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Newsletter – May 2011

Coming Events

Next Meeting – Wed 11 May – Ian, Stuart and Peter will be talking about their trip to the South Island of New Zealand

Tumut – 21-22 May (note that Alan is now organising with Stefan away)

Club Trophies

For those members interested, you still have time to catch and register fish for trophies. These comments relate to those trophies still up for grabs. The best trout registered from a club outing so far is a 49cm brown. The Tumut outing provides the last chance to improve on this. The best trout by any method is a 56cm brown. This fish was caught on fly in the Thredbo River and so qualifies for best on fly during the season so far. If it takes that trophy the next best fish by any method is a 49cm brown. There are no registrations for best trout by a junior or best native fish. The best carp is 3.4kg (length not provided).

For the rules and images of the trophies go to
<http://www.canberra-anglers.asn.au/trophies/caatrophyrules.htm>

Club Trophies

From: charles
Sent: Monday, 11 April 2011 9:09 PM
Subject: Hi there
Hello Bill

Just to let you know , im unable to come on Wednesday, I'm having a cataract removed at the Canberra eye clinic. So ill be out of action for a little while. The little story that goes with the photos i sent the other day. George, one of our club members was up at the mountains two Saturdays back at rushhie plains came across caught 7 rainbows, kept two (in the photo) and released the others.

Last Wednesday George and myself went and fished the same spot in the evening started fishing seriously when the sun went down for about two hours. George hooked a few fish and released them all. I had a few hits, played one for, you know what its like feels like forever , but im sure it was only for a little while, a nice rainbow. Landed a nice rainbow length 400. Ill send you the photo next time.

George was using bead head nymphs and i was using a 'forky tail' it was , if you can remember designed by John briky, and tied by his son Martin. Ian will know who John was as he did our fly casting lessons for many years. A real good fishing friend of mine. He is now fishing in heaven.

Wish me luck for my little operation and see you at the next meeting.

Cheers
Charlie



Charlie also provided some more photos of this adventurous fox – George must be a little mad!



Message from CRFA

From: Shane Jasprizza

Sent: Friday, 22 April 2011 11:27 AM

To: info@crfa.org.au

Subject: 20,000 Golden Perch for Googong - 20th April 2001

Hi All,

Was advised that 20,000 goldens were stocking into Googong this week by NSW Fisheries. I'll send a short thank you letter from CRFA.

Cheers

Shane

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Fishing Report from Peter and Bill

From: Peter

Sent: Wednesday, 27 April 2011 1:33 PM

Subject: Eucumbene river trip

Hi William

Here is a photo of a 40 cm brown slab caught by a #18 copper john nymph in the whirlpool hole downstream of the portal entry into the Eucumbene River on the ANZAC holiday. I hooked several fish that day but only a few were landed. The river below the portal was fairly high and slightly coloured due to the water coming out of the Portal. The river upstream of the Portal entrance was much clearer but has been fished extensively with the water levels being more normal for this time of the year .



From Bill:

Well ... Peter was mighty cranky with only four fish landed and quite a few nice ones dropped – I reckon he was too quick to crow about it to me noting that whilst I landed nearly all that I hooked, only a couple were of size and then hardly large fish – were we on the same river even !



News from Council of Freshwater Anglers

Trout Allocation Committee meeting

The Trout Allocation Committee met on 6 April 2011 at I&I NSW's Cronulla offices, attended by 18 people including representatives of all the acclimatisation societies, I&I recreational fisheries managers and hatchery managers and the NSW CFA, which has observer status at the meetings.

The meeting heard detailed reports of fish production at Gaden Trout Hatchery and LP Dutton Trout Hatchery. 2010/2011 stockings by I&I NSW assisted by acclimatisation societies totalled 3,687,280 fish (natives and salmonids combined) and dollar-for-dollar stocking accounted for an additional 482,625 native fish. Of the total 4,119,905 fish stocked, 2,936,144 were salmonids.

Lengthy discussions about stock availability and stream and impoundment conditions resulted in salmonid stocking levels generally staying the same as recent years.

Alistair McBurnie of NSW DPI made a presentation to the meeting emphasising the relationship between stocking and angler access. He said that trout stockings were usually not made unless there was good public angling access, although there are occasional exceptions to this, eg where public access is in the process of being negotiated with landowners. He said that stockings were always made with due regard to the goals and conditions of the Freshwater Fish Stocking Fishery Management Strategy. That FMS can be accessed on the I&I NSW website at

<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/recreational/info/fish-stocking/fw-stocking>

Craig Watson of NSW DPI made a presentation to the meeting about boundaries of declared trout waters and trout fishing regulations in NSW. Craig will make a presentation on this issue at the NSW CFA's 21 May meeting at Tamworth.

Fin clippers – expressions of interest

One topic that generated lengthy discussion at the recent Trout Allocation Committee meeting was the annual fin clipping exercise at Gaden Trout Hatchery. Thousands of fingerlings are fin-clipped before release so they can be later identified in fish catch research. This usually takes a team of I&I staff and angler volunteers up to a week to complete, but vague scheduling makes it difficult for acclimatisation societies to round up volunteers who can take the time off to help out. The meeting agreed that better organisation and forewarning of the event would make it easier for volunteers to take part.

If you are interested in joining the volunteers next year, please let the NSW CFA know at info@freshwateranglers.com.au and we will keep a list of people to be contacted as the date draws near.

(note that back in our March Newsletter members participated.)

<http://www.canberra-anglers.asn.au/newsletters/mar11/mar11.pdf>

Gaden Hatchery Report for March 2011

For those members interested, I've put this up on the web

<http://www.canberra-anglers.asn.au/newsletters/may11/GadenManagerReportMarch2011.doc>

MINUTES OF CAA MEETING 13 Apr 2011

<http://www.canberra-anglers.asn.au/>

Members present: Ian , Bill B, Stefan , Max , Owen , Peter , Greg W, Steve, Norm, Randy, Stuart, Ed, Lyall, Alan and Paul .

Apologies: Damian, Charles, Neil and Bill L.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Secretary read the minutes of the March meeting, and they were accepted.

Treasurer's Report

\$2173.17 at bank.

Forthcoming Club Events

21-22 May is Tumut - Alan will be running this as Stefan will be away. We'll be staying at Blowering Caravan Park 02 6947 1383

Next fly tying is at the Weston Club starting 7:30 on 27 Apr.

General Business

Stuart reported that the pull start on the motor needs repairs - he was authorised to get it fixed.

Fishing reports

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

Closure

Ian declared the meeting closed. The next meeting is to be held on 11 May 2011.

Randy then gave a very entertaining talk on his trip to Patagonia - anyone got a spare \$8000 (plus airfares) can do the same.

Finally we all bid Lyall farewell. He is off on an overseas posting and thus won't be able to attend meetings for the next few years.

Ian
President

Bill
Secretary