

THE BURLEY LINE



Norm with a nice 3lb rainbow



From the Editor's Desk

It should be a very informative meeting this month with Jaime giving us the inside word on local insects.

The Tumut trip has come and gone with a number of folk having success, new skills acquired and Stefan (in his swansong as organiser) bringing his culinary skills. We now go into a bit of a winter hibernation in respect to club events, but feel free to propose something to the committee – I have memories of Damian's 'Back to Buckenderra' trips in the depths of winter.

Lachy is showing his worth as delegate to the NSW Council of Freshwater Anglers with a report on the quarterly meeting. We should not ignore the opportunity to recruit their assistance when we have fishing related issues in our region.

Greg S has come good with some more of his interesting snippets from the web and I've had quite a few myself – notably Mark, Guy and Norm reporting on one successful day recently.

Coming Events

Meeting: 11th June.

As usual 7:30 at Raiders Weston – and maybe via Zoom if the demand is there (contact the President if Zoom is desired). Jaime will be talking on local insects of interest to fish.

Fly Tying: 25th June – to be advised ... a fly that demonstrates the new SwissCDC Multiloop too.

John is leading us in this mysterious tie.

Next Events

13th August. Annual General Meeting.

15th – 17th August. To be confirmed – Bondi Forest trip.

Tumut Trip – 23-25 May

Stefan



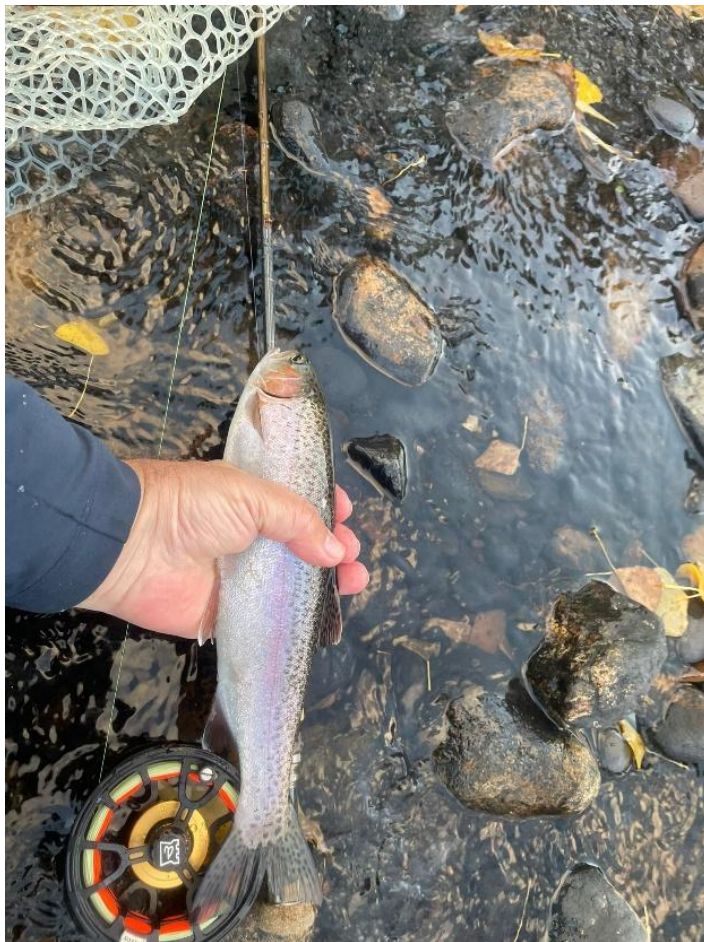
We need to name this fly (olive??), possibly the pattern to try after blue dun for sunset challenge. It is the one James caught the fish on. I said to him “tie on something like a small moth” and hey presto! Bob caught 3 but wasn’t able to land them.

Lachy

"Not bad for me. 2x30sh cm and 2x35 cm rainbow! Thanks for the tip Claude"

I introduced James to Euro Nymphing today. He hooked a monster rainbow that was doing acrobats like there was no tomorrow. But a slight mishap and he broke off just before I could land him in the net.

