



TIGHT LINES

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

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

"A good fishing buddy keeps you guessing." 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.

"It is an essential part of our trout fisherman's ethic that we pass on to the younger generation those things which make our sport and trout waters special" From Trout Fishing the Southern Appalachians by J. Wayne Fears

"FORWARD CASTING" Important Dates See you there!

Oct 9 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session, CANCELLED

Oct 13 (Sat) Coosa Valley TU Chapter's 17th Annual Chili Cook-off in Rome [HERE](#)

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

Nov 7-11 (Wed-Sun) Fall Camping & Fishing Outing at Long Bottom (SC) and with fishing in the Chattooga DH, backcountry, and front-country. All meals except the Saturday mid-day meal (see below) are the responsibility of each camper. Details: <http://rabuntu.org/site/events/chapter-camp-outs/>

Nov 10 (Sat) River Clean-up Day on the DH section of the Chattooga River. **Volunteers needed.** A mid-day low country boil lunch will follow at the campsite at a cost of \$10/person. If you plan to eat with us, contact Wayne Prosser at (706) 746-6293 or wp0968@windstream.net

Nov 10 (Sat) UCTUC Autumn on the River Fundraiser, details <http://www.ucctu.org/>

Nov 17 (Sat) Casting for Recovery Fundraiser, details [HERE](#).

Nov 20 (Tues) Chapter Meeting 6:30 PM, RE/MAX Office. Program: Law abiding Rabunites ought to come and meet WRD's Rabun County Conservation Officer, Corporal Derek Dillard. Hear about his life and times as your game warden and learn how you can be his extended "eyes and ears" to conserve the county's outstanding natural resources and ensure fun, safe times afield by anglers, hunters, boaters, and all other fans of the outdoors.

Nov 27 (Tues) BOD Meeting, 6:30 PM, Location - Chamber of Commerce office

Dec 11 (Tues) Annual Family Christmas Dinner

26th Annual Rabun Rendezvous – Saturday, February 2, 2013

Program: Franklin Tate – *The Youth Program in TU*

FLY OF THE MONTH

by Terry Rivers



HALF BACK OCTOBER CADDIS

DURING THE FALL MONTHS HAVE SOME OF THESE IN YOUR BOX. IF YOU'RE NOT SEEING ANY HATCHES, LOOK ALONG THE STREAM BANK ON THE ROCKS. OCTOBER CADDIS SOMETIMES HAVE THE TENDACY TO WORK THEIR WAY TO THE EDGES OF THE STREAM AND CRAWL ON ROCKS TO HATCH. LOOK FOR EMPTY SHUCKS ON THE ROCKS, DETERMINE THE SIZE, AND MAYBE THIS FLY WILL WORK FOR YOU. SEE YOU ALL ON THE RIVER.

HOOK: 12 TO 16 DRY FLY HOOK

TAIL: DEER HAIR

BODY: BURNT ORANGE

WING CASE: DEER HAIR

HACKLE: DARK: DARK BROWN

"It has been said that fishing is a contemplative, not a competitive sport. This is only partially true. There are certain kinds of competition between fishermen, and there is a very real competition between the fisherman and fish." A. H. Underhill – Former Director of N.J. Fish & Game Dept.

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October Hatches

<u>The Bugs</u>	<u>Time of Month</u>	<u>Time of Day</u>	<u>Suggested Flies</u>
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	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	16-20 BWO, Blue Quill or Adams Parachute 16-20 BWO nymph or Pheasant Tail
Midges	All Month	All Day	18-22 Griffith's Gnat 18-22 Midge Pupa

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

Website-of-the-Month: <http://midcurrent.com/techniques/nymphing-no-nos/>
Nymphing no-nos, avoid these five simple mistakes.

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/>

October: The Woolly Bugger: Like many of these flies, you can have a reasonable expectation of success with the Bugger in just about any month. But something about the onset of fall, the chill in the air, the urgency of spawning and the need for fish to gain weight for the winter calls for a large, wiggly bug that appears to be alive and reminds fish of favorite meals like stoneflies, hellgrammites and crayfish. Fish it dead drift, on the swing or stripped just below the surface.

