



Fly Lines

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Welcome.

► **Next Meeting:**

Tuesday 6th August, 2024.

7:30pm

Collegians, North Wollongong.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

► **Casting Practice:**

Sunday 11th August, 2024.

10:00am

Towradgi Reserve, Towradgi

► **September Guest Speaker:**

Wayne Dixon, Snowy Flies.

Wayne will talk on Snowy Mountains Entamology and will also tie a few flies.

If someone says you fish too much, stop talking to them.

You don't need that kind of negativity in your life.





RISE
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Date	Location	Time
<p>20th August</p>	<p>Empire Theatre 327 Bong Bong St, Bowral</p> <p>Tickets:</p> <p>Adult: \$38.99 Concession: \$33.83</p>	<p>7:30 to 9:30pm</p>
<p>4th September</p>	<p>Gala Twin Cinema 204 Cowper St, Warrawong</p> <p>Tickets:</p> <p>TBA</p>	<p>7:00 to 9:00pm</p>

Taking Care of Your Fishing Gear.

If you're using your fly fishing gear properly, it's going to be put to work. Although you'll most likely be walking back to your vehicle post-fishing with a giant grin on your face, your gear will inevitably be covered in mud, scum, dry dirt particles and maybe some weeds.

Over time, the wear and tear can chip away at the quality and functionality of your gear. Poorly maintained gear will perform as such, so put in a little elbow grease to ensure you'll have a good time when you're back out on the water.



Fly Rods

Dish soap will give your rod a good clean. It will remove any grime that may cling to your rod without roughing up or ruining the veneer on your rod or ferrules. A toothbrush or vegetable brush will get into the little nooks and hard-to-reach places that make up the intricacies of your rod. Additionally, a quick application of some paraffin wax is a great way to give your ferrules a little care.

That said, exposed ferrules are very fragile and should be treated and cleaned as such. Properly treated ferrules will greatly increase the longevity of your rod.

If your rod sports some cork, a bit of wood oil will keep the cork in a healthy, like-new condition. All anglers can agree that there's truly nothing like a freshly treated cork handle; it's as if you can tell that the fish respond better to it or something.

When you stow your fly rod for an extended period, store it disassembled and horizontally. This will prevent damage to your tips and ferrules, as well as prevent any bending or permanent warp due to mismanaged weight that the rod is not designed to withstand.

Fly Reels

If possible, your reel should at least be washed thoroughly with warm water immediately after use or as soon as warm water is accessible, particularly if used in salt water. Tighten the drag to full before each rinse so that no water gets in and dries. Moisture build up in a reel that has been left to dry will do an unfortunate number on your reel, so try to prevent that to the best of your ability.

A compressed air can is super handy to have around for reel care and drying, especially if your reel was exposed to a heavy amount of grime and muck. To give the reel some routine cleaning, remove the spool and wash with water and dish soap. This soap is still gentle on the reel but will do a proper job. This task is a lot easier to perform when the line is not attached. Some reels can be soaked in a bucket to get particles removed from the bearings, but if you want to play it safe, use the same tooth or vegetable brush you used on your rod to give it a proper clean. And finally, apply some reel oil to any moving parts to keep them well lubricated and functioning properly.

When the reel makes its way to storage, the drag should be backed off respectfully. A neoprene reel case away from extreme heat and a low traffic area will protect the reel for use at a later date.

Taking Care of Your Fishing Gear.

Fly Lines

Many anglers are unaware that fly lines should get their own care and maintenance because it's often seen as disposable or easy to replace, but a nicked, cut, or cracked fly line can do irreversible damage to your fly rod and a good fly rod is not so easy to replace.

For proper fly line maintenance, a bucket of soapy warm water and a soft, large sponge will do the trick. After a soapy cleaning, apply a light touch of dressing to help it slide through the guides easily. How often should you clean your line? If you're an every other weekend fisherman, once a month should suffice; however if you go out once or twice a season, just remove any dust particles once a year is more than enough.

Flies

Luckily, cleaning your flies isn't a finicky or time-consuming task. Drop your flies into a bucket of warm water and let them soak for a little while. When they are looking good as new, lay them out on a towel or somesuch to air dry.

