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The President's Notes

Roger Corrado

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How did we get to November so soon?? It won't be long until it is time for Board elections, the Fly Show, or even the Banquet. However, first things first – elections are coming up and we have (or will have) some open positions on the Board.

First of all, we will be looking for a replacement for the President (yes – my current position). I know our last two Presidents served for 3 years each, but did you know before that it was a one year term. I plan to travel even more next year and feel it is time to step down since I will miss even more meetings than I did this year. These have been two good years for me – I hope for you also.

Second, we will need a Program Director Co-Chair to work with Randy Clark and others to plan for/manage/recruit the speakers at our dinner meetings.

Third, we will need a new Ohio Council Representative. He/she is responsible for attending a meeting each month with other clubs in Ohio. Eleven of these meetings are done via teleconferences and one is held in Mansfield each year. Basic responsibility is keeping track of what is happening in Ohio and reporting it to the Board. Teleconferences last 1 hour each.

Our Club is run and managed by our member's representatives on our Board. The Board meets once a month, usually for 1 to 2 hours on the third Wednesday of the month. Thus, it is not a big commitment in time and most of the jobs, even the President, are not very time consuming. If you have questions please ask me or the other Board members.

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BUFF November 2010 Program

Three Valley Conservation Trust

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To maintain such an excellent Club we need “You” to step up and volunteer. While I am on the subject, volunteers are not only needed for the Board but also for all of our activities – volunteer in some fashion throughout the year so we can keep having so many excellent trips, classes, and other activities.

Thus, it is time for the Board to solicit nominations for next year’s officer and director positions. Nominations for the 2011 BOD will be accepted up to December 31. Nomination forms will be available at the November and December general meetings and will also be sent to the membership by e-mail. You may turn in your nominations at the general meetings or send them to me by e-mail (corradohome@yahoo.com). If you know someone who would like to be considered for any position on our BOD, or if you have an interest yourself, please make that interest known to the BOD. Note: if you nominate someone for a position please make sure they would be willing to serve before you nominate them. Contact me or any of the current BOD members if you have questions regarding any of the BOD or officer positions. A proposed slate of 2011 BOD candidates will be presented at the December general meeting and the election will be held at the January 2011 general meeting. Members “must” be present at the January meeting to vote! The newly elected BOD members will be sworn in and assume their club responsibilities at the March 2011 dinner meeting.

Additionally, nominations are now also open until December 31 for the 2010 “Fly Fisher of the Year” award. FFY nomination forms will also be available at the November and December general meetings and sent out by e-mail. Please return the nomination forms to me. Voting will be held at the January general meeting. This award is the highest honor bestowed to one of our members each year in recognition of her/his extraordinary effort in giving time and talent to the club.

Steve Horgan has surrendered the “Roger Corrado Billy Bass Award” he won last year for catching the largest large mouth bass at Parky’s Farm. The award will again be awarded to the winner for this year at the November dinner meeting. PS.. thanks to all the volunteers who helped at Parky’s this year!!!!

See you at the meeting or on the stream!
Roger

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The Area covered by this trust include the watersheds of Twin Creek, Elk Creek, 7 Mile Creek, 4 Mile Creek Indian Creek and the White Water River.

Three Valley Conservation Trust is one of the largest land trusts in Ohio, safeguarding easements on properties throughout southwest Ohio since 1994 and nearly 11,000 acres of land as of mid 2010

Their web site: <http://www.3vct.org/>

Blind Auction Guided Fishing Trip Report

Bob Bowers

I placed the winning bid at the BUFF Banquet for a full day of guided, wading fly-fishing for two from Scott Cunningham of On the Fly Guide Services.

On October 6th, Scott met my son Ian and me at 0800 at our cottage in Spruce Pine, NC. The temperature was in the low 40s and the wind was about 15 mph. We had intended to wet-wade, but opted for waders instead.

Our first stop was a small stream in the village of Bakersville. It was fairly well sheltered, giving my first-time fly fisher son a chance to learn a bit without the undue influence of the wind. The fishing proved to be slow, with two hits but no hook-ups.

