



TIGHT LINES

September 2012 Newsletter of the Rabun Chapter (522) of Trout Unlimited

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"A good fishing buddy is entertaining." From The River Home by Jerry Dennis

RABUN TU CHAPTER'S MEETING PLACE

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.

"Pass It On – Today as we fight to save our remaining trout waters and strive to enjoy their bounty, it is becoming very apparent that there are fewer of us who really care." From Trout Fishing the Southern Appalachians by J. Wayne Fears

"FORWARD CASTING" Important Dates *See you there!*

Sept 8 (Sat) GA TU Council Meeting in Athens hosted by ORTUC

Sept 11 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session, 6 PM at Kountry Vittles

Sept 12 –15 (Wed-Sat) Trout Unlimited National Meeting in Asheville, NC

Sept 18 (Tues) Chapter Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE/MAX Office. **Note:** This is the Annual Meeting for election of Officers and Directors for F/Y2013. **Program:** TU Council Chairman Mack Martin's *"Adventurous ABC'S: the Arctic's Bears, Char, and Salmon."* Rabunites don't have to believe these tales if they don't want to,

Sept 22 (Sat) Mentoring - Outdoor Adventure Day at Unicoi S.P./Smith Creek; Have you ever wanted to learn how to catch a trout, shoot a shotgun, set up a tent, or paddle a canoe? Well, here is your chance. The event is **FREE** and will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine, in the large field downstream from Unicoi Lake Dam. **TU Volunteers needed** (details on page 3). Volunteers should reply to Jeff Durniak's secretary, Olivia McClure (Olivia.McClure@dnr.state.ga.us). She drafts the roster for Jeff to edit as appropriate.

Sept 25 (Tues) BOD Meeting, 6:30 PM, Location - Chamber of Commerce office

Sept 28 (Fri) Mentoring - Rabun Co Middle School Students, 2-3 PM fishing at Recreation Dept pond. **TU Volunteers needed**, see page 2 for details.

Sept 29 (Sat) Mentoring - "Let's Go Fishing" workshop for Clayton Baptist Church families at Rainey Mtn Scout Camp, Sat Sept 29 at 4:00 pm, **TU Volunteers needed**, Contact Director Tim McClure for details and to volunteer.

Oct 9 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session, 6 PM at Kountry Vittles

Oct 16 (Tues) Chapter Meeting 6:30 PM, RE/MAX Office **Program:** *"Tangling Trophy Trout and Walleye in Northeast Georgia Lakes"* by Georgia Power reservoir and Lake Lanier fishing guide Wes Carlton. [HERE](#)

Oct 23 (Tues) BOD Meeting, 6:30 PM, Location - Chamber of Commerce office

Oct 26 (Fri) Mentoring Rabun Co Middle School Students, 2-3 PM fishing at Recreation Dept pond. **TU Volunteers needed**, see page 2 for details.

26th Annual Rabun Rendezvous – Saturday, February 2, 2013
Program: Franklin Tate – The Youth Program in TU

FLY OF THE MONTH

by Terry Rivers



THE RENEGADE

AS FAR AS WHAT THIS PATTERN LOOKS LIKE, SOME THINK IT SUGGESTS TWO MATING MIDGES. WHAT EVER. IT HAS PEACOCK HERL, A MATERIAL WHOSE TROUT CATCHING ABILITY SHOULD NEVER BE UNDERESTIMATED. WHEN AND WHERE SHOULD YOU USE IT? DURING MIDGE HATCHES (USE SIZE 14-18) OR ANYTIME YOU FEEL LIKE CASTING A DRY FLY AND THERE IS NO HATCH IN PROGRESS. ALSO IN CALM WATER, BUT LONG LEADER, AT LEAST 7X TIPPET AND A GREAT PRESENTATION SHOULD GET GREAT RESULTS.

