



Streamline



Oklahoma Chapter 420 of Trout Unlimited &
Tulsa Fly Fishers a Charter Club of Fly Fishers International



Event Calendar

May 12th, Lt. Gov. Matt Pinnell, " Oklahoma Fishing Trail & the Importance of Fishing to OK Economy"

May 15th - Family Fishing Day at Lake Pawhaska

May 29th - September 6th - All Fish, All Oklahoma Fishing Challenge

May 31st - Charles Pratt at Heirloom Rustic Ales, Speaking on the Zink Dam Project - 7 PM

If you have a friend who is not a member who might be interested in this information please feel free to forward this issue to your friend. [Forward this message to a friend.](#)

A Message from Your President



Heath Tiefenauer

Hello {FIRST_NAME|TU/TFFer's},

Welcome to the May edition of Streamline. We hope this edition finds you well and in good spirits. As we roll into May we look forward with great optimism as the last few months of our 2021 meeting and event season draw to a close. May is our last Spring general meeting before the summer break and we're going out with a great special Guest and an exciting change of venue.

May 12th we're proud to host Lt. Governor Matt Pinnell for a presentation that is close, literally, and figuratively, to all our hearts: **The Oklahoma Fishing Trail**. While space at our venue is limited, Zoom is not. We'll continue our new tradition of sharing our meetings via the Zoom platform and with some experience under our belt we're getting better and better at bringing this content to all of our supporters.

Thankfully the turbulent weather of April is improving and we'll continue to have wonderful Spring fishing conditions and plenty of opportunities to be outside and enjoy the activities we all love. Our April clean up event was a huge success. We collected quite a bit of trash which would have ended up in our beloved Lower Illinois River and the maiden voyage of our new TU420 Event Grill couldn't have gone better.

We'll break the grill out again in May for our outing at Pawhuska Lake. This event is a great opportunity to bring the entire family out. Pawhuska has a nice population of bluegill and panfish with a ton of shore access and it is also kayak friendly. If you've never seen a young person's excitement over catching bluegill you're

Lt Governor Speaks!



Matt Pinnell (center) & Friends

We're delighted to announce that **Oklahoma Lt. Governor Matt Pinnell** will be our guest speaker and present the Oklahoma Fishing Trail.

Matt will discuss what led him and the ODWC to work together to develop the Fishing Trail concept, the importance of the \$2 billion in business and 15,000 jobs our fisheries create. Plus, how he's working to improving public access with much needed upgraded facilities and how important conservation is and groups like OKTU/TFF are to the future of our fisheries. You'll also hear about how Matt started fly fishing, why he's so passionate about getting more people outdoors, and his belief that Oklahoman's are blessed with one of the best fisheries in the nation. There'll also be a Q & A period so he can gain your thoughts about Oklahoma fishing and the resources.

It's especially important that you join us for this special meeting to show your support for our fisheries and Trout Unlimited/TFF.

Date: Wednesday, May 12th.

Time: Doors open at 6pm and meeting starts promptly at 6:30.

Place: The world class Williams Lodge within The Gathering Place.

Directions: Take Riverside Drive to John Williams Way into The Gathering Place. Meet at the Williams Lodge, the first building on the right ([Click Map Link here](#)). Parking in front is reserved for OKTU/TFF attendees.

Come early and enjoy a beverage and burger and see some of what [The Gathering Place](#) has to offer.

Seating is LIMITED to the first 50 people and on a first come, first seated basis. Please arrive early. Masks are required and seating will be socially distanced per The Gathering Place rules.

We look forward to seeing you there.

truly missing out. [Join us May 15th](#). More details later in this newsletter.

June winds down our events with an end of (Spring) season picnic at Hunter park. The pavilion at which we've had our meetings will feature an end of year barbeque with fishing at Hunter Park pond. June is your last chance to complete your outings poker hand! [Don't miss out on your chance to win a new TFO fly rod of your choice!](#)

As we close out the first part of 2021, I hope all of you continue to be healthy and safe. I look forward to greeting each of you at our remaining Spring outdoor events. Until then, be well and happy fishing!

