

SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.



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APRIL 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 16th April 2007** at the Sale Community Sports Club Meeting Room.
The Meeting will begin at 7:30PM

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Date: - 19th March 2007
Meeting Opened: - 8:12 PM

Attendance: - 11 Members present

Apologies: -

The Following Members Were Unable To Attend:
Mick O'Brien, Terry Kuch, Peter Neligan, Jack Groenewald
& James Tourtoulas.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

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

Inward Correspondence Tabled:

The Southern Fly Fishers March 2007 newsletter
VFFA's March 2007 newsletter
VRFish Monthly Report, February 2007
Fish-e-Fax issue 190 & 191
VRFish Media Release Mar. 1st 07 Re: Minister to visit Eildon
Bairnsdale Fly Fishers March 2007 newsletter
CVFFC Meeting minutes – February 2007
VRFish Media Release Mar. 6th 07 Re: Abalone Virus
DPI Combined Angling Clubs Meeting agenda
Australian Trout Foundation, Info & application forms
Events Tasmania: Re National & Special Interest Event Grant Program
Pictorial Info Re: Survey of Little River, Wulgulmerang Creek & Wombargo Creek

Promotional Material:

Piranha Sports: Re invitation to view a new range of fishing equipment

Treasurer's Report:

Accounts for payment:
Newsletter postage - \$17:00
PO Box renewal - \$65.00
GACA Affiliation fee - \$80.00

Year to Date: Nov. 06 – Feb. 07

Total Income: \$1,007.00
Total Expense: \$1,317.90
Net income: -\$310.90
General account Balance of \$774.66
GSI Investment Accounts \$2,368.12
Total Amount in Accounts is \$3,142.78

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

General Business

John Utan suggested that we should organise a club trip to New Zealand, John had been talking to Mick Rosenboom from the Bairnsdale Fly Fishers and he said that the cost was approximately \$1,000 each for their recent trip. If any of the members would like a trip to New Zealand, then let us know. If we get enough interest for this then I am sure we can make it happen.

Peter, Ian & John attended the recent DPI meeting of combined angling clubs and reported on items discussed at this meeting which was held on Tuesday 6th March 2007.
1) Fish production facility at Snobs Creek has recently fast-tracked its stocking program in response to increased pressure on the facility during the ongoing drought. The waters chosen for the releases were Lake Bullen Merri, Lake Purrumbete and Lake Eildon which are regarded as three of Victoria's healthier waters. The waters received a combined total of over a tonne of fish over the past 2 months.

2) Fish Kills on the Macalister River due to the water conditions after the Gippsland fires. It was reported that eels were also dying and the carp population are struggling.
 3) Premier Lakes will be regularly stocked with "premier" rainbow trout (1kg approximately) and have all purpose access for fishers. Family friendly facilities such as toilets, BBQs, picnic tables and playground equipment are either present at the sites or will be developed in 2006 and 2007. The five lakes selected are:

- Lillydale Lake
- Eildon Pondage
- Kennington Reservoir (Bendigo),
- Jubilee Lake (Daylesford) and
- Hyland Lake (Churchill)

4) Recent Gippsland fire has burnt 80% of the Macalister Catchment and 78% of the Mitchell Catchment.

5) A recent survey of Blue Rock Lake produced a couple of Bass to 500grams but no trout were caught.

John reported that Peter Neligan lost 63 Brown trout from his lake due to the drought, low water conditions and warm weather.

Dartmouth dam is currently at 6% which will be maintained until work on raising the height of the dam wall is complete

Fish Reports

Rick Sunderland attended the Oceania Fly Fishing Championships and his team (Aus Green) came fourth and Rick's indervigial 13th over all, well done Rick.

Eucumbene Trip:

John Utan Gave us a debriefing of the trip to Braemar Bay, 6 members participated. There were 27 fish caught, the fish out of Eucumbene were in poor condition and the best fish caught on the trip was a 4¼lb Brown Trout by Ian Brideson fishing Jindabyne during the day. The final count for the weekend was Max Simmons 6, Rick Sunderland 3, Ian Brideson 11, Gordon Groenewald 1, John M 6, and John Utan Nil.

Members who attended.



John, Ian (Brack) Gordon, Rick & Max.



Rick hand fed a sausage to one of the locals, a fox that was not too ashamed of handouts from the humans.

The current water levels are:

Eucumbene 17% and this will be reduced to 12% over the next three weeks.

Jindabyne 40%

Tantangara 6%

Three Mile Dam is very Low

Meeting Closed: - 9:15PM

Show Us Your Fly for March was:

Dr. Wark

5 flies were submitted and Jim Tourtoulas tied the winning fly with Ian Brideson a very close second.

The Fly to Tie for the April 2007 Meeting is:

Matchams Daddy Long Legs

(Australia's Best Trout Flies Page 98)



Hook : #14-14

Thread: White monocord

Body: Yellow Marabou floss silk, 2/3 of shank

Rib: Dark blue tying silk

Legs: Pheasant tail feather tippets-make 8 legs, each knotted in the middle

Wing: Pair of blue dun cock feathers, tied spent with tips cut square

Hackle: Blue dun

“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 others members.

All articles, stories, recipes, fly tying instructions, patterns or any humorous cartoons etc. will be published.

“Submissions close two weeks before the meeting”

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 out this feature by logging onto our website at: www.sffc.org.au and follow the link to Newsletters

COMING EVENTS

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

- April 16 - General Meeting
- April 25 – Fly Tying Night
- May 21 – General Meeting
- May 30 – Fly Tying Night

Club Trip Dates to put into your diaries:

- June 1st – 8th Lake Jindabyne Snowline Caravan Park
- Licola Trip Sept/Oct. to be confirmed
- November 9, 10 & 11 Saltwater trip to Mallacoota

Fish-E-Fax issue 192 – 29 March 2007

Go Fishing in Victoria – Family Fishing Event dates

As part of the Go Fishing in Victoria (GFIV) initiative, three of the selected Premier Lakes will each host two Family Fishing Events in 2007. Events will be held at Lillydale Lake (Lilydale), Eildon Pondage (Eildon) and Kennington Reservoir (Bendigo). It is a great opportunity for young or inexperienced anglers from all over Victoria to come and try fishing for the first time or learn more techniques to help them improve their fishing tactics.

The first three events for 2007 will be held on the following days:

- Saturday 19 May – Eildon Pondage Fishing Festival
- Sunday 24 June – Kennington Reservoir Fishing Clinic
- Saturday 30 June – Lillydale Lake Fishing Clinic.

A detailed event flyer for the Eildon Pondage event is posted on the GFIV website at www.dpi.vic.gov.au/gofishing. Activities and workshops for all ages such as bait and rigging instruction, casting clinics and instructed fishing clinics will be offered throughout the day to give participants all the knowledge and confidence they need to start fishing.

Registrations for the Eildon Pondage event are now being taken via our Customer Service Centre by calling 136 186. To avoid disappointment, Fisheries Victoria strongly encourages participants to register for the event to guarantee a place in the workshops and activities held on the day.

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

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