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President's Message

Hello Fellow Anglers!

Thanks to those of you who made their way to our annual Tie and Pie event at our February meeting at the SHARC. Special thanks go out to our featured tyers John Olschewsky, Brad Emery and Phil Fischer. We will be raffling Phil's flies at the March meeting, so be sure to attend and bring your lucky \$. John O will be returning to talk about the history and legacy of bamboo rods and their builders. (And why you need a bamboo rod, or at least to try one :)

We have located the company that makes our club badges, so if you are a new member and have never had an SRA badge, please contact me so we can order you one. If you have lost your badge and want a new one, I can order new ones, but you will have to cover the cost.

Remember that if you come to a club meeting and buy raffle tickets, you get an extra one if you're wearing your badge! (Speaking of club badges, we need a membership chairperson for the board. It would probably be a time commitment of about an hour a month, just to keep our roster current and to order the badges.)

Kokanee Karnival is rolling right along, so thank you to the members that have already let me know that they plan on helping out at the fishing event at Shevlin Park in April. It looks like we will be picking up a La Pine class next month, in addition to our two Three Rivers fifth grade classes for our Anglers Ed Class. We could use a few helpers for knot tying and fish dissection!

As far as outings and events go- the Northwest Fly Tyer & Fly-Fishing Expo is coming up March 10 & 11. If you have a camper or trailer you can stay at the Fairgrounds (not that pretty, but across the street from a great park and pond) which makes it easy to go for an overnight stay and pop in and out of the event. Dinner is always fun, and you'll see things you didn't know you needed. Here is their website.

<https://www.nwexpo.com/?fbclid=IwAR07kl53FlkP98trIL3oGKqM1AJ9TbOdayC5-QVfeRzxa5jkhQCecOSeGJM>

I am hoping to set up the calendar on our Web page with upcoming outings and events.

Lastly, I am putting out a call for helpers for the April meeting. I have faith that some of you members will come out and help with a "Fly Fishing 101" meeting. I know that the club used to put on a class, and I think it's really important to share our knowledge with our new members or anyone who needs a refresher on the basics. My vision is to have different stations that people could rotate through, so maybe someone can talk about basic equipment rods, lines, waders and...? Someone could talk about the best places to fish for beginners.

I am hoping for a couple of people to help with casting- just the basics- the club has some rods we could bring out as well as targets if the weather permits. Maybe someone could bring a tray of flies and talk about where and when you would use them. Is there an indicator expert among you? Or a knot tying expert? Let me know, I'm depending on you!

Thanks, rynie

Welcome New Members:

Loren	Irving
Michael	Madden
Jerry	Meilink
Mark	Mellinger
Steve	Nakawatase
John (Jack)	Patterson

The Mystique of Bamboo Fly Rods see below



The Sunriver Anglers welcomes local fly fisherman John Olschewsky, co-owner of the Hook Fly Shop in Sunriver, to their March monthly meeting.

John provides his and pleasurable experience to be had when using bamboo fly rods. He is a native of Kirkland, Washington and raised his family in Enumclaw but has lived in the Sunriver area for 12 years and considers himself passionate about fly fishing. He formed a collaboration with Cascade Guides and Outfitters to strengthen his shop and enhance his ability to make fly fishing accessible to everyone. He derives as much pleasure when a client catches a fish as the client does.

John will explain how bamboo rods bring a certain elegance and grace to the sport in that the gear is generally more light weight and dry fly use is more prevalent. The casting motion is typically slower, more rhythmic which produces a more precise delivery of the fly at the target. In addition, John will emphasize the connection to the “Golden Age” of fly fishing in the 30’s to 60’s when bamboo rods were in high demand and made by hand with quality workmanship.

John will discuss the history of famous rod makers from various states generally in the Eastern U.S. He will bring several historical as well as modern examples of bamboo rods which exhibited the extensive finishes applied to protect the bamboo from water damage. He will note the traditional practice of supplying 2 rod tips with each fly rod built to ensure a longer service life and that many craftsmen often devote as many as 50 hours to the production of a single rod. Though John is quiet and unassuming, he is a recognized fly tyer and has had a long relationship with the Sunriver Anglers. Most recently, he was a key tyer at the Anglers February “Pie and Tie” event.

He was recognized by the Oregon Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers with the Stan Walters Memorial Tyer of the Year award in 2016. He also was instrumental in the

formation of the Northwest Atlantic Salmon Fly Guild in the Puget Sound area. John hosts a monthly “Tying and Lying” event for local beginner anglers to share his extensive knowledge and experience with the participants.

He enjoys imparting “nuggets” to his audience and would welcome newcomers. Visit the Hook’s web page at www.hookfish.com or connect via Facebook at www.facebook.com/thehookflyshop to learn more.

The next Anglers meeting will be held on April 5th at 4:30 in the Crescent Room of the SHARC facility in Sunriver and will feature our club president, Rynie Miyashiro. She will host a “Fly Fishing 101” seminar for beginning fly fishers which will include a casting demonstration and practice, displays of selected gear and information on nearby places to fish. The “old hands” of the club will be tapped to lead the exhibitions. People interested in joining the Anglers should visit our website, www.SunriverAnglers.org or contact us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SunriverAnglers for more information on membership.

