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Newsletter – Jul 2013

Coming Events

Next Meeting – Annual General Meeting – Wed 14 Aug – 8pm as usual at Raiders Weston Club. There'll be special raffles, lucky door prizes and don't worry, all executive positions have at least one nomination already!

"Back to Buckenderra" – Fri-Sun 23-25 Aug – organised by Damien..

Fly Tying – Fly Tying – to be confirmed

Message from Editor

Apologies for tardiness in keeping up the newsletters, have been travelling (though unfortunately no fishing). I've been encouraged to broaden the content of the newsletter, but for this I need your help. I've got a number of "regulars" who contribute images and words, but we always in need of more.

Rather than necessarily extending the newsletter, I've decided to include a 'teaser' but have some of these articles stand-alone so that they can be clustered with like items.

- We already have an area on the website for fly tying, but with this issue, I've also added another 'segment' on reports/hints on other places you might visit. The first is from Jason M; I encourage anyone travelling out of our region to do likewise (one on New Zealand from me and the other Mataura-fiends perhaps?)
- I've also added a cooking segment – my first contribution is an attempt to extract some recipes from the others in the club.
- Jason Q suggested segment on gear reviews.

101 Places to Fish Before We Give it Away

The full text is on the website at:

http://www.canberra-anglers.asn.au/special_places/stoford.pdf

but here is a taster from Jason M's report on a recent trip to UK:

I recently had my second sojourn to Stoford, on the River Wylfe. The first time was in October. Advice in London was that the Avon/Wylfe didn't need waders. I got down to the spot on the river I could access – stagnant black mud, overhanging trees, coolish water. Then out into the flow – bloody cold! I braved the water a little over the next few

days, but spent the rest of the time buying some neoprene socks and considering buying some waders.

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Turning around and casting downstream, I was aided being a left-hander, and able to keep a little more tension on my fly as it drifted down the gullies between the weeds. I was also able to more naturally dip and lift the fly like the mayflies were doing. Missing the first couple, I managed to hook a nice brown trout about 4pm. I like to think it was the same one I'd seen hiding behind the tree by the stairs, which although he had looked at my flies a few times casting upstream (including my CDC Greendrake), had passed them up. I debated about keeping the trout, but recalling the publican and his family weren't that keen on trout (and not fishermen), I returned it for another day, and after a few more casts, headed in for dinner and meeting some others in the pub.



A nice grayling on the local fly, caught behind the weed channel in the bright reflection towards the bridge arch

Report from Peter at Season's Close

Sent:

Tuesday, 4 June 2013 3:51 PM

Subject:

Eucumbene River

Arrived at Eucumbene river this morning just as fog lifted and already the river was crowded. Decided to fish anyway as the water was right up and I saw a couple of nice browns caught. Using a FBPTN I hooked into the 51 cm Rainbow about 100 meters downstream of the old bridge. It was in good nick but as it was early in the day I released it. (big mistake).



Fishing upstream about 15 meters further on caught the 61cm brown which I released.



Worked my way upstream past the bridge avoiding the many fishing along the river. Dropped another couple of browns and then decided I would have lunch. Just upstream of the bridge I hooked into the 58cm brown hen which was my heaviest fish for the day and really performed acrobatic aerials as well as tail walking on the water. With the help of a friendly fisherman, she was netted, measured and released.



I then had lunch but so many fisherman were arriving it was hard to find a spot to fish which hadn't already been fished so I came home early but happy. I can only imagine what it is going to be like up there on the weekend.

Report from Jason Q

Sent:

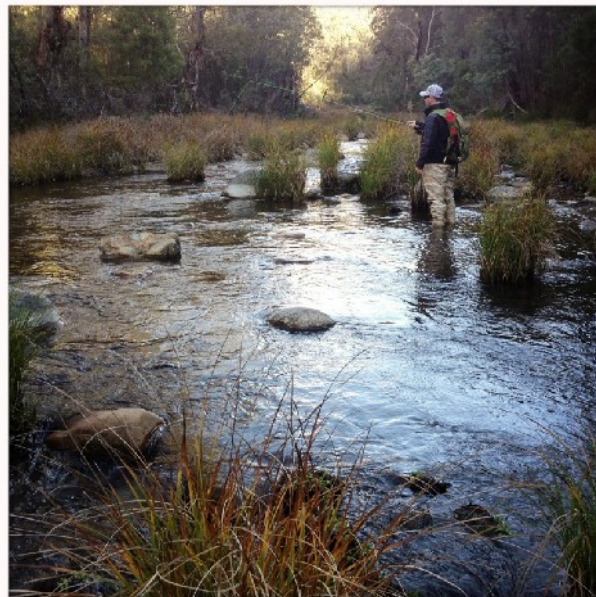
Wednesday, 12 June 2013

Bill, nothing to report on the fishing front... I have been interstate since the last meeting except the long weekend gone and didn't get out with many family gatherings..

An ex worker of Belconnen Tackle Box (Pratt's) yesterday caught a 149cm cod on LBG near Fyshwick arm? Photos are rampant on face book! GREAT FISH.... He's a happy bloke to say the least!



Attached a picture from a recent trip to the Cotter below Bendora just honing some nymphing skills... When I get myself sorted with a PowerPoint presentation I'll run through some facets of nymphing that I've experienced and present it the club.



The other photos is of some cod flies I've made up... Based on Rich Strolis articulated pike/ trout flies. These one line up to 4/0 and 2/0 stinger so big flies with big movement! Can run a fly tying night of cod flies if anyone was keen. a 7wt would be minimum when fishing these things, but yellows can be targeted on the same flies but just smaller.. Let me know!



The final pic is taken just before last meeting... I did make comment at the last meeting and showed them a pic on the phone but thought the newsletter could use some colour to get some guys and gals interested to get fishing!!



Cooking Corner

I've added a favourite of mine into what I hope will be a growing list of recipes

http://www.canberra-anglers.asn.au/cooking/zucchini_slice.pdf

Report from Kelly

Tumut trip 18-19 May

Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2013 8:22 PM

Bill,

Here are a couple of pics from the Tumut River if you need stuff for the newsletter.

The one in my hands was 41cm, kindly photographed by Alan (who also told me exactly where to cast to catch it). It was picked up on Saturday morning about 0930h and was the only fish I landed all day. I hooked up one more, stepped back into a hole, filled up one thigh-wader full of water, dropped the fish and the radio Stefan lent me. Radio was found. Fish was not.



The other is about 35cm. No exact measurements as I was by myself, without net. Not enough hands! I picked up this one and three others (all smaller than these) on Sunday morning all between 0900-0930h at the other place Alan told me to cast, just downstream from the first place, and then nothing for the rest of the day. The water level dropped 6 inches or more over night. Managed to keep my feet dry this time :)

I think the moral of the story is cast where Alan says.

Cheers,

Kel



Report for Buckenderra Trip 21-23 Jun

No full report, but one great photo which is currently photo of the month. I must acknowledge Alan's kindness in taking on organising this trip when I was taken away on short notice.

Many thanks to Peter for this photo of Kelly's first brown trout ever - 52cm caught at the Buckenderra outing 22/23Jun on an olive woolly bugger Saturday AM hours.



Meeting Minutes

MINUTES OF CAA MEETING 8 May 2013

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

Members present: Peter, Ian, Jason M, Adam, Stefan, Richard, Susan, Kelly, Owen, Charlie and Alan.

Apologies: Greg W, Bruce, Bill and Damian

In the absence of Geoff, Stefan acted as Chairman for the meeting.

Minutes

Stefan read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Correspondence

1. Letter from the Raiders Club concerning the club meeting rooms.
2. Emailed reminder of current ACT Parks and Conservation fish tagging program at Casuarina Sands.

3. The NSW Department of Fisheries has invited the club to comment on proposed changes to the fishing regulations.

Treasurer's Report

Jason reported the club has \$3550 in the club bank account. This report was accepted.

General Business

1. The Raiders Club has requested that the club sign its annual declaration in return for free use of the meeting rooms. Ian is to find the 2012 declaration, and forward it to Stefan so he can update the return for 2013.

2. There has been no resolution to the issue of the boat. Richard has requested that the club find an alternative storage arrangement or arrange for the motor to be fixed. This matter was not resolved at the meeting, and must be on the agenda for future meetings.

