



# TIGHT LINES October 2005 Newsletter of the

## Rabun Chapter (522) of Trout Unlimited

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*"There's a reason they call it fishing and not catching."*

### THE CHAPTER MEETING PLACE!

**Clayton Presbyterian Church (Located behind the Post Office) - Clayton, GA**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month 6:30 pm - Fellowship 7:00 pm – Program & Meeting**

At every regular chapter meeting there will be a raffle for fishing or camping items to help pay the cost of mailing the newsletter to members without E-mail. Bring an item to donate and a dollar or two for raffle tickets - you might win something.

### "FORWARD CASTING" Important Dates - See you there!

**Sept 29 – Oct 2 (Thurs – Sun) Fishing & Camping** West Fork, Holcomb & Overflow Creeks with Camping at the Blackwell Place. Go out Warwoman Rd, turn left on Hale Ridge Rd (FS7). Continue on Hale Ridge Rd for about a mile past the intersection with Overflow Rd (FS86). Cross the small bridge over the head of Holcomb Creek, about 1/10 mile past bridge turn right on FS696. Go 50 yds to campsite on the left side of road. Contact person - Charlie Breithaupt: Phone 706 782 6954, E-Mail [knc615@direcway.com](mailto:knc615@direcway.com)

**Oct 1 (Sat) Goldrush TU Family Fun Day:** For details & RSVP to [jpattill@alltel.net](mailto:jpattill@alltel.net)

**Oct 8 (Sat) Coosa Valley TU's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-off:** With nearly 100 chili teams, they need help from TU'ers from across the state. For details, click on: [www.tuchillicookoff.org](http://www.tuchillicookoff.org) Let Paul Diprima know if you can lend a hand, E-mail: [co1381@bellsouth.net](mailto:co1381@bellsouth.net)

**Oct 13 (Thurs) USFS Public Meeting on Upper Chattooga Boating Ban:** A meeting kicking off a public process to reanalyze the ban will begin at 4 p.m. at the Civic Auditorium on State Highway 28 in Walhalla, SC. For details, click on:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r8/fms/forest/news/2005/FMS0521.shtml>

**Oct 18 (Tues) Chapter Meeting,** 6:30 PM, Clayton Presbyterian Church  
**Program –** Metrela Brown or Jimmy Harris: *"Fishing the Toccoa Tailwater"*

**Oct 25 (Tues) Board of Directors** meeting, Location TBD

**Oct 27 (Thurs) Install Stream Structures:** Working with a team of RGNS students for their Community Service Day to install stream habitat enhancement structures on Beats #3 & #4 of Betty Creek.

**Nov 1 (Tues) Start of Delayed Harvest Season:** Chattooga River and Smith Creek in NE Georgia. For details, click on:

<http://www.gofishgeorgia.com/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=7&txtPage=12>

**Nov 5 (Sat) Tailwater TU Banquet:** For details & RSVP to [duanespc@earthlink.net](mailto:duanespc@earthlink.net)

**Nov 10 – 13 (Thurs – Sun) Fishing & Camping** at Chattooga DH with Camping in Long Bottom (SC) (w/outhouse)

**Nov 15 (Tues) Chapter Meeting,** 6:30 PM, Clayton Presbyterian Church

**Program –** Kyle Burrell & Butch Martin: *"WY Fishing & the Green River Guest Ranch"*

**Nov 22 (Tue) Board of Directors** meeting, Location TBD

**Remember the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Rabun Rendezvous will be Jan. 21, 2006**

### FLY OF THE MONTH

by Terry Rivers



### **BLUE WINGED OLIVE**

THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE IN YOUR BOX DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER. IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO CAMP WITH US AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER BE SURE YOU HAVE A FEW WITH YOU.

