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Monarch Lake, June 12, Pink Squirmy

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MEETING CHANGES JUNE & JULY DUE TO CRESTHILL M.S. CONSTRUCTION

June & July will be different due to construction and other schedule issues

- June 21 – replaced by the Raffle Party at Breckenridge Brewery (**in-person only**)
- July 19 Meeting "Subaru South Park Brookies - **Zoom only**

**CCTU 2022 ANNUAL RAFFLE...ONLY [24](#) TICKETS LEFT!
TICKETS LIKELY GONE BY JUNE 21ST RAFFLE PARTY.
BUY TICKETS ONLINE TODAY!**

**CCTU 2022
ANNUAL RAFFLE
TICKETS ON SALE
ON-LINE NOW!**

[Buy Raffle Tickets Here Online Now!](#)

The Cutthroat Chapter of Trout Unlimited's annual Raffle Program is back...and this year earlier than ever before. As usual, this will be CCTU's primary fundraiser for the year, with all proceeds going completely toward chapter conservation projects, youth education, CSU fisheries scholarship, and more.

35 items will be offered, with over \$13,000 worth of prizes. These items range from

- 8 different guided float, fishing trips and lessons, incl. a Pat Dorsey full day trip
- 11 great equipment packages, including a Scott Tampa custom-built bamboo rod
- 10 fly box prizes filled with nearly 50 dozen flies

- 5 framed artwork/photography, including two Dave Whitlock framed, s&n prints

Tickets are \$100 and we will limit ticket sales to 150...your chances of winning are roughly 1 in 4. You can purchase as many tickets as you want and win more than once.

Winners will be announced at a special Raffle Party (replaces the June chapter meeting) on June 21 at Breckenridge Brewery in Littleton (2920 Brewery Ln, Littleton, CO 80120). We have room for 75 attendees, and the first 75 ticket purchasers get free entry. CCTU will provide the food, you buy the drinks. Winners need not attend the event to win. **Doors open at 6pm, with the raffle drawing occurring at 8:15pm.**

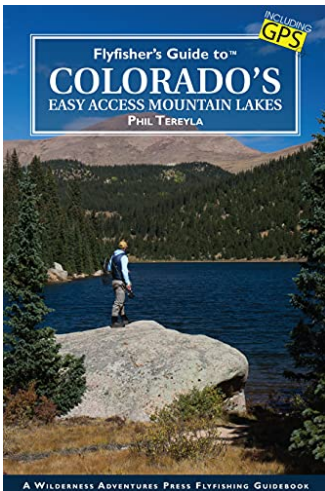
Tickets will be sold through the beginning of the June 21 Raffle Party if they don't sell out earlier. Don't delay, with only 150 tickets, it will be easy to miss out.

BUY TICKETS...This year tickets are only available at our secure, easy to maneuver online site...[CCTU Raffle On-line Ticket Sales](#).

Please contact us (cutthroattu@gmail.com) if you have any issues buying tickets.

Check the CCTU website for a full list of prizes [Full Listing of CCTU Raffle Prizes](#) or go to the online purchasing site where all prizes are also listed.

MAY MEETING PRESENTATION ON CCTU YOUTUBE CHANNEL



Had a great Zoom only CCTU May Chapter meeting with Phil Tereyla last month. Phil is a long-time Colorado guide, currently working at Angler's Covey in Colorado Springs... and focusing on targeting big fish on the Dream Stream and other South Platte areas. His presentation focused on material from his new book "A Fly Fisher's Guide to Colorado's Easy Access Mountain Lakes. The book covers over 60 mountain lakes in Colorado that are under three miles to access, and hits all the areas of the state. He reviewed numerous key strategies and tactics by season for these lakes and hit on a few of his favorite lakes as well. Pick up the book at Angler's Covey in Colorado Springs or you can order online from the store at [Anglers Covey Online Ordering](#). Watch the presentation video at the CCTU YouTube site [CCTU YouTube Channel](#)

COME FISH WITH US EVENTS - JUNE 15

CCTU's monthly Come Fish With Us program is back again on **Wednesday, June 15, 5-8pm at Lake Lehow**. Always great if you



can RSVP to David Coward at dpcoward@hotmail.com, but you can also just show up that day.

The Come Fish With Us program is designed for chapter members and non-members to explore local fisheries with experienced

chapter members also there to answer questions, offer tips, and provide help on casting, fly selection, hooking, playing and landing fish. Lake Lehow is a private lake (Denver Water) that is heavily stocked with bass, panfish, and trout.

