

October 2017

FlyLines



Welcome to the October Edition of Flylines,

Firstly , thankyou to everyone who offered feedback on my first edition of the Newsletter. It remains a work in progress and please feel free to ask, tell or make suggestions. More importantly , send some photos or any content for inclusion.

This month's Cover has Tony Dimitrieski with a stunning Rainbow from his recent trip to the mighty Tongariro River in New Zealand. Great stuff , Tony , and thanks for the pic!

Facebook users please "like" and follow the club page to increase its circulation. Facebook will increase contact between some members but definitely promote our club to a wide audience and ideally increase membership as a result.

Club Trip to Adaminaby for the Opening of the Trout season is Friday 29th September to Monday 2nd October (which is the long weekend). Plenty of interest in this trip based at the Alpine Cabins just out of Adaminaby. Great fun and great fishing to be had. Speak to Barry Gentle 0416 127 865 or Malcolm Lowe 0412 295 058 to get onboard. Check the attached Poster for further details.

Hinchinbrook Island Fishing Competition was held last month. Sounds like the weather and fishing turned it on , with Dingo Dave Bradley and Al Simpson taking out the Top Team and Daniel Collins crowned Champion Angler.. Well done to local Evan Scott from Flats Sticks who not only supported the Comp as a sponsor , but had a good old bash on the fly rod too. Having only flyfished a few times he did well finishing 7th Team.

- Casting practice Sundays after the meeting. Improve your cast. Try other rod and line combinations. Start **10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.** (February to November) Towradgi Park, adjacent to Towradgi Bowling Club.
- Flytying Competition for September is the classic Coch-y-bondu

Tight lines,

Mitch

Illawarra Flyfishers Merchandise

“Support the club. Buy some merchandise. Wear a shirt. Put a sticker on your boat. Stick it on your car. Or esky. Buy an Illawarra Flyfishers embroidered patch. Stick on your vest!”

- IFF Shirts - Vented back to keep cool , long sleeves for protection from the elements. Gusseted pockets for all those gadgets.
- IFF Polo Shirts - No reasonable offer refused! CRAZY SALE all stock must go! Sizes XL and Extra Large



- IFF Stickers - Buy one for the Car, Boat , Esky. Support and represent the club! Only \$XXXx .
- IFF hat pin - for your hat or favourite Tweed Jacket. Add to your hat pin collection. Great for clearing the eye of hooks.
- IFF Patches - Embroidered. Green and Gold ovals patches for your fishing shirt or vest. Great help to identify other club members in the field.

Buy, borrow, swap and sell

Clean out some unused stuff , make some coin , so you can buy some more stuff.

- FREE Canadian 12' Canoe (in need of some TLC) Mitch 0423 666 583

Fishing Report – September Meeting 2017

Fishing report for September from the club meeting:

- Barry went polaroiding around Lake Jindabyne last month and spotted a nice 60cm fish but would not take after throwing several different flies at it.
- Warwick Reader fished Great Lake in Tasmania in very bad windy weather and found a great pub nearby which turned out to be a great place to be!
- Mick O'Brien from Sale, Victoria recently fished the Bemm River looking for Bream and EP's and found a nice bream caught on a crazy Charlie – fishing was tough going on the fly. Saw a good size Estuary Perch come close to the fly but did not take.
- Phil O'Brien fished Hervey Bay recently and caught ...wait for it...yellowtail to 40cm! and ...a 50cm Grinner! The real Hervey Bay fish weren't on at all after travelling a very long way. However, Phil did say that a week later after Phil left, the locals were catching decent size Cobia amongst other fish – hmmm.
- Neil and Joel Nelson fished Mainbar for a Whiting to 27cm and a couple of Pike!
- Phil received a report from Mike Parkinson that he had caught a 38cm mullet and a 42cm flathead at Brunswick Heads.

And that's the fishing report for September

Regards
Chris



When your wife asks if the
kids are ok whilst your out
fishing 🐟🐟🐟



Ray Ellis has been active on the Largest Fish Register this month taking a few top positions. Quite the variety with Carp , Bass and even a Yellowbelly for his efforts. Well done Ray and Dianne for the pictures.



IFTD and EFTEXX

- Scott “G” Series have combined presentation and power with this medium action rod which won Best new Freshwater Flyrod. And they made it lighter than ever! With a retail of \$1299 AUD , I feel lighter already.....
- Patagonia Middle Fork Packable Waders weigh about 700 grams and extremely compact while still using 4 layer fabric for waterproofing and durability.
- Nautilus GTX Reel is designed for the toughest saltwater fish including GT and Tuna in places like Cosmoledo and the Seychelles. Weighing only 250 grams this 5” reel holds 500 yards of 50lb braid backing. Made in the USA
- Sage have taken the technology used in the X series and produced the Salt HD which won the coveted “Best of Show” for the second year in a row. Tough feild including the Helios 3 from Orvis, Scott G series and the IMX-Pro from Loomis. Built in the USA , retail around \$1390 AUD.
- RIO won all 3 Fly line and leader categories

Locally here in Australia at the AFTA Show

- Best fly Rod - Sage Salt HD
- Best fly Line - RIO Flats Pro
- Best Fly Reel - Hardy Ultralite MTX
- Best New line (Braid) - SUNLINE Siglon PE

The Coch-y-bondu is a classic English pattern known for more than 300 years. Tied both wet and dry , it's a basic beetle pattern similar to the Red Tag. The name Coch-y-bondu in Welsh "red with black trunk" refers to the distinct feathers used to tie the fly.

