



SALE FLY FISHING CLUB INC.

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APRIL 2020 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. **Meeting to be held on Monday the 20th April 2020 at the Sporting Legends Commencing at 7.30pm.**

Minutes of March meeting.

Date: - 16 March 2020
Meeting Opened: - 7.40pm
Attendance - 8 Members present

Apologies: -

The following members were not able to attend:

Jack Groenewald, Ray Throup and Ray Clissold

Visitors

Nil

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: As per newsletter

Moved by – Mick O'Brien
Second by – Gavin Sculley

Business from last Minutes.

Nil

Inwards Correspondence

Sent to members via email

Outward Correspondence.

Nil

Correspondence moved by - Nil

Business arising from correspondence.

Nil

Treasurer's Report: As per last month

Income \$100.00
Expenses \$294.80
Total Bank balance \$3,698.69

Moved by – N/A

General Business.

Upcoming Jindabyne trip planned for May.
Discussion held on current fishing news and possible problems with Corona Virus danger.

Members will discuss at April meeting and make decision on whether trip will go ahead.

Fisheries Liaison Meeting.

Members advised that the meeting is planned for Thursday 16 April 2020. Will check with Fisheries when closer to the date to confirm if going ahead.

Fish reports –

Gavin Sculley – Visited Jindabyne – No fish.

Neil Morrison –

Lake Fyans – 54cm Brown.

Lake Bellfield – 2.1kg Rainbow.

Lake Tyers – 79cm & 92cm Dusky Flathead.

Meeting Closed: - 8:15 pm

Show Us Your Fly: March – Blue Charm

Carried over to April meeting

Show us your fly: April - **GEEHI BEETLE**

Australia's Beast Trout Flies (P31 & 32)

HOOK: mustard 94840 # 12 - 18

THREAD: black

TAIL: golden pheasant tippets

BODY: peacock herl palmered with ginger cock hackle

RIB: fine gold wire, wound counter to the body

HACKLE: as for palmer, but preferably a shade darker.



Geehi Beetle

On Thursday 19 March 2020 Ian Brideson and I did a quick trip to Lake Tyers to play with a few Dusky Flathead on fly gear.

The weather was perfect with little wind and clear skies. Perfect for wading the flats.

I should have turned the camera on straight away as Brack's waders caught on the side of the boat as he jumped off and he was stuck there trying not to fall in the water hanging on as best he could. At least I thought it was funny.

Once we started wading we cast flies over the flats in water from several centimetres deep up to about a metre.

Brack soon hooked a nice dusky of about 45-47cm which he released. We landed several small ones in the next couple of hours and saw some very large ones take off in front of us.

Towards the end of the sand bank I hooked a nice dusky of about 50cm and released it. Almost immediately Brack hooked a fish which he called a "little one". As it came toward him it got bigger and when landed it measured 62cm. Brack released it.

A short time later I was looking at a weed patch just ahead of me in about 30cm of water thinking how it looked like a big flattie but since it was about 1.1 – 1.2mtrs long it couldn't have been one.

I cast over it and was blown away when the weed patch lifted up and swam off to deep water. What an incredible sized fish. I gotta go back and try for that one again soon.

On the way back to the boat I threw a fly at a school of large Poddy Mullet and joked to Brack that it would be fun to play with one if I jugged it.

Second cast and I saw the leader shoot forward and when I struck I had one on. It took a 7cm clouser and was well hooked in the mouth. It measured 58cm.

I think Brack was quit amazed at the number of good sized flathead we kicked out of such shallow water in very sunny conditions. Maybe he'll get the big one before I do. Best of luck.



58cm Poddy Mullet on clouser fly.



Brack's 62cm Dusky Flathead.