



Tight Lines

October 2013 Newsletter of the
Rabun Chapter (522)
of Trout Unlimited

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

**"The best fishermen I know try not to make the same mistakes over and over again;
instead they strive to make new and interesting mistakes and to remember
what they learned from them." John Gierach "Fly Fishing the High Country"**

RABUN TU CHAPTER'S NEW MEETING PLACE

The new TU/Scout Hut

US 76 west, the brick building located behind the Rabun County Library.

Parking is available in the Rabun County Library parking
lot and Rabun County Tax Office parking lot.

3rd Thursday of the Month! 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm *Fly Tying is back for all ages !!*

Bring your own equipment if you have it.

6:30 pm – 7:00 Social & Story telling (Truth or Lies),

Then at 7:00 – Program & Meeting.

At every regular chapter meeting there will be a raffle for fishing or camping
items to help pay the cost of mailing the newsletter to members without email. Bring an item
to donate and a dollar or two for raffle tickets You Might WIN something !

FROM THE EDITOR: Welcome to the first issue of Tight Lines
with a new editor since 2005. When I first told my husband I wanted to volun-
teer for the vacancy, he looked at me like I was crazy. He said, "you do realize
that is a mighty big pair of waders to fill coming in behind Doug, the man who
is part trout."

Well, I know I could fish twice a day everyday for the rest of my life and
never have the fishing knowledge of Doug Adams. But where I believe I can
connect with Doug and everyone else is what fishing and the outdoors does for
your soul. From the moment you leave your vehicle going fishing you get to
leave the world behind. Your world is now the woods and the river you seek
out. Moments of solitude, beauty and hopefully the interruption of a buzzing
fly reel with a trout on the other end trying to avoid going on your score pad of
another landed fish.

So while I'll never make the cover of any magazine as an avid trout fisher
woman; I do hope to keep you enlightened of what all is happening with your
TU chapter and important information locally, regionally & nationally. Please
share all that you want to. Members enjoy your stories, photos and opinions.
So keep them coming!!

This is your chapter. We want you to be informed, excited, proud of the
Chapter's accomplishments and when time allows, fellowship with us all by
volunteering in some of the most worth while projects you could ever partici-
pate in when it comes to protecting our local water and watersheds. Join in on
our efforts to achieve TU's goals to conserve, protect, restore and Pass it On.



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WHAT ARE THEY BITING ON ???

by Terry Rivers



Blue Quill Dry

Tread: Grey 8/0

Hook: #14/18 Dry Fly Hook

Body: Dun or Grizzly Quill

Tail: Dun Hackle Feathers

Wings: Dun Saddle

Hackle: Dun Hackle Palmered

Look for these in the month of October.
Could be as small as #20/22. They are usually floating on the surface and look like a bunch of little sailboats.

SEE YOU ALL ON THE RIVER !!

October Hatches

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

<u>The Bugs</u>	<u>Time of Month</u>	<u>Time of Day</u>	<u>Suggested Flies</u>
Small Dune Caddis	Early	Mid AM to late PM	18 Brown Elk or Deer Hair Caddis or 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
Blue Winged Olive & Blue Quill	All month	Late AM & 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 all month, click [Hatch](#)

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Forward Casting : Calendar of Important dates to Take Action & Have Fun

Oct 5 (Sat) Gold Rush Chapter Fun Day at Frog Hollow <http://www.goldrushtu.org> or 706-348-7924

Oct 9-13 (Wed-Sun) Fall Camping & Fishing Outing. See more info on page 5.

Oct 12 (Sat) Fall Stream Clean Up Project. Location: West Fork of the Chattooga River.

"VOLUNTEERS NEEDED" ! We will carpool from the campout or you can meet us at the Overflow Camping Area /Canoe Launch off Forest Service Rd # 86 at 9:00AM. For more information, contact Wayne Prosser at 706-746-6293 or by email at wp0968@windstream.net This workday will be in memory of **JOHN STARINCHUCK**.

