

# CANBERRA ANGLER'S ASSOCIATION Inc.

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## Newsletter - May 2010

# **Coming Events**

19-20 June trip to Pejar – Alan is to organise.

# **22-23 May – Tumut**

The following material was provided by Lyall.



Alan on the Tumut River



Alan with Owen in background



Stef and the Possum



Owen's Sizzling Sichuan Possum



Apologies to Owen who was cut out of photo



Tumut River Sunrise taken from camp



Stef's kitchen - come dine with me!



Lyall's brown caught on a nymph under and elk hair caddis in Tumut River

# Reports from our 'grey nomad' President

Tweed River Report

I have gone wireless so will be in touch sometimes. Have just finished houseboat week on Tweed. Great!





Burrum Heads Report

Just a quick note to let you know I'm enjoying the warmer weather up here. We haven't set the world on fire with fish catches yet but have caught a few feeds. The fish species total is 13 so far which is well short of last year's 26. Unfortunately not all the species

are desirable, eg toads and stingrays. Here's one of the more unusual ones - a 2.3 kg sicklefish (sometimes called a butter bream). It's a good table fish and this one became a

very nice Thai green curry.



The next photo shows the scene from the end of the caravan park where we have our happy hour drinks each evening overlooking the Burrum River. Every night the colours are different.



## **Reports Peter on the Eucumbene**

1 Jun

Fished the Eucumbene river below the portal this morning where the water level was so high that I decided it was too dangerous to cross on my own so I went upstream . Caught a nice 43 cm brown on nymph at the end of the middle car track where I once again decided due to the high water level, crossing the river was not an option . Worked my way further upstream and was rewarded with a 44 cm rainbow which took the glowbug and really gave me a workout in the swift current.



The hole where I last fished when I was with you on the Sunday yielded a Male brown trout which was a bright orange colour. (unfortunately I discharged a lot of sperm as it was being landed but it swam away okay when released.



In the same hole I hooked but dropped two more browns and two rainbows one of which attacked the pink coloured strike indicator three times before taking the nymph .. All the fish were between 42 and 45 centimetres. The increased level of the water certainly bought them onto the bite and am thinking of another visit on Friday.

Have also enclosed a photo of the rainbow (48cm) I caught in the portal arm about 3 weeks ago.



4 Jun

Hi Bill.

Went to Eucumbene river on Friday and went in at Gang Gang creek entrance. Drove down to the old bridge then took the track to the left and drove down about 500metres. Walked downstream about 500 metres and fished back to the car twice. Other fisherpersons were arriving all the time and I had to get abusive a couple of times when they started showing no etiquette and dropping in on holes where I was fishing. Caught

two browns on my first run (both 39cm)





Then repeated the run and caught another brown (40cm).



These were the only fish I hooked into and I can't really confirm any other bites. I did spook some fish in really shallow water in one spot at the start of my run but I don't know how big they were except they produced a fairly large bow wave. I believe that they might have been spawners. Overall the fishing was very quiet and I was one of the lucky few to get some fish. Was a complete contrast to what occurred on the Tuesday when I was down there. Amazingly did not see a single rainbow.

#### **MINUTES OF CAA MEETING 12 May 2010**

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Members present: Owen, Alan, Jason P, Derek, Greg, Charlie, Norm, Peter, Randy, Damian, Peter, Patrick and Stefan.

Apologies: Ian, Lyall and Bill.

Guest: James Morgan from Tackle World.

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The Assistant Secretary apologised for not having the minutes of the last meeting to hand.

There was discussion on the boat cover. The job is underway with J&B Canvas.

#### **Correspondence**

- a. The Recreational Fishing Trusts newsletter for May 2010, Newscast, has been received. This included invitations to the CFA 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner on 21 August in Sydney.
- b. The newsletter tagtimesnews, published by the NSW Game Fishing Tagging Program of March 2010 was received.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer reported the club had \$2335.16 in the bank.

#### **Forthcoming Club Events**

- a. 22-23 May at Tumut Stefan had a form for interested members. Five people showed interest.
- b. 19-20 June trip to Pejar Alan is to organise. Interested members to contact Alan. (Derek has caught fish there in the last week.)
- c. 26 May Fly tying lessons at Weston.

#### **Fishing reports**

Members present participated in a round table discussion of fishing activities and reports.

### **Closure**

Stefan declared the formal part of the meeting closed. The next meeting is to be held on 9 June 2010.

#### **Guest Speaker**

James Morgan from Tackle World discussed light tackle estuary sports fishing, and demonstrated modern rods and developments in tackle. He also gave some hints of the complexities of fishing knots, and suggested that was a whole other presentation.

James generously distributed sample bags of lures and other fishing equipment to the delighted members. He also presented a Shimano Catana 720 spin rod and a Shimano Sedona 100 reel to the club.

Stefan Treasurer Alan Assistant Secretary