#### Interesting Survey submitted by Doug Adams Chattooga Trout Anglers

TU. The following are the statistics of that survey: the members of Rabun & Chattooga River Chapters of During the fall of 2001, Clemson University surveyed Questionnaires returned: 202

Response rate: 71%

Mean number of years of education: 16 yrs. Median age of respondents: 56 yrs Retired respondents: 33% Male respondents: 97.5%

Mean years trout fishing (T/F): 31.5 yrs

Fish alone: 38%

Spin fish: 18% Fly fish: 90%

Bait fish: 13%

Also fish warm water: 71%

Their life is centered around T/F: 34% T/F is one of their most satisfying activities: 90%

Chattooga is best place for their T/F: 23%

Mean years T/F on the Chattooga: 15 yrs

Most important reason on Chattooga - "it's a good place

Chattooga: 92% Would go to a different river if they couldn't T/F the Agree that they had an attachment to the Chattooga: 59%

Water quality Most important river attribute in choosing substitute: Indicate they had no substitute for Chattooga: 13%

Davidson, Nantahala, Tuckaseegee, & Chuaga Rivers The 4 most frequently listed acceptable substitutes:

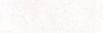
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available that are the same quality or better managed for existing environmental, social, and Chattooga River. This group of users of the Chattooga environment. While most do not fish the Chattooga encompasses both fishing and experiencing the natural and involved in a specialized recreation activity that biophysical conditions since there are few substitutes River are likely to be most satisfied when the river is view only a few other rivers as good or better than the River exclusively they are somewhat dependent on it and members of two TU chapters. They are well educated In summary, the respondents to the questionnaire are





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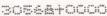


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# **Christmas Party**

Social 6:00 pm ~ Dinner 7:00 pm Contact Doug Adams to reserve Tuesday, December 17th The Dillard House

(706) 746-2158

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your place at the table.

Rabun County, Georgia

## News from the President..... Charlie Breithaupt



For those of you who didn't attend the last meeting you need to know that the nominating and election train roared through Rabun County and your chapter has the same officers as last year. No one asked for a recount. Even a Florida Democrat couldn't mess up our simple railroading process!!!

On another topic, there was some interesting discussion concerning TU National's position on certain policies and plans. I invite anyone who wants to express their views in this newsletter to do so. All I ask is that you send me your article and sign your name. We'll try to include it and, as you know, a copy will go to the National office. Please think about the length of your article. If you really want to write a lot...well, you might like to be the editor next year.

Finally, I hope everyone will be able to make the Christmas party on December 17 at the Dillard House. Remember to bring something good to drink.

# Member News

# Rabun Rendezvous 2003

### The Dillard House Saturday, January 25, 2003

### Pig Pickin' 5:00 pm Supper and program 7:00 pm

Guest Speaker "Fly Fisherperson" extraordinaire ~ Wanda Taylor \$25.00 per person

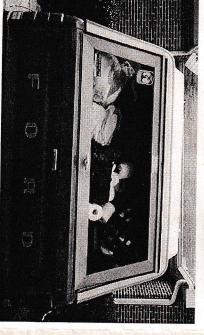
This is our big show and, while it's a lot of fun, it's also a lot of work. You can help by: #1 Attending

#2 Being there Saturday afternoon to help set up

#3 Helping that evening by selling tickets, delivering prizes and collecting money.

(If you know a local merchant that may donate, please contact Bill Kelly or Maria Frady so we can #4 Donating something for the Silent Auction or Bucket Raffle keep this part organized.)

#5 Spending money and encouraging others to spend.



Bill Kelly's truck packed for an outing......
We always figured ole Bill was full of it—
now we know!