HOOK: TMC 100, SIZES 10-18

THREAD: BLACK 8/0

RIB: FINE GOLD WIRE

TAG: GOLD MYLAR TINSEL

REAR HACKLE: BROWN

BODY: PEACOCK HERL

FRONT HACKLE: WHITE/ CREAM/ OR GRIZZLY

"Trout fishermen are forever hunting for new fishing grounds, especially remote creeks where they can fish a solitary stretch." By Charley Dickey in "Foreword" for Trout Fishing the Southern Appalachians

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September Hatches

The Bugs	Time of Month	Time of Day	Suggested Flies
None at all	Can happen any time on any day		Dredging Nymphs: 12-16 Prince, Hare's Ear, Zugbug, PT #14 Parachute Adams is always a good searching pattern
Small Dun Caddis	All Month	Mid AM to Late PM	8 Brown Elk or Deer Hair Caddis 18 Grey Caddis Pupa
Speckled Grey-Brown Caddis	Late	Late PM	14-16 Dark Elk Hair Caddis w/Yellow-Brown 14-16 Dun & Yellow Caddis Pupa
Large October Caddis	Late	Early AM and Late PM	8-10 Ginger Elk Hair 8-10 Ginger Caddis Pupa
Blue Winged Olive & Blue Quill (important)	Late	Late AM to Mid PM	16-20 BWO, Blue Quill or Adams Parachute 16-20 BWO nymph or Pheasant Tail
Trico Mayfly	Early	AM	20 Parachute Trico
Trico Spinner Fall		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, Hoppers, Yellow Jackets, Etc			Various Times & Sizes

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

Website-of-the-Month: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DNngpl03nWFM&feature=em-share_video_user
How would you like to look upstream and see this coming at you????

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](#)

"Catchin' Corner" - Troutng Tips

The following brief article is reprinted with permission from the Fly Shack Newsletter <http://www.flyshack.com/>

September: The Blue-Winged Olive Little olives start hatching in reliable numbers in September and often keep hatching until the snow flies. Except for bigger Isonychia mayflies and sometimes autumn caddis, there's not much else going on in the way of bug life, and therefore you can fish the BWO fully confident that you've picked the right fly. Confident anglers catch more fish.

Troutng tips submitted by Jeff Durniak: A slight hint of fall has our hopes up, as the mountain mornings are now a bit cooler and the acorns are starting to drop. Weekend warriors may have to dodge a few showers this weekend, but these numerous summer showers have been welcome recharges to north Georgia streams and rivers. Use the internet's USGS "real time" stream gauges to work around the weather and put water conditions in your fishing favor.

* Headwater Trout Streams - They are still fishing well for dedicated anglers who wear camo and head to high elevations. Enjoy the recent pics and videos on NGTO. Examples: a) Scenery [HERE](#) b) Stalking [HERE](#) c) Specks [HERE](#)

* Good Flyfishing Tips - Great thoughts from an expert to help you this fall: <http://midcurrent.com/techniques/nymphing-no-nos/>

Mentoring of RCMS kids – TU Volunteers Needed

8/31, 9/28, & 10/26 this fall; also, 3/22/13 & 4/19/13 next spring; 2-3 PM fishing at Recreation Dept pond

The Rabun County Middle School has a program, called Flex Time, which rewards students for good behavior and achievement.



Every other week they get one hour on Friday afternoons to participate in an activity of their choice. Fishing is one of the activities, and typically, 15-25 7th graders chose fishing in the pond on the recreation property adjacent to the school.

The Rabun TU chapter has supported this youth activity the past year or two by providing rods/reels, bait and mentoring. Some of the kids are pretty good fishermen/women, but some have never held a pole.

This mentoring allows our chapter to reach out to local youth to encourage cold water resources education and protection by fostering the sport of fishing. And through our 1-1 interface with the kids, we are able to talk about things like the Stream Explorer program, fly fishing resources, and a host of natural resource topics.

Each event typically involves a couple of Rabunites. We need volunteers. As with all our Kids Fishing Events, the more 1-1 mentoring we can provide, the better we can educate and encourage.

At chapter meetings and through our publications, we will ask for volunteers. It only takes an hour, and all that's needed is a little patience and encouragement for some kids who may very well be tomorrow's cold water resources protectors.

Article submitted by Larry Walker

It's that time of the year again!: Unicoi OAD 2012- Call for Volunteers on 9/22

Interested volunteers should reply to my secretary, Olivia McClure (Olivia.McClure@dnr.state.ga.us). She drafts the roster for me to edit as appropriate. Her phone:770-535-5498, and fax 5953.

