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I have fished Kettle Creek a long time also, since around 1970, and I was in the area a few times even earlier, in the late 60s, when I was a kid, before I got into flyfishing. And I'm interested in some of the history. Who was this "riverkeeper" and what is meant by "riverkeeper?" What did he do?

What do you guys remember about the guy who fed the deer? I have a vague memory of that, probably from the late 60s. We were staying at a camp of a friend of my father, and in the evening he drove us over there to see the deer. It was near dusk and there were lots of deer coming out of the woods and walking down through cleared areas down towards Kettle Creek. I heard that there was a guy who fed the deer there every evening, but I don't know any of the details. Do you recall just where this was? Was this in the special regulations area, somewhere near where the pond is now?

Also, does anyone know the story about a big trout they called Old Torpedo? This was a huge brown that lived in the big swimming hole up on Hammersley Fork. An old-timer told me that some guys drove up there at night and got that trout with a pitchfork, and that someone in the area still has that trout mounted on their wall.

Also, if anyone knows the logging history of the area, specifically the locations of old splash dams and mill dams, on Kettle and/or Cross Fork Creeks, please let me know.