Tight Lines,

Heath Tiefenauer

President of Oklahoma Trout Unlimited & Tulsa Fly Fishers

2021 GENERAL MEETING PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

May 12 – Lt. Gov. Matt Pinnell – Oklahoma Fishing Trail & Importance of Fishing to the OK Economy

Please provide Pat Daly, pat@cimtel.net, with any recommendations you have for winter/spring fly fishing topics and guest speaker.

Trout in the Classroom

TIC is winding down for the year. We've had several releases and field trips to the river troutless. However, even without trout fingerlings to release the trips to the river are extremely rewarding.



Trout Fingerlings

At the writing of this we have 2 outings left. One to the Trout Ranch where tank leader, Ed Jones, will



Williams Lodge at The Gathering Place

Door and raffle tickets will be available starting at 6:00 pm. The General meeting starts at 6:30 pm. The Board of Directors highly recommends adherence to the City, TU and FFI mandates of wearing masks and social distancing at this event. Disposable paper masks will be available, no charge, at the event.

Meeting on Zoom too

Below is the **Zoom** link for our May General Meeting: May 12th at 6:30 PM.

You should click on this link between 6:15 - 6:30 and join the meeting via your personal computer or smart phone.

[TU420 May Zoom Link](#)

Also, our **Zoom link** will be posted on our **Facebook page** and at the **TU website** (tu420.com).

May Raffle Prize

Since our May Meeting will be on a different day (Wednesday), we are doing the May Raffle Prize with a twist.

This Month Only, the May Raffle Prize will be a **Mystery**.

Please **plan to attend** and **see the Raffle Prize!**

Outings

Tulsa Fly Fishers May Outing – Lake Pawhuska, May 15 2021

Join us Saturday May 15th for a fun filled day of fishing at Lake Pawhuska. Lake Pawhuska is a great venue for crappie and sunfish. With over three miles of shoreline, Lake Pawhuska has the distinction of being the second-best sunfish lake in the entire state, promising the perfect opportunity to introduce your little anglers to the joys of fishing. We're encouraging everyone to bring the entire family for this fun filled Family Style fishing day.

be hosting his daughter Madeline's Tulsa Street School class. The other outing will be Joel Kantor, tank leader for Riverfield Country Day School, who will be heading to the Lower Illinois River on May 7th, provided that the release area is not under water due to river flow.



LIR Trout Food

All in all, a great year. 100's of students participated and learned a lot about water quality and what happens to fish when it's not good. (or what happens if even the slightest bit of chemical cleaner is in the air when an air pump is pressing air into the water.)

Many thanks to the tank leaders and especially to all the volunteers that make all this a little easier on me. With 11 tanks it's just not possible to do it alone. BIG THANKS TO ALL!

Looking forward to the 2021-22 school year, we will most likely be adding several new tanks and host up to 14 schools.

For a look back at the year to date, please check out Tulsa Area Trout in the Classroom on Facebook.

Please contact [Scott Hood](#), if you'd like to help with the upcoming releases.

Scott Hood
Education Coordinator for TU420

LIR Clean Up/Fishing

The day became a true clean up in more than one sense of the word for most participants. First, we met at the Lake Tenkiller Powerhouse parking lot. Those who came early experienced good fishing before our event officially began.

You don't have to be a kid to enjoy catching sunfish. For their size the bite and fight will amaze you! We will have rods on hand for the kids to use, some casting instruction available for all ages and a grilled lunch with burgers, dogs, snacks and drinks will be provided at the picnic tables near the boat ramp at 11:30. There is plenty of shore access around the lake including a fishing access trail around most of the lake. There are also several nature trails to enjoy and the lake is also kayak friendly.

Lake Pawhuska is located 2 miles west of Pawhuska on Highway 60. Headed west out of Pawhuska you'll turn left onto 5205 Road and it's a short drive the lake. This event is all day with no specific start time. Come out and enjoy one of Oklahoma's top rated sunfish lakes, we look forward to seeing you!