Oct 12 Coosa Valley Chapter TU 18th annual Chili Cook-off, Rome, Georgia. More information here <http://www.tuchilicookoff.info>

Oct 17 (Thurs) Rabun TU Monthly Meeting. FLY TYING IS BACK !! Waaaa WHoooo! All ages welcome!! Starting at 5:30 at the new Troop 6 TU/Scout Hut. Terry Rivers leading, but **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help. Then social at 6:30 and at 7:00 program by Karl Eckberg from the Chattooga River Fly Shop. He will be giving tips for fishing on the Chattooga River D.H.

Oct 19 (Sat) Ladies only Fly fishing clinic from 11 to 3 hosted by the Georgia Foothills Chapter and the Rabun Chapter. **"MENTORS NEEDED"**! The ladies will be fishing on private waters of the Soque at Golden Trout Fly Fishing. For more info contact Michele Crawford at 706-490-4574 or email at crawfordart@windstream.net

Oct 24 (Thurs) Rabun BOD Meeting at 6:30 at the new Troop 6 TU/Scout Hut.

Nov 9 (Sat) Upper Chattahoochee Chapter TU Autumn on the River Annual Banquet 6-10 Ippolito's in Roswell. More info at <http://www.ucctu.org>

Nov 16 (Sat)

Join us for the 2nd Annual Casting for Recovery - Georgia

fish tales & ales

Barbeque, Beer / Wine, Live Music and Auctions
Chattahoochee Nature Center
9135 Willaco Road, Roswell GA
Saturday, November 16, 2013
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) nonprofit.

CR Casting for Recovery Georgia

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

January 25, 2014 (Sat) The 27th Annual Rabun Rendezvous at the Dillard House!

Program Presenter: Shelia Humphrey Wildlife Interpretive Specialist Education Coordinator at Smithgall Woods State Park & Conservation Center.

Topic Title: "From the classroom to the stream"



Shelia Humphries working with the 2013 Trout Camp kids at Smithgall Woods.

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Fishing Reports

Several Rabunities have been West of Hiawassee the past few weeks. Below is a few of their photos and happenings they shared !



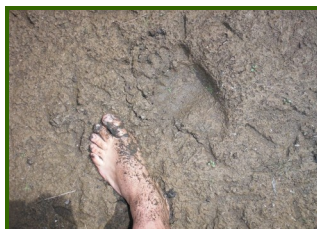
Charlie B with a 20" Brown



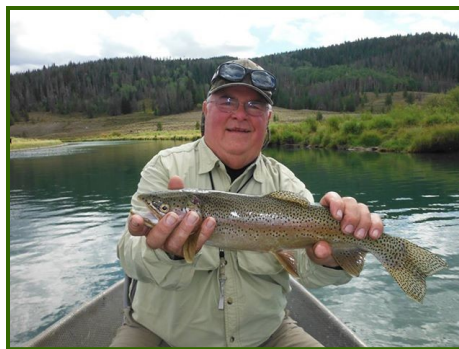
Charlie Breithaupt, Ray Gentry, Terry Rivers & Phil Upchurch .



Phil U with a Good UN'



An unknown land fisher "man" left behind some foot-prints while the boys were in the boat.



Ray G with a 19" Rainbow



Rabunite Kyle Burrell having a good season fishing and guiding out west.



Rabunite Jim Kidd was west of Hiawassee in late July. He too hooked up with Kyle for some great fishing and fellowship ! Jim is shown here with a Good Un'.



Last minute submission from Larry Walker, who just returned from somewhere west of Hiawassee. For now he says, "Guess Who, Guess What and Guess Where???" Next month we will get the rest of the story.

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Rabunite boys performed a Good Deed for a lost dog (MIA) in between fishing trips while out west.

Rabunites Do A Good Deed

It was another typical Rabunite trip "west of Hiwassee". Terry Rivers, Ray Gentry, Phil Upchurch and I had driven straight through to Encampment, WY, fished a few days and then drove across Wyoming to Pinedale. We were camping at Whiskey Grove Campground right on the Green River. Rabunite Kyle Burrell, who guides in that area during the summer, had joined us in camp for a visit.

