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It looks and feels like winter has arrived which means that we are now heading into closed season and focussing on keeping warm. That is unless you are an avid lake fisherman who does not mind stalking fish in the wide range of lakes that we have available to us across Victoria.

Winter is also a good time to start thinking about non fishing activities such as refining your casting technique, checking all your gear and tying a few flies. Remember that Paul Harris runs a casual fly tying session on the third Thursday of each month at the clubrooms from 7.30pm. Also stay tuned for details about our Winter Fly Tying Course that will commence in early August.

We once again had great attendance at both our May Members night and General Meeting with our guest speaker Travis Dowling (Director of Fisheries Victoria) drawing a strong crowd. Feedback on his presentation has been extremely positive and we have formally thanked Travis for openly discussing the key focus areas for his department and passionately supporting all forms of recreational fishing in Victoria.

In terms of members we continue to see new faces at our meetings and I would like to welcome Robert Gara to Southern who joined during May. Please keep a look out for Robert and make him feel welcome. While on the subject of membership I just want to provide a gentle reminder that subscription notices have been sent out to all members and I am pleased to advise that nearly 25% of you have paid already. Remember that there is another gift from the club this year for paying before the formal due date.

Some of the trips that we had scheduled during May proved challenging due to inclement weather, however we did get in a beginners day on the Steavenson River. This event proved quite successful and a few of our beginners even caught their first wild trout, which was great to see. Thanks to Tony Hyett for organising this trip.

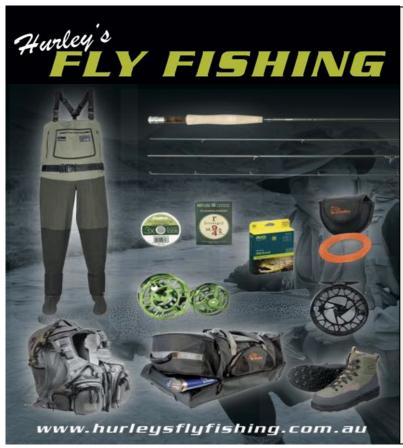
In mid May we hosted the Victorian Casting Championships, which saw quite a lot of excitement at the club. There was so much action at one stage that our own Graham Seeger had to take on the role of law enforcer and make a citizen's arrest. Thankfully the great casting on the day overshadowed other less savoury events and our very own Tom Galloway was crowned the C Grade Victorian Champion. Tom was also instrumental in arranging the event with the assistance of Bruce Ratcliffe and John McIntyre. I would also like to take this opportunity to wish Bruce Ratcliffe a speedy recovery from some serious burns that he received recently in a cleaning accident.

While the casting was taking place a band of merry people (Judy C, Max K, Peter G x2, Julia W, Paul H, Paul D, Jan H, John W, Geoffrey D, Joe L and those that I may have forgotten) sorted through the majority of our recently purchased flies. This was certainly a

good fly identification test and all had a good time. Thanks also to Paul, Joe and Geoffrey for manning the BBQ on both days. One of the highlights for me was sitting back on the Sunday afternoon and listening to some tales from the past provided by Max Kepert and John Worrell.

Remember to check out the upcoming trips and events in June and I look forward to seeing you at our movie and pie night this Wednesday.





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Sunday	Closed for fishing!

