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Well the weather has certainly been fantastic over the last few weeks so I hope that you have been out fishing and taking advantage of what seems to be a very positive season. I continue to see and hear reports of good catches and I am pleased that fish are regularly being caught on our club trips.

In terms of club activity we started the year with a talk by the Snake Man and while this topic may seem a little boring for the more experienced members, it certainly got the attention of some of the newer ones. I think it is a good reminder for everyone to remain vigilant over the hotter months, especially when we are out exploring our favourite fishing spots, or perhaps an unknown environment. It was also great that Jim and Julia were able to show us their new snake protective gaiters and details of where to acquire these will shortly be supplied to members.

Our salt-water trip to Inverloch that was due to occur in February is currently being rescheduled to the middle of the year, with the intention of targeting the Salmon in winter. We also have the opportunity to organise a joint club activity with the Anderson Inlet Angling club, which we are currently investigating.

We also had a trip to the Noojee area during February, which was very well attended and produced some good results. It was great to see that a few new members came along to learn about stream craft and enjoy the company of other members. The major trip of the month was the expedition to Big River, which was a great success and also saw some nice fish caught. I was again pleased to see some of our newer members out exploring a new environment and receiving guidance from some of our more seasoned members.

March started off with the Southern Lights Casting Competition held on Saturday March the 4th. This year's attendance was quite low which was unfortunate, however those who came along had a great night. I want to take this opportunity to thank Bruce Ratcliffe and Tom Galloway for organising the event and also Darryl Foulds for manning the BBQ on his own in extremely hot conditions. There are also a couple of Steavenson River trips scheduled for March so please get out and take part if you can. Tony is also currently investigating holding another beginners day trip in April.

Our speaker in March was Catherine Cini – CEO Griefline, who was invited along to talk about what Griefline does, and also to explore any opportunities that we may have as a club to assist with providing some activities to support their Men's Den. A number of our own members have previously communicated to me how Fly Fishing has been a great outlet for them during times of grief, so as a community organisation it would be great to add value to people who may find themselves in this position. We may even gain some new members from this initiative. Everyone experiences grief during their life, so this is just about helping people who are just like us. The initiative has received mixed feedback and will be considered further at the next committee meeting. I take this opportunity to remind everyone that while we are a fishing club, many of our members come along for the camaraderie and company of others, which I feel is the balance that we need to strive for.

The preparations for the 50th Anniversary Dinner continue to progress and an update will be provided at the upcoming General Meeting.

On a closing note I wish to remind everyone that the club is only as strong as the members and the committee that is in place. This year we are likely to see some attrition in a number of key roles, and I encourage anyone who would like to step up and join the committee to contact either Peter Cairns or myself. Regular changes to the committee members is also very important to ensure that new ideas and initiatives keep rolling through and that a sense of complacency does not become the norm.



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Sunday	Closed for fishing!

## Calendar – Coming Events

### March

Wed	1 <sup>st</sup>	Committee Meeting 7.30pm
Sat	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>Southern Lights</i> at Southern Pool
Wed	8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Members Night.</b> Speaker: <i>Catherine Cini – CEO, GriefLine</i>
Thu	9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Steavenson River Trip.</b> Leader: <i>Ray Boast</i>
Thu	16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Fly Tying.</b> Casual fly tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm
Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Steavenson River Trip.</b> Leader: <i>Tony Hyett</i>
Wed	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Casting 6.30pm, <b>General Meeting</b> 7.30pm
Sun	26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>Jack Joyner/Ron Mason Trophy</i> at Yarra Bend Pool

### April

Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>Jack Myles (Distance)</i> at Yarra Bend Pool
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting 7.30pm
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Yarra River, Warburton Trip.</b> Leader: <i>Scott Dargan</i>
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Members Night.</b> Speaker: <i>Lance Lloyd, Chairperson, Translocation Evaluation Panel, Fisheries Victoria</i>
Thu	20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Fly Tying.</b> Casual fly tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm
Sun	23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>Northern Open Fly Casting Championship</i> at Yarrambat Pool
Wed	26 <sup>th</sup>	Casting 6.30pm, <b>General Meeting</b> 7.30pm
Sun	30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Moorabool Reservoir Trip.</b> Leader: <i>Tony Hyett</i>

### May

Wed	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Committee Meeting 7.30pm
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>Brunn Shield Round 1</i> at Yarra Bend Pool
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Members Night.</b> Film and Pie Night
Sat/Sun	13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>NSW Fly Casting championship</i> at Yarra Bend Pool.
Thu	18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Fly Tying.</b> Casual fly tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm
Sun	21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>Red Tag Open Championship</i> at Yarra Bend Pool.
Wed	24 <sup>th</sup>	Casting 6.30pm, <b>General Meeting</b> 7.30pm
Sun	28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Beginners Day at Steavenson River.</b> Leader: <i>Tony Hyett</i>
Sun	28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Casting Competition.</b> <i>Cock of Walk Knockout Competition</i> at Yarra Bend Pool.



