

2018 Calendar of Events



**Hiwassee River
Watershed Coalition, Inc.**

GTKYW = Get To Know Your Watershed! These events will always include a naturalist, outdoor guide, or some other expert to help participants learn more about the upper Hiwassee River watershed area.

- Event:** **Fall Tree Sale Fundraiser**
Date: **Orders Taken: Saturday, September 15 – Monday, November 5**
Order Pick-up Date: Saturday, November 10
Cost: **Prices vary by species and size; payment must be received at the time of order**
Details: HRWC is again holding a native tree and shrub sale this fall! Choose from more than 25 species of native trees and shrubs ranging from large shade trees to native ornamental shrubs. There are also great pollinator and wildlife species on the list. All plants are quality nursery stock ranging in size from one gallon to large three gallon potted trees. Orders will be accepted September 15 through November 5. You must pay for the order at the time you submit it to secure your species and size of choice. Then pick up your order from the HRWC parking lot on Saturday, November 10 from 9:00-2:00. Visit our Fall Tree Sale page to download species size & price lists, plant descriptions and an order form: <https://hrwc.net/events/fall-tree-sale/>.
- Event:** **Andrews Oktoberfest 2018**
Date: **Saturday, September 29**
Time: **2:00-8:00 PM**
Location: **Harold H. Hall Memorial Park**
33 1st Street, Andrews, NC 28901
Cost: No admission charge!
Details: The 3rd Annual Oktoberfest jubilee in Andrews, NC is set for Saturday, Sept 29th (yep, it's in September!) and while the focus of the event is beer, beer, beer, from from Andrews Brewing Company and Hoppy Trout, there will also be wine from Calaboose Cellars and FernCrest Winery. Food will be provided by River Brats and Big Dogs and Chevelles Food Trailer. The event will also feature live music, a cornhole tournament, free bouncy houses for kids, & more. There is no admission charge. HRWC will have an information booth, mainly to showcase our Fall Tree Sale fundraiser (see above). Of course, we'll also have plenty of other information about our organization, upcoming events, and ways that you can get involved in sustaining good water quality in our rivers, lakes and streams!
- Event:** **Cherokee County Mountain Crafters Festival**
Date: **October 6 & 7**
Time: **10:00 AM-4:00 PM Saturday; 10:00 AM-3:00 PM Sunday**
Location: **Murphy High School Gym**
65 Middle School Dr., Murphy, NC 28906
Cost: No admission charge!

Details: This is the third annual Cherokee County Mountain Crafters Festival, which showcases local talented artisans, craftsmen, musicians, dancers, food vendors and organizations throughout the county. HRWC will have an informational booth. Stop by to learn more about the organization and what we do, pick up a calendar of events and find out about how you can get involved.

Event: Fall Wine Tasting & Lakes Celebration

Date: **Thursday, October 18**

Time: **5:30 -7:00 PM**

Location: **Crane Creek Vineyards**

916 Crane Creek Rd., Young Harris, GA 30582

Cost: **\$20 in advance; \$25 at door**

Advance tickets available online: <https://hrwc.net/events/wine-tasting/>

Details: This early evening event features tastings of select wines from Crane Creek, as well as delicious hors d'oeuvres freshly prepared by Brenda Hull and other volunteers. In addition to great food and great wine in a beautiful setting, there will also be a raffle for several nice items and gift certificates. All proceeds benefit clean water locally!

GTKYW Event: Nature Walk – Union County

Date: **Tuesday, October 23** (Rain Date: Oct 30)

Time: **5:30 PM**

Location: **Meeks Park**

Meet at Pavilion #3 at the end of the main park road (Colwell Fields)

Directions: Meeks Park is located approximately one mile west of Blairsville on Hwy. 515. Look for a long left turn lane before you get to North Georgia Technical College.

Details: This is the fifth and final event in a series of easy, leisurely, family-friendly nature walks within our watershed. HRWC Restoration Coordinator, Tony Ward will be on hand to identify various native trees and shrubs and discuss their value for stream bank stabilization, shade, storm water filtration, wildlife habitat and more. No registration is necessary; however, to be notified of a change to the rain date, email Raleigh Keagan at admin@hrwc.net or call 828-837-5414.

GTKYW Event: State of the Water & Annual Meeting

Date: **Tuesday, October 30**

Time: **5:30-7:00 PM**

Location: **Hinton Rural Life Center, Moore Hall**

2330 Hinton Center Rd., Hayesville, NC 28904

Details: The event will begin with a presentation by the HRWC executive director on the "state of the water" across the upper Hiwassee River watershed. Those in attendance will learn about how water quality is doing in our lakes, rivers, and streams including an overview of recent sampling that's been conducted in our watershed. Following this presentation, Coalition staff members will provide an overview of what we've been working on in various program areas including Monitoring, Education, and Restoration and a summary of our plans for the coming year. Participants will be asked to provide input into our work plans for 2019 and given the opportunity to help us prioritize our work in the watershed. Refreshments will be served.

Event: 8th Annual Lake Chatuge Shoreline Cleanup

Date: Saturday, November 3

Time: 9:00-11:30 AM

Location: Towns County Swim Beach Pavilion

Across from the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds

Details: On the first Saturday in November, HRWC will host its 8th Annual Lake Chatuge Shoreline Cleanup, in conjunction with Rivers Alive! The event will kick off at 9:00 AM with breakfast and coffee. Volunteer coordinators will lead teams of 5-8 to designated trash sites along the shores of Lake Chatuge and we'll meet back at the swim beach pavilion by 11:30 for prizes and refreshments. The first 100 volunteers to sign-in will receive a free Rivers Alive t-shirt. If you would like to be a site leader or if you have a group of three or more, please RSVP to Raleigh in advance at admin@hrwc.net or call 828-837-5414 to help us plan.

Event: Fall Tree Sale Fundraiser – Order Pick-up

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Time: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Location: HRWC Office Parking Lot

90 Tennessee Street, Ste. D, Murphy, NC 28906

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More details, maps & directions at: <https://hrwc.net/events/full-calendar/>

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