

THE CLINCH RIVER ANGLER

CHAPTER MEETINGS

When: Saturday, December 12,
6 pm

What: Chapter Christmas Party
Bring favorite hors d'oeuvres,
salad, vegetable, dessert or what-
ever (no road kills!)

Where: the home in Norris of
chapter president,, Frances Oates
and husband, Gene: 112 W. Nor-
ris Road (.2 mile south of our
regular monthly meeting place at
St. Francis Episcopal Church).
Look for a pale green home with
red trim and Christmas lights on
the front railing-set behind a
semi-circular, grassy commons.
Parking is limited-may want to
car pool from Church parking
lot.

Notify Frances if you plan to at-
tend (see "Officers", Page 2).

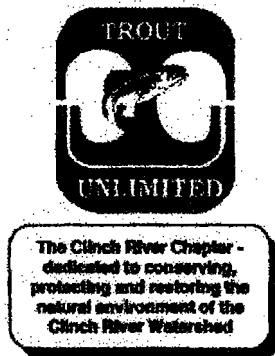
January 14-Dave Teffeteller,
fly fishing in central Patagonia
February 11-efforts are being
made for Ian Rutter, noted area
guide and author, to speak.

COAL CREEK PRESERVA- TION EFFORTS

(CRCTU is partnered with the Coal
Creek Watershed Foundation)

These preservation efforts are in
progress:

**11. Coal Creek Bank Project
No. 5**- the first work phase has
been completed on our fifth bank
stabilization/flood mitigation
project. TVA will furnish trees,
and as soon as they are available
we will have a volunteer work
day to plant them. This project
was funded by FEMA and
Anderson County, with trees and
permitting assistance from TVA.



2. Briceville Church-Phase II
of the restoration work at the
church, built by Welsh miners, is
complete. The church was
placed on the National Register
of Historic Places in 2005. This
effort was partially funded
through a grant from the Tennes-
see Historical Commission.

3. Militia Hill Parking Area-
Fort Anderson was built by the
Tennessee National Guard in
1892, as a base to fight miners
who opposed using convicts in
TN coal mines during the Coal
Creek War.

In our first work day, earlier this
year, the trash dump area adja-
cent to the fort was cleared,
graded and covered with crushed
stone. This parking are will be
expanded into a larger parking
area after restoration work is
complete and before the site is
opened to the public.

(Thanks to Carol Moore for this input)

LINES FROM FRANCES
(Frances Oates is our chapter president)

Teaching youngsters about
aquatic biology is one of our
chapter goals. Our work with
the Boy Scouts is a new project .

aimed at helping meet that goal.
Boys responded with gratifying
enthusiasm to our first session
with the scouts this fall.
Bill Guinn is working with area
scouting leadership to plan our
part in the Pellissippi District
2010 Spring Camporee, May 1-3
along the Clinch behind Second
Baptist Church. We expect not
only to make classroom-style
presentations at the Camporee, but
to work individually with scouts
on those merit badges for which
we have expertise.

Volunteers so far to serve as merit
badge counselors are Steve
Brown, Terry Douglas, Dick Gei-
ger, Clayton Gist, Denny
McMahan, Bill Shipman and John
Thurman. More volunteers are
needed, both men and women. If
you enjoy working with kids,
please contact Bill Guinn (see
page 2) —you can make a real dif-
ference in awakening boys' inter-
est in aquatic biology. That can
lead them to TU membership and
an active part in protecting and
enhancing the biological health of
the Clinch tailwater.

TACKLE TIPS By Chapter member, Buzz Buffington

TVA's aggressive generation for
the past couple of months has
made it very frustrating wanting to
fish the tailwaters. An alternative
is to try some of the Delayed Har-
vest Areas. Tennessee and North
Carolina each stock several
streams to provide catch-and-

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John Thurman

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release fishing through the winter months. In Tennessee try Paint Creek (Green County); Tellico River (Monroe County); and the Gatinburg area streams in Sevier County including the West Prong Little Pigeon River, Dudley Creek, Roaring Fork and Leconte Creek. Regulations and boundaries vary for each stream so consult TWRA fishing regulations. In North Carolina a convenient stream is the Shelton Laues about 5 miles past the town of Hot Springs. A NC license is available

to purchase on-line at www.ncwildlife.org/Apps/Purchase/License/Selection1.asp

Fish any of these as you would a mountain stream. Large, flash nymphs work well. Use barbless hooks for easy release.

Happy holidays and good fishing!

**CRCTU 2009-2010 STRATEGIC
PLAN EMPHASIZES YOUTH
EDUCATION**

Goal 3; Contribute to youth education regarding aquatic biology and increase public awareness of the economic and ecological significance of the Clinch River tailwater.

Objective One: Provide aquatic natural resources educational opportunities for area youth.

Project 4-Anderson County High School Advanced Biology class: in May 2009, we conducted an aquatic ecology field trip which included a session on the watershed concept and a Benthic Index of Biotic Integrity survey of aquatic invertebrates in Hinds Creek. We also provided the Back the Brookie educational DVD, which also generated interest.

Action: Participate in biology field trip

Manager: John Thurman

Schedule: May, 2010

Cooperator: Anderson County High School

Project 5: Work with Boy Scouts
Our chapter met with local scouts in the spring, 2009, and agreed on two projects; one in September (Completed) and a second in the spring of 2010 which is the planning stage (see page 1, "Lines from Frances").

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