HOOK: 16 OR 18 DRY FLY HOOK  
THREAD: 8/0  
TAIL: DUN HACKLE  
BODY: OLIVE DUBBING  
WING: MALLARD WING OR YOU CAN TIE THIS PARACHUTE STYLE  
HACKLE: DUN

*"Scholars have long known that fishing eventually turns men into philosophers. Unfortunately, it is almost impossible to buy decent tackle on a philosopher's salary."*

Patrick F. McManus

## OCTOBER HATCHES

The Bugs	Time of Month	Time of Day	Suggested Flies
Small Dun Caddis	Early	Mid AM to Late PM	18 Brown Elk or Deer Hair Caddis 18 Grey Caddis Pupa
Speckled Grey-Brown Caddis	All Month	Late PM	14–16 Dark Elk Hair Caddis w/Yellow-Brown 14–16 Dun & Yellow Caddis Pupa
Large October Caddis (important)	All Month	Early AM and Late PM	8-10 Ginger Elk Hair; 12-14 Ginger Stimulator 8-10 Ginger Caddis Pupa
Blue Winged Olive & Blue Quill (important)	All Month	Late AM to Mid PM	16-18 BWO, Blue Quill or Adams Parachute 16-18 BWO nymph or Pheasant Tail
Midges	All Month	All Day	18-22 Griffith's Gnat 18-22 Midge Pupa

**TU Chapter 'Website-of-the-Month': [www.ngatu692.com](http://www.ngatu692.com)**  
 (Take a look at the 'PHOTOS' & 'CURRENT EVENTS')

### Q & A: *What's in Your vest?*

Most fly fishermen wear a vest. And most ask the same question, "Why is my vest so darn heavy?"

**TIGHT LINES** is doing a survey of the Rabunites. Results will be in the next newsletter. Please click 'reply' and advise: What would you leave out of the following list? What would you add?

### VEST CONTENTS:

#### Fly Fishing Gear:

- multiple fly boxes with dry, nymph, wet, emerger, midge, streamer, terrestrial, & junk flies
- about 4 or 5 tapered leaders – 3X down to 6X
- tippet material (regular & fluorocarbon) – 3X, 4X, 5X, 6X, 7X, 8X
- polarized sun glasses w/magnifier lenses & retainers
- nippers on retractable clip
- dry fly floatant
- forceps on retractable clip
- fly line dressing/cleaner paste
- container of assorted sizes of sinkers
- strike indicators
- thermometer for water temp
- small scissors to trim flies
- small pliers to pinch barb
- landing net & a device to hold net
- extra reel spool & special flyline (sinking, sinking tip, etc)

#### 'Be Prepared' Gear:

- flashlight & extra batteries
- toilet paper in zip lock bag
- rain jacket
- bottle of water
- stick type insect repellent
- ChapStick
- billfold with fishing license in zip lock bag
- aspirin & hay fever pills in zip lock bag
- pocketknife
- snack bars &/or trail mix
- camera & extra roll of film in zip lock bags
- lighter or water proof matches
- space blanket
- collapsible cup



**I forgot my fly rod.**

Cartoon by John Troy

*"Trout fisherman often give away their presence to the fish by the equipment they are wearing. The yo-yo hanging on the fly fishing vest that attaches to the hemostats or line clippers is often plated with chrome, giving off flashes of light. Some fly boxes that you wear on the chest are also bright aluminum-not a good idea. I recently fished with a fellow who wore a bright yellow hat on a meadow stream in Pennsylvania. From 100 yards away you could see his every movement, - I'm sure that trout near him could, too."*

From: "Advanced Fly Fishing Techniques" by Lefty Kreh

## The Second in a Series:

### Stream Habitat Protection and Enhancement

Well-designed and well-placed in-stream structures can be used to correct and/or improve fish habitat deficiencies over a broad range of conditions. The primary objectives of the designs is to create deeper water, remove sediment by flushing action, add cover for fish, or add substrate and food for other aquatic organisms. Projects that add large woody debris often accomplish all of these objectives.

Double-wing deflectors create mid-channel pools through scouring action in shallow sections of streams:



Photos provided by Monte Seehorn

Before and six weeks after pictures of double-wing deflector installed in Suches Creek behind Woody Gap School.

