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Well, we are fast approaching the end of another year and the fishing event calendar is one of the busiest ends to a year I recall in a while. There have been a quite a few fish caught too by our more enthusiastic. I strongly encourage members to join in on these great trips and perhaps consider shadowing some of the trip leaders. This will in turn build our pool of trip leaders, so we can organise even more variety. We are seeing a few weekenders in the schedule which are always great fun. We will need to think about trips for the first half of 2018 so come along with your ideas at the next members' nights and general meeting.

October was an active month with the Rubicon trip proving quite successful. The Max Keppert Cup was also very successful again. While it was raining in Melbourne, we bathed in beautiful sunshine at Eildon. It was great to see most people there catching fish, some caught their first fish on a fly which was great to see. Max even wandered over whilst I was on my third and thought he would have go too. I happily handed my rod over to the great man and watched with pleasure him pull in a nice rainbow. Past president, Tony Hyatt, had an even better day with the most fish caught, and secretary Peter caught the largest. I would like to specifically thank Ray Boast for organising the event with the great assistance of many others.

The October general meeting was held at Hurley's Fly Fishing Shop in South Road Bentleigh. Many thanks to Gavin and his crew for putting on another great night with hot pies, drinks and fantastic discounts.

November is shaping up as another active month with quite a few trips on the calendar, so as our crazy weather hopefully improves, let's hope you can find the time to get out there in the action. The Gerri Bolt Tri Clubs Fishing Competition at Moorabool Reservoir is fast approaching, and it would be great to get a sizeable turn up from Southern. Inquiries should be directed to John McIntyre. There are a couple of weekenders and the Tassie trips are full but still prudent to put yourself on the reserve list.

In terms of membership our numbers remain relatively strong and at this stage only a small number have not paid their fees. As we have reached the end of October their membership will now need to be cancelled, but if they wish to continue they can re-join.

The Council of Victorian Fly Fishers held their general meeting recently and our very own Peter te Hennepe was voted in as secretary again. It is great to have Southern Fly Fishers represented in this body who represent all the Fly Fishers at the state level. A special thanks to Peter for his ongoing commitment.

The next members night (8 Nov) we will have Ben Le Vagueresse from Calder Fly Fishing as our guest speaker. Graeme Forrester will also be at the club to talk about the proposed club trip in the Mary River System in Northern Territory next year. A packed filled night indeed not to be missed.

Don't forget to lock in the date of Sunday 10th December for our Christmas function. It will be at the Brighton Sea Scouts again; a great day with lots of food and drinks.

And finally, the last meeting for the year will be held on December 13th. Jim Baumgurtel from Fly Finz will be there and we are making this a "Bring a Friend" night - and it will be a pie night!!!

Calendar – Coming Events

November

Wed	1 st	Committee Meeting 7.30pm
Wed	8 th	Members Night. Speaker: Calder Fly Fishing
Sun	19 th	Gerri Bolt/Tri Club Comp. Leader: John McIntyre
Fri/Sun	17 th – 20 th	4WD Licola Trip. Leader: Peter Cairns
Wed	22 nd	Casting 6.30pm, General Meeting 7.30pm
Sat/Sun	25 th – 26 th	Big River Trip. Leader: Dean Gordon
Sun-Sat	26 th – 2 nd	Tassie Trip No. 1. Leader Tony Hyett

December

Sun-Sat	2 nd – 9 th	Tassie Trip No. 2. Leader Tony Hyett
Sun	10 th	SFFA Christmas Party
Wed	13 th	Members Night. Speaker: FlyFinz

April/May

TBA	NT Adventure Trip. Leader Graeme Forrester
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SFFA Christmas Party

10th December

The Southern Fly Fishers Annual Christmas Party is being held on the Sunday 10th December. We have been fortunate enough to secure the Brighton Sea Scouts again. If last year was anything to go by, it will be a great day with lots of food and drinks.

The scout hall is located right on the bay, so throw in your salt water gear!



Members Night

13th December

Jim Baumgurtel from FlyFinz will be our guest speaker on 13th December, where he will be talking about his latest range of Fly Rods and Reels.

This night will also be 'Bring a Friend' and Pie Night (members bring the friend, the club will supply the pies!). New members joining on the night will be charged the ½ year prorated fee of \$50, so come along for an enjoyable final meeting of 2017.

Committee – Officers and Delegates 2017-18

President	John Mennen	president@southernflyfishers.org.au	0408 145 463
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General Committee	Judie Cameron		0438 982 350
General Committee	Bruce Quig		0402 141 460
General Committee	Ross Bailey		0417 338 324
General Committee	John McIntyre		0418 320 173



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Casting Tuition with Mornington Fly Fishers

17th October

A perfect warm sunny day to greet the crew from Mornington Fly Fishers led by President Russell Johnson. Most of the MFF members we have met before at Tuesday evening casting practice.