About dark some bicyclist came into camp and set up for the night. The two couples were riding the Continental Divide Bicycle Trail...a long, hard trip. They came to our site and told us that a dog had been following them all day, over forty miles! They had been traveling on remote, dirt roads but would be on paved highways very soon after leaving Whiskey Grove. They were concerned for the dog's safety. They were sure the dog belonged to someone near a resort where they had stayed the previous night. After a brief discussion it was decided that we would return the dog to the resort the next day.

With the dog (a mix of border collie and blue heeler...I think) loaded in the back of Kyle's truck, Kyle, Phil and I headed north toward Union Pass and the resort. Terry and Ray held down the camp and, of course, went fishing. After a forty-plus mile drive through beautiful, remote country (we passed one vehicle) we arrived at Crooked Creek Resort in a remote area. Everyone there knew "Mia", the missing dog. She was greeted by a Chocolate Lab, a German Short Hair, an English bird dog, a couple of mixed breeds and one Great Pyrenees, who was especially glad to see her. It turned out that Mia and the Great Pyrenees belonged to the same, near-by ranch. It was a joyful homecoming for all.

The folks at the resort were both surprised and grateful that we had returned Mia. Rabunites know that a dog belongs with its owners and we were glad that we could help. As we headed back we felt good about what we had done. And, we stopped by a good cut-throat stream to do a little fishin'.

Reported by Charlie Breithaupt (A Rabunite dog lover...)



Stream Clean Up Project

On Saturday the 10th we will be having our clean up project on the West Fork of the Chattooga River. We will carpool to the location from camp to arrive at 9:00 am and will work to noon. Then we will come back and fish the rest of the day. For more info on stream clean up contact Wayne Processor at 706-746-6293 or at wp0968@windstream.net

FALL CAMPOUT AND FISHING

OCTOBER 9-11 (WED-SUNDAY)

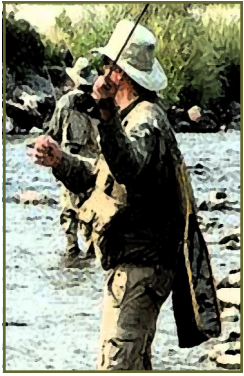
On the private property of Glenn English
on the Tallulah River.

The fall campout is where we have communal meals. We will be serving lunch and dinner on Wed. Oct 9, then breakfast, lunch and dinner on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Sunday will be breakfast only. All meals are \$5.00 per meal per person. Please contact Michele Crawford crawfordart@windstream.net with your meal reservations. Or call her at 706-490-4574.

FOOD * FUN * FELLOWSHIP * FISHING
WAAAAAA WHOOOOO !!

This is a primitive camping setting. We will have an outhouse but no running water. Plenty of room for travel trailers, campers and tents. The chapter will be providing the meals, but campers will need to bring their own water, dinner drinks of choice and firewood. Don't forget your chairs!! We will be fishing on the Tallulah River.

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BACK CASTING

GEORGIA STATE TU COUCIL met on Saturday Sept. 7 over in Blue Ridge, Ga. Rabun Chapter had 5 to attend the quarterly meeting. At the meeting, Rabun Chapter President Pat Hopton presented framed prints of "Appalachian Treasure" by Broderick Crawford <http://www.broderickcrawfordart.com> to each of the following chapters to be used for their annual fundraising events. The state also welcomed & recognized Georgia's 14th and newest chapter, "Middle Georgia" to the council.



GA State Council Pres. Mack Martin (L) and Larry Vigil (R) the State Nat'l Leadership Representative presents TU certification to the new Middle Georgia Chapter Pres Justin Souma (Center).

WELCOME MIDDLE GEORGIA CHAPTER !!



