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Race Future in Doubt By Evan Kramer



The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce held a press conference on New Year's eve at the Wheelhouse Restaurant to discuss the future of auto racing at Cape Blanco State Airport.

The Chamber had received a letter from Lindy Zimmerman, Department of Transportation, Aeronautics Division on September 24, 1998 stating "no further race activity will be allowed on the airport." The Chamber responded to Zimmerman's letter with a letter asking Zimmerman to reconsider and allow the racing to continue. They included a letter from Gary M. Dietel, Physical Engineer, about the condition of the airport runway surface. He states in that letter "Structurally, light-weight race cars pose no threat to the runway surface." Dietel recommended planning for future pavement reconditioning.

Chamber member John Ineson led the press conference off with an overview of the history of the Team Continental racing events, which have been an annual event since 1993. He said the Chamber and Team Continental have one more year left on their five-year permit. He

said the Chamber and Oregon Department of Transportation Aeronautics Division are co-petitioners for the alternative use of the airport.

Sixes Fire Chief Joe Yost told the press that two people in his fire district have applied to lease and build hangars at the airport. They are George Welch and Paul Liddy. He said Welch wants to build an airplane kit manufacturing plant.

Ineson said the races bring 600 people into town over the Labor Day race weekend.

County Commissioner Bill Roberts attended the meeting on behalf of the county. He referred to the five-year contract. He urged the Chamber to get set up for this year and then work on a plan for the airport. Joe Yost asked if industry at the airport would bring more into town than the races. Chamber member Frank Smith agreed that industry would bring more into town. Yost is a member of the Cape Blanco Airport Association, which has adopted the airport.

Ineson said Aeronautics decision to cancel the races was being influenced by pilots. He said the Chamber has worked closely with Aeronautics for six years. He spoke about the September letter from Lindy Zimmerman of Aeronautics in which the Chamber had been given no

advance notice or hint about the plans to cancel the races.

Ineson urged members of the public who want to see the races continue at the airport turn in letters of support to the Chamber office or write directly to Aeronautics.

Bill Roberts observed that the real goal is to use the airport as an airport. He said the County Commissioners would be more than happy to contact Aeronautics on behalf of the Chamber supporting the Labor Day races.

Zimmerman's September 24, 1998 letter to Chamber member Jim Campbell notifying the Chamber that race activity would no longer be allowed stated the reason as "deterioration of the operating surfaces of the airport, and the hard use caused by the races." John Ineson said Aeronautics had not substantiated or proven these claims.

Joe Yost said the race cars are digging up the surface of the runway in the turns and that the surface is deteriorating.

John Ineson said that the Cape Blanco Airport Association had never approached the Chamber with their problems with race usage but the Chamber would be delighted to meet with them.

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Fri Jan 8	4:43a	7.0	10:53a	3.2	4:21p	5.6	10:35p	1.9	7:46a	5:02p	12:09a	11:54a	
Sat Jan 9	5:29a	7.0	12:04p	2.9	5:38p	5.2	11:24p	2.6	7:46a	5:03p	1:04a	12:21p	3Q
Sun Jan 10	6:15a	7.1	1:11p	2.4	7:03p	5.0			7:45a	5:04p	2:00a	12:48p	
Mon Jan 11	12:18a	3.1	7:00a	7.1	2:09p	1.9	8:23p	5.0	7:45a	5:05p	2:55a	1:18p	
Tue Jan 12	1:14a	3.5	7:44a	7.3	2:58p	1.3	9:27p	5.3	7:45a	5:06p	3:49a	1:50p	
Wed Jan 13	2:10a	3.8	8:26a	7.5	3:40p	0.7	10:18p	5.6	7:44a	5:08p	4:44a	2:27p	
Thu Jan 14	3:01a	3.9	9:07a	7.7	4:19p	0.2	11:00p	5.9	7:44a	5:09p	5:37a	3:08p	

**Simplifying Your Life
By Paula Cracas**

Happy New Year! The Fun Zone has graciously agreed to allow me to write a column in their newspaper. Next week's column will be on **Rumors**. Yep, that's right. **Rumors**. You know the kind. You're shopping and a friend mentions something they heard is about to happen in Port Orford. Is it true? You ask another friend; they don't know. Before you know it, the subject comes up in more and more conversations. We have a number of rumors circulating in our town. As a way to find out what is true and what is not, I decided to appoint myself reporter to follow up on some of the current rumors, by going to the people who can give me a straight answer and get the scoop. Next week, the subject will be rip-rap on our beach. Is it true there are plans to do that? Stay tuned.