If you are aware of a section of public stream in need of restoration or enhancement, please report it to the local USFS office or tell us here at TIGHT LINES. If you know a private owner that wants some help with stream restoration or enhancement, put him in touch with Monte E. Seehorn, 5292 Clarks Bridge Rd., Gainesville, GA 30506, Phone 770 983 3019, E-mail [mseehorn@adelphia.net](mailto:mseehorn@adelphia.net)

***" When it comes to cults, fly fishing isn't much different than most. Simply put, this means that enough is never enough. With luck you can reach a pleasant level of mellow fanaticism and maybe even hold down a regular job at the plant. But there is a trout bum that lurks in every one of us and I think we all secretly know that a sparse little lean-to under the bridge, say on Henry's Fork of the Snake River, is never more than a cast away. "***

Ed Engle

## FISHING REPORT

----- Original Message -----

**From:** [Kyle Burrell](mailto:kyle@fishwithkyle.com)

**Sent:** Saturday, September 10, 2005 11:58 PM

**Subject:** The Big One

Upper Green River, September 10, 2005, about 10am, with dark overcast skies and a thunderstorm rolling up the valley....

Have been trying to catch this fish for two years. Last year three different clients had rose this fish to a dry fly and always missed hooking it. Hadn't seen him yet this year, but had assumed he was still there.

Dropped a #8 black woolly bugger down deep where I knew he lived.

Fish measured 29 inches and weighed 10 1/2 pounds on my Boga grip scale. Biggest trout I've ever caught.

Be home Wednesday. -Kyle



Would you like to fish with Kyle on the Upper Green River next summer? E-mail Kyle: [fishwithkyle@yahoo.com](mailto:fishwithkyle@yahoo.com)  
Or for The Green River Guest Ranch, Cora, WY: Click On: <http://www.grquestranch.com/>

THE NEXT DAY REPORT

----- Original Message -----

From: [Kyle Burrell](#)

Sent: Sunday, September 11, 2005 9:44 AM

Subject: Snow

A picture is worth a 1000 words.....time to head to Georgia :-)  
-KB



***"Catching fish is not a mental game between fish and angler. A "smart" trout is only smarter than other trout, not smarter than a fisherman. An angler must take the puzzle of the day's conditions, and matching those conditions and his knowledge of the fish to come up with a good catch. He competes with a concept, not with a fish's brain."***

Lee Wulff, 1981

#### ANOTHER FISHING REPORT - FROM NORTHEAST GEORGIA

----- Original Message -----

From: "Jeff Durniak" <[jeff\\_durniak@dnr.state.ga.us](mailto:jeff_durniak@dnr.state.ga.us)>

Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2005 9:23 AM

Subject: Low and Clear = Long and Light

The lack of rain has north Georgia trout streams running crystal clear and at lower levels than those seen all summer. Fish are not as active, especially in these hot afternoons, and will be closely inspecting your offerings, if you haven't already spooked them with your approach and cast.

I was humbled at Dukes Creek last weekend. Fishing was still fun, but the catching was a lot slower than it has been all summer. I was forced to go to small wet flies and nymphs (sizes 16-20) on long leaders with very light tippetts (6X, 7X fluoro). I managed a few rainbows to 13 inches and hooked a couple of good fish exceeding 16 inches. Hooking does not equal landing in many cases, especially where these fish know where each logjam is, and the lunkers beat me this time. It was still fun. One friend landed a nice 17-inch rainbow on a dry fly just before quitting time. It was a special fish because his dad watched the battle (congrats Tackler!).

These tough conditions provide a great opportunity to perfect your skills. This could be good practice in advance of any trips to distant, exotic locales with big, picky fish.

Tip for the rest of us non-experts: Don't spend a lot of time in the big, slow pools where you can often see those big fish. They've likely already seen you, and your first cast will spook them anyway. Find the spots with the best combinations of fast and deep water, like the very head of a pool, deep runs, or shaded pocket water with boulders or log jams. Keep your polarized sunglasses on and look for the "blue-green" water with a cobbled bottom that has "rainbow trout" written all over it.

The combination of a) cover to make the fish feel safe and b) velocity to make the fish decide whether to eat something passing by quickly, should increase your success rate. Hit the middle and ends of the big, slow pools after a rain shower muddies them.

Some nice places for kids should be Tallulah and Wildcat creeks, which should still have a good bunch of stocked fish left in them. The bream and trout near the Moccasin Creek footbridge on Lake Burton are great practice targets for newbies, too. Try very light line, small worms, or small wet flies (16, 18). This is a nice place to take a beginning fly fisherperson.

