

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

Gee time goes fast when you're having fun. June already and it is time to book for the Night of Nights - the Dinner of the Year! So guys, it's time to take that special one out for a treat and come to the Annual Dinner. Talk to someone on the committee to confirm your booking.

Its also time to mark the calendar for the trip to Tranquil Rises at Flowerdale. Bob would like to know numbers for catering and don't forget: barbless hooks or pliers to flatten barbs.

Over the long weekend I had a brief look at a distance casting competition down at Southern Fly Fishers. The whole comp was with 5 weight lines, rods no longer than 9 foot, but any weight rod that you could handle 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, were some that were used. I still can't get my head around the combinations used. But it was fun to watch and got me thinking I might be able to get some use out of that draw full of old lines.

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

Regards, Russ Johnson.



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CLUB REMINDERS

FLY TYING

CANCELLED

COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday 13th July - 6.30 pm

CLUB MEETING

Thursday 22nd June @ Wranglers

AT THE MEETING

Fishing spot "Mud Map" swap meet

FOR YOUR DIARIES

Tranquil Rises - Sunday June 25th

Annual Dinner - Saturday July 22nd

AGM - Thursday July 27th - Wranglers

SHOT OF THE MONTH

Steve Birchall's Goulburn brown

NOMINATIONS NEEDED



Nominations are now open for the John McKay Memorial Award for Club Member of the Year 2017.

Forms will be circulated at the next meeting and members are asked to nominate a member for this prestigious Club Award. Previous winners

- 2006 – Robert Fisher
- 2007 – David Barry
- 2008 – Mark Scheimer
- 2009 – Tom Camp
- 2010 – David Johnson
- 2011 – Sam Stott
- 2012 – Robert Fisher
- 2013 – Andrew Pastuszka
- 2014 – Ian Herron
- 2015 - Steve Darnell
- 2016 - Jon Klarenbeek
- 2017 - ??????????

Members are also hereby given notice that the Annual General Meeting of MPFF Inc will take place on Thursday 27th July 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Wranglers Clubrooms. (See notice elsewhere)

LAST MEETING - FLYFINZ PRESENTATION



We again welcomed Jim Baumgartel from Flyfinz

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ANNUAL MEETING

I hereby give notice that the Annual General Meeting of Mornington Peninsula Fly Fishers Inc will be held on **Thursday 27th of July 2017** at the Wranglers clubrooms, 4 - 6 Carder Ave Frankston commencing at 7.30 pm.

All positions for committee will become vacant and elections will take place at the AGM.

Nominations for the committee are required to be received by the Returning Officer (Steve Darnell) NO later than the 13th July 2017.

Should the number of nominations received be equal to the positions available, the person nominated will be deemed to be elected.

There will only be a call from the floor should there be insufficient written nominations to fill the positions of committee.

If there is an excess of written nominations, an election will be required for those positions.

A copy of the financial statements will be available for viewing at the Annual General meeting
Ian Herron

Secretary

Mornington Peninsula Fly Fishers Inc.

ANNUAL DINNER

*You are cordially invited to
celebrate our 18th Annual Dinner
at*

*Best Western Frankston
International Motel*

on

Saturday 22nd July 2017.

Pre Dinner Drinks from 7:00pm

Buffet Dinner at 7:45pm

Members & Spouse \$50.00 /head

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NIGHT*

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mpflyfishers@gmail.com*

By Friday 14th July 2017.

EILDON CLUB TRIP REPORT

Friday morning - weather good traffic light, coffee and conversation good. The trip to Eildon passed quickly. On arrival we found Terry the booking agent for our group was not happy Jan! It seems that the palace we had been promised was a pumpkin. After sorting the power outage we had heating, stove, a fridge, and a roof over our heads. It couldn't be too bad.

As we had been warned the Australian Fly Fishing Championships were on the Goulburn, all the beats were marked out but not many fishing. Frank and I cast to fish all afternoon but no takers, Terry managed a couple.

We got back to camp at beer o'clock to be joined by Peter Catt and Steve Birchall, and the national ambassador for Aldi - Sam Stott who kept the group entertained with his show and tell - a 3 lb rainbow from the pondage accompanied with music from his mobile music maker. Dinner in the camp kitchen with an old friend what a treat!

