license. A records check revealed she had purchased a 2011 resident shellfish license. Lea issued her a citation for **False Application for Resident Shellfish License** and a warning for Exceeding the Bag Limit of Gaper Clams.

During a patrol of Tillamook Bay, Tpr. Peterson (Tillamook) contacted a group with five Dungeness crab in a bucket, two females and two undersized males. Inspection of their licenses found one falsely applied for resident shellfish license. Peterson issued the group citations for **Unlawful Possession of Female Dungeness Crab** and **Unlawful Possession of Falsely Applied for Resident Shellfish License**.

Tpr. King (Tillamook) contacted a male clammer at Tillamook Bay leaving with 12 bay clams and 12 sand shrimp. The subject presented a 2011 angling license and told King his wife had the shellfish license. When asked where the wife was, the subject said she was shopping at Fred Meyer. King seized the clams and shrimp and cited the subject for **Unlawful Possession of Bay Clams**.

On Netarts Bay, Tpr. Peterson (Tillamook) contacted a husband and wife clamming. Upon inspection of their resident shellfish licenses, he noted a driver license was not listed. When asked for their Oregon driver license, the subjects told him they did not have one, both subjects admitted they just moved to Oregon from Washington about a month prior and that they considered themselves Washington residents. Peterson seized both resident licenses, cited the husband for **Possession of Falsely Applied for Resident License**, and warned the wife.

Sport Angling

Troopers Patrolled Sensitive Habitat Areas

Tpr. Imholt (Springfield) checked an angler on the Mckenzie River near Armitage Park using bait in an area closed to the use of bait. The subject was cited for **Angling Prohibited Method—Bait**

Sr. Tpr. Randall (Klamath Falls) responded to the area of Spencer Creek for a report of vehicles on closed roads. Randall was unable to find the vehicles, but he did find a subject angling on Spencer Creek which was closed until later in May. Spencer Creek is the only spawning tributary to the Klamath River in Oregon. Randall cited the subject for **Angling Closed Season**.

Tpr. Fromme (Portland) responded to an angling complaint on the Columbia River at Bonneville Dam involving a group of people who caught an undersized sturgeon and hid it in a bush. This section of the Columbia River was closed and deemed a sturgeon sanctuary from May 1 to July 31. Fromme made contact with the anglers and found one angler had validated the sturgeon on his child's harvest card and hid the sturgeon in the trunk of a vehicle. Once the fish was removed, Fromme determined it was undersized. The father eventually admitted he caught the sturgeon and not his child. While issuing the violator criminal citations for **Unlawful Possession of Undersized Sturgeon/Angling in a Closed Sturgeon Sanctuary** and **Counseling a Child in the Commission of a Wildlife Crime**, Bonneville Dam security officers aided Fromme by assisting the violator attempt to revive the sturgeon. The sturgeon was successfully returned to the river.



Undersized sturgeon photographed below successful release. Photo credit: File

Tpr. Boyd (Springfield) contacted an angler using bait at Trail Bridge Reservoir. The use of bait is prohibited at this location for the protection of bull trout and other native trout. Boyd cited the angler for **Angling Prohibited Method—Bait**. While approaching the angler, Boyd noticed a motorized rigid hull inflatable boat carrying several divers on the east end of the reservoir. The boat operator was made aware of Boyd's presence but would not make eye contact. After contacting the angler, Boyd watched the boat operator arrive back at shore and quickly remove the motor and gas tank from the boat. Boyd contacted the boat operator and asked to see his temporary permit or registration for the boat. The boat operator initially indicated the boat did not need a registration, as the boat was not motorized. Boyd cited the boat operator for **No Certificate of Number**.

Illegal Take of Trout and Salmon Detected

Sr. Tpr. Pearson (The Dalles) observed two men handling a trout and putting it in a creel on the Deschutes River near Blue Hole below Maupin. When contacted, he found the men had in possession an 11-inch and a 14 ½-inch trout. The larger fish was the one Pearson observed to have been placed in the creel and was still alive. The fish was revived and released. Pearson cited one subject for **Taking Oversized Trout**.