FISHING REPORT



Rabunite Steve Perry fishing the SOHO at the National TU Meeting

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>

Boating will be permitted on the Chattooga North Fork beginning December 1 through April 30 every year.

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.

What Else Is New In the Forest Service?

Paul Bradley – Supervisor of the Sumter National Forest (SC), retired at the end of September.

George Bain – Supervisor of the Chattahoochee National Forest (GA), is transferring to Montana in early November.

Marisue Hilliard - Supervisor for the Nantahala National Forest (NC) retired at the end of 2011. She was replaced in late May by **Kristin Bail**.

"BACKCASTING"

Aug 31 (Fri) Mentoring - Rabun Co Middle School Students. Wayne Prosser and Jim Kidd talked with a group of 44 kids about fishing, fly-fishing, conservation, TU, programs, etc., and a bit of fly rod casting exhibition.

Report filed by Wayne Prosser – Rabun TU Chapter Director

Sept 6 (Thurs) TU Presentation to Clayton Rotary. Rabun Chapter Prez Pat Hopton gave a presentation to the Clayton Rotary Club at their weekly luncheon meeting. He spoke of the Rabun TU Chapter's involvement in conservation, restoration, and education activities benefitting the coldwater resources within the local area. Approximately 40 Rotarians were in attendance.

Report filed by Pat Hopton – Rabun TU Chapter President



Pat (L) and Rotary Prez Charles Mobley (R)

Sept 8 (Sat) GA TU Council Meeting in Athens hosted by ORTUC – 3 Rabunites attended. At the GA Council meeting the Rabun Chapter made donations of a framed "Jewel of the Smokies" print by Broderick Crawford <http://www.broderickcrawfordart.com/> to each of the following TU Chapters to be used for fundraising: the Upper Chattahoochee TU presented to Kevin McGrath, to be used at Autumn on the River on Nov 10; the Cohutta TU, presented to Tony Rackie, to be used at High Country Shrimp Boil on Dec 8; and the Chattahoochee-Nantahala TU, presented to Joe Duket, to be used at the Hiawassee Trout Lodge Picnic on Oct 6.



For Upper Chattahoochee TU Chapter



For Cohutta TU Chapter

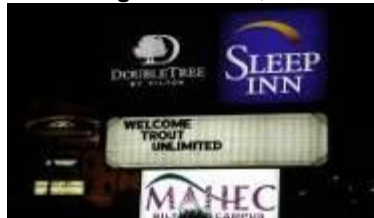


For Chattahoochee-Nantahala TU Chapter

Report filed by Pat Hopton – Rabun TU Chapter President

Sept 11 (Tues) Free Fly Tying Session, CANCELLED

Sept 12 –15 (Wed-Sat) Trout Unlimited National Meeting in Asheville, NC – 5 Rabunites attended

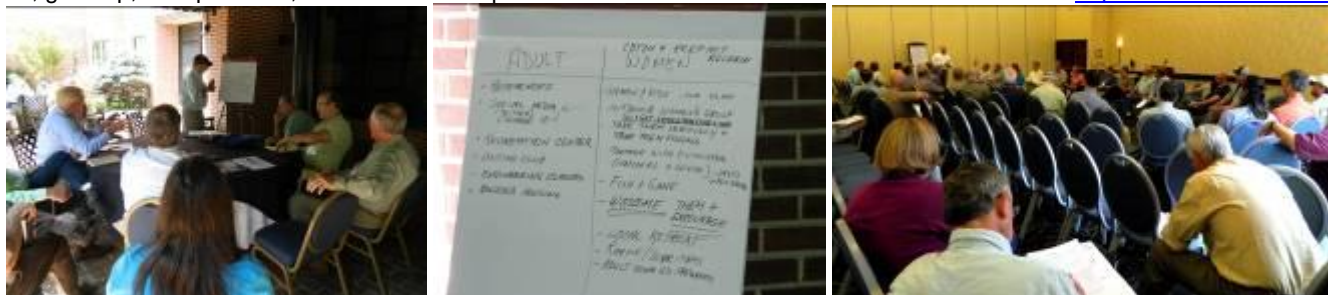


OVERVIEW – 2012 TROUT UNLIMITED ANNUAL MEETING: Normally, when you go to a meeting or a convention, there are people focused on themselves and bettering their status within the group. NOT at this meeting! There were 400 people focused totally on PROTECT, RECONNECT, RESTORE, & SUSTAIN. And, even with their geographical differences, from Hawaii to Minnesota, from Texas to Maine, everyone, to the person wanted to help TU accomplish their goals.

