



Monthly Newsletter

West Denver Chapter of Trout Unlimited

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The President's Message

A lot has happened since the last newsletter. One of the big events was Colorado Trout Unlimited's (CTU) spring rendezvous. The rendezvous is held in Redstone in mid-April. Besides the usual business meetings, there were small-group meetings on Colorado's Water Plan, Parks and Wildlife Master Plan, Water Laws, plus Regional Chapter planning breakout sessions, one of which was hosted by our own Glen Edwards. Usually, there is a lot of fishing going on between meetings but, because of the inclement weather this year, not much fishing occurred. On Saturday night of that weekend, there was an award banquet, and Linda Miyamoto took off with an award (see accompanying article). She will actually be given her award by CTU's Executive Director, David Nickum, at our June Chapter meeting.

We have a lot going on at the Chapter level, also. The Clear Creek drainage has been selected to receive the "Bear Creek" cutthroats. The first area for their reintroduction in the drainage will be in Herman Gulch (see article by Rick Dornfeld). Our Chapter is working with the U.S. Forest Service to remove the trout that are currently there; we are proposing that these resident fish be shocked and moved to the Windy Peak pond. We are also working with the Forest Service on helping with road closures. Anyone wishing to help on either one of these projects is urged to contact Rick at rickdornfeld@msn.com.

CTU's Dave Nickum, Stephanie Scott (Outreach Coordinator), and Garrett Hanks (Youth Education Director) will be our speakers at the June 3rd Chapter meeting (again, see the accompanying article). In addition to the CTU speakers, our In-Chapter awards will be handled out, and we'll also conduct the election for our Chapter officers for the upcoming year.

On June 6th, we participate in the Joseph's Journey event. If you have been a member for any length of time, you know about this event. Joseph's Journey is a non-profit organization that gives terminally-ill kids their last outdoor wish. This can be anything from a hunting trip, to hiking in Alaska, or fishing. Once a year, Joseph's Journey puts on a fishing derby at Lake Lehow (Waterton Canyon) for sick kids and their families. They empty the hospitals of kids that want to fish. In terms of our involvement, we purchase,

cook, and serve food to the kids and their families in addition to helping the kids catch fish at the lake.

On June 20th and 21st, our Chapter does a cook-out fund raiser at the Bass Pro complex. This is a fun event. If you're interested in helping, please contact me at tim2e@comcast.net.

Finally, we are looking for someone to take over the Fantasy Raffle. This is a Board position. The job entails setting up the venues, getting volunteers, and putting together the raffle package. If you want more information and/or think you're interested in this position, please contact Randy Cordova at livebyfaith@msn.com.

Tim Toohey

Photos for Our Website

We are in the process of redesigning our website. One of the features that we are really excited about involves the use of photos from our membership as background to the pages. To that end, we would like to begin asking our members to send in theme-specific photos. This month we are asking for pictures that show a parent and child or grandparent and grandchild taking part in some fly fishing activity.

Please send your high-quality digital photos to: Wdtu.email@gmail.com. Thanks.

Dan Sullivan

A Note About Email Address Changes

A number of you have changed email addresses without telling us. Thus, you, or friends of yours, may no longer be receiving the Electronic Anglers' Edge. PLEASE notify at least one of us whenever you change either your email address, snail mail address and/or telephone number so that we can communicate with you quickly and efficiently. Thank you.

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Float Trip on the Arkansas

Having just launched the boat, our guide was still putting things in order, pulling on the oars, keeping the craft pointed downstream, and I was still blowing my nose (allergies), puttering around with my gear, and wishing I had brought along a Starbucks when Linda caught her first fish of the day, an angry brown that had put a bend in her rod that appeared to be the first step in making a giant paper clip. We were no more than a few minutes from the boat ramp, and it looked like our trip down the Arkansas was going to be exceptional

The Arkansas can be a bit intimidating if you are wade fishing. Large by Western standards, it is often described as a combination of three rivers with one river on the left bank, one on the right, and one in the middle. From a boat, however, the river is much easier to fish and, if you have a guide, it is even better. Today, the river was low with flows being somewhere in the three hundred cfs range, low enough that our raft grounded a few times during the day. This was not really a big problem, though—just one of those things that happen when you venture out of your man cave.