This week's column is about simplifying your life. The ancient philosophy of Feng Shui (Fung Sway) is about the art of space clearing. What better time to reduce some clutter in your life than the beginning of a new year? Remember all the catalogues and junk mail you collected in your mailbox in 1998? Want to find less this year? On the back of almost every catalogue you received is an 800 number. Call it and request them to delete your name from their mailing list. Be sure to ask if they are connected to any other catalogue mailing lists, because some are and they can cancel those other catalogues also. Write to: Mail Preference Services, Direct Market Association, 6 East 43rd Street, New York, New York 10017-4610. Ask them to remove your name and address from the many mailing lists they have. List all the different ways your name might be listed: middle initials, under your spouse's name, etc. It will take a while, but eventually, the bulk in your mailbox will dwindle.

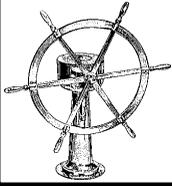
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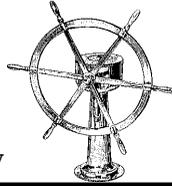
Now doesn't that feel good? You've saved some trees, helped others, and you have a start on reducing clutter. If you are interested in learning more about Feng Shui, our library has a book about it. Do you have a rumor you'd like tracked down? Send it to the Fun Zone. I'll follow-up. Till next week.

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Letter to the Editor,

The small community of Port Orford has an amazing ability to grab major news headlines. The Wayfinder wall controversy, the sewage treatment outfall subsiding into the ocean and now the cancellation of the sports car races at Cape Blanco State Airport as reported in the Sunday Oregonian January 3.

After fifty-five years of neglect it is a testament to the original engineering that the Cape Blanco runway is in such good condition. It is evident though that a limited faction is claiming that sports car racing, for four days once a year is putting the surface in jeopardy. To quote from a letter provided by a civil engineer after on the ground inspection.

“The surface is in excellent condition and the past activities have not and the proposed like activities would not pose any significant problems to the runway surface. The structure was designed to withstand pounding and severe lateral loads (touchdown shearing action). Structurally lightweight race cars pose no threat to the runway surface.”

However it is claimed by one of those in opposition to future auto racing at this site

that damage is visible from the air, amazing eyesight. It is claimed by another member of this small faction that, though there is no documentation of this event, a jet plane flew in but would not return due to pebbles worked loose from the runway by the action of the race cars. When racing was first started at Cape Blanco it was found that the surface was so covered by years of debris that traction was very difficult. The whole surface is therefore brushed and washed before and after every meeting. The runway and taxiways are the cleanest they have been in decades.

All of those involved in the presentation of the sports car racing at Cape Blanco State Airport believe that the facility is a great asset to our community and look forward to it being developed to its full capacity. Meanwhile though the majority of our community are aware of the considerable financial benefit and the great deal of enjoyment that the auto races have provided. Team Continental have always eagerly anticipated their annual visit to our area and the great welcome we have always given them. Many have returned at other times in the year to enjoy the southern Oregon Coast.

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Is it equitable that a handful of private airplane owners be granted, by Salem bureaucrats, exclusive use of Cape Blanco Airport at no cost to themselves or benefit to the general population of this region? Surely there is room for all parties to come to a mutually satisfactory agreement that will provide the best use of this great facility to the benefit of all.

If you support the continuation of sports car racing at Cape Blanco State Airport it is important that you express your opinion within the next few days to Oregon Department of Transportation Aeronautics Division or it will be too late for a race to be arranged for this year. The address is 3040 25th Street SE, Salem, OR 97310-0100, phone 503-378-0100 or fax at 503-373-1688.

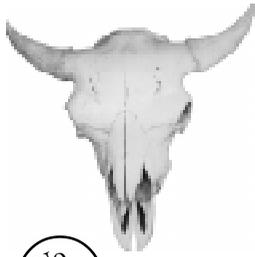
Copies of your letters can also be dropped off for Port Orford Chamber of Commerce c/o Port Orford Visitor Center at Battle Rock Park for transmission to Salem.

