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Looking out my window today, the sun is out but there's not much snow on the ground for this time of year. Hope for snow to fill the lakes, reservoirs and streams to help the flora and fauna and give us a good fishing year.

The Board has had two lively discussions about what the goals of the club are and what direction we want to have the club take as we move forward. In that regard, a questionnaire has been developed by Paul Oles and we intend to send out this questionnaire in the near future by email to our membership. If we can determine what our goals are, then it will help us in the future as to how to better serve what the majority of the club members want to do and also assist us in what activities we will financially support and devote volunteer time on. I know many of you, including myself, initially joined the club with the idea that we would learn more about fishing in the area and also gain some new fishing partners and experiences. Others may be more interested in fundraising activities and supporting children education activities and/or conservation efforts. The club has been doing both but the Board would like to learn which of these activities we need to put more emphasis on.

One of the areas that I would like to see more emphasis on is educating our members about our sport and creating an environment for members to ask for help. I know we have some quiet members out there who would like to learn more about fishing but might have felt reluctant to ask. The Board has created a new education director position, which Marv Yoshinaka has volunteered to lead. Of course, for this to work we need everyone who is an experienced angler and who is going to be engaged in leading or attending outings to help out. We will discuss this in more detail at our general meeting.

A good way to learn more about our sport and fly-fishing in particular is to go to the Mike Lawson seminar scheduled on February 17th and 18th at Aspen Hall in Bend. More information is inside this Newsletter. One of the benefits of being a member is to attend these kinds of events at a reduced cost, which leads me to my next request. Only one-half of our members have paid their \$25 annual dues. For those of you who haven't paid your dues, we would greatly appreciate it if you would do so in the very near future. Most of the donations that we make are front-loaded at the beginning of the year but the revenue doesn't come in until the end of the year.

We have some exciting news in regards to the tui chubb problems at Paulina and East Lakes. ODFW will be working with Paulina Lake Resort to do some trapping of tui chubbs. In addition, ODFW is conducting a study on what to do in regards to tui chubb removal at East Lake. This has been a long-standing request of the Club and individual members of the Club to address this problem. We will provide more details on this once we learn what ODFW has in mind.

We have two outings this month on February 16th and 23rd. Get out there and enjoy the outdoors!

Alan Stout



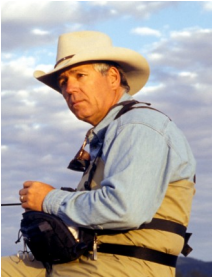
Sunriver visitor loses way on bike path. See page 4.

Who We Are:



The Sunriver Anglers Club is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, education and promotion of responsible angling in the high desert region of Central Oregon. More information can be obtained by writing to P. O. Box 4273, Sunriver, OR 97707.

Mike Lawson to Present at the General Sunriver Anglers Meeting in February and the Winter Seminar 2010 in Bend:



Mike Lawson will be the featured speaker at the Sunriver Anglers regular meeting at 7:00 in the Sunriver Fire Hall on Thursday Feb 18. His topic at the general meeting will be different than those topics at the 2 day seminar and will be geared to both the die-hard fisherman (you know who you are) as well as to a more general audience. Mike will talk about his "Home Waters": A look at his life as a fly fisherman, the places it has taken him, and a developing appreciation for his "Home Waters". Emphasis is placed on the role of our own home waters and why it is important to take care of them. Mike's easy-going style, humor, and beautiful photography will make for a very enjoyable presentation.

In addition, Central Oregon Flyfishers and Sunriver Anglers will jointly host the Winter Seminar Feb 17th and 18th at Aspen Hall in Bend. This year's presenter is Mike Lawson from the famed "Henry's Fork" area of Idaho. All are welcome, members and non-members.

We are very pleased to have Mike travel to Central Oregon for this two day seminar and for our general meeting. At the seminar, he will cover such topics as Spring Creek Magic, Fly Tying for Spring Creeks, Casting Instructions, Nymph Fishing from Top to Bottom, Techniques and Tactics for Difficult Trout, and Fly Fishing in the Upper Snake River Country.

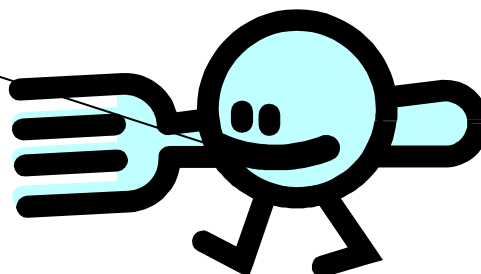
Mike's local knowledge, a lifetime of experience, and easy going style make him a most desirable presenter. He was born and raised in southeastern Idaho where he has fished the local streams and Yellowstone area, including the Henry's Fork, all his life. Mike graduated BYU in 1970, and while teaching school for several years began tying flies commercially. Later he began working as a fishing guide in the Snake River area. In 1977 he and his wife Sheralee opened Henry's Fork Anglers Fly Shop, currently located in Island Pak ID. He lives in the area with his wife and two sons.

