



25TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR OF THE RABUN CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

TIGHT LINES

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

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Visit the Rabun TU website: <http://rabuntu.org/site/>

“When you fish a dry fly in the rain, are you really dry fly fishing?” Anon

RABUN TU CHAPTER’S MEETING PLACE

New RE/MAX Office, Clayton, GA

US 441S, just south of MAMA G’s restaurant

3rd Tuesday of the Month 6:30 pm – Social & Yarn Spinning 7:00 pm – Program & Meeting

(You don’t have to believe the yarns - - if you don’t want to)

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.

“I still don’t know why I fish or why other men fish, except that we like it and it makes us think and feel”

Roderick L. Haig-Brown

“FORWARD CASTING” Important Dates – See you there!

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

June 4 (Sat) Mentoring - Annual Kids Fishing Event (see attachment), 8 AM at Tallulah River with USFS & GA WRD. Direction: the event is in the first USFS campground on road to Tate City. Volunteers needed. Rabun TU members needed to help the kids fishing (taking off trout, baiting hooks, etc) and cooking hot dogs for the kids’ lunch. **Volunteers needed. Passing it on!**

June 5 – 10 (Sun – Fri) Mentoring - 7th Annual GEORGIA TROUT CAMP at RGNS. With **volunteer mentors**, **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

July 12 & 13 (Tues & Wed) Annual Electro-Shock Sampling of the Chattooga River - Meet on 7/13 at 9 AM at Burrell’s Ford Bridge. **Volunteers needed.** We need all the volunteer help we can get to carry equipment in/out and to net fish. Bring waders and full water bottles.

July 19 (Tues) Family Picnic, 6 PM, Kelly’s Water Falls Park

July 26 (Tues) BOD Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE/MAX Office

25th Annual Rabun Rendezvous - Saturday, Jan 21, 2012

FLY OF THE MONTH

by Terry Rivers



MARCH BROWN

THIS FLY IS A MUCH NEEDED FLY PATTERN FOR THIS TIME OF THE YEAR. WHEN MAYFLYS ARE HATCHING AND YOU’RE THINKING I WILL TIE ON A LIGHT CAHILL; WITH NOT TOO MUCH ACTION. YOU REALIZE THAT THE FLY SEEMS TO BE OF A LITTLE DARKER COLOR. YOU CAN SURE BET THAT IS A MARCH BROWN HATCHING TIE ONE OF THESE ON AND SEE THINGS CHANGE.

HOOK: STANDARD DRY 12 TO 18
BODY: BROWN DUBBING
TAIL: BROWN HACKLE BARBS
HACKLE: MIXED BROWN & GRIZZLY
WING: WOODDUCK FLANKS OR TIE IT PARACHUTE PATTERN
RIB: BROWN 6/0 THREAD OR I USE SMALL VINYL RIB

“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]

June Hatches

<u>The Bugs</u>	<u>Time of Month</u>	<u>Time of Day</u>	<u>Suggested Flies</u>
None at all	Any Day	Any Time	Dredging Nymphs: 12-16 Prince, Hare's Ear, Zugbug, PT
Grey-Brown & Green Caddis	Early	Late PM	14-16 Dark Elk Hair Caddis w/Green 14-16 Dun & Green Caddis Pupa
Speckled Grey-Brown Caddis	Early	Late PM	14-16 Dark Elk Hair Caddis w/Yellow-Brown 14-16 Dun & Yellow Caddis Pupa
Small Dun Caddis	All Month	Mid AM	18 Brown Elk or Deer Hair Caddis 18 Grey Caddis Pupa
Giant Black Stonefly	All Month	Dawn to early AM	4-6 Black Stonefly Nymph
Brown Stonefly	All Month	Early to Mid AM	10-12 Brown Stonefly Nymph
Golden Stonefly	All Month	Early AM	6-10 Golden Stonefly Nymph
Light Cahill Mayfly	All Month	E to L pm	12-14 Light Cahill 12-14 Light Cahill Nymph
Trico Mayfly	Mid to Late	Mid AM	20 Parachute Trico, Trico emerger
Trico Spinner Fall		Late PM	20-22 Poly Wing Black Spinner
Midges	All Month	All Day	18-22 Griffith's Gnat 18-22 Midge Pupa
Terrestrials – Ants, Beetles, Crickets, Inch-Worms, Etc			Various Times & Sizes

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



Webpage-of-the Month: <http://rabuntu.org/site/chattooga-river-anglers-diary/>.
Chattooga River Anglers E-Diary – the password is anglersdiary

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](#)

Chattooga River Anglers E-Diary

The Rabun Chapter of TU is now hosting an electronic Angler's Diary on our web site. We encourage you to fill out the diary after each fishing trip to the Chattooga River. The diary may be found at <http://rabuntu.org/site/chattooga-river-anglers-diary/>. The password for accessing the diary is **anglersdiary**.

