



SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.

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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER OF THE SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.

All members and interested persons are invited to attend the next meeting of the Sale Fly Fishing Club Inc. This will be held on Monday the 18th of September at the Sporting Legends at 7.30pm.

Minutes of previous meeting.

Date: - 15th August 2017
Meeting Opened: - 7.41 pm
Attendance 6 members present

Apologies: -

The following members were not able to attend:
Ian Brideson, Dean Cousins and Neil Morrison.

Visitors

Nil

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Moved by Ray Clissold
Second by Jack Groenewald

Business arising from last Minutes.

Ray Clissold has the new caps and broad brim club hat's.

Inwards Correspondence

VFFA Newsletter

Outward Correspondence.

Nil

Correspondence moved by Peter Murray and seconded by Gavin Sculley

Business arising from correspondence.

There was some discussion regarding the increase in insurance cover for the club. Mick Obrien moved that the club cover the increased cost in insurance. Seconded by Gavin Sculley.

Treasurer's Report:

Was tabled.

Income: \$499.27

Total expenses: \$460.00

Net income: \$39.27

Total Bank Balance: \$4,541.49

General Business.

Jack Groenewald attended the Camping and fishing show held recently at the Melbourne showgrounds. A point of interest was the Australian trout foundation stand. Jack was impressed with the groups ideas regarding specific environmental projects to enhance or restore riparian and in stream habitat, including the Jordon-Scotty boxes which are an improved version of the vibert boxes used in the past. It was suggested that the club contact ATF in the hope that they may come to a meeting and discuss in more depth some of the projects that the organisation is working on. Ray Throup to follow up.

Ray Clissold questioned why we have not heard any information regarding the Gippsland fishing liaison meeting. Ray Clissold suggested he will follow this matter up and get back to members.

Mick Obrien has booked the accommodation for the Licloa trip. This was booked for the 6-7 October, heading home on the 8th. Cost is \$25.00 per head per night.

Fish reports:

Gavin Sculley: Caught a variety of fish on his recent Japan trip. See report attached.

Peter Murray: Japan. Peter caught Rainbow trout Uguiis, Japanese Dace and Yamame, a trout species unique to Japan. More details below.

Ray Throup: Shallow Inlet 3 Salmon best 43cm. Bemm river 1 bream 34cm.

Meeting Closed: - 8:30 pm

Show Us Your Fly: July meeting

Due to late information, it was decided to postpone the judging until the September meeting. This will mean there are 3 flies to judge next month.

Show us your fly: July meeting

Caddis Grubb

Australian fly Patterns.

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BODY: Lightly dubbed, colour to suit naturals

RIB: Swannundaze fine, colour to suit naturals

Thorax: Black rabbit, picked out

Wing case: Black synthetic raffia.

Head: Black tying thread.



Show Us Your Fly: August meeting

Wonderwing spinner

Australian fly patterns

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Hook: Dry fly size 12-14

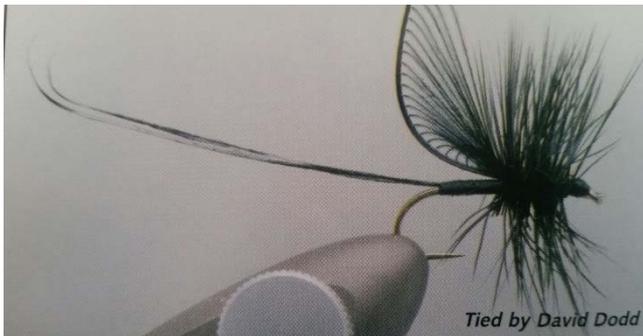
Thread: Black

Tail: Black cock hackles

Body: Black thread

Wing: Single hackle feather halved and prepared as a wonderwing, then coated with flexcement, optional.

Hackle: Black cock hackle clipped to form a v underneath.



Show us your fly for September meeting.

Dr Wark (Brown)

Australia's best trout flies. Page 32.

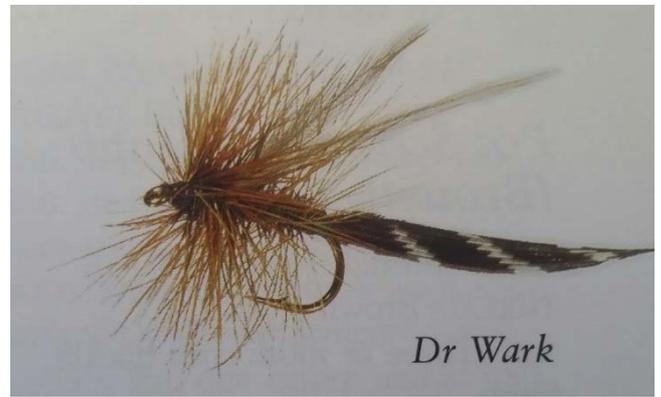
Hook: Mustad 94840. #6-12

Tail: A good bunch of galena or Guinea fowl, formed by taking a slip from the side of a feather and folding it twice- the tail should be one and a half times the length of the hook.