Saturday - weather still good but hard to find any water not marked out and taken by competition participants. A late lunch, and Terry, Frank and I thrashed the pondage. Fish sighted but no takes, a warm van has more appeal than frozen undercarriage.

Peter and Steve walked until they run out of markers and got onto a few. (photos elsewhere in this newsletter)

Sat night saw the Tigers have a win and I'm told we had a severe thunder storm with lightning strikes within the park. This is all hearsay as the red tablets I had taken let me sleep right through.

Sunday - wet. Fished at caravan park, rises but no takers. Peter and Steve fished on the way home with some success.

A little red wine lots of laughter and good company makes for a good weekend. A fish would be just a bonus!

Russ "Woger" Johnson

THIS MONTH'S CLUB TRIP

This month we have confirmed a day trip to Tranquil Rises Flowerdale on Sunday June 25th.

***Cost: \$30 / head
Payable on the day***



Those who wish to make it a weekend trip can also camp. Two cabins with bunks and heating available at \$40 /head/night.

This is a catch and release facility (so barbless hooks only!) - catering for fly fishers and currently stocked with Rainbow Trout, Golden Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout, Yellowbelly (Golden Perch) and Silver Perch.



Fish from the bank—no wading allowed. Just bring your gumboots as the edges could be damp.

Travel Directions:

Take Mornington Peninsula Fwy/M11, Eastlink/M3 and Maroondah Hwy/State Route 34 to Victoria Rd in Chirnside Park

Continue on Victoria Rd to Yering and take Yarra Glen Bypass to Melba Hwy B300

Follow B300 to Break O'day Rd in Glenburn

Turn left onto Break O'day Rd and travel approx. 14 km

Turn left onto Whittlesea-Yea Rd/C725 and travel approx 6 km

Slight left onto Collins Rd and the farm is located at **75 Collins Road Flowerdale**

Travel Time approx. 90 mins from Frankston



PROPOSED CHANGES TO VICTORIAN TROUT FISHING

Fisheries Victoria are currently consulting with recreational fishers about proposed changes to Victorian trout fishing regulations to make for even better trout fishing in Victoria.

Background

The State Government's Target One Million plan includes a commitment to introduce a minimum size for trout. Over the past two years, we have worked closely with trout fishers to understand their views, examined how best to implement minimum size limits and considered other trout regulation proposals.



As part of this process, we have looked at trout population data and considered how minimum size limits may affect trout fishing and participation. We understand there is a wide variety of fisher views on trout regulations. These proposed changes have the broad support of the Victorian Trout Reference Group.

The proposed regulations will complement record trout stocking now underway across Victoria.

Proposed regulations and rationale

Introduce a 25 cm minimum size for trout and reduce the bag limit from 5 to 3 trout for the following waters: Nariel Creek (upstream of Colac Colac bridge), Goulburn River below Lake Eildon, Mitta Mitta River (upstream of Lake Dartmouth), Ovens River (upstream of Porepunkah Bridge). Existing regulations that no more than 2 salmonids may exceed 35 cm will continue to apply to these waters.

This proposal acknowledges the high social value that trout fishers place on these iconic streams. As fishing pressure in trout are not expected to significantly improve trout catches however, wild trout fishing destinations. Fisheries Victoria does not support most (~70%) of our wild river trout don't reach 25 cm in length an an important fisher motivation for many. Reducing fishing particip One Million commitment to get more people fishing, more often.



Introduce a 45 cm minimum size limit for trout in Hepburn Lagoon and Lake Toolondo with a reduced bag limit from 5 to 3 trout per day.

These lakes have a reputation for growing large trout and these regulations are expected to increase the size of harvested fish, which will increase visitation. Similar regulations at Penstock Lagoon in Tasmania have created a high quality "put and grow" fishery that is valued by trout fishers.

