



NUTMEG NOTES—May '06

NUTMEG CHAPTER – TROUT UNLIMITED

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Tuesday, 16 May 2006, 7:30 pm

Bob Turley

"Salt Water Light Tackle & Fly Fishing CT, NY, and Southern RI"

FAYERWEATHER YACHT CLUB. BLACK ROCK. CT

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At our meeting Tuesday, May 16th, we will present Bob Turley on "Salt Water Light Tackle & Fly Fishing."

Turley will detail fishing opportunities in eastern LI Sound, Montauk, and southern RI waters for striped bass, bluefish, bonito, and false albacore. He has fished these waters for over 40 years. A licensed Connecticut Captain, Turley operates North Coast Charters, a guide service that's been featured in numerous magazines and books.

This will be our last meeting until we resume in September. Celebrate the new fishing season, come out to this meeting, and learn new skills and waters. Bring a friend!

Bravo! -- on our first-ever "Trout Open House" on April 29th

To attract new members, enable Nutmeg members to get together socially [how about a "chapter picnic"?], and everyone to improve their skills, we hosted this event at YMCA Camp Mahackeno, Westport. Hats off to Chairman Burr Brown and his committee, we achieved our goal. Some not-yet-TU-members and already-TU-members were present and gained new casting, fly-tying, and knot tying skills. Encouraged by the results, the chapter plans to do it again next year -- probably a bit earlier in the season.

Welcome to new Board of Directors Ron Merly and Gary Anderson.

Ron and Gary are the co-chairs of our new Social Committee. This committee was formed because many of you have expressed interest in the chapter organizing fishing outings with other Nutmeg members. With our Annual Catskill outing the weekend of 5/20 [see res. form on p.3] there'll be other trips thru-out '06. *Notices to come via email.*

By the time I see you at the May 16th meeting, Nutmeg may well have a new President. Well, well, well, it's probably about time. The chapter should have the benefit of perspective from other leaders, and so it should come to pass. I have enjoyed the past six years at the "helm," but will enjoy too the opportunity to advance Nutmeg in other ways going forward. The Chapter is stronger than ever, and will continue to become so with the momentum we have achieved.

Do not forget! The Chapter's annual trip to fish the Beaverkill and Willowemoc in NYS the weekend of 5/19-21! See the enclosed form for reservation info, driving instrux, & phone no. To purchase a NYS license—also available via internet @ www.nywildlife.com. DON'T DELAY!!

See you at the May 16th meeting.
Tight Lines,

Bill

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Board of Directors Meeting Schedule

Second Tuesday, 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

- September 13, 2005
- October 11, 2005
- November 8, 2005
- December 13, 2005
- January 11, 2006 [Weds. Mtg]
- February 16, 2006 [Thurs. Mtg]
- March 14, 2006
- April 11, 2006
- May 9, 2006

All members are welcome to attend
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 for directions

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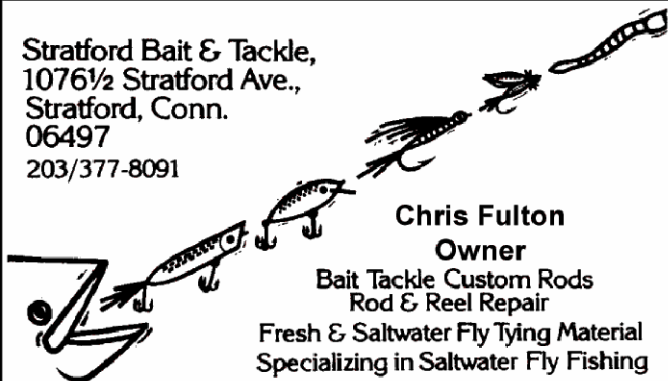
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NUTMEG CHAPTER FISHING TRIP BEAVERKILL & WILLOWEMOC RIVERS, CATSKILLS

Friday evening through Sunday, May 19-21, 2006

Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum [CFFCM], Livingston Manor, NY [2-3/4 hrs from Fairfield]

Heading West or East on Route 17, get off on exit 96 (Livingston Manor). At the end of the ramp turn right. At the stop sign make another right. That will put you on Old Route 17. From that stop sign travel approximately 2 1/2 to 3 miles. CFFCM is on the left side.

