

SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.



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OCTOBER 2005 NEWSLETTER OF THE SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.

All members and interested persons are invited to attend the next meeting of the Sale Fly Fishing Club Inc.
This will be held on Wednesday 19th October 2005, at the Sale Community Sports Club Meeting Room.
The Meeting will begin at 7:30PM

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Date: - 21st September 2005
Meeting Opened: - 8:05 PM

Attendance: - 13 Members & 1 visitor present

Apologies: -

The Following Members Were Unable To Attend:
Dave Weston, Mick O'Brien & James Tourtoulas

Visitors To The Meeting Were:

Nicole Hall (WGCMA)

New Members:

Nil

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted and confirmed as per the Newsletter, this was moved by Neil Morrison, second by Blue Morris and carried.

Business Arising From the Previous Minutes:

Items discussed were:

Re: Small waters stocking program for the Heyfield reserve will only be stocked once every year, and this is carried out just before the September school break.

Inward Correspondence Tabled:

Media Release from VRFish re: change of Executive Officer
Victorian Fly-Fishers Association August 2005 Newsletter
Victorian Fly-Fishers Association, Sept. 2005 Newsletter
Fish-E-Fax Issues 152
Gippsland Water Watch Newsletter, Stream Lines
Water Watch West Gippsland Invitation to their Carp
Fishing Competition
Notice and Discount Ticket offer for Fishing Show and
Outdoor Expo which is on 20-23 October 2005
DPI Letter to Recreational Stakeholders with attached
brochures

Response letter from Acting Manager, Ministerial Services
Branch of the DPI
Southern Fly Fishers September 2005 Newsletter

Promotional Material

Nil

Treasurer's Report:

Accounts for payment:
Newsletter postage \$18.50

Year to Date: Nov. 04 – Aug. 05

Total Income: \$2,485.00
Total Expense: - \$2,094.92
Net income: \$340.08
General account Balance of \$1,963.47
GSI Investment Accounts \$2,153.42
Total Amount in Accounts is \$4,116.89

Treasurers Report and accounts for payment was moved by
Dean Cousin, second by Gavin Sculley and Carried.

General Business

Our guest speakers for the October meetings is Errol
Parmigiani from DPI. It was suggested that we ask Errol to
discuss the requirements for stocking a river such as the
Avon that has not been stocked for several years, and what
do we need to do to get this happening?

Discussion was held on whether to include Carp as a Non
Salmonid species alleageable for a trophy, Peter Murray
Moved the motion but could not get anyone to second this
so the motion has been withdrawn.

Blue Morris suggested some DVD's to purchase for our
DVD Library, these were:

1. Snowy Technics
2. Tying Salt Water Flies (Jimmy Nix)
3. Tying Bass Flies (Jimmy Nix)

Licola trip discussed and organised club BBQ for Saturday night, several members planning to attend.

It was suggested that we organise another run of shirts with our logo and the possibility of other items, Ray to look into this and report at the next meeting

We have had a few requests for a member's phone list to be produced. I will create a form that can be sent out to update everyone's details to ensure these are the latest, and then create a list or booklet.

Our Annual Dinner Date has been set a little earlier than previous years, this year it will be on Friday 25th November, more details will be available soon.

Four members attended the Angling Clubs Meeting with DPI in Traralgon on 6th September 2005, they were Ian Brideson, Peter Murray, Mick O'Brien and Ray Clissold.

Fish Reports

Tony Wallace had fished the Timbarra for 1 small fish, he also joined the Maffra Angling Club on their trip to the Wonnangatta and reported that there were 10 fish up to 1.3kg's caught, all on bait.

Ian Brideson caught a 6lb 3oz. Brown Trout in the Macalister River and the following weekend caught a 1lb 6oz. Brown from the same area.

Gavin Sculley landed a 30cm Rainbow out of the Macalister River.

Mick O'Brien and John Utan fished the Wellington River and caught and released 14 fish, 27-35.5cm

John Utan had just returned from the Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre at Thornton, he reported that he had caught 6 fish, a Rainbow at 2½lb's, some nice Browns, one at 4½lb's and another at 7½lb's were amongst these.