While on a boat patrol on the Lower Rogue River, Sr. Tpr. Stinnett and Sr. Tpr. Van Prooyen (Gold Beach) contacted a fisherman they observed land a salmon. At first, the suspect did a quick show of the fish with more of the belly showing than the back. Upon closer inspection, based on the fish's appearance, the troopers determined the adipose fin had recently been cut off. The suspect stated he knew the fish was illegal. The troopers seized the fish and issued the suspect a citation for **Unlawful Take of Nonadipose Fin-Clipped Chinook Salmon** and a warning for Mutilated Game Fish.

Dispatch received information from Tpr. Miller (Patrol) who was off duty angling on the Rogue River and observed two male subjects catch and retain a nonadipose fin-clipped Chinook. Shortly after landing the fish, the subjects loaded their equipment into their vehicle and left the area. Miller provided an excellent description of the subjects, the vehicle they were operating, the license plate, and information about which subject actually caught the fish. Lt. Gifford (SW Region) responded toward the area and met the suspect vehicle on Hwy 62 several miles from the scene. Gifford conducted a stop and found the salmon in the bed of the pickup still in the net. Thanks to all of the information Miller provided, he quickly identified the responsible party. Gifford cited the subject for **Unlawfully Take of Nonadipose Fin-Clipped Chinook** and seized the fish.

Anglers Unlawfully Retained Marine Fish

With the assistance of ODFW fish checkers, Sr. Tpr. Harris (Coos Bay) contacted two subjects regarding rockfish violations. He cited one subject for **Unlawful Take of Undersized Lingcod** and the second for **Unlawful Take of Canary Rockfish Closed Season**. ODFW also assisted Tpr. Brandon (Coos Bay) with an angler who illegally took a marine fish. Brandon cited this subject for **Unlawful Take of Yelloweye Rockfish**.

Tpr. Galusha (Tillamook) responded to a complaint at the Garibaldi Marina where a subject was in possession of three yelloweye rockfish, a prohibited species. Upon contact, the subject told Galusha he caught only one of the fish but was taking responsibility for all three fish that were retained. The subject said they kept the fish because he thought they were vermillion rockfish. Galusha cited the subject for **Unlawful Possession of Yelloweye Rockfish**.

Tpr. Galusha and Sgt. Hoodenpyl (Tillamook) were checking anglers at Tillamook Bay when they observed three subjects on the North Jetty using two rods. They observed the group catch a couple of fish and a crab. Upon contact, only one subject had an angling license and none of the subjects had shellfish licenses. The group was in possession of one short lingcod, six female Dungeness crab, a red rock crab, and a short male Dungeness crab. The subjects claimed they did not know any of the angling and crabbing regulations in Oregon. The troopers issued the group citations for **Unlawful Possession of Undersized Lingcod** and two subjects citations for **No 2011 Angling License**. They also gave the group several warnings for multiple violations.

Sport Angling

Night Patrols Help Catch Poachers in Problem Areas

Tpr. Freitag and Tpr. Andrews (Salem) were conducting a nighttime patrol of a known problem boat ramp at a park. Salem area troopers have received a considerable amount of complaints regarding the nighttime abuse of this specific area. Additionally, Freitag attended a meeting held by local farmers concerned about the area and the potential for closing access to the area. During the night patrol, Freitag and Andrews located two subjects angling without 2011 angling licenses. Further, one subject threw six malt beverage bottles into the river. The troopers cited one subject for **No 2011 Angling License** and the other subject for **No 2011 Angling License and Littering in Waters**.

Over a weekend, Sr. Tpr. Cushman (Central Point) worked pre-legal and early angling hours, targeting illegal salmon anglers on the Rogue River. Many of the salmon caught at the Hatchery Hole are snagged, much of which occurs prior to dawn and after dusk, as anglers use the cover of darkness to conceal their violations. During this patrol, Cushman was able to spot anglers foul-hook several salmon at the hatchery. Nearly every fish that he was close enough to see was snagged and released; and conversely, however, the fish that were too far away to clearly see were kept as if they were hooked in the mouth. The anglers in Cushman's immediate area became aware of his presence fairly quickly, as they all know the local troopers. Just prior to legal hours, he could hear whispers and warnings that "Johnny Law" was around, thus explaining the release of snagged fish in his immediate area.