We next tried several of Scott's favorite places on the North Toe River, all of which were already being fished by others. We did find one location that was vacant and looked promising, but produced no fish.

We moved to a little park in the village of Spruce Pine where the North Toe flows through. The winds were funneled directly upstream and proved to be challenging. Leaves littered the feeding lanes, making dry fly fishing nearly pointless. Several locations looked promising, enough so that a few fishermen walked in on us, as those with little courtesy are prone to do. Rather than create a scene, we moved 50 feet or so and continued fishing. We fished the balance of the morning with no fish caught.

After a nice shore lunch we moved down stream where we had great success. The wind had died down considerably and we fished "hopper/dropper" combinations. I found a nice honey-hole, catching three 8 to 10 inch rainbows on 5 drifts with a BH Pheasant Tail. I moved upstream a bit to give my son the opportunity to catch fish, which he did. Between the two of us, we caught 20+ rainbows, mostly on BH Pheasant Tails, some on Hare's Ear Nymphs.

We moved further down stream, fishing some more promising water. We could count in one hole perhaps 15 fish holding deep. Nothing we tried evoked any interest at all. The fish would simply move out of the way and regroup as a fly drifted through.

We ended the day of fishing around 1700 hours, in time to not be too neglectful of our wives.

Ian and I returned to the North Toe the next day with only moderate success. The wind had increased a bit making the favored Stimulator/BH Pheasant Tail combination difficult to fish. Leaves fouled the Stimulator constantly. We eventually abandoned this approach in favor of a strike indicator/nymph combination. I spent much of the afternoon helping my son and simply working on improving my casting skills and getting that perfect drift over varying current conditions.

This was a very enjoyable trip. Scott provided valuable tips to my novice son and also to me. I am convinced that the weather, combined with low water conditions, conspired to make very good trout waters produce only modest fish numbers caught. I will return to these waters, very likely with the services of Scott Cunningham as a guide. You might well consider placing a bid on this trip in March.

Trip Report: Smoky Mountain Trout Trip 2010

Jerry Schatzman

The Smoky Mountain Trout Trip was a success. We had nine members on the trip, and everyone caught fish. We stayed at the Smoky Mountain Retreat near Bryson City. We had two cabins each with 8 beds. There were three private bedrooms and two loft areas, each with 2 double beds. The bedroom on the second floor had two double beds.

Pete Moore and Steve Walker fished the Trophy Water on the Cherokee Indian Reservation on Thursday. They each caught a few fish.

Ed Jones and Don Prince did a float trip with a guide on the Tuckaseegee River. The river was down and the guide had to drag the boat over many areas, as a result they did not catch many fish.

The rest of the crew fished the Tuckaseegee River near Webster. Bruce James and Gary Cummins out fished everyone. They had 31 and 29 respectively. WOW! Gary had an 18 inch Rainbow. They were both using wooly buggers with chartreuse tails. Talking with other fisherman we found out that the DNR had stocked Brooks, Browns, and Rainbow earlier in the week. The fish were in pods and not very well dispersed throughout the stream. If you found a pod you could usually catch a few fish.

On Friday, everyone decided that the "Tuck" was the place to go. As we arrived to fish at Webster, there were emergency vehicles near the river, and blocking one lane. A car was off the road and in the trees between the road and the river. We never hear the story behind the accident, hopefully no one was injured.

We found that the fish had dispersed somewhat from the day before. Bruce and Gary had to work a little harder for their fish.

Ed Jones started off with the hot hand with a Elk Hair Caddis (12 or 14) on top with a trailer (14-16 Prince nymph) about 18-20 inches down. He had 6-8 fish in about 15 minutes. Being a good Buddy, he shared his secrets combo with everyone. I was up steam from him and quickly changed, but used a size 16 Copper John. I did not have any small Prince nymphs. Ed's combo worked for me and I was able to catch Brooks, Browns and Rainbows throughout the day, even a few fish on the dry fly. About 10:30 am the sun broke through the clouds and the fish seem to take a break. We all tried other thing without success. I stayed with Ed's combo, but changed the depth of the second fly to abut 30 inches. This combo worked and several of us fished it, the rest of the day.

