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## Presidents Message:

As most of you know by now The Fall River Hatchery is reducing significantly production plans for the coming year. Fortunately my announcement of a full closure appears to be premature. Good information on their plans has been hard to come by but the best we have now is that the fish have been moved out. A care taker will be on site all winter doing some maintenance. We also understand that they plan to use the rearing ponds sometime next year. Use of the hatch house appears to be very questionable which is really too bad because they have made considerable investment in improvements to that part of the facility in recent years.

This leaves a lot of questions unanswered, like, what about the "Cranebow" program? Will we have fish available for stocking for Free Fish Day? How will it affect stocking locally? What about the Kokanee Karnival? I think Gary Gehlert said it best, that they don't have a clue how this may affect our educational programs.

We will keep on top of this and continue to try and find out the long term plan for the hatchery. We hope to meet with decision makers and will work with our counterparts in the Central Oregon Fly fishers club to at least get some answers. Can we effect change in their plans? We will see.

A big thanks go to Gary Gehlert for leading another successful Kokanee Karnival Fall River, and thank you to all who participated. Gary says the students came well prepared to learn (for the most part)! This shows that the teachers take this program very seriously and the kids are learning a lot while having a fun day. We plan on ordering better weather next year!

The second annual Sunriver Fly fishing Festival has come and gone and I would like to thank John Olischewsky from The Hook for his hard work organizing this show. He reports that they raised more money than last year that will go to local charities. We may be in the early stages of something much bigger!

We have one more outing planned this year. Ever wonder what it is like hooking a steelhead on a fly? This could be your chance! We will be heading to the John Day river October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Leader Chris Palle says this is a beginner friendly river so the opportunity to learn the basics should be high. It is bank fishing so no boat required. For more information contact Chris Palle at 251-209-5836 or Chuck Devine at 541-593-1539.

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I am not saying a word about who I think is to blame about shutting down our government. Not one word!

## 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>

## Presidents Message Continued:

Not too early to be thinking about the upcoming Christmas banquet at the Great Hall in Sunriver on December 11. If you have solicitations to make, please get those in to Mal Murphy soon. We invite you to help out the club with your own donations of items to be auctioned off on that night. Food and wine baskets, boxes of flies and other hand made items are big sellers. This is the largest fundraiser of the year so your help is greatly appreciated.

The fishing season goes on, so get out there and see what's hatching!

Dave



## SRA's October Meeting Information:

The Sunriver Angler's Club will continue with its monthly meetings throughout the Fall and Winter months. At their next meeting, Thursday, October 17th, Russ Scott, the co-owner of Fly and Field Outfitters in Bend, and the owner of Lake of the Dunes, will be making a presentation to the Club on the where's, how's and when's of Fall and Winter Fishing in Central Oregon to include the Lower Deschutes for Steelhead as well as the Fall, Crooked, and Anna Rivers. Also, Russ will be distributing a small booklet that will include photos, fly patterns and tactics as well as coupons redeemable at Fly and Field Outfitters.

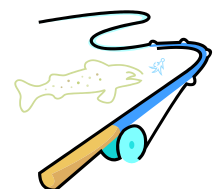
By way of background, Russ and his family have been dedicated to the outdoor business of fishing and hunting most of their lives, and thru the retail shop, the Lake of the Dunes, and thru guiding, have found those avenues as a way to give back to others what so freely was given to them.

SRA Members welcome guests to join us for any of all of these interesting and informative monthly meetings at the SHARC on the third Thursday of every month. Meeting starts at 7 p.m., but most arrive around 6:45 to tell "fish stories". See you there.

## SRA Upcoming Events:

October 14-15	Outing John Day river contact Chuck Devine or Chris Palle
October 17	Monthly meeting 6:45 SHARC Russ Scott, Fly and Field, Lower Deschutes and Lake of the Dunes
November 7	Board meeting 8:00 Lodge
November 21	Monthly meeting SHARC 6:45pm
December 11	Christmas Banquet

## Sunriver's Famous Flyshops: (Thanks to both of you)



## SRA October Fishing Report: (Let's hear from more of you)

Hosmer Lake: The Atlantics are chancing Kokanee Kandy at Hosmer. If you want to catch lots of 12" to 14" fish go off the boat ramp with a sink line and strip a KK, yellow or white buggers as fast as you can.

Crooked River: Friday 9/27, I have never seen so many fishermen on the Crooked River in my life, but none were near me. No wonder our economy is bad, no one is working! Caught as many fish as I wanted to catch on BWO and PMD's. My 8' 3wt was perfect.

Terry Dahlquist

## SRA October Board Meeting Highlights:

Sunriver Anglers  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 3, 2013

Present: Alan Stout, Dave Schmerber, Gary Gehlert, Jack McDonnell, Chuck Devine, Chris Palle, Vern Fugate

Absent: Mal Murphy, Dave Long, Dan Arnold, Jim Adams, Phil Fischer

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

Minutes: The minutes of the Sept. 5, 2013, meeting were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report: As of 9/30/13 we had a balance of \$15,894. There were no significant expenditures in Sept.

Kokanee Karnival Recap: In 4 days we educated approximately 240 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders about the Fall River Hatchery and the vital role it plays in our area. The weather, at times, was a little difficult but the students came away with a much better understanding of why we have hatcheries.

Hatchery Closing: The last of the fish were to be removed from the hatchery the first week in Oct. As of now, the rearing ponds will be re-opened in the spring, but the hatch house will not. It was suggested that we plan a joint Board meeting with COF and SRA and invite the head of fisheries to come from Salem and explain why these steps are necessary. Two of the full time employees have been transferred to Wizard Falls on the Metolius.. One employee will remain at Fall River for the winter.

Fly Fishing Festival Recap: Revenue was up from the previous year. A committee will be formed to help plan next year's festival. It was suggested that more activities such as a young persons fly pond be provided. The format will change to all day Sat. and  $\frac{1}{2}$  day Sunday.

Christmas Banquet: Mark Dec. 11, 2013, on your calendars. Banquet will be held in the Great Hall. Cost of the dinner is not yet known. Further discussions about the banquet will take place at our Nov. meeting.

Recruit New Board Members: Board Members and Officers are needed for next year. We do have a volunteer to do our newsletter. Pete Gustafson has agreed to replace Rod Juranek as publicity chairman until the end of the year.

John Day Outing: Information, including gear to bring, will be in this month's newsletter.

Next meeting: November 7, 8:00 a.m. Sunriver Lodge

Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Gary Gehlert, Secretary