Please consider volunteering to help us at Unicoi State Park's Outdoor Adventure Day to celebrate National Hunting and Fishing Day on Saturday, 9/22/12. You don't have to be an expert outdoorsman or woman to play a vital role in the day's success. Can you help at registration or direct parking? There's a niche for everyone.

<http://www.gastateparks.org/event/6006?locationid=98&p=98&c=4343826>

Unicoi State Park Manager Scott Hudgins hosts us, Game Management Supervisor Ken handles the budget, and I handle event staffing. We (DNR) need a hundred or so volunteers to make this event happen. Many of you are OAD veterans, but the following info may help prospective volunteers to understand the roles they could play and to make the decision to join our ranks. To fill out my roster and to ensure good communications with volunteers, I would like the following info from each volunteer:

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM

- 1) Your name: _____
- 2) Your affiliation (if you'd like me to credit your group or club):

- 3) email address: _____
- 4) phone number: _____
- 5) first choice of venue: _____
- 6) second choice of venue: _____
- 7) are you willing to work anywhere I need somebody (y/n)? _____

First come, first served. Below is the narrative from previous years' volunteer instructions to help you understand the duties. Thanks for your consideration. We can't pull off this event without an army of vols!

Venue Info:

1. The majority of the event is held along the creek downstream from Unicoi Dam. See "Bottoms Road" on the site map in the Unicoi Park link, above
2. **Registration & Raffle tents.** These workers will greet visitors and get signed liability release forms and pens back from them in exchange for raffle tickets. Detailed instructions will be provided to you on Saturday (9/22), as Kim trains you. Visitors will put one copy of the raffle ticket into the raffle bucket of their choice and keep the other copy. They will use that copy as proof of signing the release form (so they can shoot or canoe) and as proof of a winning raffle ticket number. The raffle will start at 1 PM for free prizes. I have a small, separate work force assigned to the raffle. Volunteers on my roster are eligible for prizes, also!
3. **Parking.** State Parks staff will guide visitor vehicles to orderly parking in the big field. Parks staff also have a plan for overflow parking, if needed. They may need a few helpers.



4. **Archery.** Hands-on. One-on-one instruction by WRD and

Bowhunters Association. Note that this venue is on far side of Smith Creek, next to the laundry building. It can be reached by the road crossing up near the dam or by the footbridge over the creek to the group camp. Some of you may be asked to provide security. Just stand at edge of venue and prevent visitors from straying into the line of fire.

5. **Airgun.** Hands on by WRD, 4-H Club, and other volunteers. Same as #4, and located next to it. Again, a few of you may secure the perimeter.
6. **Canoe.** This venue will be up on Unicoi Lake. Unicoi Park staffers usually need a few helpers to register guests and outfit them with life jackets.
8. **Skeet.** Handled mainly by well trained DNR and USFS Rangers and Game Management Technicians. It's 500 yards downstream from the main event (safety, safety). A few of you may simply help at the sign-in tent and keep waiting guests away from the shooting area (no experience needed).
9. **Fishing tent.** This is where visitors can exchange a driver's license for a loaner fishing pole and bait. Biologists, fishing guides, TU'ers, and other fibbers can answer questions and give fishing tips. Fisheries staff will need at least 5 helpers to stay at the tent to handle loaner rod untangling, knot-tying, bait distribution, and rod checkout. This is a busy tent.
10. **Fly casting.** Part of the field will be set aside for casting instruction. I suggest that volunteers bring a rod that they don't mind visitors tinkering with (DON'T BRING YOUR GOOD SAGE OR WINSTON!!!). I am venue leader for casting and tying. If you tie, bring your tying stuff with you, too.
11. **Fly tying.** Bring your supplies and an extra vise if you have one. Let visitors sit down at the table and tie his/her own fly to take home. Variations of the woolly worm (W. bugger, Anytime/Anywhere, etc.) or San Juan worm have worked well for me in the past. Kids love a gold bead and a big, gaudy fly. Girls love pink flies. Beads from craft store, yarn from Wal Mart. Cheap, easy, and fun for visitor. Many visitors are shy, so you may have to speak up and encourage youngsters to come over and tie their own fly. We will try to have power to the tent (if generator is not too loud), so consider bringing a small lamp.
12. **Fishing -stream helpers.** Grab a pocket fishing kit (hooks and shot) and some bait (corn) that WRD will supply and go help people fishing on stream. Search them out - look at stringers, tackle used, and forlorn faces. Find a kid and work with him/her for an hour or so on reading water, casting, setting hook, etc. Mentoring! Fishing is NOT restricted to kids only (parent has the driver's license, so they must be hooked, too). Feel free to bring some of your favorite baits to help your reputation as an awesome fishing guide. We will have about 100 loaner poles available, but feel free to bring an extra Zebco outfit if you have one to loan to your "student," since we made more than 300 loans at our last event. (See item #9). Some of you can help WRD staff stock creek around 10-11 AM. Get some kids to help too - we're bringing buckets to get them involved.
13. **Wildlife and Camping venues.** The experts pretty much run their own shows. Volunteers here will mainly help Smithgall Woods Education Specialists Sheila Humphrey (Wildlife) with logistics needed by the demonstrators (tables, chairs, PR, food and water, etc).

