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Anglers:

Spring has sprung, or so it seems at times and then there are times, like now as I write this, that Winter seems not ready to give up. Regardless of the weather, full on open fishing season will arrive according to the calendar. So our focus will be on getting ready for our expanded opportunities.

Last month (on March 17th) you should have received some information on writing letters to our U.S. Congressman and Senators concerning the proposed legislation on the Crooked River. The issue is not yet settled, and your support is still needed. If you haven't written, please do. If you have written, please write again.

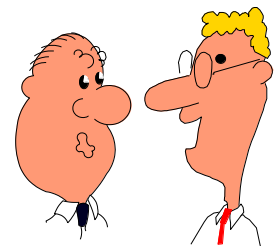
Kokanee Karnival is in high gear this month. The sign-up sheet for serving lunch to the attending classes at Shevlin Park will again be passed around at this month's meeting. This is a fun time for all, and it won't kill your whole day so combine it with your errands in Bend.

In May, we will kick off solicitations for items for our fundraising. All of the usual suspects will be contacted. If you think that you know of a potential donor please let Jack McDonnell or me know about them, so that we can get them on the list. Better yet- make a donation of an item, service or gift basket yourself! In the past, home and garden items such as gift baskets, fabric arts and hand-crafted items have proven successful. We only solicit once a year and then divide the items between the Fish Fry and the Christmas Dinner. Since we have many resort guests who attend the Fish Fry, gifts that can be carried home easily or used during a Sunriver vacation have great appeal.

The coming Summer season will include some ODFW projects which will give us opportunities to volunteer for some interesting and rewarding work. Most efforts will take less than a day, but there may also be an overnight trip to the high lakes for some sampling. Other possibilities include Tui Chub trapping, redd surveys and catching fish for brood stock.

Tight lines and I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on the 21st.

Chuck



I just paid my taxes. Could you lend me \$5 for a Starbucks?

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 or looking at our website. <http://www.sunriveranglers.org>

SRA April Board Meeting Highlights:

Meeting called 8:08 am. Members Present: Vakoc, McDonnell, Schmerber, Baldwin, Meister, Yoshinaka, Sexton, Devine, Ashton, Stout (Quorum present). Absent Murphy, Gehlert, Gustavson, Tank.

Previous board meeting minutes approved as submitted (unanimously).

Treasurer's Report given. Major outflow was \$3,000 to COF for Kokanee Karnival. It was noted that at the General Membership Meeting in March, approval was given to board submitted financial requests as follows:

- Approved \$4,000 to Deschutes River Conservancy. President to request DRC representative at next general meeting to present check.

- Approval for up to \$4,000 to Fred Baker scholarships to OSU fisheries graduate students. Later in meeting it was reported that candidates are currently being considered with the likelihood that 2 \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded this year. No final determination made at this time.

Crooked River Dam Proposal status report was given by Marv Yoshinaka. Legislation still underdevelopment, Marv indicated it may be worthwhile for SRA members to send letter to congressman and senators requesting study be funded to determine minimum flow needs for wildlife/fish. Marv will draft a suggested base letter and distribute.

Brief discussion on Fish Fry. Jay Bowerman will be asked to play again, price will remain at \$12/6, same as last year.(July 16) Source of fish being determined.

Kokanee Karnival Spring at Shevlin Park Apr 25 thru May 3. Additional volunteers needed.

Free fishing Day planning in progress (June 11).

Assignments for solicitation for merchandise to auction/raffle at Fish Fry/Christmas dinner being developed. No solicitor will be assigned more than 3 donors.

Marv and Chuck met with ODFW to review potential projects that SRA members can help with this year. Included were:

- Chub trapping East Lake, Paulina Lake, Lava Lake and Little Lava Lake.

- Electro shocking at Crooked River 3rd week in June.

- High Lake stocking.

- Redd surveys.

- Catching Brood stock out of Crooked River.

Marv also reported Blackwater eggs from BC have been ordered for East Lake. They will be raised at Wizard Falls Hatchery and when ready, will be stocked as unclipped rainbows in East Lake. All other rainbows to be stocked in East Lake will be fin clipped from now on. Eagle Lake rainbows will be stocked in Paulina Lake, unclipped, and other stocked fish will be clipped.

Discussion on dates for Fly Fishing class not yet finalized, considering mid-May time Frame. Chuck coordinating.

Next Meeting May 3 place to be determined.

Sometime after 9:30 am meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by one-time only substitute secretary Doug Vakoc

Upcoming Fish Projects:

It's time to get ready for the coming fisheries work projects season. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has come up with a list of fisheries projects and will be asking for our volunteer help this spring and summer. Here's a preliminary list and description of projects.

