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13th Annual Rotary Duck Derby Event is Saturday in Grants Pass

Have you gotten your Ducks yet? The Rotary Duck Derby is happening this Saturday, September 19th.

The annual Rotary Duck Derby is one of Josephine County's most important fundraising efforts. Over the past 12 years, it has raised more than \$1.2 million to help the county's children.

The Duck Derby has paid for development of Morrison Park in Grants Pass, all-weather tracks at all four local high schools and a new warehouse for the Josephine County Food Bank.

This year's proceeds will benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs in Grants Pass and the Illinois Valley. The majority of funds will help build a teen center at the Grants Pass facility, where attendance is expected to rise sharply. 20% of the funds are earmarked to help expand club services in the Illinois Valley.

People "adopt" ducks for Saturday's race for \$10 each. On race day, adopted ducks are dumped into the Rogue River and float their way from Baker to Riverside Park. The first dozen or so to finish win exciting prizes for their owners, including a \$15,000 toward the purchase or lease of a new vehicle.

Derby Ducks can still be purchased at many locations, including the five Grants Pass new car dealerships, local banks and KAJO/KLDR Radio.

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