



The Sunriver Angler

The Official Publication of the Sunriver Anglers Club

Volume 40

Issue 3

March 2013



P. O Box 4273
Sunriver, OR 97707

2013 Club Officers:

President:

Dave Schmerber

Past President:

Mal Murphy

Vice President:

Mal Murphy

Secretary:

Gary Gehlert

Treasurer:

Jack McDonnell

Two-Year Directors:

Dave Long

Dave Schmerber

Dan Arnold

Jim Adams

Vern Fugate

Chris Palle

One-Year Directors:

Jack McDonnell

Gary Gehlert

Mal Murphy

Chuck Devine

Phil Fischer

Alan Stout

Publicity Director:

Rod Juranek

Newsletter Editor:

Pete Reed

Presidents Message:

Yesterday's snow was a rude reminder that spring comes slowly in Central Oregon. Still, can't complain if you happen to be a skier! Six inches of new powder is pretty sweet! Where else in the world can you ski one day and be fly fishing a beautiful stream the next!

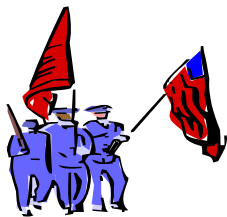
The winter seminar is over and what a fantastic two days that was. Many thanks to Phil Rowley for putting on a great program, with so much enthusiasm, and for his ability to fill in for Brian Chan who, do to a sudden illness, was unable to attend. I'm anxious to try what I learned.

The turnout was amazing as we had a total of 121 attend. That means the club cleared \$1375 above our costs. Many thanks to all who helped and mostly to Doug Vakoc for his tireless effort and expertise.

At last months meeting we presented club member Brad Emery, the local representative of project Healing Waters, with a check for \$700. The money will help supply fly fishing gear for veterans who have come home and are have difficulty adjusting. Thanks Brad for your work in this worth while project. There may come a time when we have an opportunity to help in other ways, such as taking a vet fishing and it is my hope that club members will respond positively.

The board is working on an outing schedule for the coming season. Teams have been assigned and they will be coming up with locations soon. Not an easy task considering all the great rivers and lakes we have to choose from!

As I mentioned last month the Diamond Lake camp out will be July 15th 16th and 17th. The "I" loop is nearly full and we are looking for other campsites near by. You can check with Alan Stout for more info. We want to encourage everyone to come to the outings, and especially those new to fly fishing or new to the particular water we will fish. Leaders will have an orientation at the start that will include some ideas on setups to try and locations fish might be found. As someone fairly new to fly fishing, I have found these outings very helpful and a lot of fun! We should have a schedule started by the next newsletter.



Plan to join the
March to our March
meeting on the 21st.

Who We Are:

Continued →



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>

Presidents Message: Continued

I want to thank Bryon Salaz, Cascade Guides and Outfitters, for presenting an informative talk last month on the Crooked River. Bryon has years of experience fishing the Crooked and it shows! The Crooked river is one of those places that has four seasons of fishing and is always changing with water levels, temperature, and time of year. Bryon showed us ways to be successful year round.

Next stop... Slovenia! Fred Foissett of The Hook fly shop will present a travelog on this eastern European country highlighting its pristine rivers and the famed marble trout. If you ever dreamed of traveling to (and fishing) in this beautiful country you won't want to miss our meeting March 21, 6:45 PM at the SHARC.

Also at the next meeting we will be passing around a sign-up sheet for helping prepare and serve lunch for the kids at the Kokanee Karnival Shevlin Park. The dates are April 22-26 and 30th. It's a lot of fun and after lunch you can help the kids bait or untangle their lines as needed! If you can't make the meeting and want to help contact Jack McDonnell 541-593-7680 or Dan Arnold 206-612-0519.

One final note. I will be asking the members to approve a \$5000 donation to the Deschutes River Conservancy at our next meeting. This organization under the direction of Tod Heisler, is critically important to us in finding solutions to improved winter stream flows on the entire Deschutes river basin. For new members, DRC has become our largest recipient of club funds and for good reason. The board asks for your support in approving this donation.

As always we welcome your input and questions. If I don't have the answer I most likely can find someone who does. Until next time.

Here's wishing you all the best... And Go Fish!

Dave

SRA Welcomes New Members: Hip Hip Horaay!

Bob O'Donnell
LeRoy Tucker
Gary Famam
Steve Barthold
Steve Lichtenberger
George Selfridge



SRA March Board Meeting Highlights:

The meeting was called to order by President Dave at 8:05 a.m.

Minutes of the Feb. 7, 2013 meeting were amended to remove Alan Stout and add Mal Murphy as a signatory to our bank account. The amended minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The seminar in conjunction with COF had 121 attendees. That resulted in a net of \$1375 to SRA. The consensus of the Board was to lease a barbecue for a year to see how that works out for us.