Yours sincerely,

John R. Ineson

[The part of this letter over our limit of 250 words is paid for. - editor]

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Chris Davis, one of the owners of Davis Oil, Inc., provided the following information about the changes at the local Texaco station.

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On December 1, 1998 we (Davis Oil) purchased the station and property from Monty and have since then began making some modifications to the building to better serve the people of Port Orford.

For many years we have had a strong demand from people in Langlois to Gold Beach area to install a "Pacific Pride Commercial Cardlock" on the Southern Oregon Coast. We have listened to the public's demand and we are now able to fulfill their wish. When the Port Orford project is complete, we will have remodeled and updated our Texaco building with a new office and storage areas. Also we are building a brand new ground-up Pacific Pride cardlock. This will be a 24-hour, 7 day a week fueling location for all commercial users who qualify.

It will be complete with high speed pumping units, state of the art electronics and create a new, clean, well-lit addition to downtown Port Orford. The Texaco fueling station will not be disturbed and it will continue to run normal. Later this year we plan to update the Texaco station with new fuel pumps. Davis Oil invites the public to come down and see their

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One thing not mentioned in Chris Davis' information is that the service bays part of the station has been torn down and according to him will not be rebuilt. There will no longer be any vehicle repairs done at the station.

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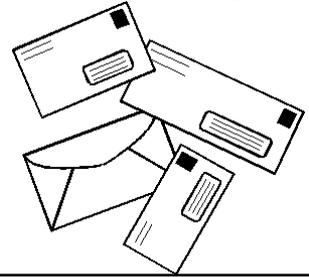
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December 28, 1998, 8:00am: theft from Port and Starboard Restaurant; report taken. Under investigation.

December 29, 1998, 11:30am: Neighborhood dispute on Wyoming Street; handled by contact.

December 30, 1998, 10:30am: Barking dog complaint, Idaho and 18th Street. Situation to be monitored. Handled by contact.

December 30, 1998, 1:30pm: Juveniles playing paintball in Park, chased kids out. Juveniles contacted and advised. Handled by contact.

December 31, 1998, 10:30am: Bicycle found and turned into Police Department. Found in bushes near MP 300, Highway 101; 12 speed, men's, older.

January 1, 1999, 7:50am: Vehicle in Lake at 12 Street boat launch. Pulled vehicle out of lake. Under investigation.

January 1, 1999, 5:00pm: Criminal mischief at 1045 12 Street. Report taken.

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Most Westerly Ice Cream Shoppe By Evan Kramer

I took a drive over to Battle Rock Park on Monday and talked with Bonnie Traglio of Bonnie's Ice Cream Shoppe. She told me that it was the last day that she and Gene would own the ice cream shoppe. They have sold the business to Sonja Mason, Port Orford's current postmaster. Sonja will continue with the post office for the rest of this year and then retire to her ice cream shoppe.

Bonnie and Gene have owned and run "The Most Westerly Ice Cream Shoppe in the 48 States" as the sign says for 15 years. I have been a regular though not frequent customer of theirs. My friend Ron from Escondido makes their store one of his regular stops during his annual visit to Port Orford. I've always enjoyed talking with Bonnie and Gene when I see them on Wednesday afternoon while dropping off some copies of this paper. We

disagreed on some of the issues that keep Port Orford from getting boring but it never got personal. Bonnie and Gene were part of a small group of businesses who advertised in the first edition of this paper on November 2, 1990 and we appreciated their support.

One of the paper's traditions is the Port Orford annual weather statistics we print in the paper in January. This information has always been compiled by and given to us by Gene. We're counting on his providing us those statistics one more time later this month.

Bonnie told me she would be working in the ice cream shoppe for awhile on Mondays and Wednesday. Good luck in retirement to both of you.

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Annual Awards Banquet

The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce will be holding their annual award banquet to honor our citizen and business of the 1998 year.

We will be introducing our new officers and board members.

The banquet will be held at the Port and Starboard Restaurant on Saturday, January 23, starting with cocktails (no host) at 6:00pm followed by dinner at 7:00pm. Dinner choices will be prime rib or fish.

The cost is \$15.00 per person. Reservations need to be given to the Port and Starboard by no later than January 15 so please purchase your tickets now from a Chamber board member or at the Chamber office.