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## *“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 Keper 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 meets 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**.

## Noojee (Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January)

Les Pratt

A good turn out of 13 members and guests arrived for a day's fishing at Noojee on what began as fine but overcast day but which later turned to rain. The group included one past member, Adrian Hughes, soon to become a returned member as well as a visitor from the La Trobe Fly Fishers. Following the obligatory coffee, fishing partners were agreed and beats allocated along the La Trobe and Toorongo rivers. Although fish numbers were small, most fishers landed a few during the morning session except for the trip leader and buddy Gena who selected a section of the Toorongo almost smothered in blackberries.

By midday the weather came in with heavy rain and most members found their way back to the riverside park at Noojee for lunch under cover. Stimulators with legs had proven most successful during the morning session and beats along the Falls road particularly higher up the most productive. As time passed it became apparent that the weather had set in and most fishers decided to call it a day, although those who chose to stay on reported better weather and a few more fish later in the day.

A pleasant if shortened trip to one of the closer locations with several rivers and plenty of beats to accommodate a larger group.

Myself (Tony Hyett), Les Pratt and Ray Boast headed off Friday morning at about 8.30am to arrive at Frenchman's creek camp site to set up early to enable us to wade up and fish the afternoon. My Mazda loaded to the gunwales handled the trip very well. After setting up camp we geared up eager to hook into a few fish and took off to Peppermint ridge campsite and into the river. Big River was at a low'ish level but in spectacular condition sporting a sunny and warm day. In the space of about three hours we were able to snare about five or six fish each all on dries, Royal Wulffs and Stimulators.

That evening and next morning we were joined by seven more members with Dean Gordon and his girlfriend Cathy arriving mid Sunday morning. Cathy dropped a fish and caught one about half a pound. Not bad for a first timer.

Friday evening Jena and Michael travelling from Melbourne together in Michael's four wheel drive allowed the GPS to completely ignore directions to Frenchman's camp site taking them up into extreme four wheel drive territory. At night and off the beaten track was not the best situation to be in. Anyway after about two hours of diversions they arrived at the campsite flustered but happy to be alive.

I paired up our members each day making sure our beginners had an experienced angler with them. I took Frankie James who after about half an hour of tuition proceeded to pick up a nice half pound brown on a dry fly. Frankie produced the biggest smile I have ever seen. The next day he did the same thing with Ray Boast.

We had some lucky moments on this trip. One being myself losing a fly box chocked full of flies only to have traced my path through rough terrane for about 50 metres to find it next to a log looking up at me waiting to be found. The best was when Ray and Frankie returned downstream from 4 or 5 hours fishing to discover Frankie had lost the tip of his new Sage rod. They both searched the river upstream that they had just fished with no luck. While returning about half way back Ray spotted something in the middle of the river about two feet down glistening in the sunlight, yes it was Frankie's light green rod tip; two lucky boys felling like they had been struck on the arse by a rainbow (an expression of good fortune).