# Calendar – Coming Events

	June	
Wed	1 st	Committee Meeting 7.30 pm.
Sun	5 <sup>th</sup>	Casting Competition. Brunn Shield Round 2 at Red Tag
Sun	5 <sup>th</sup>	Working Bee at the club rooms, contact Peter Cairns.
Wed	8 <sup>th</sup>	Members Night. Film & Pie Night
Sat/Sun	$11^{\text{th}}/12^{\text{th}}$	Casting Competition. Australian Titles at Red Tag
Thu	16 <sup>th</sup>	Fly Tying. Casual fly tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm
Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	Blue Rock Dam Trip. Leader: Max Kepert & Scott Dargan
Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	Casting Competition. Sunshine Open at Red Tag
Wed	$22^{\rm nd}$	Casting 6.30 pm, General Meeting 7.30 pm.
Thu	$23^{\rm rd}$	Malmsbury Region Trip. Leader: Colin McMillan
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	July	
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Malmsbury Region Trip. Leader: Steven Clements
Sun	$3^{\text{rd}}$	Casting Competition. Brunn Shield Round 3 at Northern
Wed	$6^{th}$	Committee Meeting 7.30 pm.
Wed	13 <sup>th</sup>	Members Night. Speaker: Renae Ayres - Arthur Rylah
		Institute
Sun	17 <sup>th</sup>	Eildon Pondage Trip. Leader: Erhan Cinar
Sun	$17^{\text{th}}$	Casting Competition. Red Tag Open
Thu	21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Fly Tying.</b> Casual fly tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup>	Casting Competition. Southern Open
Wed	$27^{th}$	Casting 6.30 pm, Annual General Meeting 7.30pm.
Sun	31 <sup>st</sup>	Casting Competition. Brunn Shield Round 4 at Southern
	August	
Wed	$3^{\text{rd}}$	Committee Meeting 7.30 pm.
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	Casting Competition. J.Joyner/Ron.Masson at Red Tag
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	Members Night. Speaker: Jim Baumgurtel - "Flyfinz"
Fri/Sun	$12^{\text{th}}/14^{\text{th}}$	Purrumbete Trip. Leader: Erhan Cinar
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	Casting Competition. Turville Shield at Red Tag
Thu	18 <sup>th</sup>	Fly Tying. Casual fly tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm
Sat	20 <sup>th</sup>	Bay Trip. Leader: Scott Dargan
Sun	21 <sup>st</sup>	Casting Competition. Geelong Open
Wed	$24^{th}$	Casting 6.30 pm, General Meeting 7.30 pm.

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# **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

Southern Fly Fishers (Aust.) Inc.

**Notice of Annual General Meeting** 

**Date:** 27th July 2016

**Time:** 7.30pm

Where: SFF Club Room Moorabbin.

The ordinary business of the annual general meeting shall be:

• To confirm the minutes of the preceding annual general meeting;

- To receive from the Committee, reports upon transactions of the Association during the last preceding year;
- To receive and consider the financial statement submitted by the Association in accordance with Section 30 (3) of the Act; and
- To elect officers of the Association and the ordinary members of the Committee.

The annual general meetings may transact special business of which notice has been given in accordance with these rules.

Ken Moran Secretary

### 2016 South East Next Wave Young Leaders Program

Congratulations to Erhan Cinar for being offered a highly sought after position on the 2016 South East Next Wave young leaders program.

This program will give our upcoming new leaders a unique opportunity to experience cutting edge training and development and help future proof recreational fishing in the years ahead. The 5 day intensive course will be held in Port Fairy, Victoria from 5 June this year and include fishers from NSW, Tasmania and South Australia. The course will include

presentations from leading fishing personalities, scientists, managers and sector leaders.

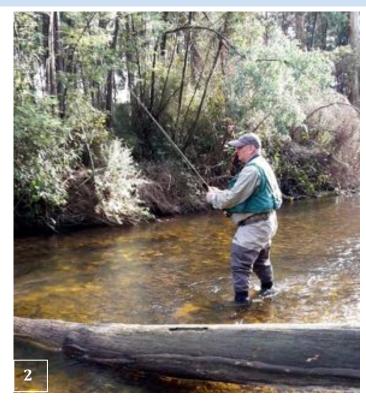
Project partners are Fisheries Victoria, Fisheries Research and Development Corporation, VR Fish, TARFish, Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW, Recfish SA, Recfishing Research for investing in the future of recreational fishing.

Erhan will provide a more comprehensive report upon his return. The Committee and Members of Southern Fly Fisheries wish Erhan all the best at the program.



# Beginners Day at Buxton Area – in Pictures









Pictures courtesy of Tony Hyett.

- 1. Declan on Steavenson with a whale, I am told he is holding a fish/fingerling.
- 2. Milan on Steavenson, his casting is better than most of us in the club and he deserved a fish a cast.
- 3. Les Pratt dropped a fly into his gink....took him 4 hours to retrieve it apparently.
- 4. The dodgy bunch of Southern members, beginners and mentors.

# **Eucumbene River Report**

Erhan Cinar

Just a short report on what was another successful trip the snowies. Myself and a few members (Shane, Adam, Brooklyn, Martin, Chris, Jan and Nick) and La Trobe Valley Vice President Michael headed to fish the annual spawn run. We headed up during the week to escape the growing weekend crowds as reports of some big fish being caught.