For additional information contact Nancy at the Chamber office at 332-8055.

Letter to the Editor,

If you have United Airlines miles that expired on December 31, 1998, those air miles can be traded for magazine subscriptions until January 15, 1999. Call 1-800-250-3525 and they will read a list of about ten magazines which "cost" 500 to 1500 miles. I requested a list of all the magazines available and I will leave a copy, when I receive it, at the Fun Zone.

Paula Cracas

County Seal Contest

Curry County is holding a contest for a county seal. The seal should reflect Curry County's history, future and uniqueness. Designs should be submitted to the Commissioner's Office by 5:00pm, Feb. 16. The winner will be announced at the March 1 Commissioner's meeting. The winner will receive \$25.00. For an example of a seal or for further info, call 247-7011, ext. 222.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

South Coast Head Start, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Confederated Tribes and Oregon Adult and Family Services are sponsoring a satellite video conference concerning grandparents raising grandchildren.

The conference which is part of a national satellite video conference will be held on Tuesday, January 12, from 10:30am-1:30pm at Southwestern Oregon Community College, 1988 Newmark, Coos Bay, in Tioga Hall rooms 103 and 105. There is no registration fee. The conference is aimed at professionals interested in helping grandparents get the information, education, resources and support they need to successfully raise their grandchildren.

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Public Meetings

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Port Orford Planning Commission meets on Tuesday, January 12, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Port Orford Rural Fire District board meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 7:00pm, at the city hall fire station.

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce board meeting on Wednesday, January 13, noon, at the Wheelhouse Restaurant.

Note: the Chamber board meetings will now be on Wednesdays at noon.

Langlois 4-H general meeting on Thursday, January 14 at 7:00pm, in the Blanco Middle School cafeteria. Club projects include sewing, woodworking, pottery, kindergarten adventure, outdoor adventure, horse, swine, sheep and cooking. For more information call 347-4429.

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Langlois Library News By Tobe Porter, Library Director

Happy 1999—the year of the new library. We finally purchased property in the heart of Langlois. Locally known as “Gigi’s old place,” or “Stormy’s,” it is the large parcel with the redwood tree right across the highway from Blanco Middle School. (And, no, we’re not going to cut down that tree.) We are interested in learning

more about this piece of property, so hope that anyone with information about it will drop by the library; we’re always ready for a good story.

A preliminary design of the new library will be available for community review soon. Suggestions from our patrons are most welcome; this is, after all, your library. I am particularly interested in hearing what kind of programs the community would like to have; i.e., story

times, discussion groups, literary lectures, etc. I will be forming a committee of young people to help design a section of the library exclusively for them.

Meanwhile, at this cozy little library we have some wonderfully thick books just right for winter reading: “The Poisonwood Bible” by Kingsolver, “A Man in Full by Wolfe”, Fannie Flagg’s “Welcome to the World, Baby Girl”, and “Ship of Gold in the Deep Blue Sea” by Kinder.

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MISCELLANEOUS

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RENT A MOVIE. New movies this week: "Disturbing Behavior", "Out of Sight", "How Stella Got Her Groove Back", "Poor White Trash", "Alice", "Busted", "Meet John Doe", "Winnie the Pooh Un-Valentine", and a new "Babylon 5" tape. We also rent DVD's and are always adding new titles. The Downtown Fun Zone is open 9:30am till 6pm Monday thru Thursday and from 9:30am till 7pm Friday and Saturday. Closed on Sunday.

Senior News
By Mary Yoder

January 2 was Mickey Harper memorial potluck. It was really special. Those who made it that way were Jane Black who did the planning for it - others Bessie Laursen, Thelma Lagace, Dotti Clothier, June Dennison. Doing dishes and clean up were Bill Butt and Dick Clothier.

Tim Hunt led the group in prayer. Rusty Miller entertained with his harmonica. It was a nice turn out - a time to visit with friends from near and far.

January 4 was pinochle - all had a great time and three kinds of popcorn. Venita Marstal was high second E.J. Drew and low - Katrina Montgomery. She brought the popcorn. Sure glad she comes.

January 8 is Lion's bingo - starts at 7:30pm - all are welcome Lion or not-money goes for glasses for kids. Best come and enjoy.

