



NOTES FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT

The Little River Chapter Volunteer Recognition Program will recognize members for participation in any volunteer effort supported by LRCTU. In addition to all GSMNP Fisheries Department activities, this expanded program recognizes Chapter members for participation in all volunteer efforts sponsored by our Chapter. To ensure you are properly recognized for your contributions and to more accurately report our volunteer hours to TU National, be sure and enter your volunteer hours in the Chapter database accessed at www.LRCTU.org. Awards include LRCTU logo decals, safety vests, label pins, coffee mugs, T-Shirts, medallions, and a framed print.



LRCTU has been selected as an exhibitor for the Townsend Fall Festival on September 29 -30. We will focus on the legacy of fly fishing in the Smokies and the

importance of conserving our coldwater resources in and around GSMNP to preserve this fishery for future generations.

Our annual on-line auction is scheduled from November 20 to December 3. Proceeds from the auction support the GSMNP Fisheries Department. If you are interested in volunteering to assist with either the auction or the Festival, contact me at bishmoose@sbcglobal.net.

A special thanks to Gary Pickens and Harry Fetterman for their work on a significant upgrade to the LRCTU Website (www.LRCTU.org). The website has been updated to include current LRCTU projects, activities, and slide presentations from Monthly Chapter Meetings. If you haven't accessed the website in a while, now would be a good time to take a look.

It's the time of year when some of our members travel to look for bigger fish, different fish, more fish, and/or a change of scenery. If your traveling, be safe and remember to send some pictures to lrctu.newsletter@gmail.com so they can be shared with our Chapter.

Highlights of the August Chapter Meeting will include a feature presentation by Ian and Charity Rutter of R & R Fly Fishing, and details of the recently implemented Little River Chapter Volunteer Recognition Program. This will be a great opportunity to get caught up with Chapter activities and socialize with your friends.

Bob Bishop,
President

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

AUGUST 24 @ BLUETIK TAVERN IN MARYVILLE

Social hour starts at 6:00, program starts at 7:00, business meeting

Ordering from the menu will be in the meeting room from 6:15 to 6:30. After 6:30 you will need to order any food at the bar. Adult beverages must be ordered and paid at the bar.



Ian & Charity Rutter of R&R Fly Fishing will share Tips and Tales from their years of guiding and hosting anglers in the Great Smoky Mountains and beyond. Ian has been a guide since 1995 and Charity since 2002.

Over that time they have a few humorous and unlikely stories from their time on the water. From long weekends hosting camps at Hazel Creek, to weeks long trips to greater Yellowstone to the Florida Keys and barrier reef off the coast of Belize they have some fun stories with some great photos.

Come join the fun. You'll probably know some of the spots they're talking about as well as some of the characters in the stories

www.RandRFlyFishing.com

UPCOMING MEETING - SEPTEMBER 28

Sally Petrie from TWRA who is currently working on a Brook Trout restoration.

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Matt Kulp, NPS Fisheries, has emphasized that we stay within the limit of volunteers requested. Too many people causes confusion and there's not enough work for everyone. Richard Barnes will fill in volunteer names as he is contacted. It's first come, first serve. Because it's possible to have cancellations as conditions may change, he will schedule two more than requested to cover contingencies.

Richard Barnes, TN Coordinator, can be reached at canceler1@gmail.com or 949-

212-8480. TN opportunity will be designated (RB).

Mike Kesselring, NC Coordinator, can be reached at mikessel59@gmail.com or 828-736-6929. NC opportunity will be designated (MK).

Aug 28 - 31 - Hazel Creek 3-pass depletion. Strenuous field work. #Vol. 2 (MK) Call Matt Kulp for details at GSMNP Headquarters.

Sep 5 - 6 - Bunches and Flat Creek Evaluation (North Carolina side of the Park)
#Vol. 2 (MK)

High elevation Brook Trout electrofishing. Meet at Flat Creek Trailhead at 8:30 both days.

Sep 16 - Bi-monthly acid deposition sample (NC and TN) #Vol. 10 - 12 (RB) and (MK)

Sep 23 - Little River Trash pickup. Meet at Metcalf Bottoms picnic area 9:00 am. More information will be available in the September newsletters.

Nov 18 - Bi-monthly acid deposition sample (NC and TN) #Vol. 10 - 12 (RB) and (MK)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY WITH THE HIWASSEE CHAPTER

Hiwassee Chapter 640 will be hosting a Free women's camping and fishing retreat October 20th - 22nd at Tellico River. We already have 14 of the 15 spots for participants taken. We are needing to reach out to our other state chapters and see if they have any women that would like to come assist with guiding these women. It will not be like an actual guide day but just being there to fish along with a partner and provide help if needed. The women that come to volunteer will be taken care of just like the participants. We will arrive on Friday around 2pm and the men of Hiwassee chapter will set-up the women's tents or hammocks, do all of the cooking and cleaning, and break down camp on Sunday. The ladies get to enjoy fellowship and relaxation with other like minded women.

If you'd like to help out, contact Shane Boyd at tuhi640@gmail.com

TIE AND LIE - AUGUST 28 @ CASUAL PINT, MARYVILLE - 6:30



For those that have already volunteered to tie at our booth at the Townsend Fall Festival on September 29 - 30, we will be practicing several of the Appalachian Smoky Mountain flies. As always, anyone is invited. We're still looking for a couple of volunteers to spend 1 to 2 hours demonstrating. If you're interested, contact Ernie Frey at ernest.frey@comcast.net or Jimmy Jones at jonesjd@charter.net

To stay within the Festival's Appalachian theme, the following flies have been selected:

Dry Flies - Hazel Creek, Jim Charley, Haystack

Nymphs - Tellico nymph, Secret Weapon nymph, George nymph

Videos of some of these flies can be found on Youtube under Savage Flies' Appalachian Trout Smoky Mountain Series, or recipes and pictures can be found in Ian Rutter's Smoky Mountains Park Angler's Companion.

MEMBERS OUT THERE

Tim Hurst with a couple of Yellowstone Cutthroats on the Wiggins Creek and Soda Butte, both in Wyoming.



Dave Ezell with a nice bonefish down in the Turks & Caicos



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