



The Renegade

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Membership Meeting
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6:30 p.m. at Almont Resort
Fly Fishing Western Wyoming

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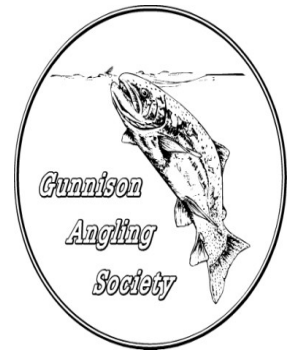


Meeting Feature: Mike Kaul

*WESTERN WYOMING
FISHING ADVENTURES
A PowerPoint presentation*

The Bridger Wilderness encompasses nearly 400,000 acres of pristine forest, lakes, streams, and mountains, including the Wind River Mountain Range. This vast area of unparalleled beauty, sometimes referred to as the “forgotten wilderness” because of its lack of notoriety, contains 1300 lakes, several hundred miles of connecting streams, 15 of 16 highest peaks in Wyoming, 27 active glaciers, and over 600 miles of trails. The Wind River Mountains, the largest continuous mountain chain in the lower 48 states, produces the headwaters of a multitude of outstanding fishing streams which include great trout producing rivers such as the Green and New Fork. The many lakes also provide excellent stillwater fishing opportunities. These venues offer anglers the chance to get away from crowds and pursue a wide vari-

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MARK'S MUSINGS

By MARK DAY, PRESIDENT OF GUNNISON ANGLING SOCIETY



It is 6:30 in the morning and the temperature is nine degrees ABOVE ZERO! The sun is coming through the living room window before 7:30 a.m., now I am starting to think *fishing!* I have not wet a line since the ski lifts in CB opened but I

know from skiing and teaching that the snow pack is above average and it's looking to be a great fishing season.

Our first Gunnison Angling Society (G. A. S.) meeting is coming

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WHAT DOES GUNNISON ANGLING SOCIETY MEAN TO YOU?

BY BEV JORDI, VICE PRESIDENT

To me, it means being actively involved as a member, volunteering my time, sharing knowledge and educating the generations to come.

I know why I joined and decided to get involved. I wanted to learn how to fly fish. After I moved out here 16 years ago, I knew that I wanted to learn how to chase those trout up the river. I wanted to don a pair of waders, stuff my backpack with snacks, sunscreen, and water, then top it off with a khaki pocketed vest. I had no idea why there were so many useless pockets on the outside of this bulky, colorless, boring vest, which a fisher woman must wear. Now I know! I eagerly fell in love with the rush of blue/green water running between my waders, felt soles



Photo collage by Dave Pinkerton

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REST IN PEACE
DEAR FRIEND



I met Bruce Hoagland more than 25 years ago, when we were members of Boulder Flycasters. His achievements at Colorado Trout Unlimited are legendary (read the memorial from Jo Evans on the GAS Blog), but it also needs to be said that Gunnison Angling Society simply would not exist but for Bruce's persistent - and often unrewarded - effort. He cajoled, harassed, begged and threatened countless members to contribute, and kept the chapter alive through sheer tenacity. I told him several times that he was trying to resuscitate a corpse, but he wouldn't quit, and today we have a healthy TU chapter in Gunnison. That is part of Bruce's legacy as much as anything he did for CTU. (I guided Bruce in Superfly in the early nineties, and my sales pitch that day gets some of the credit for his move to Gunnison in 1995.)

I called Bruce my favorite curmudgeon, because he had that notoriously gruff exterior. But those of us who knew him saw through that facade, and saw a man with a keen sense of humor and a heart of gold . . . a friend who made all of our lives better by being part of them. I shall miss him greatly.

John McClow

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ety of fresh water fish to include rainbow, brown, brook cutthroat, golden, lake (mackinaw) trout and the feisty grayling.



Mike Kaul is from Pine-dale, Wyoming a small town nestled at the foot of the Wind River Mountains, which serves as a gateway to the Bridger Wilderness. Mike has taken every opportunity in the past 45 years to chase these wily trout with a fly rod. He also takes pleasure in helping others enjoy the sport and is a FFF Certified Flycasting Instructor. Mike will provide a visual power point experience and comment on the lightly traveled Bridger Wilderness and the streams flowing from the Wind River Mountains. In addition to fishing, Mike will also discuss other recreational activities featured in the area, talk about the rich history of the region and provide information on accommodations and services.



From Colorado Trout Unlimited



A Victory for Sportsmen! \$260 Million Raid on Fish and Wildlife HALTED!

In response to overwhelming pressure from the sportsmen community, Representative Becker announced today his plans to withdraw HB 1150, a bill that would have raided \$50 million from hunting and fishing license fees and resulted in a net loss of over \$260 million for fish and wildlife conservation and management in Colorado. **We would like to congratulate the Department of Natural Resources and Rep. Becker for seeking a bipartisan, collaborative solution that respects the needs of Colorado's agricultural communities and the fish and wildlife that make our state great.** CTU and other members of the sportsmen's community extend our deepest thanks and appreciation to Rep. Becker for responding to the voices and concerns of sportsmen. Please call Representative Becker to thank him at 1-800-811-7647 (outside Denver) or 303-866-2906 (within the Denver-metro area).

Mark's Musings (Continued from page 1)

up Tuesday March 8th at the Almont Resort 6:30 PM. Our guest speaker is from the Pinedale Wyoming area and will have a slide presentation of the Upper Green River.

John Bocchino will be showing us around the new Blog he has been working on for our website <http://www.gunnison.org/index.html>. Also Dave Pinkerton will give a preview of the new virtual G. A. S. scrapbook. Bev Jordi is leading the charge for assembling volunteers for river and stream projects (new web page in the works now <http://www.gunnison.org/volunteer.htm>). Kevin Alexander finished a very extensive "Riparian Assessment of the Upper Gunnison" from Almont to McCabes Lane that has plans to help improve riparian areas and trout habitat. John McClow, as always is working hard on river issues and doing a great job putting *The Renegade* together. Thank you all (and those I missed) for your hard work! On a sad note the man that helped our chapter get to where it is, Bruce Hoagland passed away January 23rd. For more on Bruce's lifetime commitment with TU see our new blog.

First order of business at the next meeting will be our yearly elections for all positions, officer and board members. Yes even my seat as president is up for grabs! If you would like to nominate someone or yourself please drop us a line (pun intended). Also let us know if you would like to volunteer for a day, a project, Superfly or Fish with a Friend.

Best Fishes! Mark Day



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A Chapter of Trout Unlimited

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keeping me from sliding down into the chilly free stone current while I searched for the rise of the trout.

I was introduced to Trout Unlimited, and the Gunnison Angling Society, by my fishing friends. I decided to join this male dominated club, because I knew this was the right resource to achieve my expectations. The president at that time was Bruce Hoagland, who passed this year. He eagerly invited me to join. I sat and listened, and learned and absorbed all the information into my memory for future experiences. I was elected Vice President within two years and represented GAS at the State Rendezvous. I felt the TU arms open up and surround my novice enthusiasm to learn HOW TO FISH and take care of their habitat. This is why I am a member and a volunteer with Gunnison Angling Society. What about you?



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Definition

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2. The second stage in the purchase on credit of fishing gear.

Henry Beard and Roy McKie,

A Dictionary for Constant Anglers, Weekend Waders and Artful Bobbers