

# CANBERRA ANGLER'S ASSOCIATION Inc.

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## Newsletter – Mar 2013

# **Coming Events**

**Next Meeting** – Wed 13 Mar – 8pm as usual at Weston Club – the recent New Zealand trip will be spoken about led by Greg W.

Estuaries/Coast – Sat/Sun 23/24 Mar – organised by Owen.

Fly Tying – Wed 27 Mar – 7:30pm at Weston Club.

# Preview of Greg's talk



Ian with guide Barry Perkins at the net with a feisty Mataura River brown.

# Interesting article from NSW RecFish newsletter Feb 13 on "Sunscreen, skin cancer and the Australian summer"

#### The text starts:

Most anglers are pretty careful these days about avoiding sunburn. There's certainly a lot of comfortable sun protection clothing on the market, sunscreen is found in nearly every tackle box or fishing vest, and everyone wears sunglasses to protect their eyes. But despite all that, a lifetime spent fishing in the sun is highly likely to cause a few problems and many of us will have had to see a doctor or dermatologist about worrying marks or growths on our skin. Some of us unfortunately will have lost mates because of skin cancers.

There have been recent changes in sunscreen products on the Australian market, including the availability of SPF50+ sunscreen, which prompted us to publish this article by Terry Slevin. The article gives a clear explanation of the current standards, the extent to which sunscreen products can protect you and how they should be used.

The full text is at:

http://us5.campaign-archive1.com/?u=aaffdffaded2e86f449aa94b9&id=ad5d3f9b08

# **Email from our Singapore Chapter**

I forgot to put this into our Feb newsletter – Lyall managed to get home for a short break and sneak away to the Goodradigbee:

Happy New Year Gentlemen,

Just back in Singapore after a flying trip to Canberra. At the last minute Peter Smith got in contact and I spent two nights at glorious Koorabri. I drove from Sydney airport to Koorabri then, after the second night I drove directly from the Green Hut to the Canberra Yacht Club for Mum's 80th birthday then to Sydney airport early next morning and back to Singapore.

The first evening at Koorabri saw a nice hatch but no hook ups. Next day I landed three rainbows, all about 27 cm in length, with two on dries on flat water to rising trout and another upstream of the pump on a size 14 nymph under an elk hair caddis indicator. One of the rising trout was spotted from 50 metres upstream then, after sneaking up behind a tree toppled by the March floods, the second blind cast crouching behind the tree had the trout hooked up, quickly netted and released !!!

Lots of fingerlings flitting about which will make next year's fishing

Thanks for putting me in contact with Peter. He and Fran were very welcoming.

Back in the tropics now and "real fly fishing" is on hold.

Bye for now guys,

*Lyall Singapore* 

## Yerrabi Ponds Reefball Installation

CAA was represented at the installation of experimental reefballs into Yerrabi Ponds. This is an initiative of the CRFA seeking to improve habitat for natives in our local waters.



Reef Balls of various sizes arrive at the site.



Crane lifting them in while a couple of local anglers observe carefully.



ABC local TV news were in attendance

## **MINUTES OF CAA MEETING 13 Feb 2013**

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Members present: Greg S, Greg W, Kelly, Alan, Sue, Charlie, Rowan and Richard.

Apologies: Stefan, Geoff, Ian, Bill B, Peter and Jason.

Guests: Jason, Gerard, John, Jamie Morgan (speaker) and his partner

The President made a brief appearance to apologise. In his absence Greg W took the chair.

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting etc**

Minutes of previous meeting, financial statement, and incoming correspondence were not read due to the absence of club officials on a fishing trip. Resolved to consider these at the next meeting.

#### **Matters Arising**

The club has been invited to participate in the Canberra centenary celebrations. There is a need to finalise what form this will take, and to ensure that the club has adequate public liability insurance. Resolved to discuss this further at the March meeting, when there will be a better representation of club officials.

Efforts to link with Canberra Fisherman's Club re Canberra Centenary remain.

## **Club Events**

Charlie is coordinating the native fishing day on 24 February. This will be on Black Mountain Peninsula.

The March coastal trip is being coordinated by Owen. Greg will remind Owen to email members with further details.

The April trip to Koorabri was discussed and members expressed interest. Greg is organising the trip and will email members.

## Fishing reports

Members participated in a round table discussion of recent fishing.

#### Closure

The chair declared the meeting closed before guest speaker Jamie Morgan from Tackleworld entertained the club with a presentation on fishing for natives in the Canberra region. Jamie kindly donated fishing equipment to the club, including a rod, reel, line and lures..

Greg W Alan

Acting Chair Assistant Secretary