We're almost past summer and fishing should be on the upswing soon as the nights cool off. Good luck to you.  
[www.gofishgeorgia.com](http://www.gofishgeorgia.com)



***"Another basic principle of presentation and retrieve is the angle of the rod. It is recommended for some nymph fishing that the rod be held fairly high, with the tip often above the head of the angler. But for almost every situation where you are stripping in line to manipulate the fly, the rod should be kept very low, always below the belt. When bass bugging, retrieving a streamer, bringing in a bonefish fly, or anytime you retrieve an underwater fly, the rod tip should be kept very close to the water, or within it; actually an inch or two under it. This is a basic rule that will get you more fish."***

From "Advanced Fly Fishing Techniques" by Lefty Kreh

***"I know that I cannot escape this feeling on the pools away from the highway, (Beaverkill), when the twilight falls and I am alone with the river. One almost expects to round a bend and find the Ghost of Richard Robbins, and to be hailed by the old man to tie on a fly for him in the failing light of age and evening."*** Ernest G. Schwiebert, JR. - [1955]

## Q & A

**Q: I have trouble tying knots out on the stream, particularly 'in the failing light of age and evening'. Do I need to buy and carry a knot-tying tool?**

**A: Maybe it would help, but try this first:**

Get a pair of magnifying reading glasses at the drug store or Wal\*Mart and a small LED light to clip to the brim of your hat.

(Cabela's: click on <http://www.cabelas.com/> - Clip Light, Item # IF-516301 @ \$12.99 or Flex-Torch, Item # UE-516165 @ \$17.99).

Practice, practice, practice! Use old pieces of line, leader, and backing. Practice on the same kinds of material you would use on the stream (Ex: use monofilament to practice a surgeon's knot). Your finished knot should look like the illustration. If it doesn't, try again until it does. When you get it correctly, tie it again, and again, and again. Here are the two knots you will probably use most often:

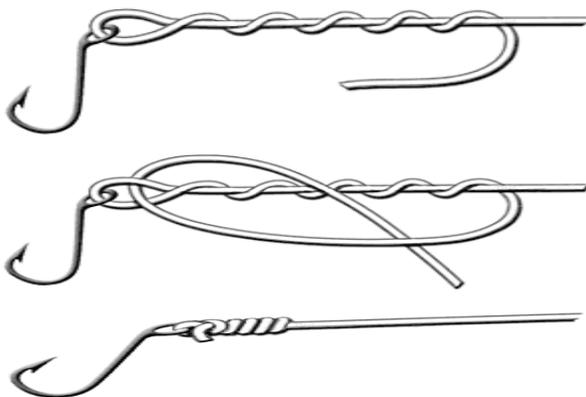
**The Improved Clinch knot** is used for fastening the leader to the fly.

**Step 1.** Thread your leader tippet through the eye of the hook. Wrap the end of the leader around the standing line 5 times (7 times for fluorocarbon) on lines up to 8 lb test and 4 times for lines from 8-12 lb test. (You can also turn the hook 4 to 7 times, but this will put twists in the lines.)

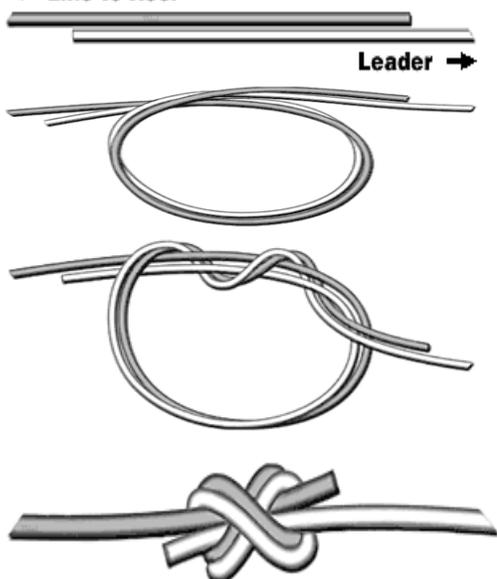
**Step 2.** Take the tag end of the leader and pass it through the gap between the eye of the hook and the first wrap. Continue the tag end back up through the main loop just formed.

**Step 3.** Moisten the knot with your mouth, and while holding the hook in your left-hand pull on the standing leader allowing the knot to seat tightly against the hook.

