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President's Message

By Scott Locorini

As I write this we are finally receiving some much needed rain. It has been so dry this spring that whitewater rafting trips were canceled due to lack of water. Even our big tour boats here in Old Forge had to wait until there was enough water in the Fulton Chain of Lakes to



launch their boats. I can't remember that ever happening in the recent past and hope it isn't a new trend.

While NYSOGA still has many "irons in the fire," the big news at this time is Summer Rendezvous. Summer Rendezvous is going to be a little different this year and will be offering seminars and classes and inviting the public as well. Some of the happenings will include a Water Safety for Guides class, camp cooking demonstration, Map and Compass Class, Hike Safe class, All about Birds presentation, Campsite Choices and LNT presentation, Spey and Switch Casting instruction and more.

We will also be having a "Guides Fair" where our members and presenters can bring their promotional materials to give out to the public. On Friday night we're also having a "Meet the Guides" get together that is open to the public and sponsored by Ithaca Brewery.

While there are many different things going on, we didn't want to lose the laid back feel and camaraderie that has always accompanied Summer Rendezvous. So, the event will take place in two different locations, virtually next door to each other, in Altmar, NY. The camping and traditional potluck dinner will be at Browns Campground while the Guides Fair and majority of presentations will be at Tailwater Lodge. Save the dates, July 30-August 1st, to come out and meet fellow members as well as the public. An added bonus is the whitewater rafting release which will bring many whitewater guides and hundreds of guests to the area.

Lodging for Summer Rendezvous can be found at Browns Campground, The Schoolhouse Inn and Tailwater Lodge. More information and a schedule can be found elsewhere in this issue of Guidelines.. That's all for now. Have a great summer and I hope to see you at Rendezvous!

Summer Guidelines

"Early Morning Mist"

By Sandra 'Squeak' Rose

The morning is young, still dark and silent. I treasure the privilege of waking up here at my cabin with the foggy mist rising from my pond. The creatures that take advantage of the mist of the wee hours are endless and in the stillness I get to witness the integrity of their day to day routines. The frosty morns are giving way to dew drenched morns, and thankfully the days are longer. The meadow grasses sway and ripple in waves as I pass by and they are a favorite sight to my eyes. The Bullhead season is past its prime and Bass season is ahead. "Sudsy" my 12 ft. car driven vessel is chomping at the bit to get to the estuary and experience one of our beloved early morn launches. There is nothing quite like the blessings of

the Salmon River estuary at Port Ontario as the night sky turns to predawn pink and gold and the beauty around us comes to life. Sudsy and I know the territory well but, the blessings are forever new each day, and one never knows what they will see. There is a calmness that can rarely be found elsewhere and I cannot get enough. I could drift and gently row all day every day. Breath comes easier and the stresses of "life" seem unable to touch me the farther that I go from shore. As I look back I can almost "see" my troubles sitting on the shore and I laugh at them. They are despondent because they couldn't join me but there just isn't room for me and them on board Old Sudsy. I feel the fog and mist brush across my face and I am free.... Every swish and gurgle of the paddle, every creak of the oar locks takes me out farther into the "Early Morning Mist."

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Membership Report...

From Lee Godin

Hello Fellow **Outdoors** Persons:

The following are our member numbers as of 5/31/20:

3 Pending

17 Life

111 Active renewed for 2105

13 Associate renewed for 2015

11 Honorary

Please welcome the following new members:

William Petteruti runs Adirondack Camp Concierge LLC from Pulaski NY. He can be reached at 518-796-1135 or via email windbeam@roadrunner.com. His website is adirondackcampconcierge.com

New Active member Michael Larson from Montauk NY runs Montauk Outfitter. His number is 917-468-3361 or via email kayakfish@montaukoutfitter.com and Michael's website is montaukoutfitter.com

Off Trail Camping is run by new member Active member Jesse Connor. Jesse is from Tarrytown NY and he can be reached at 914-469-7045 or via email@ jesseconnor24@gmail.com. His website is offtrailcamping.com

Please take advantage of your new online renewal/payment system to submit your dues payment and any web changes you may have. As always please contact me if you need anything 518-542-2709 or go to lee3@yahoo.com

Have a safe and successful Summer.