Pete Moore was fishing down stream from Ed Jones and me. He landed the biggest fish of the day. It was easy 20 inches. There is a picture of him on the website with this fish.

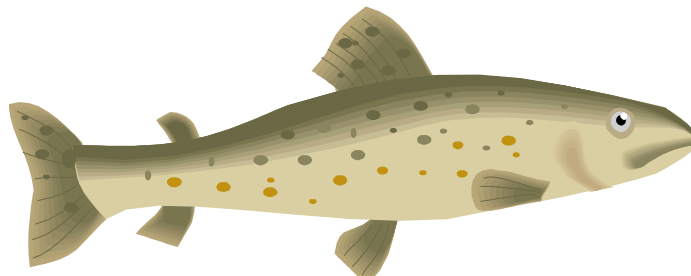
We all headed back to the cabin for a walleye dinner. Don Prince provided the walleye, Ed Dahmann helped with Mac and cheese. Everyone pitched in for dinner and a perfect end to a good day of fishing.

Saturday, we all had eggs sausage and toast for breakfast, and headed to the "Tuck". When we arrived, the river was up about 1 ½ to 2 feet from the previous day. We talked to some people on the shore who said Saturday was a day for "generating". Most of us headed for the Nantahala River. Bruce James, Ed Dahmann, and I went up stream to the last bridge and caught a few trout. We then moved down stream to some other holes without much success. We continued down stream and found Pete Moore and Steve Walker under the second bridge setting on fish. They had a honey hole and shared with their fellow buffers Ed Jones and Mike Jenior.

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Don Prince and Gary Cummins stayed at the Tuck, which was on its way down and fished there all day with success.

We finished the trip with a great dinner at Pasqualino's Italian Restaurant on Saturday evening. It was a great time to be in North Carolina, the trees were just starting to change colors, and the weather was just wonderful. We had cool mornings and warm sunny afternoons. Thanks to everyone on the trip, I got my deposit back from the owners with a thank you note raving about how the cabins were cleaner than when we arrived. Thanks again to Don Prince for providing the walleye for our dinner.



CUMBERLAND RIVER TRIP

Dave Jones

We had eight members go on the trip. The river had been holding with a discharge of 2020 cubic ft per sec (CFPS) from the dam. At his flow the river is wadeable and fishable. Some brought water crafts (drift boat, canoe and kayak) to fish from and the others plan to just wade the river.

On the first day, Thursday, the three water crafts started on a float trip of 11.2 miles about 3:00 PM or later. Before they reached the take out point, fog began to settle in and darkness was coming fast. Only heads could be seen above the fog. They thought they might have to make plans to sleep on the river over night.

On Friday the flow was very low till 10 AM when the release went back to the 2020 CFPS. The waders were fishing at the landing at the end of Ray Mann road when the water quickly came back up to the 2020 CFPS flow 2 hours earlier than posted. I was making my way back the rivers edge when I stepped in wash-out and got my waders partly filled with water. That is not a comforting feeling. The river was full of debris and contained a lot of suspended particles making it difficult to fish.

The total number of fish caught could have been counted on two hands. We couldn't even catch any trout in the kiddy stream at the hatchery. The up and down of the river must have caused the trout to lay low.

To add insult to injury, those who left early on Saturday; the motel charged us for three nights not two. Check your bill!

In 2009 we planned this trip 3 times and high water cancelled each of them. This trip will not be scheduled again until the work on the dam is completed. The constant changing of the river level doesn't make for good fishing.

BUFF MEMBERS DUES FOR 2011

It is time to start thinking about renewing your BUFF membership for 2011. Member's dues cover January 1st of each year to December 31st and need to be paid by January 1st.

Single memberships are still \$25.00/year.

Family memberships are still \$30.00/year.

Make your checks payable to BUFF and mail them to:

P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242

Or pay at the monthly dinner meeting.