Together with the expertise of John Waters / Calder FF, Ron Heath / Bellerine FF, Peter West / Geelong FF, Alan Hughes / Sunshine FF. Southern members present John Mennen, Tom Galloway, Bruce Ratcliffe, Paul Harris, Richard Scrivens, Judy Cameron, John McIntyre.

The morning opened with John Waters giving a lecture on how to make a perfect cast with a simple method of keeping the eye on the thumb. If your thumb disappears from view your backcast will have dropped below shoulder height and you will have an open loop.



He also instructed how to deliver distance by lifting the elbow vertically and not sweeping the arm to the 2-3 o'clock position. This was followed by Bruce Ratcliffe demonstrating on the water various techniques for casting competition.

Members of both clubs, both experienced and novice, received personal tuition from the experts present. Many thanks go to Russell Johnson who personally attended the BBQ and provided the sausages etc.

It cannot be forgotten that special thanks to the ACF and John Waters in particular coming to instruct and hopefully recruit new casters to the ACF ranks.



This premier event on the annual trip calendar saw twenty SFF anglers and guests head through the black spur in dull wet conditions to reach the Eildon trout farm bathed in sunshine. The serious part of the day began with the draw of the Max Keperter secret fly, won by Keith Whitford along with a bottle of wine, and the flies used by all participants - a beaded black Woolly Bugger, Hamills Killer and black/brown nymph.



Although we were all keen to commence fishing, there was a slight delay as the instructions on which ponds we were permitted to fish proved difficult for Tony Hyett to understand – eventually flies were in the air and on the water.

Tony proved to be a great instructor to Kathy Hill who quickly landed the first fish of the day, a nice 1lb rainbow after which several fish were landed by most competitors.



A couple of other highlights during the morning session included two fish landed by Julia Williams, several fish landed by Jim, Frankie, Ray Goddard and Laurent all from the same small pond, while John Mennen, Paul Dunham, and Les Pratt managed to trick a few fish in the large pond.

It was particularly encouraging to see that fish were taken on all three of the flies selected by Ross Bailey for the competition. The largest fish caught during the morning went to Keith who landed a 1 ¾ lb trout, after also trying to hook a large gum tree – fortunately the offending fly was recovered.

Lunchtime saw the arrival of the man himself – Max Kepert, who quickly went over to show John Mennen how to land fish!



The BBQ lunch ably arranged by Peter Cairns along with several helpers gave way to the afternoon session which, for most competitors, proved a little more difficult. Windy conditions put the fish down although Tony and Laurent casting with the wind into the large pond did very well with 12 and 10 fish landed respectively – and Peter Cairns in the same location managed to pick up the biggest fish of the day, a 3lb rainbow.



Max took great pride in saying few words of thanks to all those present for a successful day, and in presenting the winners trophies – small collections of flies tied by Max and very nicely framed by Colin McMillan. More than 50 fish were caught during the day and thanks again to all those who assisted in making the day a success.



The award for the largest fish was presented to Peter Cairns at the General Meeting held at Gavin Hurley's shop on 25th October.

Great Night at Hurley's Fly Fishing World.

25th October

Thanks to Gavin & Stu for a great night with an impressive selection of boutique beers and a great assortment of calorie reducing meat pies !!



SFFA had a relaxing social night with members taking advantage of great discounts on some really quality gear.



Good luck Gav with your new store opening in Lumsden NZ, any members down that way call in to see the new shop.

“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**.

An advertisement for Hurley's Fly Fishing. The top left features the logo "Hurley's FLY FISHING" in a stylized font. Below the logo, various fishing gear is displayed: a pair of waders, a fishing rod, a hat, a box of RIO fly line, a box of 3x3000 fly line, a box of 4x4000 fly line, a box of 5x5000 fly line, a box of 6x6000 fly line, a box of 7x7000 fly line, a box of 8x8000 fly line, a box of 9x9000 fly line, a box of 10x10000 fly line, a box of 11x11000 fly line, a box of 12x12000 fly line, a box of 13x13000 fly line, a box of 14x14000 fly line, a box of 15x15000 fly line, a box of 16x16000 fly line, a box of 17x17000 fly line, a box of 18x18000 fly line, a box of 19x19000 fly line, a box of 20x20000 fly line, a box of 21x21000 fly line, a box of 22x22000 fly line, a box of 23x23000 fly line, a box of 24x24000 fly line, a box of 25x25000 fly line, a box of 26x26000 fly line, a box of 27x27000 fly line, a box of 28x28000 fly line, a box of 29x29000 fly line, a box of 30x30000 fly line, a box of 31x31000 fly line, a box of 32x32000 fly line, a box of 33x33000 fly line, a box of 34x34000 fly line, a box of 35x35000 fly line, a box of 36x36000 fly line, a box of 37x37000 fly line, a box of 38x38000 fly line, a box of 39x39000 fly line, a box of 40x40000 fly line, a box of 41x41000 fly line, a box of 42x42000 fly line, a box of 43x43000 fly line, a box of 44x44000 fly line, a box of 45x45000 fly line, a box of 46x46000 fly line, a box of 47x47000 fly line, a box of 48x48000 fly line, a box of 49x49000 fly line, a box of 50x50000 fly line. At the bottom, there is a website address: www.hurleysflyfishing.com.au.