Thanks for considering the donation of your Saturday to preserve the future of your sport! Please provide your information to Olivia if you are interested in helping DNR to promote outdoor recreation and plant some seeds of conservation. Olivia McClure Olivia.McClure@dnr.state.ga.us. Her phone:770-535-5498, and fax 5953.

Sincerely, Jeff Durniak - Regional Fisheries Supervisor,
Georgia Wildlife Resources Division

FISHING REPORTS



A few photos of Prosser and me on the Chattooga coming around the bend in June. Caught quite a few fish, but they were beginning to show stress. Report submitted by Jim Kidd.



The one of Kent Wilson is on the trip to the Little T that he bought in January. We are eating BBQ from Oinkers and fishing for small mouth. We had a great fishing trip, but had very little luck with the wily small mouth. Few fish were caught. I did hang a hog right at dark on a stealth bomber, but of course, he came off. These fish can be difficult at best. Report submitted by Jim Kidd



The other day on the Little T. - a tremendous lightning storm blew in on me and I had to cut the trip short. Before the storm I got two rock bass, about a pound each, on a white Woolly Boogier stripped fast through the deeps runs. On the way out I passed a house fire in Cowee - I bet it got struck by lightning. Report submitted by Pat Hopton



The brown came from (a Rabun County) Creek last spring and was about 16 inches, caught on a #16 ant. Photo of a very nice rainbow caught in (a GSMP) Creek about three weeks ago. About 12 inches. A very good wild fish for this park stream. Also included is a photo of Miss Carolyn and her brookie she was very proud of. Caught in Colorado in 2010. Submitted by Jim Kidd

Opportunity to Vote for Fish and Wildlife License Plate Designs

MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT: GO ON-LINE TO VOTE FOR NEW WILDLIFE TAG DESIGNS

SOCIAL CIRCLE, GA. (Aug. 24, 2012) -Four new wildlife vehicle license plates are coming to Georgia, and the Department of Natural Resources' Wildlife Resources Division wants the public to help select the best tag design.

Georgians can vote for the new wildlife tags at www.georgiawildlife.com. Simply click on the "Make Your Vote Count" link, fill out the short survey and cast a vote for your favorite tag design.

A share of purchases and renewals of the new tag will go toward conservation and habitat restoration efforts for the Nongame Conservation Section, the Bobwhite Quail Initiative (BQI) and the Trout Restoration Program of the DNR's Fisheries Management Section.

"We are excited about the opportunity to allow Georgians to vote on their favorite tag design through our website," said Wildlife Resources Division Director Dan Forster. "We have many beautiful wildlife designs to pick from and we hope that the switch to a full plate design will excite the public and they will want one on their vehicle."