Reserve NLT May 15th

Nutmeg has arranged a 2 night stay and use of facilities at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum [CFFCM] located in Livingston Manor, New York. The fee for this trip is \$35.00pp—same price for one night or both nights. Included with this fee is the use of CFFCM's 2 bunkhouses accommodating 10 men each, the Education Building to accommodate women, the kitchen including its stove, oven and refrigerator, men/women shower and toilet facilities, the pavilion on their seven acre pond, access to the Willowemoc River, BBQ grill, 2 trailer hookups, and tentsites. Bring your own bedding and towels. *Ladies also please bring your own cot.*

This trip is open to Nutmeg chapter members as well as all TU members in CT. Space in the bunkhouses is limited to 20. Tents are permissible. All fees are to be paid in full NO LATER than May 5, 2006. Unpaid reservations cannot be accepted. Each person is responsible for his/her own meals as well as transportation. If you are staying in commercial lodging and not on CFFCM grounds, there is no charge.

This promises to be an exciting event for all who attend RAIN or SHINE. Fill out the form below and return it with your check for \$35.00 payable to "Nutmeg Chapter". More info: call Glen Gammill at 203 274-6434, email ggammill@optonline.net or Bill Blaufuss 203-856-2004, prosit67@hotmail.com.

NOTE: NY STATE Fishing License is required. Get yours by phone or on the web.

- 1—BY PHONE: 1-866-933-2257 By far, the *easiest* way. Allow at least two weeks before trip. Have valid ID number handy, ex. Drivers License no. Have credit card no. handy--Visa or Mastercard only
- 2—ON THE WEB: www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dfwmr

Detach and return the form below with your payment

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Kindly reserve: (Check one)

- Bunkhouse accommodation MEN ONLY--20 available [bring own bedding/sleeping bag]
- Education Bldg. accommodation WOMEN ONLY [bring your own *cot* and bedding/sleeping bag]
- Tent Site
- Hook up for travel trailer (2 available)

Name(s) _____ Chapter _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Evening Phone _____ E-mail Address _____

Mail this form and a check for \$35 payable to "Nutmeg Chapter" to:

Glen Gammill
C/o Catholic Charities
1 Park Street
Norwalk, CT 06851

Directions & confirmation will be sent via email upon receipt of reservation form and check.

NO REFUNDS--please understand

The Saugatuck River Watershed Partnership

– by Sally Harold, Conservation Manager, The Nature Conservancy's Saugatuck Forest Lands Project

As fishermen, you think about the interconnectedness of our environment and understand the importance of working across town boundaries, at a watershed scale to protect it. In February 2005, The Nature Conservancy convened a series of planning workshops to develop a conservation plan for the watershed. During the past few months, members of a small planning group, including Bill Blaufuss, have helped to draft steps which will help to enhance and protect the health of this system. This month, a summary report detailing the planning process and the action steps was printed and distributed to town leaders and local libraries.

One of our priorities was to get municipal buy in. On April 5, 2006, the Saugatuck River Watershed Conservation Compact, drafted by participants in the planning workshops and refined by members of the planning group and municipal officials, was signed by the chief elected official from each of the 11 towns in the watershed. In signing this voluntary compact, municipal leaders acknowledge the value of protecting natural resources and recognize the importance of working cooperatively, at the watershed scale, to do so. Each town will be given a framed compact for their town hall. I hope you will thank your local leaders for supporting this effort.

MEETING AND SPEAKER SCHEDULE

**WE MEET THE 3RD TUESDAY, AT 7:30 P.M.
FAYERWEATHER YACHT CLUB, BLACK ROCK, CT**

5/16/06---**Bob Turley** Light Tackle and Fly Fishing CT, NY, and Southern RI

SPECIAL EVENTS

May 19-21, 2006—Fri.-Sun.---annual Nutmeg trip to fish the Beaverkill and Willowemoc [Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum]—Joint Trip with Candlewood Valley Chapter

Directions to Fayerweather Yacht Club
Brewster Street, Black Rock

I-95 (N or S) to Exit 24. South on Black Rock Tpke,
Go past Sym's and BJ's Wholesale Club, to Fairfield Avenue.
(Black Rock Tpke becomes Brewster)
Go across Fairfield Ave., then go 0.3 miles to flag pole
At stop sign at flagpole, Brewster turns 90-degrees to the left.
Stay on Brewster Street and go another 0.3 miles
(just past "Port 5") to the Fayerweather Yacht Club.
Park on either side of road or in the lot in front of the condos.



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