Cushman worked his way up the bank where about 50 anglers stood shoulder-to-shoulder. He watched a subject net a fish and take it into a dark area to unhook it. Cushman was unable to tell where the fish was hooked; but based on the angler's actions, the fish was likely foul-hooked. The angler tossed his fish in the rocks and then went right back to angling. He never tagged the fish. Cushman continued up the bank. At the deadline, the hatchery entrance, he watched another angler land a fish. Cushman was able to get close enough to see that this salmon was hooked in the back and was nonadipose fin-clipped, which is illegal to retain. The angler banged it around on the rocks for a minute while whispering back and forth with his buddies, apparently discussing his options, before releasing it. Cushman warned the angler for Failing to Release the Fish Immediately. About ten minutes had transpired since the other angler had failed to tag his fish; and since pretty much everyone knew a trooper was around by now, Cushman contacted the angler and cited him for **Failing to Immediately Tag** his fish.



A day at the "office" for some Division troops (Applegate Lake). Photo credit: File

Suspended Angler Detected

While working clambers, Tpr. Warwick (Astoria) contacted a subject known to have a suspended angling license. He observed a fishing rod in the subject's vehicle, but he could not determine if the subject had been clamming. After the contact, he traveled to a hole frequented by the subject. He observed the subject angling and contacted the subject. He determined the subject had retained fish from an earlier date, as well as assisted a juvenile with the unlawful taking of salmon. Warwick cited the subject criminally for **Angling while Suspended and Unlawful Taking of Chinook Salmon** and as a violation for **Aiding in a Wildlife Violation—Failure to Immediately Validate Salmon Tag** and seized his rod.

Turn In Poachers — Contact OSP 24/7 at 1-800-452-7888 or TIP@state.or.us — Form on Division Website

Tpr. Warwick (Astoria) received a call directly from an angler on Jones Beach who reported watching another angler catch a nonadipose fin-clipped Chinook and put it in his pickup and leave. He forwarded the vehicle's information to Patrol's Tpr. Oxenrider who located the suspect near Westport. Warwick responded and cited the angler for **Unlawful Possession of Nonadipose Fin-Clipped Chinook Salmon**.

Tpr. Andrews (Salem) responded to a complaint regarding a fisherman who handled a native spring Chinook poorly, resulting in the salmon's death. Andrews' investigation determined the angler ripped the hook out of the salmon's mouth instead of cutting the line or using pliers as other anglers had suggested. As a result of his careless actions, the salmon's gill rakes were severely damaged and began bleeding profusely. The angler then stuck his hand in the gill plate and threw the salmon into the river without any attempt at reviving it. Witnesses stated the salmon floated away, belly up. Andrews cited the suspect for **Unlawful Take and Prohibited Method—Failing to Release Unharmed**.

Tpr. Vogel (St. Helens) received a complaint of two sturgeon illegally taken from the Gilbert River on Sauvie Island. After observing a traffic violation, he stopped the suspect and located the two sturgeon. Vogel cited the suspect for **Unlawful Taking of Sturgeon Closed Area** and seized and donated the sturgeon to charity.

Tpr. Schoenborn (Portland) received a tip that two anglers were keeping undersized sturgeon on the Willamette River near the I-405 bridge. He contacted the two suspects matching the information a short time later, and a consent search located two alive, short (28 and 29 inches) sturgeon in a vehicle trunk. He estimated they had been out of the water under an hour. Both anglers admitted to keeping a sturgeon. Schoenborn cited them for **Unlawful Possession of Sturgeon Closed Season**. Both fish were revived and returned unharmed.

