



Northern Virginia

# TROUTLINE

NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

MARCH/APRIL 2023

## CALENDAR

### March

#### 2 March

7:30 In-Person Member Meeting

#### 9 March

7:30 Virtual Board Meeting

### April

#### 6 April

7:00 Virtual Member Meeting

#### 13 April

7:30 Virtual Board Meeting

### May

#### 4 May

7:30 In-Person Member Meeting

#### 11 May

7:30 Virtual Board Meeting

### June

#### 1 June

7:00 Virtual Member Meeting

#### 8 June

7:30 Virtual Board Meeting

**The In-Person Chapter Meetings are held at:**

**Vienna Volunteer Fire Department:**

**400 Center Street S. Vienna, VA 22180**

## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

The year is shaping up to be a good one for the chapter, with our activity list building out. You can get information on these pages, in the calendar section of the chapter website and via our regular informational emails.

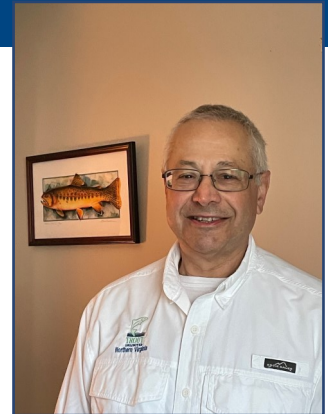
The February Zoom Chapter meeting had a great presentation on Pacific Northwest fishing opportunities. Several members have already talked about scheduling a trip out there or adding fishing to trips already planned. One of the things that has come with the advent of Zooming is that we have many more potential speakers, from virtually anywhere.

At the time I'm typing this, little black stoneflies have had some prolific hatches. From the pictures I've seen, particularly the big fish caught by Kiki Galvin at Catocin Creek Park in Maryland, there have been some nice fish caught. The park was the destination for one of our Fish With A Member trips in December, showing people who had not been there a nice fishing

spot that is nearby. We have great leaders for the Fish With A Member trips, Gregg, Matt, Owen, Brook, and George as advisor supreme. They are willing to share their extensive knowledge on the rivers and help make the day go smoother.

Being the time of year for shows, it was good to get out to the Virginia Fly Fishing and Wine Festival and see a lot of you. There were some great seminars including the "Beyond the Cast Women's Symposium". I got to see our friends from the Rapidan Chapter at their show last weekend. While I didn't win a trip (this time) I did come home with a raffle prize, always a fun way to end the day.

Many of you are members of our Facebook group and visit regularly, everyone should join. Scott Russell does a phenomenal job as our Facebook administrator. There is always new, useful and/or fun information and videos. The information might be fishing tips from the pros, upcoming chapter activities, trip pictures and results



from members, Climate and Conservation news and volunteer opportunities. It's also a great place to reach out and see if anyone is interested on joining you on a day of fishing that you are planning.

For any new members, the NVATU Guide to Day Fishing Trips is an invaluable resource. It lists local streams with directions, advice on flies, gear, GPS coordinates, parking locations and trail information where needed. You can order it through the chapter website [www.novatu.org](http://www.novatu.org).

-- Tony Hill

## IN MEMORIAM

### Jack Cason

I was saddened to hear that Jack Cason died on November 5 last year. He was enjoying what he loved even more that flyfishing-at an archery meet in Florida. He was a chapter member for a few years beginning about 10 years ago. He was 89. He was a kind, generous soul with a strong constitution from a life of hard work who fished the park and the Rappahannock with us. He was best known for saying, "If the cows are standing up, the fish will be biting." He won the archery gold medal in 2022 and gold medals in the previous seven National Senior Games, dating back to the 2009 Games in the San Francisco area. He set the 85-89

age group record at the 2017 Games, in Birmingham, AL. He also hunted wild turkey with a bow and had another career as a printer, the kind who set his own type! Jack worked with the St. Petersburg Fire Department for 20 years and was a Fire Lieutenant the last eight years of his career before he retired. He spent five years in the fire safety department at Yellowstone National Park, during summer months in a program for retirees.

