



# SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.

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## MAY 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 17th of June 2019 at Sporting Legend's Sports Club at 7.30pm.

Previous meeting

Date: - 20/5/19

Meeting Opened: - 7.42pm

Attendance 8 members present

### Apologies: -

**The following members were not able to attend:**

Mick Obrien and Rob Allen

### Visitors

Nil

### Minutes of previous meeting.

Moved by Neil Morrison

Second by Dean Cousin

### Business arising from last Minutes.

Neil Morrison and Brac will get together to formulate a letter regarding the impact of professional netting in the South Gippsland estuaries.

Many club members were interested in helping with the tree planting at Glenfalloch Licola. 10 members are willing to attend on the day.

### Inwards Correspondence

ATF: Macalister tree planting.

ATF: Traralgon habitat workshop 13-7-19.

ATF: Committee membership.

VFFA: May newsletter.

VFFA: Fly of the month.

### Outward Correspondence.

ATF: Reply regarding invite to join committee and confirmation of tree planting attendance.

### Treasurer's Report:

Total income: \$570.00

Total expenses: \$913.00

Total bank balance: \$3,743.49

Moved by Dean Cousin

Seconded by Gavin Sculley.

### General Business.

Neil Morrison spoke of rumours he had heard of, that there may be a Government buy out in the wings for professional netters in the South Gippsland estuaries. "Let's hope this is true".

Also, it was noted from a David Attenborough documentary that squid numbers are on the increase worldwide.

### Fishing reports.

Ian Brideson: Fished at Maclaughlins inlet with Ray Clissold. 6 salmon each. Best 36cm.

Jindabyne trip. 2 fish best a rainbow trout of .7kg.

Rob Allen: Jindabyne trip. Best a Brown trout of .8kg

Peter Nelligan. 4 fish for the week best a rainbow trout of 38cm.

Ray Clissold: Has been fishing Maclaughlins entrance. See Ian's report. Tailor and Salmon were caught on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April. 4 Tailor and 1 Salmon. Best 35cm.

Dean Cousin. Fished the Barkly. 1 Brown trout at 30cm came to hand.

Ray Throup fished Wingan inlet. 1 bream 29cm and one Flathead 35cm.

**Meeting Closed:** - 8.34pm.

### S.U.Y.F May. First Ray Throup

**Second Ian Brideson**

### S.U.Y.F June

**Funnel Dun** Australian fly Patterns.

**HOOK:** Up eye dry fly, size 12-20.

**THREAD:** To suite thorax colour.

**TAIL:** Hackle fibres or guard hairs, twice the hook length.

**BODY:** Fine dubbing, colour to suite natural.

**HACKLE:** Oversized cock hackle, swept forward when winding the thorax.

**THORAX:** Fine dubbing, slightly darker than body.

Designed to float hook-bend up to facilitate this, cut a 45 degree 'v' from the top centre of the hackle



### **Peter Murray's report from Aitutaki.**

Day 1. Was spent flying from Raratonga to Aitutaki, settling into Ranganui's Retreat, acquiring a Bone fishing license (\$50), securing a hire car, driving to the Police Station and buying a Driving license (\$2.50), supporting the local supermarket and generally having a look around. I saw 2 Bonefish in a deepish channel. No fishing today.

Day 2. On the water around 7am. Tried where I saw the fish on day 1. Different tide, no fish. Walking the shore, I spotted a large Triggerfish out on the turbid sloppy flat (did I mention the wind?), I got a couple of casts in the zone but no response from the fish. Moving back closer to shore I came across 2 tailing Bonefish in shallow milky water, lining one that spooked and took its mate with it to the safety of the blue water. After spending the bulk of the day trying to contact "Friends of Friends" and Bone fishing guides, I got back to fishing late in the afternoon. Spotting 1 more tailing Bonefish and running out of light, I was happy to have found some Bones although none were caught.



Day 3. Having a quick early morning look for Bones proved fruitless. None seen. While Joan snorkelled, I fished the coral Bommies landing around a dozen reef fish of various species, finally landing a sizeable Trevally off the Harbour rock wall. We went to the Cultural night

that was very entertaining. We also watched the Trevally smashing the Mullet well into the night.



Day 4. After talking to a regular Bone fishing visitor, I ventured to a different area and started prospecting (the visitor's advice). After 5 minutes blind casting I headed across the very wavy shallow flat (did I mention the wind). Halfway across the flat a Bonefish materialised at close range. I'm sure the fish saw me at the same time and changed course heading to my right. A quick short roll cast out in front of the Bone saw it charge the fly before I had time to strip. Fish on. After 4 line stretching and backing exposing runs, my first Aitutaki Bonefish at 27 inches, came to hand. Another 7 Bones were spotted with 3 refusals endured. After lunch another 6 Bones were sighted with 1 more refusal. Another sizeable Trevally was landed. After our evening meal, I went to fish for the Night-time Trevallies, landing a 3lb and 8lb specimens (a good day).



Day 5. We went back to the snorkelling area and landed numerous reef fish and a 10 lb Trevally. We also were shown a Unicorn fish caught by the locals. In the arvo I caught more reef fish and a very hungry and energetic 12lb Trevally.

Also, from New Zealand a 50cm John Dory was my only capture.

Pete Murray.