



25TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR OF THE RABUN CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

TIGHT LINES

May 2011 Newsletter of the
Rabun Chapter (522) of Trout Unlimited

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"The charm of fishing is that it is the pursuit of what is elusive but attainable, a perpetual series of occasions for hope." John Buchan

THE MAY MEETING is the ANNUAL FAMILY COOKOUT!

with Mentoring of Girl & Boy Scouts Fishing the Lake. Passing it on!

Place - Indian Lake Picnic Shelter on the Campus of RGNS – Rabun Gap, GA

Monday – May 16

4:00 pm – Fellowship & Lake Fishing

7:00 pm – Cook-out Meal

(Directions – go north on US 441, turn left at the Rabun Gap Post Office, go ¼ mile & turn left, go ¼ mile & turn right, go to end of road)

The Chapter will provide the hotdogs, hamburgers, drinks, plates, etc.

Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish, veggies, salad, chips, or a desert.

There will not be a raffle at the Family Cookout.

"There don't have to be a thousand fish in a river; let me locate a good one and I'll get a thousand dreams out of him before I catch him - and, if I catch him, I'll turn him loose." Jim Doren

"FORWARD CASTING" Important Dates – See you there!

May 7 (Sat) Mentoring - Kids Fishing Event; 8:30 AM, Black Rock Mountain S.P. lake, TU **Volunteers needed** (due to reductions in Park Staff) **Passing it on!**

May 7 (Sat) High Country Boil Fundraiser; BRMTUC 5:30 PM, Details [HERE](#) on pg. 5.

May 10 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session, 6 PM at Kountry Vittles

May 11 – 15 (Wed-Sun) Spring Camping & Fishing Outing; Chattooga Backcountry with Camping at Cherry Hill C.G. (with hot showers, flush toilets & tables) Nice place, great fishing & fellowship. Click [HERE](#) Location: Off SC Hwy 107, 1.5 mile south of Burrell's Ford Rd intersection. **The DEADLINE to sign up is Sunday May 8th.** You need to contact **Charlie and Kathy Breithaupt** Ph 706 782 6954, E-mail knc615@windstream.net. They plan the menu and buy the grub! The main course meals will be about 2:30 pm. Supper you are on your own or we will have sandwich makings, snacks &/or leftovers when you return from dark-30 fishing. Y'all come! **Bring a friend! Passing it on!**

May 11-14 (Wed-Sat) Three River Fly Fishing Tournament, Highlands NC, Details [HERE](#)

May 13 & 14 (Fri & Sat) SE Regional TU Rally & Troutfest in Townsend, TN

May 16 (Mon) Mentoring - Annual Spring Family Cookout; 4 PM at Indian Lake with Boy &/or Girl Scout Troops as our guests. Note the change to Monday because this is the weekly meeting night for the Scouts. (For details – see box above) For more info contact **Ray Gentry** Ph 404 680 6736, E-mail regentry@windstream.net **Volunteer mentors needed, Passing it on!**

May 21 (Sat) GA TU Council Meeting, 9 AM in Helen GA

May 24 (Tues) Rabun County Middle School Mentoring Awards Day at Moccasin Creek S.P. and GA DNR Fish Hatchery, 9 AM – 2 PM

May 24 (Tues) BOD Meeting, Maybe Streamside TBD

May 28 (Sat) Betty Creek In-Stream Trimming/Clean-up meet 9 AM at Betty Creek. **Volunteers needed.** Bring loppers, saws, pole pruners, work gloves, waders, etc.

June 3 & 4 (Fri & Sat) Southeastern Fly Fishing Festival at Unicoi State Park; details [HERE](#)

June 4 (Sat) Mentoring - Annual Kids Fishing Event, 8 AM at Tallulah River with USFS & GA WRD. **Volunteers needed. Passing it on!**

June 5 – 10 (Sun – Fri) Mentoring - 7th Annual GEORGIA TROUT CAMP at RGNS. **Volunteer mentors needed,** click [HERE](#). **Passing it on!**

June 14 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session, 6 PM at Kountry Vittles

June 18 (Sat) Rabun TU Stekoa Creek Clean-up Day. **Volunteers needed.** Contact Frank Tolbert for details Ph 770 363 1967 E-mail fdtolbert@comcast.net