It didn't take the boys long to get the hang of the euro style techniques my self and Adam have been using over the years fishing the spawn run with everyone landing a fish for the trip. Over 200 fish would have been caught and probably a lot more lost...the biggest fish went just on 9lb with a fair few 8s 7s and 6s.

It was a great learning experience for a lot of the members where regular river fishing techniques were thrown out the door and European / Comp style nymphing had to be incorporated. Getting to the bottom quick, along with a precise dead drift was a must and it must be said everyone adjusted very well. Glow bugs and nymphs were obviously the go to flies.

Early mornings were a must also, with the boys getting up at 4:30am (mine and Adams orders) every day to get prime locations on the river. It was great to see everyone chipping in and getting involved wether it was cooking, chopping wood, and running down stream to help a mate land a fish or take a photo.... It really was a trip to remember and another annual trip I think that will be stamped on the calendar for next year.

Also would just really like to say big thanks to La Trobe Valley Vice President Mick Hillenear for making the effort to come on our trip and mix in quite easily with the southern boys, these trips are where bonds and friendships are built forever and it was an absolute pleasure having him there.





# Eucumbene River Report (cont.)

#### Erhan Cinar







- 1. Erhan with his 6.5lb beaut.
- 2. Brooklyn with his personal best at 8lb.
- 3. Mick with a cracker fish.
- 4. Marty with his first Eucumbene Brown Trout.
- 5. Chris showing his old man how it's done.
- 6. Nick with his first Eucumbene Brown Trout.

Does anyone else think they are all holding the same fish...or is it just me???

Once again Southern Fly fishers six of the best took off to cause as much havoc as possible upon the poor unsuspecting township of Noojee.

Paul Harris and I where able to get away at lunchtime on the Friday, our intention was to check out the rivers and creeks running into the Tarago Reservoir. Unfortunately we started our checking out on the incorrect side of the Reservoir leading us to many logging tracks taking us nowhere. We did take a look at the Tarago below the reservoir but couldn't get high enough to fish where we were told the fish should be. Hence no fishing for the day but plenty of exploring.

Running out of daylight we decided to hightail it for the house at Noojee. On the Thursday prior to the trip that was to be a camping trip on Peter Van Oosterams property fronting onto the Latrobe River I found myself close to cancelling the trip due to bad weather, no good for camping. As this thought was passing through my mind the phone rang, a call from Grant Mathews offering us accommodation at a house in Noojee for the weekend. What a lifesaver the trip was on.

Jo, the lady who owns the house is a friend of Grant Mathews and runs it as a B&B and has suggested that Southern may find it suitable for their trips.

Friday night dinner at the Noojee pub was very enjoyable. Good food, warm and casse, interesting conversation with a few of the locals.

Saturday morning Paul and I ventured out once again, with better info to find where the Tarago runs into the reservoir. We arrived at a bridge crossing the Tarago that we fished. There were a few good fish running up river on the beginning of their spawning run but they where to interested in, to put it mildly, courting. No fish caught by us. Paul and I by this time late in the day gave the Latrobe River a go. The Latrobe was running fast and dirty, tough fishing.

Dean Gordon turned up Saturday morning and fished the Tarago above Noojee and was able to catch about 12 small fish on nymphs. Andrew McKie arrived late Saturday ready to hook into fish on the Sunday and so he did picking up a few fish with Dean Gordon. It was good to have my old friend Andrew on the trip it is hard to get him out due to family commitments and work.

We all met back at the house later that day, had a couple of wines and then off to the Tool Shed. The Tool Shed is a very traditionally built old timber building that oozes character. The atmosphere and food was exceptional.

The next day we fished the Tarago and the lock river to be rewarded with a few fish each. Nothing large but great fun. Both rivers with a perfect clear flow.

Allan Russell turned up the next day but due to a number of unfortunate link-up tries, was unable to catch up with us. His phone on Vodafone with no reception in the area did not help things.

This area is steeped in logging history with beautiful forests and green hilly landscapes. The streams and creeks hold a number of fish and are well worth a trip.

Another successful trip held by Southern and a special thanks to Grant Mathews and Jo Bourke for the accommodation.