### Gary Beard

We lost Gary on January 12th after a struggle with Parkinson's and cancer. He was a gentle soul and a great friend who generously give

his time with Trout in the Classroom and rod building classes. Even as he suffered with back problems and cancer treatments, he continued to support the TIC teachers delivering eggs and equipment. Gary often spoke of fishing crappie and bass with his son and grandson on the Occoquan River and for trout with friends on the Thornton River in Sperryville.. Gary majored in fisheries biology at Humboldt State where he graduated in 1960. He worked with fish inspections in Hawaii and California.

Both Jack and Gary will be sorely missed.

-- George Paine

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

### MARCH SPEAKER (IN-PERSON)

#### Brendin Hawkins



**B**rendin Hawkins will be presenting on Trout in Eastern WV. His presentation will cover the three species and a few streams where they can be found. He'll go into depth of each stream covering tactics and flies for each season.

This promises to be a very helpful presentation covering streams we can fish on a day trip.

For much of his tenure, Brendin has been the lead instructor for the Orvis 1- and 2-Day Fly Fishing Schools instructing people from all over the East Coast. In addition to instructing the schools, Brendin spends a majority of his season guiding in Southwestern Pennsylvania and Western Maryland. During the off-season, Brendin spends his time as a ski instructor at Nemaquin as well.

Outside of the job, Brendin enjoys his time on the water and introducing friends to the sport. His passion within fly fishing is dry fly fishing. Brendin spends his off days during the spring chasing hatches all over PA, MD, and WV. Brendin is also a volunteer for Project Healing Waters and has participated in several events including, instruction and guiding.

### APRIL SPEAKERS(ZOOM)

#### Ami Riscossi



**A**mi's talk will include an overview of how acid deposition impacts fish in mountain streams, a brief history of the VTSSS program as well as how acid emissions have changed in the US since the passage of the Clean Air Act Amendments. A summary of the VTSSS 2021 sampling event, including key personnel and statistics on TU involvement as well how to access the data online, will be provided. Stream chemistry and associated habitat suitability for samples collected in 2021 will be evaluated. Chemical trends, based on data collected in all four survey years, will be presented in the context of concurrent changes in atmospheric deposition. The talk will conclude with a summary of VTSSS findings and a discussion of future concerns about brook trout habitat suitability in a changing climate.

For more information: <https://uva.theopenscholar.com/vtsss2021>.

#### Jim Wilson



**J**im Wilson, a member of TU's Climate Change Working Group, and the Chair of the VA Council of TU will speak on effect of climate change in Virginia.

## NOTICE OF ELECTIONS

**D**uring the March Member Meeting the chapter will hold elections. Up for reelection this cycle are three board positions: Kiki Galvin, Steve Peters, and Jim Wilson; all three have agreed to re-nomination. Daniel Lazenby has decided to step down from his board position. If you are interested in becoming involved with the chapter leadership we will take nominations from the floor or you can send an email to: [pres-vicepres@novatu.org](mailto:pres-vicepres@novatu.org).

## FLY OF THE MONTH [FLY RECIPES AND PHOTOS BY JOHN HADLEY]

### March/April: Clouser Minnow



March/April 2023 Fly of the Month to be demonstrated by John Hadley, at the March meeting, is the Clouser Minnow.

Bring your vice, bobbin, black thread, scissors, etc. John will bring a couple vices/tools for those wanting to try their hand at tying this fly. Materials will be provided to tie a couple flies. He plans to start tying at 6:30 pm.

**Originator:** Bob Clouser, fly shop owner and guide, created the Clouser Minnow in 1987 to catch smallmouth bass on the Susquehanna River. The original Clouser pattern was tied with bucktail and krystal

flash to imitate a minnow. The Clouser can be tied in a variety of color and material combinations and the availability of synthetic hair materials makes it possible to represent any bait fish.