**Step 4.** Clip the excess tag end line. Inspect and test each knot after you finish.



← **Line to Reel**



fast and easy knot to tie and is usually preferred more than the blood knot. This is a great knot for joining two pieces of monofilament that are greatly different in diameter. When you are building a tapered leader, tied correctly, this knot is generally stronger than the blood knot. Very quick and easy knot for attaching 4X-5X-6X-7X tippets to each other. You can almost do this one in the dark.

**Step 1.** The main line should come in from the left and the line to be attached should come from the right. Overlap the two pieces approximately 6 or so inches.

**Step 2.** Pinch the overlapped lines together on the left between your thumb and index finger. Do the same with the sections on the right and make a loop by crossing it over itself. Take the long and short lines that are in your right hand and pass them through the formed loop, around, and back through a second time (and a third time for fluorocarbon).

**Step 3.** Pull both pieces being held in each hand away from each other closing the knot. Moisten and pull tight. Once this knot is secure you can tighten it further by pulling individual pieces.

**Step 4.** Clip the excess tag end lines. Inspect and test each knot after you finish.

For more on knots, click on:

<http://www.flyfishingconnection.com/surgeon.html>

Or <http://www.cabelas.com/information/cabelas-field-guides/Knot-Library-Fishing-Knots.html>

*"When a man picks up a fly rod for the first time, he may not know, he has been born again."*

Joseph D. Farris

*"If you've got short, stubby fingers and wear reading glasses, any relaxation you would normally derive from fly fishing is completely eliminated when you try to tie on a fly."*

From "Fear of Fly Fishing" by Jack Ohman

**The Surgeon's Knot** is a knot used for attaching two pieces of monofilament together, such as leader to tippet. It is a very

## What's New?

### USDA Forest Service - TALLULAH RANGER DISTRICT (TRD)

**Fees Removed on 5 Sites in TRD** (6/10/05): The recreation 'demo fees' have been removed on Tallulah River Rd Corridor, Wildcat Creek Rd Corridor, Highway 76/Chattooga Trailhead, Dicks Creek Gap Trailhead & Angel Falls Trailhead. (For more info, click on:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/conf/press/20050610-rea-pr.htm>

**Proposed Poss Land Exchange** (9/14/05): Mr. Ed Poss, a resident of Rabun County, has proposed a land exchange with the USFS that involves private property and National Forest System lands in Rabun and White Counties of Georgia. The USA would convey approximately 166 acres of land to Mr. Poss and would receive approximately 96.7 acres in 5 tracts that would become part of the Chattahoochee NF.

Public comment period ends **October 29, 2005**. (For more info & maps, click on: <http://www.fs.fed.us/conf/sopa/lands-nepa.htm>

**Ranger District Evaluation Process** (8/17/05): Evaluation is underway for how many offices and work centers should there be for the Chattooga and Tallulah Ranger Districts and where they should be located. Should there be one or two districts for the cities and counties affected (there are currently two)? (For addition info, call Dave Jensen at 706-782-3320.)

**Suppression of Hemlock Woolly Adelgid Infestations Decision** (8/ /05): (For details click on: <http://www.fs.fed.us/conf/sopa/forest-health-nepa.htm>

**Southern Pine Beetle Restoration Decision** (7/19/2005): Restoration of pines and oaks, includes a total of approximately 30 treatment acres in the Seed Lake Hydrologic Unit using chainsaw tree cutting, prescribed burning, and tree planting. (For details, click on: <http://www.fs.fed.us/conf/sopa/forest-health-nepa.htm>

### Georgia DNR - WILDLIFE RESOURCES DIVISION (WRD)

#### **JOHN BOWERS SELECTED AS NEW ASSISTANT**

**CHIEF OF WRD GAME MANAGEMENT** (8/12/05): The Georgia DNR, WRD recently named John W. Bowers as the new Game Management Section Assistant Chief. He fills the position left vacant by Carroll Allen, who retired in July. Bowers previously held the position of WRD Game Management Special Projects Biologist.

#### **ENGLISH SENTENCED IN MURDER-FOR-HIRE PLOT**

**AGAINST DNR CONSERVATION RANGERS** (8/12/05): A Lamar County judge recently sentenced John "Mack" English to 13 years in prison, the maximum sentence allowed, for conspiring to

arrange the murders of two former conservation rangers with the Georgia DNR, WRD.