10% Discount for Members

Visit the **Bentleigh** Fly Fishing Store to receive some great advice and a **10% discount** for SFF members.

Address:

489 South Road
Bentleigh VIC 3204

Phone: (03) 9532 1583

Trading Hours

Monday	9.00am-5.00pm
Tuesday	9.00am-5.00pm
Wednesday	9.00am-5.00pm
Thursday	9.00am-5.00pm
Friday	9.00am-5.00pm
Saturday	9.00am-3.00pm
Sunday	Closed for fishing!

General Meeting Minutes

25th October 2017

DATE: WEDNESDAY 25th OCTOBER 2017

VENUE HURLEY'S FLY FISHING WORLD

CHAIRMAN: John Mennen

VISITORS:

APOLOGIES: Bill Tilley, Dean Gordon, Gary Rapley, David Parton

MINUTES: From Previous meeting tabled

BUSINESS ARISING out of MINUTES:

Minutes moved as accepted : C McMillan

Seconded: L Pratt

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- KCC Kitchen Inspection – we must throw all leftovers out after BBQ
- Red Tag October Newsletter

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- VR Fish Thank You letter to Mike Burgess

Correspondence Moved : J Williams

Seconded: B Qyigg

DELEGATES REPORT:

CVFFC: SFFA representatives needed contact Peter te Hennepe or Peter Cairns for further details

ATF:

ACF.

Combined Clubs.

Fly Fisher. Fishing reports due by 1st Friday of the month to the Editor

Library.

Web

NEW MEMBERS: Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Graeme Forrester to discuss NT Trip at next members meeting
Notice will be set out with more info closer to the date
- Thanks to all who supported the Max Kerpert Cup
- Richard Somerton has complete Fly Life magazine collection for sale – contact Richard direct
- THANKS TO GAVIN HURLEY & TEAM

KENS BALLS

August \$60.00 - Bad luck Bernard Schindler !!

SPEAKERS

November	Ben Le Vagueresse	Calder Fly Fishing (Murray Cod & Natives).
December	Jim Baumgurtel	Fly Finz
January	NO MEETING	

CLUB CALENDER

NOVEMBER

Sun	19 th	Gerri Bolt/Tri Club	John McIntyre
Fri-Mon	17 th – 20 th	4wd Trip	Peter Cairns
Sat-Sun	25 th – 26 th	Big River	Dean G
Sun-Sat	26 th - 2 nd	Tassie No.1 Trip	TH

DECEMBER

Sun – Sat	2 nd - 9 th	Tassie No. 2 Trip	TH
Sun	10 th	SFFA Christmas Party	

APRIL/MAY

TBA	NT Adventure Trip	GF
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The CVFFC held a meeting at Snobs Creek Hatchery on the 28th October. The following details cover some of the areas discussed:-

- The President discussed the new VFA body. For further information please check the link to VFA (Victorian Fishing Authority) web site. <https://vfa.vic.gov.au> The new Authority replaces the Department of Fisheries and takes over that role.
- CVFFC made comment on the Environmental Impact Study for the Rubicon Hydro Scheme to VRFish. CVFFC position is that we are opposed and reject the proposal based on the EIS audit and feedback from ATF and NFA.
- The CVFFC is following up on all members clubs for up to date information on their current office bearers. This information is essential to ensure all clubs receive current information on insurance etc.
- Wild Trout Conference proposed for 11th November at Mansfield. Save the date.
- CVFFC web site has been running for some time. <http://www.cvffc.org.au/> Any comments or feedback appreciated.
- The regulation of boats on the Goulburn River was discussed. Boats are allowed on the Goulburn River from just below the pondage to Hughes Creek. A 5 knot (approx 9kph) speed limit is the regulation required by Goulburn Broken CMA in this part of the river. Concerns regarding excessive speed causing a wash zone, impacting on wading and bank fishing, soil and bank erosion and impact on water quality in the Goulburn River were the main concerns. CVFFC is seeking further comments/information from members before considering our approach to VRFish, Goulburn Murray Water and Goulburn Broken CMA. Please send comment to CVFFC Secretary.
- Clubs were requested to submit any items to CVFFC to be considered to be submitted to be included on VRFish's next Agenda.
- Next meeting Saturday 17th February 10.00am - Ballarat Fly Fishing Club.