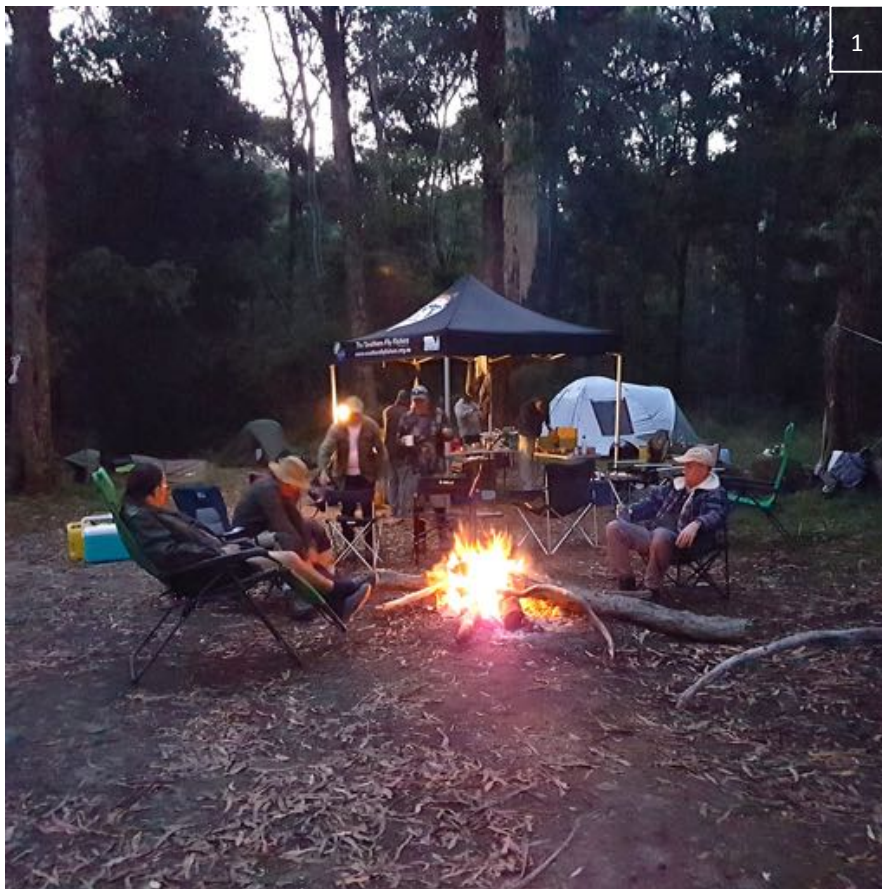
One unlucky moment was with Jena and Michael leaving the campsite for Melbourne all packed up in their vehicle deciding to drive through a puddle at one end of the campsite only to find it quite deep and very muddy. Super bogged, try as Michael could he could not emerge from his watery captivity even after pushing forward onto dry land a massive submerged rock. Michael hopped out and left Jena sitting quite cutely in the passenger's seat unable to cross the ocean of dirty water on his side. To the rescue, Garry Mulvay, with his winch. Jena and Michael supplied us with a number of humorous moments on this trip, together a very funny pair. Saturday night dinner time Jena being a very generous Russian, produced about 50 sausages and piled them up into a single frypan, followed by the next course about 4 kilos of marinated chicken. It would have been handy if we hadn't all just eaten. Thanks for your generosity Jena.

All in all a great trip with many funny moments and campfire stories plus everyone catching a number of fish on dries making the trip. Most sections of river producing fish but not as many as I would have hoped. This river fishes better with about another 100 ml of water. The trip catch highlight was by Ray Boast a 3lb brown, well done Ray great river fish that fought well.

It is great to camp out in the quiet of our wonderful star filled bush on clear calm nights. It was a pity we were not to experience the quiet on this trip. At the other end of our camp site were about 16 cars with trailers and dirt bikes, the bikes being revved up all night together with very loud music and numerous explosions from items thrown into their camp fire, we think butane canisters. Anyway we seemed to get enough sleep.

Tom Galloway, Adrian Hughes and Vlad Messin all experienced fly fisherman added to the humour and good company on this trip, Garry Mulvay being the most successful fisherman displaying his natural ability to fish well. Unfortunately Garry twisted his ankle during his last session and had to leave earlier than planned. Hope you have recovered Garry.

This trip proved to be very successful in all aspects making my job as trip leader a pleasure to perform. Thanks to all who attended.







1. You would have thought they would be fishing at that time of day, surely there was a hatch on?
2. Proof there was some fishing going on.
3. A questionable looking bunch posing for a photo that will be used as evidence.
4. Frankie James' first fish on a SFF club trip, well done Frankie.
5. Getting ready for the day, sharing tactics and comparing equipment..."Is this the right fly to use?"
6. No that is not an optical illusion...that is a Mitsubishi recovering a Land Cruiser. Something strange out of the Twilight-Zone happened on this trip.



Ever since I got married on the cliff tops in the village of Dinbych-y-pysgod in south-west Wales in 1974, I've wanted to visit across the sea to Ireland and see where my great, great granny came from. The opportunity came again in June 2016 with the boss wishing to revisit her old hometown, a beautiful seaside village inside the old town walls - lovely beaches and very cold seas. To digress, the town of Milford Haven is close by and from this we have the naming of Milford Sound, etc. in New Zealand. We had dinner in a pub in Llandrindod Wells in north Wales on the night that Wales played Portugal in the European Cup soccer, unfortunately losing 2 nil. I ordered a pint of Guinness to get in some practice and enquired as to what were my wifes options so far as a glass of wine - "colour and size" said the barman - "red, large" says I - "done" says he - very straight forward.

