

DIRT ROAD TRADERS

The Dirt Road Wild Trout Fly Fishing Festival, 2021

Newsletter 3, August 2020

Our mailing list has kindly been updated by our secretary, Margie Murray. Several folk on the abbreviated mailing list have already completed their entry forms and some of whom have provisionally booked their spots by paying their participation fee but have not submitted their entry forms yet.

Accordingly, I have included a copy of the 2021 festival entry form in this missive. While on the topic, I have been pleasantly surprised by the positive reaction to the opening of 2021 event entries so to ensure that you have a spot, please oblige with a dash of speed as we may have to impose a limit on the total number of participants for the festival. To ensure that all of the ducks are in a row, those who have paid already but not submitted their entry forms are urged to do so sooner rather than later.

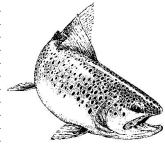
To share the happiness, there are 17 participants of whom 4 are new folk who will be joining the "old boys club" i.e. almost 25%!

I am also intending to collate a record of festivals down the years so am asking for input from participants, either a few pics or written accounts of the highlights of their experiences. The deadline is 30/10/2020 so delve into the memory banks and oblige! In fact, the "record of festivals" has extended itself into a history of the Wild Trout Association. Whether it is completed by March remains to be seen!

In the meantime, a pic below to jog the "file find" systems. A "visit to the office" for the first person to successfully identify all of the folk in the pic and the year, of course!



Cheers,
Dave.



Dirt Road Wild Trout Festival 17th to 21st March 2021



Entry form

Please read carefully, complete legibly and e-mail to: info@wildtrout.co.za

Name: _____ Package number? _____ Age _____

E-mail address: _____

Cell no: _____ Name of new participant/s introduced _____

Name of partner: _____

Have you fished in the area before? _____ Yes/no Do you require a guide? _____ Yes/no

Other requirements? (Vegetarian meals/allergies?) _____

As a preliminary guideline, please indicate your beat preferences, bearing in mind that weather conditions may render your choice/s unfishable in which case alternatives should be discussed with the beat organizer each evening and on a daily basis.

Wednesday _____ Thursday _____

Friday _____ Saturday _____

Shirt/fleece size/s _____

Breakfast bookings can be made by sending an e-mail to: bookings@walkerbouts.co.za or sms to 079 875 2009

Full package includes:

- 5 evening meals, 4 days of fishing, 4 lunch-packs, a goodie bag plus participation in the auction as well as bar banter at no charge
- The assistance of a guide can be arranged each evening during the event. Ensure that you make contact with the beat organisers to make the appropriate arrangements on a daily basis.
- Fishing beats & guides will be allocated each evening in consultation with participants.

Packages		
1	Regular participant: Dinners, Fishing, Goodie Bag, Lunch-pack, guiding by arrangement	R5 995
2	Regular participant: <i>Early birdies</i> - Payment in full by 30/11/2020: 2021 event discount of 5%	R5 695
3	Regular participants who introduce one or more first-timers: 2021 event discount of 10%	R5 395
4	<i>Early birdie plus</i> 2021 first-timer introduction discount for one or more new participants	R5 095
5	First-time participant: Special 2021 event introductory offer	R4 995
6	Non-fishing partner excluding fishing, goodie bag & lunch-packs	R3 500

Confirmation:

- Your booking will be confirmed on receipt of a 50% deposit or payment in full to qualify for the early bird discount, either paid by **30/11/2020** into the following account;
- **Wild Trout Association, FNB, Barkly East, 210220. Acc. no: 51610009669, Current acc.**
- The balance is due by **31/1/2021**
- Please e-mail a copy of the EFT PoP to info@wildtrout.co.za

Accommodation:

- Self-catering accommodation should be arranged with Margie Murray at the Rhodes Tourist & Information Centre: Tel. 045 971 9003 or e-mail: info@wildtrout.co.za
- Although the festival includes 4 days of fishing, participants are welcome to arrive earlier and fish in the Eastern Cape Highlands - after all, a week's fishing beats a week in the office any time!

Terms and conditions

- As described above.
- Participation is at own risk & guides are in no way responsible for participants health & safety.