

Trout Unlimited – Gold Rush Chapter #733



Newsletter

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Gold Rush TU Chapter's Meeting Place
Camp Glisson, Ivie Lodge, Dahlonega, GA visit *their website* at www.campglisson.org

1st Tuesday of the Month 6:30 PM – Social & Dinner 7:00 PM – Program & Meeting

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 5 May 2009 Program: Program begins at 7 PM. The program for May 5 will include Lumpkin County High School students and basic stream monitoring by John Vermont, All visitors welcome.

We meet the *first Tuesday of every month* in Ivie Lodge at beautiful Camp Glisson just north of Dahlonega. Dinner is served at 6:30 PM. while it lasts, and programs start around 7:00 PM. *All members and guest are welcome!* Camp Glisson is just two miles north of Dahlonega on Highway 60. Turn left onto Camp Glisson Road and continue about one mile through the camp to the bridge on your right. Cross the bridge and Ivie Lodge is 100 yards on the left.

See you there!

At every regular chapter meeting there will be a raffle for fishing or camping items. Fundraiser money is used for projects on education, restoration and helps promote our vision. Bring an item to donate and a dollar or two for raffle tickets – it's FUN and you might win something.

We also do "FLYSWATTERS" You bring two flies that you have tied or bought, one fly is donated to the chapter for a future raffle at the cookout; you will receive a ticket for the other fly which is placed on the FLYSWATTER. The Flyswatter Flies are raffled that night. Tickets may be purchased for \$3.00.

New Website

John Simmons, a dedicated member of Gold Rush TU is volunteering his time and talent and has created us a new professional website. Please check out the new website and send John a big Thank You!! www.goldrushtu.org



Join the Celebration 2009 marks the 50th anniversary of Trout Unlimited

Chapter Report

Deborah Scott

Here we are the beginning of May, we have accomplished quite a bit so far this year, and have much more to achieve. We have already far exceeded our strategic goals from last year and will need to get creative and energized for future success. Don't give out now; there is much to be done. Our chapter has begun to outgrow my leadership capabilities it will soon be time to turn it over to more capable hands if we are going to continue to grow. May meeting will be at Camp Glisson, but June and July, due to camp being in session, we will have to meet elsewhere. Kenny Simmons at Frog Hollow has graciously offered his home for our June and July meetings. June will just be a member social, and July, Kenny will do a presentation for us, and we are also inviting our two Trout Camp campers to share with us their experience at camp. Lots of activities going on in May, be sure to check out the event listing on our website and also the great job John did on the GA Hatches under Fishin. We have an awesome website! Feel free to jump in and get involved where ever you feel comfortable. Summertime is here and it has been difficult for me to go from trout mode to lake mode fishing, I still have not caught a brookie yet and must do that soon. We have water in Lake Lanier, Yeah! Get outdoors and enjoy! FISH ON! Deborah

In an attempt to take over and produce a monthly issue of the newsletter I am the new newsletter editor.

Please as this is your newsletter you can be a part of it by sending your pictures with captions as where, when and how you caught the fish, .

You can also share with the club those memorable trips in your youth or anywhere in between, about a great fishing trip or of how the big one got away.

We will also accept articles of fantasy or fiction

Also if you are running out of room for some of your fishing gear or are looking for good quality used gear , this is a great place to announce those items

If you have a great link to other clubs or web sites send them along .

You can forward such items to me: Ken McKinnon at wildturkeyflyer@gmail.com

Or continue to send them to Deborah at littlebee7@yahoo.com

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Gold Rush Chapter #733 Membership

Welcome New Members: Steve Dotson, Emile Foisy, Ben Traic, Randy Johnson, Josh Turner, Howard Banks, Seth Kirkland, Victor Wallace, Tony Page, Daniel Bosanko, Frog Hollow Fly Fishing, John and Kenny Simmons

Renewed/Contributed: Richard Trotter

Soon to Expire, RENEW TODAY: Angela Arnold, Jack Barnett, Harley Cofield, Raymond Deblois, Thomas Paholski, Ron Peterson, Dennis Pitts, Scott Surlis

Expired, renew immediately: Trent Conner, Scott Goss, Edward Robinson

You can join/renew by logging on to www.tu.org or calling 1-800-834-2419

Upcoming Events

- 1-3 May – SE TU Rally, Hungry Mother, see www.tu.org
5 May – Gold Rush Chapter Meeting – Lumpkin Co High School students and basic stream monitoring by John Vermont project
9 May – Blue Ridge Chapter Fundraiser – High Country Boil, 530pm, see www.blueridgetu.com
10 May – Mothers Day
16 May – Stover Creek Workday
23 May – Betty Creek Workday for Trout Camp
28-30 May – SE FFF Conclave at Calloway Gardens
30 May – TU Council Meeting, Blairsville, GA, 9am
7-12 Jun – TROUT CAMP. get your background check forms in now, if you plan to volunteer see www.tu.org Trout Camp

Stream of the Month

Make plans for these future fishing trips. If you would like to guide one of these trips or have a favorite stream you'd like to share with the chapter members, please let us know.

- Jan** Noontootla/Stover Creek Blue Ridge WMA
Feb Amicalola DH (flexible)
March Chattahoochee DH or Tallulah (Caddis Hatch)
April Chattooga DH Camping (Can't miss trip!!!)
May Davidson, NC (Green Drakes?)
June Upper Chattahoochee (Stockers and wild fish)
July Coopers/Rock Creek (Nice wet wading and dry fly action)
August Toccoa Tail water (Best bet)
Sept Stover/Three Forks
Oct Conasauga River, Cohutta Wilderness Area
Nov Smith's Creek DH
Dec Dukes Creek (flexible)

These are only suggestions of streams for each month, please feel free to contact any of our board members, many of our members volunteer their time and knowledge to take someone fishing on these and other waters.

May Stream of the Month

The STOTM for May is North Carolina's Davidson River, in the Pisgah National Forest near Brevard. The Davidson is a fairly large, easy to wade stream, with a good population of rainbows and browns especially in the fly-fishing only section. There should be some very good hatches at this time of the year, Hendricksons, Sulfurs, numerous caddis and (if you hit it lucky) Green Drakes.

The river is just north of Brevard. Follow 64 through Brevard and turn left on 276. Look for Davidson River Outfitters on the left. You can get your N.C. license here and also find out what's hatching. They might even sell you the hot pattern for the current conditions.

The river follows 276 for several miles and will be on your left. Numerous pull offs and parking areas give good access to the stream. The lower part of the river is heavily stocked and open to all types of fishing. Above Avery Creek, the regulations are fly-fishing only, catch and release. As you continue, Highway 276 leaves the Davidson where it intersects with FS 475. Turn left and cross the bridge on 475 to access the upper river (fish hatchery sign)

Camping is available at the Davidson River Campground, which is on your left on the lower part of the river. This is a large campground with several sections and hot showers.

I like to camp in the Riverbend area where it is a short walk to the fly-fishing only section.

Other streams in the area are Looking Glass Creek, North Mills River, and more.

I would give you directions to Brevard, but you'd swear there's a better way. Try Mapquest.

Anyone interested in this trip or possible being a guide, please contact Deborah Scott, littlebee7@yahoo.com