Information collected through the voting process will be used to determine which tags will be produced and made available for purchase through the Georgia Department of Motor Vehicle Services. Potential designs for the new wildlife license plates include:

- Nongame wildlife tags, supporting the state's Nongame Wildlife Conservation Fund - Two designs will be chosen including Blue heron in a shoals river scene; green tree frog; bald eagle soaring above Georgia pines; hummingbird with trumpet creeper; bald eagle with American flag; painted bunting; and North Atlantic right whale.

- Bobwhite Quail Initiative tags, supporting the Bobwhite Quail Initiative - Mother quail and chicks; flushing covey with a white-tailed deer; and turkey and a flushing quail with a white-tailed buck.

- Trout (Trout Unlimited) tags supporting the Fisheries Management Section trout conservation program - Brook trout; rainbow trout; trio including brook, rainbow and brown trout; and a brook trout chasing a fly.



Editor's note: All trout designs are from Rabun TU member and artist Broderick Crawford - www.broderickcrawfordart.com.

Online voting is open through Sept 15th on new trout license plates for Georgia. Please see the enclosed announcement from GA DNR. The winning design will replace the current TU license plate. Encourage you chapter members to [vote](#).

- [Voting Survey](http://georgiawildlife.com/LicensePlateSurvey) - <http://georgiawildlife.com/LicensePlateSurvey>.
- [Press Release](http://georgiawildlife.com/node/3102) - <http://georgiawildlife.com/node/3102>.
- [Wildlife license plates](http://georgiawildlife.com/node/340) - <http://georgiawildlife.com/node/340>

The deadline to vote on the new tag designs is September 15, 2012. The winning designs will then be announced and made available shortly afterward in local tag offices and for on-line renewals. Specialty plates cost \$60 (plus ad-valorem taxes and other fees standard for all plates). There is an annual renewal of \$35.

Georgia's Nongame Conservation Section receives no state general funds for its mission to conserve wildlife not legally hunted, fished for or trapped, as well as rare plants and natural habitats in the state. Instead, Nongame Conservation depends on direct contributions, grants, and fundraisers such as the nongame plates, which account for about two-thirds of funds raised. Learn more at www.georgiawildlife.com/conservation/support

Georgia's Bobwhite Quail Initiative (BQI) License Plate provides the sole funding source to support habitat restoration efforts on private lands to benefit bobwhite quail and a host of other game and nongame wildlife species. The BQI is a proactive effort directed at restoring quality habitat for bobwhites and other early successional wildlife species on working farms and forestlands.

The Trout Unlimited License Plate benefits Georgia's trout fisheries. Georgia's Fisheries Section maintains and manages the freshwater fishery, fish habitat and the recreation supported by these resources to provide quality recreational fishing for the present and future generations, and working with other divisions assure water quality and water quantity is supportive of a healthy freshwater fishery. Georgia TU, part of a national grassroots volunteer organization, is devoted to conserving, protecting and restoring Georgia's trout fisheries.

Letters To and From the Rabunites

From: Carl Riggs - CfR-Ga, Fundraising Coordinator **Sent:** Friday, August 24, 2012

Subject: Casting for Recovery Georgia Fundraiser

Friends, As you know this past year we started a new program in Georgia to assist women who are dealing with the effects of breast cancer. In April we successfully held our first retreat where fourteen women attended a long weekend retreat at Smithgall Wood where they were able to recharge both physically and mentally while learning to fly fish as well. For those of us who were a part of this success story it was more than word could ever express. Without the help of friends who are willing to give of both their time and treasure it would have never happened.

This year for the first time we will be having our first fundraiser.

Below is the information and I hope you will come support the 2013 retreat. Please feel free to share with friends and family. If you aren't going to be able to attend and would like to be part of our success you can make a donation at www.castingforrecovery.org but be sure to designate your gift to the Georgia Retreat or if you would like to donate an item for the silent auction you can contact me at the address below.