June 21 (Tues) Chapter Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE/MAX Office **Program** – David Hulsey, Unicoi Outfitters (guide, author, photographer, and Blue Ridge store manager). *Trouting opportunities near Blue Ridge.*

June 28 (Tues) BOD Meeting 6:30 PM, RE/MAX Office

FLY OF THE MONTH

by Terry Rivers



LIGHT CAHILL

HOOK: #10 TO 16

BODY: WHITE OR CREAM
DUBBING

WING: WOOD DUCK

THORAX: WHITE OR CREAM
HACKLE

TAIL: WHITE OR CREAM
HACKLE FIBER

GREAT FLY TO HAVE DURING THE MONTH OF MAY TIE IT ON A 3X LONG #10 HOOK THEN INSTEAD OF A WHITE OR CREAM THORAX USE A SILVER BADGER HACKLE AND CHANGE THE TAIL TO BLACK DEER HAIR AND YOU HAVE A COFFIN FLY.

"The solution to any problem - work, love, money, whatever - is to go fishing, and the worse the problem, the longer the trip should be." John Gierach

Chapter Campout at Cherry Hill Campground in South Carolina.

Chick [HERE](#), Off SC Hwy 107, 1.5 mile south of Burrell's Ford Rd intersection.

We will camp from Wednesday (May 11) until Sunday (May 15). The first meal will be supper on the 11th, about 7 PM. The last meal will be Sunday breakfast. Since most folks want to fish until "dark-thirty" we will eat a big meal about 2:30 PM and have sandwiches, etc available when they return late at night. All meals will be \$5...\$15 per day. There is a fee for the campground and individuals are responsible for their own payment.

IMPORTANT: The food will be planned and bought by Kathy and Charlie Breithaupt. Contact them to tell them when you will be in camp. The best way is by email knc615@windstream.net or home phone (706) 782-6954.

The DEADLINE to sign up is Sunday May 8th.

**Water is available (restrooms, showers) but we always need firewood
Y'all come! Bring a friend! Passing it on! WAaahWHOoooo!**

May Hatches

The Bugs	Time of Month	Time of Day	Suggested Flies
None at all	All Month	All Day	Dredging Nymphs: 12-16 Prince, Hare's Ear, Zugbug, PT
Cream Caddis	Early	M day to L pm	12-14 Elk Hair Caddis 12-14 Dark Cream Caddis Pupa
Small Dun Caddis	Early	L am to M pm	16-18 Gray Elk Hair or Deer Hair Caddis 16-18 Gray Caddis Pupa
March Brown Mayfly (Important)	Early	L am to M pm	12-14 Adams or March Brown Parachutes 10-14 March Brown Nymph, Dark Hare's Ear, or Pheasant Tail
Speckled Gray Caddis	All Month	M to L pm	12-14 Dark Elk Hair or Deer Hair Caddis 12-14 Dun & Yel/Brn Caddis Pupa
Yellow Stonefly	All Month	E to L am L pm to dark	14-16 Yellow Stimulator or Elk Hair Caddis (Yellow) 14-16 Yellow Stone Nymph
Giant Black Stonefly	All Month	E am	4-8 Black Stonefly Nymph
Light Cahill Mayfly (Very Important)	All Month	E to L pm	12-14 Light Cahill 12-14 Light Cahill Nymph
Sulphur Mayfly (Important)	All Month	L pm to dark	14-18 Sulphur Comparadun; Light Cahill; Cream Variant 14-16 Sulphur Nymph or Emerger, Pheasant Tail
Golden Stonefly	Late	E am	4-8 Golden Stonefly Nymph
Brown & Slate Drakes	Late	L am to L pm	8-14 Adams, Blue Dun, or March Brown Parachutes 8-14 March Brown Nymph, Dark Hare's Ear, or Pheasant Tail
Green Drake Mayfly (Important)	Late	L am to L pm	8-10 Green Drake 8-10 Green Drake Nymph
Coffin Fly (Green Drake Spinner) (Awesome)		L pm to an hour after dark	8-10 Spent Wing or Parachute Coffin Fly
Midges	All Month	All Day	18-22 Griffith's Gnat 18-22 Midge Pupa

Hot tip: Don't leave early. Go late and stay later. Carry a flashlight! Many times the trout won't rise until the sun starts going down and the bugs come out to find a mate.