Because flies are so easy to maintain, they are not cleaned like they should be. When you don't take the time to clean them up, rust takes its toll and they become brittle. Rusting out your flies is easy to prevent, so when you perform scheduled maintenance on gear that requires a good cleaning, your flies should get some attention too.

To bring bedraggled flies back to life, grasp the fly with a thermostat and hold them over steam from a kettle/ jug and watch the hackles and fly spring back to "life".

Waders

Most wader manufacturers endorse the ability to clean your waders on the cold setting of your washing machine with a gentle detergent. Before you do so, check your wader brand's website or manual and make sure this is the case. If you're the least bit wary about what you find in your search, a simple wash with a backyard hose will do the trick.

Once they've been washed, apply a DWR treatment such as "REVIVEX" spray-on water repellent, but keep in mind you will have to activate the spray using a hairdryer or clothes dryer. Either way, you'll notice a nice difference post-drying and your waders will feel (and smell) like new.

Protecting Your Gear During Travel

Tailgate organisers for your flies, knives, forceps, etc., and a large plastic bin for your wet waders and wade boots will keep your fishing accessories organised and safe. It's also super nice to return to your vehicle all covered in water and mud and have a storage bin for said-muddy waders and wade boots. At the very least, some rubber floor mats lining the vehicle will prevent any damage or cringe-worthy clean-up jobs.

Roof racks these days are all the buzz and luckily, some avid fly fishermen have gotten into the roof rack industry with our sport in mind. Companies like "RIVERSMITH" have a great fly rod roof rack, allowing you to travel with your fully assembled fly rod from spot to spot without having to re-rig at each stop. They're also highly shock absorbent, easy to install and accommodate almost every mounting system.

Taking Care of Your Fishing Gear.



Proper Maintenance = Prime Fishing

Your fly fishing gear puts in a lot of work on the water to ensure you're getting what you're after. Do what you can to not overlook the importance of their proper maintenance. While we can't say for sure that the fish wouldn't bite at a poorly maintained fly hooked up to a poorly maintained rig, it should be considered sacrilege to think you'd get away with it.

All jokes aside, anything worth doing is worth doing well and proper fly fishing gear maintenance should be no exception. Put in the time and effort so that when you're about to head back out for some bites, you don't have to pack any anxiety or doubt that things will go smoothly. Gear in good condition will allow for a clear mind and a good time.

Acknowledgement: Author - Kyle Rutten, FISH UNTAMED newsletter, May 30, 2021

Casting Results.

Due to the ongoing inclement weather, Casting Practice for July was Cancelled.

The Short Mort Report.

Victorian Safari to the Spawn Run.

Squeezing as much as we could out of the season, Tom, Pam and I headed South to the Buckland Valley in Victoria in April, only to be disappointed by extremely low water and midnight run 4wders.

The camping was beaut but the fishing was virtually non-existent and having 4wders leave their poo tickets around our campsite was the final straw. Placid Pam mustered her outrage into positive action and left a clear message on the pillows of our anti-social neighbours as we packed up and headed over to Omeo via Hotham and Falls Ck. Along the way we checked out the Ovens near Harrietville but once again were defeated by ankle deep water.



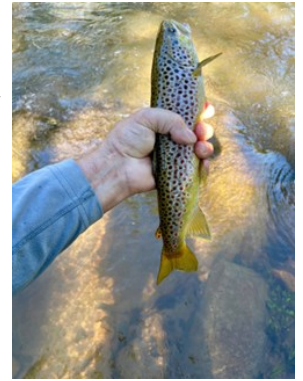
The Short Mort Report



Omeo proved a breath of fresh air, literally, after the touristy crowds around Bright and Tom's haircut proved entertaining for some of the locals in the pub. What a great town. We propped our tent up on the banks of the Big River and had a few top days fishing the Cobungra and Big River. What great rivers to go with a great town. Lots of beautiful little Victorian browns and the odd rainbow matched the gorgeous scenery, taken mostly on nymphs but Tom, as always, persevered with the hopper dropper and managed a few late hopper chomper.

The drive up to the Mitta Pub left us with a long list of spots to come back to and hints of fish yet to be caught.

