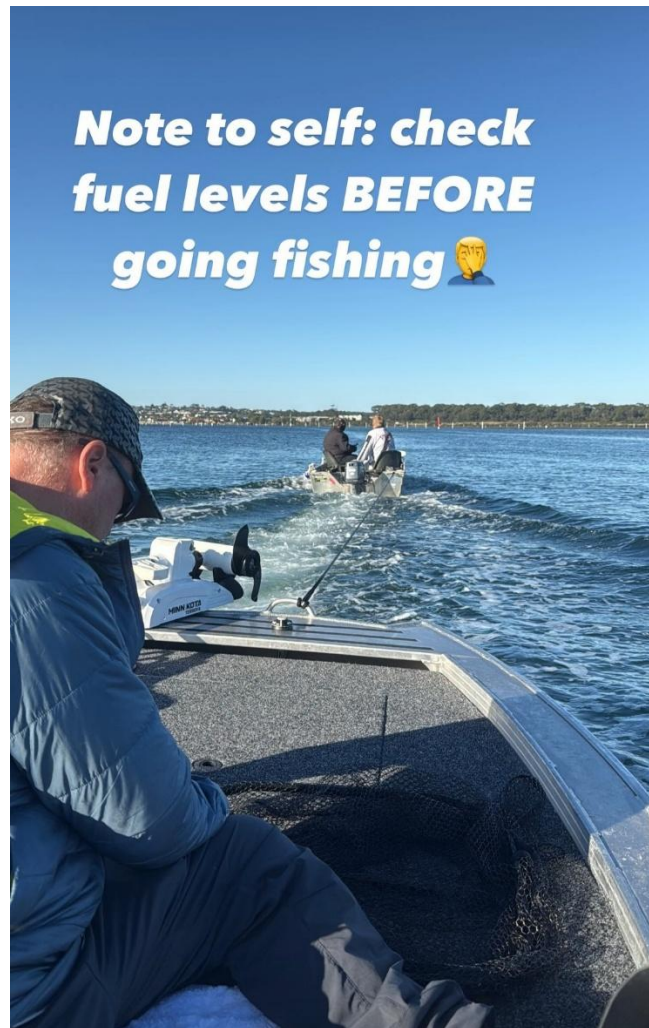


THE BURLEY LINE



Ryan's Recent Post to Instagram



From the Editor's Desk

While there were no formal CAA events, many members headed uphill for the last of the stream trout fishing. Bucking the trend, Ryan and Tom headed to the coast chasing some willing Australian salmon. This has enthused him for a mid-winter estuary trip down to Merimbula. Already I can see much interest evinced on the CAA Whatsapp group.

While BJ wasn't able to wet a line during a work trip overseas, he provided us with some very attractive Canadian fishing photos.

This month's fly tying saw a special guest lead, and intriguing material. The attendees were fascinated and saw multiple opportunities.

As always, many thanks to Greg S for the outcomes from his Facebook trawls.

Coming Events

Meeting: 9th July.

As usual 7:30 at Raiders Weston – and maybe via Zoom if the demand is there (contact the President if Zoom is desired). Greg Bayne from Red Baron ALSE, conveniently located in Fyshwick, will be explaining all you need to know about Personal Locator Beacons.

Make sure you return any trophies held so that the next awardees can be engraved.

Next Events

11th – 13th July. Ryan is taking us to Merimbula to chase Australian salmon.

Fly Tying: 23rd July – no specific pattern – a fly that employs the technique known as Hackle Stacker or Paraloop. More information via email.

13th August. Annual General Meeting.

15th – 17th August. Bondi Forest trip.

14th, 21st and 28th September. Fly Casting to the Public.