[Read More...](#)

CCTU/PROJECT HEALING WATERS CRYSTAL LAKE TRIP THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2022



The Cutthroat Chapter will host Project Healing Waters disabled veterans this year on Thursday, July 7th. Excluding the last two covid years, this will be the eighth consecutive year CCTU has hosted this event. We expect at least 10 veterans from Denver and Pueblo to attend. Volunteers will meet at a central location at 7:00AM the day of the event (exact location TBD). We will combine vehicles and carpool to Crystal Lake. Crystal Lake is located 5 miles from Leadville on Highway 24 in the upper Arkansas drainage. From

Denver, take I-70 to the Copper Mountain exit, drive over Fremont Pass to Leadville, and follow Hwy 24 out of Leadville. If you are interested in helping with the event, contact CCTU's Richard Pilatzke at or rhpiscator@aol.com.

CCTU JULY CHAPTER MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 7PM – ZOOM MEETING ONLY (NOT IN-PERSON)

**MICHELE WHITE, TUMBLING TROUT FLY SHOP, *SUBURUABLE BROOKIE*
*VENUS IN SOUTHPARK***

Michele White is a retired geologist and the owner of Tumbling Trout fly shop in Lake George, Colorado. She is a fly fishing guide and has been fly fishing and rowing a river dory with her husband on the Great Rivers of the West for more than 20 years. She also serves as V.P. of Education for the Pikes Peak Chapter of Trout Unlimited in Colorado Springs and volunteers on regional conservation



Michele White

“SUBARU-ABLE” BROOKIE VENUES IN SOUTH PARK, COLORADO

*Easily Drive, Park, and Fly
Fish the High Country*

projects.

Her presentation will focus on the many brookie fishing venues in South Park that are easily accessible in a sedan type of car with public access to streamside fishing with parking, toilets, and maintained footpaths. These high alpine creeks and ponds are a great way to escape the summer fishing pressure we see at better known fly fishing venues in South Park, such as the Dream Stream and Eleven Mile Canyon. Another positive aspect of fly fishing for brookies at these higher elevations, is that the air temperature is cooler and the air quality is wonderful above the haze of smoke during wildfire season. The presentation is based upon her book of the same name, that you can pick up at the [Tumbling Trout website](https://www.tumblingtrout.com/) at

[Tumbling Trout Website](https://www.tumblingtrout.com/). The next time you are in Lake George, stop by Tumbling Trout at 38283 Hwy 24 in Lake George.

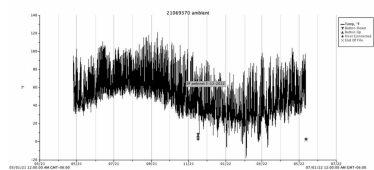
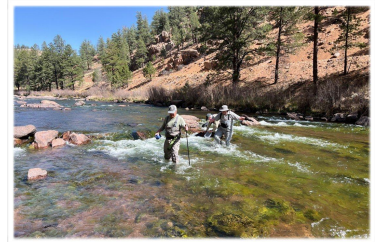
CCTU SOUTH PLATTE TEMPERATURE MONITORING

Twice a year, members of the Cutthroat Chapter of Trout Unlimited walk through parts of the South Platte River to access submerged data loggers, bring them to the surface and download the last 12 months of data.

We have three submerged data loggers and one ambient air logger that have to be found. Accessing the data loggers in the river requires remembering where they are, finding the rebar post and then unscrewing old hose clamps.

Ray leads the group just upstream of Deckers. Jim and Bill are using a “hydroscope”, aka a clear piece of Tupperware, to see into the river so Bill can open the hose clamps and bring the data logger to the surface. Jim finishing the hike out of Cheesman Canyon.

The group pulled the last data logger that, unfortunately, would not communicate with our App. After the work was done everyone spent a few extra hours fishing the canyon. A few of us will have to return shortly to install a new data logger.



CCTU 2022 BIGHORN RIVER FISHING TRIP REVIEW



Everyone landed fish and had a great time on the Bighorn trip. We had eight people float and two wade with four people being first-timers on the trip. The weather cooperated three of the four days, but, unfortunately, we didn't have any dry fly action. There was plenty of mayfly action subsurface. Most fish were nice size browns in the 14 to 20-inch range and similar-sized

rainbows. Already looking forward to next year! If you are interested in the Bighorn River trip next year, contact Rich at r_hus@hotmail.com. View a quick video of the trip at the CCTU YouTube Channel at <https://youtu.be/csCE55PrQC8>

NEW OWNERS COTTONWOOD CAMP ON THE BIGHORN RIVER - 15% DISCOUNT THROUGH END OF YEAR



As many CCTU members know, the CCTU trips to the Bighorn utilize the Cottonwood Camp for lodging, etc. Aaron Mumford is the COO of Jet Hospitality which purchased Cottonwood Camp on the Bighorn River this past year. As a show of their appreciation to the chapter and Richard "Bighorn Legend" Hus, Aaron is offering a 15% discount on new reservations for remainder of 2022. They are now open

year-round as well. Click [HERE](#) to check availability with the promo code "hus" prepopulated.

