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### TIMELY ANNOUNCEMENTS

New time for Monthly Chapter Meeting We will be starting with the fly-tying demonstration at 6:00pm (1/2 hour earlier) and the Chapter meeting at 6:30pm.



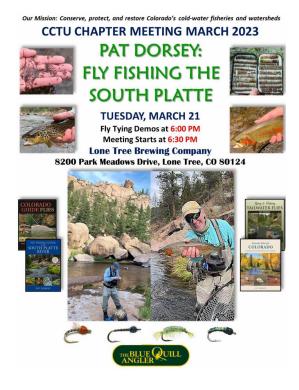
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### PAT DORSEY PRESENTING at MARCH CCTU MEETING

March 21, 2023 - Pat Dorsey, Election of Officers/BOD Members, Special Award

NOTE: New Time 6:00pm Fly-Tying Demonstration, 6:30pm Meeting Start



Come and meet this living legend and learn from one of the all-time best! Bring your Dorsey authored books to be signed and your questions to be answered

Book a trip, purchase gear, or get more info for The Blue Quill Angler at <u>https://bluequillangler.com</u> and get Pat's invaluable stream report and more at

https://patdorseyflyfishing.com/rivers/

Set your calendar as we are extremely fortunate to have legendary guide/author/Blue Quill co-owner Pat Dorsey for our January meeting. Pat has guided his native Colorado for nearly 30 years. He spends 200 days a year guiding/fishing on the water, continues to write some of the most informative and readable books in the industry, maintains his online stream report and Blog, co-owns the Blue Quill Angler in Evergreen, and is a highly sought-after speaker across the country. Pat is the *Southwest* Field Editor for Fly Fisherman Magazine and a prolific author including his new book Favorite Flies for COLORADO – 50 Essential Patterns from Local Experts, A Fly Fishing Guide to the South Platte River, Fly Fishing Tailwaters, Tying and Fishing Tailwater Flies, and Colorado Guide Flies. Pat is an accomplished fly tier, an Umpgua fly designer, and his creations include the Mercury series, UV scud, Limeade, Paper Tiger, Top Secret Midge, Medallion Midge and the famed Black Beauty.

We will also be holding election of Officers/Board of Directors

#### <u>CCTU BOARD OF DIRECTORS – March</u> <u>ELECTIONS</u>

Our yearly elections for the Chapter Leadership will take place during the March meeting. We will be electing the four Officer positions and newly appointed Board of Director members. Anyone interested in running for these positions are welcome to self-nominate their name. The positions of CCTU Officers are one-year terms, whereas the position of BOD member is for a three-year term. The board meets the first Tuesday of each month from 7-8:30pm. All BOD meetings continue to be held virtually, and the board welcomes any CCTU members who want to join a meeting for any reason. If you would like to find out more about the CCTU Board at any level, please contact Scott Tampa (<u>scott.a.tampa@gmail.com</u>) for more information.

#### **CCTU Officers up for election**

President – Scott Tampa Vice President – John Egan Secretary – Allen Adinoff Treasurer – Meg Renton

#### **BOD Members up for election**

Mike Myers Mark Davis

#### **Continuing BOD Members**

Barry Wiebe Ron Taniwaki Ray Nagashima Harlan Husmann Cory Neumiller

#### **CHAPTER MEETING FLY TYING**

Our fly-tying demonstration at the March meeting will feature Bob Getz, who was a signature fly-tyer at the Denver Fly Fishing Show. We all look forward to learning some new tips and techniques. Thank you Bob for joining us!

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83053491355? pwd=UUZ1TXdSR1ZFNIVMQmdyKzUxT0IQUT09

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## EARTH DAY 2023 - BEAR CREEK, LAKEWOOD April 22, 2023

Our Mission: Conserve, protect, and restore Colorado's cold-water fisheries and watersheds Join Cutthroat Chapter and City of Lakewood Parks to

#### PLANT TREES ON EARTH DAY



THINK GLOBALLY, ACT LOCALLY Restore Bear Creek Riparian and Wildlife Habitat Improve Stream Quality for Bear Creek Trout

SATURDAY, APRIL 22 8:00 am -12:00 pm - Just bring your work gloves





Head to:

- Bear Creek Lake Park
- Meet @TBD Picnic Shelter
   Get Assignments

Follow Ranger to Site

- Plant Native Trees/Shrubs: • Narrowleaf Cottonwood • American Plum • Chokecherry • Golden Currant
- Install: • Posts • Wire Fencing
- TimbersErosion Control Netting

To attend you need to be registered, but the tickets are free.

