

SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.



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AUGUST 2007 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 **Monday 20th August 2007** at the Sale Community Sports Club Meeting Room.
The Meeting will begin at 7:30PM

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Date: - 16th July 2007
Meeting Opened: - 8:10 PM

Attendance: - 10 Members present

Apologies: -

The Following Members Were Unable To Attend:
Jim Tourtoulas, Mal McCalman Ian Brideson and Mick O'Brien.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted and confirmed as per the Newsletter, this was moved by Chris Vafiopulous and second by Terry Kuch and carried.

Inward Correspondence Tabled:

Southern Fly Fishers newsletter - June 07
VFFA Newsletter – June 07
Fish-e-Fax issues 198 & 199
Fisheries R & D SSA News – June 2007
Wellington Shire Community Group meeting agenda & information
Gippsort application
Dept. Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry Fact Sheet – Didyno
ATF Media Release & their Trout management policy
VRFish's Monthly report – June 07
VRFish Media Release re: Sub Tropical Fish Species being caught in Bass Strait
Latrobe Valley Fly Fishers June 07 newsletter
CVFFC meeting minutes for June 07
CVFFC information and review of ATF Trout Management Policy
Southern Fly Fishers newsletter - July 07
VFFA Newsletter – July 07
Bairnsdale Fly Fishers Newsletter – July 07

Promotional Material:

Balranald Shire Council Re: Five Rivers Trail Brochure
JV Marine Annual Stocktake Sale

Treasurer's Report:

Accounts for payment:
Postage of July Newsletter - \$15:00

Year to Date: Nov. 06 – May. 07

Total Income: \$4,644.74
Total Expense: \$4,506.06
Net income: \$138.68
General account Balance of \$1,042.56
GSI Investment Accounts \$2,368.12
Total Amount in Accounts is \$3,410.68

The treasurer's report and Accounts for payment were moved by Dean Cousin, second by Neil Morrison and Carried.

General Business

After reading out a letter from VRFish regarding their concerns about the way that other groups e.g. Fishing Tackle Association, Rex Hunt Future Fish, The Boating Industry Association and other like minded groups are holding consultation meetings with the DPI on Recreational Fishing Issues when other Recreational Fishing Groups have not been invited to participate. Another concern is that the Recreational Fishing Licence Funds are being used to fund these consultation meetings. Some discussion was held on this matter and it was decided that we send off letters of our concerns to the minister of Fisheries and local political representatives. Peter Murray, a VRFish representative said that as well as letters from the club, it would be a good idea for individuals to also voice their concerns by writing to their local members of parliament. Secretary is to draft up a letter and send it out with the newsletter for members to sign off and send.

Some discussion was held on the condition of the Macalister River and how long we thought it would take to recover after the recent Drought then Bush Fires and now Flooding Rains. It may be quite some time before we know.

Peter Murray said that most of the Bass in Lake Glenmaggie by now would be mature fish, and with the flow that went over the dam wall during the recent rains, he would be very surprised if there were any Bass left in the impoundment. In these conditions they go over the wall and looking for the brackish water to breed in. We may have a great bass fishery at our door step should this be the case.

Mick O'Brien called in for a short time during a break in his shift from work, we discussed our Licola trip. After the devastation that the township of Licola has been through, we thought it would be good to still have our Club trip to this region and support the local community, provided we will be able to do so. Mick was going to get in touch with the Licola camping park and report back on the possible dates for a club trip.

Peter Murray said that a draft of the West Gippsland Catchments' Fisheries management Plan is soon to be released for public comment, as this is within our local area we should keep our eyes out for its release and have our say during this opportunity

Fish Reports

Peter Murray has recently been up to Northern Queensland with Andrew Martin and once again had experience what our tropical waters have to offer. Peter and Andrew will be our guest speakers for the next meeting; they will be providing photos and talk about this year's trip.

At the time of our last meeting, Ian Brideson was in New Zealand, so we hope his trip went well and Ian may be able to share his experience at a future meeting.

Meeting Closed: - 10:05PM

Show Us Your Fly for May was:

A Glades Deceiver (Saltwater Pattern)

Out of the flies submitted there could only be one winner and this went to John Utan.

"CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER"

Contributions to the newsletter would be appreciated.

Be creative, write a few notes and take a couple of pictures on your next trip, then send it in to share with other members. All articles, stories, recipes, fly tying instructions, patterns or any humorous cartoons etc. will be published.

"Submissions close two weeks before the meeting"

The Fly to Tie for the August 2007 Meeting is:

The Dry Spruce

(Australia's Best Trout Flies Page 43)



Dry Spruce

HOOK: Kamasan B401, #12-16

TAIL: Moose body hair

WING: Cream hackle tips

BODY: Red tip wound on the benf and then peacock herl body

HEAD: Grizzly and red mix

We are saddened to hear that Patsy Tourtoulas passed away peacefully after a short illness on July 16th 2007

The members of the Sale Fly fishing Club send our deepest sympathy and condolences to James, Benjamin, James, Amanda and Nicholas.

Advertisement

STEVE BAGELY IS LOOKING TO BUY OLD FLY FISHING GEAR

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY OLD FLY FISHING GEAR THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO OFF LOAD FOR CASH, THEN CONTACT STEVE ON MOBILE 0418 540 681

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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.

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COMING EVENTS

(Coming Events are regularly up dated on the website to keep you informed)

- August 20th – General Meeting with Peter Murray & Andrew Martin as guest speakers revealing their experiences of a recent trip to Northern Queensland.
- August 29th – Fly Tying Night
- Sept. 4 – DPI Meeting at 71 Hotham Street Traralgon

Club Trip Dates to put into your diaries:

- Licola Trip Sept/Oct. to be confirmed
- November 9, 10 & 11 Saltwater trip to Mallacoota

Extracts from Fish-E-Fax Issue 200

Fines issued for illegal trout fishing in Gippsland Rivers

Three recreational anglers have been fined by Fisheries Officers for illegal trout fishing in the Tarago and Latrobe rivers.

Fisheries Victoria Operations Manager for Gippsland, Peter Courtney, said the plain-clothed officers discovered the two groups of recreational anglers during a planned patrol targeting people fishing inland rivers for trout during the trout closed season.

The anglers were found to have committed a number of offences including:

- taking or possessing trout during the closed season,
- using trout eggs for bait,
- fishing without a Recreational Fishing Licence, and
- taking more than the daily catch-limit.

The Fisheries Officers issued six infringement notices with fines of up to \$330 for each offence. They also seized 29 brown and rainbow trout, and fishing equipment used by the offenders.

The 2007 closed season for trout fishing in rivers runs from 11 June until midnight on 31 August. The closed season protects riverine trout during the spawning season when they are at their most vulnerable. During this time anglers must not take or possess trout in rivers.

Members of the public who observe any suspected illegal fishing activity are reminded to call 13FISH (ph. 13 3474) at any time, seven days a week.

River/Stream Classification – NFA and ATF working together.

The Australian Trout Foundation (ATF) and Native Fish Australia (NFA) in cooperation with the Victorian Recreational Fishing peak body (VRFish) are working together to determine a comprehensive model for stream classification, basin by basin across Victoria. This will assist Fisheries Victoria to determine the final classifications of Victoria's streams.

It should be noted that classified waters program is species specific and do not relate to angling methods. Trout waters, native waters and mixed species waters will be identified in the outcome.

The ATF/NFA/VRFish committee will seek angler input for the report on the classification model and once completed the report will be circulated by VRFish for further angler consultation.

Please record your catch on the record chart and hand them in to the Weigh Master at the meeting

Sale Fly Fishing Club Record Chart

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