Like many kids growin the bush I spent much time hanging around the creeks and dams fishing and hunting. In 1989 I spotted a trout in the creek in the front paddock of my parents farm. The following week I was talking tactics with my friend in the tackle shop , Goeff Hetherington. Soon after I was armed with a fly line and reel , a 6 foot solid glass spin rod , tapered nylon leader and 1 fly. The Cochy-bondu.

Remarkably , I landed a decent cast up under the bridge. The fish appeared , followed my drifting fly and the line went tight and rod loaded up. After a few minutes I netted the fish, a beautiful 3 ½ pound Brown Trout. I was shaking with shock and excitement. Those memories will remain with me forever , all thanks to Geoff Hetherington , and that little Cochy-bondu. I still have the original fly.

Coch Y Bondhu



Recipe

Hook – Dry Fly Size 12 - 20

Thread – Black or Brown

Tag – Gold Tinsel

Body – Peacock Herl

Hackle – Red Cock

Our Sponsors

The Illawarra Fly Fishers' Club is supported by a number of sponsors. Please remember these businesses when making purchasing decisions, as they need your support as our Club needs theirs.

- **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



Illawarra Flyfishers Largest Fish Register

Fish must be caught on fly, in season, in NSW public waters and equal or exceed the minimum length requirements.
Bass to be measured to tail fork.

14th September 2017

SPECIES	FLY FISHER	Length in CM or Weight Kg	FLY AND HOOK SIZE	TIPPET IN POUNDS	LOCATION
<i>Bass</i>	<i>Ray Ellis</i>	<i>38.1</i>	<i>Vampire</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>Kempsey</i>
<i>Carp</i>	<i>Ray Ellis</i>	<i>66.5</i>	<i>Crazy Charlie</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>Chaffey Dam</i>
<i>Flathead</i>	<i>Mike Parkinson</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>Surf Candy</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Brunswick Heads</i>
<i>Mullet</i>	<i>Mike Parkinson</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>Surf candy</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Brunswick Heads</i>
<i>Whiting</i>	<i>Neil Nelson</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>Rays Epoxy Shrimp</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>Mainbar</i>
<i>Yellowbelly</i>	<i>Ray Ellis</i>	<i>45.5</i>	<i>Vampire</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>Chaffey Dam</i>

It's the start of the year.

Plenty of opportunities to get your name on the Largest Fish Register. New season and plenty of species not recorded yet.

Phil

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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|--------------------|---------------|--------------|
| • Nigel Pennington | Thirroul | 0418 427 658 |
| • Julian Watson | Corrimal East | 0418 631 225 |
| • Barry Gentle | Kiama | 4237 7452 |
| • Leo Harding | Bellambi | |

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ILLAWARRA FLY FISHERS' CLUB

CLUB CALENDAR 2017

R5 - 11.09.17

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 - showing				
		"Pure Fly New Zealand" DVD	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 - general chat/ chin wag for members to catch up after the opening weekend	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	Oct. 8	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
Weekend	Sept. 30 to October 2	Opening weekend 2017/ 2018 trout season ^{Note 6}	TBA	Adaminaby	Malcolm Lowe	(0412) 295.058
Weekend	21 and 22	Club trip - Adaminaby ^{Note 7}	TBA	Adaminaby	Malcolm Lowe	(0412) 295.058
Monday	Nov. 6	Management meeting	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Tuesday	Nov. 7	General club meeting - Guest Speaker: David Anderson ^{Note 8}	7:30 pm	Collegians Club		
Sunday	Nov. 12	Casting Clinic	10:00 am	Towradgi	Peter	(42) 28.5930
	Nov. 11 + 12	Southern Bass Invitational	Weekend	Bendeela/ Tallowa Dam	Malcolm Lowe	(0412) 295.058
	Nov.24-26	Tuross Lakes	Weekend	Tuross Lakes	Neil	(0418) 258.146

**ILLAWARRA FLY FISHERS' CLUB****CLUB CALENDAR 2017**

R5 - 11.09.17

WHEN		EVENT/ ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT	
Day	Date				Name	Number
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 21 and 22 is a tag along weekend for the less experienced members - tag along with a more experienced member to increase your skills.
8. David Anderson is a superb photographer and has written many articles for FLY LIFE magazine

SOUTHERN BASS

Invite you to fish the

LAKE YARRUNGA CHALLENGE

10th - 12th NOVEMBER 2017

Entry Fee: \$70.00 (senior) \$35.00 (junior under 16 years)

ENTRY FEE ALLOWS FOR HONORARY MEMBERSHIP FOR DURATION OF BASS CHALLENGE 6.30PM
FRIDAY TILL 2.00PM SUNDAY

LIFE JACKETS MUST BE WORN BY ALL PARTICIPATING ANGLERS WHILST ON THE WATER

Venue: Bendeela Picnic area Kangaroo Valley

Accommodation & Amenities:

Accommodation is Camping only so bring your own tents and gear. Caravans and Campers are quite welcome. Bendeela is in a quiet part of Lake Yarrunga and the facilities are minimal. There are no Showers or Electricity but there are toilet blocks and drinking water.

