

STEPPIN' OUT

August, 2016
Happenings

12 Tips for Successful Salmon Season Will Be Shared

Relying on his vast experience as an angler on the Oregon Coast, Ron Caputo, president of the Salmon and Trout Enhancement Program, will share his 12 tips for a successful salmon season at the August membership meeting Wednesday, Aug. 3.

The club meets at 7 pm. at the Elks' Lodge in Florence. The public is invited to attend.

Caputo will also share his recipe for brining herring as anglers ready for the fall chinook season.

Prior to his talk, the club will hold a short business meeting with reports from the treasurer, recent work parties, planned work in the fall and fishing reports.

"The Relief Station" In Place and Ready for Use

Anglers will have a new stop on the Siuslaw River when it comes to the bathroom break, thanks to the collaborative effort of the Port of Siuslaw and the Oregon State Marine Board.

The new floating restroom aka "Relief Station" was put in the river and attached to the pilings on Friday, July 15. It will be in the water July through October during the fishing season.

"The Relief Station", was the winning name for the facility, picked from the Port's naming contest, which drew 138 entries. The name was entered by Bonnie Kramer of Florence.

The floating restroom is a 24' x 12' barge with two stainless steel flush toilets. The "Station" was completely funded by the Oregon State Marine Board through state and federal grants.

The goal of having a floating restroom will improve the quality of water in the Siuslaw River to protect and enhance fish populations.

Membership BBQ Slated for September 7

Oysters, Hamburgers and hot dogs on the menu are on the menu for the annual STEP member BBQ scheduled Wednesday, September 7.

The club will gather at the group yurt in Honeyman State Park, off Canary rd. Setup will begin around 4 p.m. and oysters will begin coming off the BBQ around 4:45 p.m.

Members should bring a side dish or dessert to share. The club provides all the fixings for the BBQ, soft drinks and water.

Bring your favorite and most successful fishing stories to share. And some of that fresh caught chinook too!



Almost Better Than Catchin'!

The Mapleton Lions Club and Florence STEP banded together for an evening of baseball. Longtime STEP member Skip Rosenbalm (left) was in Cubbie Heaven when he hung out with Sluggo, the Ems' mascot, before the July 28 game.

The Ems', the Cubs' farm team, lost 5-1 to Salem-Keizer Volcanos that night. The Eugene team, first half division winners, has a 29-14 record.

The annual outing for the two clubs is organized by Lions Club and STEP member Jim Grano.

Support STEP Through Fred Meyer Program

An easy way to contribute to the STEP coffers is to link your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to its Community Rewards program.

Go to www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards and follow the steps to earn money for the club. If you were linked and did not re-enroll before June 30, you must also go to that link to re-enroll.

Wed., August 3

Membership meeting 7 p.m.

**"12 Tips To Catch Chinook
and**

How to Brine Herring"

Ron Caputo's Hot Tips for Fall
Chinook Season

Club reports, Fishing reports
Elks' Lodge, 12th st., Florence

Wednesday, August 17

Board meeting 4 p.m.

Port of Siuslaw Offices

Wednesday, Sept. 7

Annual Member BBQ
Club provides Hamburgers, Hot
Dogs, BBQ Oysters and the fixings

Members bring a side dish or
dessert
to share.

4 p.m. setup 5 p.m. dinner

Group Yurt Site
Honeyman State Park,
Canary Rd.

Work Parties

On hiatus until further notice
Watch your emails for special
events