The Clouser Minnow will catch trout, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, and a variety of saltwater fish. Best tied on a rotating vice. The weight attachment on top of the hook will cause the hook point to ride up thus lessening the chance of snagging the bottom. The krystal flash and or flashabou extending beyond the end of the hair tail adds to the illusion of tail movement.

#### Techniques and materials to be learned:

- \* Attach barbell eyes
- \* Use of various colors of bucktail and krystal flash/flashabou to form a body

#### Recipe:

- \* Hook: Mustad 3407, Tiemco 811S or equivalent. Sizes 2/0 to 10 or even

smaller.

- \* Thread: 3/0 monocord, color to match back, black 6/0 will be fine for the demo
- \* Eyes: lead or non-lead barbell eyes
- \* Body: Traditionally a mix of three bucktail colors: white for belly; olive, green, yellow, chartreuse, or blue for middle; and a dark color (black or brown) for the back; with Krystal flash and/or flashabou in the center and/or on the sides extending past end of the tail
- \* Head: tapered thread; may be finished off with epoxy

#### Fishing Tip:

Fish like any streamer; across and down on moving water or out to likely spot in still water, let sink to near the bottom then take in a few strips and let it sink again, etc. The off-center weight imparts an undulating motion as you vary stripping speed.

## NEW MEMBERS

### December 2022

|                           |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Clarence & Nancy Brown    | Northern VA    |
| Donald Brown              | Colonial Beach |
| Brandon Farley            | Lorton         |
| Lewis Gelobter            | Leesburg       |
| Mason & Palmer Kasprovicz | Reston         |
| Robert Korman, Jr.        | Woodbridge     |
| Thane S Lohr              | Fairfax        |
| Grace Lucas               | Brambleton     |
| Schuyler Merritt          | Springfield    |
| Nate Miller               | Arlington      |
| Peter Norcross            | Arlington      |
| Daniel Ohlstein           | Alexandria     |
| Maxwell Rollins           | Alexandria     |
| Dana Schlafman            | Leesburg       |

Ernest Snowden  
John Stevens  
Justin Sutters  
Matthew Walker

Mc Lean  
Alexandria  
Herndon  
Alexandria

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|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Ana Maria Gray            | Arlington       |
| Michael Jones             | Fairfax         |
| Rochelle and Blake Kanipe | Arlington       |
| John Kerschensteiner      | Ashburn         |
| JM Kesterson              | Alexandria      |
| Marcus Littman            | Alexandria      |
| Alexis Marx               | Stafford        |
| Matt Mitchell             | Lovettsville    |
| Marken Orser              | Fairfax Station |
| Asa Pettigre              | Alexandria      |
| Marie Quinn               | Arlington       |
| Kurt Schwoppe             | Woodbridge      |
| Daniel Squair             | Clifton         |
| Kyle Storey               | Lovettsville    |
| Paul Turowicz             | Arlington       |
| Andrew Uglov              | Stafford        |
| Pete White                | Arlington       |

### January 2023

Vanessa Avanzini  
Samuel Blazek  
James Bowerman  
Jason Broadwater  
Johnathan Davidson  
Dan Easley  
Monica Gamboa  
Rohit Gosai

Leesburg  
Falls Church  
Arlington  
Arlington  
Arlington  
McLean  
Alexandria  
Arlington

## 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FLY TYING MARATHON



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The Quantico and Fort Belvoir Programs of Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Inc. will host the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Fly Tying Marathon in the main gallery of the National Museum of the Marine Corps on Saturday, March 11, 2023 from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Flies created at the event will be distributed to programs across the nation for use at fly fishing events throughout the year. Fly tyers can sign up for a shift from 9:00am to 1:00pm, 1:00pm to 5:00pm, or for both shifts. Please indicate if you would like a sandwich based meal during your shift.