Briefing:

Briefing will on Friday night 10th November and will start around 8.00pm. All competition rules & regulations, fishing areas and details will be discussed and catch forms made available.

Key tags:

Numbered key tags will be issued to each team and **must** be handed in at the completion of each session. This will ensure that all competitors have returned safely to the competition venue. Any team not handing in the key tag at the designated time will be penalised one centimetre per minute.

Fishing Times:

Saturday 11th 5.30am to 6.00pm **(all competitors to be back at Bendeela by 6.30)**
Sunday 12th 5.30am to 11.00am **(all bass catch forms to be in by 11.30am)**

All anglers must hold a current NSW Recreational Fishing Licence.

All Bass measured to fork length.

Safety:

Fishing is strictly by **PADDLE POWER ONLY**, No motors are permitted, either petrol or electric. Worthiness of craft being used in this event is the responsibility of the competing angler and safety is of prime importance. Contestants fishing the Lake Yarrunga Bass Challenge do so at their own volition and risk.

Southern Bass Fishing Club Inc. will not accept any responsibility for accident, injury or loss occasioned during this event.

Meals:

Southern Bass will be providing a sausage sizzle on **Friday night** prior to the briefing and **Sunday lunch** prior to the presentation. The catered meal on **Saturday night** will to be provided by Southern Bass. The catered evening meal will consist of a main course followed by desert and coffee. This will commence at 7pm sharp to be followed by the club raffle. Soft drinks will be available for a nominal fee by Southern Bass. Gas BBQ Plates will be available for use by any competitor.

The presentation will be held on Sunday at 1.00pm after the BBQ

Raffle

Grab raffle will take place on Saturday after the meal starting at approximately 8pm.
Tickets will be on sale from 6.30pm on the Saturday.

All money raised from this and any other Southern Bass event goes back into the water in the form of restocking and your entry fee will provide sponsorship for these bass. Bass catch data collected from this event is part of NSW DPIs on going bass catch monitoring.

Entries and Contacts

Entries will close 30th October 2017. The event is limited to 100 ANGLERS ONLY fishing the competition. The first 100 entries received will be accepted.

Save disappointment and return your entry early.

Late entries or entries without payment will not be accepted

For more information contact

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Mobile: 0419315627 Email: rjdmellis@gmail.com

Linda Wright at:

Mobile: 0402905556 Email: southernbass2013@gmail.com

Please return your completed entry form and payment using the method that suits you best.

- 1. Direct payment to Southern Bass IMB Account
BSB 641-800 Account No 009137811
(Please include your name and Yarrunga in details)
Email completed form and bank deposit receipt to Dianne Ellis*
- 2. Mail cheques or money order and completed entry forms to:
Southern Bass Fishing Club
2 Reef Ave, Wombarra, NSW, 2515.*

LAKE YARRUNGA BASS CHALLENGE 2017

Entry Application

Fishing Club: Team Name:.....

Angler 1: Surname: First Name:.....

Address:.....

..... Phone:.....

Email Address:

Angler 2: Surname:..... First Name:.....

Address:.....

..... Phone:.....

Email address:.....

Senior Angler: x \$70.00 = \$ Junior Angler: x \$35.00 = \$

I/We, the undersigned wish to participate in the Lake Yarrunga Bass Challenge and agree that I/we do so at our own risk. Worthiness of craft being used in this event is the responsibility of the competing angler and must meet NSW Maritime standards as safety is of prime importance. We agree to abide by the rules and regulations as set down by the committee of Southern Bass Fishing Club Inc. and agree that Southern Bass Fishing Club Inc. shall not be responsible or liable for any loss or damage to any person or property, personal injury or loss of life. We the undersigned have read and understand and abide by the entry conditions.

Signed Angler 1:..... Signed Angler 2:.....

LIFE JACKETS MUST BE WORN BY ALL PARTICIPATING ANGLERS WHILST ON THE WATER

Once again Lake Yarrunga Bass Challenge Shirts will be available at the competition. These must be ordered and paid for with entry fee. Please indicate sizes and quantities.

Short Sleeve \$25.00 Long Sleeve \$40.00 Hoodies \$35.00

Some children's sizes available on request at the same prices

Size	Short Sleeve Polo	Long Sleeve Fishing Shirt	Hoodie with Zip	TOTAL \$
Small				
Medium				
Large				
X Large				
XXL				
XXXL				

TOTAL AMOUNT ENTRY FEE & SHIRTS (IF REQUIRED) \$.....

Please make Cheques or Money orders payable to: Southern Bass Fishing Club. Post or email all entries to the treasurer Dianne Ellis (0419315627) 2 Reef Ave Wombarra 2515 NSW.