

# THE EVENING RISE

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## MPFF Mission Statement

To promote, foster and encourage the art of fly fishing in all its aspects.

To promote, foster and encourage the art of fly tying.

To promote, foster and encourage the sport of fly casting.

To increase the pleasure derived by members from their sport by social intercourse, interchange of ideas and by collective or mutually assistive action generally.

To promote and assist in the stocking with trout and other sporting fish, of local and other waters.

To foster and promote the conservation of the environment on which the sport of fly fishing is practised and to assist scientific and practical research in all matters pertaining to the sport.

To do all such other things that are incidental to or conducive to the attainment of these purposes and for the exercise of the power of the club.



## PRESIDENTS LINE

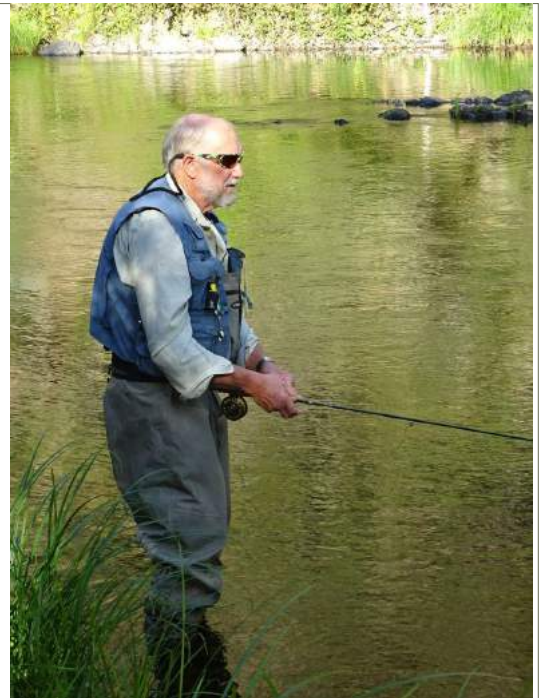
Greetings fellow fly flickers

Another great club trip under the belt. Fish sighted, hooked, landed, released, nearly hooked, and power released, and all in a lovely bit of water. This was a return for me to the Eildon Lions Club Big River camp site after a break of about 12 years. A bit nostalgic as it would have been the novice weekend and I had not fished rivers before. So it was great to return and have our new members join in to learn the ins and outs of fly fishing.

Also great to see gear and knowledge so freely given to them, and their improvement over the trip. Sadly the fish didn't join in to make it a memorable trip for our new chums.

Hope to catch up with you on the water somewhere, some time soon.

Regards, Russ Johnson.



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## CLUB REMINDERS

### FLY TYING

*Sunday May 7th @ Bob Fisher's*

### COMMITTEE MEETING

*Thursday 11th May 6.30 pm*

### CLUB MEETING

*Thursday 27th April @ Wranglers*

### AT THE MEETING

*Presentation on Basic Fly Box must  
haves to get you started!*

### FOR YOUR DIARIES

- *Club Trip Caringal Scout Camp*

*Friday-Sunday April 28th/30th*

- *Club Trip Ovens River*

*Friday-Sunday May 26th/28th*

### SHOT OF THE MONTH

*Lorna reels them in!*

## LAST MEETING

Fishing reports from members were given.

We then discussed the Club response to Parks Victoria's call for submissions on the proposal to allow access to non-powered watercraft on Devilbend.

Many members reported that they had made individual responses and copies of responses from VR fish and CVFFC were circulated.

Feedback was given on the proposed design for new club teardrop banners funded from the \$2000 grant.

Steve reported that our new Club cap is to be added to our merchandise range and we are looking into a new supply of polos and fishing shirts.

## THIS MEETING

We are having a presentation followed by discussion on the basic flies we all should have in our fly box.

A sample set of flies will be on the tables to start the presentation

Discussion will centre on where they are used and why.

I'm sure individual members will have opposing views on this.

So come along prepared to input your views about what are your "go-to" flies for stream and lake fishing.