So much so, that I went back the following week and worked on my photographic skills with those picturesque Victorian browns. Another great week. This time, fishing the Mitta Mitta with a crew from the Sydney Fly Rodders. The water was still low by Mexican standards but fishing private property made up for it and I worked on my newly acquired euro nymphing skills. I teamed up with Youtube sensation Steve Peach and managed about 15 fish without injuring either of us with all that flailing mono. Steve was very gracious with his tutoring and even gave me a cameo in one of his videos, although the soft focus was deployed in the interests of preserving his fan base.



Pam met me in Adaminaby with the boy wonder (Tom) for our annual spawn run / Tom's birthday trip. Once again, the water levels were terrible and we gave up on Dennison to fish higher up the river, where there are deeper pools. The fishing was tough and for once I managed to get a few decent fish while Tom was struggling. The first afternoon brought our best two fish for the week, with a 58cm coloured up brown and another slightly battered 50cm brown. A third brown made me think the fish were on. I was wrong.

We fished the Euc for the week but really struggled on very low water days, although we always managed a few. One night we had a downpour and the river rose 1.5m overnight and the fish went crazy trying to enjoy all that water before it disappeared again, which it promptly did the next day. But, not before we dashed back to Dennison and Tom found his old groove with the hopper egg. That afternoon Tom landed 8 to my 2, with a couple of 5 and 4 pounders in the mix. Next morning the water was almost gone but we managed to pull another dozen fish by lunch before the mighty Euc turned back into a trickle, the season ended and we headed home.

Another great trip. Can't wait for spring.



Fishing Reports.

With the trout season closed the only activity reported was from the few hardy souls who ventured out in the salt water.

David Treinis and **Neil Nelson** waded the flats at Maianbar in good conditions. It was pretty “dead” with only one follow from a pike.

Paul Steffen and **David Treinis** chased luderick off the rocks at Austinmer, where David took a few fish but Paul had no luck. David’s daughter showed them up with a cracker fish taken on green weed, considered by the locals to be the largest luderick ever seen landed from the Austie rocks.

Nigel Pennington had some success with luderick and drummer near Kiama.

Ron Lynch fished at Tamboon (Vic.) where he said there were plenty of bream to be seen but none were tempted to take the fly.

Neil and **Joel Nelson** spent a day at Swansea in the hope of finding salmon in the channel. Despite perfect weather conditions not a fish was to be seen.



Chris Harding, Barry Gentle and Kim Prehn having fun catching Salmon, not many at Merimbula, but the Pambula River produced results.



Can You Fish in Windy Conditions?

SEVEN TIPS TO CAST IN THE WIND

Generally, windy weather tends to make fly fishing quite hard, especially for beginners. Casting your line when the wind is too strong can cause all sorts of problems. A wind knot is caused by trying to overcome windy conditions by applying the incorrect casting power at the wrong time.

On the other hand, windy conditions can be one of the best times to fish. Those ripples on the water help hide the fly fisher which improves your chances of hooking up.

Yes, with the proper technique, you can fly fish in windy conditions and catch a fish. One critical thing that can help is selecting the right equipment and flies for the conditions. A heavier setup with smaller flies is the first step, but with some more tips, you'll be shooting a line in the windiest conditions.

Fly fishing in windy conditions may be challenging for most anglers. However, when done correctly, it can be the best time to fish; after all, food tends to concentrate in one place, attracting fish. So, in this article, we'll show you how to fly fish in windy conditions. We'll also show you why fly fishing in windy conditions can be very productive.

CAN YOU FLY FISH IN WINDY CONDITIONS?

Have you ever heard the phrase, "when it starts blowing, let's find a spot to fish out in this wind?" Well, if you're fly fishing for the first time while fishing and it gets windy, you will hear experienced anglers say it to each other, and you may even say it to yourself. But that will be a mistake, especially if you're a beginner; after all, the wind can be your enemy if you're not an experienced fly angler.

As a beginner, casting when there is a strong breeze can be very disappointing. Mainly, it is because it can make casting difficult; without a proper technique, you may not deliver the fly to the right spot. But with experience, you can fish in any weather, even under a strong breeze. So before trying it, you should perfect your casting skills. After all, being able to fish under windy conditions is about tweaking your casting techniques and positioning your body.