To view a Hatch Chart for other months, click [Hatch Chart](#)



Website-of-the Month http://www.cirrusimage.com/ephemeroptera_mayflies.htm
Mayflies on Doppler Weather Radar

Rabun TU's Award Winning website <http://rabuntu.org/site/>

Please send comments & suggestions to Pat Hopton, Website Project Manager, scotts_creek58@yahoo.com

Rabun TU Site Designed by [Allison O. Adams, Editorial and Multimedia Services](#)

2011 General Assembly Legislative Wrap-Up prepared by Kevin McGrath

Overview: April 14th marked the last day the 2011 General Assembly. Working with Georgia Water Coalition partners, Georgia Trout Unlimited remained vigilant representing you as a conservationist-angler. You were actively represented on the Georgia Water Coalition Legislative Team and Georgia Conservation Voters Georgia Environmental Action Network Steering Committee throughout the session. Water issues continue to be a priority with the General Assembly as Georgia grapples with allocation of water from the Chattahoochee River with Florida and Alabama while planning for the state's growing population. Please thank your local elected officials that supported Georgia Trout Unlimited's positions and, respectfully, make those who did not aware of your disappointment.

Legislative Wrap-Up (Continued)

HB 131 and HB 137 Stream Buffer and Storm Water Run-off Enforcement - Defeated

These bills threatened clean water in Georgia. HB 131 is a troubled bill whose original intent was to exempt the Department of Transportation, the Georgia Highway Authority and the State Road and Tollway Authority and their subcontractors from stream buffer requirements and fines. After several amendments to include all state agencies with potential fines lowered from \$50,000 to \$5,000, HB 131 was reported favorably by House Transportation. House Rules did not consider the bill before crossover day and it is recommitted to House Transportation. HB 137, the Department of Transportation's "housekeeping bill", was amended after crossover day in Senate Transportation to include similar language to HB 131 giving state agencies and their subcontractors two five day, fine free grace periods per year. That amendment was stripped out on the Senate floor by amendment, and HB 137 was passed without the harmful language. EPD Director Allen Barnes strongly opposed HB 131 the amended HB 137. The actions would have violated the U.S. Clean Water Act opening the door for the U.S. EPA to take over Georgia's enforcement program. HB 131 can be taken up by House Transportation in the 2012 session. *GA TU opposed these bills. HB 131 and 137 were the subjects of GEAN Alerts. HB 131 was the subject of a Coma Coalition Alert.*

HB 222 and HB 346 Conservation Tax Credits - Passed

These bills promote the set-aside of conservation lands in Georgia by enabling tax credits earned by conservation easements to be transferred to a third party. HB 222 solely

addressed conservation tax credits but was not taken up by House Ways and Means before crossover day. HB 346 addressed multiple tax provisions and was amended in Senate Finance to include the transfer of conservation tax credits language contained in HB 222. The amended bill passed the Senate 53-0 and the House 170-1. *GA TU supported the transferability of conservation tax credits.*

SB 122 Public-Private Partnerships - Passed

This bill would allow local governments and Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) to enter into public-private partnerships on water supply projects. The Georgia Water Coalition successfully advocated to strengthen the original bill by including financing of conservation, retrofits and leak repairs and environmental protections for new reservoirs. SB 122 passed the Senate 9-1 and the House 92-68. A weaker version of the bill was defeated in 2010.

HB 134, HB 368, HB 111 and SB 126 Interbasin Transfers (IBTs) - Stalled

These bills would strengthen IBT rules recently enacted by the Georgia DNR Board to require the examination of all factors affecting an IBT for donor and receiving water basins. Current rules give GA EPD discretion over what factors are evaluated. The bills were not taken up for a hearing and vote by their assigned committees and are available for consideration in 2012. *GA TU supports dependable, reliable and consistent oversight of IBTs providing for thoughtful and thorough evaluation of new and modified IBTs using uniform criteria.*

Letters to the Rabunites

Sent: by U.S. Postal on March 24, 2011

Thank you so much for your generous donation to WaysSouth. Your continued support means a great deal to our efforts.