The information collected from these E-diaries will be used by the agencies managing the resources of the Chattooga River. This information will become especially important if the agencies adopt an adaptive management strategy in their management of the river as a result of the upcoming decision regarding boating on the Chattooga North Fork.

All anglers are highly encouraged to take a few minutes to fill out the E-diary after each fishing trip to the river. Thank you for your participation.

Pat Hopton - Rabun Chapter Vice Chair www.rabuntu.org

Editor's Notes: *There have been 61 E-diary entries during the month of May.*

"How like fish we are: ready, nay eager, to seize upon whatever new thing some wind of circumstance shakes down upon the river of time! And how we rue our haste, finding the gilded morsel to contain a hook. Even so, I think there is some virtue in eagerness, whether its object proves true or false. How utterly dull would be a wholly prudent man, or trout, or world! Did I say a while ago that I waited "for prudence" sake? That was not so. The only prudence in fishermen is that designed to set the stage for taking another and perhaps a longer chance."

From "A Sand County Almanac" by Aldo Leopold

Some of my favorite things about the month of May



The flora and fauna



THE RIVER at Dark-30



The green drake and the coffin flies



And wild brown trout

Around the Bend—Stekoa Creek Park Project

Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul. ~John Muir



The scenic image is at the park, near an old grist mill site, which is located at the top of a pretty rapid...kind of gives a clue as to how nice the creek could be with more restoration work in other places.

Once a year since 1991, local charitable organizations in Rabun County prepare presentations for review by the Rhapsody in Rabun board, in the hopes of being selected as the recipient of the annual Rhapsody in Rabun Benefit Gala. The winning recipient for 2011 is the Chattooga Conservancy, for their Stekoa Creek Park project. The Stekoa Creek Park project is a cooperative effort between the City of Clayton and the Chattooga Conservancy to restore 3+ acre tract that borders Stekoa Creek, right next to State Highway 441 in Clayton, to create a new city park.

Originating in Mountain City, Stekoa Creek runs through mostly private land and bisects a large part of Rabun County before entering Chattahoochee National Forest land, and then emptying into the Chattooga River. Stekoa has been listed by the State of Georgia as an “impaired” waterway for over a decade, and is not suitable for its designated uses of trout fishing and recreational contact. For several of these years, the Rabun County Chapter of Trout Unlimited and the Chattooga Conservancy have worked together by way of an Embrace-A-Stream grant, collecting water samples from the creek to establish a contemporary record of Stekoa’s water quality, and to raise awareness about the need for action to clean up the creek. Fecal coliform levels were shown to be consistently high, due to raw sewage leaking from the City of Clayton’s old sewage collection system, storm drains overflowing, sediment laden runoff, and dumping from apathetic individuals. Stekoa Creek has hundreds of homes along its banks from which it is unsafe to enter or fish. Users of the Chattooga River have been warned by the U. S. Forest Service that under certain

conditions, contact with water below the confluence of Stekoa Creek and the Wild and Scenic waters of the Chattooga may carry the risk of bacterial skin infections.

The Stekoa Creek Park project aims to improve the poor status of Stekoa Creek by creating a demonstration model for restoring land along Stekoa Creek, which will be a tangible benefit to all in our community. Work to develop the park has been ongoing for over a year to clear the site of dumped debris and eradicate a jungle of invasive plants, to make way for walking paths, landscaping with native plants, and other improvements. As the recipient of the Rhapsody in Rabun gala dinner funds, the Chattooga Conservancy will be able to move faster to complete the park project and its more costly features, such as the renovation of an existing pavilion, the creation of a suspension pedestrian bridge over the creek, and additional landscaping.

Rhapsody in Rabun will be held Monday, September 12th at the Rabun County Civic Center. The elegant evening will include over a dozen local restaurants who will serve their signature dishes, wine from several local vineyards, live and silent auctions, and live music by The Tams, renowned for their Gold and Platinum Record awards, who will be performing throughout the evening. For more information, please contact info@chattoogariver.org, and for individual or group tickets or to make a tax deductible donation, contact Mary Ann Rich at 706-490-1494.