Guest Speaker:

Nicole Hall from the West Gippsland Catchment Management authority recently put out a survey on "Recreational Fishing Access for the Macalister and Thomson Rivers", which some of us had filled out. Nicole reported that the outcomes of the survey had not been compiled to date but were due to be completed very soon. Nicole informed us that this project was a result of recommendations from the Thomson and Macalister Rivers Environmental Flows Task Force and the release of the Victorian Governments White Paper, "Our Water Our Future" in June 2004. Our Water Our Future commits Government to improving the health of the Thomson and Macalister Rivers. Recreational fishing has been identified

by the WGCMA through the Regional River Health Health Strategy as having a high social value throughout the Thomson and Macalister River Catchments. Increased access to appropriate fishing sites would enable this value to be protected and enhanced for local anglers and tourists visiting the area.

Nicole thanked the Sale Fly Fishing Club for their input and said she would send us a copy of the report when complete.

Fly Tying Night:

Peter Neligan's said that we would be most welcome to have fly tying night at his place this month.

Meeting Closed: - 09:20 PM

Show Us Your Fly for September was:

A Surf Candy.

There were five entrants in show us your fly and 1st Prize of a \$10.00 voucher went to Chris Vafiopulous for his great tie of a Surf Candy

Close, but no cigar, was Max Simmons with his version

The \$10.00 Voucher for first prize was kindly donated by The Sale Angler.

The Fly to Tie for the October 2005 Meeting is:

Barry Lodge's Emerger



Hook: Medium longshank #14-10

Tail: Hackle fibres

Body & thorax: Dubbing, type & colour of choice

Wing Starling or substitute

Hackle: To match tail & body

This fly is basically a mayfly nymph with the wing tied at the body/thorax junction, set at 45 deg. Hackle is wound through thorax Wing case is optional

VRFish Media Release

The VRFish Executive Officer, Ray Page, will be leaving after nine year's service on July 29th. Ray has contributed significantly to the success of VRFish and hopes to spend time enjoying life.

Ray will be replaced by David Kramer. David will commence at VRFish on August 29th.

David is a keen recreational fisher and has a lot of experience with both fresh and salt water fishing. He is looking forward to the challenge of steering VRFish in new direction and gaining the views of the recreational fishing community about creating a better fishery for all Victorians.

(Extract from Fish-e-fax issue # 152)

More Water for fish in the Thomson and Macalister Rivers.

The state government has allocated an extra 10 billion litres of water per year to Gippsland's Thomson River to improve its environmental health.

The extra 10 billion litres per year was the first step in meeting the Government's commitment to providing a total of an extra 25 billion litres in additional environmental flows to the Thomson and the Macalister rivers per year – which are both stressed rivers – within the next 10 years.

The environmental flows for the river released will allow the river to flow more like it would naturally thus helping to achieve high priority ecological objectives by helping the rehabilitation of fish communities, thus improving fish movement up and down the river, removing sediment and improving water quality.

The water allocations are part of a larger program to improve all aspects of river health for the Thomson and Macalister Rivers, including re-instatement of critical river and wetlands habitat.

"CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER"

Contributions to the newsletter would be appreciated; all articles, stories, recipes, fly tying instructions, patterns or any humorous cartoons etc. will be published.

Submissions close on Wednesday, 2 weeks prior to the 3rd Wednesday Meeting Night.

Download Your Newsletter From the Internet.

Apart from the normal snail mail, we now have Newsletters on the website, for those of you who have requested their newsletter by e-mail; you will receive an e-mail notification each month when the newsletter is available for downloading. Check this feature out by logging onto our website at: <http://sffc.no-ip.org/newsletters/>

Or you can go to our Home Page at: <http://sffc.no-ip.org/> and follow the link to Newsletters

Also our picture Gallery is now back on line with some new photos, so you should check it out.

COMING EVENTS

Put these dates in your diary

- ◇ 19 October – General Meeting with guest speaker, Errol Parmigiani from The Department of Primary Industry.
- ◇ 20 – 23rd October, 2005 Fishing Show & Outdoor Expo held in conjunction with the National 4x4 Show gives you 3 great shows for the price of 1 for more information visit their website at: www.fishingshow.com.au
- ◇ 16 November – Annual General Meeting, Election of office bearers for the coming year
- ◇ Friday 25th November – Annual Dinner at Duart's Restaurant in Maffra