Jeff Wilson, Cohutta Chapter President, accepts donation from Rabun Chapter Pres Pat. The Cohutta Chapter will have their annual fundraiser on Nov. 1. "The Smoker". More info at tucohutta.org



Frank Glowaksi, President of the Chattahoochee - Nantahala Chapter accepts donation from Rabun Chapter Pres Pat. For more on their upcoming fundraising go to ngatu692.com

Charlie Breithaupt presents to Savannah River Chapter President, Jimmy Miller, a framed print of Jewel of the Smokies by Broderick Crawford. Charlie and three other Rabunites attended the Savannah River Chapter fundraising event back in August.



Incoming President John Simmons (L) & outgoing President Mike Thornton (C) of the Gold Rush Chapter, accepts the donation from Rabun Chapter Pres Pat. The Gold Rush will be having their fundraiser at Gold Rush Fun Day on Oct. 5. More info at goldrushtu.org



Justin Souma, Middle Georgia Chapter President, accepts donation from Rabun Chapter Pres Pat. The Middle Georgia Chapter will be auctioning off their donation to raise some seed money for their new group.

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BACK CASTING *cont....*



Seth Sullivan (L) receives a Brook Trout print from Leon Brotherton in appreciation for his presentation to Rabun TU.

Life as a Brook Trout Intern

On Thursday September 19, the Rabun TU regular meeting was held at the TU/Scout Hut. Our speaker was Seth Sullivan who shared his experiences from working in and around Rabun county as a Brook Trout Intern. He presented an informative slide show demonstrating how the group did shocking and testing on our local brook trout during their studies to keep insuring a strong and healthy population. Following his presentation we held our annual elections for the Rabun TU Board (see results in Notes from the Prez page 9) and held our monthly raffle. Thank you to our donors for September ...Liz Perry, Steve Hudson, Tie One On, Peter Croes, Charlie Breithaupt, Michele Crawford and Jeff Durniak. We raised \$72.00 to cover the newsletter costs for those without E-mail.

On Thursday September 26, the Rabun TU board met at the TU/Scout Hut. Agenda items included Chapter Support of Scouts, Fly Tying Workshops, Chapter Leadership duties, Fall Campout, Stream Clean-up, Rabun Rendezvous, Chapter Support of Ga. Council Youth Fund Raising and Calendar Review.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS & UPDATES

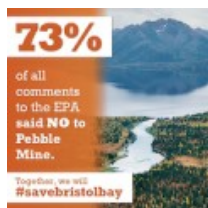
Welcome New Members !!!

Kaitlin Conley - Stream Explorer
Chandler DiNofrio - Stream Explorer
Justin Strynchuck, Melbourne, FL - Regular
Current Membership 176 members
Current Stream Explorers 16 members

Thanks for re-upping !! Doug & Eedee Adams, Mike Fuller, David Lash, Emil Leum, Doug Mansfield, Derek Porter, Lewis Reeves, Stephen Weinelt, & Kent Wilson (Life Member)

It's time to renew your membership...Bo Anderson, G. Anderson, Derek Barlow, Miles Marquez, Ralph Morgan, Hector Balderas, Kayla Connor, Seth Hill, Larry Hutchens, Tim McClure, Larry Peevy, Larry Walker, Cecil Greene, Bruce Mitchell & David Nichols.

TROUT NEED OUR HELP !! Click on the web sites below to stay informed and notified about zones that need the public's help to stop destruction and loss.



[http://
www.savebristol
bay.org/](http://www.savebristolbay.org/)

Georgians Speak
Out Against Frack-
ing [in](#) the Chatta-
hoochee National
Forest

WEB SITE OF THE MONTH

Secrets of Fall Fishing

By:
Tom Rosenbauer

[Click here](#)

**Get Fired Up About Fishing for large
Brown Trout in the Smokies !!**

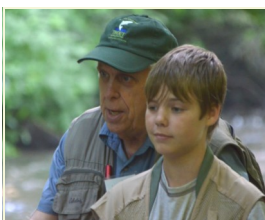
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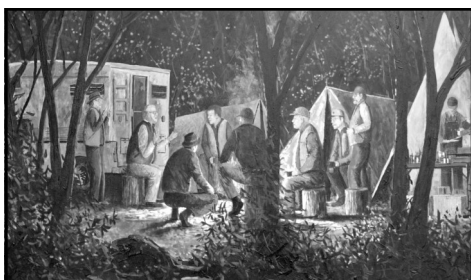
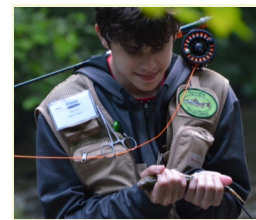
PASSING IT ON

Never pass up a chance to take a kid fishing!!