The kid’s picture shows children from the Meadowlark School in Rabun Gap carrying a clump of native river cane to plant near Stekoa Creek, at the Stekoa Creek Park site. The river cane was planted in an area that was formerly completely covered with privet.

Editor's Notes: *The following op-ed was submitted by Ken Bradshaw, Georgia Council of Trout Unlimited, Dallas GA*

Wildlife Conservation - Another Victim Of Government Grab

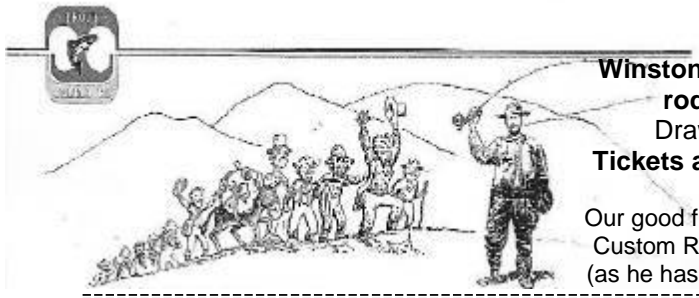
I received my license tag statement from the county with an increase of \$10.00 from last year. Granted, it isn't a lot of money 'cause the tag is for my 1985 Toyota 4Runner with 370,000 miles. It's amazing how gov'ment can instill new levels of pride in my usually sedate profile.

This particular tag, 'TU1', is the first of only a few hundred that identified Trout Unlimited, water quality and conservation as the promised goal for the extra revenue. The idea caught on and there are quite many wherever you go. When I was 2004-2005 chairman of the of the **Georgia Council of Trout Unlimited** the original idea for these tags was floated and our non-profit org. signed on, after much concern and final assurance from the powers that be that the 'vanity' fees incurred would be directed specifically to coldwater conservation efforts via the GA Department of Natural Resources / Wildlife Resource Division and not the legislatures General Fund for the politicos to plunder at their discretion. You have probably seen a few TU tags around the state since then. They look a lot like the other conservation

tags for quail, deer, etc. that also are slated to be plucked clean by your elected misrepresentationists.

Fast forward a very, very few years and it still seems that one can trust the promises of the state legislators no further than I can toss a Mako shark. Not only did my old truck tag go up, but rumor has it that the percentage of the 'vanity' fee directed to conservation has been cut by half, or more. The rest of it goes to - you guessed it - the General Fund. Where I come from, that's called 'breach of promise', or at the least BS. So I'm abandoning my 'vanity' and giving it back to the state. I'll use the extra money to pay for the inflated gas it will cost to go out and actually work on the trout streams.

I'm sure there are a few others around who, out of one form of desire or another, will grab it up when it becomes available. I just hope you're not one of those who initially griped so much about the programs validity. Guess I'll see your true concern when I pull in behind you in a stream side parking lot.



Rabun Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Custom Fly Rod & Sage Reel Raffle

Winston 9', 4 piece, 5 weight, Bill-X Custom Boron/Graphite fly rod plus a Sage 2050 reel Over \$1,000 Retail Value!!

Drawing on July 19th at the Annual Summer Family Picnic

Tickets are \$3 each or 4 for \$10; Contact Pat Hopton for Tickets

Ph 706 782 4978 E-mail scotts_creek58@yahoo.com

Our good friend Mack Martin of Atlanta Fly Fishing School and North Georgia Custom Rods has donated this fly rod and reel to Rabun TU as a fundraiser (as he has in previous years) . <http://www.mackmartin.com/CustomRods.htm>

"BACKCASTING"

Apr 16 (Sat) Workday for BtB – For the North Fork Moccasin Creek Workday; we had 12 TUers, 27 Cub and Boy Scouts plus 6 Scout leaders with 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. Report filed by Pat Hopton.

Editor's notes: *Sorry, I did not have these photos last month. I just received them at the end of May.*



May 7 (Sat) Mentoring - Kids Fishing Event; Black Rock Mountain S.P. lake, 5 Rabun TU members participated.
PASSING IT ON!



I would like to thank you and the other fine members of Trout Unlimited for the valuable assistance your organization provided during last weekend's fishing rodeo. As you saw, the weather was absolutely perfect, and our total attendance approached 180 (counting friends and family). Lots of kids caught fish, every child took home a prize, and it appeared that everyone had a very good time.