James was kind enough to take this of one of the rainbows I caught today



Fly Tying – 28 May

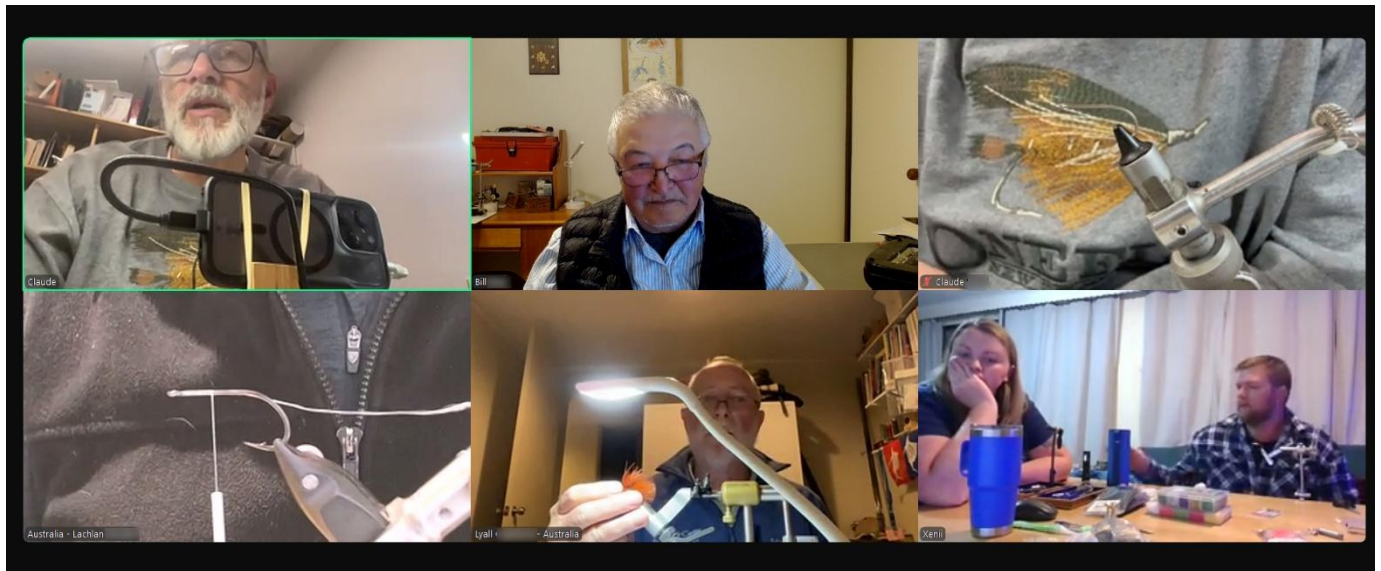
Claude led the team with Kelly Galloups (Sex) Dungeon Fly.

[More information](#), including links to YouTube and full instructions were provided via the blog.

Quite a lot of steps but basically tying one woolly buggie stinger plus a challenging front fly (spun deer hair surrounding dumbbell eyes was the key challenge!)

This was quite a complex tie, and the broken threads and spike injuries by the stinger hook were innumerable.