The news from the study on I-3 is encouraging. The routes through the mountains have all been found to have "fatal flaws." The height of the mountains, wilderness areas, national forest and the park in addition to public opposition are all factors in the decision to recommend what is basically a northern arc.

Meanwhile, we are still working to save the areas of Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee from unneeded four lane highways with tunnels that are not only extremely expensive but very damaging to the watersheds.

I am enclosing some bumper stickers for your members. Thanks again,

From: Lucy Bartlett – WaysSouth Board of Directors

Editor's notes: *Rabun TU donated \$300 to WaysSouth/Stop I-3*

Sent: by U.S. Postal on April 15, 2011

On behalf of The University of Georgia, I wish to thank you for your recent gift. Please find below a formal receipt for your records:

4/13/2011 - University of Georgia Foundation Cold Water Fisheries Student Research Fund - \$500

Your commitment and contribution play a vital role in advancing the University's mission of instruction, research, and outreach. We appreciate your investment in UGA. Sincerely,

From: Tom S. Landrum – Senior Vice President for External Affairs, University of Georgia

Sent: by U.S. Postal in April 2011

As a friend of the Chattooga River Chapter of Trout Unlimited, I want to thank you for your donation during our annual fundraiser banquet. Thanks to your generosity, the proceeds from the CRCTU "Roundup – 2011" were more than \$7000 and exceeded our goal by almost \$2,500. This event is our single most valuable asset for raising money to support the goals of the national Trout Unlimited organization and our many new and ongoing projects that provide improvements for people in our communities who utilize the many streams and surrounding areas for recreation, relaxation and education purposes.

Examples of just a few of the projects we have completed or sponsor annually include:

- Clearing local river trails of fallen trees and debris.
- Assisting the SC Department of Natural Resources in stocking native brook trout in local streams.
- Providing mentoring programs for children and adults who want to learn about trout fishing.
- Building educational displays along the Chattooga River and other local streams.
- Litter clean up along several miles of selected roads in the upstate area.
- Locating, funding, building and maintaining handicap access areas along the East Fork of the Chattooga River, the Chauga River and Eastatoe Creek.
- Sponsoring youth education programs such as Trout in The Classroom, Scout'N-for-Trout and assisting the US Forest Service and SCDNR with youth activities, such as Fishing Derbies.

Again, thank you for your generous support of the Chattooga River Chapter and the Trout Unlimited goal "conserving, protecting, and restoring America's coldwater fisheries." Sincerely,

From: Brian Petersen – President CRCTU

Editor's notes: *Rabun TU donated a framed limited edition Broderick Crawford print.*

Rabunite Ramble

REPRINTED from GEORGIA OUTDOOR NEWS, July 2006

The other day I was fishing with a friend in the backcountry of THE RIVER. I said, "Watch this" as I made a long cast with my #14 parachute Adams. The fly landed right where the whitewater dissipated after passing over a submerged ledge. The fly floated for about a foot and a good'un rose up and the fly disappeared. I lifted the rod and set the hook. A few minutes later I landed and released a beautiful 14-inch rainbow. My friend asked, "How did you know to cast there?"

Knowing where to put the lure is the single most important skill in trout fishing. It's called '*reading the water*'. An angler who can '*read the water*' but can't cast very well will consistently catch more trout than a skilled caster who cannot '*read the water*'. Just about anywhere you fish there are some general principles that apply to reading trout streams. To learn how to read water, an angler must consider the habitat from the trout's perspective. After satisfying the basic needs of clean cold water and oxygen, a trout has three major requirements in finding a place to hold:

Cover - to protect a trout from kingfishers, great blue herons, ospreys, otters, and other predators — including anglers: Trout don't need much structure for cover. Trout will use ledges, boulders, root wads, logs, limbs, undercut banks, overhanging bushes, and especially shade for cover. Depressions in the streambed make for great cover because the trout's back markings and the depth of the water make it difficult to spot. Check out slow-sections or pool tail-outs in low light or on overcast days. Be careful, spooking just one trout in the tail of a pool can make all the trout in the pool stop feeding and move to

cover. Anglers who are willing to approach each trout fishing adventure with eyes wide open will soon figure out where trout can be found under varying conditions.

