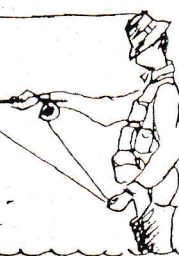


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NEWSLETTER OF THE RABUN CHAPTER
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OCTOBER MEETING NOTICE

THE OCTOBER MEETING WILL BE AT THE FIRST U.S. FOREST SERVICE CAMPGROUND ON THE TALLULAH RIVER, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20TH. FISH UNTIL DARK, AT WHICH TIME (ABOUT 7:00 P.M.) WE WILL BEGIN THE BUSINESS MEETING. THE BELOW LISTED MEMBERS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO HOLD OFFICE IN 1988 AND MUST BE VOTED ON:

PRESIDENT	D. ADAMS	DIRECTOR	J. DARNELL
VP MEMBERSHIP	J. NIXON	DIRECTOR	J. DURNIK
VP COMMUNICATION	T. LANDRETH	DIRECTOR	K. BURRELL
VP SPECIAL EVENTS	H. WILLIAMSON	DIRECTOR	P. HOPTON
TREASURER	J. KIDD	<i>DIRECTOR</i>	<i>G. WITRELL</i>

SEPTEMBER MEETING

THIRTEEN MEMBERS OF THE RABUN CHAPTER AND TWO VISITORS CAMPED OUT AT RIDLEY CREEK CAMPGROUND, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, FOR A MEETING/WORK PROJECT.

BUCK CHASTAIN, VISITOR, REPORTED ON A PROPOSED WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT ON BIG CREEK IN NORTH CAROLINA. AFTER REVIEWING THE APPLICATION AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO THE REQUEST, OUR CHAPTER FORMALLY REQUESTED THAT THE PERMIT BE DENIED.

JERRY WOOD, U.S.F.S., REPORTED ON THE SUCCESS OF THE STREAM STRUCTURES ON JONES CREEK.

WORK BEGAN ON HEDDON CREEK THE NEXT MORNING (SATURDAY) AND AFTER A FULL DAY OF LOG DRAGGING, STEEL DRIVING, ROCK TOTOING, SAND SHOVELING WORK, FIVE COVER LOGS AND ONE CONSTRICTOR WERE IN PLACE ABOVE THE CAMPGROUND. STRUCTURES ALREADY IN PLACE BY THE Y.C.C. WERE CLEANED UP AND DEBRIS REMOVED FROM THE STREAM TO LET SAND AND SILT FLUSH OUT.

THE CREW: KYLE BURRELL, ERIC ESCHER, MIKE HOGELIN, PAT HOPTON, BILL KELLY, JIM NIXON, GLEN LITRELL, JIM KIDD, HENRY WILLIAMSON, DOUG ADAMS, DOUG WATSON USFS, JERRY WOOD USFS AND MIKE KIDD.

GREAT WORK GANG! THE STRUCTURES LOOK GREAT AND BEST OF ALL - FISHY!!!

CHATTOOGA PROJECT

ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, BELOW BIG BEND FALLS AND ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, ABOVE BIG BEND, THE GEORGIA DNR, SOUTH CAROLINA F & W, THE USFS FROM GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA, CONDUCTED AN ELECTRO SHOCKING OF THE RIVER WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF MEMBERS JEFF DURNIK, JIM KIDD, HENRY WILLIAMSON AND FRIEND NEIL WRIGHT. RESULTS WILL BE REPORTED LATER.

FISHING REPORTS

ON SEPTEMBER 25TH, DOUG ADAMS AND BILL KELLY FISHED THE CHATTOOGA BELOW BURRELL'S FORD. KELLY CAUGHT SEVEN BROWNS AND ONE RAINBOW FROM THE SHADY SIDE; ADAMS CAUGHT SEVEN RAINBOWS AND ONE BROWN FROM THE SUNNY SIDE.

ON SEPTEMBER 22, A FELLOW FROM ROSEMAN, N.C. CAUGHT A 27", 8½ LB. BROWN ON A RAPALA. IT WAS BELOW BIG BEND FALLS ABOUT 4:30 P.M.

FISHING REPORTS, CONT'D

WHILE "WORKING" ON THE CHATTOOGA, HENRY WILLIAMSON SPOTTED AN INJURED 18½" BROWN FLOATING ON THE SURFACE. UPON EXAMINATION HENRY FOUND TALON MARKS.

LATE AUGUST YOUR EDITOR WENT TROUT FISHING. (I CAN'T TELL YOU WHERE, WITH WHOM, WHAT OR HOW WE CAUGHT WHAT WITH OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT.) I CAN REPORT THAT WHILE SHOWING MY SON-IN-LAW FROM LOUISIANA NORTH GEORGIA TROUT FISHING, I LANDED A 14" RAINBOW IN SARAH'S CREEK!

MICROINVERTEBRATE COLLECTION

BUGS WERE COLLECTED FROM THE CHATTOOGA ON SEPTEMBER 18TH AND 19TH. ANOTHER IS SCHEDULED FOR THE SPRING OF '88 AND TWO MORE AFTER THAT. WHILE DATES ARE NOT KNOWN, WE WILL NEED LOTS OF HELP WHEN THE CALL COMES. THESE STUDIES ARE SO VERY IMPORTANT IN MONITORING THE HEALTH OF THE CHATTOOGA!

NEW MEMBERS

THE RABUN CHAPTER IS PLEASED TO ADD THE NAME OF AN OLD FRIEND TO OUR ROSTER - MONTE SEEHORN, U.S.F.S. FISHERIES BIOLOGIST. WELCOME, MONTE!

FORD MOUNTAIN, FISH HAWK FLY FISHING SCHOOL

IT WAS BOUND TO HAPPEN - THE BUILDING HOUSING THE SCHOOL HAS BEEN SOLD. HENRY HAS PURCHASED A LOT BELOW THE PRESENT SCHOOL AND IS GOING TO NEED A "BARN RAISING" THIS FALL. LET US KNOW WHEN, HENRY.

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A RABUN COUNTY, GEORGIA, RESIDENT, JIM NIXON, HAS SUGGESTED A SHORT "NO KILL-ARTIFICIALS ONLY" SECTION AS PART OF THE CHATTOOGA PROJECT. MR. NIXON, DEPARTING FROM HIS "NO PRISONER" PHILOSOPHY, SUGGESTS SPECIAL REGULATIONS ON THE STRETCH FROM HARDEN CREEK TO SPOONAUGER CREEK. A LONG TIME PROPONENT OF SPECIAL REGULATION, HENRY WILLIAMSON, HAS NOT SUFFICIENTLY RECOVERED TO MAKE A STATEMENT AT THIS DATE.

MONEY

NATIONAL SEND US A \$66.00 REBATE WHICH REPRESENTS \$1.50 PER MEMBER AS OF A CERTAIN DATE THIS LAST YEAR. WE ALSO CLEARED \$35.00 ON MEALS AT THE CAMPOUT. BOTH AMOUNTS ARE IN THE CHAPTER TREASURY.

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