



Dick's son, Travis Ritchie, had something to say about big Brown honors.

Fishing in the rain builds character

The flows on the **Lower Owens River** have increased some so it's a little tougher. Good early.

Crowley Lake has clear water for now, but algae is coming on strong soon. Try the north arm for very clear water. **McGee** is still the main producer.

I still like **Lake Mary** for excellent fishing on pan-sized fish. Fly and bait anglers are sticking an occasional big Alpers, too.

San Joaquin River continues excellent for small Brown Trout on dry flies. You can drive you own car into the valley before 7 a.m. and after 7 p.m.

Hot Creek and **Upper Owens** aren't a

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gimme, but still good choices.

Convict Lake has been best back by the inlet late afternoons.

June Lake Loop is hopping with oversized fish being nabbed at Gull and Grant lakes.

For complete, up-to-the-minute bait, lure and fly recommendations go to thetroutfitter.com.



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Paul McFarland and Stacey Corless from Friends of the Inyo with John Wentworth and Kim Stravers from MLTPA

Friends of Inyo and friends work at Duck Pass stewardship

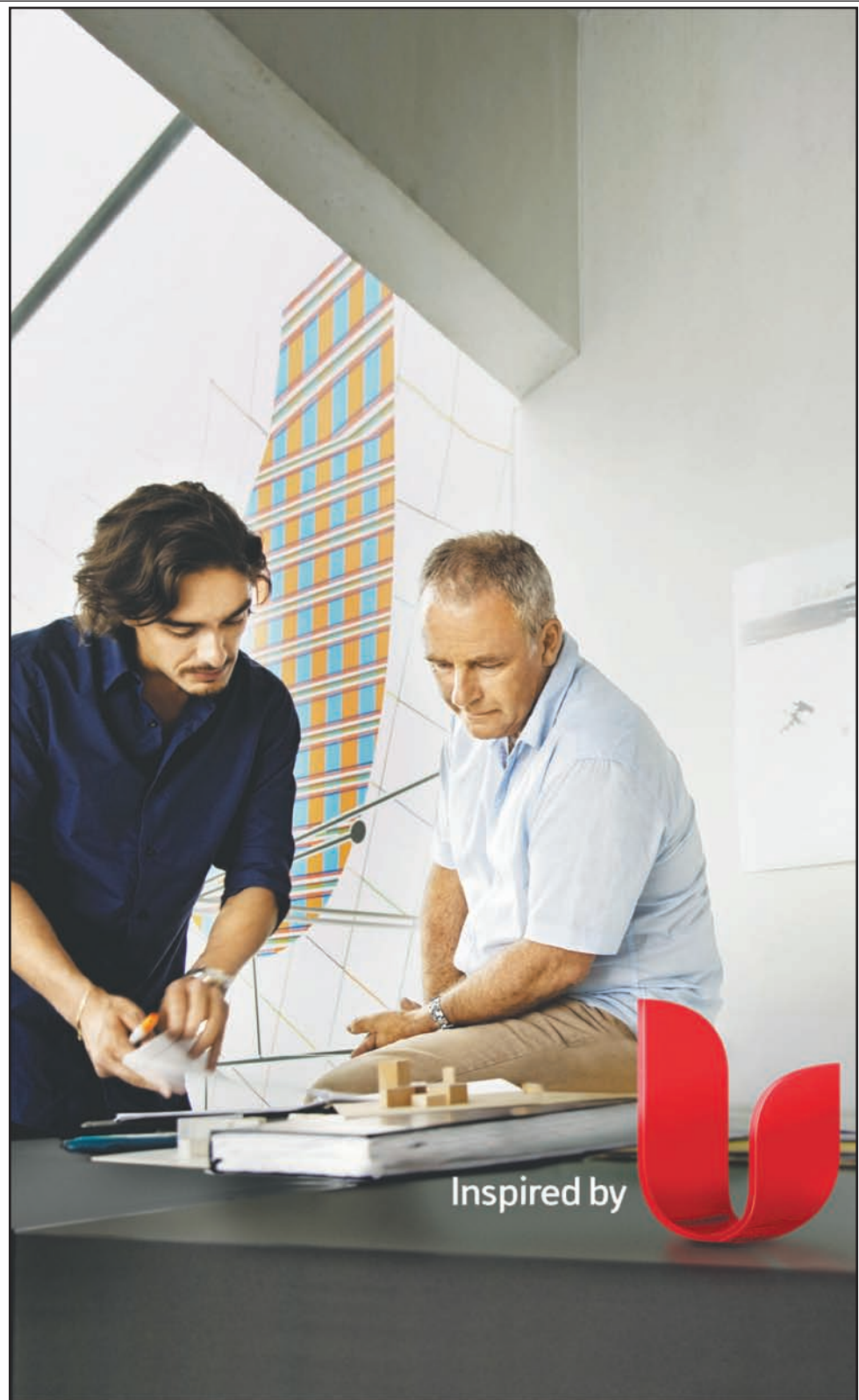
Friends of the Inyo, Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access, Footloose Sports and the High Sierra Striders co-hosted the Duck Pass stewardship event last Saturday, Aug. 15, as part of the Friends of the Inyo Summer of Stewardship.

The event brought together local trail runners and other outdoors-

lovers for a day of volunteer trail restoration, picnic-table painting and signage maintenance at the Mammoth Consolidated Mine site.

The next Summer of Stewardship events will be on Sept. 12 at Convict Lake and Sept. 26 at Inyo Craters.

For more information, visit www.friendsoftheinyo.org.



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