Fly tyers must preregister by email to: [chris.thompson@projecthealingwaters.org](mailto:chris.thompson@projecthealingwaters.org). Registration is first come, first serve. For further information contact the event coordinator at: 540-287-6486.



Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the physical and emotional rehabilitation of disabled and wounded Veterans and Service Members. PHWFF provides fly fishing, fly casting, fly tying and rod building opportunities to its participants at NO COST.

Fly tyers must provide their own materials and tools. Recommended patterns include, but are not limited to:

|                 |                 |                |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Wooly Buggers   | Clouser Minnows | Copper Johns   |
| Hare's Ears     | Prince Nymphs   | Pheasant Tails |
| Muddler Minnows | Lefty's         | Poppers        |
|                 | Deceivers       | Slump Busters  |
|                 | Surf Candies    |                |
|                 | Half and Halves |                |
|                 | Chironomids     |                |
| Royal Wulfs     | Elk Hair Caddis | Midges         |
| Whistlers       | Gurgie Bugs     | Soft Hackles   |
|                 |                 | Nymphs         |

Tyers may request a tax deductible receipt on site from event personnel.



## MERCHANDISE / MARKETING MANAGER

The Chapter is looking for an enterprising individual to take on the role of managing and marketing the Chapter's merchandise. This role plays a key part in promoting the Chapter and is a positive source of revenue. This role does not require an extensive amount of time to execute. Responsibilities include maintaining custody of the Chapter merchandise, maintaining an accurate and up-to-date inventory of all items and associated values, providing merchandise for sale at monthly meetings, events, direct purchase, and web (future), procuring merchandise (e.g., Chapter logo items), coordinating with the treasurer for billing, payments, and purchases, and reporting the value of fiscal inventory levels for Chapter year-end reporting. Taking on this role is practically turnkey. This is a turnkey operation. If interested send an email to: [pres-vicepres@novatu.org](mailto:pres-vicepres@novatu.org).

## FISH WITH A MEMBER

### MARCH

#### Piney Branch - Virginia

**When:** March 4

**Depart:** 8 a.m.

**Return:** Whenever

**Meet:** Starbucks in Fair Lakes Shopping Center ([map](#))

Depending on the weather, we will go either the top or the bottom of the Piney.

The only license you need is a current Virginia license.; however if we embark on the Piney from the upper section, a Shenandoah National Park pass (or Annual Parks Pass) will be required to enter.

The terrain can be steep at times, so pack light and bring water to keep you hydrated. Hip boots will be all you need to fish this stream. It will take a few warm days to get the fish moving. If we get lucky, you may see some black winter stoneflies, and if trout are rising it is a good bet they are taking these small stoneflies. These small (size 18-20) flies can be fished behind a larger dry fly or piece of poly yarn. Both serve as a visual reference because you won't be able to see the stonefly. If a fish rises in the vicinity of your fly, set the hook. Small parachute Adams work well even when fish aren't rising. Working upstream with short casts and keeping the slack out of your line works

best. Try to keep the end of your fly line pointed upstream. If the line stops or moves upstream, lift your rod to set the hook. I would suggest trying an ant pattern like Orvis foam Look-Up ant in size 14 or smaller as the trout appear to mistake them for winter stoneflies. Another fly that works well is the green weenie, which imitates caddis larvae that are common in Park streams. Carry flies in several different sizes. A final tip to avoid getting lost on the return: stay on the [Piney Branch Trail](#), and don't turn onto the Piney Ridge Trail. Remember that fish live in "branches" but not on ridges!