#### **GROWING DEMAND FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION CREATES CHALLENGES FOR GEORGIA WILDLIFE MANAGERS**

(9/23/05) As an increasing number of hikers, bikers, campers, rock climbers and horseback riders make use of the state's wildlife management areas, wildlife managers with the Wildlife Resources Division are contemplating the future of WMAs in Georgia and seeking to balance demand for outdoor recreation with responsible wildlife management and conservation.

(E-mail [edadams1@alltel.net](mailto:edadams1@alltel.net) if you want the details on any of these WRD releases.)

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## "BACKCASTING"

**Sept. 8 – 10 National TU 2005 Annual Meeting** in Denver was attended by Charlie B. as the GA Council Chairman. **CONGRATULATIONS** to Mack Martin and all the guys and gals of the Upper Chattahoochee Chapter, they earned the 2005 National SILVER TROUT AWARD. This award is given to the Chapter with "outstanding conservation achievements and exemplary steps towards the pursuit of TU's coldwater conservation mission".

**Sept. 15 GA TU Council Executive Committee Meeting** in the conference room at Bass Pro Shops in Atlanta was called to review and update the 5-Year Strategic Plan for the GA TU Council. Charlie B, Kathy B, and Doug A attended this working session.

**Sept. 20 Chapter Meeting** – Terry Seehorn and 2 Students, Cari and Chris, from RGNS presented an excellent PowerPoint presentation on the Envirothon program. They explained what the program is about, the history of the program in GA, the content of the program, the team concept, and the levels of competition (school, region, state, and national). The students shared their enthusiasm for environmental knowledge throughout their presentation. Then Terry, Cari, and Chris gave the 16 Rabunites present an opportunity to briefly self-test their own knowledge in the 4 Envirothon subject areas: *'soils, aquatics, wildlife and forestry'*. That was really an educational experience! As a token of appreciation, we presented Cari and Chris with complimentary 1-year memberships in Rabun TU. **Raffle:** There were 10 neat items donated by members for the bucket raffle. The raffle raised \$72 to cover the cost of the copying and mailing the newsletter to the chapter members without E-mail. Doug A was the big winner this month with 3 items. **Election of Officers & Directors** for F/Y 2006 (begins Oct. 1st). The slate as presented by the nominating committee was elected (Terry R demanded a recount!). See page 7 for the list of new Officers and Directors with their contact info.

**Sept. 17 NGTO/TU Workday at Waters Creek:** Rabunites Charlie B and Jeff D participated in this one.

**Sept. 22 Pre-planning the Betty Creek Oct.27 Workday:** Rabunites Terry S, Terry R, Charlie B, & Doug A met on the stream and selected 3 structures from the several Monte S and Terry S had designed. They developed a list of materials, tools, and the number of RGNS students needed for the Workday.

**Sept. 24 Smith Creek Work Outing:** In response to the [storm damage](#) that occurred as result of a tornado spawned by the Hurricane Katrina storm system, volunteers descended upon Smith Creek at Unicoi State Park for a cleanup day. Rabunites Charlie B, Terry R, Ray K, Ralph M, Travis B, and Jeff D were among the more than twenty members of Trout Unlimited and North Georgia Trout Online that helped the GA DNR staff clear debris from selected points on the creek and from the streamside hiking and biking trail. Some of the downed timber also was cut into large logs and anchored in the stream to enhance fish habitat or to protect eroding stream banks. Click on: <http://www.qofishgeorgia.com/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=455>

**Sept. 27 Board of Directors Meeting** started at 6:30 attended by 9 members. A letter will be sent to the county marshal expressing concern about the siltation of Acorn Creek from erosion at the Real Mark fill site. Letters will be sent to State Rep. Jenkins and State Sen. Schaefer requesting that they urge the DOT Board of Directors to change their policy on future contracts. When excess soil is removed from DOT right-of-way and deposited on private property, the DOT contractual arrangements should require proper sedimentation control with DOT inspection. Methods to promote the sale of the 'Dream Trip' raffle tickets were discussed. The BOD discussed various ways to conduct membership drives and ways to increase Rabun TU publicity. The BOD selected 9 programs for regular chapter meetings during 2006. The annual report and the transfer of the treasury/checking account to the new treasurer were reviewed. Memorial gifts were decided on. The location of the Sept 29– Oct 2 campout was moved to the Blackwell Place (see page 1 'Forward Casting' for directions). Representatives will attend the Goldrush TU Family Fun Day and Rabun TU will donate item(s) for their auction/raffle. Attending the USFS Public Meeting concerning the Upper Chattooga Boating Ban was discussed. Gathering materials (logs and rebar) needed for the Betty Creek stream structures was arranged. A date to deliver and install is TBD. The letters will be sent soon to 'away' suppliers requesting donations of items to auction/raffle at the Rabun Rendezvous. Adjourned at 8:30.