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

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

**CCA Washington News Release:
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Lake in the Dunes – Outing May 15-17, 2023

We Are Back to the Dunes. Yea!



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

BBQ steak dinner on Monday (\$25) at the cabin. Dinner at the lodge on Tuesday at 5:30 pm.

**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 Feb.16, only 3 openings.](#)

[RSVP to Jerry Hubbard at jerryhubbard1943@gmail.com](mailto: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 beds for two 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.

Red Flashback Pheasant Tail

Sunriver Angler's Fly Tying Corner

By: Phil Fischer



The Red Flashback Pheasant Tail was introduced to me by Fred Foisset at the Hook Fly Shop on one of my very early trips to Sunriver. Fred recommended it for imitating Callibaetis nymphs up on East Lake, where the color variation is a little darker than average. This fly is a standard Flashback Pheasant Tail nymph but is tied with a dyed red ringneck pheasant tail feather that produces very well in our local Central Oregon Lakes and rivers. Fast forward several years later, I fished this pattern on Hosmer Lake during mid-summer, casting it as tightly to the

tule edges as I could. I had many strikes and fish to net that day and have not been without this pattern in my box ever since.

In lakes I will fish this pattern under a strike indicator, often moving the fly with short pulls to pop the indicator underwater and allow it to resurface. I also fish this pattern on an intermediate sink line stripped back in short choppy strips. For still waters I generally use brass beads, as the heavier tungsten beads sink too fast to be realistic. In rivers, I often use the Flashback Pheasant Tail as the top fly, both with brass or tungsten beads depending on flow rate and depth, and will attach a lightly weight nymph, such as a Serendipity as the dropper. Give this pattern a try this upcoming season.

Red Flashback Pheasant Tail Materials List:

Hook: 718, size 14-18

Bead: Gold or Copper Bead to match hook size (2.7mm or 7/64" for a size 14)

Thread: Ultra 140 Denier, olive

Tail: Red Pheasant Tail Fibers

Abdomen: Red Pheasant Tail Fibers

Thorax: Peacock Tail Barbs

Legs: Hungarian Partridge Barred Feather

Wing Case: Red Pheasant Tail Fibers

Flash: Mirage Tinsel Large, Opal

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/0DQHkmzfYtQ>. Experiment with this pattern on our local lakes and rivers. If you have questions or would like additional information about the Red Flashback Pheasant Tail pattern, please do not 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 have added significant new content, as follows:

There is a page where we have loaded recordings from several of our recent meetings. Check out videos 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 trying 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](#)

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 Report

[Water Conditions Report 1 23 2023.pdf \(sunriveranglers.org\)](#)

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

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

A River Reawakened

February Stock Run Notice [Central Oregon Canal](#)

COID will begin a Central Oregon Canal stock run on **Tuesday, February 14**. The Central Oregon Canal serves the areas of Alfalfa, Bend, and Powell Butte. Due to current river conditions, the water will move very slowly through the canal and is expected to take longer than usual to reach the outlying areas.

February 14 is a tentative date, and the run may be rescheduled and/or canceled due to inclement weather, low flows in the Deschutes River, or unforeseen events.

There will NOT be a stock run on the Pilot Butte Canal (services north end of Bend, Redmond & Terrebonne) due to construction modernization efforts to eliminate water waste and keeping water flowing.

Stock water runs are for the sole purpose of filling ponds to provide water for livestock. If you want to have stock water, please contact the office to make your request. Orders must be placed at least 48 hours before the water run.

Beginning February 7, North Unit Irrigation District will be drawing water off the Deschutes River to fill Haystack Reservoir.

For Sale

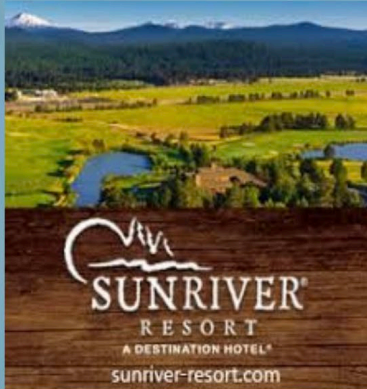
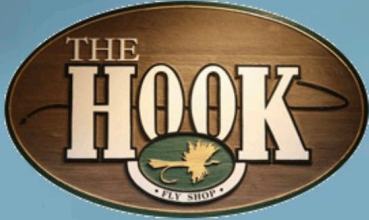
Hardy Sunbeam, 7/8 reel with two (2) extra spools, + two lines, great shape \$250.00
Call, Text or email Terry 541 977 4490 or terrydahl1@gmail.com





Sage XP 996-4 9'6" 4 pc 9wt used lightly: This is the one fisherman and collectors look for and its in great shape, giving our club first look before it goes on C-List. \$450.00
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