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<http://www.sunriveranglers.org>



Happy Easter

President's Message

Hello Fellow Anglers!

Lots of news from behind the scenes for the Sunriver Anglers! First and foremost, please welcome Phil Zulfer as the new membership chairman. Phil will be in charge of getting the new name badges made and sending them out to all new members or he can have them made for members who have lost theirs for about \$10. I know there are probably a few of you out there who joined during the past 2-3 years who never received one. He will be in charge of keeping up the membership roster, so please let us know if there has been a change in address or email or whatever.

Outings- We have a few planned, but are waiting to see what old man winter is planning as far as a thaw. This month, join Mike and I at Lake Billy, I am thinking the second or third week of April, when the water is still cool, but the water isn't crowded yet. We usually camp at the Metolius side at the Perry South campground, but traditionally, we meet at the "Island" for lunch if you're launching from the main launch anglers

Next month, either North or South Twin Lake is a good outing for beginners or gear anglers. I believe Lake of the Dunes (paid outing) may have one opening left. June will see us with a combined outing with the Project Healing Waters group up at the Newberry Crater. Join us for our May meeting to learn about East and Paulina Lakes.

Work is just beginning on the Christmas Dinner at the Great Hall. If you would like to be on the planning committee, we need any warm body with a brain, and possibly a little business acumen. Do you want a bar? An auction? The famous dessert dash? Do you have any ideas or connections for auction items? Think about your favorite things at past dinners. Let us know your thoughts!

Proud to be a Sunriver Angler? Wear our logo! I just found a "hidden box" of SRA hats and a couple of shirts. We will be selling them at our next meeting! We are looking into having more shirts embroidered this year. The Angler's last batch was sky blue, before that, yellow, and before that a sage color. What color/colors do you prefer?

Kokanee Karnival- We need volunteers in the mornings to help cook, and volunteers in the afternoon to help the kid's fish. We will have the signup sheet going around at the next meeting. COF can always use volunteers if the cooking portion of the day is already covered. April 24,25, 27,28 and May 1&2. Angler Educators will be going to Three Rivers School and La Pine Middle School this month for in class presentations and fish dissection- This is a cool opportunity to see what the KK Angler's Ed is all about- you can spread your passion (is it conservation, fishing, safety, ethics?) to our next generation of sportspeople.

April meeting- This meeting is titled "Fly Fishing 101" and it's going to be a low-key show and tell type meeting. We can discuss things you need to take up the sport, we'll have some equipment and flies, places to go. There will be tables set up so you can talk to some more experienced members about what they use and where. If you are an experienced angler, by all means, show up and have a conversation. Bring your questions and go home with some "pearls" of wisdom. If we have a nice day, Phil has volunteered to help with casting tips!

Hope to see you there! rynie

Welcome New Members:

Lisa Boote
Pat Chambers
Tony Munoz
John Stubban

Fly Fishing 101

The next Anglers meeting will occur on April 5 at 4:30 p.m. in the Crescent Room of the SHARC facility in Sunriver

The Sunriver Anglers meeting on April 5th will hold a training seminar for the beginners in the club and others interested in expanding their knowledge or honing their fishing skills. Several “old hands” will demonstrate casting/retrieving techniques with emphasis on practice, tied typical knots used in various aspects of rigging, and discuss the importance of and selection of flies to “match the hatch”. Others will explain gear selection and providing information on nearby places to fish.

Josh White, co-owner of the Hook Fly Shop in the Sunriver Village, will present information and answer questions about gear selection for the beginning fishermen in the club. Club Vice-President, Mal Murphy, will be on hand and discuss fly rods, fly lines and how/when to use them. President Rynie Miyashiro and her husband Mike will demonstrate float tube selection and use. Finally, Phil Fischer, a regular tyer at the club’s fly-tying demonstrations, will discuss seasonal fly selection.

This meeting will afford an opportunity for the veterans of the club to welcome new members and impart some of their considerable knowledge and expertise to the eager beginners present.