Secretary's Report

By Mary Hall

Your Board of Directors and committees have been busy since Winter Rendezvous. Actions taken during the recent meeting held in Woodgate on May 20, 2016 include:

- 1. Accepting both the secretary and treasurer's reports.
- 2. Accepting the service agreement contract between Leo Godin and NYSOGA.
- 3. Approving spending up to \$85.00 for reordering our large yellow decals which can be purchased through products.
- 4. Approving allocating \$300.00 as seed money for setting up the Summer Rendezvous.
- 5. Accepting the contract with White Eagle Conference Center for Winter Rendezvous 2016 to be held March 17-20, 2016, in Hamilton, NY.
- 6. Approval to continue with the sports shows in Edison(to be re-evaluated next year), Springfield, Suffern and Saratoga.
- 7. Deciding to send the idea for guide exam review outside of rendezvous back to committee for review and recommendations.
- 8. Approving donations of \$100.00 to White Otter Fish and Game Club for use of their building and grounds for the BOD meeting and for the WFA class on June 7, 2015 and a \$25.00 donation to the Woodgate Library for use of their building for the forum review class held prior to the meeting.

Committees have been busy as well with most of them reporting in at the meeting. Some of the highlights include establishment of an instagram account for NYSOGA members. We can now send pictures, trip descriptions we are offering or just returned from for posting to instagram where it can be seen by the general public. Information that needs to be included is: Guides Business Name, type of trip you are offering, where your photo was taken, your instagram username if available, a sentence or two about what is going on in your picture. Then just attach your picture to the email and submit it to nysogasocialmedia@gmail.com for posting.

Work is continuing on our website to make it more user

friendly and many improvements have been made such as adding online registration forms and Paypal availability.

The Walter Bonome/Mary Tryon Kids to Camp Committee announced that we have one camper all set to go to camp and another on a waiting list hoping to get the chance.

Policies and Bylaws Committee is working on a couple of policy changes in regards to instructors teaching classes using NYSOGA materials, refund policy now that we have Paypal capability, some possible changes to the nomination policy,

Conservation and Trails Committee reported on work done on our adopted section of the Northville/ Lake Placid trail. DEC will be making a sign to be posted at the beginning of our section of trail recognizing NYSOGA for their work.

Ethics Committee reported on one incident that is being addressed.

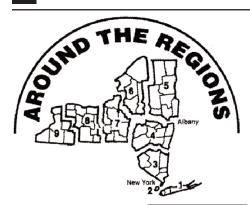
Legislative Committee reported on proposed changes to hunting and fishing regs from DEC. A new reg that went into effect on April 1 now allows people to be ticketed for posting pictures of fish or other game which are out of season.

Rendezvous Committees reported on plans for summer 2015 to be held at Tailwater Lodge and Brown campground in Altmar, NY July 30- Aug.1 and the Winter Rendezvous which will be held at White Eagle Conference Center in Hamilton, NY. March 17-20, 2016. Keep an eye on Guidelines and the e-newsletter for details.

The Shows Subcommittee for Showbags announced that we have 1000 new bags ready and will be stuffing 500 of them for the 2016 season. Your advertising can be sent to Mary Hall at 90 Country Club Road Tupper Lake, NY 12986 anytime up until October 15, 2015 for inclusion in this year's bags. If you have any questions about things going on in your area, contact your Regional Director. He or she will direct you to your answers if they can't give them to you themselves. I hope to see you all at Summer Rendezvous. Have a great summer season!



A small but enthusiastic group of NYSOGA volunteers conducted a work day on our adopted section of the Northville-Lake Placid Trail in May. Photographer Sonny Young snapped this shot of (l-r) Bill Swiac, Norm Landis, Lynn Malerba and Sheila Young.