## CLUB MERCHANDISE ON SALE AT MEETINGS

METAL BADGES - suitable for lapel / hat **\$10**

CLOTH BADGES - sew it on your vest / jacket **\$5**

FISHING SHIRTS-- embroidered with club logo **\$50**

POLO SHIRTS - embroidered with club logo **\$25**

STICK-ON DECALS - for your car / boat **\$3 / \$5**





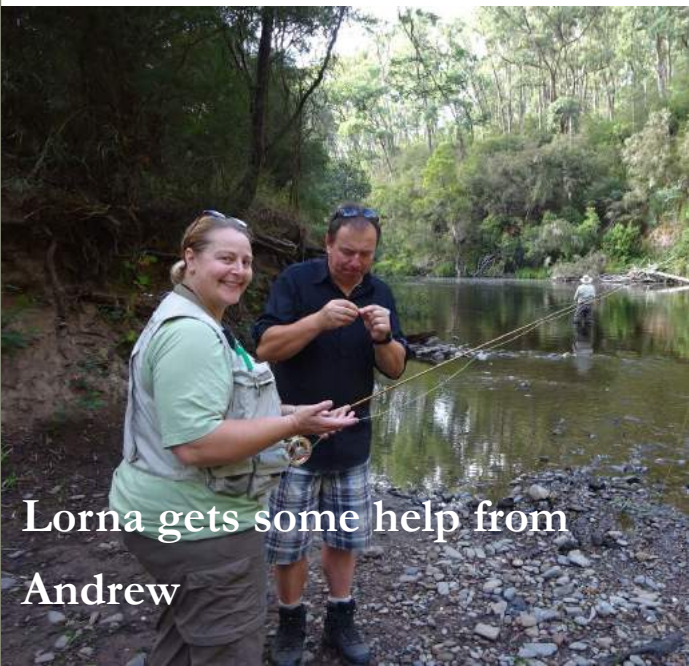
**MARCH CLUB TRIP - BIG RIVER PHOTOS**



Daniel first time on the water



Steve chasing one



Lorna gets some help from Andrew



Convivial group around the dinner table on Friday



Saturday night post-mortem



All too much for Daniel!!

**Another great Club weekend trip and a pleasant return to Big River and the revamped Lions Club camp!**





## APRIL CLUB TRIP— TYERS RIVER



Following last year's very successful trip the April Club Trip (weekend April 28th - 30th) is once again set down for Tyers River .

- **Accommodation will be at Caringal Scout Camp LOT 4E Telbit Road, Caringal VIC 3825.**

- **We have booked bunkhouse accommodation and the large mess hall again this year.**
- **Cost \$25 / head / night.**
- **Unlimited camping sites available.**
- **Walk to fishing sites—no need to use your car unless you wish to fish other nearby rivers.**



Caringal Scout Camp is set on 14ha Bushland and located Tyers Junction, just 9km from Erica and 37km from Moe. The camp is positioned on the junction of the Eastern, Middle and Western Tyers Rivers.

- **How to get there**

If you have a GPS you can simply put the address: **Telbit Road (intersection Black Spur Rd), Caringal**

The camp is accessed via the Princes Freeway (M1) to Moe and then north on the Moe-Walhalla Road (C466). Once you leave the freeway at Moe it's only a further 40 minutes' drive, initially passing through pastoral properties before you hit the "twisties" and the sea of trees through the Moondarra State Forest and further north. It's a beautiful route. About 3km before Erica, keep an eye out for **Telbit Road on the left**. There's a sign on the right-hand side of the road pointing **left to Caringal Scout Camp**. Turn left here. If you miss the turn you'll arrive in Erica. There's a pub on the left and a caravan park on the right. Do an about turn and travel back 3km.



**From the turnoff it's 6km** of unsealed access which for the most part is smooth and easy going. Stick to the main road and take it easy as there are plenty of corners with limited visibility and the road is shared by other residents. Turn right at the T-intersection (bridge) and before long you are entering the Scout camp.