Please RSVP to John Egan at john.j.egan@iclou d.com

Or use the QR Code below to claim your free ticket and we will see you at Bear Creek on April 22nd!



#### CHAPTER MEETING RECAP February 2023

Our first meeting at the Lone Tree Brewing Company went great with two honorary award presentations and a great discussion about the Gill Trail!

The Chapter presented a "Lifetime Achievement Award" to Jim Rasmussen in honor of his contributions over many years. We also honored outgoing Vice President Brian Young with a special gift for his many years of service.

We also introduced a fly-tying demonstration prior to the formal meeting. Richard Pilatzke was gracious enough to be our inaugural fly-tyer and attracted quite a crowd!

## Our guest speakers were **Bill Mangle**, **Natural Resource Planner**, **ERO** and **Priscilla J Marbaker**, **PLA**, **LEED-AP**, **Tapis Associates**.

The presentation provided an analysis of the Gill Trail restoration project with a number of maps and an interesting discussion as to how they approach a project like this.

Many questions from the attendees led to a dialogue that gave everyone a perspective of the plans and an optimistic outlook for the completion of the project.





## Attend the meeting and try your luck for these raffle prizes compliments of Blue Quill Anglers and Orvis - Park Meadows!



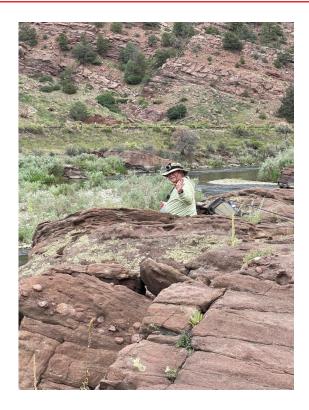
# COME FISH WITH US - MOVING WATERS IS BACK

This day-trip activity is for you if you want:

- To meet people in the chapter.
- · To explore Colorado rivers.
- · Help with an aspect of your fishing game.







This trip opens the 2023 season of Come Fish With Us - Moving Waters!

Where: Arkansas Tailwaters (Pueblo) Meet: 7:45am, March 25 (Saturday) Park-n-Ride C-470/University Blvd (SW Quadrant) 8392 S Burnley Ct, Highlands Ranch

Last season we explored several locations on the Arkansas River between Canon City and Salida. This season we may explore additional Arkansas locations, but we are also going to include new rivers such as the Blue, Colorado, Williams Fork, South Platte, and Big Thompson. More about these possible destinations in future newsletters.

DRIVE TIME: Last year our commute time to the river was approximately two hours. This year's destination will have about the same drive times.

SNOWPACK: All drainages have above average snowpack numbers this year except the Arkansas which is below average. With spring run-off, we play it by ear, so we may find ourselves with rivers blown out except the Arkansas, and in which case we may choose to go back to the Arkansas as needed. Again, we'll play the decision on the destination by ear as we see how run-off unfolds.

TYPICAL AGENDA: Our daily agenda for a trip is generally the following:

- 7:45am Organize carpooling at park-n-ride.
- 8:00am Leave park-n-ride.
- 10:00am Arrive at river.
- · 1:00-ish Lunch.
- · 4:00pm Conclude fishing.

- · 4:30pm Begin return trip.
- · 6:30pm Return park-n-ride.

FUTURE TRIPS: If you want to mark the future dates on your calendar, here are the tentative dates for next few (all Saturdays):

- · April 29
- · June 3\*
- July 22
- · August 19
- · September 23
- · October 14

\* - Run-off may be happening around this time, so we'll adjust as necessary depending on conditions.

WAIVER: A CCTU waiver is required for these trips. Please bring a signed one along with you and give to the trip organizer. Email Harlan to get a blank one if you needed.

MID-WEEK FISHING TRIP? We pondered if there is interest in a second trip each month, one that occurs during the week rather than during the weekend. Please respond to the survey if you would attend a trip during the week.

QUESTIONS? Contact Harlan Husmann at (701) 893-6068 or harlan.husmann@outlook.com.

Would you be willing and able to attend a mid-week outing?