REGION 4

By Bruce Fuller
I guess all regions saw us go from a brutal winter directly into summer weather. Unfortunately the few heavy frosts we had in



Bruce Fuller

May during all that nice warm weather did damage some plants. Sure hope it did not hurt the apples too badly.

Although I personally had a much better than expected Turkey Season with several birds to the gun, most reports I received reflected a poor success rate in the region. Reports I received and my own observations confirm the fact that our turkey numbers are far down from where they should be. Coyotes continue to be an issue and we have also seen a major increase in the fishers, (aka fisher cats to some), in our region. Since these large weasels can climb, they are surely taking some turkeys off the roost at night. In addition, it is my understanding that DEC has also identified a virus that has invaded some of our turkey populations. There is talk of the DEC modifying the season and I agree that it is time for some action to be taken.

Even though the Trout Season started out as bitter cold with snow and the ice did not go off the local reservoirs until late April, most of the trout fishing reports have been good. However, there was a period in May when the unseasonably warm and dry weather caused many of our streams and small rivers to drop down to summer like conditions. During that period the low clear water made fishing more difficult and did no favors for those in canoes and kayaks.

So far June seems to be providing a more normal weather pattern and I am hopeful we will all enjoy a great summer. Wishing you all the very best.

REGION 5

By Sheila Young
Another invasive
species has been documented in the TriLakes. Several "rudd"
fish have been seen or
caught recently in
Saranac Lake's Lake
Flower. USGS notes
this fish, which looks



Sheila Young

somewhat like a giant shiner, is stocky and deep bodied. It has a forked tail and a prominent lower lip. The sides are brassy yellow, the back is darker and the belly is pale. The rudd's fins are orange-reddish to reddish-brown.

Sonny and I had the opportunity to attend a climate change conference at Paul Smith's College. Our report about the impact of temperature changes on Adirondack trout populations will appear elsewhere in Guidelines when space permits.

The Tupper Lake Chamber of Commerce is stocking copies of the 2015 "Adirondack Waterways," "Adirondack Fishing," and "Adirondack Great Walks & Day Hikes." NYSOGA's advertisement is well-placed in each issue.

Rivers were low and the trails were mostly dry before late May / early June rainstorms. Swollen streams in the High Peaks during the last weekend in May contributed to a drowning tragedy for a 34-year-old Canadian woman. News reports initially stated she slipped from a log, falling into Feldspar Book on her return from hiking Skylight & Grey peaks, with her body being re-

covered from Lake Arnold...which is impossible, as there is a 500-foot ascent between these two waters. I'm guessing the unfortunate woman's body was located in or near Lake Colden (one news bureau gets it wrong, and they all repeat it). In any event, crossing rushing water on any log is hazardous. Better to take refuge for the night than to risk a slip and a fall.



REGION 6

By John Wainwright

Well, not much of a spring here in Region 6. Went from high water to low water in 10 days. Turkeys should have a good nesting season after a very hard winter. Local streams are in good shape now



John Wainwright

that we finally had some much needed

rain. We had our first float trip on the Mohawk June 6. It was good conditions and the smallies were past their post spawning slump.

W. Canada, E. Canada and other streams are fishing well with good hatches of caddis during the day and a mixture of may flies in the late afternoon and evening. I've heard of some good brook trout pond fishing results from various guides and friends. Water warmed quickly and provided nice shallow water fishing opportunities.

The Summer Rendezvous committee is working hard to make this year's event special. The outing will be at the Tailwater Lodge and Brown's Campground on the Salmon River. Lots of seminars are scheduled so hope some of you can maker it July 30-August 1.

That's it for now. As always, please feel free to contact me at (315) 894-5834 if you have questions, issues or recommendations for the Board.

REGION 7

By Capt. Phil Bortz Hello Everyone! There is not a lot to report from Region 7 other than summer is fi-

Spring steelhead came to a screeching halt the second week of May

nally here!