But if you know how to cast against the wind and position your body correctly to avoid being hit by the line, you will be surprised by how many fishes you can catch. Proper planning allows you to have one of your best fishing experiences on a windy day.

WHY IS WINDY WEATHER IDEAL FOR FLY FISHING?

Depending on your experience level, when the wind blows, it can either have positive or negative effects on your casting skills and even endanger your life. In some cases, it can positively impact the water when you're fishing. But it would be best if you avoided too strong winds that can make it hard for you to fish effectively and safely. Remember, even experienced anglers avoid strong winds.

But under the least moderate breezy condition, you can have a fan; remember, not every day will be peaceful and calm. Therefore, you must prepare for the worst-case scenario every time you hit the waters, which means learning all the techniques for casting against the wind. So here are a few ways wind can improve your fishing experience:

1. Stealth

When fishing, coyness is critical; after all, any sudden movement can spook the fish and prevent them from biting your bait. Therefore, after spotting a school of fish, you need to sneak up on them and cast your line near their location. It includes walking quietly or even wearing subtle-colored clothes. Unfortunately, going unnoticed by fish every time you target them is almost impossible. Still, when you throw wind into the equation, you can change everything.

Can You Fish in Windy Conditions?

When there's a strong wind, it can disturb the water surface, making it hard for the fishes to notice you. Remember, the more complex the wind blows, the chopper the water will get. Spotting and casting may be challenging, but the fish will also have difficulty spotting you. With the strong wind, you won't have to do too much to avoid causing a commotion in the water.

2. Food/Oxygen

Wind can oxygenate the water and make bait fish and targeted species more active. On top of that, the windy zone also features lots of food. Therefore, when the wind is blowing in a particular region, it will help concentrate food like insects and plankton. With the food concentrated in a specific part, baitfish will move to that position, and in the process, they will attract the bigger fish.

That is one of the benefits of fishing on a shoreline with the wind blowing into it; instead of fishing in a calm lake. A strong drift can also blow some insects like ants, grasshoppers, and crickets into the water. It creates a massive feast for the fish, giving you an exceptional fly fishing experience.

The turbulence and chop on the water mean anglers' splashes while fishing goes unnoticed. Therefore, the fishes will be harder to spook. Plus, they will be preoccupied with the fresh pickings available in the lake, and the fact that they are easy to catch is a bonus.

3. Water Color Transitions

Mud lines are some of my favorite fishing spots, especially when it's windy. They're a band of dirty water that extends for a few feet or a short distance from the shorelines. Silt flowing into the lake from runoff/rain, boat wake, and wind wave that laps the shorelines usually create these mud lines.

The line of brownish water hugging the lake's shorelines may seem like something you want to avoid, but that may be a huge mistake. After all, a well-established and excellent mud line is an exceptional fish magnet.

On some lakes like the ones in California, mud lines always appear in the early afternoon. The shorelines may seem clear in the morning, but they can develop some distinct brown bands near the banks as soon as the ski boats hit the water, creating an excellent fish magnet. Even though fishing can slow down in the afternoon, the presence of mud lines will still guarantee you an exceptional fishing experience.

After all, fishes use dirty water to hide and ambush passing prey. The water splashing on the banks will also create a great experience, attracting the baitfish and the trophy fish you're looking for. Stripers and largemouth bass can get aggressive in the mud lines where they patrol the boundaries, waiting for something to bite.

Generally, it takes time for the mud line to develop, but once it does, it will take a short time for the fish to start using it. And when this happens, then you will be in for an exceptional fishing experience; in fact, fishing along the edges of mud lines always works.

HOW FAR DO I HAVE TO CAST WHEN IT'S WINDY?

Generally, you will be surprised at how close fishes can come to the water's surface to feed when it's windy. On still waters, some anglers have even caught trout without even having to cast their lines; after all, when it's windy, they could be within the length of your rod, which is not always the case.

Therefore, in most cases, you won't need to cast your line that far; a simple flick or roll cast is all you will need to get the job done. Remember, if you put a long line when it's windy, you stand a chance of catching something; after all, you will pull the flies through more water and near more fish.