Yes

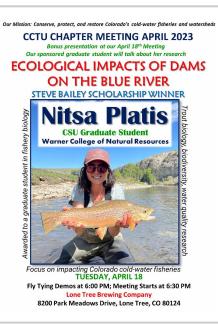
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#### **CCTU CHAPTER MEETING APRIL 18,2023**

Lone Tree Brewing 8200 Park Meadows Dr. Lone Tree, CO 80124 6:00pm Fly-tying demonstration, 6:30pm Meeting begins. \*NOTE: New Time

This month we have two presentations that are educational in nature check them out below

\*Fly-Tying demos begin at 6:00pm; Meeting begins at 6:30pm





Cutthroat chapter volunteers delivered eggs to multiple schools and helped coordinate these efforts. Check out the progress by shooting the QR code below, or click to see live cameras of the trout: <u>Trout in the Classroom LIVE CAMS</u>

Or go to the CTU website HERE



We look forward to releasing these little guys with the students at the end of the school year to begin their journeys in the wild streams of Colorado!

Zoom Meeting Info Join the ZOOM broadcast here Meeting ID: 830 5349 1355 Passcode: Cutthroat One tap mobile +17193594580,,83053491355#,,,,\*286804504# US +12532050468,,83053491355#,,,,\*286804504# US

CTU CONSERVATION & FLY FISHING YOUTH CAMP JUNE 11-17, AEI BASE CAMP, ALMONT, CO NOMINATE A CCTU SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE TODAY!







#### CTU Youth Camp June 11-17, 2023

This fantastic camp is designed to educate 14-18 year old students on the importance of cold-water conservation and to provide fly fishing instruction. It was originally established by Sharon Lance, former CCTU and CTU President. 20 students are selected each year, based on their qualifications and a written essay on why they would like to attend the camp. The camp will be at AEI Base Camp in Almont, June 11-17, 2023. Camp curriculum provides a balance of hands-on learning in river conservation and aquatic ecology and building camper fly fishing and fly tying skill sets. The application deadline is April 10, 2023. To find out more info and to apply go to Fly Fishing Camp – Colorado Trout Unlimited (coloradotu.org)

Contact CCTU President Scott Tampa (scott.a.tampa@gmail.com) if you are interested in finding out more about the scholarships or if you want to recommend a student for a CCTU scholarship. Help TU, CTU and CCTU inspire the next generation of river stewards.



## Colorado Fly-Fishing Retreat for Men with Cancer

#### May 29-31, 2023 North Fork Ranch in Shawnee, CO

**REEL RECOVERY** is a national non-profit organization that conducts fly-fishing retreats for men recovering from cancer. Our mission is to help men in the recovery process by sharing with them the healing powers of the sport of fly-fishing, while providing a safe, supportive environment to explore their personal experiences with cancer, with others who share their stories. **Retreats are offered at no cost to the participants** and are led by professional facilitators and expert fly-fishing instructors. Reel Recovery provides all meals, lodging and fly-fishing equipment, and no previous fishing experience is required. A maximum of 14 men are invited to participate.

> The Retreat Starts: The Retreat Ends: Primary Service Area: Eligibility:

4:00 PM Sunday, May 29 2:00 PM Tuesday, May 31 Colorado Men living with cancer

To apply for this event, please fill out and submit:

Retreat Application Form Medical Release Form

For more information, contact Reel Recovery at

info@reelrecovery.org

or call 800-699-4490

#### **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.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS & TRIPS**

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/21/2023 CCTU Chapter Meeting - Election of Chapter Officers & New BOD Members; Lifetime Achievement Award Announcement; Pat Dorsey - Fishing the South Platte
3/29/2023 Warner College of Natural Resources Scholarship Dinner (6-8pm), Ft. Collins
4/4/2023 Board of Directors Meeting
4/18/2023 CCTU Chapter Meeting - CSU Student, Nitsa Platis (Steve Bailey Scholarship Recipient); Natalie Flowers(CTU) & Kirk Benson (STEM Teacher), Cherrelyn Elementary) *Trout in the Classroom*5/2/2023 Board of Directors Meeting
5/16/2023 CCTU Chapter Meeting - Paul Winkle (CPW)

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## **ANNUAL TRIPS**

#### **Green River** (April 17 - April 21) Limited to 16 anglers contact: Rich Hus ( r\_hus@hotmail,com ) for reservations/wait list

#### Bighorn River (May 21 - May 26)

Limited to 21 anglers

contact: Rich Hus ( r\_hus@hotmail,com ) for reservations/wait list

San Juan River (Oct 22 - Oct 28) Limited to 16 anglers contact Jerry Shin ( <u>gsshin51@gmail.com</u>) for reservations/wait list



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