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Newsletter – Feb 2012

Lots to report on since the December newsletter.

Coming Events

First Meeting – Wed 8 Feb – 8pm as usual at Weston Club.

Natives – Sun 19 Feb – location to be confirmed – Greg and Charlie organising.

Brogo Weekend 19-20 Nov 2011

From: Geoff T

Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2011 11:01 AM

To: 'Secretary CAA'

Subject: Brogo Dam weekend

Dear Bill,

The attached photos might not be exciting but will show those who didn't get to Brogo just what marvellous scenery and camaraderie they missed.





6am with the mist rising



daylight (camp site is amongst the trees in centre just to the left of the white 4wd)



me devouring a most delicious breakfast



Stefan, Damien and Lester enjoying the good life



Stefan and his "fish-on-a-stick" cooking.

We thoroughly enjoyed the weekend – it's a pity I don't live closer to Canberra so that I can join in more social activities.

Regards,
Geoff

Mataura River 21 Nov – 12 Dec 2011

I'm aware that Mark S and Col headed off to South Island NZ (campervanning), but not received any info from them. Over a similar period, Ian, Peter K and myself also headed that way and based ourselves in Gore on the Mataura River. The first week was very challenging with fierce winds and rivers in flood. The second week was glorious. Accordingly the fishing was also variable. Seems that most days one of us did well, another OK and the third not so good. The saving grace was that allocation of role was rotated amongst the group. During our time, we took the opportunity to drop in on the Southland Flyfishers Club and speak on fishing in the Australian Alps. Their club seems very similar to ours, with very similar activities with the notable exception that they seem to have more success attracting junior members. The talk was received politely (especially noting the class of fishing that had been reported around the table before our talk) but many of the questions related to the risk of snake bite or other attack. All of us felt most welcome and some good clues were shared.

Some images follow to entice members to make the trip across the ditch.



Peter with a beauty caught under challenging conditions in the Waimea Stream



Editor with a nice brown taken just on dark on the Maitara opposite our accommodation.



Ian with a feisty brown at Cattle Flat on the upper Mataura.

Jindabyne 17-18 Dec 2011

Was a much better weekend than the meteorologists promised with seven members attending. Pretty hard work in the river with a lot of spooky big spooky fish. Only a couple of sizeable fish caught (Alan again?).



Yours truly with a pretty brown up near Thredbo village.



Peter O with his catch also up near the village.

From: Owen

Sent: Wednesday, 21 December 2011 9:27 PM

Subject: Jindabyne Outing 2011

Hi Bill

Thankyou for the photo (*Editor: the 'photo' is below and was one I took of Owen at Bullocks' Hut*)



my catch for the weekend:



47 cm Rainbow at Creel Bay



8 cm Jindabyne caravan park foreshore



15 ish below the Ski Tube.

A good trip and best wishes over Christmas and the new year.
Cheers
Owen

From: Ian

Sent: Monday, 19 December 2011 5:59 PM

Subject: Re: Jindabyne trip

Peter and I fished the Thredbo upstream from the bridge until 9am then packed up and went home. I landed a 35cm brown and lost a smaller one. Saw other fish, some good ones, but they were skittish. My only photos are attached. Two are of Peter and the other is the 45cm fish I caught on Saturday.

Ian





Item Found on the Thredbo River

During our Jindabyne trip, Peter O found a JVC 'waterproof' video camera. Unfortunately the battery door seems to have come open during its travels down the Thredbo and the device was unserviceable, however Peter tells me *"I got my son to interrogate the card out of the camera I found. It had 2 sequences of someone fly fishing but not catching or hooking onto anything. Couldn't see the guys face. Also one still of a scene."* If anyone knows someone who might be the owner, please contact Peter through the Secretary and the memory card can be returned.

CRFA News

From: CRFA <info@crfa.org.au>

Sent: Monday, 19 December 2011 11:10 PM

To: info@crfa.org.au

Cc: Canberra Fishos (CFC)

Subject: CRFA successful with Habitat Action Grant - Queanbeyan River

CRFA Members and Supporters,

Just received some great news that we have been successful with our NSW DPI Habitat Action Grant for restoration work on the Queanbeyan River. The grant is for \$21,950 and will allow resnagging of a section of the river adjacent to the Gold Course, as well as some riparian replanting. I'll provide more details as we get the project started. There will be opportunities to help out with planting etc. This is our first major funding win; hopefully one of many more to come.

Info on the other successful 2011-12 HAG projects can be found here:

<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/habitat/rehabilitating/ahr-grants-program/habitat-action-grants-20112012>.

I hope everyone has a great Xmas and gets to spend some time fishing.

Cheers

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