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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

Just a quick review of the year 2015/16. The activities have been wide and varied with trips to Creswick, Wastell Trophy, Big River, Taponga, Newlyn Reservoir, Caringal Scout Camp, New Zealand and Tassie.

NZ was a real blast and the six guys that went had a great trip, good fishing and good company. We hope that New Zealand will become a fixture on the calendar in the coming years.

Tassie as always was a great trip but conditions including high winds and low water levels marred the fishing, but not the enjoyment of the Apple Isle. Sightseeing and gourmet afternoon teas seem to have been added to the schedule.

Our monthly meetings have been well attended and membership has been increasing at a steady rate. Fly Tying has had a committed band of attendees under the watchful eye of Bob Fisher who also doubles as barman. Our newsletter editor soldiered on hitting the keyboard on a regular basis and has indicated that he would like to train an apprentice with the view of taking over.

My thanks go to all the committee members who have worked tirelessly in doing all the little things that you don't notice until it doesn't happen. During the year we have been successful in gaining a government grant that will allow us to have new signage and flyers produced to advertise the Club. The grant also enables us to promote fly fishing to the public and hopefully gain more members with our casting days at Devilbend.

The Annual Dinner was again a very successful night and I thank all those who contributed raffle prizes.

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 August 7th @ Bob Fisher's

COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday 8th September - 6.30 pm

CLUB MEETING

Thursday 25th August @ Wranglers

FOR YOUR DIARIES

*Devilbend Working Bee - Saturday
August 27th*

Blue Rock Trip - Sunday August 28th

Lake Fyans Fly in - 7/8/9th October

Wastell Trophy - 15/16 October

SHOT OF THE MONTH

*Dave Swallow - opening weekend in
Tassie*

JOHN MCKAY AWARD

This year's winner of the Clubman of the Year award is staunch supporter and committee member Jon Klarenbeek who is pictured below after receiving the award at last months Annual Dinner held at the Frankston International.



In addition Jon and Graeme Hay received their 15 year Club member certificates.

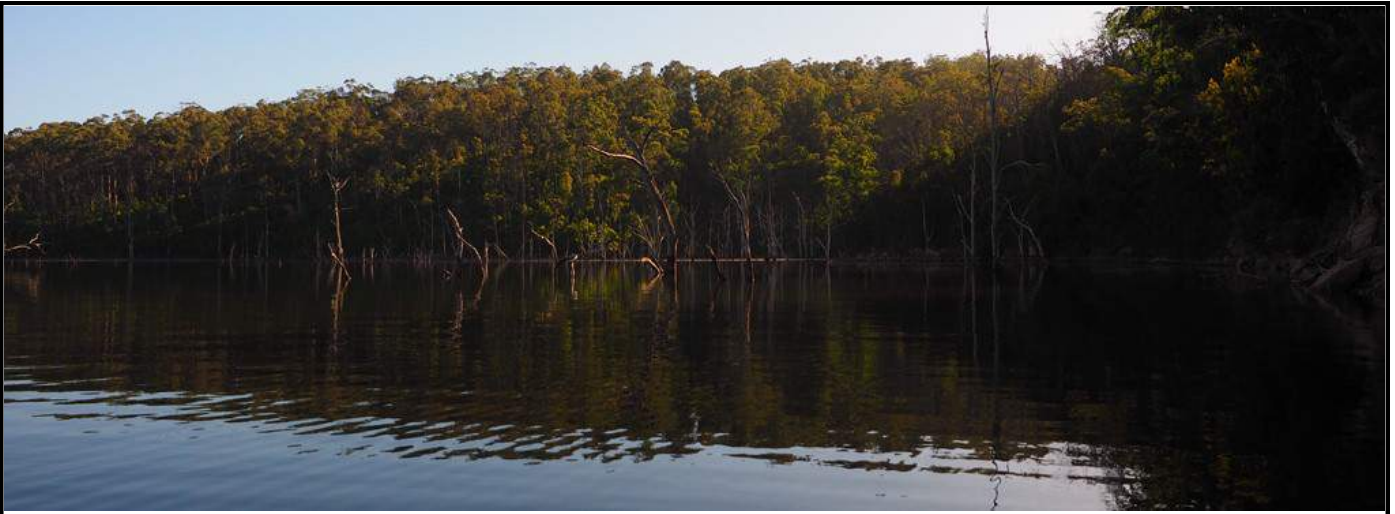


FROM THE ANNUAL DINNER



Another fantastic roll-up and a great social night culminating in a very successful raffle!

AUGUST CLUB TRIP - BLUE ROCK DAM



This month's club trip is a day outing on Sunday August 28th to Blue Rock Dam outside Moe. The lake is approx. 30 km north of Moe. To get there travel via M1 and turn left at Trafalgar on the Willow Grove Rd. Travelling time is 1.5 hours from Frankston. Further advice at this month's meeting.

There are ample opportunities for shore based fishing as well as "float tubes" and kayaks.

Originally built to supply drinking water to the surrounding Latrobe Valley, Blue Rock Lake is now home to a diverse range of freshwater fish species, from trout and redfin to carp and (more recently) Aussie bass. Since 2002, the lake has seen stocked with over 160,000 native Australian bass fingerlings which have become the prime target for anglers fishing the lake.