Phil Bortz

but Lake Ontario browns and lakers really turned on! I have heard good reports of keeper sized walleye all over the region but especially from Oneida Lake. AND, the salmon are starting to show themselves.

I wish I had better news in regard to spring gobbler season. It seems even the seasoned veterans had trouble bringing big toms into gun range.

The excitement is building for Sum-

mer Rendezvous! My home town, my region and lots for everyone to see and do. Hope to see everybody then!

That's all for now...I have got to get back to those Nantucket stripers I have been chasing all week!

REGION 8

By Capt. Jim Morgan

Mary, Lynn and the girls were in at the end of May for a fishing trip. The fishing was tough all of May but we had fun catching pike and pickeral.



DATE

ORIGIN



Jim Morgan

Mandy, lost a huge lake trout at the boat. Mary caught a J 13 Rapala right in the face when a big Pike spit the lure

Bloodied her lip but none of the 3 treble hooks stuck! Whew!!! That was the best luck all day!

I've been bitten with boat breakdowns several times. My mate (Wolfy) went overboard and it took 3 of us to pull him in. In the process, I ripped acalf muscle pulling on him. Hopefully the rest of the season is less chaotic.

We unofficially broke the state record for small mouth bass by 4 oz. A client caught an 8lb 8oz smally in May which we put back. All the years fishing I had never seen one that big.

Hope all is well with everyone as guiding is getting busy. A special "Thank You" to Lynn for taking time to help Tina with the Forum.

May 2015 Trip Planning Request

Compiled by Roy Earley

DATE	<u>ORIGIN</u>		REGION/CATEGORY
5-04-15	Manhattan	1-2 People	? ? ? ? • Hiking
5-04-15	Broome County	1-2 People	Region 7 • Hiking
5-04-15	Illinois	1-2 People	Region 5 • Wild Turkey
5-04-15	Dutchess County	3-5 People	Region3,4 • Lake & Rivers
5-07-15	Franklin County	1-2 People	Region 5 • Wild Turkey
5-08-15	NY	1-2 People	Region 3 • Wild Turkey
5-10-15	Dutchess County	3-5 People	Region 3,4 • Canoe, Kayak
5-13-15	Florida	1-2 People	Region 5 • Wild Turkey
5-19-15	Nassua County	3-5 People	Region 2 • Lakes & Rivers
5-23-15	Westchester	1-2 People	Region 3 • Big Game, Small Game
			Wild Turkey, Other
5-26-15	Queens	1-2 People	Region 3 • Hiking
5-26-15	NY	3-5 People	Region 4,5,6 • Hiking, Nature Trip
			Outdoor. Edu.
5-31-15	NY	3-5 People	Region 4 • Big Game, Small Game, Wild Turkey
			Drift Boat, Lakes&River, Carter Boat

February, 2015 Trip Planning Requests **REGION/CATEGORY**

2/8/15 2/10/15 2/10/15 2/16/15 2/24/15	Rutland County, VT. Hillsbourgh, N.H. Schoharie County, N.Y. Rochester, PA. Warren Co., Virginia	1-3 people	Region 5 • Big game Region 5 • Big game Region • Turkey Hunt Region • Waterfowl Region 6 • Big game, Winter Camping
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2015 NYSOGA Summer Rendezvous

July 30 - August 1, 2015 ALTMAR, NY

Join us at Tailwater Lodge in Altmar, NY on the beautiful Salmon River for the 2015 Summer Rendezvous. This year we are inviting the public to meet us at our "Guides Fair" and our presentations. All NYSOGA members are welcome to and encouraged to bring promotional materials to give out to the public. There will be some table space and the NYSOGA show booth area to display your materials. Check out the schedule below, we've got some great classes and world class presenters!! And....everything is free (except water safety)!!

Thursday, July 30th:

9:00 AM - Noon - BOD Meeting at Tailwater Lodge
1:00 - 5:00 PM - Water Safety for Guides Training - Tailwater Lodge - Alan Woodruff, \$45 - Pre-Register by e-mail at warw123@hotmail.com or by phone at (315) 392-4592

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM - Salmon River Hatchery Tour - Fran Verdoliva - DEC Special Assistant for the Salmon River.