Body: Dark green floss silk palmered with brown hackle.

Rib: Fine gold wire. Wings: White cock hackle points. The original tie has these upright. I tie them back t 45 degrees.

Hackle: Brown cock variant.



NEW TROUT RULES TO IMPROVE RECREATIONAL FISHING

The Andrews Labour Government has announced a suite of improvements to recreational fishing rules for trout that will boost angling opportunities in Victoria's freshwater rivers and lakes.

Minister for Agriculture Jaala Pulford announced the changes today, which include the introduction of a minimum size for trout in several waters set out in the Labour Government's *Target One Million* plan, which is investing a record \$46 million to get more people fishing, more often.

The new rules commence on Saturday, 2 September 2017 and include:

:A minimum size of 25cm for all species of trout in the Rubicon River, Mitta Mitta River upstream of Lake Dartmouth, Ovens River upstream of the Porepunkah Bridge, and Nariel Creek upstream of the Colac Colac Bridge

: A minimum size of 30cm for rainbow trout and 45cm for brown trout at Lake Toolondo, and reduced daily bag limit 3 trout – down from 5

: A minimum size of 45cm for all trout and a daily bag limit of 3 at Hepburn Lagoon

: Removal of the trout closed season from the Merri and Hopkins rivers.

The introduction of a minimum size in four rivers will help promote these waters as high-quality trout fishing destinations.

The changes are expected to produce more trophy trout in the two lakes, both of which are stocked annually with yearlings grown at the Victorian Fisheries Authority's Snobs Creek hatchery, funded largely by fishing licence fees.

The removal of the closed season in the Merri and Hopkins rivers will give anglers year-round access to stocked populations of brown trout, some of which grow to more than 2kg.

Peter & Beetles trip to Hokkaido by Peter Murray.

During July, Beetle & I had the opportunity to have a fish on the Northern Island (Hokkaido) of Japan. Whilst travelling across from Kushiro to Sapporo, we could wet a line in Lake Akan, Akan River, Shikaribetsu River, Satsunai River, Konbu River, Yusenbetsu River and the Shiribetsu River.



Pictured above. The Yamame (Cherry trout).

Most fishing was done very early morning, (5am start). By 7am most spots on the river were taken by the locals. Mostly large Dry Flies, Elk Hair Caddis and Cicada patterns were successful, although GRHE and Brown Nymphs took fish also.



One of the fine Rainbow trout to be encountered.

Our only evening fish drew a blank although Beetle had a large fish on before it broke free. The Rivers had good flow (Beetle will elaborate at the meeting;) and large Rainbows could be sight fished to. The surface water at Lake Akan had heated up although we saw some fish rising in the evening. We employed 1 guide (Tak) who was very "out there", good on the water and was interested in Australian Fly Fishing. The other bloke was (Edai) who is not a guide but fishes 4 times a week. Edai's English wasn't as good as Tak but could get his message across OK. He could also run along the rivers (fast) Compulsory use of Bells, Whistles and Capsicum spray made sure the Bears knew where we were. Other wildlife such as

Deer, Snakes and a Raccoon Dog made us keep a sharp eye on our surroundings.



This lovely fish is an Ugui or Japanese dace.

Our fishing result consisted of around 25 to 30 fish landed, including Rainbow Trout, Yamame (Native Trout) and Japanese Dace (Ugui). Very sincere thanks to Beetle's son Matt and very, very sincere thanks to Masami who organised our accommodation, helped with interpretation, advice on souvenir values and how to fill a schooner from the bottom up with ice cold beer, all while being entertained by almost 3year old Noah.

Bemm river 5 Members attended our Estuary trip to Bemm river in August. A very windy weekend was endured. Most of the fish were found in the lake. Eventually some Bream were caught falling victim to soft plastics (shhhh it's a secret). Only one bream was caught for the weekend after working the water to a froth.



In hind sight, I think fishing a floating line and a 15foot leader may have improved the catch rate, particularly on the last morning when we found fish and the wind had dropped off. It will have to wait until next time to test the theory.

Coming events

Licola trip 6th & 7th October 2017

General meeting 16th of October 2017

Annual General Meeting 20th November 2017