God Bless, Carl Riggs, 228 Hemlock Drive, Suches, Georgia 30575, Phone 678-371-7191, 7turns@tds.net

Join Us for the 1st Annual Casting for Recovery - Georgia

fish tales & ales

Barbeque, Beer / Wine, Live Music, Auctions

Chattahoochee Nature Center
9135 Willeo Road, Roswell GA

Saturday, November 17, 2012
5p to 8p

\$40 Individual or \$75 Couple



Casting for Recovery's program combines counseling, medical information, and the therapeutic sport of fly fishing. Our two-and-a-half day retreats are offered at no cost to women at any age and stage of breast cancer treatment and recovery. *Casting for Recovery is a 501(c)(3) non-profit.*



RSVP to Beverly Booth (678) 480-8052 or email: cfr.georgia@gmail.com

If you have a comment or an opinion to share in TIGHT LINES, please submit it in 250 words or less to edadams1@windstream.net

Status Update – Chattooga North Fork Visitor Use Capacity Analysis

On January 31, 2012 the forest supervisors of the Sumter, Chattahoochee and Nantahala national forests issued Final decisions notices for Alternative 13A. <http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/scnfs/home/?cid=STELPRDB5253595>

Washington Office Decides not to Complete Discretionary Review (August 13, 2012):

[Letter to Greenfire Law](#); [Letter to Jenkins Law](#); [Letter to Whiteside Cove](#); [Letter to Butch Clay](#); [Letter to Chattooga Conservancy](#); The USFS Washington Office chose not to review the appeals of recent forest-level and regional-level decisions that had selected Alternative 13A management plan for the Chattooga North Fork. **This decision ends the process and is the final agency action.**

Boating will be permitted on the Chattooga North Fork beginning next winter and spring.

The boater's federal court case with the FS ([demanding year-round unrestricted access](#)) is expected to go to trial in late 2012.

Beware of the camel's nose! [HERE](#) Help protect backcountry solitude and remoteness.

"BACKCASTING"

Aug 14 (Tues) Fly Tying – 4 attended. They practiced tying the prince nymph.

Aug 21 (Tues) Chapter Meeting – 24 Attended. The guest speaker was **Mike Brod**, District Wildlife Biologist for the Chattooga River Ranger District, US Forest Service. He gave an excellent presentation on the proposed "Warwoman Watershed Project". This project seeks to restore natural plant and animal communities, control non-native invasive species, correct soil and water

concerns, and enhance wildlife habitats within the watershed of upper Warwoman Creek. Mike spoke about the opportunities for Rabun TU to participate in this project.



During the business meeting the Board of Directors presented their nominations to fill the vacancies for Officers and Board members. Those nominations are: Wayne Prosser, for Secretary (replacing Ray Gentry); Michelle Crawford for Board of Directors (replacing Wayne Prosser) to serve thru 2014; Jerry McFalls and Ray King for Board of Directors to serve thru 2016 (replacing Terry Rivers and Jim Kidd). There were no additional nominations from the floor.

Other business items included an overview of upcoming activities; a call for volunteers from Larry Walker for the RCMS mentoring; a call for volunteers from Charlie Breithaupt for the Burton Fish Hatchery support; an update from Wayne Prosser on the handicap fishing pier project; and an update from Jim Kidd on the Soque River land acquisition.

The **monthly raffle** was held and \$110 was raised. Donors of raffle items include The GA Council of TU; Elizabeth Perry; Pat Hopton; Tim McClure; Terry Rivers; Fritz Vinson; Jeff Durniak; and Unicoi Outfitters. Thank you to **Tim McClure** for conducting the raffle, the

donors, and all who bought tickets for a very successful raffle!

Mike Brod (L) and Pat Hopton (R)

Meeting report submitted by Pat Hopton.

Aug 28 (Tues) BOD Meeting – 9 attended. Some agenda items included: Recaps – 8/14 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session; Chattooga Boating Zoning; Memorial Donations to Rabun TU for Bill, John & Jim; Donations made by Rabun TU in memory of Bill, John & Jim Status Updates – Handicap Access for Tallulah River committee report; Outreach to Scouts for Merit Badges; “Let’s Go Fishing” workshop for Clayton Baptist Church. Upcoming – 9/8 GA TU Council Meeting; 9/11 Free Fly Tying Session; 9/12-15 Trout Unlimited National Meeting in Asheville, NC; 9/18 Chapter Meeting Program; 9/22 Outdoor Adventure Day at Unicoi S.P.; 9/25 BOD Meeting. New Business – Mentoring for RCMS kids; 9/26 Retirement Dinner for Paul Bradley, Supv of Sumter NF; 26th Rabun Rendezvous give away item. Reports – Print Media; Membership Committee: Recruit & Retention; Treasury Report.