At his "State of TU" address, CEO Chris Wood proudly announced that, for 2011, over 651,200 volunteer hours were given to various TU projects around the country. Even at minimum wage, that represents almost a \$4 million volunteer contribution. Not bad for a 150,000 member organization. These hours included Project Healing Waters (80 Chapters participating), youth education, legislative affairs, stream rehabilitation, and sampling & stocking, to name a few. The TU Board of Trustees has set a membership goal of 250,000 to be achieved within three years. Additionally, the focus for major giving going forward is the CCF (Cold Water Conservation Fund) and Planned Giving. Additionally, we can all be proud that 89% of TU's revenue goes to "on the ground" projects.



The National Leadership Council (NLC), which advises the TU Board of Directors, is focusing on: 1. RESPONSIBLE energy development. 2. A women's initiative to increase female membership. 3. The youth Initiative & youth workshops - education & TU membership. 4. More participation at Regional Council Meetings (TU has 377 Chapters & 36 Regional Councils) - there are six annual regional conferences. 5. Membership retention. The workshops that I attended within the NLC Workgroups were: The Eastern Native Brook Trout (which seemed to be less organized at the National level than we are locally) and the Grassroots/Organizational Development workgroup. This group is about 2 years old, and is still trying to decide on their mission. However, they do know that leadership training, membership retention, and new members are their current focus. One thing that did come out of this meeting that will be discussed within each Regional Council is the possibility of hiring a Council Grassroots Coordinator to work with TU National, to do grant writing for Chapter & Regional projects, Chapter Leadership training, and membership development. One really good thing that came from this discussion is that we now have a TU blog site to discuss ideas, get help, ask questions, etc with other chapters as well as with the TU National staff. That site is: <http://troutunlimited.com/>



The Council Chair meeting focused on: youth, women in TU, fundraising, marketing TU, developing chapter & council leaders, advocacy, and conservation resources.



More than anything else, I came away from this meeting knowing that we have a very dedicated and talented staff at TU National; that all Chapters seem to be struggling with similar hurdles; and that this organization is TOTALLY focused on Protect, Reconnect, Restore, and Sustain. I came back with lots of good ideas, and am anxious to share them with the Board and the members. Thank you very much for nominating me to attend as the Chapter representative. I was able to learn a lot, and get great guidance from other Chapter leaders, as well as our Council Chair, Mack Martin.

Report and photos filed by Steve Perry – Vice President, Rabun TU Chapter

This photo shows most of the participants from GA who attended the TU National Meeting.



Photo provided by Kathy Breithaupt

TU National CEO Chris Wood is in the center. GA attendees: Bonnie and David Bowen, Kathy and Charlie Breithaupt, Ronny and Pat Cooper, Brad Cruickshank, Sam Elliott, Helen and Terrell Fleming, Jess Jensen-Ryan, Mack Martin, Kevin McGrath, Steve Perry, Tony Rackie, Carl Riggs, Marge and Fred Ruppel, Richard Rusk, Don Thomson, Rodney Tumlin, Larry Vigil, Beth and Larry Walker, Alex Watson, Jeff Wilson and Paul Diprima.

"I'm pleased to announce that the 2012 Annual Meeting held in Asheville, N.C. was one of our most successful, productive and fun events in recent memory. I'd like to give special recognition to the southeastern councils, chapters and members who rolled up their sleeves and provided the foundation for a great time, stretching from the fishing and conservation trips through the banquet." Tom Anacker - Secretary, National Leadership Council, Trout Unlimited

Sept 18 (Tues) Chapter Meeting There were 25 people in attendance. **Program:** The speaker was **Mack Martin** who gave an update on the GA Council activities; the Kasba Lake Lodge <http://www.kasba.com/>, which is included in one of the Dream Trip consolation prizes; how to fish in the Far North waters of the Northwest Territories, Canada; and a very exciting bear story! Mack was presented with a brown trout print by **Michele Crawford** in appreciation for his great presentation.

