

THE CLINCH RIVER ANGLER

NOVEMBER CHAPTER MEETING

When: November 10, 7 pm

Who: Scott Baker, one of the most creative and artistic fly tiers in this half of the country. (Thanks to Buzz Buffington for arranging for this special speaker!)

What: 1. Demonstration of fly tying, including the Hackle-Back Stone fly, which Buzz refuses to touch for fear of getting bitten.

2. Election of Officers/ Board Nominees:

President – Clayton Gist

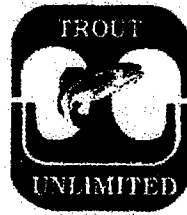
Vice President-Denny McMahan
Secretary/Treasurer-Carol Moore

Where: St. Francis" Episcopal Church in Norris

Holiday Swap Festival -December 8, 7 pm. Bring anything fish or wildlife related. Many favorable comments accompanied this swap last year. Refreshments served. Bring family and friends (not for swapping) for a fun evening.

MEMBERS IN ACTION

Oct. 28-Coal Creek Health Day, This year was different from the past four years when the kids at Briceville School received free medical & dental exams. Using nearby Coal Creek as the "lab", the focus this year was on how the health of the creek parallels the health of the students and the environment. Volunteers from the Coal Creek Watershed, our TU chapter, TVA and UT joined in helping the kids collect and study creek critters, creek ecology, casting and fly tying



The Clinch River Chapter -
dedicated to conserving,
protecting and restoring the
natural environment of the
Clinch River Watershed

Dec. 3, 10 or 17- Riverbank Stabilization Projects-

trees and vegetation will be planted to complete our two bank stabilization projects: the Hayes bank and the Briceville School bank.

TWRA'S DEADLINE NEARS FOR COMMENTS TO THEIR "TROUT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR TENNESSEE"

TWRA is requesting written comments, by November 20, to its first draft of this plan. Comments will be used to complete the plan. Their Mission Statement and Goals are listed below. Details are available from their web site, www.state.tn.us/twra/troutplan05.pdf. Only written responses will be accepted-they may be e-mailed using the link from their web site or mailed to: Trout Plan
Fisheries Division
PO Box 40747
Nashville, TN 37204

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TROUT UNLIMITED AND EPA ANNOUNCE MAJOR NEW PARTNERSHIP TO RESTORE ABANDONED MINES

A joint effort was announced recently to restore abandoned hardrock mines that threaten fisheries and community drinking water. The EPA-named Good Samaritan Initiative is designed to clean up gold, silver and other hardrock mines where the responsible party is unknown.

This innovative agreement will be a tool to clean up abandoned mines, such as the western headwaters where about 40% are affected. TU will clean up the sites which pose the greatest risk to fisheries and water quality. The 2-3 year project is estimated to cost \$300,000.

ANGLER'S CORNER

Let the mercury be a guide! In high water, colder than 50 degrees, fish nymphs, jigs or natural bait slowly along the bottom.

If the red line is in the 50-70 degree range, trout and their natural foods are more active. Caddis and mayflies will emerge in the higher flows. Try streamers and minnow like plugs along the edges and areas of lesser current.

**CLINCH RIVER
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CONTACTS-2005**

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(Look for an activity which appeals to your interests and contact the lead person for more information or to volunteer your efforts.)

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Mision Statement: "Provide a variety of trout angling opportunities that are compatible with Tennessee's other aquatic resources"

Management Goals:

1. Conserve Tennessee's native, southern Appalachian brook trout.
2. Protect all wild trout waters from habitat degradation.
3. Integrate trout management with protection of native aquatic ecosystems.
4. Maintain a variety of trout fisheries.
5. Increase access to trout fisheries.
6. Effectively communicate with all trout anglers
7. Optimize use of hatchery trout.
8. Produce more trout for hatchery-supported fisheries
9. Stocked trout.
10. Improve water quality below dams.
11. Manage reservoir trout fisheries for large fish.
12. Make it easier to go trout fishing in Tennessee
13. Expand trout fishing opportunities for children.
14. Develop more trout fisheries in middle Tennessee.
15. Be prepared to meet Tennessee's future trout management challenges.

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