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Klamath Derby raises \$19,600!

Inaugural event a huge success!

The first-ever AFF Klamath River Derby, held back in September was a big success (not to mention a ton of fun!) and we raised nearly \$20K for the cause. Thanks to all who participated and helped out. We sincerely appreciate your support and hard work! Here's where the funds will go:

- \$6,000 will go to aid the yearling Chinook program at Iron Gate Fish Hatchery. In a nutshell, fish in this program are allowed to grow in the hatchery for a year (instead of the usual few months) before they are released to the river. Studies have shown that survival rates and adult returns are much higher when fish are released at a larger size.
- \$13,600 is slated for adding a floating dock of the Roy Rook boat launching facility at Klamath Glen (can I get a big Yee-Haw?).

And speaking of the Klamath Derby, we're already getting excited about the 2009 version, which will be even better than last year's. We've got a lot of exciting things planned for the event, which will be held Sept. 18-19 and we'll be letting the cat(s) out of the bag soon, so stay tuned!

If you'd like more info on the derby, log onto: www.affinc.org.

Win this Boat!

Another FishRite sled up for grabs this year

As with last year, our friends at [FishRite](#) will be again building us a sweet sled to raffle off. This year's version is a custom 21-foot jet/prop conversion that will equally at home on lakes, saltwater

and shallow rivers.

We'll be parading this beauty around to many of the boat shows this season, so come by the following shows and check it out. Raffle tickets are \$10...a \$42,000 boat for a ten spot...you can't beat that!

See the boat at:

The San Mateo ISE show, Jan. 8-11; The Sacramento ISE show, Jan. 15-18; Portland Boat Show, Feb. 4-8; Anderson Sports, Boats & RV Show, March 6-8; The Eureka Redwood Acres Fair, June 24-28; Crescent City Fourth of July Celebration, July 3-4; The Del Norte Co. Fair in July; the Humboldt Co. Fair in August and the Klamath Salmon Festival in August.

Other Business

Announcements & Official Business, etc..

- Fox's *Inside Sportfishing* was up filming at our 2008 Klamath Derby and you can catch the show on TV this month -- check your local cable listings!

- AFF is pleased to welcome Cindy Tuttle as a new board member and Frank Townley as the new Chair of the Guide Committee