I hooked my first fish of the day when I was wondering about lunch, with the memory of the day before on my mind when we stopped at La Baguette in downtown Colorado Springs and dined on French onion soup and French dip sandwiches, highly recommended and now a must stop whenever we head south. The chef told us they cook the French onion soup for three days before they serve it. Anyway, back to the river. The healthy, beautifully speckled brown I caught was on the upper side of twelve inches, and bucking lively in my hand but, more importantly, fat and solid. I've found that the fish in the Arkansas are fit, spirited, and are quite averse to being captured. Hoping that lunch would not be a bologna sandwich, possibly with mayo and mustard, I was about to cast out again when Linda caught yet another fish, much larger than mine—one of those fish that break the surface of the river with a fury that makes you remember why you took up fly fishing.

So, I'm thinking what about serving something like hamburgers for lunch? I mean, all you need to do is bring along a small grill, a little bag of charcoal, lighter fluid, hamburgers, buns, cheese (American and Swiss), bacon, lettuce, jalapenos, mushrooms, tomatoes, onions, mayo,

perhaps some pickles, catsup and mustard, and you might be talking about lunch. Meanwhile, fish were fighting with each other like school children at a birthday party for the chance to go after Linda's fly.

Soon, afterwards, I caught another fish. Our guide, Mike Garret, out of ArkAnglers in Salida, worked like a demon to make our day successful, successful being defined as catching many fish. And, he succeeded. There are guides, and then there are great guides. Mike is a great guide, a really nice guy who kept us entertained all day. He has a natural gift of gab and is a talented teacher who corrected our techniques without sounding preachy. He changed our flies, rigs, or anything suspect whenever the fishing slowed down a bit. Linda and I both came up with wind knots, tangles, and other nonsense so often it was a bit embarrassing. But, we heard no complaints from Mike who remedied our problem with a smile. Something I doubt I could do without a grimace.

This time of year for our trip, early April, the blue-wing olives (BWOs) come out, and we took advantage of that by fishing most of the day using a dry-dropper setup. Along with BWO patterns, we also used golden stones and, in the early afternoon, we had some good luck with dries. We noticed actual, real live BWOs on the surface of the river at one point, looking like a regatta of tiny sailboats outlined by the glare off the water. We also found a caddis fly, which was pretty good news indicating that they are making a return. I later heard that the caddis hatch arrived a week or so after our trip.

Drifting downstream, I could not help but admire the scenery. The brilliant blue sky, contrasted with the snow-capped mountains, was captivating. The sounds of water lapping against the boat, the babbling of the river tumbling over rocks, the streamside plant life with birds and small furry woodland creatures scurrying about, made the whole experience uplifting. Trips like these stay in your memory for a long time, coming back to life when drinking a few beers with friends, talking with grandchildren (or, in our case, nieces and nephews) or, perhaps when writing an article.

So, for those of you who are wondering, we had roast beef sandwiches, chips, and a cookie for lunch. No complaints. Oh, by the way, if you want to see more photos of the trip, look for a bright blue Nikon Coolpix camera at the bottom of the river about a mile and a half down river from the Big Bend boat ramp. Enjoy!

Dan Sullivan

WDTU's Beginning Fly Fishing Class for Women—A Resounding Success!



The Chapter held a beginning fly fishing class for women on April 25th, at Lake Lehow (Waterton Canyon). To make it a more manageable enterprise, the class was limited to 10 ladies. The main focus of the class was on casting. After teaching the basic principles of casting in an open field, the instructors took the women down to the lake to try out their new-found skills. As reflected by the women's positive feedback (and the number of fish they caught), the class was deemed a success. Throughout the day, six different WDTU members served as instructors: Rick Dornfeld, Gil Hassinger, Judy Jones, Bob Tauer, Tim Toohey, and Jon Weimer.