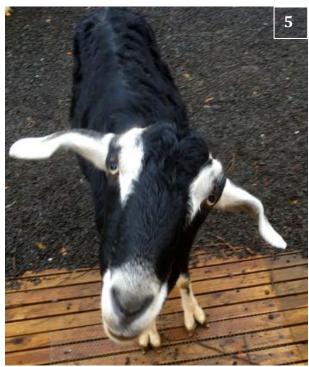
Good fishing to all











- 1. Macka with perfect specimen of a Brown Trout.
- 2. Pleased as punch, Paul was simply happy to get one over Tony.
- 3. I had no idea Tony Hyett owned a shirt and something other than tracky dacks.
- 4. Dean Gordon very happy to land another perfect rainbow..
- 5. One of the locals? or a sign Tony had too much too drink?

Pictures courtesy of Andrew McKie.

# **CVFFC** Update

### Peter te Hennepe (CVFFC delegate)

The CVFFC held a meeting at Southern Fly fishers Club rooms on the 4th June. The following details cover some of the areas discussed:

- Trout Reference Group. Feedback was provided by the President.
- VRFish. Feedback was provided by the President.
- State Wide Round Table. Feedback was provided by the President.
- All year open season for Murray Cod on Lake Eildon.
- Fishing licence fees to increase on the 1st July.
- Wild Trout Conference proposed for 5th November at Mansfield. Save the date.
- Trout size limit proposal sent to fisheries for consideration.
- A big push to all clubs to submit proposals for available grants from \$1000 to \$100000 available. Need ideas -habitat, riparian zone, stocking, family days etc.
- CVFFC web site has been launched <a href="http://www.cvffc.org.au/">http://www.cvffc.org.au/</a> Any comments or feedback appreciated.
- CVFFC Facebook is alive and has over 500 likes at present. Become a friend of CVFFC. Request for all Clubs to like or become a friend of CVFFC Facebook to increase exposure. Use CVFFC Facebook to promote own club events etc.
- CVFFC next meeting at Ballarat. Possible tour of local hatchery after meeting.

All items were included for general interest. If you require any further information or background please contact SFF secretary.

### VRFish Update

#### Peter te Hennepe (VRFish delegate)

Since my last update VRfish have been involved in the following items listed below:

- Sand flathead science and future management in Port Phillip Bay.
- South West Rivers study completed. No natural recruitment, consequently VRFish recommended to Fisheries that designated streams may be open all year round.
- Carp virus workshop and discussion.
- Stocking Murray Cod into Rocklands Reservoir.
- \$2000 grants now available.
- VRFish young leaders group.
- VRFish also attended Flows for Fish Forum, the Riparian Advisory Forum Group, AFMF Native Fish Strategy Forum and the Victorian Murray Cod Reference Group.
- VRFish called for input on angler access issues. All clubs asked for input.

Note these are only some of the topics discussed.

All items may not be specifically applicable to fly fishing but were included for general interest. The items which were applicable were forwarded to the SFF secretary for action if required.

At the late invitation of Fisheries, a group of eight enthusiastic members of the Australian Trout Foundation, including Erhan Cinar and Colin McMillan from Southern, met at Snobs on Saturday 14th May. After an introductory presentation of what we would be doing and the procedure, we were taken on a walk through tour of the hatchery. We were able to see brown trout hatching from their eggs, then swimming around their pool.

We then went outside where we were "gloved up" and shown what to do in clipping the fish.

The group fin clipped 10,000 yearling brown trout destined for the Howqua and Upper Goulburn.

The fish, 10-15cm. were netted from the holding pen and placed in troughs that contained a clove solution, which temporarily anaesthetised them. After clipping they were placed in another holding pen where the clippers saw them quickly recover.

We were advised that after the clipping procedure, the fish would be placed in a salt solution that enhances the healing process.

The trout would be subsequently stocked into the Howqua & Upper Goulburn as the third and final release under the Wild Trout Management Program.

The clipping was completed in approximately three hours and the clippers then enjoyed a BBQ lunch and drinks provided by Fisheries.

We received a "Thank You" email from Taylor Hunt, Fisheries Manager and Neil, who very ably supervised the clipping operation, informed us that they would be seeking volunteers for a similar job sometime around end June.

If you would be interested in participating in a similar activity with Fisheries please send an email to me at: <a href="library@southernflyfishers.org.au">library@southernflyfishers.org.au</a> and I will add you to the list for possible future volunteers.





## Fin Clippers at Snobs Creek (cont.)

#### Colin McMillan





Pictures courtesy of Erhan Cinar.

- 1. Look...a Tony Hyett 2 pounder.
- 2. "Is that what a trout looks like?
- 3. Careful Colin, that's not his fin.
- 4. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,...
- 5. Colin "How many have you done Erhan?"