-- Gregg Rockett

#### Beaver Creek - Maryland

**When:** March 18

**Depart:** 8:00 a.m.

**Return:** You Decide

**Meet:** Orvis-Leesburg Parking Lot ([map](#))

We will fish the portion of Beaver Creek that is catch and release only, which runs from its confluence with Black Rock Creek downstream about 1 mile to a red post about

0.1 miles above Beaver Creek Road. The area downstream of the red post is private and posted. The put and take areas upstream of the catch and release area are closed from March 5<sup>th</sup> to March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Beaver Creek is a challenging, medium-sized spring creek that is Maryland's only major limestone spring creek fishery. Effective patterns include scuds, midge pupae, bird of pretty caddis nymph and Dave Whitlock's red fox squirrel. Dead drifting from

upstream with dry, dropper rigs is effective. In the spring, 5x leaders and tippets work fine. Avoid lining the water as this is sure to send these wary trout scurrying for cover.

A valid Maryland license will be needed and remember that felt-soled wading boots are banned in that State. Chest waders and a 4 wt. or 5 wt. rod should suffice.

-- Matt Kozak

## FISH WITH A MEMBER

### APRIL

#### Rapidan River - Virginia

**When: April 1**

**Depart: 8 a.m.**

**Return: Whenever**

**Meet: Starbucks in Fair Lakes Shopping Center ([map](#))**

The first trip in April is to the Rapidan River. *If the road to the middle section is still in bad shape, we will fish the Rapidan/Staunton near Graves Mill near where the Rapidan leaves the Park.*

Make sure you have a current Virginia license, and remember this is a catch and release only stream. Spring is officially here

so there should be plenty of bug life. We've had better precipitation this year and as a result park streams are up for the moment.

You should find a variety of medium, and even some larger bug hatches. You can always do well with a size 12 Quill Gordon, or a size 14 or 16 Mr. Rapidan, Blue Quill, or Royal Wulff. As for insects, look for ants--big Carpenter Ants. Don't know what it is about ants that make trout go nuts. If you like dry fly fishing, the ant is probably the easiest hatch to match. There is something about a splashy and voracious take on an ant that is addictive. Even, if nothing is rising, brookies will often hit a dry fly. If you nymph, a size

14 or 16 Hare's Ear, flash-back Pheasant Tail, and Prince nymphs, fished deep and allowed to tumble along the bottom, or a soft hackle fished on a swing will usually take fish.

Bring some water along because you will be doing quite a bit of hiking. Short rods, 5x or 6x tippets, and hip boots will be all you need to fish this stream. The terrain can be steep at times, so I suggest packing light. A backpack can slow you down, so if you can fit lunch and water in your vest or on your belt you'll be able to wade and fish more efficiently.

-- Gregg Rockett

#### Rose River - Virginia

**When: Friday, April 7**

**Depart: 8:00 a.m.**

**Return: Whenever**

**Meet: Starbucks at Fair Lakes Shopping Center ([map](#))**

**This is a Friday trip.**

This freestone stream runs through the Shenandoah National Park and wild Brook Trout are the target. We will be going to the lower park boundary. Please park as close to the park gate as you can. The landowner that shares this road has a bit of a temper and has been known to express himself freely with those he thinks are parking too close to his property. As always, be respectful of all landowners. Being a good fisherman means being a good neighbor as well. If you see some trash out it might earn you some points with him if you take the time to remove it.

Carpooling also cuts down on the number of cars.

The Rose River is one of the streams that fall under the SNP Brown Trout removal program. In an attempt to return the Rose and other streams to pure Brook Trout streams, the SNP made it illegal to return any Brown Trout to the river. Any Brown over 7 inches must be harvested. Any Brown that is less than 7 inches must be discarded away from the stream and trails. There are still some ill feelings about this regulation, but as conservationist and sportspersons we don't pick and choose the rules we follow.