Cottonwood Camp offers 14 cabins featuring fully equipped kitchens + outdoor social space with BBQ Grills, FHU RV and pitch tent sites, across our 17 historical acres, overlooking 3 Mile Access on the legendary Bighorn River. These hallowed grounds are surround by 300 wildlife filled acres of Bighorn Canyon National Rec Area. Their full-service fly shop provides guides trips, drift boat rentals and shuttles. Come experience world class fly fishing in a memorable Big Sky County setting just 7.5 hours north of Denver in Fort Smith, MT!

NEW TRIP! EXPLORE SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS RIVER POSTPONED – JUNE 2022 NEW DATE – JULY 2022 (EXACT DATE TBD)

Due to run-off, we are postponing the June trip to the Arkansas. According to reports, the Arkansas watershed is only about half-way through the snowpack, and recent warm weather has resulted



in the river flows rising. They are likely to continue rising until we've burned through the remaining snow pack. In all likelihood we'll resume exploring the Arkansas in July, so keep an eye out for an article in the July CCTU

newsletter. The exact location and date for the July trip is still TBD, but likely we'll jump upstream a bit, closer to Salida.

Questions? Please contact Harlan Husmann at (701) 893-6068 or harlanhusman@outlook.com

CCTU 2022 CHAPTER FISHING TRIPS



CCTU Chapter fishing trips sign-ups are currently under way. Please contact each of the CCTU leaders below for more information.

Green River Fishing Trip – April 8 – 12, 2022

-Contact – Rich Hus... r_hus@hotmail.com

-2022 just completed – contact Rich about 2023

Bighorn River Fishing Trip – May 9 – May 14, 2022

-Contact – Rich Hus... r_hus@hotmail.com

-2022 just completed – contact Rich about 2023

San Juan River Fishing Trip – Oct 22 - Oct 27, 2022

-Contact – Jerry Shin... gsshin51@gmail.com

-Trip is full – contact Jerry about getting on the wait list or regarding 2023

DONATE TO CCTU FROM YOUR IRA WITH A QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION



If you are 72 or older, IRS rules require you to withdraw required minimum distributions (RMD) from your tax-deferred retirement accounts. If you intend to make a gift to CCTU, consider making it directly from your IRA. Your Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) counts toward your RMD but is not included in your taxable income.

BENEFITS OF A QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION (QCD)

- A QCD counts towards your Required Minimum Distribution.
- QCDs from your IRA are not subject to taxation as ordinary income.
- QCDs can reduce your Medicare Premiums.

- QCDs can lower your overall marginal tax bracket, including capital gains.
- QCDs avoid the standard deduction limitations for charitable gifts.
- QCDs are available to anyone with an IRA who is over 70½.
- QCDs reduce or eliminate eventual income tax burden, if left to individual heirs.

[How to Make a QCD & More...](#)

FLY OF THE MONTH - *DEEP DISH GREEN DRAKE NYMPH*



If you are coming up to fish the Fraser anytime soon, it is high water and Green Drake time. This is a fat, beefy imitative pattern that gets down quickly during heavy flows. Fish it down deep behind something big and ugly. Pat's Rubber Legs always a good bet. Video courtesy of Fly Fish Food.

Hook - Daiichi 1530, #12

Thread - Danville 70 Denier, Peacock Green

Bead - Mayfly Nymph-Head, Clinger & Crawler, Small, Olive

Tail/Body - Pheasant Tail, Dyed Olive

Ribbing - UTC Ultra Wire, Olive, Small

Thorax - Hare'e Ice Dub, Olive Brown or Peacock

Legs - Dyed Hungarian Partridge, Olive

Wing Case- Fino Skin, Brown

Back Stripe - UNI Double Sided Mylar, Orange/Peacock #16

[Fly Tying Directions](#)

CCTU *EVERYDAY* FUNDRAISING VEHICLES

King Soopers Card Program – Link up your King Soopers Rewards Card to CCTU for their Community Rewards program and get King Soopers donations flowing to the Chapter. Requires no ongoing effort on your part. Set up is very simple....check the CCTU website at [CCTU Website](#) for the directions how to link your King Soopers card to Community Rewards donations to CCTU.



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from Amazon, simply go to the Amazon Smile website (<https://smile.amazon.com>) to sign into your Amazon account, rather than going to Amazon.com. Once you sign into your Amazon account via the Amazon Smile website, you will be transported to the Amazon website and all purchases will register for the .5% donation to CCTU.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6/15 Come Fish With Us 5-8pm, Lake Lehow
- 6/21 CCTU Annual Raffle Party, Breckenridge Brewery 6-9pm
- 7/5 CCTU BOD Meeting, Virtual Meeting via Zoom, 7-8:30pm
- 7/7 Project Healing Waters Crystal Lake Trip
- 7/19 CCTU Chapter Meeting, Zoom Only, 7-8:30pm

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