## The 2006 Raffle of the Dream Fly Fishing Vacation Package for 2



**The winner and their partner will each receive:** 5 days of guided fly fishing and 6 nights food and lodging at the **Green River Guest Ranch** in Cora, Wyoming <http://www.grquestranch.com/>. The trip will take place from July 22 to July 28, 2006 (NON NEGOTIABLE). A 9ft 5wt Winston Boron II X custom made fly rod. An Orvis Battenkill Barstock reel with Scientific Angler line. A fly box and flies (approximately 5 to 7 dozen per box) for the trip.

The winner will also receive \$650 in travel expenses (this is total, not per person) to cover airfare. NOTE: If winners choose to fly into Jackson Hole, they will be picked up at the Jackson airport, shuttled to the Green River Guest Ranch, and returned to the airport at the end of the trip. If the winners choose to fly into any destination other than Jackson, they will be responsible to get to and return from the guest ranch on their own. Travel arrangements will be the responsibility of the winners and they must arrive together to be picked up at the Jackson airport.

Fishing licenses, gratuities, and alcoholic beverages will be the responsibility of the winners during their stay. The winners will be required to sign a waiver releasing the Georgia Council of Trout Unlimited and the Green River Guest Ranch of any responsibility of injury that could occur during the trip.

Winner will be drawn at the Georgia Foothills Chapter of Trout Unlimited annual banquet in March 2006. One winner will be drawn and the winner will choose a partner to accompany them on the trip. **Ticket price is \$10 each** and proceeds will go to the Georgia Council of Trout Unlimited to help fund the annual Georgia Trout Camp and the Back the Brookie campaign for helping brook trout restoration and educational projects.

**Contact Terry Rivers to order your raffle tickets: Ph 706 782 7419 or E-mail [tlr1121@alltel.net](mailto:tlr1121@alltel.net)**

### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

A Big Rabunite welcome to **4 new members** this month: **Anthony Welch**, 165 Southhampton Point, Athens, GA 30606; **Tony Wheeler**, PO Box 231, Clayton, GA 30525; **Arnold Deitz**, PO Box 112, Dillard, GA 30537; and **Gene Pipkin**, PO Box 322, Rabun Gap, GA 30568

Thanks for re-upping: **Lonnie English, Terry Seehorn, Jack Bates, Doug Adams, and Russ Tyre**

It is time to renew your membership: **Chip Woodlee, Doug Hickman, Andrew Wylie, Anthony Nunley, Jim Kidd, Lindsey Gilbert, Daniel Wall, W. R. Wainwright, Paul Barnes, and Donald MacLeod**

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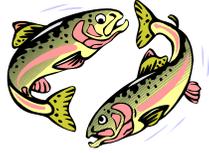
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News from the President..... **Terry Rivers**

Hello All,

After a tuff campaign and heated debates, I was elected as your new chapter President for the next year. Just want to say I hope I can serve you well as others have done in the past.

One of my goals is to see if we can increase our membership. I have already talked to Lewis Reeves III about setting up a display at his store in Dillard. I plan to spend the day there doing fly tying demos and talking to people about our goals. If any of you want to help that would be greatly appreciated.

I also want to remind everybody I have the raffle tickets for the Dream Trip. If you would like to purchase any, I will have them at all the meetings. And if you want some to sell, just e-mail me at [tlr1121@alltel.net](mailto:tlr1121@alltel.net) or call me at 706 782 7419. I'll be glad to get them to you. Just remember the chapter is only as strong as the members and their participation.

I'm really looking forward to serving you as your President and hope I can serve you well.

Thanks again for all your help, *Terry*

Have a great day - Hope you catch a lot of fish!

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