Canberra Anglers Association Presents

Learn to fly cast

Sept. 14, 21 & 28
10am - noon

ON THE LAWN BESIDE
QUESTACON ON MALL ROAD WEST
Best parking in Questacon car park

RODS PROVIDED
OR BRING YOUR OWN

Sunglasses or
eye protection
required to
participate

FREE Coaching
by CAA members including
Fly Fishers International instructors

ALL AGES AND
LEVELS WELCOME

Sausage sizzle,
drinks and raffles

28 September will be held at Nengi Bamir beach on Lake
Ginninderra on Diddams Close west

www.canberra-anglers.asn.au

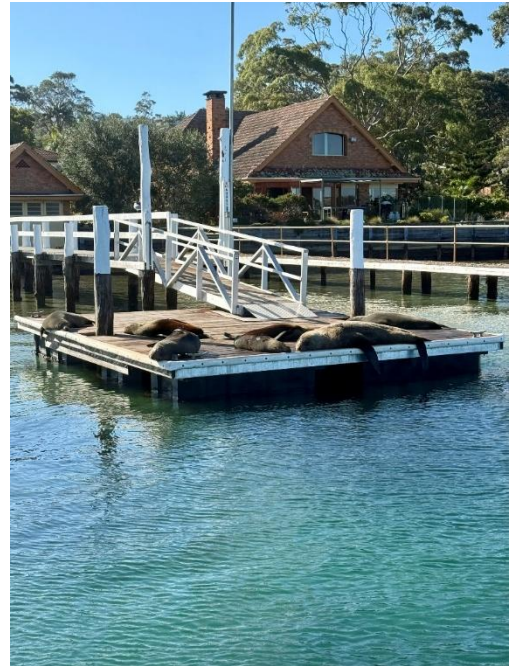


Merimbula with Ryan and Tom

Ryan

It was a good weekend, weather was great and the fish were willing. Good numbers of salmon coming up the Pambula river with the tide, spent the run it catching those on fly, then moved to Merimbula top lake for the high tide. Mostly lure fishing up there, trolling double clutches to find schools, then working them until it went quiet. Plenty of bigger tailor getting around Merimbula too. Too lake had plenty of schools of baitfish as well, our upcoming trip should be a hit!

All in all some great fishing and a lovely time away.



Some Action Leading up to the Stream Closure

Lachy

Starting 1 June, a number of trips to Flea Creek and Tumut.

Fished the Goodradigbee at Flea Creek. The water was back up to near normal levels and flowing nicely. Caught 10 fish over 5 hours. Interestingly they were all on the smaller size!
This brown was actually the largest one I caught.

(Editor – interesting given the MAS only stock rainbows at Flea Creek)



Tumut fished well. Neil caught this chunky 32 cm rainbow.



Waters were definitely up at flowing at Flea Creek. Quite a few fish about, albeit on the smaller size



It was a very wet and chilly day. This was coming home over the Brindies.

Claude

Travis and I tried Eucumbene (Denison) and Rushies. Beautiful day, no fish. Both places quite low level!



Burgo

Upper Bidgee at Tantangara devoid of any sign of life so we went 4WD instead. Thomas' car said -11 degrees and it was warmer in my fridge!



Bill

On the Thu/Fri before the close, Jason M and I (along with 2 of his friends) stayed at Daffodil Cottage at the Currango Homestead, top of Tantangara. Dropped a line in the Bidgee for one spooked fish only. Was fascinated, and perhaps a little concerned, by the “pueblo tyres” resulted from driving through slippery clay followed by frosted off grass.



