

THE CLINCH RIVER ANGLER

NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

When: June 10, 7 pm

Where:

Who: Ian Rutter, author and renowned fly fisherman

What: Fishing the Tennessee mountains, forests and tail waters.

PREVIEWS OF FUTURE MEETINGS

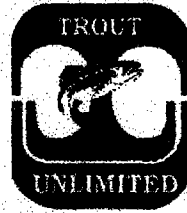
July 8-Randy Kerr, head of TVA's River Scheduling, will discuss *TVA's Reservoir Operations: operational changes resulting from TVA's recent Reservoir Operations Study*, which affects the Norris tail water, and how daily operations decisions are made.

KIDS FISH FREE DAY

Saturday, June 12, 10 am-2 pm. This annual event, sponsored by our Chapter, will be held at the Miller Island parking lot (rain or shine) on the Clinch River. Members interested in volunteering to get a kid "hooked on fishing" should arrive at 9-9:15 am to help set up.

Bring:

- Spin and fly outfits,
- Lures, flies, bait
- Extra waders
- Life jackets
- Patience and caring
- Young friends and families



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

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Activities include: fly and spin casting instruction and actual river fishing, fly tying demonstrations, aquatic entomology displays plus folks to discuss stream ecology, casting lessons, boat fishing.

Directions from I 75 North: Take the Clinton/Norris Exit #122. Pass the Museum of Appalachia, turn left on Highway 441 through Norris toward the Dam. Just past the little white church (Island Home Church), turn left on River Road, go about one quarter mile and take the first right into the parking lot-look for our tent.

CHAPTER TO BE FEATURED IN TU MAGAZINE

Grab your summer issue of *TROUT magazine!* Writer Tim Zink and photographer Richard Bernabe spent several days with several of our members in December learning about our efforts to improve conditions for the Clinch River.

2003-04 REDD SURVEY SUBMITTED TO TWRA

Member, John Thurman, sent data from the Chapter's 2003-04 redd surveys to TWRA. The data was skimpy because of the very limited opportunities to enter the River due to the high water from mid October through mid March. However, some data was added to the database. John noted that until this year the latest redd development was mid March. Two new redds were observed in mid May. One was the largest John had seen on the Clinch.

BRICEVILLE PARK RESTORED

The two year effort to restore historic Briceville Park is complete and ready for community and friends to use its grassy field and new picnic shelter. Stones and debris were removed and the field was graded seeded fertilized and mulched. CRCTU chapter volunteers joined with the Coal Creek Watershed Foundation.

THE ANGLERS' CORNER

A Tip on Tippet: when fishing dry flies and nymphs attach a fine, supple tippet of at least 24 inches. For very delicate presentations, such as in still water or on spring creeks, a tippet of 3 or 4 feet is appropriate.

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Look for an activity which ap-
peals to your interests and con-
tact the lead person for more in-
formation or to volunteer your
services.

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Comments & contributors are
welcomed!

**NANTGLO SCHLORSHIPS
AWARDED BY CCWF**

Four Briceville High School seniors
will be attending colleges assisted
by scholarships awarded by our
partner, the Coal Creek Watershed
Foundation.

Ashley Weaver won the competi-
tion and will receive a \$10,000
scholarship at Carson-Newman
College. Second place winning
scholar, Andy Harness, will receive
\$5,000 while attending Middle Ten-
nessee State University.

Runners up, Michelle Lindsay and
Rocky Bailey, will apply each of
their \$4,000 scholarships at Lincoln
Memorial University.

These Nantglo Scholarships, named
in honor of Welsh coal miners who
settled Coal Creek, are offered to
graduates of Briceville based on
community service and mentoring
other students.

DID YOU KNOW??

*(Editors' note: this and the next
several Newsletters will include the
quislings of member, John Thur-
man)*

From my experience, size and
shape are the most important factors
to focus on when tying flies. With
respect to shape, proportion is criti-
cal; e.g. if the abdomen is twice as
long as the thorax, this should be
reflected in your fly.

Color, while important, is not as
important as conventional wisdom
suggests. For example, during a
hatch of small black caddis who
had a forest-green body, I ex-
hausted my supply of matching
flies. I tied on a red-bodied fly of
the same pattern and was back in
business—the only change was

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color.

John's advice: learn what the
fish are eating and tie a pattern
that closely matches the size and
shape (image or silhouette).
Match the color but don't worry
if the color match is not exact.