



TIGHT LINES

APRIL 2001

NEWSLETTER OF THE RABUN CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

CAMPOUT! WORK PROJECT!

The Chapter holds its' first campout, work project and chapter meeting of the year on Sarah's Creek in April.

The official meeting and campout will be held on Friday, April 20th; and, the workproject will begin the next morning, Saturday, April 21st.

Bill Kelly tells us, and you don't have to believe it if you don't want to, that he will be camped out earlier in the week in order to hold space for our campout. He wants you to know that he has absolutely no interest whatever in fishing the area before the rest of you.

In case you are the one who doesn't know where Sarah's Creek is, just take off on Warwoman Road in Clayton. Just be on the lookout for a paved road on your left that looks pretty steep. It is marked "Sarah's Creek". The pavement ends at the top of the hill. Continue on FS156 for several miles, crossing Sarah's in Apple Valley.

Take the right fork and look for Bill's motor home.

Not sure exactly what the work project entails but imagine it is mostly maintenance work on existing structures. Doug Watson, USFS will fill us in on site.

THANKS BUTCH MARTIN

One of our best crowds in a long while turned out Tuesday night, the 20th, to listen to **Butch Martin** extoll the virtues of fishing Wyoming. Butch guides in the **Pinedale** area of **Wyoming** as well as helping out over at Unicoi Outfitters in between. Using slides of one of the most beautiful areas in our country, Butch showed us some very impressive trout and made a good case for making the area your trout fishing destination this year.

He books up early so if you are interested, give him a call at **Unicoi Outfitters 706 878-3083**.

Thanks, Butch, for a good evening.

MEMBERSHIP

PLEASE DON'T FORGET THAT THE CHAPTER RECEIVES \$5 WHENEVER YOU SEND YOUR RENEWAL CHECK AND RENEWAL FORM TO THE CHAPTER TREASURER FOR FORWARDING ON TO NATIONAL.

EITHER BRING THE FORM AND CHECK TO THE NEXT CHAPTER MEETING OR SEND THEM TO:

LEWIS REEVES

P O Box 1222

CLAYTON, GA 30525

MAY ON INDIAN LAKE AT RABUN GAP NACOOCHEE

Now, that headline has a nice ring to it, don't you think? Might be something you would read in a travel magazine. Well, it is the site of our May meeting on the 15th. And it is a family thing so bring your spouse, significant other and a young'un or

two. Charlie and Terry are cooking up hamburgers, hot dogs and other good stuff. So, mark it down and don't forget. If you need directions they will be in the next NL.

Oh, don't forget your flyrod. The bream are just waiting to show you a good time!

Rabun Chapter Schedule of Coming Events

- Fri Apr 20** Chapter Meeting and Campout on Friday Night....Work Project on Sarah's Creek on Saturday. Details on page one. **S**
- Tue May 15** Chapter Meeting at Rabun Gap Nacoochee School on Indian Lake. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs & other nutritional delicacies. Casting instructions.
- Sat Jun 9** USFS Kids Fishing Day on the Tallulah River
- Tue Jun 19** Monthly Chapter Meeting - Rock House, Clayton Forest Service Land Mangement Planning update
- Fri Jun 22** Follow The Leader on the Chattooga. Meet at Burrells Ford Bridge
- Fri Jul 20** Monthly Meeting on Friday nite; Work Project on Saturday
- Tue Aug 21** Monthly Meeting, Kelly's Waterfall Picnic Ground Everybody bring covered dish
- Tue Sep 18** Monthly Meeting, Rock House, Clayton, "Doc" Burken's Annual First Aid Update
- Sat Sep 22** Work Project, Sarah's Creek

PLEASE CALL ME IF ANY DATES OR EVENTS ARE INCORRECT:
Tom Landreth 706-746-2295

SAME SONG, SECOND VERSE, COULD BE BETTER BUT IT'S GONNA GET WORSE

When the Rabun Chapter was first formed at the Rabun County Library, I eagerly volunteered to take on the newsletter. I believe that a groups method of communicating between meetings is vital to the health of the organization. I still feel that way.

However, enough is enough. Put simply, I'm just plain tired of putting this publication out each month.

Now, whoever takes it over doesn't have to have a computer (I didn't for quite some time). A word processor or that old fashioned thing called a typewriter will do the job. They don't have to be on the internet, although it is helpful. They don't have to have a lot of BS at their fingertips; although that too, helps because most of the time you are on your own with no one else contributing items.

The main thing is to communicate in a timely matter, the dates of meetings and

coming events to the membership.

While on the subject of the newsletter....I have tried to E-mail Tight Lines to no avail. I use a program by Microsoft called Publisher and unless the recipient has Publisher, they can't open the newsletter. I've had several folks offer suggestions but short of buying another software program that enables Publisher to go E-mail, nothing seems to work. So, you will continue to receive Tight Lines in the same manner as the past.

Now back to the matter at hand. This is not some ego trip designed to elicit compliments and pats on the back. *In December, I will put out Tight Lines for the last time.* That pronouncement is in concrete! If the Chapter is to have a newsletter, someone else will have to do it. I believe this is adequate notice.

Tight Lines!

Tom

Island Park Special...easy to tie...trout love it!

Hook: #14 Nymph hook

Bead: Gold

Thread: Black

Rib: Fine gold or copper wire

Hackle: Good quality Brown palmered

Body: Peacock Herl

- 1 Mash barb and slide on bead
- 2 Secure hook, slide bead to the bend, build thread base for the bead and tie off.
- 3 Slide bead back to eye of hook.
- 4 Tie in thread, forming a base to

bend of the hook.

- 5 Tie in copper wire at bend
- 6 Tie in hackle at bend
- 7 Tie in two to three peacock herls at the bend and wrap to just short of the bead head.
- 8 Take four or five wraps of the copper wire to the bead.
- 9 Palmer the hackle to just behind the bead, tie off securely and cement.