East Lake Chub Trapping-Will start in late June and continue to late July or early August. One to two volunteers will be needed every other day to remove chub from the trap and dispose of them.

East Lake Chub Mark and Recapture Study-Will require a team of three to four persons to work two days. Date to be determined.

Little Lava Lake Chub Mark and Recapture Study-Will need two volunteers to work two days. Date to be determined.

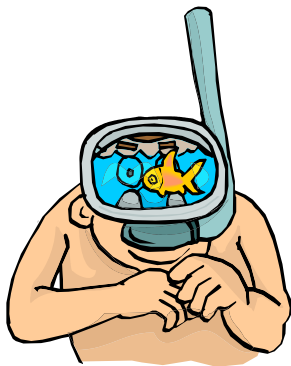
Crooked River Electrofishing Sampling-One to two volunteers will be needed each day during the third week of June.

Crooked River Broodstock Collection-Anglers are needed to catch broodstock redband trout during one to two days in May.

High Lakes Sampling-Four to six volunteers are needed for a week in August to help sample high wilderness lakes. Sampling techniques will include gillnetting, snorkeling, and angling.

Redd Surveys in Fall and Upper Deschutes Rivers-One to two people are needed to walk the streams and look for trout redds.

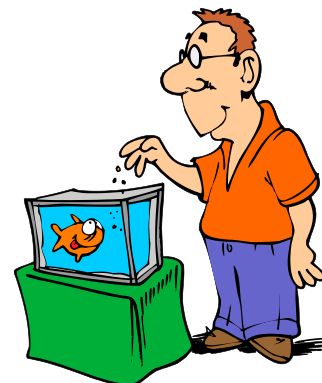
More detailed information regarding the dates and times of the work, project locations, and number of people needed will be available as we get closer to the actual work dates. We will have sign-up sheets for these projects at future meetings or will contact you by email. We hope that you'll be able to participate in some of these activities.



#1 Fish Counting



#2 Fish Selling



#3 Fish Feeding

Here are three projects that are exclusive only to our members as we are the only ones who are qualified to carry out the tasks involved. If you wish to volunteer, please notify Marv Yoshinaka or Chuck Devine as to which one you are interested. Please refer to the task number as they might not remember the name of the project or understand the terms left, right or middle.

SRA April Meeting Program: 21st—7 pm—Sunriver Fire Station

Please refer to the article on this subject in April's Sunriver Scene. Thank you.

From the Desk of COF:

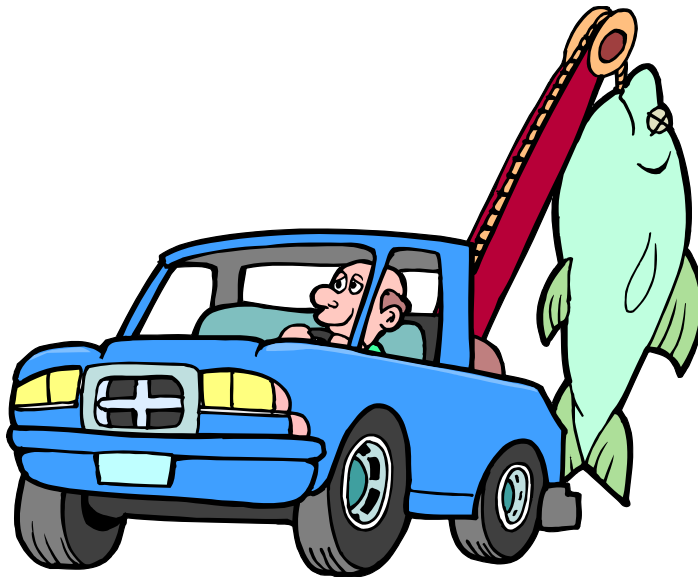


The Kokanee Karnival activities are starting again. We delivered steelhead eggs to eight classes in late February and will deliver trout eggs on April 12 to 40 classes as a part of the Eggs to Fry program. In March, we picked up and delivered the Anglers Education materials to classes in the Redmond and Bend La Pine school districts. Angler Education instructors will begin teaching the in-class program starting in mid April. The Fish Dissection program will begin in April.

However, Kokanee Karnival is planning the major event for the 14 classes in the Comprehensive level program, the Spring Angling Clinic at Shevlin Pond. This year it will be held on April 25 to 29 and May 2 & 3 with two classes attending each day. A major volunteer effort for Central Oregon Flyfishers and Sunriver Anglers volunteers.

Editor's Note:

The deadline for submitting articles to this newsletter is noon, two days after the monthly board meeting. The next board meeting is on May 3.



Dreams of glory!