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## President's Message

Hello Fellow Anglers,

Fall is in the air, and many of our visitors have gone home, what better time to go out and spend a day or two or three fishing? Unfortunately, with the fires and the water situations, our choices seem limited, but are they? Come to our September meeting and ask the representatives from the Hook Fly Shop what they think, and where they would go....and what flies to bring...and where to get the best food to go...

I want to thank everyone who helped out at the picnic for a job well done. Doug, our treasurer (and secret auction weapon) went above and beyond to keep our finances straight and to help find a home for the pontoon boat and electric motor. (It's out of storage, and out of my garage, yay!).

The Hook and Lee Ann donated great silent auction items and Ginger was able to round up \$200 for our 50/50 raffle, which Rob (Santa himself!) won. Julie and Kevin came from Portland to help prepare and serve the sides, and Phil and Jeff were your grill masters. Kathy, Mike, Jim, Carol and Kim were willing gofers, cleaners and organizers, and Herm chose a wonderful selection of ice cream for dessert. I have probably left a lot of names out- John, Tim, Don, Archer- but you know who you are and that you're appreciated!

And of course, thanks to all of you who came to the picnic, I hope to see everyone again next year.

Stay tuned for some late season outings- rynie



## SEPTEMBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Join us at the Sunriver Library on September 15, 2022 for an informal evening of Questions and Answers with Josh White, co-owner of the HOOK FLY SHOP in Sunriver.

Josh is willing to share his knowledge of the local lakes and techniques. Come with your questions and be prepared to take notes.

Doors open at 6:45 pm

Meeting will begin at 7:00 pm

## UPCOMING MEETINGS-

**October 20-** Join us for a presentation from Stillwater guides and an evening spent learning about fishing opportunities in Alaska and Cuba!

**November 17-** Q&A with Jen Luke and staff from ODF&W. Did you know that the SRA donates funds to our local ODF&W each year? Find out about the programs they are currently involved with and ask them questions about our local fisheries!

**Salmon Poisoning Disease (SPD)** is a serious threat to canine fishing companions. Without prompt treatment, many won't survive SPD. Although we are unlikely to encounter carcasses on our local rivers, I know of dogs that became sick after rummaging thru compost piles after their owners returned from successful salmon fishing trips.

Here's a link to an article from the CADF&G: <https://wildlife.ca.gov/News/cdfw-warns-dog-owners-to-be-mindful-of-salmon-poisoning-disease>



### **The Sunriver Anglers Need Volunteers-**

**September** \*\*cancelled or postponed\*\* - Kokanee Karnival Streamside- The Sunriver Anglers act as tour guides, quasi scientists and game show hosts as we welcome 5 graders from the Three Rivers School as well as other Bend Schools to the Fall River Hatchery. There are two busloads of kids each day, so you can come for the whole day, or just a half a day. There are written scripts you can follow, or you can ad lib on your own. Someone with experience will be there to help.... Lunch is provided and you can fish after the kids leave! Possible opportunity shift to the Metolius at Spring Creek in October.

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

Hippie Stomper

By: Phil Fischer

### Hippie Stomper Fly Pattern



For this month's fly, I turned to Andrew Grillos' for inspiration and tied his best-known pattern, the Hippie Stomper. Andrew is known for tying innovative foam fly patterns and for assigning colorful names to them. The Hippie Stomper is a great example of this trait. This fly was originally tied for fishing the Gunnison River in Colorado but has been fished throughout the world since it was first tied. Its name conjures up a time gone by when hippies and other long-haired freaky people were not always a welcome addition in some rural trout waters.

However, I think that now-a-days, many former hippies have become fly fishing addicts! Irrespective of the name, the fly is an excellent imitation for ants, beetles and hoppers that are so common and important in the summer and fall on Central Oregon lakes and streams.

The design follows some attributes of a Humpy pattern, but it has been adapted to be more durable with its foam abdomen. EP Fibers in the wing make it more visible, and the addition of legs makes it "buggy-looking". Also, the hackle is clipped short on the underside of this fly to allow it to ride low on the water's surface. But, like a Humpy, this fly really floats well and can handle heavy fast water and is often used as the dry fly in a dry/dropper application.