Paul

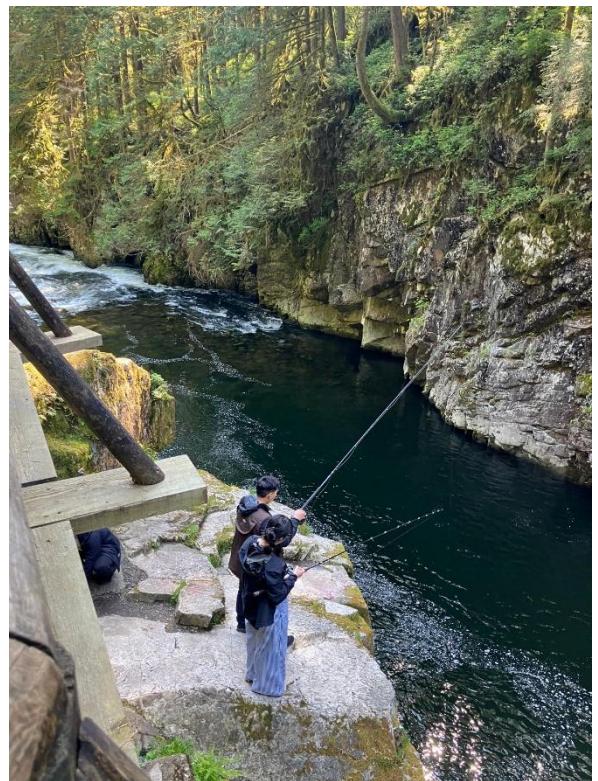


Yes I did join the circus for one day. Many interesting characters lurking around Denison on the Eucumbene River. Me included. This particular fish was plucked from a deep channel at the head of a pool. 3 other anglers had been fishing this spot for about 2 hours for only modest success. The freezing wind finally got the better of them and they retreated back to their smouldering fire whilst the human version of a cormorant,

me, slid into their possie. Despite their considerable efforts, they never really fished what I would call 'the honey hole' properly. This was right up under the incoming rapid. I rested this spot for spot for about 15 mins by consciously fishing just below it effectively guarding the best spot. My first cast into the honey hole resulted in this vividly marked brownie gobbling my nymph. My masterful demonstration of angling was quickly undone when the reel fell off the rod mid fight and then I skilfully reattached the reel backwards. Much to the mirth for the two wind blown onlookers.

BJ in Canada

Rock fishing Canadian style.





Over a beer at Herbert's, BJ told us the sorry tale that he could not find any guides on Vancouver Island to take him fishing at short notice. The lady in the tackle shop rubbed it in by sharing a photo of a Dolly Varden she had caught.

Fly Tying -25 June – Joe's Saltwater Shrimp


We were lucky to get the originator of this fly – the eponymous Joe as the lead. [See the post](#) in our Fly Tying blog, also the original pointer to [Fly Life instructions](#) is available on the web via my PC, but strangely not easily from my phone.

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On The Beach

Saltwater flies with Chris Beech



JOE'S SHRIMP
 HOOK: Abrex SA250 Shrimp #2
 THREAD: Clear mono, tan or green 3/0 Monocord
 LEGS & TAIL: Bonefish tan Hareline Krystal Flash
 BODY: 2mm Joe's Stretch Cord
 CADADARE: Joe's Hot Food

As an outsider not tying (I had doubts if I would be able to attend) might I offer some observations. The clear stretch cord is a fascinating material. The clear nature mimics the somewhat transparent shrimp, even allowing the tier to reveal 'inner organs'. The stretchy nature means you can pull on it at various tensions thereby adjusting its diameter – helps create appropriate carrot shape.









Claude



Ryan's second iteration



John

Fly Tying Following on from Last Month

Claude tells us that the Sex Dungeon is faster to tie the second time around – very professional looking job.



From Greg S

Greg continues his trawling of Facebook

Greg S

Mulloway patting: <https://www.facebook.com/reel/1054946680085755>

Murray Crayfish 101: <https://www.facebook.com/RobbieAlexanderfishphoto>

Not sure if we've published this one before – very scary for the kayaker
<https://www.facebook.com/reel/1472272273940267>

Other Stuff in my In-box

Out of the mouth of babes – the truth about our obsession of fly fishing

<https://www.instagram.com/reel/DKaQWvES88w/?igsh=dWt3bXo4Znc3MTRz>



Liked by ryan [redacted] and others

paul [redacted] Season 24/25 highlights. This fish was one of my favourites. It was also first fish of the session caught on opening day. It was special because I caught the same fish 141 days earlier but wasn't able to get a photo because the fish wiggled out of my grasp. She weighed 6 pounds on both occasions. [redacted]



Xenii proudly told us
that James had
caught his first
Australian Salmon on
Fly – one of her surf
candies



Lake Eucumbene

• 13h •

My first or second fishing license. Issued in Adaminaby by a very well know local identity, Leigh Stewart. Note the closed season then from 1st May to 31st August. That meant opening day was 1st September. Closed season then was for lakes and impoundments as well as rivers and streams.

