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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

By the time you have received this newsletter I will be packed and on my way to Merrijig and probably the last Club Trip to this wonderful location. The committee has had to make the rather sad decision that as a Club we cannot continue to subsidise the trip to the Police Ski Club when we can only quarter fill the Lodge. It seems a shame to have to move on but the economics of only having a few attend leaves us no other alternative. I leave it to you the members to suggest an alternative venue at which we can all enjoy our fishing as a Club.



As they say in the classics, anyhow I'm off with a few others to flick a fly.

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

Regards,

Russ Johnson.



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CLUB REMINDERS

FLY TYING

No Fly Tying this month

COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday 22nd January 2015 - To be confirmed

CLUB MEETING

Thursday 27th November @ Wranglers

AT THE MEETING

Fly Tying Demonstration Night

Material & Flies available

FOR YOUR DIARIES

- *MERRIJIG—21st/23rd November*
- *Xmas Break-up Thursday Dec 11th
6.30 pm BBQ @ Wranglers*
- *Big River / Taponga: Dec 11/13th*
- *Tassie 2015: Feb 27th—Mar 7th*

SHOT OF THE MONTH

Geoff Lay & the Wastell winning fish

NEXT MEETING

Fly Tying workshop

*Demonstrations /
tuition / try for
yourself.*

*Members who enjoy
the satisfaction and
challenge of tying
their own flies will be
putting on a display
for all members.*



*Club material and
vices will be on
hand should any
member want to
borrow one to try
at home.*



So many vices — so little time!

FROM OUR TASSIE CORRESPONDENT

It's a cloudy day on Four Springs Lake and this beautiful 4 lb Brown slams my black nymph just below the surface only metres from the boat. With the barbless hook set, it propels itself into the air then falls with a twist back into the water. Within a millisecond it jumps again and catapults itself straight into the boat and lands on my fishing mates lap.

Saves on using the landing net!

Regards

Dave S



MERRIJIG



There is still room for last minute attendees as we have a whole of lodge booking at Victoria Police Alpine Club located at 283 Buttercup Road, Merrijig. We are assured that the fish are there—so it's a great opportunity to get in a weekends fishing before Xmas. The accommodation is lodge style and has excellent facilities. With a Club subsidy the cost is a very reasonable \$25 / head / night. More information and a link to Google Maps is on the calendar on the website.

NEXT MONTH'S CLUB TRIP

Following the Xmas BBQ there has been a tradition for the last Club Trip (Dec 12/13/14) to be a Big River / Taponga weekend bush camping adjacent to the Taponga river opposite the Lions Club



camp. There is plenty of wading available in surrounding area and this has been the site of good catches in the past. A great way to finish the year before the busy Xmas season really kicks in. Further details on the calendar including a map showing the campground.



SPECIAL EFFORT RAFFLE

Special Club Raffle



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CHANCES
LEFT TO BUY!!**

Stalker Aire Limited box edition.

Tickets \$5.00 ea Drawn Xmas

WASTELL TROPHY REPORT

The Wastell Trophy competition was competed for at a number of local waters surrounding the Creswick Caravan Park which was the venue for Saturday night's traditional spit roast. It proved to be a sensational weekend for our club as Geoff Lay was the Wastell winner and thus we also took the "Wacca" McKay trophy from the Ballarat Fly Fishers. (The "Wacca" McKay Trophy is competed for between ourselves and Ballarat and is awarded to the club which takes the biggest fish on the weekend).



Local waters fished were Lake Wendouree, Newlyn, Hepburn (Anderson) and Tullaroop. Some big fish were caught and some big ones seen, and as proved by Geoff and David J the big fish were there to be caught.

A total of 66 anglers competed representing the following Clubs: Ballarat (40), Mornington Peninsula (5), Yarra Valley (11), Devonport (2), Bendigo (6), Red Tag (2).

Sponsor Mayfly Tackle provided great prizes for the always anticipated big Saturday night raffle, and also the rod, reel and line for the ultimate winner.

The competition base at Creswick Caravan Park was a great central location to a variety of waters and is worthy of a Club Trip venue for next year. The caravan park operator provided a pleasant and clean environment and was very supportive of fly fishers.



Congratulations to Geoff Lay for claiming the Wastell Trophy with the winning fish – 2.7 kg brown from Tullaroop. Commiserations go to David J who caught what could have been the winning fish nearby to Geoff and at whose invitation Geoff chose Tullaroop to fish on the Saturday.

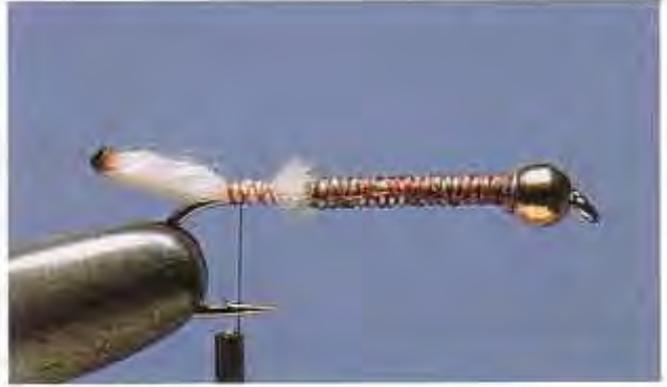
Well done Ballarat Fly Fishing Club on a sensational fishing and social weekend — we will return!



FROM THE FLY TIERS DESK— PEEPING CADDIS



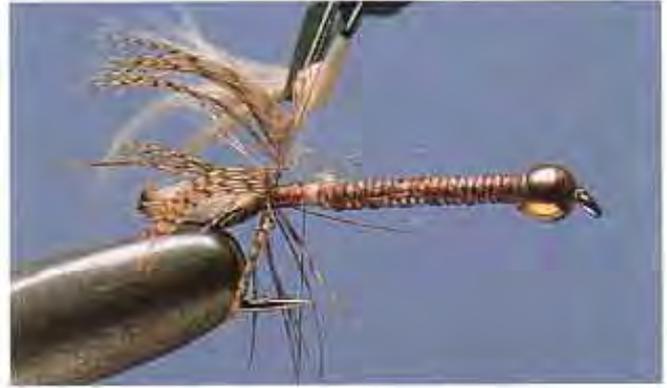
1 Select a hook that will accommodate the gold bead, and slip it over the point and up to the eye before fixing the hook in the vise. Wind on close turns of lead wire. Leave a small gap in the wire underbody, toward the bend of the hook.



2 Run on the tying thread at the eye and wind it over the lead wire. Catch in a short length of yarn, burned at one end, at the bend, in the gap left behind the lead body.



3 Prepare a brown partridge hackle, stroking the fibers away from the tip. Catch it in by its tip, at the base of the yarn body.



4 Hold the hackle by the base with hackle pliers and wind on three turns. Stroke the fibers back after each turn so that they project over the yarn. Secure the hackle and trim off the excess.



5 Catch in 3 inches (7.5cm) of fine, gold wire before applying a body of dubbed hare's fur.



6 Carry the hare's fur right up to the bead, then wind evenly spaced turns of the gold wire to form the rib. Secure the wire and remove the excess. Cast off the tying thread.

SHOT OF THE MONTH



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- Our goal is to bring you top quality fly fishing tackle at the very best prices.
- Our prices are 30-50% less than retail for similar quality products, and within reach of the person who it matters most to....you!
- The difference is ours don't come with the same high price tag



'The Fly Club'

Fly fishing, beers, pies, movies, every Thursday at
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