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**Club Meetings-**  
7:30pm on the 2d Tues  
of each month. Held at  
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**Club Dues-**  
\$25 per year

next meeting: Nov 14

## This Meeting- 10<sup>th</sup>

Pumpkin Files...



U/W Pumpkin Carve-TBD

## Inside....

*Higgins Lake  
DT Search and Train  
'06 UW Pumpkin Carve??  
Joe to Oregon*

*also selected short  
subjects*

(English Language Version)

***Remember Our Troops!***

## Higgins Lake Dive-

Rick, Charley, & the Ed chose a chance Saturday in Sept to dive Higgins. It was a bright enough day, but heavy fog. Arriving about 10:30 at the lake, it was found with fog blowing across seemingly right at us. Of course we took our time getting suited up; by then it was pretty much cleared out. This was the site where you march for hours through shallow water; if you had a good breakfast you have some energy left to even dive.

But we did get in, and vis was pretty decent. You may remember the fish crib at that location- it's collapsed and resting flat on the bottom. One barrel is still with it; the others apparently went off to become boating hazards... Fish were still congregating around it, although they were smaller than the ones formerly found there.



Higgins Lake on a Sept Saturday morning



Charley and Rick gearing up

**FYI-** Club member Joe Jablonski is now a citizen of Salem, OR. The winters are better, Joe!



Divers heading out on Higgins

**Gotcher Pumpkin?** And it is finally October, the month of the annual yet almost forgotten SUE Underwater Pumpkin Carving contest. The club has decided to open this up to ALL DIVERS this year. A prize suggested for this year is a Club Membership! And, more prizes! More discussion on the dive will be covered at this month's meeting; come with your own suggestions. The location might be Otter Lake, or Haithco, depending on whether we can get in. The date is also undecided, but it will either be the 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>. If you can't get to the meeting, watch your e/m for final plans...

## Dive Team News

The team combined their Sept training with an actual search, returning to the old Mapleton bridge across the Tittabawassee River. Who would ever imagine diving the Tittabawassee for any reason? Probably just for that reason; the river is more difficult than it would seem.



Greg Prenzler accessing the site



**The search** was performed by two teams; Greg Prenzler tended by Mike Fabish, and Jay Pansing tended by Ron Maynard. The tender was positioned upstream from the diver, and would extend about an arm's length of rope after each horizontal sweep.



Titt prep area; Gordonville Bridge in background



Mike F. tending Greg P.



Both teams in; Jay P. tended by Ron M. nearest...

**Pool swims** for Jan, Feb, & Mar are scheduled; more details later.



Mike F. after taking a turn; with Greg P. and Tim Hastings  
Note the new drysuit. And that's a full face mask with intercom

**The searchers** did find an old bike and an old safe under the bridge; neither of any significance. For you fisherman, the bridge support had holes about 8' deep, with large fish...



And this is DT Cmdr Sommers; standing on a stump he found...

### **Sept Meeting Minutes...**

(Almost called seconds, reflecting on the number in attendance; possibly more was talked about in the parking lot...)

Officers in attendance were Pres. Cunningham, Treas. Kowalski, Sec. Storck, BMatL Fabish.

Apr. 5 reg members were present to vote on the expenditures and other critical issues.

Treas' report was given;

(no previous minutes; picnic meeting)

New business items discussed were the pumpkin carve; possibly at Otter or Haithco Lake.

Tms Twp FD still has a contract to fill their cascade; might use ours on occasion. Availability of operators discussed.

Dive exhibition for the public explored; liability outweighed any benefits.

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## S.U.E. '06 Event Planner

Counting down...

Oct 10 Club Mtg  
TBA- Pumpkin Carve (Time to Plan!)  
Nov 14 Club Mtg  
Dec 12 Club Mtg  
TBA Christmas Party

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**Bayliner- 1988**, 28', 460 Ford V8 w/ trailer. Set up for diving. \$15900. Call Mike at 989 892 2028

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