This month our newest Stream Explorer Spencer helped Tim McClure conduct our raffle at the Sept. monthly meeting.

Welcome & Thank you !!



RABUNITES REMINISCING

Send in your stories ! I'll keep this going as long as the stories keep coming in. Share your favorite memories from fishing with your buddies, fellow Rabunites or whoever. Make us laugh, smile, cry or be jealous. For this month I'll start with a favorite of mine.

BROOK TROUT MEAL OF MEMORIES

For years, my husband's boys would come stay with us for the summer. It got to be a tradition before they would go back to Florida with their mom, we would have a meal of brook trout, fried taters, corn bread and wild raspberry cobbler. As time went on, we were down to only one son being able to come. The oldest one had become a young man with responsibilities. On what was our last summer with any kids coming, my husband and I were loving and hating what was to be our last traditional meal with Daniel, before he went back home to start college in the fall.

A few days before our meal was to take place we ran into an old friend in the Clayton Café. J.D. Holcomb. Broderick (my husband) had grew up in Tiger, along with J.D.'s kids. J.D.'s son Bobby was an avid fisherman. Trout was his favorite. He once gave Broderick some of the best advice ever for fishing Coleman River. Anyway, after talking about fishing with J.D. in the café we asked him if he would like to come eat a mess of brook trout with us. He gladly accepted. I told him what else I usually cooked to go with the trout and asked him if that would be ok with him. With a big smile he said "Oh Yeah!!".

We were excited the evening had arrived. J.D. entered, we introduced him to Daniel and immediately the three men began sharing fishing stories. Daniel, although being the youngest, he too had already accumulated some fishing tales from previous summers with his dad. After a bit, I called the boys to the table. It was a rectangle table, Broderick and I on one side and Daniel and J.D. directly across from us. The minute we sat down, I knew this was to be a special evening. Fried Brook Trout, fried taters, cornbread hot from the oven and in the oven, a homemade from scratch wild raspberry (berries we picked) cobbler.

After we began eating, our guest took over the conversation. We were left speechless. In between his bites of food he began telling us about being in WWII. He told of his experiences on the beach at Normandy. What an honor to have this man sitting at my dinner table I thought. I should be feeding this man caviar and aged beef. As he continued on with his narration, I realized that there wasn't a crumb left on the table. We had truly fed him the best meal. A meal that we gathered from Rabun County. Then the four of us devoured the cobbler also.

When the evening was over and J.D. pulled from our drive, I felt a smile come upon my face. A true hero had eaten dinner at my home, all three of us would forever be blessed by the memories of that evening. J.D. passed away before we could do it again, but every chance we get when the boys can come home we try to do our simple little traditional meal.

Brook Trout and zinnia's were two of J.D.'s favorite things. They happen to be two of mine also. I think of J.D. often when I am around both. What an evening ! No White House dinner could ever compare!!

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Notes from the President

The State of the Chapter At the September Chapter meeting we conducted the annual elections of new officers and board members. I am pleased to report the following results:

I will serve as Chapter Prez thru 2014; Steve Perry will serve as Chapter Vice Prez thru 2014; Wayne Prosser will serve as Secretary thru 2014; Elizabeth Perry will serve as Treasurer thru 2014; Ray Gentry will serve on the Board of Directors thru 2017 and Tony Allred will serve on the Board of Directors thru 2017.

On behalf of the Chapter, I would like to express our appreciation to retiring Board members Jeff Durniak and Glenn English. I am very happy to report that Jeff will continue arranging the monthly Chapter programs and guest speaker, and Glenn will continue coordinating the bi-annual Chapter campouts!