SEVEN (7) TIPS TO CAST IN WIND

Generally, no one loves a gusty day, leave alone fly fishing on pristine waters in these places. Trying to cast a line with a sharp hook over your head on a windy day can be a recipe for disaster. But with the right tweaks, you can safely cast your fly line and catch something in no time. So here are a few tips for casting in the wind:

Fish with Someone Better than You.

1. Get a Heavier Fly Rod (with a heavier line)

A considerable percentage of fly anglers in the country agree that a 5wt fly rod is one of the best all-around fly rods for trout. The 5wt works perfectly in a less windy place, but when fishing in a gusty place, we recommend you go a bit higher. We recommend that you go for a 6wt fly rod as your all-around fly rod if you plan on fishing in a windy place.

The extra power the powerful 6wt rod provides will make it possible for you to cast through the wind more perfectly than with a smaller rod.

2. Get a Fast-Action Rod

Since you will be casting a huge dry fly that the wind can't easily disperse, I recommend you go for fast-action rods. Besides helping you deal with larger fish species, they can also help you cast in windy conditions.

3. Use Weighted Fly Lines

Fly lines are light lines, making casting easy, but did you know that casting them in a gusty condition can be quite challenging? Therefore, we recommend using a weighted line when fishing against the wind. A weighted line can allow you to cast your line further and more efficiently, even with the wind.

Luckily, some weighted lines are designed to be half-weight heavier, but if you can't find one, we recommend that you go a size heavier than your current fly rod. A weighted line will lead its load to the butt section of your rod, making it possible for you to use more power and deliver the fly accurately. Reducing the leaders from 9ft to about 7.5ft can also help you cast in breezy conditions.

4. Perfect Your Double Haul Cast

Even with the right gear, casting in the heavy wind is very frustrating, especially when using big flies and your usual casting technique. Therefore, I recommend you learn and perfect double-haul casts before trying to fish in windy conditions. Spend more time in the local ponds perfecting your casting technique, as it's the most effective when fishing in a gusty region.

When casting, you will be using the law of energy conservation, which stipulates that the energy of an isolated system is always constant. But since it can never be destroyed, it can only be transferred. Now fly lines are typically weighted; therefore, when the top tip moves in one direction, the line moves in the opposite direction, demonstrating Newton's third law.

When the rod is bent thanks to flexibility, then the energy is stored as potential energy that can be transferred later as kinetic energy. The more your rod bends, the more energy it holds, and the more potential energy it has, the further the line will cast. You can achieve this further bending by perfecting your double haul.

With double haul, you must pull your line sharply using your second line while moving the rod back or forward using the casting hand. The additional bending increases your fly rod's potential energy making it possible to power through the strong wind.

5. Use a Simple Roll Cast When Casting Near the Boat or Shoreline

Very few techniques can work when windy, but the simple roll cast is the simplest and safest casting technique. A roll cast won't give you distance, but it will reach the fish near your vessel or the shores. Plus, the tailwind can help you cast a bit further. The roll cast is a simple technique featuring one cast; it features only the forward cast. And if any casting technique, any angler must know is the roll cast. After all, it can do more than help you overcome obstacles since you won't be dealing with unwanted slack. It is considered one of the most straightforward and fun casting techniques to learn and perfect.

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6. Where Should I Stand When Casting Against the Wind?

When it comes to casting in windy conditions, positioning is everything; after all, no one wants the sharp hook piercing their head from behind. Therefore, the first thing you should consider is your safety. It means you need the wind to blow the hook away from your body when casting; otherwise, it will crash on your body and end up causing more damage than good.

Therefore, when casting using your right hand, you need the wind blowing to your left shoulder, which means the wind will blow the fly away from your body. When casting using your left hand, then you should do the reverse. But the best technique is casting across the wind when possible. Doing this can be safer, and you may get a bit of tailwind to help propel your fly further.

Next, try and cast where the fishes are feeding; this means casting to places where the wind is being blown. After all, that is where a vast amount of the food is situated and where you can find your trophy fish. To achieve this, you will have to fish into the wind or across it, which can be a bit tricky. After all, fishing across will let your flies drift to the shores.

7. How Do I Reduce Tangles When Fishing in Gusty Conditions?

Most experienced anglers agree that this can be easier than you think; you only need to use a heavier and longer leader and tippet than you usually would. A lighter and longer leader made from a finer line will have a higher likelihood of tangling than a sturdier and shorter line.