6:00 PM - Traditional Pot Luck Dinner at Browns Campground, Altmar, NY

Friday, July 31st:

9:00 - 10:30 AM - Hike Safe Class - Tailwater Lodge - Will Soter - Upstate Adventure Guides Service - upstatead-ventureguides.com

11:00 AM - 12 PM - Leave no Trace Principles and How to set up a Proper Campsite - Behind Tailwater Lodge - Tim Hallock - Northeast Mountain Guides (northeastmountainguides.com) and Scott Locorini - Adirondack Exposure (adirondackexposure.com)

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM - Map and Compass Skills - Tailwater Lodge - Sonny and Sheila Young - Adirondack Foothills Guide Service - adkfoothills.com

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Guides set/up drop off materials for guide fair.

7:00 PM -? -Meet the guides of NYSOGA at Tailwater Lodge - Entertainment provided by NYSOGA. Sponsored by Ithaca Beer.

Saturday, August 1st:

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM NYSOGA Guide Fair -Tailwater Lodge

9:00 AM - All About Birds - Joan Collins - Adirondack Avain Expeditions - adirondackavian.com

10:00 AM - Hike Safe Class - Tailwater Lodge - Will Soter - Upstate Adventure Guides Service - upstateadventureguides.com

11:00 AM - Spey and Switch Casting Instruction - Behind

Tailwater Lodge - Jay Peck - Carl Colemans Fly Shop - colemansflyshop.com

11:00 AM - From the Market to the Mountain Top - Outdoor Cooking Demo - Behind Tailwater Lodge - Ron Loeber - Campside Chefs Culinary Adventures - campsidechef.com

1:00 PM - Invasive Species Talk - Tailwater Lodge - Megan Pistolese - Education and Outreach Coordinator for the St. Lawrence Eastern Lake Ontario Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management - sleloinvasives.org

2:00 PM - Tales and Techniques of a Wildlife Photographer - Tailwater Lodge - Eric Dresser - www.ericdresser.com

2:00 PM - Leave no Trace and Setting up a Proper Campsite - Behind Tailwater Lodge - Tim Hallock - Northeast Mountain Guides (northeast mountainguides.com) and Scott Locorini - Adirondack Exposure www.adirondackexposure.com

3:00 PM - All About Birds - Tailwater Lodge - Joan Collins - Adirondack Avian Expeditions - www.adirondack-avianexpeditions.com

4:00 PM - Spey and Switch Casting - Behind Tailwater Lodge - Jay Peck - Carl Colemans Fly Shop - www.colemansflyshop.com

Lodging: Browns Campground - 315-298-5457, Brownscampground@yahoo.com - \$25.00 per night for two(2) people at a campsite; \$6.00 for each additional person over two(2) at an individual campsite, \$4.50 electric, dump station \$5.00

School House Inn - (315) 298-3446, wwwtheschoolhouseinn.net - mention the NYSOGA Rendezvous for your discounted room rate of \$50/night for two guests.

Tailwater Lodge - 855-895-6343, tailwaterlodge.com, mention the NYSOGA Rendezvous for your discounted room rate of \$99/night.

A Few Nearby Activities:

- Whitewater Rafting on the Salmon River starts on Saturday with a water release on Friday
- Fishing in the Salmon River for smallmouth Bass, Skamania and the occasional Atlantic Salmon
 - Charter boat fishing on Lake Ontario
 - Hiking in nearby state forests
 - Waterfall viewing at Salmon River Falls
 - Birding Along the Great Lakes Seaway Trail
 - Canoeing and kayaking on Lake Ontario area ponds and Salmon River Reservoir Salmon River Visitors Center and International Sport Fishing Museum
 - Lighthouse Viewing