Recommend light rods and short leaders for this stream. A 7' 4-weight rod is more than enough. If you decide to use a longer rod, select one with a mid or full flex. This will allow you to load the rod with as little as 6-8" of fly line extended beyond the tip. With

clear water use the finest tippet material you can see. Casts are generally short, calling for a rod that can roll cast well. Like many of the Park's streams, the Rose is mostly pocket water. A shorter leader, 5-6' long with 18-24" of tippet material, works well for the shorter casts and drifts. Ordinarily the stream is shallow enough in most places that you can get away with hip waders if you have them, but we may have higher water this year. You should see hatches of size #12 and #14 Quill Gordons and March Browns, and possibly some #14 and #16 olive caddis. Ants and beetles (especially Harry Murray's deer-hair or foam beetle) always do well. A #14, #16, or #18 Blue-Wing Olive, Mr. Rapidan, or "Wulff" dry-fly patterns work well. Elk Hair Caddis and small Stimulators can also be quite effective.

-- Gregg Rockett

#### Mountain Creek—Pennsylvania

**When: April 15**

**Depart: 8:00 a.m.**

**Return: You Decide**

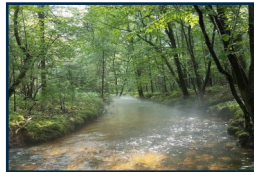
**Meet: Orvis-Leesburg Parking Lot ([map](#))**

Mountain Creek Pine Grove Furnace Section, near the Fuller Day Use Area in Gardners, Pennsylvania, is the planned destination. Weather may dictate some changes, so we may divert to another stream if the conditions are not favorable.

Most of the fishing opportunities are downstream from Fuller Lake until Mountain

Creek flows into Laurel Lake. There are multiple trails adjacent to Mountain Creek with very easy access. There is very little elevation change on most of the trails.

This creek is heavily fished after stocking, so the fish are picky -- fine tippets and fluorocarbon are a good idea. There are wild brooks, browns and rainbows in the creek. This year they will stock only rainbows.



Recommended flies include Hares Ears, Woolly Buggers, Caddis Nymphs, Stone Fly patterns and Squirmy patterns. A 3wt to 5wt rod of 7 to 9 feet should work. Chest and hip waders will be the best choices and give you the most access. Be sure to travel light and wear layers to shed on the way out. Also be sure to carry water.

Be sure you have a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania fishing license. If you do not have one yet, you can purchase it at <https://huntfish.pa.gov/>.

--Matt Kozak

Please send any questions or comments about the Fish With A Member Trips to: [FWM@novatu.org](mailto:FWM@novatu.org)

In the event of adverse weather or stream conditions the destination may be changed, or the event may be cancelled. We will not cancel without first sending out a notification to all members. In doubt, feel free to contact [FWM@novatu.org](mailto:FWM@novatu.org).

Please download and complete the NOVATU FWAM waiver form using the link below. The form can be completed electronically and emailed to us at [FWM@novatu.org](mailto:FWM@novatu.org). Alternatively, you can bring the completed form directly to the meeting point and allow the group to get on the road sooner. This is the same form all participants sign at their first FWAM trip each year. It is not required for future trips during the same calendar year.

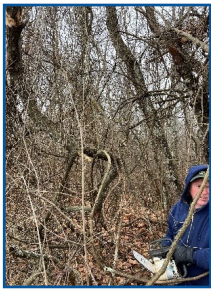
## COMMUNITY—CONSERVATION—EDUCATION

### CONEWAGO TRAIL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Seven members of the ACTU Access Committee including the author met on February 1st to create a “pilot” trail along the north side of Conewago Creek. The area chosen is east of the main trail coming down from the new parking lot. The area was selected for the construction of an education trail using funds from a grant awarded to ACTU by the South Mountain Partnership. When completed, the 1700 foot loop trail will include three education platforms along the trail for public environmental education.



This week’s effort included use of loppers, heavy duty hedge trimmers, and a lightweight chain saw to cut an initial two to three foot wide trail through thickets of invasive species that have grown unabated for many years.