When fishing in still waters, you should go for a stiffer 10lbs. tippet and a 30 lbs. butt section. These items can help reduce the likelihood of tangles and easily turn over the dry fly. A 15 pound leader can help you fish in windy conditions without impacting your catching rate.

What Wind Directions Should You Avoid When Fishing in Windy Conditions?

Reading the Water for Lakes and Positioning

Wind can pose more threats when fishing, mainly when you don't position your body correctly. Remember, the wind can easily blow the hook towards your body and end up hurting you. Therefore, when positioning your body, you should avoid it until you perfect your skills, including:

Headwinds: Dreaded by most anglers, but some experienced anglers prefer this wind direction. They believe that if done correctly, you can more likely deliver your bait accurately. For overhead casts, you should begin low and halt your rod when it's in a vertical position which will send the backcast upwards. Let the line unroll before driving it downwards with a stopping halt.

Tailwind: tailwind poses a massive threat of physical harm by adding an unwanted speed to your forward cast, mainly when working with a weighted line and heavy fly. But if done correctly, a tailwind can help you cast your line further, especially when doing an elliptical cast.

Sidewind: Casting can be challenging when the wind blows to your casting side. In this scenario, the best solution is to keep the line path away from your body. But if it's blowing on the opposite side, then all you have to do is lower the tip of your rod towards the downwind to make a relaxed cast.

LAST CAST (INTO THE WIND)

Generally, the weather can be very unpredictable; before fishing, you should ensure that you're prepared for every occurrence, including casting in windy conditions. Casting against the wind requires you to tweak your casting techniques without proper preparation. And with proper body positioning and the correct technique, you can use the wind to your advantage; after all, it does bring colossal fish to the upper water column.

Courtesy: Guide Recommended.

Know Your Fish.

Yellowtail Kingfish.

Scientific Name

Seriola lalandi

Characteristics

Yellowtail Kingfish have long bodies and a slender head, which is longer than their body depth. Yellowtail Kingfish are generally a blue or blue-green colour on their back, white-silver below. The caudal fin is yellow.

Size

The largest fish commonly caught are up to 1 m long, weighing 10-15 kg. Maximum of 70 kg and approximately 2 m in length.

Distribution

Yellowtail Kingfish occur in ocean waters from Queensland south to Western Australia, and inhabit temperate waters worldwide. They are often found associated with floating objects in the ocean and pylons and jetties within bays. Juveniles are commonly found in schools.

Confusing Species

Samson Fish (*Seriola hippos*) have a head shorter than their body depth. Both species have been known to swim together.