Energy - a place to hold that doesn't require a trout to expend any more energy than it will take in: Trout will rarely hold in fast water for very long. During hatches, trout will move out into the riffles to feed, but will typically return to a less demanding holding spot when the hatch is over. If a trout were to hold in the faster water for too long, it would quickly use up more energy than it could consume in insects or other food. A trout expends less energy when holding in the pocket in front of a boulder or behind a boulder or at the bottom of a pool than when fighting heavy current in a set of rapids. Just ask yourself where you would rather be if you were a big trout.

Food - a trout's holding spot must provide it with opportunities to feed frequently: Trout look for food all day long, usually insects, and search out the places where those insects live and collect. Granted, their eating habits do vary a little, depending on water temperature and clarity, what insect species is hatching, or what other edible creatures happen to be in or on the water (a.k.a. menu) at any particular time.

Back to my friend's question, "How did you know to cast there?" I replied, "Cause I uncapped* him there the other day."

*uncapped – A Rabunite term for fish getting off before netting or fondling.

Have fun and take a kid fishing.

The Ole Rabunite

Fishing is life. The rest is just details.

"BACKCASTING"

Mar 31 (Thur) Fly Tying at Kountry Vittles – There were 9 sessions in February and March. Between 8 to 10 folks participated in each session. At the final session, Rabun TU presented Ken Lambert with a framed, limited edition, Broderick Crawford print (now on display in Kountry Vittles).





Ken will continue having free fly tying sessions on the 2nd Tuesday every month at 6 PM in Kountry Vittles.

Apr 1 (Fri) Rabun County Middle School Mentoring – 2 Rabunites participated with about 20 kids fishing at the Recreation Department pond.

Apr 2 (Sat) 8:30 AM Rabunite 101 - Rabun TU's Fly Fishing Seminar for Adults – about 13 Rabun TUs helped. The 12 participants divided into 2 groups of 6 each which rotated to 4 stations to receive expert 1-hour instructions from local TU members in casting, knot tying, entomology and equipment. A basic book about the sport and a cookout after classes were included in the \$30 fee for the half-day seminar. Sheila Humphrey, GA DNR wildlife interpretive specialist at Smithgall Woods, taught the classes on entomology, and her husband Dave, a Federation of Fly Fishers certified instructor, was the lead casting instructor. The volunteers from the Rabun TU Chapter participated by teaching knot tying, equipment and serving lunch to the participants.

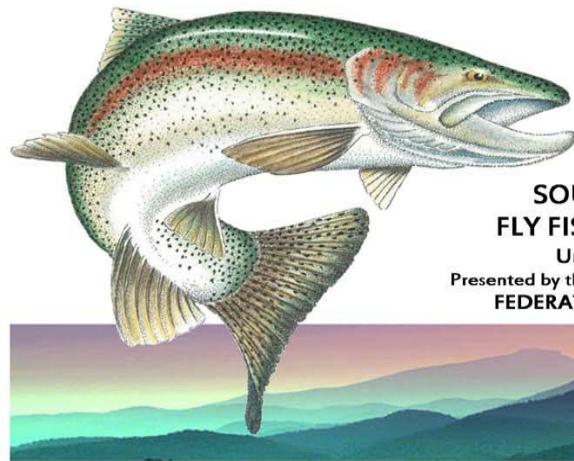


Apr 5 (Tues) Chattooga River TU Chapter "Roundup" Fundraiser – 4 Rabunites attended

Apr 9 (Sat) Oconee River TU Chapter Fundraiser – 2 Rabunites attended

Apr 15 & 16 (Fri & Sat) Rabun TU's Campout Fri Night with Workday Sat Morning for BtB – The Friday night campout was CANCELLED due to weather but the in-stream work went on in spite of the high water. We had 8 from the Rabun Chapter, 3 from the Gold Rush (Dahlonega) Chapter and 1 from the Cohutta (Marietta) Chapter show up for the North Fork Moccasin Creek Workday. We had 27 Cub and Boy Scouts plus 6 Scout leaders. There were 3 agency professionals leading the activities. We put in one "deflector" stream structure, just downstream from the ford. The creek was too high to do any more work. The Scouts got an interpretive program from the DNR & FS. Report filed by Pat Hopton.

