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Newsletter – March 2008

Coming Events

Wed 12 Mar - next meeting

23-24 Feb – Natives fishing – Yerrabi Ponds with Alan



Michael with his first native – a small cod which was the only fish taken on this outing. Well done, saved Alan's bacon ☺

Peter, Ian and Stuart's NZ Trip

Hi William. a couple of pictures from our recent trip to New Zealand.



Stuart on a small island approx 300 metres from the farm cottage where we stayed fishing the evening rise on the Mataura.



the same time of day and is Ian casting to a rise at the same location about 50 metres upstream of Stuart Ian caught 2 nice browns that evening just after dark on his "willow grub" pattern. I missed an after dark take on a "shaving brush" emerger pattern whilst Stuart caught a smaller brown on a nymph just b4 darkness on a nymph.



Stuart with a nice fish caught early on our first morning on the Mataura.



Sunset on the Mataura. Peter's reflection can be seen on the left and Stuart is fishing on the far

right. The famous mad Maitai rise didn't happen that night but it was a pleasant way to end the day.



Peter and Ian spent the second week of the trip at Omarama and on the Tuesday they decided to try the upper Ahuriri River, Peter decided to try upstream where he met a local also named Peter who was staying at a 5 * lodge on the river and was a friend of a Canberrian that they met on the previous a Sunday. After being shown how to get across a nasty (boggy) creek they went their separate ways where Peter using two nymphs under an indicator hooked into his largest ever trout and eventually landed it about 100 metres downstream of where he hooked it . The brown male was measured at 62 cms and estimated at 6 -6.5 lbs in weight. The fish took a tungsten beadhead gold ribbed hare's ear size 20 nymph. Needless to say when Peter finally worked his way back to Ian a wide smile was visible upon his countenance.



Peter with a beautiful rainbow from the Waitaki.



Fishing guide Wayne Grafton holds a feisty brown caught by Ian in a shallow backwater of the Waitaki.



Didymo was particularly bad in a section of the Ahuriri about 10 km above Omarama.



A superbly conditioned rainbow caught by Ian in the Ahuriri River below Omarama.

Closer to home with Peter



44cm Yellowbelly caught on soft plastic (split tail minnow) in Lake Tuggeranong this morning (26/2/2008)

MINUTES OF CAA MEETING 13 Feb 2008

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Members present: Michael, Bill, Charlie, Greg, Alan, Les, Stefan, Bruce, Damien H, Owen, Mark M, Bob M, Bob S, Max, Norm, Stuart and Geoff.

Apologies: Ian, Pete.

Vice President all and declared the meeting open.

Previous Minutes

Nil since social meeting only for December. November minutes disseminated via the web.

Stuart raised an issue regarding the newsletter and minutes for those members who are not connected to the Internet. He undertook to print and disseminate the newsletter in future.

Inwards Correspondence

Nil

Treasurer's Report

Stefan advised that the club currently has \$1475.53 at bank and \$40 in cash. It was noted that many 'regulars' had not paid their membership. A reminder will be sent out by Stefan.

Fishing Reports

The club did a round table fishing report.

Club Events Program

22-23Feb Alan is organizing fishing for natives at Yerrabi Ponds. Participants were advised to meet in the skatepark at 7pm for fishing till 8:30

Sun 16 Mar Charlie and Greg are organizing an outing at Googong. An 'early' start can be expected. More details at March meeting.

Coast Charter Stuart is working on this. More details at March meeting.

Club Boat

Two bookings were made for the club boat. Members are reminded it is available for booking (email or phone Secretary). Current booking list is on the web.

Fly Tying

Stuart's class is re-starting commencing 20 Feb, however will be two weeks after the CAA meeting from March onwards. Bill was authorized to purchase four vices for use by new starters.

Closure

Geoff showed off his new fly fishing simulation/tuition software

Geoff
Vice President

Bill
Secretary