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## Facilities

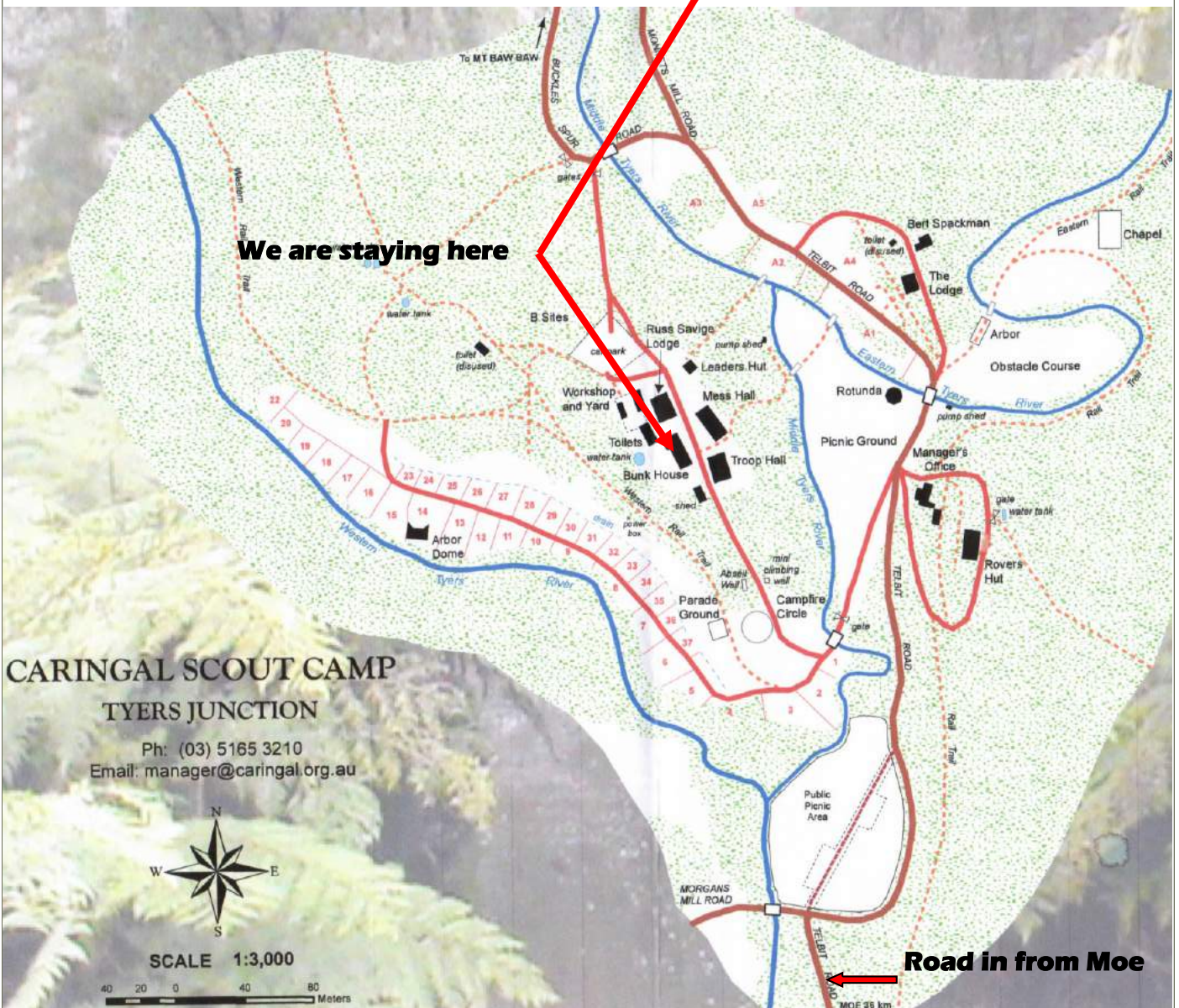
The Bunk House accommodates 26 people with 4 bunk rooms sleeping 6 per room and 1 smaller bunk room sleeping 2. Mattresses are provided but users are to supply their own sheets, pillows and blankets or sleeping bags. It is booked in conjunction with the mess hall which has large kitchen and seating.

## Lounge

The lounge offers a place to gather and relax, it has a wood heater and a box of wood is supplied for each night you stay.

Please note the Bunk House does not have a shower or toilet, please use the main toilet and shower block.

**Toilet and Showers**—Toilet paper is supplied, but you have to supply your own soap, shampoo, conditioner and other personal items such as towels etc.