Mike's experience is not limited to the Yellowstone area as he has flyfished all over the world. In 2003, Mike published "Spring Creeks", a text book in how to fish spring creeks and tailwaters. In addition he has written numerous articles for various fly fishing publications, and has been a member of the Sage Advisory Team. Mike will have his book and some DVDs for sale at the Seminar and the General Meeting.

The 2010 Winter Seminar will be held at Aspen Hall Feb 17th and 18th 9:00 am to 4:00 PM. Cost for the two days is \$55 for Central Oregon Flyfishers and Sunriver Angler members, \$75 for non-members (Lunch, coffee/drinks, and snacks included). You can register by mailing your check (made out to Sunriver Anglers) to Doug Vakoc 18160 Cottonwood Road PMB 259 Sunriver, OR 97707. For more information, contact Doug at 541 598-2048 or Doug@Vakoc.com.

Register Early! Hurry and reserve you spot as space is limited and we anticipate this seminar being very popular.

Hey Henry! You lost your fork. Come get it quick or they will name an area after you.



February Board Meeting Highlights:

Discussion of Goals for 2010:

Fundraising Projects: Fundraising was discussed. The consensus was that calling on local merchants would be done on a voluntary basis. Pete Gustavson, Mal Murphy, Marv Yoshinaka, and Jack McDonnell agreed to work on a fund raising committee. Jack will provide a list of merchants that have given in the past including the members that have called on them.

Free Fishing Day: the consensus was that we will continue this activity.

Member Education and Development: The idea of having a membership chairman was discussed. This will brought up again at our March meeting.

Educational Needs: Marv Yoshinaka agreed to head up club educational needs. Mark Baldwin will assist. Necessary equipment for outings will be stressed.

Anglers Picnic: The consensus was to keep the annual picnic.

Seminar: The upcoming seminar with Mike Lawson is a joint project with CFO. Cost and proceeds will be shared between the two clubs. SRA is responsible for 1/3 of the costs and CFO for 2/3.

Classes: Intermediate and advanced fly tying class with Jerry Criss will begin on Monday, Feb. 15., at 6:45 at the fire station. There will be a nominal to charge to members.

Questionnaire for Members: A questionnaire developed by Paul Oles will be sent out to members in good standing to assess their interests and to help us plan future activities.

Members will be asked to rank five categories in order of importance to them.

1. Offer frequent one day and multi-day outings where I can go fishing with fellow anglers and learn about new places to go.
2. Offer regular classes and seminars so I can improve my skills, for example casting, fly tying and choosing the right pattern.
3. Offer monthly club social events where I can share stories and plan personal outings with other members.
4. To encourage, advocate, and support conservation and protection of watersheds, fish habitat, and wild fish populations.
5. To provide educational opportunities for school children to learn about fish, fish habitat, and related aspects of the environment; and to learn about basic fishing skills, principles of stewardship, ethical conduct, and safety around water.

The chair entertained a motion to send the preceding questionnaire to the membership. Motion passed unanimously.

Tui Chubb Eradication: Paulina Lake Resort has agreed to net Chubb in their Lake. ODFW is developing a master plan for eradication in East Lake. This will be a labor intensive project requiring many volunteer hours. ODFW will also be urged to spot check Little Lava to determine how successful our trapping effort was there.

Brochures: Marv reported that the brochure on new access points on the Little Deschutes will be distributed shortly.

Hatch Box: Sponsoring an effort to have a hatch box placed in Caldera for the purpose of releasing German Browns in their pond will be discussed at our March meeting.

Stream Restoration: Dave Jendro reported that 72 trees were placed in the Deschutes north of the Trout House. Additional vegetation including willows and pines will be planted to increase shade along the river bank SRA contributed \$2500 to SROA for this project.

2010 Dues are Due: Have You Paid Yours?

You do not have to fill out that form this month to pay your dues. Next month you will. Just send in your check and we will see if the treasurer can figure out what it's for and who sent it. Better yet, send him 2500 pennies and make him mad.



New Feature On The Anglers Website:

Apparently there are some who like to ride their bikes around Sunriver, but they are having trouble finding a "path to ride"—see picture on first page. If only the troubled bikers knew about the new map that the Sunriver Anglers have put together, their problems would be solved. Take a look at <http://www.sunriveranglers.org>, where you will find a nicely detailed map that can be downloaded and printed for your next bike ride. Also, be sure take a look at the Anglers Interpretive Trail signs along the routes that have been popular with walkers and bikers since their installation in 2006 - 2008. Anglers thank Marti Croal, SROA, for creating this new map version.

Hon! That sure is a great map the Angler's made about the bike paths. I think it's cool.