There is no way that the park could organize special events like this one without the support of our friends in the community. The generous cash donation TU provided and the helpfulness of your volunteers were just huge for us, and I can't thank you enough for all that you did.

Hopefully, TU will be in a position to work with us once again next spring. I hope you will pass on to all the members of your organization how much your support means to us. Again, many thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Anthony Lampros, Superintendent
Black Rock Mountain State Park

May 11 – 15 (Wed-Sun) Spring Camping & Fishing Outing; 28 Rabun TU members and 4 dogs participated. We had another great campout at Cherry Hill Campground equipped with a new restroom and 4 warm showers.



WITH FISHING



AND CATCHING



GOOD FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP



May 13 & 14 (Fri & Sat) SE Regional TU Rally & Troutfest in Townsend, TN. Rabun TU members Michele and Broderick Crawford participated <http://www.broderickcrawfordart.com/>.

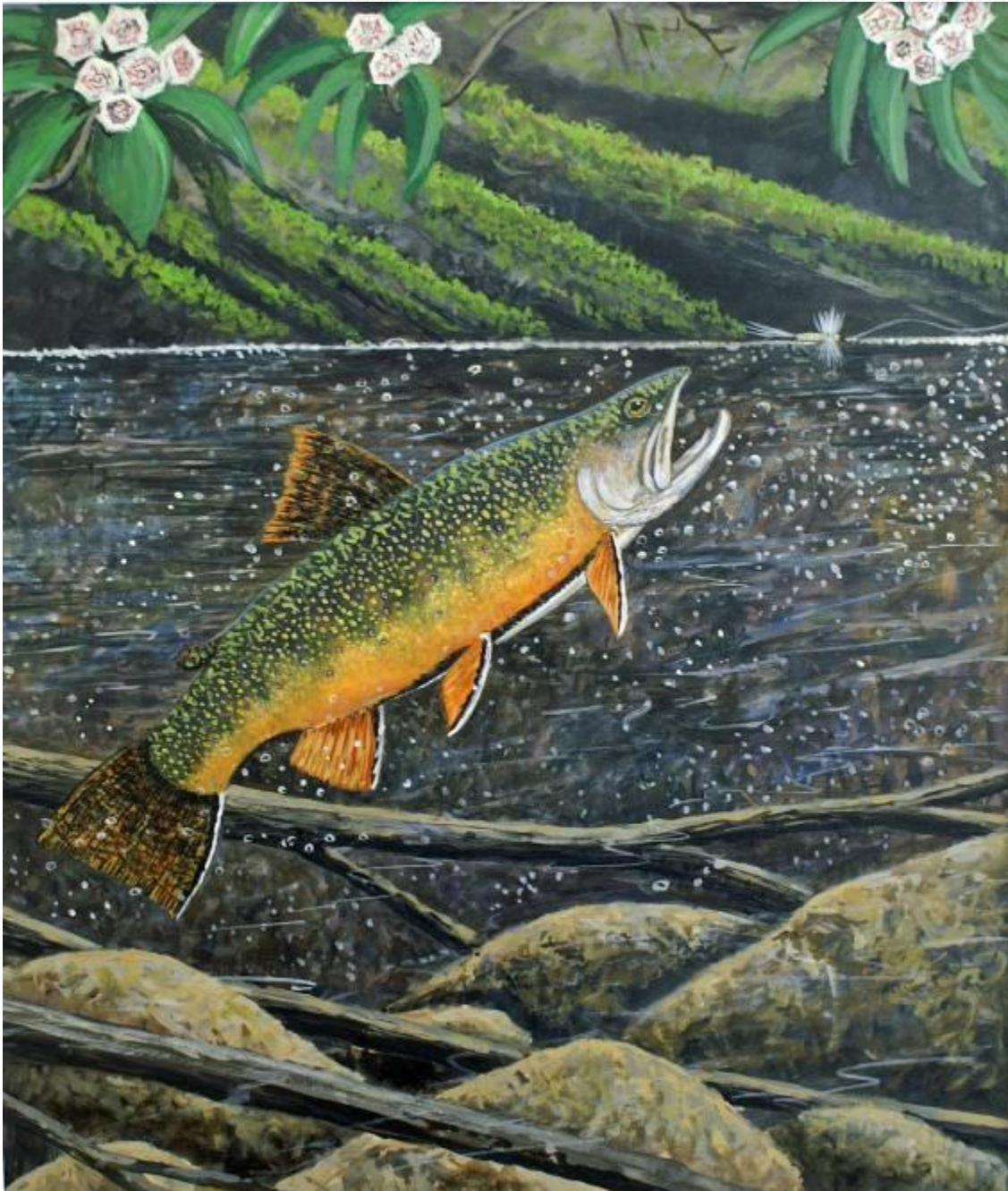
**2011 Troutfest Journal
Cover ArtContest Winner
"Jewel of the Smokies"
by Broderick Crawford**