Erhan - "15, you Colin?"

Colin - "22, we be here a while."

Erhan - "Yes, who's good idea was this?"



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## Daylesford Partners & Family Fishing / Exploring Weekend

Friday 9 – Sunday 11 September 2016

We still have some beds to fill, so please consider attending this friendly weekend and put your name on the Trip Sheet A.S.A.P.

#### A great weekend is guaranteed!

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Club is planning a weekend for couples and families to the Daylesford area, accommodation will be in a communal house costing \$226 per couple, for the weekend. This is payable to the Club by Wednesday 10 August. A deposit of \$100 is due before Wednesday 8th June, payments to the Club Treasurer,

Les Pratt.

Members will be aware of the many lakes in the area, providing good fishing and plenty of time will be available to explore these on the Friday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday, visit <a href="http://www.daylesforddelights.com/fishing-in-the-daylesford-area.html">http://www.daylesforddelights.com/fishing-in-the-daylesford-area.html</a> for more information.

While fishing partners will be able to explore

Daylesford and the Hepburn area to experience its many offerings and indulgences

http://www.daylesforddelights.com/.



The accommodation will provide an area for a shared communal meal on the Friday night while we may enjoy a meal at one of the hotels on the Saturday or decide to dine in to enjoy our accommodation. An overview of the accommodation can be seen at: http://www.dabs.com.au/accommodation/the-lodge/

Those who attended last year were most impressed with the layout and location of the house.

Due to the size of the accommodation spaces are limited to a maximum of 17, so PLEASE place your names on the trip sheet in the Clubrooms as soon as possible and pay your deposit to secure your booking.

Trip notes and other details will be made available after you sign up.

Enquiries to: Colin McMillan (trip leader) 0407514966



# "Charles Bradley" Flies for Sale

You may have noticed the new fly boxes on top of the fridge in the clubrooms? Fly boxes is a bit of an understatement, you will understand if you have seen them recently. These new display cabinets contain a vast array of flies that the club managed to secure at a preferential rate.

The usual donated flies will also be located in these display cabinets, so will still be able to get yourself a genuine Max Kepert fly.

The flies are for sale at a price of \$1.50 each. Please see Steven Clements or Paul Harris for payment on the night.

### Regular Fly Tying Group

The regular fly tying group started in March with great success, and will follow on the **third Thursday** of the month.

The intent is for those who are interested in meeting regularly to tie flies, learn from others, demonstrate a new pattern or simply talk fly tying. Note that the club will not be supplying any materials, it is the responsibility of people attending to bring along all they need, although the clubs vices will be available for use.

For further information please contact Paul Harris on 0412 774 123 or Erhan Cinar on 0402 609 399.

## Wednesday Afternoon Seniors Social Meetings Darryl Foulds

The Senior Social Member's Day Gathering with Darryl Foulds are postponed at the moment while Darryl is away interstate. We will post the dates of the next get together as soon as Darryl is back in Victoria.

## SFF Club Caps & Badges

If you would like to purchase one of the club Caps or badges, pictured, please speak to any committee member (identified by the green name badges) at the next cub meeting. They can be purchased for a meager \$10 each.





### Casting

The dates for this years casting competitions as per the **Australian Casting Federation 2016**Syllabus:

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Month	Day	Date	Activity
June	Sun	5	2nd Brunn Red Tag (A.C.F No3)
June	Sat	11	Distance Events Aust/Titles (Queens Birthday Weekend) Red Tag
June	Sun	12	Accuracy Events Aust/Titles (Queens Birthday Weekend) Red Tag
June	Sun	19	Sunshine Open Red Tag
July	Sun	3	3rd Brunn Northern
July	Sun	17	Red Tag Open
July	Sun	24	Southern Open
July	Sun	31	4th Brunn Southern (A.C.F No4)
Aug	Sun	7	J.Joyner/Ron.Masson Red Tag
Aug	Sun	14	Turville Shield Red Tag
Aug	Sun	21	Geelong Open
Sep	Sun	25	Victorian Plug Championship Gisborne
Oct	Sun	23	Australian Plug Championship Gisborne

**NOTICE:** The Australian Titles are being held at Southern, **Not Red Tag**, this month on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June**. If you are interested in competition casting this is a great opportunity to witness the best in the country in action. The competition runs all day starting at 9.30am, so come along a support your fellow Southern members.