Kokanee Karnival: April 22-30. Jack McDonnell reported that this year there will be three separate cooking staffs. Sign up for workers will take place at our April meeting. If you are going to miss the April meeting and would like to help at the Karnival, please contact Jack. Members were reminded to please stay, if possible, to help with the fishing.

Outings: Five are proposed for this year with one to be held at Diamond Lake and the rest up to the organizers. Orientation meetings will be planned before each outing to familiarize participants with the body of water to be fished. Members will be called and invited to the outing with emphasis on new members.

Old Mill Casting Course: They are looking for a commitment of \$250 a year for three years from organizations willing to help support the course. Dave Long moved and Phil Fischer seconded a motion to support them for the first year and reassess our position at the end of that term. Passed with two nays.

Meeting Room-SHARC: We may be outgrowing the room. The smaller room is approved for up to 45 occupants. Last meeting we had more than that. The large room charges \$150 per use. SHARC is also now charging \$25 for use of their projector. Since our winter meetings are often better attended than the spring/summer ones it was decided to wait until we had a better idea of how many members attend each month before making a decision. Several Board Members agreed to question officials at SHARC about the rental fee for the large room and the fee for the projector.

Native Fish Society: It was agreed to invite them to one of our meetings needing a program.

New Business: July meeting will be held on July 2, August's on the 8th.

A \$50.00 gift certificate from the Brew Haus will be presented to Doug Vakoc for his work in organizing the seminar.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Next Board Meeting: April 4, 2013, 8:00 a.m. Sunriver Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Gehlert, Secretary

SRA March Meeting Information:



Rare Marble Trout, Adriatic Grayling, huge Rainbows, and beautiful Browns all in one location? Where in the world you ask? The answer will be shared at the March 21st, Sunriver Anglers meeting held at the SHARC.

Having spent three weeks in Slovenia last fall, Fred Foissett, guide and owner of The Hook Fly Shop will share the details of his fly-fishing adventure as well some great stories of the people and the culture of the country.

Arriving in the capital city of Ljubljana by air, Fred's group traveled by rental car to Tolmin, rented a house and met their friend and guide, Rok Lustrik, www.Lustrik.com to discuss river conditions and their options for the following day. As you will learn, there are incredible choices each and every day as Slovenia is blessed with an abundance of clear pristine streams and rivers which flow from high in the Julian Alps. Rivers with Slavic names like the Coca, Sava, Idrijca, Sora, and as well as Lake 'Bledd will be discussed along with the specific fly-fishing gear employed. Fred has no secrets.

For many, the famed and mysterious Marble Trout is the prime draw but for others the quality of the fishery makes any choice a day to remember. And pricing, wait till you hear how reasonable Slovenia is when compared to joining a European cruise or barge excursion.

Careful management has resulted in quality fishing opportunities while the local fishing clubs manage the fishery, sell the licenses, and patrol access as they have a vested interest. Fred will explain the "beat" system where a daily license allows the fisherman to fish a specific stream or river as well as an identified section. Fred speculated, "can you imagine that working on the Crooked river"?

After the presentation you may want to add Slovenia to your travel bucket list. If you, you will not be disappointed by Fred's wonderful Powerpoint presentation. The meeting begins at 6:45 PM, Thursday, March 21, SHARC meeting room.

Meetings of the Sunriver Anglers Club are open to all (men and women), and we extend an invitation to those wanting to learn more about angling and conservation opportunities in our area and meet others with the same interest.

For information about the club and the current newsletter, visit www.sunriveranglers.com. Additional questions can be directed to club president Dave Schmerber at 503-851-7761 or fruitfamer@msn.com.

SRA Monthly Meeting Request:

In order to speed things along before our meetings, please have your correct funds ready if you wish to participate in our popular raffle. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 (which most people donate). If you are wearing your name tag and we can see it and if it's straight and not up-side-down we will give you an additional ticket if you donate \$5. That's a whopping 7 tickets for only five bucks. Thanks!

SRA Upcoming Events:

March 21	Monthly meeting, 7:00 P.M. SHARC Fred Foisset Fly fishing in Slovenia
April 4	Board Meeting, 8:00 A.M. Lodge
April 18	Monthly meeting, 7:00 P.M. SHARC Brett Hodgson, ODFW many topics
April 22-30	Kokanee Karnival Shevlin Park Bend
May 2	Board meeting
May 16	Bob Gaviglio Sunriver Fly Shop Lake fishing techniques
June 1	Free Fish Day, Caldera Springs
June 6	Board meeting
June 20	Monthly meeting TBA
July 2	Board meeting
July 15, 16, 17	Diamond Lake Outing
July 20	Fish Fry, Fort Rock Park
August 8	Board Meeting
August 15	Anglers picnic, Fall River Hatchery
September 23-27	Kokanee Karnival, Fall River Hatchery
September 20-21	Fly Fishing Festival, The Village at Sunriver
December 11	Christmas Banquet