



NUTMEG NOTES—Sept. '06

NUTMEG CHAPTER – TROUT UNLIMITED
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Tuesday, 19 September 2006, 7:30 pm

SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED

Unfortunately our scheduled speaker had to cancel at last minute, and new speaker could not be confirmed by presstime.

FAYERWEATHER YACHT CLUB, BLACK ROCK, CT

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Nutmeg Members,

It's hard to believe that Summer has nearly run its course and that Fall is rapidly approaching. I trust that many of our chapter members will be taking advantage of some of the best coastal saltwater fly fishing in the world right here in Connecticut.

Our Summer break from our regular chapter meeting schedule started out with some very sad news. Our friend and chapter member, Tim Harwood, passed suddenly. He was a true contributor to Nutmeg and a fine fisherman and will be sorely missed. Our annual banquet auctions will never seem the same.

I hope that you all had a wonderful Summer and were able to take advantage of CT's many streams. Our chapter-sponsored outings with our *Fridays on the Farmington*, trips to the Saugatuck and Mianus Rivers were enjoyed by for who participated.

Our Season's first meeting is September 19th Tuesday, September 19th is our season's kick off meeting. The speaker we had scheduled had to cancel due to a personal matter, and our new speaker was not able to give us final confirmation as we went to press. But, speaker there will be! So, plan on attending, reconnect with old friends, meet some new people and share some stories of how you spent your summer!

Annual Connetquot River Trip – Wednesday, October 18th

This year, we have lowered the cost by eliminating the bus—accordingly, everyone will provide their own transportation. If you want big fish (brookies, browns and rainbows) and a lot of them, then this is a rare opportunity to have fun and catch a lot of fish. Remember, you must have a '06/07 New York State Non-Resident License. These are easy to get by phone. Just call 1-866-933-2257. Have valid ID [ex. Drivers License no.] and credit card number handy--Visa or Mastercard only

Welcome New Nutmeg Officers With elections having been held in May, we have a few new faces as officers and committee chairs. Burr Brown takes over as President while Bill Blaufuss and Bill Moskalski will serve as Vice Presidents. Bobbi Kurman is now Treasurer and Gary Anderson is Secretary. Bill Field is Membership Chair, Bill Blaufuss is Banquet Chair and Gary Anderson and Ron Merly are Social Chairs.

Following Bill Blaufuss is not going to be easy. Bill has worked tirelessly as our Chapter's President for the past six years and has overseen significant growth in our membership and shaped who we are today. I want to thank him for his many years of hard work and dedication to the Nutmeg Chapter. Bill is currently serving as Chairman of the Connecticut Council and will be serving as Vice President and my mentor. Thank you, Bill.

Be Curious and Aware While fishing in a local river this Summer, Marty Vasas happened across a lawn fertilizing work truck flushing its tank in the stream. Being curious, Marty inquired as to what they were doing. Soon after that, they left the area. He pursued notifying the town and DEP but not very successfully. Unfortunately, lacking a camera in the car, he was unable to photograph the action, and this would have provided him undeniable proof of the incident. Marty has returned to the site—now with a camera—but has not seen the perpetrators again, though we suspect that this is a practice of this company.

If you witness an incident like this happening, try to document it with a photograph, and contact any Board member right away.

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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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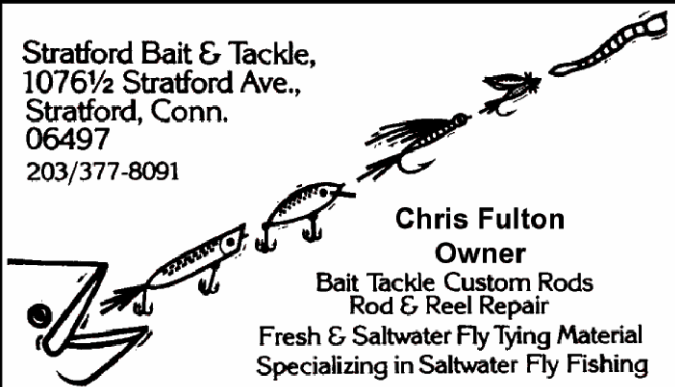


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Nutmeg's annual day trip to Connetquot River on Long Island WEDS., 18 OCTOBER 2006.

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.

Goals and Objectives I'm looking forward to the upcoming year. We have such a dynamic group of people in our chapter and no shortage of ideas and energy. Several people have approached me with a great deal of support and enthusiasm. At our heart, TU is a conservation organization. However, everything we undertake begins and ends with our members. In order to attract more people to our chapter and get current members more involved, I'd like to increase the number of chapter-sponsored social functions and activities from local stream clean ups, skills enhancements--such as fly tying and casting clinics, to fishing outings.

By next Spring I'd like to have the beginnings of a "Trout in the Classroom" program established in a local school to be launched in the following school year. If there are any teachers or school administrators in our chapter—or if you know of any—who are interested in learning more and able to help, please contact me.

Gian-Andrea "John" Morresi has done a super job with our website and I want to insure that it continues to evolve, be relevant, and be an information repository and destination. If you haven't done so in a while, please check it out: www.nutmegtutu.org

Please remember to visit our local fly shops. They support us so let's please support them.
See you all at the Chapter meeting on September 19th!

Tight lines, *Burr Brown*

MEETING AND SPEAKER SCHEDULE

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

NEXT MONTH: 10/17/06—Mike Goodwin *Trout Fishing in Eastern Connecticut*

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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