Apr 19 (Tues) Chapter Meeting - 21 attended **Program:** Jimmy Harris of Unicoi Outfitters - *The June Fly Fishing Festival in Helen.* "This is by far the best show around. These guys understand - it's not about selling stuff. Anglers come to the shows to improve skills, learn, have fun, and maybe catch a few fish. The FFF's SE Council gets it right!"



**SOUTHEASTERN
FLY FISHING FESTIVAL**
Unicoi State Park
Presented by the Southeastern Council of the
FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

The South Eastern Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers will host the Southeastern Flyfishing Festival Thursday-Saturday, June 2 - 4, 2011 at the Unicoi State Park Lodge and grounds in Helen, GA. Check out UNICOI SPL on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AaemJy67yZ8>

The Festival will feature flyfishing greats such as Ed Jaworowski, Jim Casada, Jimmy Jacobs, Oscar Felio and many, many more presenting programs and seminars about all facets of the wonderful sport of flyfishing. They will also have forty of the best regional fly-tiers demonstrating their art and many Commercial Exhibitors showing the latest in flyfishing goodies. A "Fishing With The Stars" fun day is planned for Thursday, June 2nd, a "Blind Woolly-Bugger" fly-tying contest on Friday and Saturday June 3rd & 4th, free casting competition will be open to all (with some great prizes) on Saturday, June 4th.

Details of all the events are available at www.fffsec.org . Click on the Southeastern Flyfishing Festival tab at the top of the webpage or call Mike Arnold, Festival Chair at 859-240-5839.

The **Meeting Raffle** had 7 buckets. It included a socket wrench set, 2 fly selections, 5 draws for hemostats, and many more nice items. The raffle raised \$85 to be used toward the cost of mailing newsletters to members without E-mail and for the meeting hospitality expenses. Thanks to **Pat Hopton & Steve Perry** for handling the meeting raffle. A BIG "Thank You" goes to all the Rabunites who donated the items and to everyone who purchased raffle tickets. The **March Meeting Raffle** had 8 buckets and raised \$101.

Apr 22 (Fri) Rabun County Middle School Mentoring. - Pictures by Rabunite Mentor Larry Walker



Apr 26 (Tues) BOD Meeting – 12 members attended. Some agenda items include: Recaps – Thursday Evening Fly Tying, ORTUC & ORTUC banquets, 4/1 & 4/22; Rabun County Middle School Mentoring, 4/2; Rabunite 101, 4/16; BtB In-Stream Workday on North Moccasin Creek, Pill disposal via the Sheriff Dept. Status Updates – Stekoa Creek Clean-up Day 6/18/2011, Chattooga fishing E-diary proposal, 2011 Rod Raffle, DRAFT Revised Chapter Bylaws, Develop Strategic Plan, Chapter Lending Library news, Helicopter spring stocking of West Fork backcountry,. Water Sampling of Brookie Streams Upcoming – 5/7 Mentoring - Kids Fishing Event at Black Rock Mountain S.P. lake, 5/7 High Country Boil Fundraiser at BRMTUC, 5/10 Free Fly Tying Session at Kountry Vittles, 5/11-15 Spring Camping & Fishing Outing, 5/11-14 Three River Fly Fishing Tournament in Highlands NC, 5/13&14 SE Regional TU Rally & Troutfest in Townsend TN, 5/16 Mentoring - Annual Spring Family Cookout with Boy & Girl Scouts as guests, 5/21 GA TU Council Meeting, 5/24 BOD Meeting Streamside, 5/28 Betty Creek In-Stream Trimming/Clean-up, 6/3 & 4 Southeastern Fly Fishing Festival at Unicoi State Park, 6/4 Mentoring - Annual Kids Fishing Event at Tallulah River with USFS, 6/5

- 10 Mentoring - 7th Annual GEORGIA TROUT CAMP at RGNS, 6/14 Free Fly Tying Session at Kountry Vittles, 6/18 Rabun TU Stekoa Creek Clean-up Day, 6/21 Chapter Meeting Program - David Hulsey, "Trouting opportunities near Blue Ridge". New Business - Gift Fly Rod from National TU for our \$1,000 EAS donation, Rabun County Middle School awards day, Rhapsody in Rabun fundraiser to be 100% for Stekoa Creek City Park, Replacement thermographs for Stekoa Creek Reports - Publicity, Membership Retention, Treasury Report

TROUTING TIP - It's Dark-30 Time!

