

The Hidden Bottle Hunt!

Explanations for Zone 2 Clues - 2021

CLUE 1

Zone 2 is expansive so it's easy to despair
But keep your chin up, the bottle's out there

If 1860 had a different outcome
On the Umpqua your search would have begun

Instead, commence posthaste, with "malice toward none"

SOLVE 1

This clue is intended to narrow down the county. Abraham Lincoln and Steven Douglas faced off in the 1860 presidential election. Lincoln won, so the bottle is in Lincoln County. That's also confirmed by the words "malice toward none" where were in Lincoln's second inaugural address.

CLUE 2

Now that we've got you, hook line and sinker
It's time to narrow in, oh intrepid thinker
To find the treasure, you need not stand on the Jetty
Though your feet would feel "warmer" on huge rocks, stacked aplenty

SOLVE 2

"Hook line and sinker" is a nod to the boat ramp at Cannon Quarry Park. The Yaquina Bay jetty was formed, in part, by rocks that were quarried at Cannon Quarry. Hence you'd be getting "warmer" if you were standing on them. Also, the Yaquina River is the only bay in Lincoln County with a jetty (with the very small exception of Depot Bay). This clue is supposed to get you to the Yaquina Bay/River, and if you're a hyper-local historian, maybe to the park (though very unlikely).

CLUE 3

Craft brew then oysters, still not yet there?
Keep trekking on and say hi to boomer!
Let the silent butler help show you where, (yikes! What's that in the air?)

Things looking familiar, a ways from the ocean?
Fast Eddie would say that's a great notion!

SOLVE 3

craft brews are a nod to Rogue Ale, which is located right on the Bay, and oysters are supposed to get you started upriver to the Yaquina Bay Oyster Company/Oysterville. The silent butler is Butler Bridge over the Yaquina, and the aroma from the pulp mill is what is in the air. "A ways from the ocean" is just supposed to confirm that we're moving upriver. Fast Eddie is a nod to Paul Newman, who starred (as Hank Stamper) in "Sometimes a Great Notion," which was filmed along



there. The “Notion” reference is both a legitimate clue and a red herring since the Stamper House in the film is actually on the Siletz River, but much of the film was actually shot near the Bottle location on the Yaquina River.

CLUE 4

No bottle yet? Carpe diem!

Maybe check in with a local, like Richardson, T.M.

Don't ask for a lift, even past the restored estuary

There's no room for you aboard, and things are already quite heavy

The bottle itself? What's its 20?

Urdhva Hastasana would help you plenty

SOLVE 4

T.M. Richardson gets you to the Wikipedia page, which talks about the steamboat moving stones to build the jetty, which were sourced at the quarry near Mill Creek (ie: Cannon Quarry). There is an estuary restoration project very near Cannon Quarry. Don't ask for a lift because the boat is heavy is just confirming the cargo (stones to build the jetty). Urdhva Hastasana is a yoga pose that stretches your arms upwards from a standing position -hinting that the bottle's location is elevated.

CLUE 5

It's Sunday now, and we must start with a bang!

The digging's been done, the mortar has sang

So launch your vessel, don't be meek

The bottle's in a tree, a mile upriver from the confluence with Mill Creek

SOLVE 5

If the bottle hasn't been found yet, this one is designed to get you there for sure. Start with a bang, digging's been done and mortar clang are all supposed to scream Cannon and Quarry. Launch your vessel speaks to the boat launch there, and Cannon Quarry is a mile upriver from the confluence of Mill Creek and the Yaquina River.