The winner of our first "Troutfest" Magazine Cover is North Georgia Artist Broderick Crawford. An avid outdoorsman from early childhood, Broderick has much love and passion for all of nature and wildlife. Born and raised in the Southern Appalachians in Tiger, Georgia he has been painting professionally now for about 16 years. His subject matters include all forms of animal and plant life, but his two favorite subjects are the Brook Trout and the Ruffed Grouse. So when this cover competition was announced he knew immediately what he wanted to paint.



Judging the entries of the first Troutfest Journal Cover Art Contest are (front to back) Steve Moore - GSMNP Fisheries Biologist, Bill Landry - Host and Co-producer of The Heartland Series, and Brent Golden, Hart Graphics, Knoxville, TN.

The beauty of the Brook Trout has mesmerized him since childhood. You just say the word and you have his attention. He loves everything about them. Their habitat, their colors, the pureness of being the only true native trout to the Southern Appalachians. Broderick has reached the acclaimed distinction of being an international artist, now having collectors beyond our borders. He has produced over 80 Limited Edition Prints through the years. The original, framed "Jewel of the Smokies" will be auctioned at the Troutfest Banquet. You can view more of Broderick's art at his website - www.broderickcrawfordart.com



Limited Edition Prints are available from Crawford Art Gallery, Clayton GA <http://www.broderickcrawfordart.com/>.

May 16 (Mon) Mentoring - Annual Spring Family Cookout; about 30 Rabun TU members, **55 Scouts**, their adult leaders, and some parents participated (well over 100 folks total). The food was plentiful and delicious, and every scout left with a fishing reel. Our thanks to Rabun Gap – Nacoochee School for use of the facility, to Community Bank & Trust for use of the cooking grill, to Bass Pro Shops for donating the reels, to Burton Trout Hatchery for loan of the rods, and to Reeves Hardware - Dillard for donating the bait. Thank you to Rabunite Ray Gentry for organizing the event, checking /repairing the reels. And a special thanks to all the fishing mentors. **PASSING IT ON!**



May 21 (Sat) GA TU Council Meeting – 4 Rabun TU members participated. The agenda included: Call to order; Introductions, roll call, special guests & opening remarks; Approval (changes to) of March 2011 Council minutes; Treasurer's report; Georgia Council brochure, pens and Stream Explorer brochures; Report on SE rally; FFF SE Conclave; Membership rebates and new members; Zip code assignments (de-chartered chapters); Chattahoochee Forest Hatchery; Angler Diary at Rabun TU; NLC update; Wildlife vanity new tags / cash flow; UGA Endowments; TU National meeting raffle prize request; Trout Camp Update; FF for Veterans Day; Back the Brookie & Tennessee wild brook trout report; Dream trip plans; Earth share report; New business BSA Trailblazer Adventure Day Oct. 1, 2011; Adjournment; & Thanks to Foothills Chapter for being our Hosts

May 24 (Tues) Rabun County Middle School Mentoring Awards Day at Moccasin Creek S.P. and GA DNR Fish Hatchery, One Rabunite participated. Rabun TU donated several spinning outfits and about a dozen reels that were awarded to kids after the fishing activities.

