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## President's Message

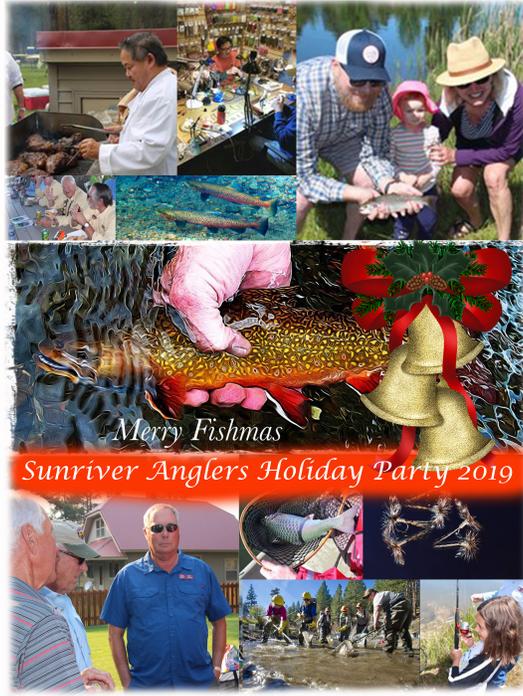
The Sunriver Anglers Club has been in existence since 1977. During this time, we have introduced uncountable numbers of children to the joy of fishing. Additionally, we have worked with numerous groups and agencies to promote conservation and protection of our natural resources.

Finally, we have sponsored numerous meetings to enrich the club members fishing experiences, these coupled with club trips, picnics, and banquets. I have listed all these accomplishments because the club is in crisis and some changes must take place for the club to survive. The problem is not financial as the club has a very healthy bank balance. Neither is its declining membership as we are growing. The problem stems from burn out.

Simply stated, the same group of people have been on the board for many years and essentially do most everything and we are getting tired. I will continue as president for one more year if someone will become the vice president with the commitment to become the president the following year.

There are other board positions to be filled and we need you to step forward. The survival of the club is up to you, so please plan to step forward at our November meeting.

Thank you in advance.



## **Holiday Party December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Great Hall**

Please register ASAP as we need to give the Resort the meal count on November 14 at 5 pm.

Register at [www.sunriveranglers.org](http://www.sunriveranglers.org) drop down to holiday party and sign up.

## **October Meeting**

### **Fly Fishing Road Trips**

**By Tim Mertins**

This month's topic that will be covered at the Sunriver Anglers Club meeting to be held at the SHARC on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 7p.m. will be *Fly Fishing Road Trips* presented by this month's featured speaker John Kreft.

John has traveled and fished rivers in Montana, Washington and Idaho as well as Oregon and will provide examples of what to take, where to stay and other lessons learned that you can use when on your own fly-fishing trip. His presentation will include pictures he has taken during trips to the following rivers, the lower Madison, Stillwater, Big Hole, St. Joe and Upper Columbia.

John has been tying flies for a number of years and said he began in 1970 with the help or mentorship of Wayne Doughton. John bought the materials needed to make six flies which Wayne had sold him. When John could tie those six flies correctly, he was to bring the "models" back, trade them for six different ones, purchase the materials for these new ones and make them. This went on for a while and as the old adage says, practice makes perfect, John did become adept at fly tying.



In recent years John has tied over 170 dozen flies each year and has developed custom flies, “John Kreft flies”, that have become very popular with his clients, friends, and members of the Central Oregon Flyfishers (COF), John’s local club. John and his wife Karen, a noted fly fisher in her own right, reside in Sisters and are close to the Metolius River, John’s home water.

John has fished nymphs, dries and streamers but says he loves to see trout rise slowly to take a fly he has tied. He likens this to a chess match where he is waiting to call out “check mate”.

John is a regular contributor to the Fly of the Month column in COF newsletter and has managed the COF Winter Fly Tying since 2012. John was the treasurer for the Oregon Council – FFI and Chair of the 2015 and 2016 NW Fly Tying & Fly Fishing Expo in Albany. He has also exhibited his fly-tying abilities at the NW Expo, Western Idaho Fly Fishing Expo in Boise, The Northern California Fly Tying Expo in Redding and in 2017 received the Stan Walters Memorial Tyer of the Year award.

Be sure to check out John’s website **RiverKeeper Flies** ([www.johnkreft.com](http://www.johnkreft.com)) which is a great resource for novice and experienced anglers alike. John’s weekly posts include topics on fly fishing, fly tying and volunteer work. In this website you can find fly patterns to be used in the Crooked River as well as other resources including knots, hooks and bead conversion charts. Many of these resources are accompanied by pictures which help solidify the story being told.

Be sure to catch Phil Fisher’s article on the CalliKlink fly in this month’s edition of the Sunriver Scene.