Following the program, the floor was opened for additional nominations for the openings in the Board of Directors and Officers. There being none, the slate of nominees as presented by the BOD was passed by a unanimous voice vote. Those elected include **Ray King** and **Jerry McFalls** for Directors thru 2016; **Michelle Crawford** for Director thru 2014; Officers for F/Y 2013 - **Pat Hopton** for President, **Steve Perry** for Vice President, **Tony Allred** for Treasurer and **Wayne Prosser** for Secretary. Congratulations to all! Appreciation was expressed to outgoing Secretary **Ray Gentry**, outgoing Directors **Terry Rivers** and **Jim Kidd** for their service to the Chapter. **Steve Perry, Charlie and Kathy Breithaupt**, and **Larry Walker** gave a presentation on their recent trip to the National TU meeting in Asheville, NC.

The **monthly raffle** included 12 items, all donated by **Mack Martin** and the Atlanta Fly Fishing School. A total of \$138 was raised by the raffle. Thank you to **Tim McClure** for conducting the raffle, to **Mack** for the donations, and to all who bought raffle tickets. Report filed by Pat Hopton – Chapter President.



Mack Martin and Michele Crawford

Sept 22 (Sat) Mentoring - Outdoor Adventure Day at Unicoi S.P./Smith Creek; 5 Rabun TU volunteers participated. Several other TU Chapters also provided volunteers for the event. I believe this year's OAD was very successful by the number of visitor to the air gun booth. Report filed by Frank Patton – Director, Rabun TU.

Sept 25 (Tues) BOD Meeting - 10 members attended. Some agenda items included: Recaps – 9/8 GA TU Council Meeting; Fly Tying Sessions, CANCELLED; 9/12-15 Trout Unlimited National Meeting in Asheville, NC; 9/22 Outdoor Adventure Day; Memorial donations made by Rabun TU Status Updates – Handicap Access for Tallulah River committee report; Outreach to Scouts for Merit Badges; “Let’s Go Fishing” workshop for Clayton Baptist Church; 26th Rabun Rendezvous give away item; 11/10 DH stream section Clean-Up Upcoming – 9/28 Mentoring - Rabun Co Middle School Students; 9/29 Mentoring - “Let’s Go Fishing” workshop for Clayton Baptist Church families; 9/30 Mentoring – Boy Scouts FF Merit Badge Training; 10/9 Fly Tying Session, CANCELLED; 10/16 Chapter Program: “*Tangling Trophy Trout and Walleye in Northeast Georgia Lakes*” by Georgia Power reservoir and Lake Lanier fishing guide Wes Carlton; 10/23 BOD Meeting; 10/26 Mentoring Rabun Co Middle School Students; 11/7-11 Fall Campout at Long Bottom and DH Section Stream Clean-up New Business – Guidelines for retirement gifts; Membership Directory; Steam Explorer Memberships paid by Rabun TU and assigned to other Chapters Reports – Print Media; Membership Committee: Recruit & Retention; Treasury Report

Sept 28 (Fri) Mentoring - Rabun Co Middle School Students - CANCELLED.

Sept 29 (Sat) Mentoring - “Let’s Go Fishing” workshop for Clayton Baptist Church families - CANCELLED.

Sept 30 (Sun) Mentoring – Boy Scout Leadership Merit Badge Training at the Rainey Mountain Camp. Three Rabun Chapter members, Jim Kidd, Doug Hickman and President Pat Hopton, plus Ron Thomas and Cole Sosobee from the foothills Chapter presented a short course on fly fishing to adult Scout leaders and scouts at Rainey Mountain Scout Camp. This was a leadership training event. TU members presented information on TU as an organization, fly fishing equipment, flies and fly tying, and casting technique. Approximately 40 scouts and Scout leaders were exposed to the sport of fly fishing and equipment associated with it. They were also exposed to Trout Unlimited as a conservation organization. Cole Sosobee is a recent Trout Camp graduate. A special thanks to Doug for traveling from Atlanta and to our Foothill Chapter friends for taking a day of their time to participate.

Report filed by Jim Kidd – Rabun TU Director thru 2012



FISHING REPORT

Summer is over and the 2nd trout season has begun!



