

November 2017

FlyLines



Welcome to the November Edition of Flylines,

Spring is here. The sun is warmer and the days are getting longer. The range and quality of fishing options are almost endless.

The cover of this month's newsletter shows Dianne Ellis with Clubs Largest registered Carp capture which measured at 735mm. Great catch Dianne , and thanks for sending us the pics!

This weeks meeting will be popular, with well known writer, flyfisher and photographer David Anderson joining us for a presentation. Anyone who has read Flylife Magazine will be familiar with David's beautiful images and articles. David also has a new book out called "Places to catch Trout in Australia and New Zealand" which he will discuss and also offer for purchase.

Check out his small stream blog at <http://www.twigwater.com/> for more info.

REMINDER that the Christmas Party is on now on 6.30pm Wednesday December 6th at Collegians. Please be sure to check out the attached flyer and register for Tickets and seating. Beware the dates have changed to Wednesday the 6th December. See attached PDF for details

Southern Bass Lake Yarrunga Challenge is coming up on the weekend of the 10th, 11th and 12th of November. Entry fee is \$70 , camping available at the stunning Bendeela Reserve. Should be a great social weekend and also the Bass will be on the chew! See attached PDF for details

- November Casting practice . This Sunday at 10am November is the last practice for the Calendar year. Casting will return in February. First Sunday after the Monthly Club Meeting. Find it In Towradgi Park, adjacent to Towradgi Bowling Club.
- Flytying Competition for November is the brilliant Parachute Adams

Thankyou to those that have and continue to help fill this newsletter by sending me pictures and reports from fishing throughout the month. Much appreciated. make the effort , take some snaps of your outings for the newsletter.

Tight lines,

Mitch

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Mitch 0423 666 583

Fishing Report – October 2017

Chaffey Dam with Dianne and Ray Ellis



Like the carp on the Cover , this 46cm Yellowbelly took a bass Vampire. Caught on an 8weight using 20 lb leader. Really dark colored example of a Golden Perch. Thanks for sending in the pictures Dianne and it's good to see that Harfin reel getting good use.

Tongariro River , New Zealand



Dave with a typical healthy Rainbow on the two hander. And standing in the river while the raft group go past.



Dave Beconsall and myself (Mitch) spent two weeks in New Zealand fishing the mighty Tongariro River. According to the locals , fishing in the area is the best it's been in years. We fished a number of rivers in the area but focussed mostly on the majestic Tongariro.

We fished a variety of techniques including the traditional upstream indicator nymphing as well as Czech nymphing to sighted fish. Having done lots of this style of fishing , it became a little boring , so we busted out the two handed rods. I had recently purchased a TFO #6 12'8" spey rod and after a few lessons from Dave , was casting ok and soon missing fish.

Swinging streamers like Rabbit Flies on the Spey rods was brilliant. Rather than catching colored up spawning fish , the Streamers caught a higher quality and more fresh silver fish. The takes were aggressive and the the fish fought harder with more energy.

Having spent the last 20 years casting single handers and Czech nymphing , I needed to spice up my flyfishing experience. Spey rods and swinging streamers was just the ticket. While I have

since used the Spey rod on the Tumut River , I'm pretty sure I will have to return to NZ to get more use . Ah what a dilemma.....





Bass Trip to Shoalhaven



Joe Manzano sent some pics for the newsletter after a recent trip chasing some Bass. Joe had success on the classic Crickroach, as seen in the pics. Kim bagged 8 with his biggest measuring 39cm while Mal tamed a 38cm model and a Herring



November Fly of the Month Parachute Adams

The **Adams** is a traditional dry fly. It is a general imitation of an adult mayfly , caddis or midge. It was designed by Leonard Halladay from Michigan in 1922, at the request of his friend Charles Adams. The Adams has been considered one of the most popular, versatile, effective and best selling dry flies since its creation.

The Adams has been tied with a variety of materials and variations. The most common variation is the Parachute Adams where the hackle is tied parachute style around a wing base of white calf hair. The variation gives the fly greater buoyancy and visibility in rough water.