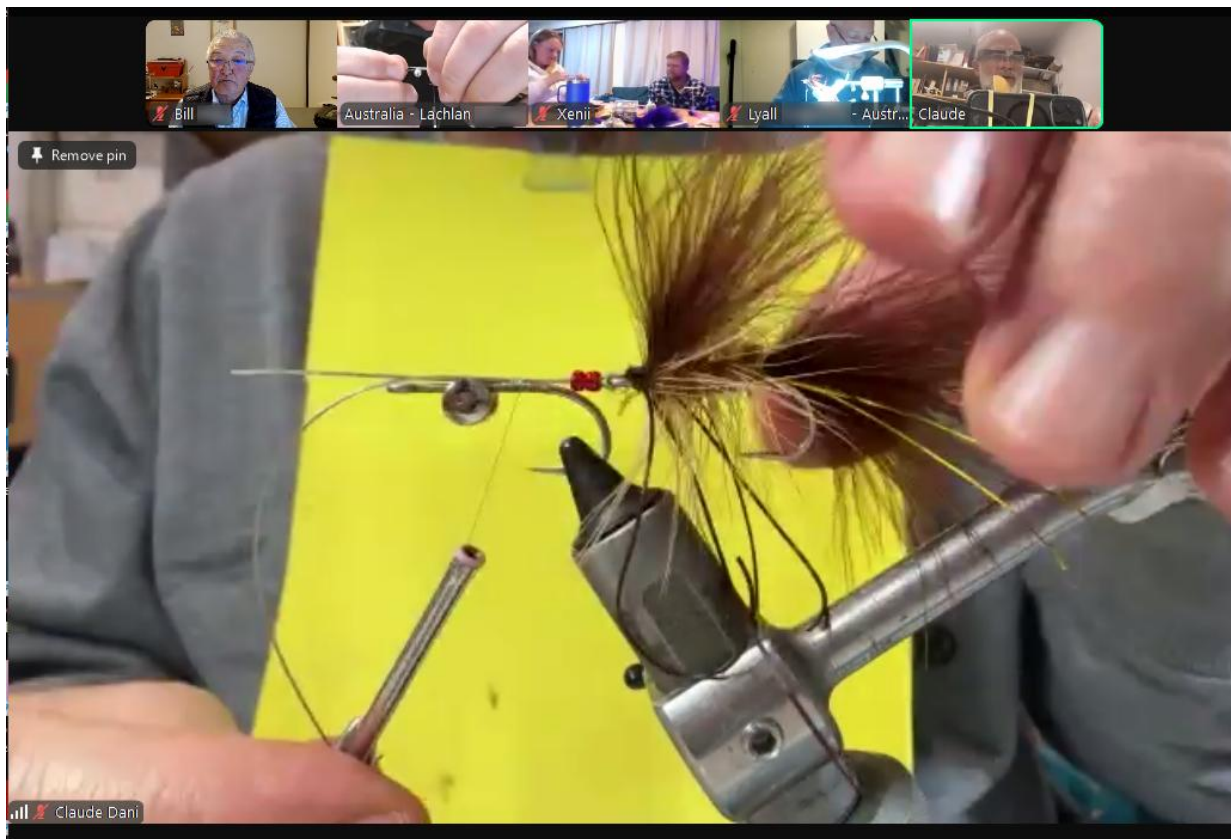
They did real well and remained in good humour – \$12 per fly plus 2 1/2 hours instead of \$25 to buy readymade 😊



All set to go



Stinger hook receiving its dubbing



Stinger hook being attached to the main fly



The deer hair head taking shape (note the straw covering the stinger, and Claude's hairclips attempting to secure the legs – the razor blade proved to be very useful)



Claude



Lachy



Lyall



Xenii



James

NSWCFA May Ordinary General Meeting

Lachy

Notes from NSWCFA meeting held on Sat, 17 May 25 of interest to CAA members:

- Feedback from the NSWCFA March mini-conference held at Gaden Trout Hatchery was overwhelmingly positive. Looking to do something similar in the future, but when is yet to be decided.
- NSWCFA President Gary Bickford has formally secured a 20 min meeting with NSW Minister Moriarty for 20 May at Ulladulla. Key matters to be discussed with the Minister are:
 - The establishment of a dedicated recreational fishing statutory authority.
 - Dutton Hatchery - note a reply letter has now been received advising of staffing issues (and a NSW Govt wide freeze on new hires), but Bickford intends to dig deeper to get more clarity.
- Action Plans (trout and murray cod) - going out for community consultation while the NSW Fish Management Strategy (the framework for freshwater stocking including trout) is being reviewed. Further details TBA.
- I expanded on the point about the NSWCFA membership model notes in the previous Executive Meeting Minutes - noting the VRFish model being considered. Specifically the 'Fundamental question - are we pursuing membership to increase representation or are we pursuing more money'? I noted that the key point up front on the NSWCFA homepage is that the organisation is a recognised representative body to present freshwater anglers

interests and issues to the NSW State Government; therefore, the question is answered - representation is the NSWCFA reason for being. To that end, they should actively pursue something similar to the VRFish model to engage more of the NSW fishing community. Politicians are more inclined to listen to your organisation if you are representing XX thousand constituents vs XX hundred members.