2021 Conservation Issues

Conservation is Our Passion

News From The Front:

Legislative Report: We successfully knocked out all the anti-public land's bills from the legislature this month, so thank you so much to those of you who called your Senators and Representatives and helped defeat that misguided legislation.

There are still two bills that we are watching and would love for you all to engage with. They are both sitting at the House, so you would call your representatives on both.

HB2214: This bill has been a hundred different things over the last several weeks, but it is now just a bill that creates a 365-day license. So, if you buy your license in October, instead of that license being invalid starting the following January 1st (like the current system), your license would be good until the following October. This bill would make licenses valid for a full year from the time of purchase no matter what month or day the license was purchased on. We love this bill. Ask your Representatives to vote yes!

HB1093: This is a nutrient trading bill. The simplest way to describe nutrient trading is that waste removed from one watershed/county gets traded to another watershed/county for disposal or use. We are against this bill because for watershed trading to carry any measure of success, which is already doubtful, our state would have to have an organized understanding of how much waste is already produced and where it currently ends up. We don't



After the group photo, we disbursed with trash bags to clean up the Lower Illinois River. Many trash bags were crammed full, and a couple of automobile tires joined our sad collection.



At 11:30 we gathered at WATTS for hamburgers and hot dogs. On display on it's maiden voyage as our new TU420 Grill. Expertly handled by Heath, we were served our delicious lunch.



The afternoon brought anglers a couple of hours of delightful trout fishing. It was a day where many were caught and released. The event was a complete success!

Bruce Brewer
Editor

Help for Website

Occasionally, you may experience a broken link on one of our web pages. This usually happens as the source provider has done some maintenance requiring a change to that link or is no longer

have a handle on that data, so the idea that we could productively trade and monitor the trade of nutrients is unimaginable. **Ask your Representatives to vote no on this one.**

Arkansas River Event: There will be a presentation on the fishery concerns of the new Zink Dam project by engineer **Charles Pratt at Heirloom Rustic Ales on May 31st at 7 PM.** Charlie will be presenting a short and candid discussion on the dam and its operations, and what it means for the native and game fish populations that call the Arkansas River home. The event is free to attend and will be open to all ages. There will be a food truck and plenty of adult and non-alcoholic beverages available for purchase. Come with questions as most of his time will be used for a Q&A session.

JAKE Miller
Conservation Chair

Third Annual All Fish All Oklahoma Fly Fishing Challenge

15 Species in 14 Weeks On the Fly!

The 2021 Challenge runs from Saturday, May 29th until midnight Sept. 6, Labor Day 2021!

Fee to participate \$25.

Winner gets 1/2 the pot, a traveling trophy (Pictured) and bragging rights. OKTU420 Chapter retains the other 1/2 of the pot.

Awards and prizes presented at the September 9th OKTU/TFF meeting.

Species are:

- 1) Rainbow Trout
- 2) Longear Sunfish
- 3) Smallmouth Bass
- 4) Largemouth Bass
- 5) Striped Bass
- 6) Crappie
- 7) Bluegill
- 8) Green Sunfish
- 9) Redear Sunfish
- 10) Channel Catfish
- 11) Drum
- 12) Sand Bass
- 13) Kentucky Bass
- 14) Hybrid Striper/Sand Bass
- 15) Wild Card Fish - ANY NON-DESIGNATED FISH caught in Oklahoma on a fly rod and a fly

RULES: All species must be caught with a fly rod and fly in Oklahoma. Participant must agree to pay the \$25 entry fee once they register the first catch on the closed Facebook group page with the same name: **All Fish All Oklahoma Fly Fishing Challenge.** You must have a Facebook page to compete. You must take a photo of the fish with something having your name on it, or as a selfie. Pictures must be posted with date of catch, place of catch and species claimed. Each must be posted to the Facebook Group **within one week** of

publishing that website.

