

## **Freshwater Report**

By

**Dan Genest**

Summer times does not have to mark the end of your freshwater trout fishing. Tailwater fisheries on the Jackson, Smith and Dan rivers provide year round action. Spring creeks stay active with Trico hatches and hoppers. If you are fishing the native brook trout streams in Shenandoah National Park, this is the season for ants and beetles. Water levels will be low, so stay hidden and make the longest cast you can in tight quarters.

In May, we conducted two brook trout seminars through Billy Kingsly's Blue Ridge Angler fly shop in Harrisonburg. Club members had the chance to work on improving their casting, learn a little about may flies and stone flies, fishing strategies and favorite lies. From reports, it seems everybody caught fish, had a good time, and learned a lot.

We will offer a similar class on Saturday, Aug. 10. This seminar will cover Trico and hopper fishing on Mossy Creek and will be taught by Billy Kingsly. This will be an early morning class because the Tricos are setting the schedule. We will need to be on the water and ready to fish by about 6:45 a.m. Cost of the class is \$35 prepaid and nonrefundable. More information will be provided to those who sign up. Contact Dan Genest, 771-3844 or 378-8262 to register.

## **Campfire Event**

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**Billy Pearsall**

The BOJC would like to thank the FFV for their co sponsorship of the Brotherhood of the Junglecock Campfire Event. We had 26 children and 29 adults participate in the function. The kids seemed to enjoy the fly tying, fly casting, canoeing along with the live bait demonstration and biologist program on the lake. But maybe what they liked best was catching fish with their sponsors. The meal was great, thanks to Joanna Barnes, and the kids really liked the raffle table. Thanks again to all who came and helped make this event successful