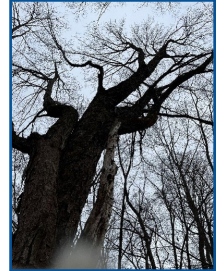
The intent is to use the pilot trail to facilitate spraying of invasive flora as leaves come onto the invasives in March., prior to native plant species. Following prior consults with a PA State Forester, we intend to use a professionally applied non-surfactant herbicide designed to kill the invasives before the natural flora fully emerge.

To help ensure growth of environmentally friendly flora, the intent is to clear dead and weakened invasives over as much of the area of as possible before the natural flora emerges in April and May. The pilot trail will then be widened and improved to its final form, and the 4’x8’ environmental / conservation education platforms will be installed along the trail.

Dead and dying trees, predominantly ash trees killed by an infestation of beetle larvae, litter the forest floor and make walking difficult. Other dead trees create overhead hazards along the

environmental education route. Hazardous trees will be marked for removal by professional foresters supporting the effort. In the slightly higher areas along the northern riparian margin, abandoned groundhog dens litter the path of the pilot trail and must be filled-in or skirted by the final trail. Future plantings of naturally occurring flora will follow.

Upstream development and a friendly farm along the north edge of the riparian border provide a perfect example of potential non-point pollution for educators. These environmental circumstances and land use mitigations provide opportunities to build awareness of sound management practices for the public, educators, and visitors to the area.



The ACTU Access Committee hopes that we will be able to remove trees in partnership with Team Rubicon, a nationally renowned, veteran-managed disaster and humanitarian relief organization. Team Rubicon trains and prepares sawyers for future humanitarian relief missions, applying professional standards for the benefit of public environmental and conservation activities such as we have on the Conewago. If Team

Rubicon can join the effort using their professionally trained and equipped sawyers and support personnel, they will help complete the environmental education area far more quickly and less expensively than originally planned.

A 501c.3 non-profit organization, Team Rubicon uses volunteers for this work and does not charge for their services.

-- Bob Krieger

### FISHING FESTIVALS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Over the past years, the Northern Virginia Trout Unlimited (NVATU) has provided support for each of these Fishing Festivals. The support consists of manning a table at each location to provide fish cleaning services and distributing Trout Unlimited brochures and information. The chapter also provides “Stream Walkers,” who travel up and down the stocked waters to help amateurs get their rigs in the water, bait hooks, net catches, untangle rig birds’ nests, pull rigs out of trees, and generally provide expert help.

Our volunteers assume the rank “Master Fisher Person,” and are looked upon with awe by the citizen participants. Volunteers do require a modicum of diplomatic skill to persuade ambitious amateur anglers that they don’t really need a 12-foot surf rod to fish a

seven-foot-wide stream; that a size four hook may be just a little too big for a 12-inch rainbow, and that an overly excited child can’t really eat a creek chub at home.



Volunteering for these Municipal Fishing Festivals is actually a lot of fun. Volunteers leave with a sense of pride, a renewed hope in the younger generation. The local Fishing Festivals have become so popular

that they are expanding each and every year to new locations. .

If you want to have some fun and help spread the pleasure and enjoyment of fishing to new

people, please consider volunteering. The only equipment volunteers need is a pair of boots, a small knife, some nippers, and knowledge of the clinch knot.

#### Dates are:

- **March 18: Herndon**

- **March 25: Vienna & Reston**

Please contact George Paine at 703-860-0862 ([ppafish@hotmail.com](mailto:ppafish@hotmail.com)) to indicate an interest in these worthwhile efforts.

Stocking volunteers will also be needed a day or two in advance of the events.

Also, check the website calendar <https://www.novatu.org/calendar> for details as we get closer.

-- George Paine

# MEMBER PHOTO ALBUM

Pictures from Gregg Rockett's "Excellent Patagonia Adventure"



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Go to the Chapter Website for information on chapter activities and to sign up for a full year of TU member benefits including: TROUT magazine, discount on travel and fishing gear, opportunities to win trips prizes, and more. Be sure to specify Chapter 360



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Board Member (FY 2019).....Daniel Lazenby  
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