In either case, if anyone runs into this situation, it would be helpful if you could contact me at:

tu420web@gmail.com

so that link can be corrected or removed from the webpage.

Thanks for your help.

Frank Kohn
Webmaster

Outings Poker

Outings Poker is a new outing and event-oriented game for the 2020-2021 season. No purchase is necessary, and everyone is welcome to play!

How to play:

Receive 1 fly fishing themed playing card for each outing or special event you attend.

No purchase is necessary. Cards will be distributed at the start of events.

Each card will be specially stamped and the stamp for each event will be different.

At the end of the season the player with the best traditional 5 card poker hand will win a new fly rod!

Your 5-card hand can only contain 1 card from each event. Any hands with duplicate markings will be disqualified.

It is not necessary to fully spell TROUT if there are no duplicate markings.

Cards will be available at every monthly outing and certain special events.

Attend every event and collect 10 cards total. Double the chance for a winning hand!

Each event card will feature only one of the stamped letters shown below:

the catch. In the event of a questioned species claim, 2 judges will rule, all rulings are final.

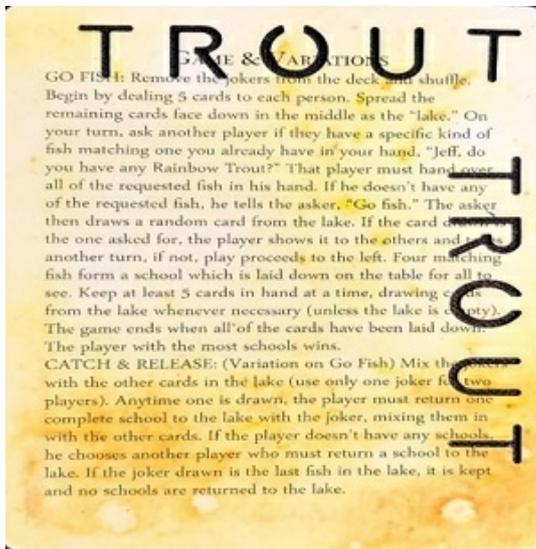
It is not a race to finish, pace yourself. You'll have all summer to complete the challenge. Complete all 15 species to be eligible to win the challenge. If more than one person completes the challenge, the winner will be determined by random name draw in September. Separate, non-monetary prizes awarded for largest fish of these species: Rainbow, Smallmouth, Largemouth, Striped Bass, Sand Bass, and Bluegill. The largest fish must be caught in public access waters only. For largest fish entries, carry a tape measure and include it in the picture, with your name, date and place of catch to qualify. Do the best you can when measuring and you may round up to the nearest inch. We don't want to kill fish to get an exact measurement. Enter your largest catch anytime you catch a larger fish than your first entry. In the event of a tie for largest catch in any species, the winner will also be drawn by random name draw. This is to be a fun fundraiser and each individual participating is expected to be honest and all catches are to be made in a legal manor obeying all Oklahoma fishing regulations. Fish caught when a participating angler is using a guide or guide service will qualify.

Team Challenge Event:

Register a 4-member angler team to complete the 15 fish challenge and win a hosted fishing trip on the Upper or Lower Illinois River. Team Entry Fee is \$100. Make your team up with 4 of your friends and/or workmates. In the team challenge the only additional requirement is that each team member must contribute at least 3 of the species and post the catch properly labeled, by species, location, dated and otherwise identify the angler and the team with the catch. Anyone can participate as an individual or as a team member, but a catch can only be counted one time, in the individual challenge or in the team event, but not in both.

If more than 1 team completes the challenge, winner will be selected from teams completing the challenge by random drawing at the September OKTU/TFF meeting. Oklahoma Fly Fishing (Donavan Clary) is offering the hosted guide trip on one of our great Oklahoma waters. His choice and subject to availability.

Register at the [TU420 Tournament Website.](#)



Mark Your Calendar For These Coming Events

May 29th - September 6th - All Fish, All Oklahoma Fishing Challenge

June 19th - End of the Year Picnic at Hunter Park

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