- The executive undertook to develop a proposal for presentation at the AGM in Aug.
- Next meeting, which includes the AGM, will be held on 09 August 25 commencing at 0930.

As an aside, this was my first attendance at a NSWCFA meeting. While some people dropped in and out of the Zoom meeting, there were on average 12 people including the NSWCFA Executive - ie not many clubs represented. I see this as an opportunity for the CAA! Noting that many CAA members regularly fish in NSW, if there are any issues or matters they would like raised, please get in touch with Lachy or Neil and have a chat.

From Greg S

Greg has been trawling Facebook

Greg S

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/1525314125521499>

Apparently Kingfish in Sydney Harbour: <https://www.facebook.com/reel/24311993108391001>

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/386780100747618>

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Other Stuff in my In-box

Paul "Molonglo River and the Monaro. The cod was caught on a purple stump jumper lure"

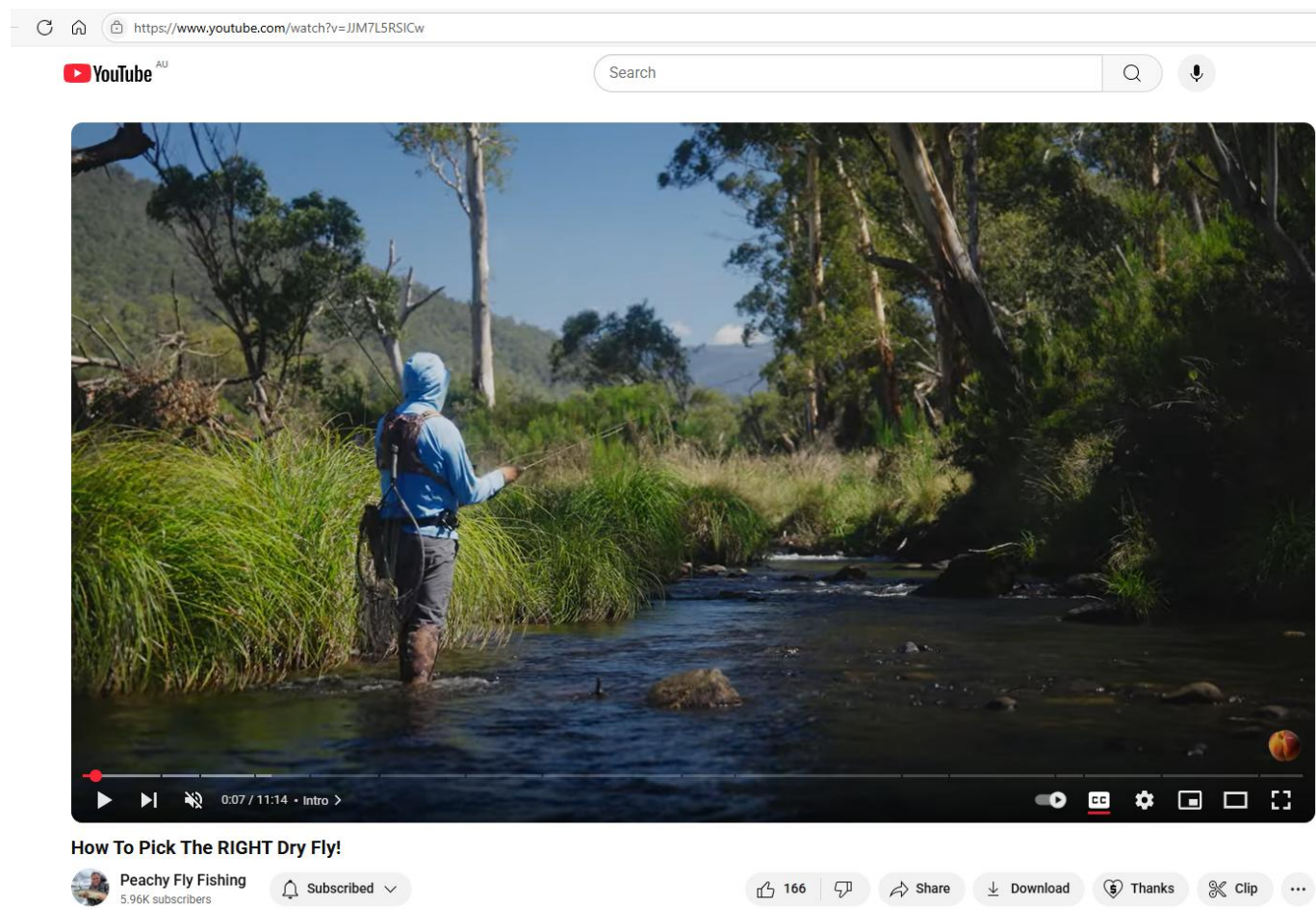




Mark shared some photos of Norm at recent trip they took to a private dam on the Monaro along with Guy. As our oldest member Norm still enjoys his fishing but the uneven banks were a little bit of a challenge. Mark tells me they had a great Thai meal in Cooma on the way home.



Quite a good tutorial on dry flies from Peachy <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JJM7L5RSICw> (I also put this into the news blog and it got quite a good response).



Phil Weigall is [interviewed here](#) on lessons learnt from arguably a tough season. The two MCs seemed very upbeat. Weigall spoke to the importance of looking through the echo chamber that is social media – the need to think carefully on where/when to go fishing. A Victorian focus, but the principles and thinking apply everywhere.

Stuff You May Have Already Read on our [News Blog](#)

Don't forget that you can register to receive automatic emails when new posts are uploaded. Fill out the form on the right of any post (at the bottom for phone/tablet readers). These notifications can be very informative, for instance the previous invitation to head up to Eucumbene to see some brook trout being translocated, also the notification about a series of webinars on native fish initiatives on the 'Bidgee.

[Discount for Anglers Booking Huts in NSW National Parks](#)

