



# SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.

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## APRIL 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 16<sup>th</sup> of April at Sporting Legend's Sports Club at 7.30pm

### Minutes of previous meeting.

Date: - 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018  
Meeting Opened: - 7.40 pm  
Attendance 10 members present

### Apologies: -

The following members were not able to attend:  
Peter Neligan

### Visitors

Nil

Moved by Ray Clissold  
Second by Dean Cousins

### Business arising from last Minutes.

Peter Murray spoke about the Traralgon creek trout trials. Since the initial hatching water temperatures had increased to very high levels. Peter was concerned about the handling of the trout that were electro fished. He hopes that improvements in the care of these fish will be implemented next time.

Neil Morrison spoke of the Fisheries management plan. Neil felt the meeting was disappointed that the meeting was only focused on policy and was very vague.

The 2017-2018 Boating safety and facilities grants Program was discussed. No action.

Moved Neil Morrison  
Seconded Ray Clissold.

### Inwards Correspondence

- West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority grants.
- ATF Strategic planning meeting
- Gippsland Angling club's liaison meeting

Neil felt that Brown trout only should be stocked into the Macalister river. Stocking of rainbow trout has been a failure and Brown trout are much more resilient.

Outward Correspondence.

Nil.

Correspondence moved by Dean Cousins  
Seconded Mick Obrien

### Treasurer's Report:

Total income - \$330.00  
Total expenses - \$229  
Total Balance - \$4,408,49

Moved by Dean Cousins  
Seconded by Mick Obrien

### General Business.

Ray Throup and Peter Murray spoke about the ATF Strategic planning meeting.

Peter was extremely disappointed that our club was not included on the day at the Wellington river. It appears that the decision to not include us was made by a past president of the A.T.F. After a conversation at the meeting this should not happen in the future.

The Strategic planning meeting on the other hand was well organised and many goals and performance indicators were put in place on the day.

It was suggested that a meeting be held during our Licola trip. Inviting a small number of members from other Gippsland fly fishing clubs and the A.T.F. This will be a much better time of the year to show case the river at its best. This will be up for discussion at our April meeting.

Dean Cousins questioned if we have a specific SFFC email address. Dean for some reason has had to deal with correspondence on a regular basis instead of it going to Ray Throup.

Ray Clissold informed us that the website has been down, and we are rebuilding it on another server. This is a process that will take a little time to get back all the previous pages, and the gallery.

The website is now back up and running, however it has not been fully developed to how it was before.

The web address is still the same " <https://sffc.org.au> ".

Take a look and let us know what you think.

Fishing reports.

Ray Throup has been catching Bass to 29cm at Blue rock lake. Brown and Rainbow trout to 27cm in The West branch of the Tanjil river. He also spent 3 weeks on holiday in New Zealand.

Shag river near Palmerston Otago a 5lb Brown trout on a black spinner.

Tokomairiro river Otago, 2 Brown trout to 27cm on Dad's Favourite.

Big Grey, West Coast, 2 Brown trout best 300 gram. Dads Favourite wet Caught on the switch rod.

Tauranga- Taupo river 2 Rainbow trout both 2lb on a woolly bugger.

Eucumbene trip One rainbow trout weighing 1lb and one brown trout 1.5lb caught while polaroiding a sun-drenched bank, on a Snowy Mountain hopper.

Ray Clissold fished Middle creek with Noel. Trip did not start well as Noel fell in the river severely grazing his leg. Ray and Noel both caught Brown and Rainbow trout to 33cm, but the day was reduced to an epic struggle to get Noel back to civilization.

Neil Morrison Fished Middle creek also picking up a dozen fish in a couple of hours. He plans to go back in April.

Ian Brideson Caught 1 brown trout at our Eucumbene trip.

Rob Allen caught 1 brown trout 2.25lb at Lake Eucumbene.

Mick Obrien Fished Manjera estuary Western Australia none on fly but did manage to catch flounder and salmon.

Dean Cousins fished the Timbarra. No fish were caught. The surroundings were very dry and open.

Peter Murray Lake Eucumbene club trip. 1 brown trout which was 36cm and weighed 1b. This was a common theme over the weekend. Many of the brown trout were in poor condition. Also 3 rainbow trout best 1lb.

Prior to the trip Peter fished Lake Wendouree where he caught 1 black duck and a gudgeon. He travelled farther west to Lake Barford catching a dozen small red fin perch. He also fished Maryborough gold field reservoir, Lake Lonsdale, Pleasant creek, Lake Bellfield and lake Bolac with no luck. Lake Lonsdale had lots of mudeye and yabbies present.

Peter spoke of his success catching squid on fly at Sorrento also fishing Lakes Entrance prior to the Eucumbene trip twice for Luderick. His first trip saw him catch 2 weighing 900 grams and the second trip hooking 3 and landing 1 which went 1kg.

Max Simmons Caught 2 Rainbow trout at Lake Eucumbene on the trip. Best 1lb. He also spoke of his success on the bass this year employing a dropper fly trailing a gurgler. The bass would often prefer the subsurface fly.

Meeting Closed: - 8.45 pm

**S.U.Y.F February The Klingon**

Winner Peter Murray      Second Ray Throup

**S.U.Y.F March NZ Mudeye**

Winner Ian Brideson      Second Peter Murray

S.U.Y.F for April.

Shaving brush Australian fly Patterns page 48

HOOK: Dry fly size 10 to 14.

THREAD: Black.

TAIL: Black cock hackle fibres.

BODY: Dark dubbing mix.

WING: Natural deer hair angled steeply forward.

Head: Brown dubbing hair to flair out the deer hair.



Peter Murray has been cracking the code on Squid. This delicious specimen was caught on the Sorrento pier.



Peter has also been successful at fishing for Luderick. This fine 1lb fish was one of three recently caught at Lakes Entrance.



This Brown took a dad's favourite wet fly trailing a tungsten bead head smelt pattern. It was caught on the swing using a 4 weight switch rod. The South Island was a spectacular place with very dynamic water ways. Many of the larger rivers were running very dirty but there were also very clear ones, particularly around Otago and Southland.



This 5lb Brown trout was caught by Ray Throup on his recent trip to New Zealand. The fish was sighted while fishing the Shag river in Otago and took a black spinner after several presentations.



This years Eucumbene trip was one of the toughest. Many of the Brown trout were in poor condition and not in the mood to eat a fly. The brown trout below was an exception. Although only 1.5lb it was very healthy and actively feeding along a windswept shore.



Next Meeting April 16<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm  
Sporting Legends club Sale