We also appreciate the good work Tony has done for the past three years as Treasurer. He has done an outstanding job in keeping the chapter finances in good working order. As a new Board member Tony will have the duties of media outreach on behalf of the Chapter.

Ray's past experience on the Board of Directors will provide useful insights into his new term on the Board. Ray will have the duties of coordinating the annual Family and Scouts Picnic, held during the month of May.

We welcome Elizabeth as our new Treasurer and are confident her skills in finance will build on the good work already done.

Wayne's patience and thoroughness as Secretary is legendary, and we are grateful he will be serving another year in that capacity.

Steve will continue to be a very important part of our leadership by assuming the Prez duties when I am unavailable.

And finally, I am humbled and grateful to serve another year as your Chapter Prez.

Chapter founder and charter member, Doug Adams, recently retired from his duties as Rabun Rendezvous Coordinator and Tight Lines newsletter editor. Ray King's organizational skills will serve him well as our new Rendezvous Coordinator and Michele Crawford's creativity will bring a fresh approach to Tight Lines.

We have gone through several big changes during this past year and have many goals still to accomplish. We are moving forward with an emphasis on youth through our outreach to the local Boy and Girl Scout troops; we are beginning an outreach program to women interested in cold water conservation; and we are planning to increase our involvement in Project Healing Waters, TU's outreach to wounded service men and women. Of course we will continue our traditional Chapter activities in support of our Mission Statement. And finally, we will still have fun activities such as campouts, Chapter meetings, and other activities that build fellowship, membership, and new friendships in our community.

To summarize, the state of the Chapter is strong, healthy, and poised for growth. I hope you are as excited as I am about our Rabun Chapter!

Pat Hopton

Pat Hopton
Chapter Prez



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Rabun TU Officers & Directors for F/Y2014

Voting Board of Directors Members:

President Pat Hopton	Social Media, Awards, Donations, BOD Agenda, Budget	706-782-4978	scotts_creek58@yahoo.com
Vice President Steve Perry	Membership Recruitment & Retention, Nominating Commit- tee Chair	706-746-3558	flygide@gmail.com
Treasurer Elizabeth Perry	Reports & Budget	706-746-3558	flygide@gmail.com
Secretary Wayne Prosser	BOD Minutes, Correspon- dence, Records	706-746-6293	wp0968@windstream.net
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Director - 2014 Tim McClure	Meeting Refreshments, Meet- ing Raffle, Name Tags	706-782-6159	tcmlure64@gmail.com
Director - 2014 Michele Crawford	Tight lines Editor, Women's Outreach, Memorials	706-490-4574	crawfordart@windstream.net
Director - 2015 Kent Wilson	Mack Martin Rod Raffle	706-746-7488	kandcwilson@windstream.net
Director - 2015 Frank Patton	Kids Fishing Events	770-339-7095	julianfpattton@yahoo.com
Director - 2016 Jerry McFalls	Liaison with Local Scouts, Stream Projects, Safety Coor- dinator	706-782-8357	threeforksadventures@hotmail.com
Director - 2016 Ray King	Rabun Rendezvous, Au- dio-Visual Set Up	828-349-2786	rayking@frontier.com
Director - 2017 Tony Allred	Media Outreach	706-490-4755	tallred@gamountains.com
Director - 2017 Ray Gentry	Annual Family Fishing Day At Indian Lake	404-680-6736	regentry@windstream.net

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Charlie & Kathy Breithaupt	Trout Camp, Fly Fishing 101	706-782-6954	knc615@windstream.net
Terri Allred	Christmas Dinner		taallred@windstream.net
Terry Rivers	Fly Tying Workshops	706-782-7419	tlr1121@windstream.net
Jim Kidd	Advocacy Director	706-782-2474	Jikidd@windstream.net
Jeff Durniak	Meeting Programs & hosting speaker to dinner	706-892-6576	jeffdurniak@yahoo.com
Glenn English	Chapter Campouts	706-212-9983	genglish09@yahoo.com

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