Those of us with NSW fishing licences can get a 33% discount on rates for renting huts in the National Parks.

Tips Blog

Following on from the Peachy video, I uploaded two other pieces into our Tips Blog. In this case how to straighten leaders and different strikes. The post was really to promote awareness of the Tips Blog.

Quite a good tutorial on dry flies from Peachy

Youtube tutorial for budding dry fly snobs.

RFA of NSW Workshop on an Alternative Peak Body Model

RFA is developing an alternative to the model being prepared by DPIRD's working group.

Gaden Hatchery Report

Covers the most recent stocking program.

Stuff You May Have Already Read on our [Facebook Page](#)



If you are on Facebook, you should consider "liking and following" the [CAA Facebook page](#).

For those of you who don't subscribe to Facebook, click on headings below to look at the post – you don't need to join Facebook. Facebook is a fast moving medium so I'll only be putting stuff here in *Burley Line* that is of a longer-term interest – often that'll mean nothing in any particular month, but I'll keep the placemarker.

MAS are Looking to Recruit More Members

Contact me for more – be part of the Queanbeyan Branch along with Mark, Peter, Guy, Stefan and me.

End of Trout Stream Fishing and Spawning Stream Rules

NSW Fisheries has reminded anglers of the impending closure and the special rules on the spawning streams. If you go up, please be your courteous best.

Other News

Additional news and links from supporting groups



NSW Council of Freshwater Anglers

Remember you can subscribe to the Newsletter (*Freshwater Fisher*) yourself, there is a link in every monthly newsletter. Previous CFA newsletters can be accessed [via their archive](#). They

also have a presence on [Facebook](#). The [key correspondence](#), a useful calendar of events and recent videos are on their website.

Don't forget you can donate to the CFA by [becoming a 'Foundation Member'](#) and personally support their good work. The website explains what that means – only the equivalent of \$0.50 per week.

Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW

Remember you can subscribe yourself, there is a link in every monthly newsletter. Recent, previous RFA newsletters can be accessed via their [archive](#). They also have a presence on [Facebook](#)

Fisheries Victoria News – 'Nibbles'

These are in hiatus for the moment while they identify a new distribution system. Meanwhile they have a presence on all forms of social media.