**General casting practice** sessions are held each second and fourth Wednesday from 6.30 to 7.30, under floodlights, (weather permitting). Come and learn from the experts, improve your accuracy and method.

Anyone wishing to take part in or learn more about the competition casting is encouraged to contact our ACF delegate Tom Galloway on 0438 461 353. Otherwise the competition casting practice sessions are on Tuesday nights at 7.00 pm, run by Bruce Ratcliffe, so if you are interested in competition casting please come along, have some fun and develop your casting skills.



### 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016

### **General Meeting Minutes**

# DATE: WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 7.35pm COMMITTEE PRESENT:

Ken Moran, Peter Cairns, Tony Hyett, Colin McMillan, Les Pratt, Steven Clements, Tom Galloway.

Scott Dargan chaired the meeting.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Ray Boast, Phil Magness, Erhan Cinar, Max Kepert.

#### **VISITORS:**

Robert Gara.

#### **NEW MEMBERS – approved February Committee Meeting:**

Jason Foenander, Gena Fitebsky.

#### MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETING: Tabled as issued

Any matters arising from minutes. Nil

**Moved:** Dean Gordon **Seconded**: Andrew McKay

#### **CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

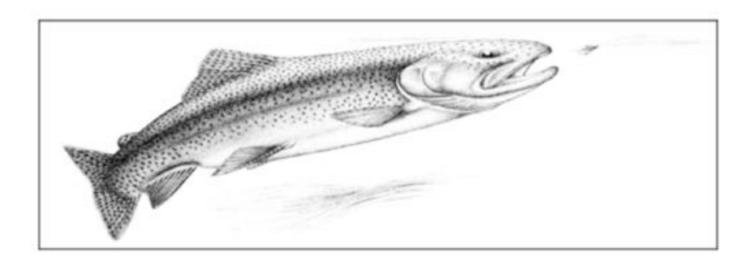
**CVFFC** minutes

Newsletters from Sale.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

Support letter to VR fish re: Erhan Cinar application (PC).

**Moved:** Tony Hyett Seconded: Steven Clements



#### **DELEGATES REPORT:**

**CVFFC** Next meeting at SFF rooms 4th July.

**ATF:** Agreed on 28cm min size for trout, membership discussed not

resolved, 10k browns finned for release into selected rivers (last release before survey). ATF incubation system demonstrated by Colin McMillan, this system will be strategically located in streams to provide a better chance of hatchling survival from the egg stage.

**ACF & CASTING:** Vic. Championships were run at SFF with the newly purchased

rings well endorsed. Tom Galloway came 1st in the C grade and Bruce Ratcliffe came 3rd in the overall the event. Next Brunn is at

Red Tag.

**COMBINED CLUBS:** Nil.

**FLYFISHER:** Please send any fishing reports or club activity to Steven ASAP.

LIBRARY: Nil. WEB SITE: Nil. FACEBOOK: Nil.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Welcomed back Grant Mathews who has been recovering from a fall.

A big thanks to those members who helped sort the recently purchased flies and they are now available for purchase. See Paul Harris or Steven Clements for access to fly boxes

Great turn out for the Vic's at our pool and as always we had a great band of helpers who supported the event.

A working bee is scheduled for the 5th June, PLEASE don't leave it to the stalwarts, this is a way that you can give something back to the club by "donating' 2/3 hours of assistance. Look for notice and contact Peter Cairns to confirm attendance

Bruce Ratcliffe tried to "blow himself up" while cleaning with Metho, (not drinking), he suffered extensive burns to the face but thankfully no permanent damage and he will just as handsome as ever???

Tony Hyett was thanked for the organizing of the very successful new members day on the Steavenson, it was well received by those attending (14).

Peter Cairns confirmed that Erhan Cinar has been appointed to the VRfish development program and that this is a strong message of our support to this peak body.

Dean Gordon reported that the "whisper" is that license fees will significantly rises from July 1st possibly by \$30.

# General Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Les Pratt thanked Ray Boast for standing in as Treasurer while he was away.

Ken Moran reminded members of upcoming AGM in July, details will appear in the next newsletter. Apart from himself, all current committee members have indicated a willingness to continue for the next year. Nomination forms will be available at the club rooms from the next member's night.

