



STREAMS OF THOUGHT - NOTES FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT

TROUT CAMP 2022

Next week, I will be sharing the joys (and tribulations!) of fly fishing in the Great Smoky Mountains with 14 youth at the 11th session of the John Thurman Trout Adventure Camp. While no longer the director (in fact maybe because of it!) I am looking forward to making new friends and sharing new fishing adventures with these campers along with working with the camp staff to make this happen! Trout Camp becomes more popular each year with over 40 applications again for this session. The dedication of the Camp Staff is essential to this popularity; each member volunteers their time to make this happen. We are always looking for more staff as others move on with their lives; a great place to make an impact on young people! Also, perhaps a prayer for their comfort this year as temps are to be in the 90s during the week—Yikes. An 'accidental' slip and slide into the creek may be a more common occurrence this week!

Tight Lines—Steve Y

LITTLE RIVER CHAPTER NEEDS A NEW TREASURER

Stan Starkey, long time member of LRCTU, and lately the Chapter Treasurer, has retired from his paying job. They are planning to travel and fish (and catch!) every state in the Union (what's in Hawaii?). Congratulations to Stan for retirement and long time service to the Chapter. However that leaves us in need of a replacement. Our treasury is solid with a modicum of expenses and income along with some once a year reporting to TU National. If you are interested please contact Steve at steve_y@earthlink.net or 832-256-33228. Thanks in advance.

MEETING - No meeting this month - It's Trout Camp Time!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- July 21** - Little River Chapter picnic at River John's
- August** - No meeting
- September 22** - Cody from Tellico Outfitters

GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAIN FISHERIES VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Richard Barnes (TN side of the Park) at canceleer1@gmail.com or Mike Kesselring (NC side of the Park) at mikessel59@gmail.com for more information

- June 21 - Rivercourse at Lake Logan on Big East Fork Pigeon River
- June 24 - Trout Camp electrofishing demo
- June 27-28 - Anthony Creek trout restoration evaluation
- July 11 - Large stream IBI sample (Cataloochee)
- July 12 - Large stream IBI sample (Little River at White Oak Branch)
- July 13 - Large stream IBI sample (East Prong Little River/West Prong Little Pigeon)
- July 14 - Large stream IBI sample (West Prong Little Pigeon)
- July 16-17 - Bi-monthly acid deposition sample (NC & TN)
- July 18-20 - Population Sampling @ Little Cataloochee Creek
- Aug 17-18 - Bunches & Flat Creek Evaluation
- Aug 20 - Sept 1 - Hazel Creek 3-pass depletion and IBI sampling

LITTLE RIVER CHAPTER BY-LAWS

Ernie Frey has agreed to review the Chapter's by-laws and to present his findings to the Board for their approval. One of two Articles of the By-Laws will be presented in each month's newsletter for the Chapter Membership to review. If you wish to make any comments, please forward them to lrcu.newsletter@gmail.com

Article V - Board of Directors

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of no fewer than six (6) members in addition to the officers listed in Article III above. These six members shall be elected to serve a three-year term, and, in order to provide for continuity, their terms should be staggered so that no more than one-third of the Directors' terms expire in a given year.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the general supervision of the Chapter's affairs.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall meet no less than three times per year. Special meetings may be called by the President or upon the request of at least four members (4) of the Board.

Section 4. Five (5) members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum and a majority vote of those present is required.

Section 5. Notice of any special meeting must be given **in writing** at least seven (7) days in advance.

Section 6. The Board of Directors may create additional elected offices as deemed necessary.

Section 7. All committee chairpersons may, if requested by the Board, also serve as active members of the Board of Directors.

Comments on Article V

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Article VI - Committees

Section 1. Committees should represent the following functions:

- A. Communications, internal and external – Communicate with the chapter membership and the outside world, including the national office.
- B. Membership – oversee membership services, such as updating and correcting the master list, and membership development to build and sustain membership (i.e., following through to seek renewals from members whose renewal date is coming up).
- C. Resource Management and Protection – focus the Chapter on activities, which directly support Trout Unlimited's mission of conserving, protecting, and restoring coldwater fisheries and their watersheds.
- D. Financial Development – build the fund-raising capability of the Chapter so that there is sufficient funding for the Chapter's activities and projects.
- E. Leadership Development -- constantly focus on the need to provide a continuous flow of new leaders by implementing the programs outlined in the Leadership Development Manual. This committee should also serve as a nominating committee to build a base of elected officers and directors who will become the future leaders of the Chapter.

Section 2- Special committees may be appointed by the President as necessary with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 3- Selection of committee members shall be the responsibility of the respective committee chairpersons

Comments on Article VI - Committees

None

TIE AND LIE - MONDAY, JUNE 27 @ CASUAL PINT, MARYVILLE - 6:30 - ?

This month's feature for the Tie and Lie night is our **Jimmy Jones' Improved Neversink Caddis**.

Please bring yellow thread. Jimmy will bring the rest of the materials listed in the recipe below. If you don't have the supplies or tools, let us know at lrcu.newsletter@gmail.com so extra supplies and tools will be available.

MATERIALS LIST:

- Hook:** Standard Dry Fly Hook 1X, Sizes 12 to 16
- Thread:** Yellow 8/0 (70 denier)
- Flash:** Krystal Flash (Root Beer/Pearl or Yellow)
- Abdomen:** 2.2 mm Craft Foam (Yellow)
- 1 mm Dish Packing Bubble Wrap
- Wing:** Natural Elk Hair
- Hackle:** Barred Medium Ginger or Brown



LRCTU HOLDS FLY TYING EVENT AT THE BLOUNT COUNTY LIBRARY

Ernie and Joyce Frey, along with Will Davis, Jim Jollay, Jimmy Jones, and John Skinner taught a fly tying class as part of the Library's Adult Summer Reading Program. The Green Weenie, Caddis Worm, Wolly Bugger, and Parachute Adams were tied by the 11 attendees.