I got to the water at 5:15 PM on September 15th. I saw several small ginger mayfly duns lifting off the water. This 15 inch rainbow trout was caught at 5:30 on a #16 parachute ginger fly. The trout was photographed and released unharmed. Where? I.D.B.I.S.
I just love fall trout fishing in the south! Report by Doug Adams – Editor of this newsletter

WAaaaahWHOoooooo!

PLANNING for SAFETY on Your TROUT FISHING TRIPS (and using common sense)

"Nothing is so disturbing to the joys of trout fishing as to step on a slippery rock while wading a stream and go hip boots over tincups. There are several ways to avoid this. Some people were nonskid chain devices attached to their boots. Some people wear stocking-foot waders and hobnailed or felt-soled shoes. Some people with more gray matter just stay the hell out of trout streams."

From: "To Hell with Fishing" by Ed Zern

Tell someone where you are going and when you expect to return!

Be Prepared: Use sun screen and insect repellant (wash hands with soap and water before fishing, most sunscreen and some insect repellents will ruin a fly line); drink plenty of water and carry extra water with you; always take raingear; know the symptoms of hypothermia and carry waterproof matches or a lighter; carry a change of clothes in your vehicle; learn basic First Aid (how to deal with insect bites, poison ivy, cuts & bleeding, snake bite, broken bone, etc.); and seek safe shelter during storms (wind, lightning, hail, etc) by getting out of the water and away from tall trees.

Wear a hat: Hats can help prevent getting hooked in the scalp and they can prevent sunburn.

Wear Polarized Sunglasses: Wearing glasses affords protection from getting an eye scratched by brush or by briars getting to the stream. They provide protection from getting hooked while casting. And polarized sunglasses will provide protection from the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays. One of the keys to successful wild trout fishing is seeing the fish before they see you. Polarized sunglasses will allow you to see through the surface glare into the trout's underwater world. They will also help you to see the bottom for quieter and safer wading.

Learn how to remove hooks from flesh: Make a loop of fly line about a foot or so in diameter. Wrap the loop around your hand for a good grip. Loosely wrap the other end of the loop inside the bend of the hook. With one finger of your other hand, press the eye of the hook down firmly against the skin. Get ready to pull the hook back and out with the loop. Yank it out fast and with force so that it backs out on the first try.

Wade safely: Special shoes designed for wading are almost a must. Adding metal studs can provide even more grip on slippery rocks. When wading into the current, shuffle sideways to reduce the surface area against which the current is pushing. A wading staff with a metal tip is helpful. If you have a fishing buddy with you, lock arms and wade close together through swift water. Always wear a snug fitting belt on the outside of chest high waders. When the water temperature is above 55°F, you may be more comfortable 'wet' wading with just felt-sole wading shoes and heavy socks. For wet wading you should wear quick-dry (not cotton jeans) pants. Long pants are beneficial around here because of the poison ivy, saw briars, blackberry briars, and wild roses found along the banks of most of Georgia's trout streams.

More Sad News

For the 4th time this summer, a member of Rabun TU Chapter has passed away. On September 11th, **Joe Gatins** died of a heart attack while on vacation in Ireland with his wife, Fran. He was 65 years old. Joe moved to Rabun County from VA in 1996 and joined Rabun TU in June 2000 and then joined Georgia ForestWatch in 2001. He loved the mountains and was an avid hiker. He joined the Nantahala Hiking Club and became a hike leader for the Club and for Georgia ForestWatch. On hikes he could identify 25 different native plants and he served on the board of the Highlands Biological Station. Joe was a leader in the "Stop I-3 Coalition" and for Georgia ForestWatch he took on a leadership roles serving as a district leader, board member and President. In 2005 Joe became the 3rd member of Rabun TU to be honored with the prestigious Turner Broadcasting's Pathfinder Award for his volunteer environmental protection activities (the other two Rabunites so honored were Terry Seehorn in 2002 and Allison Adams in 2003). Joe continued volunteering by monitoring for illegal all-terrain vehicles on National Forest lands and he actively opposed efforts to allow boating on the wild and scenic Chattooga North Fork. Joe was proud to be the first certified organic grower in Rabun County and was a founding member of the Simply Homegrown weekend farmers market in Clayton.