A little bit of history. Interesting how open season for trout has changed over the years.

FORM 21
NEW SOUTH WALES
FISHERIES AND OYSTER FARMS ACT, 1935, AS
(REGULATION 51)

INLAND ANGLING LICENSE

No. 316017

is hereby licensed in pursuance of Section 25(5) of the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935, as amended, to take, catch, or kill from inland waters any species of fish by means of a line for the period of twelve months from the date of issue hereof:

Date of issue: 1st May 1935
(In figures) (Month to / written in full)

Fees £1 - 0 - 0

Under Secretary,
Chief Secretary's Department,
SYDNEY.

Signature of I: [Signature]
Place: Adaminaby

Issued by: [Signature]
Place: Adaminaby

NOTE: Section 25(5) of the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935, as amended, provides that a license shall have no force or effect until signed by the person to whom it is issued.
Failure to produce this license upon demand of an Inspector of Fisheries is an offence.

Any fish taken, caught, captured or killed under the authority of this license cannot be sold.

Inland waters means all rivers and creeks above the influence of the tide and all freshwater streams, lakes, ponds, canals, channels and waterways.

The holder of an Inland Angling License has no right of entry upon private lands without the consent of the owner or occupier.

Methods of Fishing Permitted—A licensed angler may use:

(i) when fishing for any species of fish (except trout) in inland waters (except proclaimed salt-waters), one line held in the hand, with not more than two hooks attached thereto (whether such line is attached to a rod or not), and not more than two set lines at any one time, with not more than one hook attached to each line. Each set line used must have attached to it a metal snail or copper tag not less than 3" x 1", on which must be stamped the holder's name and license number in 1" letters. Not more than four set lines may be in an angler's possession on or adjacent to any inland waters at any one time.

(ii) when fishing for trout, one rod and line held in the hand supplemented by a gaff and landing net.

Nets, cross lines and springers are prohibited.

Fishing by all methods is prohibited for approximately 4-miles each side of weirs and dams.

CREEL CENSUS: Help the Dept. of Fisheries by accurately recording the catch on the back of this license and returning it to the Superintendent of Fisheries, Box 20, C.F.O., Sydney.

Close Seasons—Inland Waters.

Trout—1st May to 31st August
Bass—1st May to 31st October
Freshwater Crayfish—1st February to 30th April
All other freshwater species—1st September to 30th November (West of Great Dividing Range)

Legal Lengths of Principal Species

Species	Length
Bass (Australian Bass or Eastern Freshwater Perch)	11 inches
Blackish River (Slippery)	7 inches
Callop (Golden Perch or Yellowbelly)	13 inches
Catfish, Freshwater	8 inches
Mullet, Freshwater ("Bream" or "Platy")	9 inches
Murray or Trout Cod	21 inches
Perch, Macquarie (or Mountain)	10 inches
Perch, Silver ("Crusier")	10 inches
Trout, Rainbow or Brown	10 inches

Bag Limits

Trout—Home Weir—5 fish per day.
Trout—elsewhere—10 fish per day.
Bass—whole State—10 fish per day.

THIS LICENSE SHOULD BE CARRIED AT ALL TIMES WHEN FISHING.

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.

[A very clear video for overhead casting](#)

Explains the idea of rotation/translation in another way.

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 placemark.

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

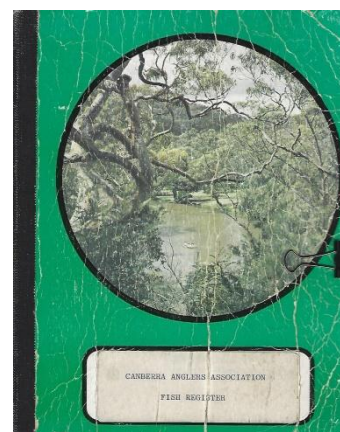
Provided for your calendar planning, members can see the diversity of angling events available to attend and some might even choose to get a CAA group together to attend an event outside

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 our 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
Lachy	Rainbow	2x35 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.

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