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At the March members night, Allan Russell gave us a great presentation on his trip to UK, Ireland and parts of Europe. Allan's presentation took us back to his roots in the Liverpool area and he took us through a journey of the midlands, into Scotland and parts of Ireland and Northern Ireland. We often seek external presenters for some of our members nights but sometime when you look within, you can find experiences that can be shared with everyone. We are somewhat privileged to have such depth of skills knowledge and experience within our midst. Thanks Allan on a very entertaining evening.

Well, the big day arrived, and our Women in Fly Fishing Open day was held on Sunday 17th March 2019 at the club rooms between 10am and 4pm. We could not have asked for better weather, with a sunny 28 degrees with light winds. The day was absolutely perfect.

We had a steady flow of people with many aspiring women Flyfishers taking a keen interest in what this male dominated past time is all about. It seemed everyone kicked in and gave a helping hand and it was great to see such large numbers of our own members there to support the key organising committee. A huge thanks to Tony Hyatt for leading this work with Judy Cameron, Julia Williams and Peter te Henneppe, who were given some assistance along the way by Chris McMahon, but hats off to the core team for sticking to what has been a significant project. We were all left in no doubt that the day was a great success.

We had many hands-on deck too with members providing casting tuition and advice Bruce Ratcliffe, John McIntyre, Tony Hyatt (again) Ross Bailey, and many others giving a hand around the pool, then we had fly tying demonstrations with Ross (again), Gary Mulvay, Peter Gadd and Tim Curmi (a special guest). Then we had Ray Boast and Les Pratt on registrations (hopefully signed up a few new members) and Jeff Allan and Chris Mastwyk on the BBQ, and Dean Gordon, Pool organiser, photographer, and of course, Peter Cairns keeping everything in check. Then there were the many helping out with food, drinks including Grant Dawson's scones – freshly baked – yum. And the freshly cleaned pool looked magnificent, thanks to a working bee the day before. Again, many thanks to all turned up on the Saturday to do the finishing touches.

We had displays from our principal sponsor, Hurley's Fly Fishing and Red Tag were well supported with a great bunch of people. We had a great display from Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) who had an all-women crew which was most appropriate for the day. We had Tim Curmi from Native Fish Australia (NFA) and ATF. He kicked off with a very informative presentation on the entomology of some of the invertebrate life cycle which nicely explained the difference in why we have different flies.

He then went on to talk about the shift in native fishing alternatives to the more traditional trout. It was interesting to hear his talk as there is much to consider in providing an Australian fishery to include some of our native fish and how this can complement our passion for trout fishing.

Then the Q&A facilitated by Julia with her trusted companion, Ross Bailey (again) was able explain some of fly-fishing's uniqueness. I thought the notion that you don't have to spend half your fishing time looking for bait (such as pumping for pippies) was an interesting take on a great way to rationalise more time for fly fishing. All in all, a great day was had by all.

On another note, we were also privileged to have our Founder, Mick Hall, provide us in the March edition of the Flyfisher with a great article entitled "The Chocolate Duns of Wendouree". Given my parents live in Ballarat, I might have to tie a couple of Milk and Dark Chocolate Duns for when I next time pop in to visit ...

The Casting season kicks off in earnest too, with the Brunn Shield on 28 April at Red Tag in Fairfield. If you really want to hone your skills and accuracy in casting, why not try joining the Southern Fly Fishers team. All grades are welcome. You don't have to be Olympic Grade to have fun; and you just might catch more fish if you can drop a fly within a foot of the fish's nose... What better way to sharpen those skills with plenty of experts to help you along the way. The Casting program runs through the winter until October – a great way to fill time in the winter months when the rivers are closed. It would be great to have a few more Southern members in the team. If you want to know more, just peak to Tom Galloway - our Australian Casting Delegate, or John McIntyre, Tony Hyatt or Bruce Ratcliffe. And don't forget to come early for casting practice at the pool before members' nights and general meeting nights – there will usually be someone around to provide advice and guidance on your technique.