Checks or cash will be accepted at the dinner meetings.

BUFF 2010 Calendar

November 2010

- Nov 2 **Beginning Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr 6:30 pm
- Nov 4 **Tie & Lie**, Bass Pro Outdoors, 7-9 pm
- Nov 5-7 **Fall Steelhead Trip**, Chagrin Falls, OH Tom Herr
- Nov 9 **Beginning Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr 6:30 pm
- Nov 10 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm
Raffel's on Reading Road
- Nov 16 **Beginning Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr 6:30 pm
- Nov 17 **BUFF Board Meeting** Atonement Lutheran
Church, 305 Cameron Rd. Springdale, OH 7 pm
- Nov 19 **Tie & Lie**, Bass Pro Outdoors, 7-9 pm
- Nov 23 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm
- Nov 23 **Beginning Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr 6:30 pm

December 2010

- Dec 2 **Beginning Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr. TBD
- Dec 2 **Tie & Lie**, Bass Pro Outdoors, 7-9 pm
- Dec 7 **Beginning Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr 6:30 pm
- Dec 8 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm
Raffel's on Reading Road
- Dec 15 **BUFF Board Meeting** Atonement Lutheran
Church, 305 Cameron Rd. Springdale, OH 7 pm
- Dec 17 **Tie & Lie**, Bass Pro Outdoors, 7-9 pm

November Menu

Price \$12

Scheduled to be!

**Beef Sirloin Tips
Stuffed Pork Chops
Buttered Noodles
Sautéed Vegetables
Fresh Fruit Salad
Rolls and Butter
Chef's Choice of Dessert**

2010 B.U.F.F Officers/Board of Directors/Key Positions

OFFICERS:

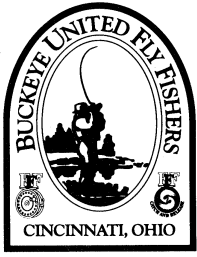
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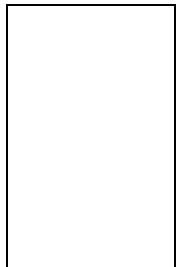


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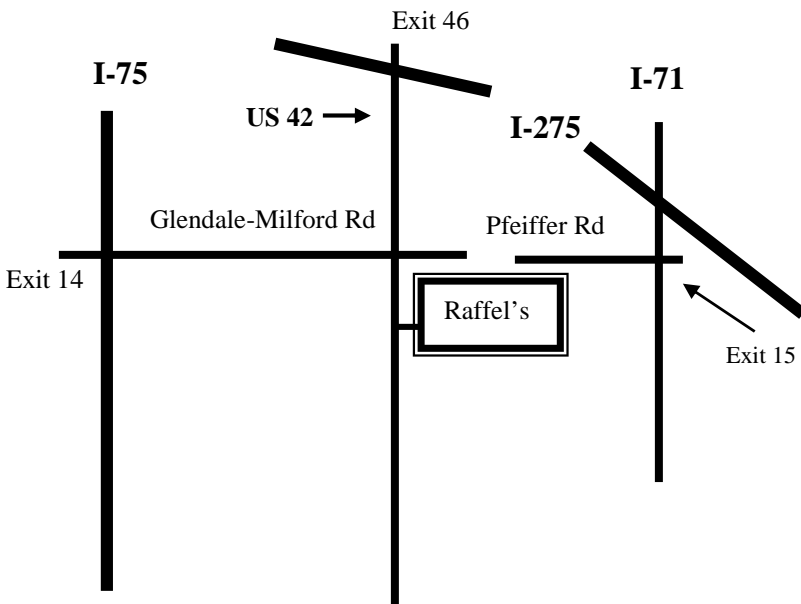
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NOTICE: Dues are \$25 (Individual), \$30 (Family), with a one time \$5 Initiation Fee for new members. New members will pay a prorated membership amount according to month of initial membership for the first year. Annual dues are due January 1. Refer to BUFF website for further information. B.U.F.F., P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, OH 45242

Mailing Address

Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday November 10

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