The next Anglers meeting will occur on May 3rd at 4:30 p.m. in the Crescent Room of the SHARC facility in Sunriver. Phil Fischer, a long-time member of the Anglers, will provide a presentation on fishing the Newberry Crater Lakes-East and Paulina. People interested in learning more about the Anglers should visit our website, www.SunriverAnglers.org or contact us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SunriverAnglers.

Outings

Meetings-

April 5- Fly Fishing 101
May 3- Fishing the Newberry Crater
June 7- TBD

Outings-

April- Lake Billy
Lake of the Dunes (Pay 2 Play)
May- North or South Twin
June- Newberry Crater
July-

August-
September- Diamond Lake
October- Hosmer Lake, End of Season Outing

Fishing-

Metolius Arm of Lake Billy Chinook – March 1 (Metolius Arm)
Stream Opener-May 22nd
Lakes Open all year, exceptions
Crane, Wickiup-April 22

Volunteer Opportunities-

Angler Education for 5th Graders
Kokanee Karnival Fishing Days
Project Healing Waters Event
ODF&W stocking?
Kokanee Karnival Fall Hatchery Tours
Others w/ ODF&W or COF

Events-

Christmas Party at the Great Hall- December 11

See the water report farther down the e news!!!

Water Restoration - [We've been busy! Check out our latest happenings. \(salsalabs.org\)](https://salsalabs.org)

IRRIGATION SEASON START UP

Following a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors on March 29, 2023, the season start up has been changed to the following due to the forecasted weather:*

Central Oregon Canal (*Services east side of Bend, Alfalfa & Powell Butte*)

Scheduled to turn on 4/10/23 at a stock water run level and will increase to 50% with live flow availability. Due to the dry canal conditions, it will be a very slow turn-on as it will take time to saturate the canal beds.

Pilot Butte Canal (*Services north end of Bend, Redmond & Terrebonne*)

Scheduled to turn on 4/12/23 at a stock water run level and will increase to 50% with live flow availability. Due to the dry canal conditions, it will be a very slow turn-on as it will take time to saturate the canal beds.

***Start-up is weather dependent. Please check the website updates as we get closer to the dates above.**

Rotation Schedules

Rotation Schedules will be mailed out the week of 4/3/23, and the start date is 4/17/23. Please remember that we will start up at stock water run levels to get the system filled and to replenish stock ponds. Typically, this is not enough water to get irrigation systems up and going the first couple of weeks.

Flow Schedule for Season**

These flows are the maximum allowable delivery Rate. Our ability to meet these rates is dependent on available water.

50% flow from start up date – April 30th

75% flow from May 1st – May 14th

100% flow from May 15th – September 15th

75% flow from September 16th -September 30th

50% flow from October 1st – ?

Season shut off October (Specific date to be announced in September)

**Due to the drought conditions, these flows are subject to change as flows in the Deschutes River decrease.

Visit COID's website for updates and additional information.

Lake in the Dunes – Outing May 15-17, 2023

We Are Back to the Dunes. **One opening left!**



To view the camp, go to www.LakeInTheDunes.com. A map will be provided. The outing is limited to ten Sunriver Anglers.

Details:

Date: May 15, 2023

Arrive: gate opens at 7 am May 15

Depart: 4 pm May 17

Dinner at the lodge on Monday at 5:30 pm.

BBQ steak dinner on Tuesday (\$25) at the cabin.

**Ten Anglers at \$210 each, pay via Anglers web site at www.sunriveranglers.org
No refunds if you cancel as the Club pays \$2000.**

As of March 31, only 1 opening.

RSVP to Jerry Hubbard at jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com or 541 390 9798 so her can track member signups.

Questions e mail Jerry Hubbard at jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com

The cabin is for cooking use, the rest room and shower.

Cabin bunk bed for one and two beds upstairs (both have been reserved).

Camp trailers and RV's are welcome, no hookups are available. Dry camping is ok.

Food and Drinks – Anglers will need to provide their own beverages, breakfasts, lunch, snacks. There is a good restaurant 15 minutes away.

