ODFW Rolls Out New and Improved Fishing Regs for 2016

Anglers this year may have noticed that Oregon's fishing regulations for 2016 are in a new magazine format publication, which is not only more colorful but simpler and easier to read.

Over the past year Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) worked on streamlining and simplifying the angling regulations. ODFW has also expanded opportunities for trout and warmwater fishing and provided more consistent seasons and bag limits.

Anglers should notice plainer language and clearer descriptions of regulations. Content was also rearranged so that license information and fish ID photos are in the back of the regulations. Updated full-color zone maps can be found at the end of each section.

Here are a few changes that anglers will see in the 2016 fishing regulations:

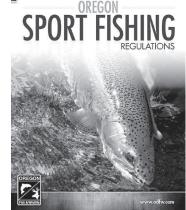
• Expanded year round opportunities across the state for trout. In most areas

where there were April openers, these rivers were expanded to be open year round. • Reduction in the number of special regulations or exceptions. One thing to be aware of is that some of the waters that you fish may no longer be listed under the exceptions. This means that

they are now covered under the zone regulations.

• Changes in fees. In 2016 there are fee increases on many angling licenses. This is the first time the fees have increased in six years. A new youth license was created. For \$10 youths ages 12-17 will get a hunting, fishing, shellfish license, and Columbia River Basin endorsement.

ODFW contracted with J.F. Griffin Media to publish this year's regulations. J.F. Griffin currently



contracts with over 20 other states to help create a consistent look and feel for fishing and hunting regulations. They also provide an online version of the regulations that can be accessed from mobile devices, tablets and desktop computers. This version includes the latest corrections

and clarification to a few regulations that were causing confusion.

"Please read the zone regulations carefully as there have been some zone wide changes as well as some changes to the zone regulations exceptions," said Mike Gauvin, manager of ODFW's recreational fishing program. "As always, emergency or temporary rules may be adopted so please check the in season regulation updates by zone before you head out fishing."

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and educators."

On Tuesday, Bonamici was joined by Oregon's Acting Chief Education Officer Lindsey Capps, Oregon Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction Salam Noor, superintendents from five counties, representatives of eight colleges and universities, and other education leaders.

"We must ensure that every Oregon student sees the critical link between their education and their future through learning that engages, inspires and empowers them," said Capps. "Under the Every Student Succeeds Act, our clear focus on high standards and opportunity for every child is met with renewed flexibility to meet this challenge. The stage is set for all of us in Oregon – families, schools and communities – to work together to deepen the connection with students, broaden their learning experiences, foster their critical thinking skills and creativity, and unearth the full potential within every student."

For more information on the Every Student Succeeds Act or Congresswoman Bonamici's work in Congress, please visit Bonamici.House.Gov or follow her on Facebook and Twitter.

By Shannon Romtvedt

A couple of weeks ago I attended a meeting with the Friends of the Vernonia Public Library. The Friends are a non-profit organization that fundraises for the library through membership, booksales, and a lot of hard work. If you are interested in volunteering and supporting the library, consider joining the Friends! One phrase that came up a few times during our meeting as we talked about upcoming programs and new services: "I did not know that was available through the library." So I thought as we start out a new year, I would take a moment to list some of the things the library has to offer:

- Books, DVDs, and Audiobooks for checkout with a library card
- Free access to wifi and computers
- Printing, Copying (Color and Black&White),
- Faxing, Laminating Services *
 *Fees for these services
- Storytimes for toddlers and preschoolers
- Book Discussion Group
- Writing Group
- Movie Nights

On The Shelves

George A. A. S. No. 1243 Martin Martin

Come to the library and enjoy a new movie and free popcorn. Call or visit the library for movie titles. (503) 429-1818.

Food for Fines Fundraiser

February 1 – 15, 2016

Bring non-perishable food or personal care items to the library and \$1 in fines* will be forgiven from your account in exchange for each item. All donations, including money paid on fines during this time period, will be donated to Vernonia Cares.

*Fees for Lost or Damaged items can not be waived in exchange for donations.

The Cat in the Hat...Is Back!

Tuesday, March 1, 6:30 – 7:30 pm Dr. Seuss stories read by the Cat in the Hat. Birthday Cake, Scavenger Hunt, Craft. Join the party! In celebration of Read Across America Day (Dr. Seuss's Birthday). Sponsored by the Friends of the Vernonia Public Library.

Gardening Talk: Soil Amendment

Tuesday, March 15, 7 pm Chip Bubl, OSU Extension Faculty and Master Gardener™, offers tips on improving and enriching soil for your gardens. Free and open to the public.

Staff Picks: Some of Shannon's Favorites

Shannon reads historical fiction, coming of age stories, narrative nonfiction, some fantasy, and currently lots and lots of picture books. Not a mystery fan but open to anything with good writing and a good story...

Adult Fiction Collection

The History of Love by Nicole Krauss *Tell the Wolves I'm Home* by Carol Rifka Brundt

Oregon Author Collection Martin Marten by Brian Doyle

Young Adult Collection Graceling by Kristin Cashore The Thief by Megan Whalen Turner

Juvenile Fiction Collection (Picture Books) Home by Carson Ellis

Peck, Peck, Peck by Lucy Cousins *Old Bear* by Kevin Henkes

Did You Know?

Books on Wheels

The Library Board announces a new program designed to deliver books to citizens who are homebound or physically unable to come to the library. A library volunteer will assist in identifying books of interest, delivering the books, and picking them up on a timely basis. People who are recipients of Meals on Wheels can have books delivered with their meals! The Library Board is looking forward to implementing this program. The plan is to make more books available to all readers in the community.

- Friends of the Library Booksales (Spring Booksale and Jamboree Weekend)
- Special events and programs for children and adults
- Summer Reading Program June July
- Craft Box, Magna-Tiles, and Games for use in the library
- New Book Delivery Service for Homebound residents (Books on Wheels)
- Reciprocal borrowing agreement with other libraries through the Oregon Passport Program
- a card at the Vernonia Library means you can get a free card at Washington County or Multnomah County Libraries to access books, eBooks, DVDs, and more.
- Volunteer and community service opportunities
- Meeting space for small groups
 And more...

Looking Ahead... Family Movie Night Thursday, January 28, 6 pm

Ongoing Programs Writers' Group

Thursday, January 21, 6:00 pm Every 3rd Thursday of the month, 6 – 7:30 pm. Opportunity for writers with all levels of experience to get together, write, and get feedback.

Baby and Toddler Time

Mondays, 10:30 - 11:15 am Songs, short stories, toys, and bubbles for 0 - 3. Older siblings welcome.

Preschool Storytime

Fridays, 10:30 – 11:15 am Stories and a craft/activity for children up to age 5.

Book Discussion Group

Last Monday of every month, 5:30 pm Selection for January 25: *Tortilla Flat* by John Steinbeck To apply for or find out more details about this service, call the Library (503) 429-1818.

Hours & Contact Info

Mon, Wed, Fri 10 am – 5 pm Tues & Thurs 1 pm – 7pm Sat 10 am – 4 pm Closed Sundays

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