Photo provided by Georgia ForestWatch

For complete obituaries: [HERE](#), [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

Also see pages 2 & 3 of the GA ForestWatch newsletter, click [Fall 2012](#)

Editor's notes: *Soon after Joe moved here in '96, he introduced himself to me at a Forest Service planning meeting. I must admit, my first impression was not favorable. We did not always agree on issues, but over the course of many FS planning meetings I grew to respect his beliefs and we became friends. I invited him to join Rabun TU. I will miss Joe's joyous laughter, devoted spirit and passion for the values in which he believed. Joe made a huge difference in protecting the mountains he loved.*

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Rabunite **Marie Dunkle** is the new Georgia ForestWatch District Leader (replacing Rabunite **Joe Gatins**) for Rabun, White and Towns Counties in the Chattooga River Ranger District.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

A Big Rabunite "WELCOME" to **1 new member** this month: **MILES MARQUEZ**, 313 BILLY MITCHELL BLVD. BOX 225 D CO. 1/75 RGR RGT, SAVANNAH GA 31409 (Transfer)

Thanks for re-upping: **Ron Wilson, Robert Berry, Jim Kidd, Doug & Eedee Adams, Patsy Gentry, Jim Nixon, Larry Hutchens, Larry Peevy and Larry Walker.**

It is time to renew your membership: **Elizabeth Barlow (SE), Jesse Barlow (SE), Tyler Harris (SE), Daniel Fountain (SE), Kevin Lash (SE), Victoria Welch (SE), Chris Bedea, Erwin Ford, Paul Shannon, David Jordan, John Edwards, Lonnie English and Hampton Williams.**

Rabun TU Officers & Directors for F/Y2013

Voting Board of Directors Members:

President - Pat Hopton with Social Media, Awards, Budget
Vice President - Steve Perry with Membership Recruitment and Retention
Treasurer - Tony Allred with Reports, Budget, Entrance Table at Rabun Rendezvous
Secretary - Wayne Prosser with Correspondence, Scouts Fishing Event
Past President - Larry Walker with Rabun Co Middle School Mentoring, Print Media
Director through FY 2013 - Jeff Durniak with Meeting Programs, Hosting Speaker
Director through FY 2013 - Glenn English with Name Tags
Director through FY 2014 - Tim McClure with Meeting Refreshments, Meeting Raffle
Director through FY 2014 - Michele Crawford with Memorials, Donations
Director through FY 2015 - Kent Wilson with Rod Raffle
Director through FY 2015 - Frank Patton with Kids Fishing Events
Director through FY 2016 - Jerry McFalls with Scouts, Stream Projects,
Director through FY 2016 - Ray King w/Festivals,

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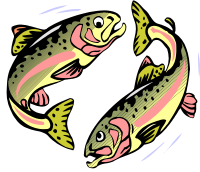
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Doug Adams with Newsletter Editor, Board of Directors' Agenda, Rabun Rendezvous
Jimmy Whiten with Dream Trip Raffle
Charlie and Kathy Breithaupt with Trout Camp, Fly Fishing 101
June Landreth with Christmas Dinner

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



Notes from the Prez

A Good Time of Year

The changing from the summer to autumn seasons brings many delights: colorful hardwood tree leaves, blooming wildflowers along the fields and roads, cool nights and warm days. And it starts a new and exciting time for trout fishing in Georgia: the Delayed Harvest season.

Delayed Harvest (DH) is a popular management strategy designed to provide a high quality catch-and-release trout fishery from fall through spring, after which the stream is opened for harvest under general regulations. Because each trout can be caught more than once, catch rates remain high over long periods of time. High catch rates are further assured by periodic restocking to replace trout lost to injury or natural mortality.

The Delayed Harvest season begins annually on November 1st (all day) and ends May 14th (all day). We are very fortunate in that one of the DH streams is located on a section of the Chattooga River, from the GA Hwy 28 Bridge upstream to the mouth of Reed Creek. Other DH streams in Georgia include sections of Amicalola Creek, Smith Creek, the Chattahoochee River, and the Toccoa River.

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources is to be commended for this excellent program. I'll see you on the river!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Hopton".

Pat Hopton - Chapter Prez

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