Plans are underway to conduct another class this year.

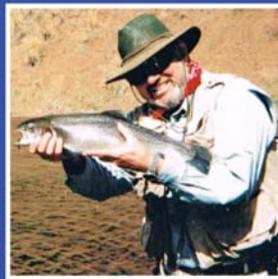
Election of Officers

Every May, a slate of nominees for Board positions is presented to the membership for their consideration. This slate is then presented to Chapter members at the June Chapter meeting to be voted upon. Currently, the slate of nominees is as follows:

President: Tim Toohey
Vice President: Jackie Edwards
Secretary: Dan Sullivan
Treasurer: Matt Rivera

If, between now and the June meeting, you believe either you or someone else should be nominated for a specific position, let me know (Jon Weimer, 303-830-1609), and I'll put that person on the slate to be presented in June. Solicitation of nominees will also be made at the June meeting as well. If you do wish to nominate someone, please be sure that you check with that person to determine if she/he is willing and able to serve.

Board officers elected at the June meeting will officially take over their respective positions in October.



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WDTU Shirt Logo

Jackie Edwards has made arrangements with a vendor to have an official WDTU logo imprinted on your shirt for just \$5. This program was initiated several years ago and has gained popularity. You simply need to bring your shirt to the June Chapter meeting, and give it to Jackie. She will take care of the rest.

A Plan for Clear Creek

You have heard from me about some actions being taken to improve conditions for trout in the Clear Creek watershed...stream habitat restoration, road obliteration, culvert replacement, and even restoration of native greenbacks. The point I want to make in this article is that all of these actions fit nicely into an overall plan for the U.S. Forest Service controlled portion of the watershed. The plan is called the High Peaks to Headwaters Fisheries and Watershed Restoration Project. Kelly Larkin, the Forest Service Fisheries Biologist, had a major hand in writing the plan. West Denver has endorsed the plan and has offered implementation assistance for on-the-ground actions such as last fall's road obliteration on Woods Creek, above the Henderson Mine. This year, Kelly has asked us to consider helping out on several projects, projects which our Chapter's Board is reviewing. These are: the green back cutthroat trout recovery in Herman Gulch; the field verification of fifty-seven Forest Service road closures; the field survey of three to five culverts and stream crossings; and a River Watch survey of Vasquez Creek near Winter Park Resort. This last project is over Berthoud pass and is outside the Clear Creek watershed. There will be more about these projects posted on the Chapter's website as information becomes available.

Of course, there is a lot going on for trout in Clear Creek on non-Forest Service property. But, this little article today focuses on the plan that Kelly has written for the Forest Service Clear Creek Ranger District. Here is some information about the plan itself. You can go to our website to read more about "High Peaks to Headwaters".

The U.S. Forest Service proposes to conduct several aquatic and riparian restoration activities in four watersheds within the Clear Creek basin. Proposed actions are described within the categories of stream restoration, riparian/wetland/floodplain connectivity, and road maintenance and decommissioning. Let's take a closer look at stream restoration proposed for the Headwaters Watershed.

The map below shows the Headwaters Watershed and



parts of two adjacent watersheds, which are named the West Fork and the South Fork. Take a look at the stream reaches that are color-coded yellow in the Headwaters watershed. These are the reaches proposed for stream habitat restoration. They include three reaches of Clear Creek adjacent to I-70, a reach of Grizzly Creek above Bakerville, and two short reaches of a Grizzly Creek tributary.

There are several types of stream restoration work proposed for the yellow color-coded stream reaches shown on the above map. Kelly Larkin proposed instream fish habitat enhancement and has written the following about that subject: "Instream habitat enhancement generally refers to structures intentionally placed in streams for habitat restoration. Use of these features can improve a stream's access to its floodplain through stabilization of channel profile, control or limit additional erosion by offering bank protection, and creating habitat complexity by redirecting water. In this description, the placement of large wood and creation of large woody debris jams is also included. Large wood placement can provide a variety of benefits to streams by creating habitat complexity, habitat cover, and promoting natural stream bank stability. Indirectly, large wood placement can have influences on sediment trapping, pool scour, hydraulic roughness, and channel stability." On the subject of bank stabilization, Kelly wrote: "Bank damage or bank instability resulting from a variety of land use impacts can result in changes to water quality. Bank stabilization activities would tie closely with the instream habitat enhancement by redirecting flow to prevent further bank erosion." Bank stabilization techniques would vary by site and would include placement of rock and vegetation, either by machine or by hand.