Sr. Tpr. Pearson (The Dalles) responded to the "Big Eddy" spot below Sherars Falls on complaints of fishermen continuing to angle and assisting others after retaining their bag limit of Chinook. This spot is known for "experienced" fishermen who after taking and tagging a fish for the day will cast other angler's gear in exactly the right location to greatly increase their odds of hooking a fish. Pearson contacted two regular, very successful fishermen and cited both for **Continuing to Angle after Retaining Daily Bag Limit of Salmon**.

Wildlife / Hunting

“Ed” Released Successfully

Sr. Tpr. Collom (Central Point) received a call about a subject in Rogue River keeping a wild goose in a pen in her backyard. Collom arrived and was introduced to “Ed,” the Canada goose. The subject was not too happy when Collom said he was taking Ed from her, but she was happy to hear Collom was giving her a warning, not a citation for Unlawfully Holding Wildlife. She told Collom that Ed’s parents flew away, so they decided to take Ed home to care for him. Collom later released Ed in an area where geese remain anonymous.

Protected Birds Struck by Unknown Vehicle—Reward for Information

On May 28, Tpr. O’Connor (Astoria) and Wildlife Center of the North Coast (WCNC) staff responded to the Port of Astoria regarding a report of several injured and deceased Caspian terns. WCNC recovered only two Caspian terns alive; the others died. The birds all appeared to have been struck by a vehicle. Caspian terns are a federally- and state-protected bird. The Division is seeking the person(s) responsible for striking the Caspian terns. WCNC is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to an arrest in this case. Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to call Tpr. O’Connor in Astoria at (503) 791-7003.



Caspian terns are a protected bird. Photo credit: JJ Harrison/CC

Troopers Cited Suspects for Hunting Illegally

Sr. Tpr. Knapp (Enterprise) was patrolling in the Enterprise area when he observed a vehicle driving slowly down a county road. As Knapp watched the vehicle, he observed the passenger stick a rifle out of the vehicle’s side window and begin shooting at a squirrel. Knapp made contact with the vehicle and cited the passenger for **Hunting from a Motor Vehicle**.

Tpr. Ring (Bend) contacted two adults shooting pellet guns in La Pine. During the contact, he asked them if they were shooting at song birds and quail. The subject’s advised they were not. Ring’s investigation revealed they had killed golden crowned sparrows and California Valley quail. Ring issued the subjects criminal citations for **Taking Quail Closed Season** and **Taking Protected Species**. He also seized their pellet guns, as he found the subjects were convicted sex offenders.

Tpr. Mayer (Heppner) received a complaint of wildlife being harassed at the Boardman Marina. He contacted the witness who said he watched a juvenile walk into the park with his dog on a leash then take off the leash. The dog began to chase after a group of geese in the park. The subject was able to catch his dog only to allow him to run free a few minutes later. Again, the dog went after the geese. After the third time the dog chased the geese, it was able to catch and kill one of them. Mayer interviewed the subject who confirmed the witness’ account. Mayer cited the subject for **Unlawfully Allowing Dog to Chase Wildlife**.

Sgt. Lea and Sr. Tpr. Harris (Coos Bay) followed up on a fresh lead on a deer case involving an elk hunter who provided information about a deer shot near Scottsburg during the first Coast elk season in November 2010. The suspect had been “living off the radar” for several months. The troopers contacted his girlfriend in Eugene who provided his vehicle description and current location. The troopers located and stopped the suspect vehicle on Hwy 58. Subsequent to the stop, the troopers arrested him for **DUII, BAC .08%**, and cited him for **UPCS—Less than One Ounce of Marijuana** and **traffic-related violations**. The suspect advised a friend shot the deer. The troopers located the friend and issued a citation for **Taking Buck Deer Closed Season**. They also warned both subjects for Offensive Littering and the initial suspect for Aiding in a Game Offense.