<http://www.gon.com/article.php?id=2004&cid=124>

Status Update - Chattooga North Fork Recreation Management Plan

[Upper Chattooga River Environmental Assessment](#)

It has been 16 years (1995) since Rabun TU was first contacted by a boater concerning this issue. We offered the opportunity to come to a Chapter meeting to discuss. The boater never accepted the offer. This issue has been over 11 years (1999) in the Forest Service planning process. It has been 32 months (Aug 2008) since the previous public comment period closed and the Forest Service has not released a new decision.

Instead Forest Service officials announced on December 9th that they have re-initiated the NEPA process on recreation uses on the upper Chattooga River (North Fork) by scoping a proposed action. The agency asked the public for any new information. To see the 48 "new" public comments submitted in January, click [HERE](#)

Meanwhile the status quo (no boating) continues on the North Fork as the boaters' second lawsuit is proceeding to a court trial. The boaters' lawsuit calls for immediate and unregulated boating access (anytime, any number of boats, and at any water level).

Rabun TU Lending Library News



To see the lists of items in the Library, click on: <http://rabuntu.org/site/about/educational-programs/chapter-lending-library/>

The library is available for Rabun Chapter members and guests.

For more information, contact Charlie, the Chapter Librarian. Ph 706 782 6954 E-mail knc615@windstream.net

Do you have a book, book on tape or CD, video tape, or DVD that you would donate to the Chapter Library?

All donations to Rabun TU (a Federal Tax Exempt 501c3 non-profit) are tax deductible.

THANK YOU

Ken Lambert for hosting the weekly fly tying sessions in Kountry Vittles

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We wish **Gail Tolbert** a speedy recovery from her recent injuries resulting from a fall.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

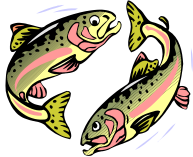
A Big Rabunite "WELCOME" to 1 **new member** this month: **Jacob Michael** (Stream Explorer) Clayton, GA

Thanks for re-upping: **William Reno, Bill Archer, Ray Kearns, Eugene Roberts, Russ Tyre, Stephen Weinelt, Leigh Wyatt, Broderick Crawford, Ray Hannah & Hal Howard.**

It is time to renew your membership: **Arnold Deitz, Pat Gorman, Troy Meek, David E. Nichols, Frank Patton, Kirk Allen Thompson, Neil Anderson, Jack Bates, Kevin Lash, Chuck Breithaupt, James Moore, Larry Peevy, Lewis Reeves III, Gilbert Turner, Claude McDill, David Smith & Ron Wilson**

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Letter From The Chapter President

Fellow Rabunites,

Congratulations on jobs well done to Charlie, Kathy and all the volunteers for a successful Fly Fishing 101 event. Likewise, congratulations to Jim Kidd and everyone who helped out with the Stream Structure work day (which included 27 Boy Scouts).

Speaking of scouts, our Indian Lake fishing/picnic for Girl and Boy Scouts is coming soon (May 16). Come on out around 4pm or as early as you can to help some of the little ones bait hooks and get fish off. You'll get a kick out of it!

As I'm sure you know, its prime fishing time. What better way to enjoy it than to come to our campout at Cherry Hill and fish the Chattooga with friends. It's a great outing, and if you are not real comfortable about where to go, flies or bait to use, etc. It's a great time to team up with other members who'll help you. Even if you can't camp, come on out and enjoy the fellowship.

Last but not least, if you can help out at the upcoming Kids Fishing Events sponsored by Ga. DNR and USFS at the Tallulah River and Black Rock State Park, your help will be greatly appreciated.

Enjoy the resources our Creator has provided; be safe; and, happy fishing.

Happy Trails, *Larry*

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