Sweetie Pie! Not only is the map cool, the whole club is cool too.



Adults! Yada, Yada, Yada.

Intermediate and Advanced Fly Tying:

Get ready to limber up your fingers, find your reading glasses, and take the mothballs off your feathers and fur—it is time to tie flies. Jerry Criss has once again agreed to teach us. The lessons will be on Monday evenings beginning February 15, 2010 at 6:45 p.m. at the Fire Station. We will have five sessions. (March 1st will be skipped since Jerry has a fly-typing event to attend.) This year, you will be asked to pay as you go with a fee of \$10 per person for SRA members. This is a reduced rate that Jerry is charging for our club members. Jerry has requested that you advise him if you want to tie particular types of flies as he wants to tailor the classes to what you want to do. Please contact me with your ideas or requests and I will pass them on to Jerry.

Alan Stout

alanstout1@msn.com or 541-593-1571 (days)



First Anglers February Outing: Crooked River

We will be heading to the Crooked River Feb 16 to nail them trout on BWOs. Bring your favorite nymphs and dry flies, favorite fly rods, and your cold weather gear and meet at 8:30 am at Ted's Pretty Good Grocery (aka The North Store). Since the peak fishing time is between 11:00 am and 2:30 pm; this will be a "bring your own lunch" type outing. Let Doug Vakoc know if you are coming by emailing to Doug@Vakoc.com or phoning 541 598-2048. Note this outing is before the next general meeting.

Second Anglers February Outing: Metolius River

Our second outing in February will be to the Metolius on Tuesday, the 23rd. We'll meet at the North store at 8:30 and head out around 9:00. The Blue Wing Olives should be coming on a little stronger by then, so bring your favorite BWO patterns, nymph, emerger and dry. Golden stonefly nymphs and various midge patterns should work as well. Other staples on the Metolius are green copper johns and gold ribbed hares ears, probably in the 16-20 range.

February is usually a good time to try bull trout on the Metolius as well, so for those who have heavier rods and gear, that is always an interesting experience.

Email Mal Murphy at mrmurphy@chamberscable.com, or call at 541 593-2641 if you are interested. The hatch usually won't start until about 12:00, and should last until around 2:00, so lunch will be on your own.

Coming Events:

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| February 15 | Intermediate to Advanced Fly Tying taught by Jerry Criss at 6:45 p.m. at the Fire Station. |
| February 16 | Outing at Crooked River led by Doug Vakoc. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the (north store) Sunriver Marketplace. |
| February 17 & 18 | Mike Lawson Seminar at Aspen Hall in Bend from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch included. \$55 for SRA Members and \$75 for non-members. |
| February 18 | General Meeting at Sunriver Fire Hall at 7 p.m. Socializing begins at 6:45 p.m. Speaker: Mike Lawson. |
| February 22 | Intermediate to Advanced Fly Tying at 6:45 p.m. at the Fire Station. |
| February 23 | Outing at Metolius River led by Mal Murphy. Meet at the Sunriver Marketplace at 8:30 a.m. |
| March 8, 15 & 22 | Intermediate to Advanced Fly Tying taught by Jerry Criss at 6:45 p.m. at the Fire Station. |
| March 18 | General Meeting at Sunriver Fire Hall at 7 p.m. Socializing begins at 6:45 p.m. Speaker: Larry Schoenborn of Fishing the West TV series and Fishing With Larry Travel Services. |

Sunriver Anglers Mail Call:

To: Club Presidents
From: Dwight Klemin, President Oregon Council
Subject: To inform you to about the Mann Lake Rotenone Project.

Fellow Presidents,

First of all, thank you for your time and efforts making a difference in your local club. Individuals, like you, make the fly-fishing community a strong voice.

The fish biologist Shannon Hurn is proposing to Rotenone Mann Lake this spring and restocking with Lahontan Cut-throat She is asking two things from Mann Lake lovers:

Write a letter of support of the project
Volunteering man-hours as needed

Shannon's contact information is:

Shannon Hurn
District Fish Booklist
PO Box 8
Hines, Oregon 97738

541.573.6582

You and your club can be a positive influence in this "Project".

The Oregon Council is made up of @15 volunteer individuals as a governing body and delegators of information sources.

Thank you for taking time to support this recovery of a great fishery.

Dwight Klemin
President ORCFFF
503.390.8997 H
503.302.9484 C

Cigarettes and Whiskey and "Wild, Wild Women":

Calling all Central Oregon women interested in flyfishing! "Wild Women of the Water" would like to invite you to join us for a women's only fishing outing. Our group is designed to give women the opportunity to learn about fishing in a fun, no pressure environment. Programs promoting continued education run all year long, giving every level of angler the chance to learn something new. We will be planning the location and date of the outing depending on the number of interested participants. Please email Kristin Lambson at ktlamb@live.com if you would like to participate or have any questions.



Match or better
that, all you
men!