January 9 is the luncheon at 11:30am. Also rummage sale from 8:00am to 1:30pm and the birthday party - free you know for birthday people young or old -

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January 10 is the breakfast from 8:00am to 1:00pm and also rummage sale from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

January 12 is board meeting. All are welcome board members or not.

You know January 5 was nutrition meeting. That's when volunteers do the planning for all the luncheons Rotary and all you come too. I'll tell you about it next week.

This should do it for now - will close with this.

Do you wish the world were happy
Then remember day by day
Just to scatter seed of kindness
As you pass along the way.

League of Women Voters

Port Orford unit, League of Women Voters of Curry County, will meet Friday, January 8, at 10am at the home of Dot Mathews, Doug Johnson Lane. Topic for discussion will be program planning for the State and County League for the year 1999-2000. If you have thought about becoming involved in the League, this meeting would acquaint you with the issues with which the organization deals.

League of Women Voters is open to all citizens of voting age, male or female. For further information, call 332-9002.

Race Future in Doubt *continued from front cover*

Bill Roberts spoke about the importance of maintenance continuing at the airport. Frank Smith estimated the donated labor to upgrade the airport over the past six years to be worth \$60,000.

Team Continental 1999 race chairman Dave Kimes spoke about the \$12,000 his group has invested in the airport. He said Team Continental's goal is to build a pure racetrack (not at the airport). He said the deterioration at Cape Blanco Airport had been caused by grass growing up through the surface. Kimes said Team Continental has lost money on the races every year and reiterated their need for a full time facility in the area on about 60 acres. Bill Roberts asked what the races generate the community. Kimes said the real winners are the local businesses. He estimated race car participants spend \$250 per day for all their expenses. He said there were 200 entrants in 1998 representing 137 cars with an average of four people in each crew.

Kimes suggested a Port Orford Racer's Association. He said if we had a permanent facility we could have races more

than one weekend a year. Team Continental will cancel the 1999 races no later than January 9 if the Division of Aeronautics has not changed their decision. The reason for this is Team Continental needs to complete their 1999 race schedule.

Take a Pinch of Pepper **By Graeme Graydon**

In the early 80's I was awarded a contract with Heart-ABC to do a series of 10 TV segments on "Herbal Medicine in your Kitchen." The series would form part of a presentation aimed at the educated woman who was unable to leave her home. I had absolutely no experience in front of a TV camera, but they like my material and I guess my New Zealand accent, and they billed me as star and co-producer. It was a challenge for me and quite a risk for them. My first exposure came when they interviewed me with an anchor-woman to make an introductory flyer-that was the easy part.

At the first day's real shooting, a charming young woman took me to mid-town Manhattan to dress me at a store and then a magician in make-up gave me a hair style and an appearance that I had never seen before-nor since. I found myself

behind a newly built kitchen counter facing 3 cameras with a bulb of garlic in my hand. There were at least 15 people on the floor plus more out of sight in a control room. "Face the camera with the red light," was my only instruction - "Good luck" and away we went.

For some reason the take had to be made without any cuts, so the whole thing had to be perfect from start to finish. I gave it a good go, but after 3 hours and 4 unsuccessful attempts, I wasn't making it. A voice crackled "Take Five," and I was led off the set by a friend Alyce Finell, producer and Emmy winner. She said that I was doing very well, but that my energy had fallen off-and we all needed to take a break. She put a saucer of red powder in front of me-"Now you're going to take some of your own advice, here's some Cayenne Pepper-you know what to do." There was no spoon so I took a large pinch of the pepper in my fingers, dropped it in a glass of water, swirled it and drank it down, then I went to the men's room and returned to the set. This would be the last chance to get a good segment today.

As I stood waiting for the countdown, I became aware of a warming sensation way below my belt.

Lights! Camera! Action - and I was into my presentation on garlic. But the warmth became an incredible burning and then a fierce fire. I realized what had happened-I had handled Cayenne in my fingers and then went to the bathroom without washing my hands first.

Oh Man - there was nothing to do but keep going. I had fire in my pants, my energy level soared, I came alive-this was a new me-and it was over in no time.

The voice crackled "In the can," which means that's the one we keep, the crew broke into cheers and applauded, Alyce hugged me and then collapsed into laughter when I told her what had propelled me into stardom.

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