May 24 (Tues) BOD Meeting, 10 members attended. Agenda items included: **Recaps** – Kids Fishing Event; Black Rock Mountain S.P. lake; Spring Camping & Fishing Outing ; Three River Fly Fishing Tournament, Highlands; Annual Spring Family Cookout with Boy &/or Girl Scout Troops; GA TU Council Meeting; Rabun County Middle School awards day; Plaque for Lewis Reeves Jr.; \$200 donation received from GWFF to Tom's Fund; **Status Updates** – Stekoa Creek Clean-up Day 6/18/2011; Chattooga anglers E-diary; 2011 Rod Raffle; Gift Fly Rod from National TU for our \$1,000 EAS donation; DRAFT Revised Chapter Bylaws; Outreach to Scouts for Merit Badges & Stream Explorer Members; Membership; Recruit & Retention Plan(s); Water Sampling of Brookie Streams **Upcoming** – May 28 (Sat) Betty Creek In-Stream Trimming/Clean-up; June 3 & 4 (Fri & Sat) Southeastern Fly Fishing Festival; June 4 (Sat) Mentoring - Annual Tallulah River Kids Fishing Event; June 5 – 10 (Sun – Fri) Mentoring - 7th Annual GEORGIA TROUT CAMP; June 14 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session; June 18 (Sat) Rabun TU Stekoa Creek Clean-up Day; June 21 (Tues) Chapter Meeting Program **New Business** – Nominations of 4 Officers (2012) and 2 new directors for 2012-2015; Chattooga Fish Sampling 7/12 & 13. 25th Anniversary of Chapter & 25th Rabun Rendezvous; **Reports** – Publicity; Membership Retention

May 28 (Sat) Betty Creek In-Stream Trimming/Clean-up Thanks to the hard work of 13 Rabun TU volunteers, Betty Creek is ready for the influx of both trout and trout campers. We trimmed the sides and moved some debris to give the kids an easier place to fish. That stream has really improved over the last seven years and now has many good runs, some as deep as 4 feet. The entire field has been hayed and the area between the creek and fence has been bush hogged. This was done by Ricky James of Osage Farms who now leases the property from RGNS. Thanks Ricky!! A job well done!!! Report filed by Charlie Breithaupt



Status Update – Chattooga North Fork Recreation Management Plan

[Upper Chattooga River Environmental Assessment](#)

(April 14, 2011)

Last year, on December 9th the Forest Service 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](#) To read the Forest Service’s response to these comments, 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.

June's Troutng Tip
from Jeff "Dredger" Durniak

Warm, dry weather for a month seems to have slowed the midday bite on many waters. Low, clear, warm water isn't the best condition for ravenous fish. <http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ga/nwis/uv?02330450>

Consider aiming for an early or a late trip to your favorite spots.

THANK YOU

Lewis Reeves Jr. in appreciation of your long standing support of youth outdoor education and cold water fisheries protection.



Pat Hopton, Rabun TU Vice President (left), made the plaque presentation to Lewis Reeves Jr. (right) at the spring campout.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We wish **Helen Roberts** a speedy and quick recovery.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

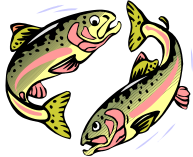
A Big Rabunite "WELCOME" to **1 new member** this month:
MR. WILLIAM CANDY (transfer), 414 HASTINGS CUTOFF, AUGUSTA GA 30907

Thanks for re-upping: **Allen Koleff, Allison Adams, Monte Seehorn, Charles Mobley, David Jordan, Bob Collins, Lonnie English, Ray King, Philip Upchurch & David Lash**

It is time to renew your membership: **Warren Stiles, Howell Freeman, David F. Nichols, Ronald Smith, Tom Matthews, Stephen Wilson, Arnold Deitz, Pat Gorman, Troy Meek, Kirk Allen Thompson & Kevin Lash**

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Letter From The Chapter President

Fellow Rabunites,

May has been full of great times for fishing, cold water conservation, and youth outreach. Thanks to Charlie, Kathy, Terry and Ray Gentry for doing most of the work to make our Cherry Hill campout a great success.

Thanks to Ray also for coordinating the Boy and Girl Scouts fishing/picnic event. And, as in the case of most everything we do, thanks to the many members who stepped up to help out.

Pat Hopton led the creation of an anglers' diary for the Chattooga River that our web site will host. It should be interesting to follow the fishing (and sometimes catching, too) results of all who enter their data.

As you can see earlier in this "Tight Lines", we recognized a very special member of our Chapter for his long standing support of all we do. Lewis Reeves, Jr., his family and his business has stepped up to support us many, many times, and we just wanted to say "thanks".

June will be highlighted by the Trout Camp, the Stekoa Creek cleanup, and the Tallulah River Kids Fishing Event. There will be plenty of opportunity to help youngsters learn to fish and to respect the great resources we have that provide the fishing opportunity. Hope you'll join us.

Happy Trails, *Larry*

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Georgia TU Council website <http://georgiatu.org/>, & National TU Website: <http://www.tu.org/>

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