The final point to make is that we in West Denver are participants with the U.S. Forest Service in the implementation of a well thought out plan for Clear Creek and its tributaries. The results over time will be better trout habitat and better fishing.



Rick Dornfeld, WDTU Conservation Director

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June Guest Speakers: Stephanie Scott, Dave Nickum, and Garrett Hanks CTU

Every year, our Chapter invites officers from our parent organization, Colorado Trout Unlimited (CTU), to give us a perspective of CTU's accomplishments for this past year, and an idea of what their plans are for the immediate future. This organization works hard to protect, conserve, and restore our coldwater fisheries and watersheds.

Dave is the Executive Director of CTU, and basically coordinates State-level conservation efforts on issues ranging from whirling disease to water-quality protections. Stephanie is CTU's Outreach Coordinator, and works with chapters throughout the State to engage TU members and their surrounding communities in conservation. Garrett is a fairly new addition to CTU, and is the Youth Education Director

Stephanie, Dave, and Garrett are good people, and their herculean efforts to protect our waters are amazing. Prior to the CTU presentations, we're going to have a presentation by a group called Accessible Outdoors, which focuses on providing fishing opportunities for disabled people.

Guest Tier at our June 3rd Chapter Meeting-- Nick Alder

Nick Alder has graciously agreed to be our guest fly tier (again) at our June meeting. Many of you probably know Nick from his stint at the Golden River Sports fly/kayak shop. Nick no longer works at Golden River, but he is still actively involved in the fly fishing arena. We keep inviting him back to be our guest tier because of his proficiency in tying flies and because of his infinite patience in teaching other people how to tie. You'll want to arrive early on the 3rd (about 6:30 PM) to watch him do his stuff.

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WDTU General Calendar

2015 - June

- 3 Tying Corner/Welcome 6:30 PM
Chapter Meeting-AMC
Speaker: CTU Staff
Election of officers
- 6 Joseph's Journey-Lake Lehow
- 8 Board Meeting 7:00 PM, 300 HH, CSM*
- 20-21 Fathers' Day Cookout-Bass Pro

2015 - July

- 1 **NO CHAPTER MEETING-GONE FISHING**
- 13 Board Meeting 7:00 PM, 300 HH, CSM*

2015 - August

- 5 Chapter Picnic-Lions Park-Golden
- 10 Board Meeting 7:00 PM, 300 HH, CSM*
- 15 Wheat Ridge Parade Fund Raiser

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Chapter Trips

In the last newsletter, there was a synopsis of a number of Chapter trips coming up this calendar year. Some of the trips have either occurred or have been postponed. However, there are still some trips on the horizon:

Weekly Local Fishing Trips---Keith Geenwell plans on conducting weekly fishing/hiking trips this summer. They will be primarily day trips, mid-week, to various Front Range locations. He's already led one trip to Deckers and plans on leading similar trips to such places as South Boulder Creek on Walker Ranch, and Lost Lake in the Indian Peaks Wilderness. He'll post date, time, destination, and a brief description of each trip on the WDTU Facebook Page the weekend before the trip. If there is interest in joining him on any of these trips contact him at mkg_4478@live.com.

Upper Piney---Gary Hoag and his son, Sammy, plan on taking up to six people to the Upper Piney on July 4th. Close to the day of the trip, once they get the people confirmed, they'll sort out more details, such as time and directions. It takes about two hours to get there. They are suggesting that the group drive up early, and then plan on heading back by mid-to-late afternoon so that the group is home around supertime, or in time to go somewhere to see the fireworks. The Hoags realize that the 4th may not work for everyone, but they have found that it is a good day to go to the Upper Piney because most people are doing other things. If you want to get an idea about how well the Upper Piney fishes, here's a link to a video they made on July 4th, 2013 that illustrates that anglers can catch lots of brookies and the occasional brown and cutthroat—<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uGm-F2AiJRQ>. For more information, you can call either Gary (303-888-6052) or Sammy (720-443-7576).