Club Caps For Sale

SFF Club Caps for Sale \$ 10.00 ea.

Available for purchase at the regular Wednesday club meetings.



Committee – Officers and Delegates 2018-2019

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General Committee	Judie Cameron		0438 982 350
General Committee	Dean Gordon		0408 549 005
General Committee	Tony Hyett		0418 173 869
General Committee	John McIntyre		0418 320 173
General Committee	Chris McMahon		0414 540 227
General Committee	Allan Russell		0437 240 323

Calendar - Coming Events

Sat / Sun Wed Wed Fri-Sun	April 6 th / 7th 10 th 24 th 26 th - 28 th	ATF/NFA Ovens River Myrtleford Member's Night General Meeting Millbrook	Peter Suzic Tony Hyett
Wed Sat / Sun Wed	May 8 th 11 th / 12 th 22 nd	Member's Night Howqua/Goughs Bay \$25 pp accommodation General Meeting	Peter Suzic
Sat – Fri	November 9 th – 15 th	Hurley's NZ Trip	Peter Suzic
Sun – Fri	December 1 st – 6 th	Tassie Trip	Tony Hyett

Accommodation Offer

Myrica Cottage, self-contained with beautiful décor and all amenities, is located in Bellbrae, Victoria 5.5 km 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 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.







General Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday 27th February 2019

CHAIRMAN:

APOLOGIES: Les Pratt, Ray Boast, Ivo Kavelj, Chris Mastwyck. Judy Cameron

GUEST: Bernard Evans, Ben Marshall

MINUTES:

BUSINESS ARISING out of MINUTES:

Moved: Dean Gordon Seconded: Peter Gadd

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

LXRA update meeting from KCC

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

Moved: Tony Hyett Seconded: John McIntyre

DELEGATES REPORT:

CVFFC Nil Library Nil

ATF Reminder for April 5th – 6th Oven Rivers Challenge

Combined Clubs
Negotiations progressing well to resolve outstanding debt

NEW MEMBER: Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Additional Insurance cost
 - Insurer has advised after we paid our account that the cost has increase by \$4 per member and our cover has halved from \$20m to \$10m
 - Committee to discuss how to fund the additional cost and advise member in due course
- LXRA Update
 - We have been advised by the Level Crossing Railway Authority ("LXRA") they will be using the corner oval (the oval not fenced in where we doing some long distance casting) to store their heavy equipment.

To gain access they will be putting in a road from Chesterville Rd right through the northern of our casting Pool surrounds. The casting pool may be inoperable for about 18 - 24 months from the northern end if the road fenced in.

The committee will prepare an impact statement for the council and LXRA.

Update on WIFF

All in involved in the WIFF subcommittee are to be applauded for their hard work.
 We have two visitors here tonight from the WIFF open day.

SPAM Warning

 It appears to be only happening to committee members; however we have been receiving spam emails seeking money. The email is cleverly disguised as coming from the President – IT IS FAKE. Please ignore

TRIP REPORTS

NZ seems to the hotspot at the moment with several members fishing the South Island with great success.