We got the 3 hour car ferry from Holyhead to Dublin and watched the approaching mist. We visited Trinity College and the Book of Kels and a few pubs and headed west to Galway (to see the sun go down on Galway Bay). There is a salmon weir on the River Corrib in town, which is worth a visit at the right time of year. After lunch, it was a short drive to the beautiful little village of Cong, County Mayo, on the river Cong. In 1951, film director John Ford made his movie "The Quiet Man", starring John Wayne and Maureen O'hara in the village - everyone has their photo taken with the statue - and Oscar Wilde spent his early years there.

Cong is ideally located between Lough Mask and Lough Corrib and you can fish for wild brown trout, ferox trout, salmon and pike from February through to October. If you go in October you can also shoot for woodcock and snipe. We tried to book accommodation at Ryan's River Lodge B&B situated in the village overlooking the Cong river but last winter, it was too close to the river and they had a metre of it over the ground floor and it was still being renovated. However, we were lucky enough to secure the services of David Ryan (from the oldest family in the village) for a day on Lough Corrib. At first light, I was at our hotel room window and it wasn't pretty - grey skies, drizzle and wind. After a hot breakfast, we drove the short distance to the sheltered inlet to meet David who quickly apologised for the weather. Fortunately, there were some small islands a few hundred metres offshore which offered a windbreak of sorts so we could slowly motor out in the small boat and drift back to shore, fishing a team of three wets, sitting side-saddle on the hard wooden seats. We were getting the full wind which had travelled 30 miles across the lake and we explained to David that it was just like fishing Little Pine.

My first fish was a " wee perch", aka a bloody redfin. Later, I landed my first wild Irish Atlantic salmon, fully 6 inches long. We went onto a small island for a lovely lunch packed by Martha and David tried to light a fire for a cup of tea, without success. I suggested that a drum of dry wood kept at the spot would be a good idea, or a thermos, but he insisted "that would be cheatin". We sat under a dripping tree and swapped fishing stories. "You should have been here last week". We resumed our efforts and fortunately Pete Golding landed a nice brown, which David promptly dispatched to take home as we were staying at the pub. The big difference in the scenery was the view through the mist of Ashford Castle, once the

home of the Guinness family, as we drifted back to shore and the occasional, uncaught salmon leaping from the water - not surprisingly, we were the only boat out. We finished a bit early at the guides suggestion (equals nothing happening) and headed home, very wet but not cold and David very kindly suggested a reduced fee. The girls had a mixed day - they had planned a walk around the abbey ruins and a visit to the castle (successful) and watching the Wimbledon men's final on TV (unsuccessful). The proprietors of the five pubs in town didn't know that Wimbledon was on and had no reception for it so they had a choice of hurling or Gaelic football: not happy Jan.

Later that evening, I bumped into David in the street and he had a car load of eel nets - he is a very busy man. With dry clothes on, we went out to try another small pub for another great night of food, Guinness and live music - they even played some Aussie numbers when they heard our accents. Next morning at breakfast, a young boy appeared at our table with a handful of flies - "dad asked me to bring these to you" - which was a more than adequate exchange for the bottle of Wolf Blass we had offered the day before. Unfortunately, we had to move on. By the time I get back to Cong again, Ryan's River Lodge B&B will be back in business and I'll be looking forward to staying with David, Martha (a fishing widow if ever there was one) and their two fishing sons, Daithi and Domhnall.



1. David and his little boat.
2. Rubbish weather.
3. Lovely backdrop.
4. Peter Golding enjoying the weather.
5. More lovely scenery, very different to Australian fishing scenery.
6. Peter Golding with his Irish Brown Trout.
7. Bill's wild Irish Atlantic Salmon.

