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<http://www.sunriveranglers.org>



President's Message

Thanks to all those who attended "TIE and PIE". The pies are always delicious (at least mine was) and watching our talented tyers is always fun and educational.

The Board of Directors met on the 8th of February and will probably meet quarterly for the remainder of the year, unless there is a need to meet more often. The club is in good shape financially, with \$20,000 in the bank or CDs. We netted \$3000 at the Christmas dinner and auction.

We approved a financial plan/budget for the year which is substantially the same as last year's. We also approved a tentative schedule for outings that will take us to South Twin Lake in April, the Crooked River in May, East Lake in June, Lava Lake or back to the Crooked in September, and Hosmer Lake in October, when the kayak hatch is over. All that is subject to change, and exact dates are still TBD. Anyone who is willing to lead, or co-lead, and outing would be most welcome.

The picnic at the Fall River hatchery will again be held in July or August, and it is not too early now to put volunteering at that event on your calendar. The Christmas dinner/auction will be once more held in December, but the board is looking at other options for a venue this year. Again, someone to coordinate that event would be highly appreciated.

If you haven't done so already don't fail to renew your membership. I hope lots of you are able to get out on the water and enjoy this mild winter. It is not going to last forever.

Best,

Mal Murphy
President

New Member – Chris Milan

March 6th meeting, at 4:30 we will welcome former Central Oregon Flyfishers (COF) President, Tim Quinton with a presentation on the Green Drakes on the Metolius-life cycle, stages of the insect, places where you'll likely find them, flies to match each stage, and equipment to use. He will bring some examples of flies that have worked for him in the past and will be happy to answer any questions.



I am a 32-year veteran of the US Coast Guard; I've served in the Pacific NW, East Coast, and Kodiak AK, as well as a few other tours that did not have good fishing. I just completed my 54th year as a fly fisherman, and I was a fly-fishing guide in Central

Oregon for 9 years. Fly fishing has been, and continues to be, one of the great passions of my life, and I love sharing it with like-minded people.

I've been a member of Central Oregon Flyfishers since 2015, I have been an active volunteer with Kokanee Karnival, Angler's Education, Next Cast, the Sportsman's Show Trout Pond, the Crooked River cleanups, and many other activities with ODF&W and other groups. I served as the President of COF from 2020 – 2022, and I'm currently the Education Lead for the club.

Tim's presentation will go over the life cycle of the Green Drakes, places you can find them, and how to choose flies that will match the different stages of this large mayfly. He will also go over his favorite equipment to use. The Metolius River is one of the longest and cleanest spring fed rivers in the nation, and for many fishermen, fishing a Green Drake hatch can be the highlight of their season.





April Meeting - we will host Jordan Romney from the Fly and Field Outfitters. On April 3rd He will talk about how to gear up for trout season. This will be a great topic for the novice as well as seasoned fly fishermen in order to prepare for spring and summer fishing.

The Sunriver Anglers meet at 4:30pm on the first Wednesday of the month at the SHARC. Members and the public are welcome. For more info please visit SunriverAnglers.org.

Meeting Topics

Current Meeting Schedule - Meetings occur on the first Wednesday of the Month at the SHARC. Winter presentations are 4:30-5:45, with doors opening at 4:15.

Mar- Tim Quinton- Green Drakes on the Metolius

April- Jordan Romney (Fly and Field Outfitters)- Gearing Up for Trout Season

May- Garrett Lesko- subject TBD

June- Fly and Field- subject TBD

July- TBD

August-TBD

Sept- Club picnic

Oct-TBD

Nov- ODF&W- update on river conditions, fish counts, tui chub, etc.

Dec- Holiday Party

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

Deschutes Basin water supplies from farmer's perspective. Solutions have to work for both Rivers and Farms.

<https://www.opb.org/article/2024/02/13/drought-oregon-snowpack-rain-farming-agriculture-farmers-crook-county-madras/>

[Drought Report 1 29 2024.pdf \(sunriveranglers.org\)](#)

Sunriver Angler's Fly-Tying Corner By: Phil Fischer

Wally Wing Blue Wing Olive



As we move toward spring, Blue Wing Olives, or Baetis, will become more prolific in our rivers and streams. The Fall River has been a Blue Wing Olive testing ground for me, and often a source of frustration after being on the receiving end of numerous refusals from feeding trout. The Wally Wing Blue Wing Olive was borne to confront such a challenge. Blue Wings hatch profusely on those cool moist days, and they float for long distances, unless taken by a hungry trout.

There are a couple keys to matching this hatch: 1) a notable wing silhouette, and 2) high floating profile that gives a perspective of movement. The Wally Wing Blue Wing Olive checks off both keys. The Wally Wing gives a clear wing

signature. And the full hackle floats this pattern very high in the surface film and gives an impression of the subtle movement of the natural.

In tying this pattern, I used a Whiting Hebert Minor Hen Saddle. The stem on the feathers are very delicate, and don't peel to form the Wally Wing very well. I solved this conundrum by using two opposing feathers and preparing them in the same fashion as I would have otherwise prepared one feather for a standard Wally Wing pattern. The result, I think, is a little easier tying technique for most fly tiers.

Check out the video for specific tying instruction (link below). Coupled with the very stiff barbs to form the tail from a Whiting Coq De Leon tailing pack, and a good quality hackle, this fly floats well in the surface film and is a perfect solution to imitating Blue Wing Olives to fool fussy trout.

Give this pattern a try next time you run into Blue Wings on your favorite stream.

Wally Wing Blue Wing Olive Materials List:

Hook: Firehole 419, size 16-18

Thread: Ultra 6/0, Olive

Tail: Whiting Tailing Pack, Dyed Olive

Body: Polish Quill, Dyed Olive

Wing: Whiting Hebert Miner Hen Saddle, Dyed Dun

Hackle: Whiting Dry Fly Saddle, Dyed Dark Dun

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/LaTf-MKnY5A>. Experiment with this pattern during the Baetis hatches on our local rivers throughout the fall. If you have questions or would like additional information about the Wally Wing Blue Wing Olive 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 continue to add new content:

<https://sunriveranglers.org/>

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

SR Anglers Educational Tool

SRA published the following YouTube page for Sunriver Anglers.

[Sunriver Anglers - YouTube](#)

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