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Vice President's Message

Fellow Anglers,

I hope that this finds you all healthy and well. I know that we are all anxious to be able to get back together again for meetings and other activities. BUT, with several restrictions still in place, and with some uncertainty and trepidation as what is to come we are still in a holding pattern.

It is my hope that your directors will be able to meet soon and plot a course forward for the near future. The SHARC is beginning to open up and some restrictions are being lifted or lessened so there be "light at the end of the tunnel". I am hopeful that we will be able to host our annual Bar-B-Q later this summer and get everyone back together as a group again.

Until then keep an eye on your e-mails, and the Scene for further developments and updates.

Keep your powder dry and your lines wet!

Fish on!

Dave Kreps, VP

Lake in the Dunes trips are postponed to April-May 2021.

Fishing News

Due to the lack of meetings and outings, we are **looking for fishing stories and pictures** to add some interest to our e-newsletters. If you have a fishing tip, story, favorite fly or place to fish or just some great pictures, please consider sharing. Thank you! rynie
Send to: rynieSRA@gmail.com

Sunriver-Tasmania Fishing Connection by Kevin Gilmartin, Member, Sunriver Anglers



My work as a law enforcement behavioral scientist took me to Tasmania a few years ago and has since developed into friendships and a sharing of fishing experiences between Central Oregon and the Highlands of Tasmania.

While in Hobart, I was introduced to Chris Wisniewski of the Inland Fisheries Service of Tasmania who invited me to join him trekking into the Central Highlands Lakes. I jumped at the chance. Walking for several miles into remote lakes with the only visible company being wallabies and wombats certainly was a unique experience for this Central Oregon transplant from Southern Arizona.

Chris informed me that trout were first introduced to the Southern Hemisphere in Tasmania from England in the mid-1860s and thrived. It was from Tassie that trout were later transplanted to New Zealand. He also related that the leading cause of death of trout in Tasmania was old age, which I interpreted as meaning there were far more fish than anglers. The Tassie technique of fishing however, was new to me and it was to only sight cast to specific fish. It seemed odd to walk past miles of fishy water and undercut banks without at least one cast, but that would be “cheating” unless a specific fish was sighted and a specific targeted cast made.

I remember feeling mild performance anxiety as I made my first cast Down Under and very aware of being under the watchful eyes of our Australian colleagues as they tried to figure out how Yanks fished, I will say my first cast in Tasmania was well delivered right on the money to a large brown that was working the shoreline with dorsal fin well out of the water resembling a small shark hunting. No sooner had my fly hit the water when the big brown exploded and took it and unfortunately, 3 seconds later my knot unraveled. Obviously, I tried to tell the Men from Down Under that the size of the fish broke off the line (although I think they all knew differently).

After a few polite laughs, the friendly Aussies made certain they would not let me tie on a fly for the rest of the trip. This fun trip led to inviting Chris to travel from Tasmania for a Sunriver visit the following summer and to join with some of our Oregon friends to drift the Upper Deschutes, as well as to take advantage of the services of one of our group, Rick Sabol, who guides steelhead running a jetboat up river from the Columbia. That first Lower Deschutes trip was impacted by the Substation Fire which left the Lower Deschutes charred.

The next Oregon winter (Tassie Summer) had us returning to Tasmania for a couple of weeks fishing the remote lakes of the Western Lakes Wilderness area. With the old adage of a picture being worth 1,000 words, viewing the video on the net **Tasmania, Australia Fly Fishing** by Todd Moen is by far the best way to discover information on Tassie fly fishing. When I hear fly anglers, who are thinking of a trip to New Zealand, I always encourage them to give Tasmania some thought.



Outings

Lake in the Dunes Trips have been rescheduled to a date in the April-May of 2021

Tentatively Planned for 2020

Phil Fischer - the 2019 Project Healing Waters event in Central Oregon

Outings:

Crooked River
Davis Lake
East Lake
Crane Prairie Hosmer

Fishing expedition leader

Volunteer to fish a favorite (or semi-favorite spot) with the Anglers. A great way to meet people, and help them get to know an area. Or, if you've never been to a place before, a great opportunity to get a few others to go with you.

You can choose to serve a lunch or brunch and make it a party, or you can make it a BYOF&D (bring your own food and drink). Of, if you have a great idea, contact Rynie, and let's make it happen in 2020.

Conservation

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Water News

New address for the owrd_drought_report@omls.oregon.gov

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>

Oregon Water Supply Report "Follow this link to see the latest OWRD Water Conditions/Drought report."

<https://www.oregon.gov/OWRD/programs/climate/droughtwatch/Pages/Current-Conditions.aspx>

Black Emergent Caddis Dry Fly

Sunriver Angler's Fly-Tying Corner

By: Phil Fischer



As I scanned across a remote flat on Wickiup Reservoir last week, I saw a rise-form, then another, and another. My pulse quickened and I shut down the motor and moved forward with the electric motor in stealth mode. For a few minutes it almost looked like popcorn popping. A closer scan revealed Callibaetis on the water. I reached into my fly box and was feverishly trying to tie on a favorite Callibaetis pattern. Another rise. I looked up and saw a 25"+ inch Brown slowly sink back into the water to continue his hunt across the flat.

Now my quest to tie on a fly was even more challenging as the trout popping on the surface was quite distracting to my knot tying. It was full on buck fever, or in this case, trout fever. Eventually however, I got a fly tied on and started casting towards the numerous rise forms. Nothing, not even a sniff after 15 minutes of casting. I had been fooled again. A closer inspection on the water's surface revealed a much more inconspicuous caddis fly in prodigious numbers. A small black caddis. This hatch had been ongoing for a few weeks now and the trout were keyed in on caddis, even though the larger Callibaetis were available. Thank goodness I had a few of this emerging black caddis in my box. The pattern is tried and true, and on the first cast I was tied into a nice 19" Brown trout.

However, as the trout dove into the weeds and broke off, I was reminded of a quote from a good friend: “You did your job well, but trout did his job better”. After an hour of steady action, another fish dove into the weeds and broke off 4x tippet and my last black emergent caddis fly. I had landed several fish, but I had broken off four fish in the weeds and had no more of this productive pattern in my fly box. It had been a good day with fish up to 22”.



Wickiup Brown Trout

When I got home that afternoon, I sat down to replenish my supply of this pattern. Three dozen flies later, I was ready for a return trip. The Emergent Black Caddis is an easy pattern to tie, and its effectiveness made it a good candidate for this month’s Fly Tying Corner. The fly has a couple unique and important characteristics. The abdomen of the natural is black, with a slight rust-colored tinge. I match this by blending black dubbing with rusty Ice Dubbing for the abdomen.

Also, the pattern features a trailing shuck, which gives the impression of a crippled fly struggling to emerge. Cripples are always a trigger for trout takes. When adding floatant to the pattern, it is important to leave the shuck untouched so it can break the surface film. Lastly, I use a dark dun upright hackle, which allows the front of the fly to float high in the water. Blend these characteristics together and it is a recipe for a good fly pattern!

Black Emerging Caddis Materials List:

Hook: Firehole 419 Barbless, Size 14 - 18
Thread: Danville 6/0 Flat Waxed, Black

Trailing Shuck: Zelon, Mayfly Brown
Abdomen: 85% Spikey Squirrel Dubbing, Black
15% Ice Dub, Golden Orange
Wing: Natural Deer Hair
Hackle: Whiting Dry Fly Saddle, Dyed Dark Dun

Tying instructions and steps are 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/adJH20ghXh8>.

Give the Black Emerging Caddis a try next time you are out fishing a favorite stillwater. If you have questions or would like additional information about this pattern, please 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.

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