Blue Rock Lake has two main access points, one being the boat ramp at the dam wall off Spillway Rd which gives visitors access to about 700m of shoreline. The boat ramp is perfect for launching kayaks. When the lake is 100%, launching a boat here can be difficult due to the rocks lining the shoreline, but when the lake has dropped (like now), it's ideal for launching boats too.

The other main access point is at the northern end of the lake where there is another boat ramp off Old Tanjil Rd. This boat ramp is ideal for those looking to access the Tanjil Arm across the other side of the lake. This boat ramp gives land-based anglers access to about 800m of immediate shoreline. A walking track connects the northern boat ramp to Blue Rock Rd, just below Willow Grove, allowing 1.5km of further access to the shoreline.

Blue Rock really is a beautiful lake with a stunning backdrop of Mt Baw Baw and surrounding bushland. Freshwater anglers come from afar to target Australian bass, trout, redfin, eel and carp. The lake is suitable for boat, kayak, and land-based fishing.

Both boat ramps have terrific amenities with rotunda for shelter from sun and rain, BBQ's, a toilet block, picnic tables and huge well-maintained lawn areas for picnics.

ITS ON AGAIN - TIME FOR US TO MAKE ANOTHER IMPACT!!

Devilbend Natural Features Reserve Community Weeding Day



We missed last year due to a clash with other club events—so we really need a good showing for a couple of hours on the Saturday morning. Badge up and be there to demonstrate our ongoing support of the reserve.



If you want to make a difference and leave a positive environmental footprint, come along and be a part in the newest natural features reserve and largest inland water body on the Mornington Peninsula.

When: Saturday 27th August 2016

Where: Devilbend Natural Features Reserve Picnic Ground (Melways map 152 J3)

Time: 9:30am – 12:30pm

What to bring: Leather gloves, loppers or pruning handsaw and sunglasses or clear protective glasses.

RSVP by 25th August 2016 to Sam Pollard email spollard@parks.vic.gov.au or Marnie Fitzsimons marnie_fitzsimons@yahoo.com.au

LOOKING AHEAD - 2016 ONE FLY

This year's MPFF One Fly is going back to Newlyn Reservoir on **Saturday 24th September** followed by a BBQ lunch and presentation.

To vary this year's event, members may also choose

to visit any other of the lakes in the surrounding area including Dean Reservoir and Hepburn Lagoon before returning for the presentation.



Dean Reservoir



Located about 11 kms from Creswick on the road to Daylesford; follow the signs just past the Newlyn Hotel on the right. Maps for the locations of the other lakes will be available and they are both within 20 mins drive.

Hepburn Lagoon



For members wishing to make the event a weekend trip—accommodation will be at Creswick Caravan Park. Please make your own arrangements—but the club marquee will be there.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE

You are reminded that your Annual Membership renewal is due!!!

Membership Fees are levied per financial year and are due and payable on 1st July and payment must be made no later than the 30th September 2016.

Membership Fees from 1st July 2016– 30th June 2017 remain unchanged and are:

Single: \$70.00 (including insurance)

Family: \$85.00 (including insurance)

Your subscription may be paid in the following ways:

- Direct to the Treasurer at a club meeting
(with a completed renewal form)
OR
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Please include your full name as the reference.
OR
- Post a cheque, and completed renewal form, to: **The Treasurer, MPFF Inc, PO Box 848, Frankston. 3199**

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**



FROM THE FLY TIERS DESK - EMERGER



1 Fix the hook in the vise. Run the tying thread on at the eye and wind it down the shank in close turns to a point opposite the barb. Take a pinch of gray cul-de-canard fibers and catch it in as the tail.



2 Tease out a pinch of olive Antron dubbing fur and apply it thinly to the tying thread. Twist it into a slim rope and wind it two-thirds of the way to the eye.



3 Choose two cul-de-canard plumes of equal size and of the same shade of gray. Put them together so that their tips are level and secure just in front of the body with a few turns of thread.



4 Take a second pinch of olive Antron and apply it to the tying thread. Wind the fur up to the eye to form a distinct thorax.



5 With the tying thread just behind the eye, take a needle and loop the cul-de-canard plumes around it. Keeping tension on the loop, secure the butts with thread at the eye.



6 With the looped back formed, remove the excess plumes with scissors. Finally, build a small, neat head with the thread before casting off with a whip finish.

SHOT OF THE MONTH from OUR TASSIE CORRESPONDENT

Tassie trout season opened here last week with the sun shining, lots of boats on the water and bank walkers all prospecting the many lakes both in the lowlands and highlands.

In the highlands many anglers in the Western Lakes had to compete with iced over waters but quite a few fish were caught pulling wets with DI 3 sink and sweep lines on Penstock.

On the low lands both Lake Leak and Four Springs had its fair share of boats on the water, I decided to miss the Saturday opening and start my season on Sunday at Four Springs.

With the large amount of rain over the last few months causing major flooding, Four Springs water was very dirty, however this didn't deter the fish from accepting a well presented Woolly Bugger or similar wet streamer and we caught 5 good fish including one nice brown and 2 good sized rainbows.

Joe Riley, Captain of the Australian Fly Fishing Team who is heading off to Canada in a few weeks for the world titles, caught 14 good fish at Penstock on Sunday. Regards Dave.



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