Tpr. Baimbridge (Roseburg) responded to a report of a turkey shot from the roadway. The witness reported that he pulled up behind a car parked in the roadway while the turkey was still flopping in the field next to the car. The suspect left the area, and the reporting party went home to call the police. Baimbridge arrived on scene, located and seized the bearded hen still lying in the field, and waited to see if the suspects would return. A couple of hours later, the suspects returned while Baimbridge was checking the roadway for a shell casing. Baimbridge waved at the suspects to stop, but they did not comply. He returned to his pickup and pursued the suspects. He caught up to them while they were switching drivers in the middle of the roadway. The investigation revealed the suspects **Disposed of Evidence** by throwing the .17 cal rifle in the ditch alongside the roadway, both were **Felons**, one had a **Suspended Driver License**, one was in **Possession of Less than an Ounce of Marijuana**, and both **Lacked a Valid Turkey Tag**. Consequently, Baimbridge lodged one suspect in jail and cited and released the other suspect at the scene.

Wildlife Concerns Addressed

Sr. Tpr. Collom (Central Point) received a call from Lithia Parks in Ashland regarding a possible sighting of a cougar or bobcat that killed a deer. Upon examination, Collom determined a cougar killed the deer. Parks said that they discovered three other deer over the prior few weeks, with one killed at a playground. The local government trapper also responded. It was highly recommended to Lithia Parks to place a live trap to capture the cougar for human safety reasons.

Sr. Tpr. Bennett (Grants Pass) responded to recover a large bear shot out of safety concerns. A landowner was putting one of his children to bed when he observed an almost 300-pound bear walking by the child’s bedroom window. He grabbed his rifle and opened the back door to see the bear breaking down the fence. It took three grown men and a winch to load the bear into the Division truck. The bear was salvaged and taken to a processor.

Tpr. Stone (Roseburg) responded to a cougar complaint where a landowner near Days Creek School shot a cougar in self defense. The incident occurred when the owner and his wife observed an adult female cougar chase their cat across the driveway and pin it underneath the porch. As the owner stepped out the back door with a rifle, he saw another cougar (a yearling female) crouched in an aggressive manner looking at him from about 25 feet. He shot the cat, and it died 10 feet from his back door. He then shot at and missed the adult cat as it chased his cat about 60 feet from his front door. The incident occurred in broad daylight. Stone provided Wildlife Services and ODFW information regarding this incident.

Interagency

Two Men Rescued from Ocean

A father and his son were crabbing from their 18-foot boat in rough ocean conditions off shore near the south reef off the South Jetty. While retrieving a crab pot, a large wave rolled the boat, ejecting both men. From an observation tower, USCG witnessed the boat overturning and immediately dispatched two rescue boats to the area. Tpr. Van Meter (Newport) and additional USCG personnel comprised a beach team ready to assist as needed. Both men wore life jackets and were in the water about 15 minutes before being rescued. They were transported by ambulance to the hospital for treatment of hypothermia and minor injuries. Ocean conditions were described as too rough to allow retrieving the partially submerged boat at the time.

Tpr. Van Meter (Newport) was working the clam flats at Hatfield Marine Science Center (HMSC) when a recreational fisherman called her saying he caught an octopus between 5-6 feet while rockfish angling near Seal Rock and wanted to know if either the Oregon Coast Aquarium or HMSC wanted it. Van Meter contacted HMSC who was extremely excited to get a live octopus of that size. The fisherman put the octopus in a cooler and changed the water consistently on the ride back into port to ensure it was alive and well once they reached the dock. Once at South Beach Marina in Newport, the fisherman and Van Meter loaded up the octopus and took it to the HMSC where it was released successfully into a tank. HMSC plans to display the octopus soon.

Fisherman Caught Octopus



Rockfish angler caught octopus and donated it to HMSC. Photo credit: File

Cooperative Enforcement Beneficial in Protecting People and Resources

Central Fish and Wildlife Team members assisted the Deschutes County SO and OSP Patrol troopers with a pursuit near Sisters where the suspect would travel off road to elude deputies. The pursuit and location of the suspect lasted for two hours until Tpr. Ring (Bend) observed the suspect who had abandoned his vehicle hiding in a local cafe. The suspect was taken into custody without further incident.

Sgt. Pond (Bend) gave a two-hour block of instruction to the Oregon State Sheriff's Association Deputies Academy held in Bend. About 50 deputies attended the week-long training. Pond gave a presentation on the Division, related laws, and Division investigations. He also discussed looking beyond the ticket during routine contacts for fish and wildlife violations and contacting local Division troopers.