3. The club resolved to spend \$1000 on stocking the Queanbeyan river with native fish.

4. Alan asked for the perpetual trophies to be returned, in preparation for the 2013 awards.

5. It was resolved to discuss the club's public liability insurance at the AGM.

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Club Events

1. Greg gave a report on the previous event. The planned Koorabri event was rescheduled for Adaminaby. Greg has spoken to the owner at Koorabri and the club will hold another event there next year.

2. Fly tying is on 22 May.

Stefan
Vice President

Alan
Assistant Secretary

MINUTES OF CAA MEETING 12 Jun 2013

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

Members present: Peter, Jason M, Greg, Norm, Steve, Bill and Alan.

Apologies: Susan, Randy, Kelly, Owen, Charlie, Stefan and Mark S.

Minutes

Bill read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Matters Arising

1. Raiders Club bookings for next year fixed.

2. Boat maintenance issue to be discussed at AGM. May be possible to bid for the \$1000 ACT Government grant to cover maintenance and capital items. Also, boat will be relocated once Jason settles on his new house in Evatt.

3. Return of trophies for engraving progresses. Advice from Owen to Secretary was that his and Charlies will be passed to Alan ASP.

Correspondence

1. NSW Fishing Trust grant invitation.
2. NSW Crown Roads sale protest continues. Members will be invited to submit individual objections as roads of interest are identified. CRFA and CAA will likely submit organisational objections.

Treasurer's Report

1. Jason reported the club has \$3511.69 in the club bank account plus \$40 in cash. This report was accepted.

General Business

1. Jason has volunteered to run the AGM raffle and has acquired a fly tying book and proposes a gift card. Greg reminded Jason that he still holds a rod donated by James for the raffle.
2. Club will purchase the new "Predator" raffle for the library and showing at a future meeting.
3. CAA program for 2013/14 will need to be confirmed at next meeting to enable membership card to be printed. It was suggested we should consider one event further afield – Mitta Mitta was proposed. Outline program was discussed and suggested to include:
April – Koorabri
Nov – Brogo
Dec – Jindabyne
Tumut event to continue
Coast/estuaries to continue.
4. Greg suggested that meetings be inverted and have speakers open proceedings and conduct administrations afterwards – this will be undertaken in July. Discussion on whether to start meetings at 7:30 was inconclusive and is to be discussed in July.
5. Greg understood that there may be a "Centenary of trout acclimatisation" approaching. Bill will query with Steve Samuels.

Club Events

1. Alan volunteered to run the Jun/Buckenderra event in Bill's unanticipated absence.
2. Tumut event was well attended and good results achieved.

Jason M
Treasurer

Bill
Secretary

MINUTES OF CAA MEETING 10 Jul 2013

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

Members present: Peter, Jason M, Greg W, Steve, Randy, Kelly, Charlie, Stefan, Damien, Stuart, Ian, Bill and Geoff.

Apologies: Susan, Owen, Jason Q and Alan

Minutes

Bill read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Matters Arising

1. The 150th anniversary of trout introduction will be a celebration at the “Big Trout” in Adaminaby hosted by Cooma branch of the MAS in October 2014. Closer to the time, CAA can consider how we might participate (eg to conduct Lyle Knowles on that weekend).
2. The idea of preceding our administrative meeting with our speakers was trialled tonight and accepted. Further, the Executive will attempt to meet at 7:30 with speaker starting promptly at 8:00.
3. Damien proposed a ‘Back to Buckenderra’ event this August as a supplement to the regular program. 24-25 Aug was decided upon.
4. Jason has submitted a bid for a \$1000 grant from the ACT Govt for boat refurbishment. AGM will consider options for the boat including a purchase of a larger replacement hull.

General Business

1. Stuart delivered a large amount of reading material – donation from a friend of many, Rob Walls. Some will be well-suited to a revamped club library; others are quite valuable and consideration of how best to sell will need to be considered; others could be offered as free goods to club members. Funds raised are to be directly contributed into a major identified program, eg the boat refit.

Club Events

1. Buckenderra event was well attended and good results achieved.

Geoff
President

Bill
Secretary