

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, 7 July 2009 Program: Program begins at 7 PM. The program for July 7 will feature Kenny Simmons on the proper way to photograph your fish on the beautiful Chastatee River at Frog Hollow

SPECIAL MEETING PLACE

FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE AND JULY GOLD RUSH CHAPTER TU: WILL MEET AT FROG HOLLOW FOR OUR MONTHLY MEETING ANYONE NEEDING DIRECTIONS THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS

Head out of Dahlonega on past the Wal-Mart GA52 turn East (right) on Cavender Creek road go ____ miles turn north (left) on Town creek church rd for 1.8 miles to Roy Grinddle Rd 0.8 miles turn right to Frog Hollow Rd. 1.0 miles dead ends park in field and look for the crowd

We will be cooking picnic style on the grounds

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

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Hey Folks! I want to send a special “Thank you” to John and Kenny Simmons for allowing us to have our meetings at Frog Hollow the past two months, your hospitality is greatly appreciated and we sure have enjoyed our time there. Our August meeting will be back at Camp Glisson.

Saturday August 1, will be our Stover Creek workday, hope all of you are making plans to attend, we still have several hours we need to get in to meet our grant commitment. Hope everyone is having a great summer. I will be off to Lexington, Ky. soon, to do my horse thing. Lake Lanier sure has been busy, we took a few trips down below Chestatee Bay, and the water is absolutely gorgeous. Lake temps are up so the fish are deep, early morning top water spooks caught us some nice spots. We’ll be fly-fishing for gar, once the lake settles from the 4th of July traffic. If you just must go trout fishing, look for some cold water, or take a float down the “Hooch”, it’s all good!

FISH ON!

Deborah

**Gold Rush Chapter #733 Membership
Current up to 21 June 09**

Welcome New Members: Carl Bush, Ryan Tate

Renewed/Contributed: George Brinson, Frank Hodge, Jasper Keith

Soon to Expire, *RENEW TODAY:* Edward Anderson, Frank LeBaron, Todd Oliver, Ritchie Gilreath, D. Maxwell, Heyward Hosch

Expired, *renew immediately:* Henry Johnson, David Shirley, Boyd Young, Richard Smith, Douglas Powell, Joe Street, Edward Robinson, Trent Conner, Scott Goss, Raymond, DeBlois, Angela Arnold, Scott Surlis, Harley Cofield, Dennis Pitts, Jack Barnett, Ron Peterson, Davis Meyers, Dean Murray, Steve Hemphill, Robert Sellers, Alex Garner, Bradford Brannon, James Dunlap, Cordon Olson, Robert Thomas, Mike Neubauer, Bill Csuk

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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.

As you know TU National promoted a River Clean-UP Day on June 13 (or close to that date). Three Georgia chapters, **Gold Rush**, Blue Ridge Mountain and Upper Chattahoochee led clean up efforts on three different rivers. They were joined by TU volunteers from other chapters, civic groups and Boy Scouts. Pictures are being posted on the Council website as well as the chapter's site.

Thanks to all who helped and big thanks to Ron Cheslock of the UCCTU who was the state contact for TU National.

Charlie

Amicalola River Stream Cleanup

Members of Trout Unlimited's Gold Rush Chapter celebrated the 50th anniversary of the national organization of Trout Unlimited (T.U.), by coordinating a cleanup effort, June 13th. Work was performed by 16 participants consisting of both chapter members and volunteers. The cleanup task was conducted along a section of the Amicalola River, a coldwater trout stream, situated within the Dawson Wildlife Management Area. This particular tract was acquired several years ago by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources (DNR); large discarded items of trash & sections of several junk automobiles were located on the property at the time of purchase. T.U. members filled a donated 10 yard dumpster with items varying from miscellaneous trash and garbage to large objects like a rusting & perforated automobile door, and a wringer-type Kenmore washing machine. Items too large for removal will be covered with nearby tornado damaged trees, which will at the same time create a wildlife habitat. The cleanup effort was part of a cooperative and continuing partnership with the Georgia D.N.R., Dawson County, and private supporting partners.

The Mission of the Gold Rush Chapter is to conserve, protect, and restore the coldwater fisheries and their watersheds in the North Georgia area, while concurrently assisting the Trout Unlimited national organization at the national level. Members of the chapter are primarily residents of Lumpkin, Hall, and Dawson Counties. In addition to fishing the area trout streams, the chapter is involved with wide ranging projects such as stream improvement, brook trout habitat restoration, clinics & programs on basic through advanced fly fishing techniques, and educational partnerships with area high schools and universities. The chapter meets the first Tuesday of every month at Camp Glisson, Dahlonega, Georgia. For additional information see: www.golddrushtu.org

A special thanks to: Evans Garbage of Dawsonville for providing the Dumpster. Add the gold rush members that braved the heat and bugs to bet the job done.