The Sunriver Anglers Club is committed to Fishing, Conservation, Education and, this month, eating in and around Sunriver. If you would like more information or would like to get more involved by joining with other club members, please visit our website at [www.sunriveranglers.org](http://www.sunriveranglers.org).

## **Fish Management in Upper Deschutes – November Meeting**

### **Invasive Chub Removal**

Tim Mertins

The Sunriver Anglers Club meeting to be held at the SHARC on Thursday, November 17, 2019 at 7p.m., we will be given the opportunity to hear two presentations on topics that affect fish and fishing within the local area.

One of the topics, General Fish Management in the Upper Deschutes River basin, will be presented by Erik Moberly from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) Deschutes Watershed District. Erik is a fish biologist who received his bachelor's degree in Aquatic Biology from Southern Oregon University. He also minored in Environmental Law and Sociology. Erik has worked for a number of federal and state agencies throughout the western United States including Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California. His focus was on salmonid research and monitoring. In 2004 Erik began his work with ODFW in the Upper Willamette District and in 2004 joined the Deschutes Watershed District and moved back to Bend.

The second topic to be presented to those in attendance will be about the invasive chub removal project in East Lake. The chub removal project originated in 2010 from a suggestion given by Sunriver Anglers Club members. This program has expanded to additional lakes including Paulina and Lava Lakes. Questions to be answered during this presentation include: "What's does this entail?" "How is this monitored?" "How do you know it is working?" "What would happen if this is not done?" "How does this affect trout fishing in the lake?" Jennifer Luke, a "STEP" biologist and a seventeen-year veteran of the ODFW will be the presenter. For those of you not familiar with the "STEP" program, including myself, here is a very brief thumbnail on what the acronym stands for, *Salmon Trout Enhancement Program*. Now with that enlightenment you will be able to ask further questions of Jennifer during the presentation. Jennifer works with volunteers on fisheries projects including monitoring, stocking and habitat renewal as well as various educational programs including Fish Eggs to Fry, Kokanee Karnival and Fishing events for youth.

You don't want to miss either of these presentations by experts in their fields as both topics affect fishing in this area. Please join us for these important and informative presentations.

Be sure to catch Phil Fisher's article on fly tying in this month's edition of the Sunriver Scene.

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### **Outings**

#### **Hosmer End of Season Outing**

If the weather cooperates, the Sunriver Anglers annual Hosmer Lake outing will be some time around the 4th week of October. If you are interested in attending, please contact Rynie as we plan to wait for the 10 day weather forecast before picking a date. I will send out an email blast to the club when the date is confirmed, but I will send individual emails to anyone who signs up in advance. Float tubes, pontoon boats or small boats are highly recommended. Rynie

## **Fall River Kokanee Karnival.**

The program - our students attend local elementary schools and are accompanied by their teachers and parents. As always there will be a morning and afternoon session each day.

The Fall River Kokanee Karnival consists of a series of “stations” to review why hatcheries are necessary, river flows, trapping, and all aspects of hatchery operations. The program lasts approximately two hours, start to finish. There are prepared speaking points for each station to make the experience both fun and rewarding for everyone. The picture below show students how different parts of the river flow at varying speeds.



Thanks from:  
Jim Adams and Rynie

### **THANK YOU TO KOKANEE KARNIVAL FALL STREAMSIDE VOLUNTEERS**

**Frank Turek**

I want to thank all the volunteers who helped make our Fall Streamside successful. We held our 2019 Kokanee Karnival Fall Streamside September 23 through 27. We had 12 classes of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students from the Bend La Pine and Redmond School Districts attend our sites at Sheep Bridge, Fall River Hatchery and Spring Creek. Teachers and parents told me how valuable this program is to them and how much they appreciate all the time the volunteers donate to make Kokanee Karnival a success. I echo their feelings. The weather was great, cool but sunny. We really got lucky with the weather because think about how the weather changed the Saturday after the Fall Streamside. The Kokanee cooperated too. Lots of fish in the rivers for the students to see. I hope you saw the report on the Spring Creek Fall Streamside on Central Oregon Daily. We are working to get the report on the Kokanee Karnival website.

This year we had a total of 38 volunteers participate from Central Oregon Flyfishers, SunRiver Anglers, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Deschutes National Forest. The students were excited but well behaved, willing to participate in discussions and were very attentive. Our thanks to the teachers because they prepared the students for these outdoor activities and had

parents to chaperone the students. Our volunteers had a lot of fun too. Working with these students is very rewarding.

We want to thank the following people for volunteering to make the Fall Streamside a success. These folks donated a total of 525 hours of time and 5,052 miles.

Allen Caudle  
Allison Dobacha  
Angela Sitz  
Anne Gilmartin  
Art Agnew  
Bill Lincoln  
Bill Raleigh  
Charlie Schillinski  
Corol Ann Cary  
Micah Bennett  
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Jerry Hubbard

Now that the Fall Streamside is complete, the Kokanee Karnival Board will start planning for the Spring Angling Clinic in April 2020. I hope to see all of you there.