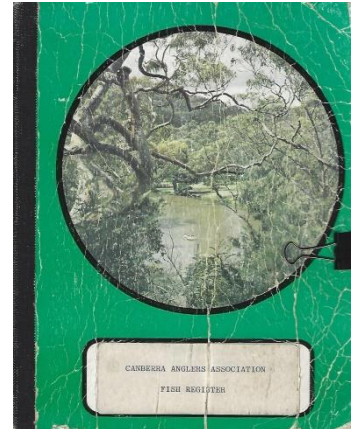
Long Term Program of Events Not Formally Part of CAA Events

Provided for your calendar planning, members can see the diversity of angling events available to attend and some might even choose to get a CAA group together to attend an event outside our formal calendar which would broaden our horizons greatly. If anyone spots a non-CAA event that might be of interest to members, please email *Burley Line*.

Dates	Event Details
various	The NSW DPI Kids' and Women's Fishing Workshops at Gaden Hatchery Jindabyne were in a hiatus during the construction but are now back – though none currently scheduled. There are saltwater and freshwater events across the state. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/recreational/resources/fishing-workshops/kids
Watch for later in the year	Buckenderra's "Anaconda Trout Challenge". Check out their Facebook page and go back to November https://www.facebook.com/buckenderraholidayvillage

Notable Fish Recorded

The intent of this segment is to encourage folk to get out fishing and share the joy. It is not the 'official record of catches' and so can include catches of interest that aren't eligible for trophies. Currently, the authoritative list for consideration for the [club trophies](#) is the little green book brought to meetings by the Secretary clearly marked as "Canberra Anglers Association Fish Register" pictured here. Please take photos of your catch with a tape or other verifiable measurement device (eg rod, but not your foot or hand).



We welcome emails advising how you are going, but don't forget to formally register them. Please be aware that I tend to collect catch information from word of mouth and articles submitted for publication. I occasionally peruse the little green book, but inclusion in *Burley Line* can't be interpreted as having been checked by me as being registered.

Angler	Species	Length	Method	Location/Event/ Date
Lachy	Rainbow	43cm	Fly	Pejar Dam, 14? July 2024
Paul	Cod	100cm (74% on our Natives Assessment Tool)	Lure	Bondi Forest, 18 Aug 2024
Owen	Brown	52cm	Fly	Mayfly Madness event 11-14 Oct 2024
Paul	Brown	60cm	Fly	Mayfly Madness event 11-14 Oct 2024
Pat	Brown	63cm	Fly	Mayfly Madness event 11-14 Oct 2024
Owen	Rainbow	27cm	Fly	Lyle Knowles event, 19 Oct 2024
Peter	Redfin	33cm	Fly	Lake Tuggeranong, 22 Oct 2024

Peter	Carp	9 fish – most at 57cm	Bait	CAA 'Carp Bash' event 13 Jan 2025
Bill	Brown	39cm	Fly	Jindy event 22-23 Feb
Jason	Brown	31cm	Fly	Jindy event 22-23 Feb
James	Brown	36cm	Fly	Jindy event 22-23 Feb
James	Golden Perch	61.5cm (87.4 score)		Googong 25 Apr
Lachy	Rainbow	2x30ish cm		Tumut Trip 24 May
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Join Us

Thinking of becoming a member? The membership application form can be found on our website. Fees are payable each year after our AGM (adjustments will be made for joining later in the year). 2024/2025 rates are unchanged from last year:

- General Membership \$40.00
- Family Membership \$50.00
- Concession Membership (age pension or concession card) \$15.00
- Junior Membership (U18 years) \$15.00

Payment can be made via bank transfer (details on the form) or in-person at one of our meetings. More information on our website or contact us via email.

Contribute to *The Burley Line*

Contributions are always encouraged to *The Burley Line* and can be sent in via the email listed on the left (or via clicking the link on the web home page below "contact us"). Whether it be photos, trip reports, gear reviews, advertising, places to visit, we encourage it all. Additionally, posts for our blog are also welcome, especially for our cooking page, gear notes and places to visit. Comments on individual blog posts are also encouraged.

Supporters

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