



Dear Past and Future One-Buggers:

The Catskill Mountains may be frosted with snow and the Delaware River icy cold, but we're making plans to fish.

The fourth-annual One Bug™ fundraiser is fewer than 100 days away. The event will be held on the weekend of April 29, 30 and May 1 and will again be headquartered at the famous Old Capital Theatre, 170 Front St. in Hancock, N.Y. As always, the weekend will begin with a reception, banquet and auction on Friday night at the decked-out theatre, followed by two days of team fishing led by the country's best guides.

The One Bug™ is the most important fundraising event of the year in support of the charitable work of Friends of the Upper Delaware River. Proceeds will be used in our ongoing battle for consistent reservoir releases, habitat and stream improvements and the enhancement and protection of the Upper Delaware's wild trout fishery and flood mitigation.

The event, which raised more than \$50,000 in 2010, celebrates the sport and camaraderie of fly fishing while boosting the regional economy. It is modeled after the Jackson Hole One Fly fundraiser, held each September in Wyoming. We are also pleased to say that the One Bug™ has been a much-needed shot in the arm for the local economy.

The One Bug™ is a strictly "CPR" event: catch, photograph and release. Under the rules, each two-person team selects a single artificial fly for each of the two days of competition. If it breaks off or is otherwise lost, that contestant's day of tournament fishing is finished, but he or she may continue to fish without scoring any additional points caught with their new fly. Each team is paired with a guide and assigned to a specific "beat," or stretch of water.

We hope that past participants will join us again, and we invite new friends to come enjoy this unique weekend on the water, chasing the wild Delaware River rainbows and hungry spring brown trout.

This year's event will be limited to 20 teams. We ask a donation of \$2,200 per team, or \$4,000 per team for a corporate sponsorship. The entry fee includes Friday night's open bar and banquet, guided fishing for two days, plus drinks, snacks and breakfast, lunch and dinner each day. All One-Buggers receive a

complimentary hat and shirt. Corporate sponsors also receive a full-page ad in the event program and two tickets to the banquet.

A limited number of tickets are available at \$100 each for the Friday evening event. To sign up a team or for ticket information, call FUDR at 607-363-7848 or email me at catskilldan@mac.com

Please come join us!

Dan Plummer, FUDR board chairman