THANK YOU

To **Charlie and Kathy Breithaupt** for donations to Rabun TU in memory of Bill Kelly, John Starinchuck and Jim Darnell.

All donations to Rabun TU (a Federal Tax Exempt 501(c)3 non-profit) are tax deductible.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We wish **Terry Rivers** a speedy and complete recovery after his recent knee replacement operation.

We wish **Eedee Adams** a speedy a complete recovery after her recent major surgery.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Thanks for re-upping: **Tony Allred, David Smith, Eugene Pipkin and Ron Wilson.**

It is time to renew your membership: **Daniel Fountain (SE), Kevin Lash (SE), Victoria Welch (SE), Lucas Kerby (SE), Jacob Michael (SE), Paul Shannon, David Jordan, John Edwards, Lonnie English, Larry Hutchens, Hampton Williams, Ron Larsen and Larry Peavy.**

The Board of Directors offers the following nominations for Rabun TU Chapter's FY2013 Officers and Directors:

President – Pat Hopton; Vice President – Steve Perry; Treasurer – Tony Allred; Secretary – Wayne Prosser; Directors thru F/Y 2016: Jerry McFalls & Ray King (replacing retiring Directors Terry Rivers and Jim Kidd); Director thru 2014: Michele Crawford (replacing Wayne Prosser). Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the Sept. Chapter meetings followed by the election.

FY 2013 begins October 1, 2012 .

Rabun TU Officers & Directors for FY2012

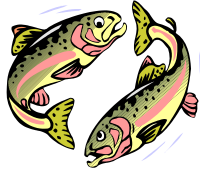
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Director through FY 2013 - Glenn English with Name Tags	(706) 212-9983	english09@yahoo.com
Director through FY 2014 - Tim McClure with Meeting Refreshments, Meeting Raffle	(706) 782-6159	tcmcclure64@gmail.com
Director through FY 2014 - Wayne Prosser with River clean-up, Handicap pier	(706) 746 6293	wp0968@windstream.net
Director through FY 2015 - Kent Wilson with Rod Raffle	(706) 746-7488	kandcwilson@windstream.net
Director through FY 2015 - Frank Patton with Kids Fishing Events	(770) 339-7095	julianfpattton@yahoo.com

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Jimmy Whiten with Dream Trip Raffle	(706) 886-6546	jimmywhiten@yahoo.com
Charlie and Kathy Breithaupt with Trout Camp, Fly Fishing 101	(706) 782-6954	knc615@windstream.net
June Landreth with Christmas Dinner	(706) 746-2295	landreth@windstream.net

Any member of Rabun TU may attend the Board of Directors meetings



Notes from the Prez

Make Trout Unlimited a Part of Your Legacy

The Rabun Chapter recently lost three valued, and much loved, members: Bill Kelly, John Starinchuck, and Jim Darnell. During the 26 year life of our Chapter several other friends and members have passed away. When this has happened, often the families will graciously allow donations to be made to the Rabun Chapter in memory of their loved ones. Some families have also donated art, fishing and camping equipment, books and other items from the estate of the deceased to be used for fundraising at the Rendezvous. What a great way to celebrate their lives and their support of the Trout Unlimited mission!

The Rabun Chapter has created a special line item in our budget for memorial donations. Funds within this item are used only for conservation and education projects benefiting the cold water resources of Northeast Georgia and during the project the recipient will be recognized. I'm certain those Chapter members that have passed would be pleased.

In addition to memorial donations, Trout Unlimited has a variety of other options of supporting the mission through your estate planning. Gift planning options range from simple will bequests to more complicated trust and annuity arrangements, but they all share the same basic benefit; they enable you to help secure the future for the people and places that matter to you most.

I hope you'll take a minute to consider how you can make Trout Unlimited a part of your legacy. More information on gift planning can be found at www.tu.org.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Hopton". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Pat Hopton - Chapter Prez

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