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# TODAY'S NEWS

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## CLUB UPDATE

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**Rivers and streams** - Winter steelhead are still being caught in the middle and upper Rogue. Chinook Park and Baker Park are both near winter steelhead acclimation release sites and recent reports indicate that some adult hatchery fish are in the vicinity. Upper Rogue saw a decent push of hatchery fish last week, so the river above Shady Cove may be a good place to target. With lower water, fish will be in the deepest slots and smaller natural presentations will be key. Even with low water conditions boat and bank anglers have been regularly picking up spring Chinook on the lower Rogue. On the mainstem Umpqua, anglers are turning their attention from winter steelhead to spring Chinook and bass.

**Lakes, ponds, reservoirs** - Trout stocking is underway at several area lakes and ponds. In addition, many of these locations will have holdover trout from last year's stocking. These fish have been in the water long enough to have put on some size, and to key in on natural food sources. Selecting flies or lures that mimic these food sources can be effective.

Trout have been stocked in Agate Reservoir this spring - an opportunity not typically present for April and May! Some additional

trout will also be stocked in Fish Lake along Hwy 140, and Reinhardt Park Pond in Grants Pass. Bass and panfish anglers should start keeping an eye on water temperatures. Once they reach 50 degrees, you can expect these fish to become more active. Look for them to start moving into the shallows in anticipation of spawning.

**Cooper creek reservoir** - Cooper was stocked with 3,500 rainbow trout in the first week of March and was just stocked with another 3,000 trout last week. With warmer temperatures, fishing should be good for trout and bass. Beginning in 2016, Cooper has been stocked with Coho and Chinook salmon juveniles. These are often mistaken for kokanee. Anglers may retain up to 5 salmon juveniles in the reservoir as part of their daily trout bag limit. Club members that recently fished Copper Creek reported catching up to 20 plus fish each day.

**Oregon HB 2510** - The vote on HB 2510 was delayed until late April, but if it passes, it will be among the most rigid gun storage bills in the nation. It very well could pass.

The bill contains a lot of emotional verbiage and locks down firearms so strongly that getting to them in an emergency would be extremely difficult which is the main problem with any gun storage law.

**Oregon HB 2510 Con't.** The bill requires owners or possessor's of firearm to secure firearm's with trigger or cable locks, or be in a locked container or in a gun room except in specified circumstances. It punishes violators to a maximum of \$500 fine. If minors obtain unsecured firearm, it punishes violators by a maximum of \$500 fine. If minors obtain unsecured firearms as a result

of a violation, it punishes by maximum of \$2,000 fine. It also provides that a person who does not secure firearm as required is strictly liable for injury to persons or property within two years after the violation. **If you are concerned about HB 2510, we suggest you contract your state representative and voice your opinion.**

### April Rimfire Match

Wes Jackson (541) 784-5041

Only three shooters were at the April Rimfire match. At 50 yds two shooters got a perfect 250 with Wes Jackson in first with 16Xs, and Jeff Whitcomb in second with 10Xs. At 75 yds Wes Jackson was first with 250-8Xs and Jeff Whitcomb was second with 250-5Xs. Final scores had Wes Jackson taking first place with 500-24Xs, Jeff Whitcomb taking second place with 500-16Xs and Mike Jackson taking third place with 495-9Xs. Sign in & set up for the next match will be at 8:00 a.m. on May 2nd with the match starting at 8:30 a.m.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CALIBER</u>	<u>50 YDS</u>	<u>75 YDS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. Wes Jackson	22LR	250-16Xs	250-08Xs	500-24Xs
2. Jeff Whitcomb	22LR	250-11Xs	250-05Xs	500-16Xs
3. Mike Jackson	22LR	246-07Xs	249-02Xs	495-09Xs

### Cast Bullet Match Results

Mel Harris 541.637.8444

February 20<sup>th</sup> we held a varmint for score match. We had 7 shooters, 5 from out of town. Mel Harris shot his 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive perfect score at 100 yds. Out of the 7 shooters only 2 were able to finish the match due to break downs and such. Chuck Allen and Kent Uhl were declared the winners being the only two left standing.

March 26<sup>th</sup> we shot 5 and 10 shot groups and score at 200 yds, We had shooters from Portland, Eugene Springfield area, and two from Roseburg, The locals prevailed on a sunny but windy day. Mel Harris won the 5 and 10 shot groups with Chuck Allen taking the score match. Next match is May 22<sup>nd</sup> with sign up at 7am and shooting starting at 8am.