All items were included for general interest. Minutes of the meeting have supplied to the club to place on notice board. If you require any further information or background please contact SFF secretary.

Feedback from Peter te Hennepe (CVFFC delegate).

Since my last update, VRFish have been involved in the following items.

- National Carp Action Plan. The Victorian Government, in collaboration with the NCCP team, is undertaking a series of community meetings and stakeholder workshops across Victoria during October and November 2017. Next local meeting on the 15 November at Albert Park Yachting & Angling Club. Times 12 -4pm and 6pm - 8 pm.
- VRFish promoting advice from the VFA website on photographing fish to be released: <https://vfa.vic.gov.au/recreational-fishing/recreational-fishing-guide/photographing-fish-to-be-released>
- VRFish released update on:- Devilbend on-water access for non-powered watercraft. Parks Victoria allowing limited on water access for non-powered watercraft from Saturday 2nd December 2017.
- Anglers to Face the Brunt of 1000% Fine Increases. DELWP are taking the unusual step of 'throwing the book' at unsuspecting recreational users on licensed crown land water frontage, with fines set to increase by a whopping 1000%. Fines will rise from \$31.70 to \$792.85 for some infringements, and up to \$3171.40 for court imposed penalties under proposed changes to the Land Amendment Regulations 2017. VRFish, the Recreational Fishing Peak Body representing over 838,000 Victorian fishers, is staunchly standing up for the rights of recreational anglers by strongly opposing these heavy-handed tactics.
- VRFish promoting:- Talk Wild Trout 2017 Conference which will be held this year on Saturday 11th November 2017, from 9am until 4.30pm at the Mansfield Performing Arts Centre. This year will include an update on the health of trout populations in 12 key rivers, progress on incubator trials, result from a trout fishing pressure study, as well as angler driven river restoration efforts over the last 12 months and how you can get involved. Dr John Hayes, a renowned trout researcher from New Zealand will provide the keynote address about trout behaviour and what makes a good trout stream. Jon Clelow, a self-confessed fly fishing tragic will provide an entertaining talk titled 'An expensive trout'.

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.

Feedback from Peter te Hennepe (VRFish delegate).

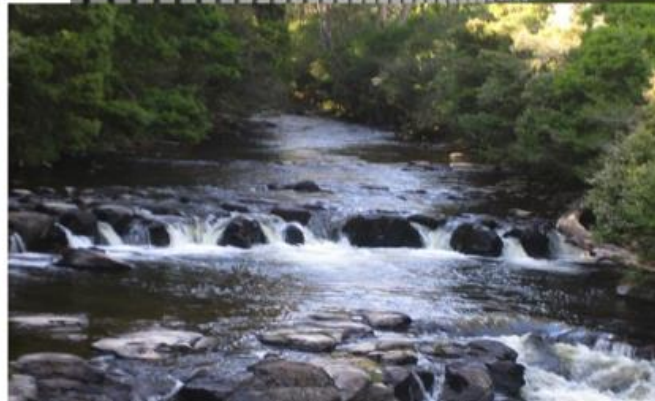
Accommodation Offers

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



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With abundant Australian wildlife, a private fly fishery (catch-and-release only) and walks on over 200 acres of natural bushland it is perfect for fly fishermen, 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: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone Contact(s) Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Email (Please Print): _____

Occupation: _____

Proposer: _____ Signature: _____

Second: _____ Signature: _____

**** Membership category and applicable fee for 2017-2018**

Cat **	Membership Types	Existing Members			New Members Joining (pro rata)			
		Annual Subs+	Ins per person	Total p.a.	Jul-Sept	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun
M	Member	\$80	\$10	\$90	\$90	\$70	\$50	\$30
P	Members spouse/Partner	\$40	\$10	\$50	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
C	Concession (Note 1)	\$60	\$10	\$70	\$70	\$55	\$40	\$25
J	Junior (under 18 yrs)	\$40	\$10	\$50	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
S	FT student (under 25 yrs)	\$50	\$10	\$60	\$60	\$48	\$35	\$23
CT	Country (Note 2)	\$50	\$10	\$60	\$60	\$48	\$35	\$23
F	Family Special (Note 3)	\$120	\$10	\$120*	\$120*	\$100*	\$70*	\$40*
L	Life Member	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$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 adults, junior 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)

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Membership Category Code **

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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 |

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Website: southernflyfishers.org.au

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