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ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PRICE			
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Window Decal	interior 3x7"	\$3.00			
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Window Sticker	interior 2.5" round	\$2.00			
NYSOGA Pin	pewter 1" round	\$6.00			
Travel Mug	granite/green w/Logo	\$6.00			
Membership Pin Collection	11 pins 1995-2005	\$5.00			
Hat green/tan waxed canvas	embroidered guide pin	\$20.00			
Hat tan cotton twill	embroidered guide pin	\$20.00			
Tee Shirt Rend. 2015	maroon long sleeve M, XL, 3XL	\$18.00			
Tee Shirt Rend. 2014 - Lyons Falls	gray M, Lg, XL, 2XL	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2013 - Malta	black Lg, XL, 2XL	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2012 - Hamilton	tan long sleeve M, Lg, XL, 2XL	\$10.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2011 - Lake Placid	grey cool dri fabric Lg, XL	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2010 - Hamilton	black Med, Lg	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2009 - Margaretville	brown Med.	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2008 - Boonville	rust Med. only	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2007 - Saranac	white S, Med, Lg, XL	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2003 - Johnstown	brown Med, XL	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2002 - Boonville	ivory XL only	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 2001 - plain black	ivory S, M, Lg, XL, 2 XL	\$7.00			
Tee shirt Rend. 1999 - Saratoga	ivory Med, Lg	\$7.00			
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ADD 8% SALES TAX					

Try This Recipe...

Vegetable Almond Couscous



Ingredients: 1/2 c. dried onions 1/2 c. dried carrots 1/4 c. dried parsley 1 1/4 c. dry couscous 1 vegetable bouillon cube 1/4 tsp. black pepper 1/4 c. grated dry cheddar or Parmesan cheese 1/4 c. almond slivers 3 cups water

At home, combine dried onions, carrots, parsley, couscous, bouillon cube and black pepper. In a separate bag, seal the grated cheese and almond slivers.

At camp, bring water to a boil and stir in couscous mix. Cook 10 minutes or until everything is tender. Stir in cheese and almonds and serve hot. You will get 1-3 servings.

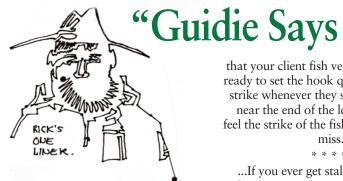


This embroidered 3 inch patch can be ordered through the NYSOGA Store.

The NYSOGA-sponsored wilderness first aid class on June 7 at the White Otter Fish & Game Club in Woodgate was a successful undertaking with nine students. Sonny and Sheila Young were the instructors.



Hilary Appell of Rainbow Graphics, the brains behind the NYSOGA website was presented with an honorary member plaque recently by secretary Mary Hall.



...Sometimes, when you are fishing a stream or river, good fish will rise too far out to be reached by casting. Try placing your lure on a small board or stick and float it down to the rising fish, playing out line as it goes. When the lure reaches the place where the fish is, jerk the rod slightly so the lure will fall into the water. Retrieve it as you would when casting...

...Quite often, trout will rise all around you without taking the flies you have offered them. Next time this happens to one of your clients, advise him or her to try a nymph instead of a wet or dry fly. Suggest

that your client fish very slowly and to be ready to set the hook quickly. They should strike whenever they see a bulge or flash near the end of the leader. Waiting to feel the strike of the fish will cause them to miss

...If you ever get stalled in sand or mud when towing a boat, couple your vehicle to the trailer at an angle. This way, the car will have a few feet of free movement before it has to take the full load of the trailer and you'll have a better chance of getting free...

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...It is easier to spot a tick on light colored clothes...

...Fresh eggs can be kept in camp for several days without refrigeration by carrying them in your thermos bottle. Break them into the bottle before leaving and you can pour them out as needed in camp...



Paul E. Hogancamp

Guidelines has been advised of the passing on June 5 of NYSOGA charter and life member Paul Hogancamp. Paul was from Regon 3 and played an integral part in NYSOGA's early days.



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