Parachute Adams



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Recipe

Hook – Dry Fly – TMC 100

Thread – Brown

Tail – Brown and Grizzly Hackle fibres

Body – Muskrat (grey) Dubbing

Hackle – Brown and Grizzly Hackle

Wing – White Calf tail or body hair, or Synthetic Hair

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- **Complete Angler Sydney** kindly donate a \$50 voucher for our monthly club raffle. Members receive 10% discount on all purchases.

- **Collegians Football Club** allow us use of its rooms for both Club meetings and our monthly fly tying nights, as well as donating vouchers for meals at the Club



IFFC Library

Magazines , Books and DVD's. Borrow from the club Library. Gary Batey lugs the collection to each meeting. It's very easy to borrow something..

If you have borrowed , remember to throw it in your car ready for the next club meeting.



EPIRB / PLB

The club has several EPIRB (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon) aka PLB (Personal Location Beacon) available for Free to use by members but a \$50 deposit is required. Contact:

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ILLAWARRA FLY FISHERS' CLUB

CLUB CALENDAR 2017

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WHEN		EVENT/ ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT	
Day	Date				Name	Number
Monday	March 6	Management meeting	07:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	March 7	General club meeting: New Zealand	07:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	March 12	Casting Clinic ^{Note 1}	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Monday	March 19	Bass trip	07:00 am	Gradys	Malcolm Lowe	(0412) 295.058
Weekend	March 25-26	Women's Weekend		Thredbo	Neil Nelson	(0418) 258.146
Monday	April 3	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	April 3	General club meeting				
		Guest Speaker - Juan Del Carmen	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	April 9	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Weekend	April 22-23	Jindabyne trip ^{Note 2}		Jindabyne	Malcolm Lowe	(0412) 295.058
Monday	May 1	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	May 2	General club meeting:				
		Mitch Thornton - Taimen in Mongolia	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	May 7	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Weekend	May 5-7	CFA Meet ^{Note 3}		Wallerawang	Neil Nelson	(0418) 258.146
Weekend	May 9-13	Adaminaby ^{Note 4}		Adaminaby	Barry Gentle	(0416) 127.865
Monday	June 5	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	June 6	General club meeting: ^{Note 5}				
		Neil + Barry - New Zealand	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Weekend	June 10-12	Close of season trip - Adaminaby			Malcolm Lowe	(0412) 295.058
Sunday	June 11	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Sunday	Jun-24	Casting Clinic - Juan Del Carmen	10:00 am	Kanahooka	Juan	
Monday	July 3	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	July 4	General club meeting:				
		Peter Morse	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	July 9	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Weekend	July 21 + 22	Australian Salmon weekend		Swansea	Neil Nelson	(0418) 258.146
Saturday	July 29	Lakeside FFC President's Challenge	9:00	Kyle Bay B/ Club	Neil Nelson	(0418) 258.146
Monday	July 24	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	August 1	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	August 6	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Monday	Sept. 4	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	Sept. 5	General club meeting				
		Subject/ speaker to be advised	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	Sept. 10	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Monday	Oct. 2	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	Oct. 3	General club meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	Oct. 8	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Weekend	Sept. 20 to October 2	Opening weekend 2017/ 2018 trout season ^{Note 6}				
Weekend	24 and 25	Club trip - Adaminaby ^{Note 7}	TBA TBA	Adaminaby Adaminaby	Malcolm Lowe Malcolm Lowe	(0412) 295.058 (0412) 295.058
Monday	Nov. 6	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	Nov. 7	General club meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	Nov. 12	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
	Nov.24-26	Tuross Lakes	Weekend	Tuross Lakes		
Monday	Dec. 4	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	Dec. 5	Christmas Dinner and Presentation	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		

Notes:

1. Casting location - the oval adjacent to Towradgi Bowling Club, Towradgi Road.
2. Anzac Day is Tuesday, April 25 - stay longer than the weekend should you wish to
3. See IFFC email 08.03.17 for further details
4. Barry + Kim have extended an invitation to attend a personal trip to Adaminaby between Tuesday (09.05.17) and Saturday (13.09.17) - see Barry for details
5. Neil + Barry discussing and showing slides of the annual New Zealand trip
6. This is the weekend of the annual interclub competition between IFFC and Lakeside FFC - the more fish we catch, the better chance of winning the trophy for another year.
7. The weekend of October 24 and 25 is a tag along weekend for the less experienced members - tag along with a more experienced member to increase your skills.