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Newsletter – Sep 2011

Coming Events

Fly Casting – Sun 11 Sep Next Meeting – Wed 14 Sep Fly Casting – Sun 18 Sep Fly Casting – Sun 25 Sep

Photos of Trophy Awards

Following trophies were awarded at the AGM in Aug



Alan and Lyle Knowles



Randy and ACT Anglers



Peter and Carp Trophy



Bill and Peter share the Angler's Art



Geoff and Mick O'Brien



Geoff and Mick Cornick



Greg and the President's Award

An apt comic strip seen in the Canberra Times:



From NSW Council for Freshwater Anglers Kids' fishing workshop at Gaden Trout Hatchery

NSW DPI is running a kids' fishing workshop at Gaden Trout Hatchery, Jindabyne, on Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 October. Kids 8-14 years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly with experienced volunteer instructors and staff from NSW DPI.

The sessions runs from 10 am to 2 pm and covers fishing techniques, bag and size limits and fish handling for catch and release.

Cost is \$40 per child but that includes a rod and reel, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag...probably the cheapest pile of fishing gear you'll ever buy!

Bookings are essential as classes are limited to 25 people. Call Stephen Thurstan, NSW DPI, 02 4295 1809 or 0438 245 190, or email stephen.thurstan@industry.nsw.gov.au.

News from Peter

Good day William,

Got up at 0500 this morning and drove to Jindabyne where the temperature at the Lake was -5C on arrival . Undeterred I proceeded from Hatchery Bay towards Woollondibby Creek and by 10 am was wondering what I had done wrong as :

A not spotted a fish;

B tripped over a rock damaging myself bur fortunately not the rod and reel; and

C ripped the crotch out of my pants (now Throw aways).

However all that changed when I spotted something which sort of looked like a fish but wasn't moving so I thought it was a rock but still I wasn't sure so decided to cast towards it. The fly landed on the water about 6 ft to the front left of the "rock" and a largish very dark brown trout swam from beside the rock and after a bit of twitching I managed to get it to take. After a short uneventful fight I beached it. measured it (53 cm) and because of its colour and poor condition I released it. As I was releasing it another fish more lightly coloured swam into view and I applied

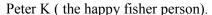
the ambush techniques casting to where I thought it would swim to. I saw its mouth open and it really took off stripping line leaping out of the water and trying all manners and means to escape . I finally landed it and because of its good condition I decided that it would come home with me to be smoked for Friday night's dinner. This fish was $555 \, \mathrm{mm}$ and weighed $1.8 \, \mathrm{kg}$ – in due course I recognised it to be an Atlantic Salmon.

Heading back to the car I managed to tempt another about the same size to bite but I missed it . I also saw a monster close in to the bank which I estimate to be around 800mm but even though I gave it a good lead I managed to spook it. All up I spotted 6 catchable browns catching two and dropping one. There were numerous rises in the deeper water further out and lots of small fish in the sandy shallows. I caught both fish on a #6 brown Matuka only allowing the leader to lay in the water .

I have attached photos of both fish but due to the nature of the bottom where the fish were caught the actual quality of the photos leave a bit to be desired.

I passed a couple of guys from Canberra were fishing with power bait and doing reasonably well with several 40cm Atlantic salmon and a 45 cm rainbow

Visited the Thredbo river bridge where heaps and heaps of rainbows going upstream. Took a snap which I have also enclosed.

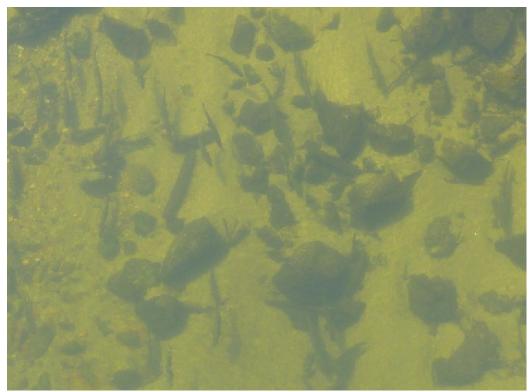




53 cm brown



55cm Atlantic Salmon



Rainbows at Thredbo bridge