



NUTMEG NOTES—Oct. '06

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Tuesday, 17 October 2006, 7:30 pm

MIKE GOODWIN

“Trout Fishing Opportunities in Eastern CT”

FAYERWEATHER YACHT CLUB, BLACK ROCK, CT

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Fall fellow Nutmeg Members,

It's official, Fall has fell and that can only mean that it will soon be getting darker earlier, the leaves in the yard will need to be raked, and the little ones will soon be dressed as ghosts and goblins and at our doors demanding candy. But, it also means that the tiny hatches on the Housatonic will be at their peak and some of the best fishing of the year is right outside our back door in L.I. Sound. In the words of Homer Simpson: “Whoo Hoo!”

Our next Chapter meeting is Tuesday, October 17th

Pizza, Pizza, Pizza!!! You heard me; your eyes have not deceived you. In addition to feeding your intellect, we will be serving little slices of Italian heaven. Come and hear **Mike Goodwin** speak about *Trout Fishing in Eastern Connecticut* and have a little feast.

Annual Connetquot River Trip – Wednesday, October 18th

So far we have a great response to this year's trip. This promises to be a wonderful time for everyone, so, please, if you are interested in going, **make your reservation NLT 10/10/06**. Reminder: you must have a '06/07 New York State Non-Resident License. They are easy to get by phone (866-933-2257) or online (www.dec.state.ny.us) but allow 2 weeks.

“Where Does Our Chapter's Money Go?”

Each year, the Nutmeg Chapter makes several contributions with the money we raise. Our mission is to conserve, protect and restore North America's coldwater fisheries and their watersheds. To that end, this year we have donated a total of \$5335 to the following: American Museum of Fly Fishing, \$50; American Rivers, \$40; Aspetuck Land Trust, \$500; Atlantic Salmon Federation, \$100; Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum, \$400; Coalition of Connecticut Sportsmen, \$20; Mill River Wetlands Commission, \$100; Redding Land Trust, \$50; Save the Sound, \$100; Shelton Land Trust, \$50; Stream Improvement (Mill River), \$50; Theodore Gordon Flyfishers, \$250; Trumbull Land Trust, \$25; TU-Embrace a Stream, \$3,000; Whirling Disease Foundation, \$500; other gifts & donations \$100.

There are so many worthy places where our money and resources can be spent. We encourage each of you to attend our board meetings and become active participants in our chapter and the various chapter committees and make your voice heard. All are welcome.

Stream Teams and River Stewards:

We're looking for people who are interested in doing some volunteer work on our local streams (Fairfield County) during the upcoming year. Please contact me or any other board member if you'd like to be part of this very important activity. It doesn't require a huge investment of time and it's vital to local habitat.

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Board of Directors Meeting Schedule
 Second Tuesday, 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

October 10, 2006
 November 14, 2006
 December 12, 2006
 January 9, 2007
 February 13, 2007
 March 13, 2007
 April 10, 2007
 May 8, 2007

All members are welcome to attend
 Call Bill Blaufuss at 203-856-2004
 for directions

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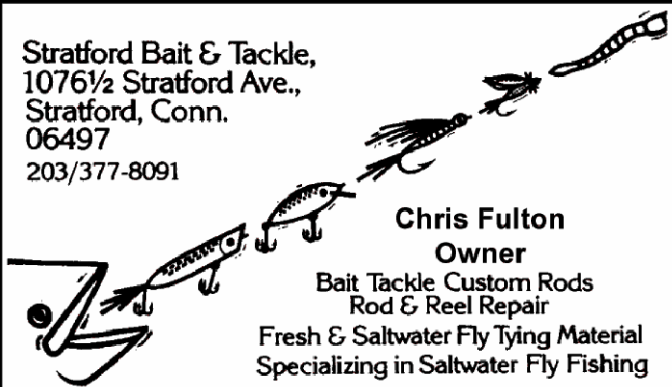
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Nutmeg's annual day trip to Connetquot River on Long Island WEDS., 18 OCTOBER 2006.

The fee for this trip is \$60.00. This includes all day (2 session) registration fees at the Connetquot Park. Transportation will no longer be provided by bus. You must provide your own. Those wishing to car pool will meet at I-95 Exit 18 Commuter Parking Lot at 6 a.m.

TU Membership--As this trip is organized by the efforts of Nutmeg Chapter of Trout Unlimited, we respectfully request that all who participate in this outing become members of TU if not already. Introductory membership is only \$17.50 (cash or check) and may be made using the trip reservation form below.

This trip is open to members of all CT TU Chapters. NUTMEG Chapter members *will not* have priority. All reservations are first come, first served. Fill out the form below and return it with your check for \$60.00 payable to "Nutmeg Chapter". **All fees are to be paid-in-full NO LATER than 10 OCTOBER 2006.** Unpaid reservations cannot be accepted. BRING YOUR OWN BAG LUNCH. Connetquot regs and driving directions will be supplied upon receipt of paid registration.

This promises to be an exciting event for all who attend RAIN or SHINE. SPACE IS LIMITED. Any questions should be directed to Bill Blaufuss at prosit67@hotmail.com or 203-856-2004 days/eves.

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 & RETURN

YES! I want to participate in the 2006 Nutmeg Connetquot River Trip on 10/18/06.

Enclosed is my check payable to: NUTMEG CHAPTER for [check one]:

- [] \$60.00 for Trip Reservation only
[] \$77.50 for Trip Reservation AND membership in TU *[new members only, no renewals!]*

Name _____

Address _____

_____ Email _____

Phone _____ Cell phone _____ Chapter _____

Please make check payable to "Nutmeg Chapter" and mail it and this form to:

Glen Gammill
c/o Catholic Charities
1 Park Street, 3rd Floor
Norwalk, CT 06851

NO REFUNDS --It is not possible to offer refunds. Please be understanding.

President's Comments, cont'd...

Calling all Educators, HELP!: This year the Chapter would like to lay the groundwork for launching Trout in the Classroom (TIC) in a local school beginning next school year. TIC has been in existence for over 20 years and nationwide there are more than 200 classrooms doing a TIC program this year. It's a wonderful way to teach kids of 5th grade through middle school (future fly fisherpeople) the importance of conservation and stewardship through science by actually raising trout in their classrooms. At the end of the year, the trout are put into a local stream. The first step is to identify local educators who can help us in this effort. Please let me, or any board member, know if you are a teacher or if you know someone in a local school who may be interested in this program. To learn more, please visit the TU website (www.tu.org), click on the "Members" tab, then click on "TIC."

Annual Holiday Raffle -Shortly, you will be receiving raffle tickets by mail for our annual Holiday Raffle. This is one of our two major fundraisers (the other being our annual banquet), and its purpose is to raise funds to do our advocacy work and to provide programs at our monthly meetings. The prizes this year will be "choice" as always, so please give your chapter your support.

Quote of the Month: The two best times to fish is when it's rainin' and when it ain't' – Patrick F. MacManus

Tight lines, *Barr Brown*

MEETING AND SPEAKER SCHEDULE

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

NEXT MONTH: 11/21/06—Speaker to be announced

SPECIAL EVENTS

10/18/06—Weds.—annual trip to fish Connetquot River on Long Island. Open to all. Must become TU member if not already. SEE RESERVATION FORM ON P. 3

**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 either side of road or in the lot in front of the condos.



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