Frank Turek

## **FRED MEYER'S COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM**

The Sunriver Anglers will be credited with a reward from your purchase. Money from the Community Rewards Program will be added to support our club projects.

How to participate:

1. Link your Fred Meyer rewards card to the Anglers at: [www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards](http://www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards)
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4. "Find Your Organization" should appear on the next screen.
5. Enter following number in the box to link your card to the Anglers: 87237 and click on "Search."
6. Sunriver Anglers should appear below "Organization Name." Click on the circle to the left of Sunriver Anglers and then click on "Enroll" You are now done. Please contact Marv Yoshinaka (541-593-5461) if you need any help in getting registered with the Community Rewards Program,

## **Member-Get-A-Member**

Every time you recruit a new member, you help strengthen the Sunriver Anglers.

Recruiting a member is easy—when you connect with fellow anglers at meetings, online, or while fishing, simply tell them how you benefit from your membership in the Sunriver Anglers and suggest that they visit [www.sunriveranglers.org](http://www.sunriveranglers.org) to learn more about the value of membership.

If they decide to join, ask them to put your name on the membership application (available on our website) so you get the credit. It's that simple. You're Reward?

  
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Thank You Sunriver Brewing Company for your support of the Anglers!

## **October Caddis Skater**

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***Sunriver Angler's Fly-Tying Corner***

***By: Phil Fischer***

Have you noticed those big lumbering mothy-like bugs flying over the Deschutes or Fall River lately? Chances are you were seeing the adult October Caddis. This caddis emerges in September and October throughout many rivers in Oregon and Northern California. I've heard

this fly called “the Great Pumpkin of Western Rivers”. It is a big bug, and for a few short weeks in the fall can be important to imitate, as these insects make a tasty treat for rising trout.



### ***October Caddis Skater***

A steelhead will occasionally take this pattern on the surface as well, skated at the tail out of your favorite steelhead run! It is an honest size 8-10 hook, which makes it a pattern that is easy to see on the water. And one doesn't have to cast delicately with this fly. During egg laying flights the October Caddis daps the water's surface to deposit its eggs. It is often this behavior that we are trying to imitate as fly fishermen.

A little “splat cast” on the water is a good thing with this pattern. You generally won't see lots of these bugs about, but the trout know they are there and will take them eagerly if afforded the opportunity. Look for the egg laying flight in the afternoon and evening. Even if you don't see the naturals about, this fly can be a good searching pattern and will often raise a wary trout looking for a large meal.

The CDC October Caddis pattern is an adaptation from a fly shared with me some years ago by Thomas Duncan. The underwing is CDC, which is a natural floatant to enable this fly to settle down in the film, and its shiny body fibers, soft hackle, and CDC wing will give a convincing impression of a caddis. I have made a couple of changes to Thomas' original pattern by using a darker CDC and adding just a bit of Flash to the abdomen of the fly to shimmer on the water's surface.

Next time you are out fishing, look for that big mothy-looking October Caddis in the evening as the natural returns to the stream to lay its eggs, and be ready to cast this fly searching for rising trout.



### *October Caddis Adult*

#### **Materials List:**

Hook: Firehole 718, Size 10

Thread: Flat Waxed 70 Denier, Orange

Abdomen: Pale Orange Dubbing

Rib: Pearlescent Flat Tinsel

Underwing: Trout Hunter CDC, Dark Pardo

Collar: Whiting Hen Saddle, Natural Dyed Brown

Overwing and Head: Deer Hair Dyed Orange

Tying instructions and steps are being published in video form, and can be found on the Sunriver Anglers Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SunriverAnglers/>, or at the following YouTube URL: <https://youtu.be/L9jZhV4JMO0>

Experiment with the October Caddis Skater. If you have questions or would like additional information about this pattern, please don't hesitate to email me. Or if you have suggestions on future patterns to feature in this column, I welcome your input. I can be reached at [Philfischer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Philfischer@sbcglobal.net).

#### **Other News**

**Reservoir Levels and Upper Deschutes Flows:** for current reservoir fill levels and streamflows, go to the "US Bureau of Reclamation, Pacific Northwest Region Major Storage Reservoirs in the Deschutes River Basin, <https://www.usbr.gov/pn/hydromet/destea.html>

## **Facebook**

The Sunriver Anglers has a Facebook page which members and anglers can post items of interest. Go to: <https://www.facebook.com/SunriverAnglers>

**Resources – check our web site at [www.SunriverAnglers.org](http://www.SunriverAnglers.org) for a list of resources.**

## **Swap Meet - For Sale and or Wanted**

If you have fishing items for sale or need fishing gear, please contact Jerry Hubbard at [jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com](mailto:jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com)

Please provide a good description of the item(s) and contact information.

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