# Casting

**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.

Date	Activity	Host Club	Venue	Location	Time
4 March 2017	Southern Lights	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	6.00 pm
26 March 2017	Jack Joyner Trophy/Ron Mason Trophy	Sunshine FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am
2 April 2017	Jack Myles (Distance Casting)	Red Tag FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am
23 April 2017	Northern Open Fly Casting Championship	Northern FF	Yarrambat Pool	Yarrambat	9.30 am
7 May 2017	Brunn Shield 1 Teams Event (ACA Skish)	Sunshine FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am
7 May 2017	Entries for Cock of Walk	ACF			
7 May 2017	General Meeting as per Agenda	Red Tag FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	
13-14 May 2017	NSW Fly Casting Championships	Lakeside FF	Sydney	NSW	
21 May 2017	Red Tag Open Championship	Red Tag FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am
28 May 2017	Cock of Walk Knockout Competition	ACF	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am
4 June 2017	Brunn Shield 2 (ICF Skish)	Red Tag FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am
4 June 2017	General Meeting as per Agenda	Red Tag FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	
11 June 2017	Southern Cross Challenge of 5wgt Rods	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	9.30 am
18 June 2017	Sunshine Open Fly Casting Championship	Sunshine FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am
25 June 2017	Victorian Plug Casting Championships	ACF	Bullengarook		9.30 am
25 June 2017	Close date for entries for Vic and Aus Chps	ACF			
2 July 2017	Brunn Shield 3 (ACA Skish)	Northern FF	Yarrambat Pool	Yarrambat	9.30 am
2 July 2017	General Meeting as per Agenda	ACF	Yarrambat Pool	Yarrambat	
16 July 2017	Ron Callaghan Trophy & Anti Cancer	Northern FF	Yarrambat Pool	Yarrambat	9.30 am
23 July 2017	Southern Open Fly Casting Championship	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	9.30 am
29 July 2017	Victorian Fly Casting Championships (Distance)	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	9.30 am
30 July 2017	Victorian Fly Casting Championships (Accuracy)	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	9.30 am
6 August 2017	Brunn Shield 4 (ICF Skish)	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	9.30 am
6 August 2017	General Meeting as per Agenda	ACF	Highett	Highett	
12 August 2017	Australian Fly Casting Championships (Distance)	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	9.30 am
13 August 2017	Australian Fly Casting Championships (Accuracy)	Southern FF	Southern Pool	Highett	9.30 am
19 August 2017	Australian Plug Casting Championships	ACF	Bullengarook		9.30 am
27 August 2017	Turville Shield Accuracy Teams Event	Red Tag FFC	Yarra Bend Pool	Fairfield	9.30 am



Some of our newer members recently purchased some of these snake protective gaiters. In doing so they have managed to arrange a club discount of 10% off for members. When ordering mention you are a SFF member to get a 10% discount.

Protection from snakes is something we should all be concerned with, (especially if fishing alongside our president Scott).



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**DATE:** WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

**COMMITTEE PRESENT:** Scot Dargan, Les Pratt, Tony Hyett, Colin McMillan, Dean Gordon, Tom Galloway, Ray Boast, Judy Cameron, Peter Cairns.

**CHAIRMAN:** Scott Dargan

**APOLOGIES:** Ken Moran, Phil Magness, Steve Clements, Peter Gadd.

**VISITORS:** Adrian Hughes, Leonie Wells, Monica White, Janet May.

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

Any matters arising from minutes. Nil

**Moved:** John McIntyre

**Seconded:** Mark Thomas

## **CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

- Minutes CVFFC had a meeting at Ballarat FFC on the 11th February 2017
- Confirmation of Government Grant approval
- NSFFC newsletter February 2017
- ATF Club Membership Application Form
- Certificate of Appreciation from MDRC for BBQ loan

## **CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

- Government Grant Application

**Moved:** John Worrell

**Seconded:** John McIntyre

## **DELEGATES REPORT:**

CVFFC                      Ballarat Meeting held in February, Disappointment expressed in Government lack of action/response in Trout size and bag limits.

                                 SFFA delegates to CVFFC would like more action points to bring to the CVFFC meetings.

ATF:                        ATF expressed similar disappointed at Government lack of action.

                                 ATF taking applications for club membership.

ACF & CASTING:        2017 Season has commenced, SFFA hosting Southern Lights 4th March , helpers most welcome.

COMBINED CLUBS: Meeting 28th February.

FLYFISHER: Articles need by 3 or 4<sup>th</sup> March.  
LIBRARY: Several new DVD's purchased.  
WEB SITE: All good.  
FACEBOOK: Nil.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

### SFFA 50th Anniversary

Date : 17th June 2017 @ Beaumaris Motor Yacht Squadron. 3 course dinner with beverage, DJ Dancing etc.

Members were asked to put this date in their diary.

The Sub Committee had their first meeting and ticket prices will be discussed at the next Committee meeting.

