

Tribes help sponsor 'Day for the River'

This year, the Deschutes River Conservancy is celebrating ten years of successful river restoration work in the Deschutes Basin.

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs helped found the Deschutes River Conservancy (DRC) a decade ago, and have contributed to much of the organization's success, said Bea Armstrong, of the DRC.

This year the DRC has designated Saturday, Sept. 15 as "A Day for the River."

The day is to raise awareness about the challenges facing the Deschutes River, and to generate financial support for the conservancy's mission to restore stream flow and improve water quality in Deschutes Basin, said Armstrong.

To help sponsor the occasion, the Confederated Tribes have granted the DRC special access to the tribal side of the Lower Deschutes for a fly fishing event.

The coveted fly fishing trips will be auctioned off at the DRC Tight lines Auction and Barbecue Dinner on Thursday, September 6. Through the auction, between 50 to 60 people will be granted access to fish the tribal side, said Armstrong.

Their boats will be flagged to indicate they have the necessary permission. The BLM will be patrolling and monitoring for proper use of the river, said Armstrong.

In addition to the fly fishing trips, on that one day folks will have an opportunity to experi-

ence the entire river from its headwaters in the Cascade Mountains to the mouth at the Columbia River.

Throughout the Deschutes Basin, the DRC provide the chance to enjoy the river by fishing, rafting, canoeing, or hiking. Some of these activities will have a fee associated with them and others will be free of charge.

"Our hope is to increase the level of awareness about our natural resources and to inspire the community to give back to this tremendous resource that we have here in Central Oregon, the Deschutes River," said Armstrong.

For additional information about the event, please visit www.deschutesriver.org or call (541) 382-4077 ext.23.

Many helped with first feast race

The First Annual Huckleberry Feast Endurance Race was held in early August at the HeHe rodeo grounds.

There were two fields: 12 and under, and 13 to 17 years of age.

The race went off without a hitch thanks to the generosity of several sponsors and volunteers. We would like to thank the following sponsors for their generosity towards the kids involved in this race:

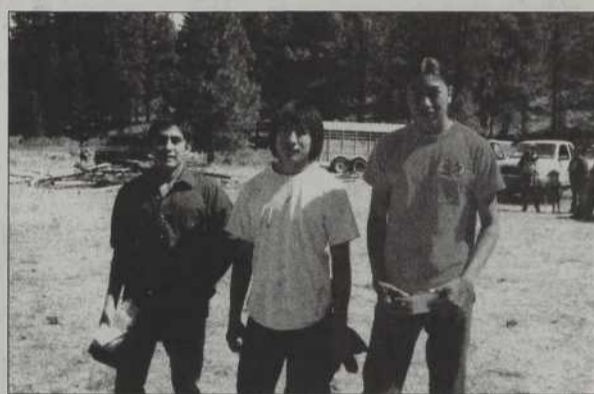
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We would also like to thank the following people for volunteering:

Garrett Greene, Lon Swanson, Dana Hardin, Angela DaWalt, Jimmy Tohet Jr., Jacob "Gizmo" Frank, Richard Tohet, ElRay LeClaire Jr., Kelsey Swanson.

Atticity Begay ran hard, finishing first in the 13-17 age bracket. Anthony Blueback was a close second and ElRay LeClaire Jr. took third.

The 12 and under bracket had a wild start, but got back



Winners included ElRay LeClaire, Anthony Blueback, Atticity Begay (from left).



Trumaine Yallup, Clarence McKinley, Louis Stewart, Ahliyah Hisatake (from left).

on track. Louis Stewart took first with Clarence McKinley in a close second. Third place went to Ahliyah Hisatake.

The most inspirational rider of the day was Charles Yallup. Charles and his horse, Magic, attempted to start during the younger age division, but despite Charles' encouragement, his horse refused to go. Charles persevered and ran in the older age bracket, finishing to much applause. Great job on the ef-

fort, Charles!

Again we would like to say a big "Thank you!" to all the sponsors. Without you, this experience would not have been possible for the kids. Thank you for your generosity.

Thanks also to all the volunteers who helped in so many ways. Congratulations to all the riders and we'll see you next year. Thanks again.

The Hisatake family.

Feast powwow results tallied

These are the results of the Huckleberry Feast Powwow, held on Aug. 4-5:

Saturday, Aug. 4:

Tiny Tots: Ten participants.

Girls 7-12 years: first, Suzanne McConville; second, Marlene Tias; third, Keyona Yellowman.

Boys 7-12 years: first, Tom Tias; second, Quinton Calica; third, tie between Anthony Culp Jr., and Rich Danzuka.

Teen girls 13-19 years: first, Liana Jim; second, Kristi Olney; third, Shoshanna Street.

Teen boys 13-19 years: no contestants.

Drums: Eagle Thunder, Eagle Claw, Mitchell Drum.

Sunday, Aug. 5:

Tiny Tots: 23 contestants.

Ladies 20 years and up: first, Marie Knight; second, Rosemary Charley; third, Laura Slockish.

Men's 20 years and up: first, Ted Umtuch; second, Carlos Calica; third, Gene Sampson; consolation, Gene Harvey.

Drums: Pine Grove Juniors, Eagle Thunder, Eagle Claw, Mitchell Drum.

Seniors Honorarium: Delvis Heath Sr., Jacob Frank Sr., Tom Kalama, J-Mouse Mitchell, Shirley Heath, Winona Frank, Nola Queahpama, Freda Mitchell, Ginny Mitchell, Patrick Mitchell, Suzie Slockish, Bernice Mitchell, and Laura Stahi.

Heap big thanks to Captain Moody for being the Floor Manager, and the "volunteer" judges, and cooks, of whom this small, but very important occasion would have not been possible.

Hope to see more community participate in the 2008 Huckleberry Feast Powwow at the HeHe Longhouse next summer.

Benny Heath.

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