With all the recent rains the Goulburn is tough fishing

KEN BALLS \$60 tonight Won!!! Congrats to Grant Dawson

SPEAKERS

May Scott Xanthoulakis Fishing the Snowy Mountains

September Brenda Galey Galey MisGuided Fly Fishing

CLUB CALENDAR

APRIL

6th – 7th ATF/NFA Ovens River Myrtleford Peter Suzic

26th – 28th Millbrook Tony Hyett

MAY

11th – 12th Howqua/Goughs Bay

\$25 pp accommodation Peter Suzic

NOVEMBERR

9th – 15th Hurley's NZ Trip Peter Suzic

DECEMBER

1st – 6th Tassie Tony Hyett

ACF 2019 Syllabus

Month	Day	Event	Location	Start Time
Feb-21	Thur	AGM	Sunshine clubrooms	7:30pm
Feb-23	Sat	Southern Lights Highett		6:00pm
Apr-07	Sun	Accuracy and Distance Training Day	Ballarat	10:00am
Apr-14 Sun		Cock o' Walk	Fairfield	9:30am
		ACF & PHWFFA meeting	Fairfield	2:30pm
Apr-21	Sun	Easter		
April 26 - 28	Fri	PHWFFA - Casting for Recovery	Thornton	
Apr-28	Sun	Brunn Shield Red Tag	Fairfield	9:30am
May-05	Sun	ACF Public Casting Academy Day	Highett	9:00am
May-11	Sat	Accuracy and Distance Training Day	Highett	10:00am
May-12	Sun	Brunn Shield Sunshine	Fairfield	9:30am
May-18	Sat	ACF Public Casting Academy Day	Highett	9:00:am
May-19	Sun	Red Tag Open	Fairfield	9:30am
May-26	Sun	Southern Open	Highett	9:30am
		ACF & PHWFFA meeting	Highett	2:30pm
Jun-02	Sun	Brunn Shield Sunshine	Fairfield	9:30am
Jun-09	Sat	Vic Chps Fly Distance	Highett	9:30am
Jun-10	Sun	Vic Chps Fly Accuracy	Highett	9:30am
Jun-30	Sun	Sunshine Open	Fairfield	9:30am
Jul-07	Sun	Brunn Shield Southern	Highett	9:30am
Jul-20	Sat	Aust Chps Fly Distance	Highett	9:30am
Jul-21	Sun	Aust Chps Fly Accuracy	Highett	9:30am
Aug-04	Sun	Brunn Shield Final	Highett	9:30am
Aug-17	Sat	Southern Cross Challenge	Highett	9:30am
Aug-25	Sun	Turville Shield	Fairfield	9:30am
Sep-01	Sun	Sunday Fun Day	Highett	10:00am
Sep-08	Sun	Ballarat Open TBD	Ball	10:00am
Oct		Vic & Aus Plug Chps	TBD	
Oct-24	Thur	ACF & PHWFFA meeting	Sun	7:30 PM

Book Review Bill Jeans

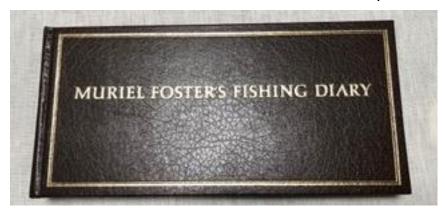
With a ladies in flyfishing theme....

"The Fishing Diary Compiled and Illustrated by Muriel Foster between 1913 - 1949 1980 edition, oblong, 191 pages, brown leatherette cover in a slip case.

This is a facsimile of a beautifully illustrated record of the authors fishing expeditions between 1913 and 1949 to Scotland, Ireland and her beloved Cambridgeshire and Berkshire in England.

Muriel attended the Slade School of Art and exhibited in the Royal Academy.

A beautiful little book that is well worth a look and it's in the library.





"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 \$1.50 each. Please see Judy Cameron for payment on the night.

Member's Bargain Table

At each General Meeting Night (4th Wednesday), there will be a table set up for Members to offer items for sale/auction.

Only 2 people at a time will be allocated space on the Member's Bargain Table, so if you are interested in selling your goods you need to be allocated a date, and must register your interest and items with the Secretary, Peter Cairns prior to the night on 0413 420 044 or email secretary@southernflyfishers.org.au



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10% Discount for Members

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

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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!

Membership Nomination Form

Southern Fly Fishers Australia Inc.

PO Box 388 Moorabbin 3192

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М	Member	\$80	\$10	\$90	\$90	\$70	\$50	\$30
Р	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
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^{***} 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
- Streamcraft & fly fishing techniques
- Monthly fly fishing discussion group
- Annual interstate & overseas fishing trips
- Regular newsletter

- Competitive casting & fishing events
- Discounts from sponsors' retail outlets.
- Specialist guest speakers
- Regular day & weekend fishing trips
- Saltwater fly fishing activities
- Public liability insurance for club activities

Membership enquiries to: membership@southernflyfishers.org.au

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