Tpr. Burkholder (Albany) received a request to assist Linn County SO (LCSO) with a burglary. The victim came back to his camp trailer to find three males carrying items out of his trailer and one male in a car waiting. The three males ran to the car and took off. The victim obtained a license plate which led to a high risk stop on the MS 500 line off Quartsville Road. Four people were detained from the vehicle. Burkholder and LCSO deputies went to a camp site along Quartsville Road and detained six more people. After the officers interviewed all the people, they arrested four males on **Burglary 1** and **Conspiracy** charges. The victim indicated one male, a convicted felon, carried a 44 mag revolver out of the trailer.

At about 11:30 pm, Tpr. Boyd (Springfield) and Lane County SO Deputy Combs contacted a camp in the USFS Saddle Dam campground on Blue River Reservoir after hearing a verbal dispute. A consent search of a female revealed signs of meth use, and Combs seized two baggies of meth. Boyd contacted the male and noticed a small, recently cut Douglas fir tree nearby. The male indicated the tree was in his way when he attempted to park his vehicle. The investigation revealed **two arrest warrants** for the male, **Unlawful Cut of Special Forest Products, Felon in Possession of a Firearm** for both suspects, **Switched Plates** on the vehicle, and **DWS Misdemeanor**. The suspects were cited and released for the crimes, the male was lodged in jail for the warrants, and the gun was seized.

Tpr. Vogel (St. Helens) responded to a Hazmat fire caused by a derailed train near Cornelius Pass Road on Hwy 30. He assisted in the evacuation of residents from their homes within a half mile of the site. Vogel also assisted with highway closures and traffic control, as well as helping with the setup of the incident command post.

Tpr. Herman (Astoria) conducted a joint boat patrol on the Columbia River with Clatsop County SO Deputy Phillips. They contacted numerous boats and gave out several warnings. They issued four citations for **Angling Prohibited Method—Barbed Hooks for Sturgeon** and one citation for **Angle with More than One Rod**.

Sgt. Lea (Coos Bay) pulled into a gas station in Pleasant Hill and an attendant advised him of a man walking on the shoulder of Hwy 58 who had just been stabbed. Lea contacted the victim and confirmed the man had been stabbed one time in the abdomen. The man was bleeding profusely and slightly disoriented. Lea provided first aid while awaiting medical response. Lane County SO arrived and investigated the assault.

Sr. Tpr. Klepp (Astoria) assisted NOAA with their North Coast Trawl Rationalization Compliance Assistance Operations Plan by visiting several commercial groundfish vessels during their offloads at area fish plants. The plan's goal was to evaluate the implementation of the trawl rationalization regulations within the groundfish industry four months after their start. Klepp surveyed skippers, deckhands, observers, and dealers regarding the positive and negative issues associated with the program. Vessel crews appreciated OSP's interest in their feedback. Information was forwarded to NOAA Special Agent Stanley.

Tpr. Boyd (Springfield) and Lane County SO Deputies Combs and Franklin contacted a camp on USFS Road 1985 near Terwilliger Hot Springs. Upon contact with a subject seated in his vehicle, Franklin noticed a baggie containing marijuana bud in plain view. The baggie was removed, but the overwhelming odor of marijuana remained. A consent search located an additional **2.7 pounds of green marijuana** along with an amount of **hashish**. Two male subjects who claimed equal ownership of the drugs were lodged in the Lane County Jail on **UPCS Marijuana** and **UPCS Hashish**, and the contraband was seized.

Interagency / Public Relations

Troopers Attended Fairs and Events



Children enjoyed petting the WEDs at the fair. Photo credit: File

Tpr. Galusha and Tpr. Peterson (Tillamook) participated in the Tillamook County Safety Fair along with several other local agencies. They brought several WEDs which were a tremendous hit with the young kids at the fair.

Tpr. Brandon (Coos Bay) spoke at an OHA Youth Day event in Myrtle Point. Despite the wet weather, around 100 youth attended the event.