Trips to the Flat Tops, Grand Mesa, and Upper Rio Grande---John Murphy plans on leading three 3-day trips, one trip each to the Flat Tops, Grand Mesa, and the Upper Rio Grande headwaters this summer. He says that each trip will require about a 2-4 mile walk (round trip). If you're interested and/or want more information, contact John at JandHMurphy85@comcast.net

Grey Reef---John Vialpando has been leading Chapter trips to the Grey Reef (North Platte) for several years. These have been extremely successful endeavors. Once he gets a group together he will make reservations for cabins at the Inn at Alcova complex. Look at their website at www.sloanesinalcova.com/loding.htm to examine the accommodations and pricing structure. There is plenty of wading access so you don't have to worry about obtaining a boat, although you can rent a drift boat from the general store if you wish. John is contemplating leading a trip up to

the Grey Reef in September so, if interested, contact John at either jvialpando@gmail.com or 303-903-8801.

Let's hope you can take advantage of at least one of these trips.

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Linda Miyamoto—Colorado Trout Unlimited's Volunteer of the Year

Every year, our parent organization, Colorado Trout Unlimited (CTU), holds its annual rendezvous to go over past accomplishments and engage in strategic planning for the upcoming year. At this event, awards are given out to chapters and individuals for outstanding performances. Traditionally, our Chapter walks away with at least one award each year, and this year was no exception. Our very own, Linda Miyamoto, garnered CTU's Volunteer of the Year award, and deservedly so. Linda is, basically, our goodwill ambassador, our energizer bunny who seems to be involved and engaged in practically every event/activity that our Chapter oversees. If we could clone Linda, we'd make at least 50 copies of her. Congratulations, Linda!

Help Needed to Monitor Road Closures

U.S. Forest Service Fisheries Biologist, Kelly Larkin, has asked West Denver to help monitor road closures in the Clear Creek Ranger District. Kelly said there are 57 closures in place and they should be checked to verify that they are still functioning to exclude vehicle traffic. Closures consist of locked gates or an obstruction, such as a boulder barrier. Our Chapter is asked to drive to the closures, take a GPS reading, take a photograph, and write a note describing the effectiveness of the closure.

There will be a meeting with Kelly on June 22nd to receive instructions and location maps. The work will take place in July and August. If you like to explore forest roads, this is a job for you. Our contribution of time and energy will free up Kelly's time to work on more pressing fisheries management jobs. Just send me an email at rickdornfeld@msn.com if you would like to join in.

Rick Dornfeld, WDTU Conservation Director

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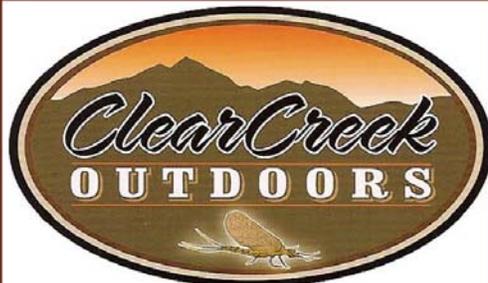
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Volunteers Needed for River Watch

The River Watch program, under the auspices of the Division of Parks and Wildlife, is designed to monitor the water quality of various watersheds in the State. WDTU participates in this program on a stretch of Clear Creek in the Golden area. Gil Hassinger (303-980-5616) leads the WDTU effort, which generally occurs on the 4th Saturday of every month. Give Gil a call if you're interested. Participation in this program affords you not only an interesting, but also an educational experience.