Tying Sno-Cone Chironomids

Sunriver Angler's Fly Tying Corner
By: Phil Fischer



As I sit here in my fly tying studio, it is late March and peering out my window I see snowflakes falling in what has seemed like an endless winter. The good news, the snowpack is registering 137% of normal for this season to date. That is a welcome sign for the upcoming trout season after too many dry years recently. With the opening of some of our key lakes about a month away, by far the most important early season hatch are chironomids. These hatch profusely during the first 6-8 weeks of the season and are an important fly to carry during this time.

The early season features very limited bug activity. About the only active insects are midges, or Chironomids. In the mid-day sun these insects are active and a mild weather day can even bring some surface activity. But, for the most part, it is a subsurface game this time of year. In the past few weeks I have been tying up a variety of Chironomid patterns.

For this month's fly article, I tied four of my favorite chironomid patterns: Black and Silver, Black and Red, Olive and Red, and the Chromie. The link below contains the video demonstrating how to tie each of these patterns. Chironomids are amongst the easiest of patterns to tie and are a great starter pattern for beginners. I recently bought some Alec Jackson Crystal Chironomid hooks. They

are a curved hook and are a good option. But any curved hook, like a scud hook or similar will suffice. I look for a wide gape and very sharp point, which translates to better hooking qualities.

I generally use painted white brass beads. But in shallower water situations I will use glass beads and in deeper water tungsten beads. For the abdomen of the fly, I like to use thread that is heavier than we typically use for tying small trout flies. It helps save a lot of time in layering the hook and building up the body of the fly. I generally target 140 to 210 denier for the base layer, and 70 denier for ribbing or top layers on the fly. For hook sizes I will go as large as size 10's and as small as size 18's. My eyes are not quite as strong as they once were, so I very rarely tie tiny flies anymore! I have also been using Solerez Bone Dry UV resin on almost all of my Chironomid patterns. It makes the fly realistic and very durable.

Chironomid Pattern Ideas:

Hook: Curved Daiichi Alec Jackson Crystal Chironomid hook in sizes 11-13, Daiichi 1260 or similar in sizes 12-16, or any scud hook like a Tiemco 2457 in sizes 12-18

Bead: White, sized to match hook size. Also try slate, silver and gold-colored beads, or glass beads in various colors like red, amber, gunmetal, etc.

Thread: Red, Black, Olive, Gray, Brown, Amber, or Tan in 140 or 210 denier

Tag: Wire, Krystal Flash in Olive or Red, Holographic Red Tinsel

Ribbing: Fine wire in gold, silver, or copper. Flashabou, Krystal Flash, or similar flash materials in red, olive, rust and clear

Coating: Solerez Bone Dry UV resin

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/KLPE5J0E6nc>

Learn to tie these Chironomid fly patterns and fish them early in the season on our Central Oregon waters. Experiment and develop your own favorite Chironomid color combination. If you have questions or would like additional information about Chironomid patterns, 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.

Check out the Sunriver Anglers Web Page.

We continue to add new content:

<https://sunriveranglers.org/>

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](#)

And if you want to be amongst the first to be notified of new content, please subscribe to this YouTube page. You will receive a notification when new content is available.

Water Conditions

[Drought Report 3 20 2023.pdf \(sunriveranglers.org\)](#)

<https://www.klamathfallsnews.org/news/klamath-tribes-respond-to-bor-water-allocations>

<https://orionmagazine.org/article/a-river-reawakened/>

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Hardy Sunbeam, 7/8 reel with two (2) extra spools, + two lines, great shape \$250.00
Call, Text or email Terry 541 977 4490 or terrydahl1@gmail.com





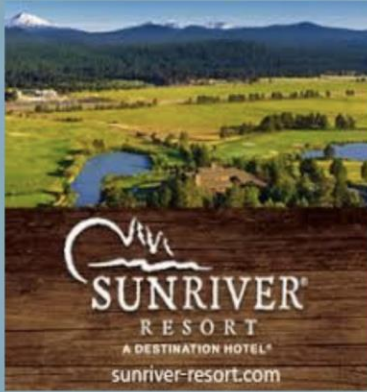
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