Troopers participated in county safety fair. Photo credit: File

Tpr. Jewett (Heppner) assisted ODFW at the Spray Fair and Rodeo with a pellet gun shoot. ODFW and local citizens requested the trailer at the fair.

Sr. Tpr. Gunderson (The Dalles) attended the USFS Camp Baldwin's Youth Fishing Clinic. Over 75 youth attended, and Gunderson assisted several kids with catching fish and learning how to fish.

Sr. Tpr. McNerney (Hood River) attended a public safety fair at Horse Thief State Park. Numerous public safety agencies from Oregon and Washington attended the event and provided information to over 400 second grade students.

Sr. Tpr. Bennett (Grants Pass) set up the Trailer of Shame for OHA's Youth Day at Josephine County Sportsman's Park in Grants Pass. Present for the first annual event were 32 kids, each with a parent. The trailer was a big hit and generated numerous questions and conversations with attendees.

Members from the South Valley Team worked the Trailer of Shame at the Springfield Cabela's Grand Opening. Well over a thousand people visited the trailer. As usual, many questions were asked and answered. The two most common questions/comments were regarding the moose and bear. Most people were not aware there is a small population of moose in Oregon and that Oregon law prohibits selling game species mounts.

Troopers Participated in Rogue River Clean Up

Sr. Tpr. Stinnett and Sr. Tpr. Van Prooyen (Gold Beach) participated in the annual Rogue River Clean Up sponsored by the Lower Rogue Watershed Council. Middle school students helped clean the river while learning about stewardship. Many adult volunteers and businesses donated not only their time, but their boats, fuel, knowledge of the river, and food for a barbeque. During the clean up operation, USFS personnel, Curry County SO Marine Patrol, and OSP shuttled recovered garbage to a pick up location at the Quosatana Creek Campground.

Groups Meetings Attended

Sgt. Withers, Sr. Tpr. Frerichs, Sr. Tpr. Merritt, Tpr. Baimbridge, and Tpr. Stone (Roseburg) attended an OHA meeting at the Roseburg ODFW office. They gave a presentation on past big game cases including dispositions. About 60 people attended the meeting, and the troopers answered questions for about one hour.

Sr. Tpr. Lindberg (Madras) and Sr. Tpr. Pearson (The Dalles) attended a meeting of the Deschutes Club members who own property above the locked gate on the Deschutes River above Maupin. They shared their role in enforcing regulations along the lower 100 miles of the river from May through October along with highlights of cases made over the past year.

Sr. Tpr. Stinnett and Sr. Tpr. Van Prooyen (Gold Beach) attended the monthly South Coast Fishermen meeting at the Port of Brookings. About 19 members attended the 2 1/2-hour meeting. The troopers gave a 30-minute talk regarding Division duties and responsibilities on the Oregon's south coast and answered numerous questions regarding upcoming seasons, manpower allocations, and new equipment. This presentation was well received by all in attendance.

Presentations Given to Students

Sr. Tpr. Marchand (Grants Pass) gave a presentation to a group of middle school students at a local Grants Pass school.

Sr. Tpr. Collom (Central Point) gave a presentation to a local kindergarten class talking about OSP and the Division and showing them furs and hides.

Sr. Tpr. Allison (Central Point) was the guest lecturer at an Introduction to Law Enforcement class at Southern Oregon University of about 25 freshman and sophomores, some of whom aspire to be Division troopers. The students enjoyed his presentation, asking many questions during the lecture.

Sr. Tpr. Maher (Oakridge) gave his annual presentation at the Oakridge Outdoor School. This year, sixth grade students from both the Oakridge and Lowell School districts attended. Maher discussed hunting and angling rules and gave a short presentation regarding the duties of an Division trooper. Maher has been involved with this program since 1996.

Sr. Tpr. Marshall Maher (Oakridge) and Sr. Tpr. Martin Maher (Springfield) gave a boating and water safety talk to elementary students at Oakridge Elementary School. Students from kindergarten to sixth grade participated. In all, approximately 288 students attended the talk. The troopers spoke about the importance of being safe around area waterways and the wearing of PFDs.

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