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River Watch Update—Additional Equipment, Additional Sites

In May, new equipment arrived so that additional testing can be performed on site. The new devices are for testing pH, dissolved oxygen, and for measuring the flow rate of a river. The purchase of the equipment was made possible by funds obtained from Orvis, courtesy of the efforts of Kerry Caraghar, fishing manager of the Cherry Creek Orvis Store. Obviously, a special thanks to Kerry and Orvis for providing the \$2,000 grant for the new equipment.

Construction of the bike path along Clear Creek has made using the old testing sites inaccessible. We moved one site further down the river. We hope to have two or three new sites by the testing date set for May 27th. We will still meet at Mayhem Gulch at 9 AM, and we will then travel to the different sites. We will continue to use the original method for sampling/testing and will begin testing with the new equipment.

In April, we met with the U.S. Forest Service and set tentative dates for work at six different sites. We will meet with the Forest Service in June and will finalize the dates for the sampling. Once the dates are set, we will publish them. We are looking for volunteers to help with all the sampling. We will travel to the sites by carpooling.

The U.S. Forest Service Sites are:
Gamble/Rollinsville
Illinois Gulch/Breckenridge
Akron Mill/Tomichi near Monarch Pass
Buckskin/Alma
Iron Springs/Ophir
Chalk Creek/St. Elmo

We are looking for additional members who would like to learn how to complete the sampling and testing. This way, we can have some help and back-up for testing commitments. Please call me (720-404-7821) if you have any questions.

Dennis Wiles, WDTU River Watch Coordinator

Facebook

In addition to having a Facebook group (WDTU Fishing Trips), we now have a Chapter Facebook page. To find it, open up a Facebook page and search for “West Denver Trout Unlimited”. So far, we have added events for Joseph’s Journey, the Bowling Night, the monthly Chapter meeting and the Chapter Picnic. We think that this will be an easy way for all to see what is coming up and to sign up to attend or take part in the event.

Since this is still in its infancy, there isn’t too much content

yet, but we hope to make this page a way of keeping in touch and, hopefully, keeping members involved in Chapter activities. Suggestions for improvement of the page are gratefully welcomed. Please take a moment to look over the page and let us know what you think.

Dan Sullivan

Volunteers needed for Windy Peak

The Outdoor Education Laboratory Program (OELS) at Windy Peak (south of Bailey) is under the auspices of the Jefferson County Public School System. The mission of the OELS is to provide 6th grade students the opportunity for hands-on, experiential learning in an outdoor setting. West Denver has been an integral part of this program for close to 20 years—helping to construct a fishing pond and ancillary structures (e.g., fishing platforms and docks) and teaching interested students the rudiments of fly tying.

In addition to teaching students how to tie flies (simple patterns like Woolly Buggers and San Juan Worms), West Denver members help impart a conservation ethic in hopes of encouraging these students to be stewards of the environment later in life. Typically, after teaching students to tie a couple of flies, they’re taken down to the nearby fishing pond in hopes that they can catch something with their own creations. The fly tying classes usually begin in April and may continue through October. There is no rhyme or reason to the number of classes that may be taught, but usually only one or two classes a month is requested. If you think you may be interested in helping out and/or want more information, please contact our Education Director, Ric Tarr at 303-233-9391.

Donations

Some WDTU members have inquired whether or not they can submit unsolicited donations to the Chapter. The answer is “Yes”. If you wish to donate money, checks should be made payable to West Denver Chapter of Trout Unlimited, and then either mailed to our Treasurer Judy Jones (837 Meadow Run Golden, CO 80403), or presented to her at a Chapter meeting. If you wish to donate fishing-related merchandise (for example, rods, reels, flies, etc.), contact Tim Toohey at (303) 423-8636 or <Tim2e@comcast.net>.

Our Chapter is tax exempt under code 501(c)3. Therefore, all contributions are deductible on your Federal tax returns. If you so desire, you can designate your monetary donation be applied to a specific project or purpose, as well as setting up a matching donation program. If you want additional information about WDTU’s projects and/or want to discuss your intent for a donation, you may contact me (Jon Weimer) at either 303-830-1609 or weimerj@earthlink.net.

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