#### **Fishing Reports**

Tony Hyett had 14 members attended the "learning" day on the Steavenson and while only a few fish caught & released it was considered a very successful outing, especially by the newer members who landed their first on a fly. A special thanks goes to the mentors who spent the day teaching the new old tricks, from all reports the mentoring was greatly appreciated.

Tony H, Peter Suzic & friend Frank Jones fished the rivers & lakes in NZ's south island, fish up to 8lb pound but as Tony confessed he only landed those to 3lb. Had some excellent results in the flooding lakes with tailing fish in the shallow. It has to be reported that Tony was the only one to have a "swim".

Colin McMillan on a recent Tassie trip managed one day on the Huon River for 1 brown however his guide selected some excellent waters that in effect are just on Hobart's doorstep.

Andrew McKay fished the Oven's area for only a few smalls.

Peter Gadd & the A Team held the annual pilgrimage to Weipa and landed some 31 species on the trip. While all landed good fish, John Worrell had bragging rights with a 1 metre Queenie & a 15lb Tuna. Peter reported that they had to give up on the Tuna due to the Bull Sharks taking everything at the boat. Hopefully BILL JEANS is writing a report for our newsletter along with some of Ian Sambell's photo's.

#### Fishing Trip Calendar

Refer to newsletter & trip boards

Please review the trip board at the club for all details and proposed destinations

Ken's Balls \$40.00 Jackpot Hooray

Declan O'Connor was in attendance Next month \$20

Next meeting will be 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 MEETING CLOSED AT 8.45

#### **Accommodation Offers**

Little River Cottage is located in Maydena, that is situated on the Tyenna River, 12 kilometres from Mount Field National Park. It offers spectacular mountain scenery and is close to the Styx Forest of Big Trees and the Styx River. The famous Tyenna River is just minutes down the road and is one of the top fly fishing rivers in Tasmania.

For those keen fisherman we can also arrange a guide who will take you to some hidden fishing spots that contain large brown and rainbow trout.

SFF Rate: From \$120 per night (Two people). For more information contact Scott Dargan on 0420 909 449.





### Myrica Cottage at Bellbrae



Myrica Cottage, self-contained with beautiful décor and all amenities, is located in Bellbrae, Victoria 5.5 Kms from Anglesea. Solar powered, environmentally friendly and accommodating up to five people, it has two bedrooms, a superb lounge and dining area, self-equipped kitchen and bathroom.

With abundant Australian wildlife, a private flyfishery (catch-and-release only) and walks on over 200 acres of natural bushland it is perfect for flyfishermen, birdwatchers, bushwalkers, bike riders,

photographers, nature lovers, horse riders (own horses) and international guests. For hire to those who are willing to share with the native flora and fauna by leaving the pristine premises as found, with kangaroos on site and a spectacular wedge-tailed eagle's nest.. Tariff \$300 per weekend (Please confirm). For information call Allan Roberts on 0412 560 452.





### **Membership Nomination Form**

#### **Southern Fly Fishers Australia Inc.**

PO Box 388Moorabbin 3192

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P	Members spouse / partner	\$40	\$10	\$90 \$50	\$90	\$40	\$30	\$20
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J	Junior (under 18 years)	\$40	\$10		\$70	\$40	\$30	\$20
S	FT student (under 25)	\$50	\$10	\$50 \$60	\$60	\$48	\$35	\$23
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F	Family Special (Note 3)	\$120	\$10	\$120*	\$120*	\$100*	\$70*	\$40*
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<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Membership is subject to confirmation by the Committee of Southern Fly Fishers Australia Inc. \*\*\*

We invite you to join and participate in the Club's activities. Our aim is to support members in the enjoyment of the sport of fly fishing, the environment and the social camaraderie.

> Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at the Southern Fly Fishing Clubroom and Casting Pool located in Highett Reserve,

Cnr Chesterville and Turner Roads, Highett. Melways 77 J 9 (Look for the "Combined Clubrooms" entrance at No 33 Turner Road)

Membership Benefits:

- Beginners'& advanced casting tuition
- Beginners' and advanced fly tying classes Discounts from sponsors' retail outlets.
- Streamcraft & fly fishing techniques
- Monthly fly fishing discussion group
- Annual interstate & overseas fishing trips
- Regular newsletter

- Competitive casting & fishing events
- Specialist guest speakers
- Regular day & weekend fishing trips
- Saltwater fly fishing activities
- Public liability insurance for club activities

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