Removing the trout closed season for the Hopkins and Merri Rivers

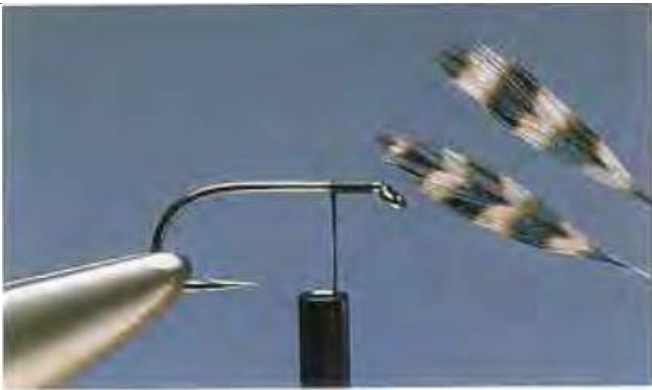
A separate proposal to remove the salmonid close season for the Merri and Hopkins rivers has also been discussed at length through various recreational fishing forums. These South West coastal rivers are reliant on annual fish stocking, which is used to manage trout abundance and support high quality trout fishing. These productive waters have a reputation for growing large trout and opening up these waters during winter will increase fishing participation and make a strong contribution to the local economy.

Have your say

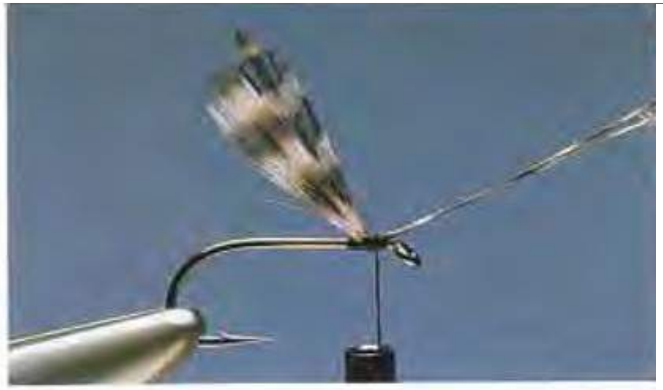
If you would like to discuss these proposed regulations or have your say contact or send your written correspondence **by no later than Thursday 13 July 2017** to:

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FROM THE FLY TIERS DESK - ADAMS



1 With the hook fixed in the vise, run the tying thread a short distance down the shank. Select two grizzle hackle points and remove the base fibers so the tips are the same length as the hook.



2 Place the hackles together so that the tips are level. Catch the hackle in place by the bare sections of stem, a short distance from the eye.



3 Part the hackle points, using the tip of a needle if necessary. Pull the bare stems through the gap and secure with thread along the shank. This ensures the tips remain apart.



4 Remove any excess hackle stem, then run the tying thread down the shank. Take a few fibers of brown and grizzle hackle and catch them in place.



5 Offer a pinch of gray muskrat or rabbit underfur up to the thread. Dub it on to form a slim rope and wind up to the base of the wings to form the body.



6 Take two cock hackles, one brown, one grizzle with fibers of equal length. Prepare them, leaving a short length of bare stem, and catch in behind the wing. Wind on four turns up to the eye. Secure with thread and remove the excess.

SHOT OF THE MONTH



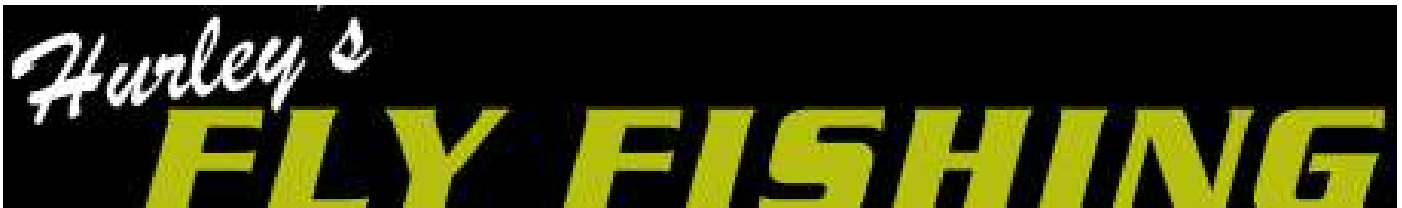
Steve Birchall with a nice Goulburn brown taken on the Eildon Club Trip.

Steve and Peter Cattermole fished Goulburn River up from the bridge on the Maroondah Hwy at Alexandra towards the Breakaway.

They reported: "We caught a dozen fish for the day between us. A good spot when the river levels are low, lots of runs holding fish."



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