It can be tied in a variety of colors to match black beetles, or red ants, or even in pale yellow or tan to imitate grasshoppers. Or you can tie it in unnatural colors, like purple and blue, or whatever color you can conjure up. I tied the fly as the subject of this column with red and black to imitate to match the colors of some of our terrestrials in Central Oregon. Although the original pattern uses two layers of foam, I tied this version with only one layer due to using a small hook size.

While primarily designed to fish in moving water, I often use the Hippy Stomper pattern on our local lakes during summer. Trout can be very opportunistic taking beetles and ants on the surface, and I have had excellent success with this pattern on both Crane Prairie and East Lake.

Give this pattern a try this fall while terrestrial insects are still active in our area.

Pattern Materials List:

Hook: Firehole 718, Size 8-16

Thread: 140 Denier Ultra, Black

Tail: Natural Moose Body Hair

Abdomen Flash: UTC Holo Tinsel, Large Red

Foam: 2mm Black Craft Foam

Legs: Hareline Crazy Legs, Black/Red Flake

Wing: Enrico Puglisi EP Fibers, Polar Bear or White

Hackle: Whiting Dry Fly Saddle, Grizzly Dyed Red

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/TGdU2qWFCb4>

Learn to tie this fly pattern and fish it to match some of our terrestrials here in Central Oregon waters.

If you have questions or would like additional information about the Hippy Stomper 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).

**Check out the Sunriver Anglers Web Page.**

We have added significant new content, as follows:

There is a page where we have loaded recordings from several of our recent meetings. Most recently, Brian Smith spoke on Fly Fishing British Columbia. Check out the video and related materials at the following link:

<https://www.sunriveranglers.org/sys/website/?pageId=18150>

We have also uploaded the Newsletter archives back to 2016. You can access these resources at the following link:

<https://www.sunriveranglers.org/sys/website/?pageId=8689>

Additionally, we have uploaded the Sunriver Anglers Fly Tying Corner archives. This page has links to articles with fishing tips and techniques and tying instructions for about 60-70 fly patterns for fishing our Central Oregon lakes and streams. Check them out here:

<https://www.sunriveranglers.org/sys/website/?pageId=18148>

We will continue updating the website to contain valuable resources for Sunriver Anglers members.

## **SR Anglers New Educational Tool**

SRA published the following YouTube page for Sunriver Anglers.

[Sunriver Anglers - YouTube](#)

Anglers are encouraged people to subscribe to this page so they can stay caught up on the videos we will publish periodically.

## ***Water Conditions Report***

**September 12th**

### **Resiliency in the Face of Scarcity**

#### **Why Water Banks Make Sense**

We're living in a region with limited water supplies and imbalanced distribution. Water banks create flexibility in how water can be distributed to meet needs.

Find out how we can use water banks in Central Oregon to enable the flexible and voluntary market-based reallocation of water, particularly during drought conditions.

**Join us on September 12th in person or online. Doors open at 6 pm. Register at:**

[https://deschutesriverconservancy.salsalabs.org/whywaterbanksmakesense\\_sept2022/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=29e7f712-1570-49f0-9342-5da41a4b7760](https://deschutesriverconservancy.salsalabs.org/whywaterbanksmakesense_sept2022/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=29e7f712-1570-49f0-9342-5da41a4b7760)

## **Dam Removal**

I am pleased to share that on Friday, August 26, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) released its final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) as part of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review of our project. Our press release on the final EIS is attached and on KRRC's website [here](#).

FERC staff recommended approval of the proposed license surrender, decommissioning, and removal of the project with staff modifications and mandatory conditions. KRRC is reviewing these additional recommendations and conditions further to understand the impact on our project, timeline, and budget. However, upon initial review, we are pleased that FERC's thorough analysis largely mirrors the draft EIS issued back in February 2022, concluding that dam removal and the mitigation measures proposed in KRRC's management plans will provide greater environmental and economic benefits compared to leaving the facilities in place. The final EIS can be viewed on KRRC's website [here](#).

FERC noted that, if authorized by the Commission, license surrender would only become effective after all measures required by the surrender order are adequately completed. We anticipate FERC will issue a final ruling on license surrender in the coming months.

As you all know, this is a very important regulatory milestone. I extend my deep appreciation to KRRC staff, contractors, and Board for your efforts to get us to this important step, and to all of our Signatories, for the decades of hard work and dedication to advancing this project forward.

As always, please reach out with any questions.

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