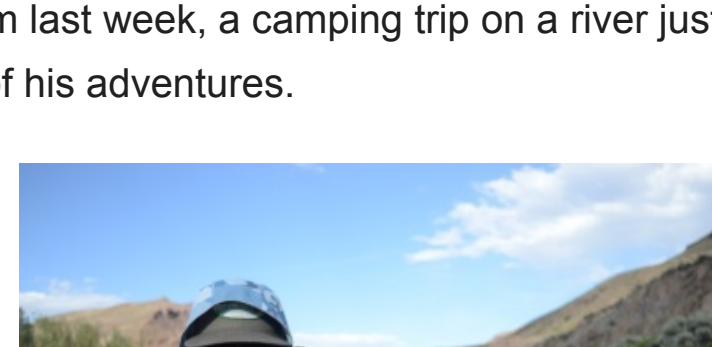
A casting class on the Library lawn, also part of their Summer Program, will be taught on July 16. Both courses were offered free, but registration is required and limited to 15. We'll be needing some volunteers to help with the casting class.



WHERE'S WILL?

Our very own Will Davis graduated high school this month and headed west for the summer before heading off to college.

LRCTU sponsored Will at Trout Camp in 2017. Since then he has become quite a fisherman and fly tier. The last couple of years he has volunteered at Trout Camp, as well as several other Chapter events. He has attended several youth fishing competitions around the country and was a Celebrity Tier at the Atlanta Fly Expo in 2020 and 2022. He sent these pictures from last week, a camping trip on a river just into Idaho. Hopefully we'll be seeing more of his adventures.



NEW MEMBERS as of the 15th of the prior month

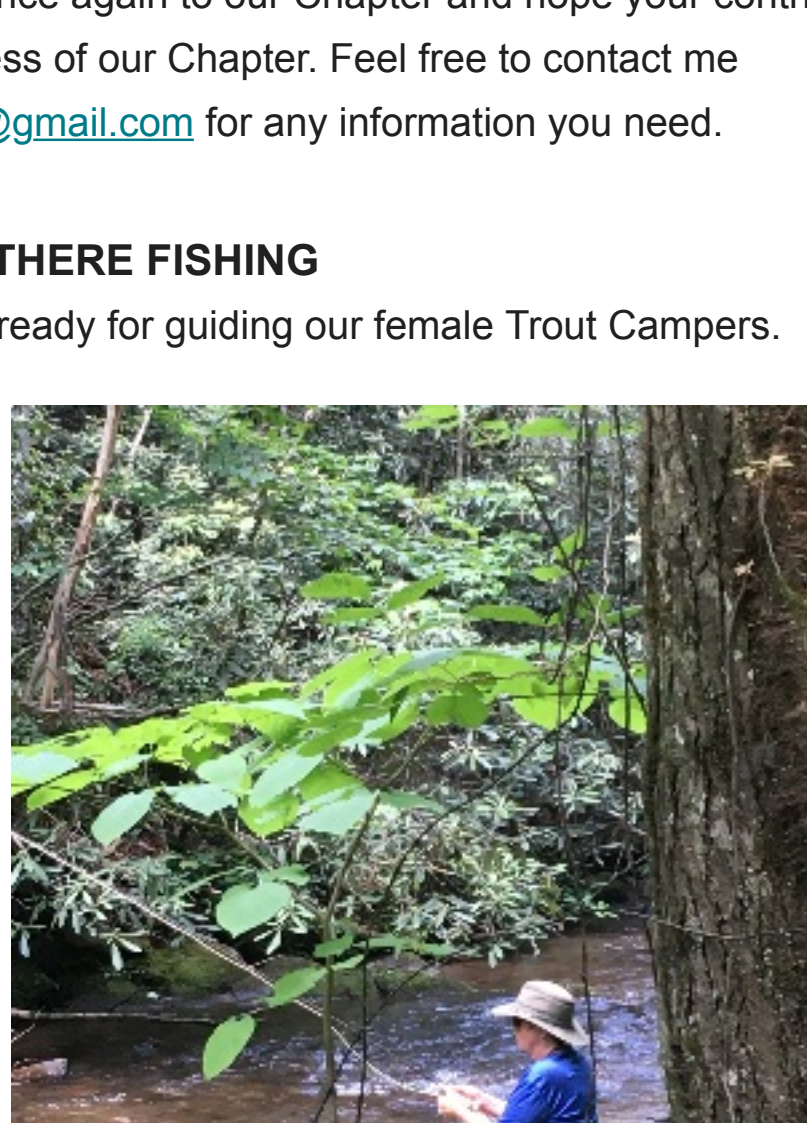
- Jane Boling
- Lee Crisp
- Jerry Widner

Welcome to the Little River Chapter of TU. Our Chapter was established 60 years ago as a nonprofit volunteer organization committed to protecting and restoring cold water resources and watersheds in and around the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. We hope to be able to offer you plenty of activities to join us in our mission. As a member you will receive our monthly newsletter issued around the 15th of each month. In addition, you will also receive email notifications of any activities that may be happening during the month. As you can see above, our live meeting is the 4th Thursday of each month, held at the Bluetick Tavern in Maryville. Social hour starts at 6:00 with chapter business and the month's program beginning at 7:00. Feel free to visit our website at lrcu.org or contact any of the Board Members for information.

We welcome you once again to our Chapter and hope your contribution will help greatly in the success of our Chapter. Feel free to contact me at lrcu.newsletter@gmail.com for any information you need.

MEMBERS OUT THERE FISHING

Kim Emery getting ready for guiding our female Trout Campers.



Enjoy your summer fishing adventures!

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