## WADER REPAIR

*This article may be timely considering that some people got wet on the last trip to Big River.*

*Instead of just buying another pair these techniques may be worth trying—even if you just keep the waders as a spare. Some may even consider donating them to the club to be loaned to new members before they commit to buying there own!*

Here is the article:

If you're using [Aquaseal](#), check if you've got the UV or non-UV curing type. I was supplied the UV with my repair kit, as I was going to do the repair outside (it was a sunny day) it might have dried a bit too quick. I ended up repairing in the kitchen and leaving the waders outside, they were touch dry in seconds.

Be **very** careful filling your waders to spot a leak. It's not so bad if the leak is in the foot, but if you have to fill the whole wader the pressure of the water can cause a lot more problems than it solves. One method you could try is, in a completely darkened room take a torch and shine it from the inside of the waders out. You'll see the hole/cut/tear as a bright spot. Another alternative is to mix water and surgical spirit 50/50 into one of those small garden spray bottles. Turn your waders inside out and spray this mixture over them, immediately turn back the right way and look for dark spots where the mixture has seeped through. The leak will show up as a dark area where the mixture as seeped through.

If you're going to mark the spots that need repairing with pen, make sure you turn the waders inside out first - you don't want scribbles all over your expensive waders! (chalk is a good bet for marking the outside)

Before smearing your waders with Aquaseal, tape around the effected area with masking tape first. Place the Aquaseal on the hole and smear into a thin layer. Once it's set a little, remove the masking tape. Leave to dry fully. Once fully dry, apply the masking tape around the first layer of Aquaseal (leaving a bit of space all around) and smear another layer of Aquaseal over the top of the last one. Remove tape, and you'll have a neat and water proof seal to what was a hole.

Aquaseal is bloody expensive. It has a nasty habit of solidifying in the tube once it's been opened. If, after doing your repair you've some left in the tube, pop the lid back on and chuck it straight in the freezer. When you want to use it again, pop it in a bowl of hot water to defrost, then stick a nail through the end to ensure the tube is clear. Soon as you've used it (if there's some left) stick it back in the freezer again!

*Cut and paste these two references into your internet browser for two excellent YouTube videos illustrating the techniques explained above*

<https://youtu.be/RBI70sxYQKU>

<https://youtu.be/xtlvESvIIwU>



## FROM THE FLY TIERS DESK — MUDEYE



**1** Fix the hook and run the tying thread to opposite the barb. Take 2 inches (5cm) of thick lead wire and fold it so the bend is a little way short of the first thread wraps. Secure with thread so the ends lie along either side of the shank.



**2** Remove the waste ends of lead at the bend. Applying the lead wire in this way creates a wide, weighted underbody. Cover the lead wire with thickly dubbed olive rabbit fur.



**3** Take two slips of olive feather fiber, each containing three strands. Knot each slip once to suggest a joint and catch in on both sides of the body to form the rear legs.



**4** Take another pinch of olive rabbit fur, dub it on, and wind on to form the first section of the thorax. Catch in two more legs, formed in the same way as the first pair, before adding another dubbed thorax section.



**5** Wind the thread to the eye and catch in two glass beads attached to thick nylon monofilament. Catch in a slip of olive cock pheasant tail so that the butts project forward over the eye.



**6** Remove the nylon ends and add the final thorax section. Pull the pheasant tail back between the eyes and secure with thread. Cast off. Reapply the thread behind the rear legs and fix the feather fibers. Cast off again and trim the fibers.



## SHOT OF THE MONTH

'Catch of the Month ' goes to Lorna.

Sorry we have no photos, only an eye witness report as follows:

Steve and Ian leave the “Prez” outside the Beechworth Bakery at Healesville for Lorna to pick up so that Russ can act as guide for her to get to the Big River site. They then continue on to pick up the keys. About 20 minutes pass and Steve calls Lorna and asks “*where are you*”? Lorna replies “*I’m heading up the Black Spur.*” “*Have you picked up Russell?*” “*No I couldn’t find him or the bridge*”, [what a beautiful presentation], then a double take as Steve and Ian reply that the bridge and bakery, and for that matter the Prez, were on the outskirts of town. Lorna is now playing both at the same time, [it’s pretty to watch], and as Steve and Ian fight for an answer as to why she couldn’t find the bridge or Russ; they are contemplating a return to Healesville to find him. Lorna quickly landed them both and with a reply, “*It’s all right boys, Russ is in the front seat we will see you soon.*” A quick release with class! A deserving catch of the month.



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