### Government Grant

Application was successful \$2,000 grant approved – well done Ray Boast

### Snake Gaiters

Julia bought in a pair of “snake” gaiters she purchased from NZ (yes NZ!!). Further details can be sought from Julia if required.

### Pool Cleaning

Assistance needed – Contact Peter Cairns if you assist

## **FISHING REPORTS:**

Noojee River (Club Event) 12 fishers attended, most fish caught on Stimulators (no Foam) Water at 12c, rained for majority of afternoon.

Maydena (Tas) Tony Hyett led some lucky anglers to Tasmania, fishing the Tyenna River, most success with Possum Emerger using a hi viz post.

Mark Thomas ventured up to Lake Wallis at Forster with some notable fly fishing names, Mark Thomas thoroughly recommends attending the event next year.

Ken's Balls                \$120.00 Jackpot

#39 Peter Gadd's name was drawn – sorry Pete !!! not present.

Next Draw \$140 @ March General Meeting.

## CLUB CALENDER

### March

Sat 4th Casting Competition. Southern Lights at Southern Pool

Thu 9th Steavenson River Trip Leader: Ray Boast

Thu 16th Casual Fly Tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm

Sun 19th Steavenson River Trip Leader: Tony Hyett

### April

Sun 9th Yarra River -Warburton Trip. Leader: Scott Dargan

Thu 20th Casual fly tying at the clubrooms 7.30pm

Sun 30th Moorabool Reservoir Trip Leader: Tony Hyett

Next meeting will be 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017

MEETING CLOSED





## 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.

### *Little River Cottage - Maydena*



## 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 388 Moorabbin 3192

Nomination date ...../...../.....

Nominee's Name.....Signature.....

Address..... Post Code.....

Phone contact(s) Home.....Mob.....

Email (Please print).....

Occupation .....

Proposer .....Signature.....

Seconder .....Signature.....

#### **\*\* Membership category and applicable fee for 2014 -2015-2016**

Cat **	Membership Types	Existing Members			New members pro rata			
		Annual Subs+	Ins per person	Total PA	Jul to Sep	Oct to Dec	Jan to Mar	Apr to Jun
M	Member	\$80	\$10	<b>\$90</b>	\$90	\$70	\$50	\$30
P	Members spouse / partner	\$40	\$10	<b>\$50</b>	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
C	Concession (Note 1)	\$60	\$10	<b>\$70</b>	\$70	\$55	\$40	\$25
J	Junior (under 18 years)	\$40	\$10	<b>\$50</b>	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
S	FT student (under 25)	\$50	\$10	<b>\$60</b>	\$60	\$48	\$35	\$23
CT	Country (Note 2)	\$50	\$10	<b>\$60</b>	\$60	\$48	\$35	\$23
F	Family Special (Note 3)	\$120	\$10	<b>\$120*</b>	\$120*	\$100*	\$70*	\$40*
L	Life member	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Note 1** Govt. Pensions and Seniors Card holders

**Note 2** Permanently residing over 60km from Club

**Note 3** At least 3 members, adults, juniors and students, of the same immediate family **\*(+ insurance each person)**

Cheques should be made payable to **Southern Fly Fishers Australia Inc.** or alternatively direct to:

SOUTHERN FLY FISHERS bank account **BSB 063-118, Account No 1000-6744.** (Include name as reference)

#### **Club use only**

**Membership category code\*\***

**Date submitted to Committee** ...../...../.....

**Approved by committee** Yes / No

**Applicable fee paid** Yes / No

**Notify:** Secretary ☐ Communications ☐ Treasurer ☐ Register number .....

**\*\*\* 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 N° 33 Turner Road)**

**Membership Benefits:**

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| - Beginners' & advanced casting tuition      | - Competitive casting & fishing events           |
| - Beginners' and advanced fly tying classes  | - Discounts from sponsors' retail outlets.       |
| - Streamcraft & fly fishing techniques       | - Specialist guest speakers                      |
| - Monthly fly fishing discussion group       | - Regular day & weekend fishing trips            |
| - Annual interstate & overseas fishing trips | - Saltwater fly fishing activities               |
| - Regular newsletter                         | - Public liability insurance for club activities |

Membership enquiries to: [membership@southernflyfishers.org.au](mailto:membership@southernflyfishers.org.au)

Website: [southernflyfishers.org.au](http://southernflyfishers.org.au)

"The Fly Fisher"

If undeliverable return to:

The Southern Fly Fishers

PO Box 388

MOORABBIN VIC 3192