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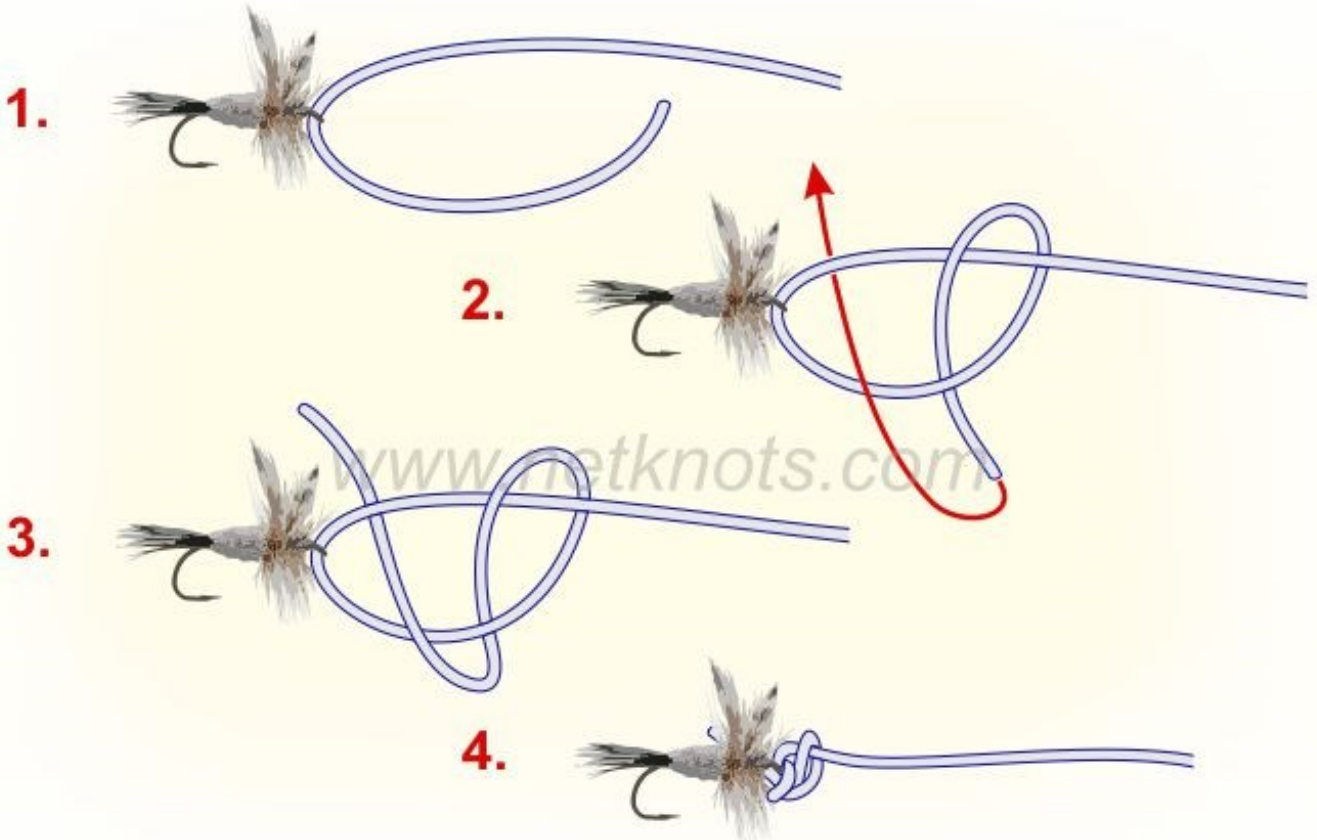
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<i>Australian Bass</i>	Ray Ellis	44	Baitfish Pattern	20	Glenbawn Dam
<i>Australian Salmon</i>	Chris Harding	58	Olive over White Surf Candy	16	Pambula River
<i>Bream</i>	Barry Gentle	37	#6 Olive Raw Prawn	10	Shoalhaven River
<i>Brook Trout</i>	Jon Brooks	31	#10 Olive Wooly Bugger	4.8	Three Mile Dam
<i>Brown Trout</i>	Nigel Pennington	50	Mudeye	8	Braemer Bay
<i>Carp</i>	Ray Ellis	78cm	Brown Nymph	14	Split Rock Dam
<i>Herring (Freshwater)</i>	Ray Ellis	25.5	Brown Nymph	14	Lake Corunna
<i>Flathead</i>	Michael Parkinson	49	Chartreuse Clouser	6	Minnamurra River
<i>Luderick</i>	Alan Griffiths	46	#16 Stretch Cord Shrimp	8	Ballina
<i>Snapper / Squire</i>	Michael Parkinson	25	Chartruse Clouser	6	Dalmeny
<i>Tailor</i>	Barry Gentle	42	#2 Surf Candy	12	Merimbula
<i>Rainbow Trout</i>	Joe Manzano	54	Wooly Bugger	6	Oberon
<i>Whiting</i>	Barry Gentle	34	SK Skipping Prawn	6	Forster
Mahi Mahi Dolphin Fish	Peter Henderson	75	Clouser	30	Kiama Fad
<i>Silver Trevally</i>	Barry Gentle	35	#2 Surf Candy	12	Merimbula

Interstate and International - Catches of Merit.

Peter Henderson Tarpon 46kg Cuba

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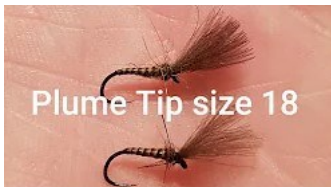






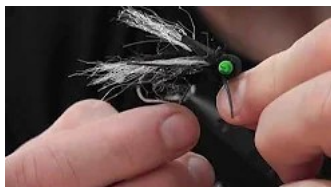

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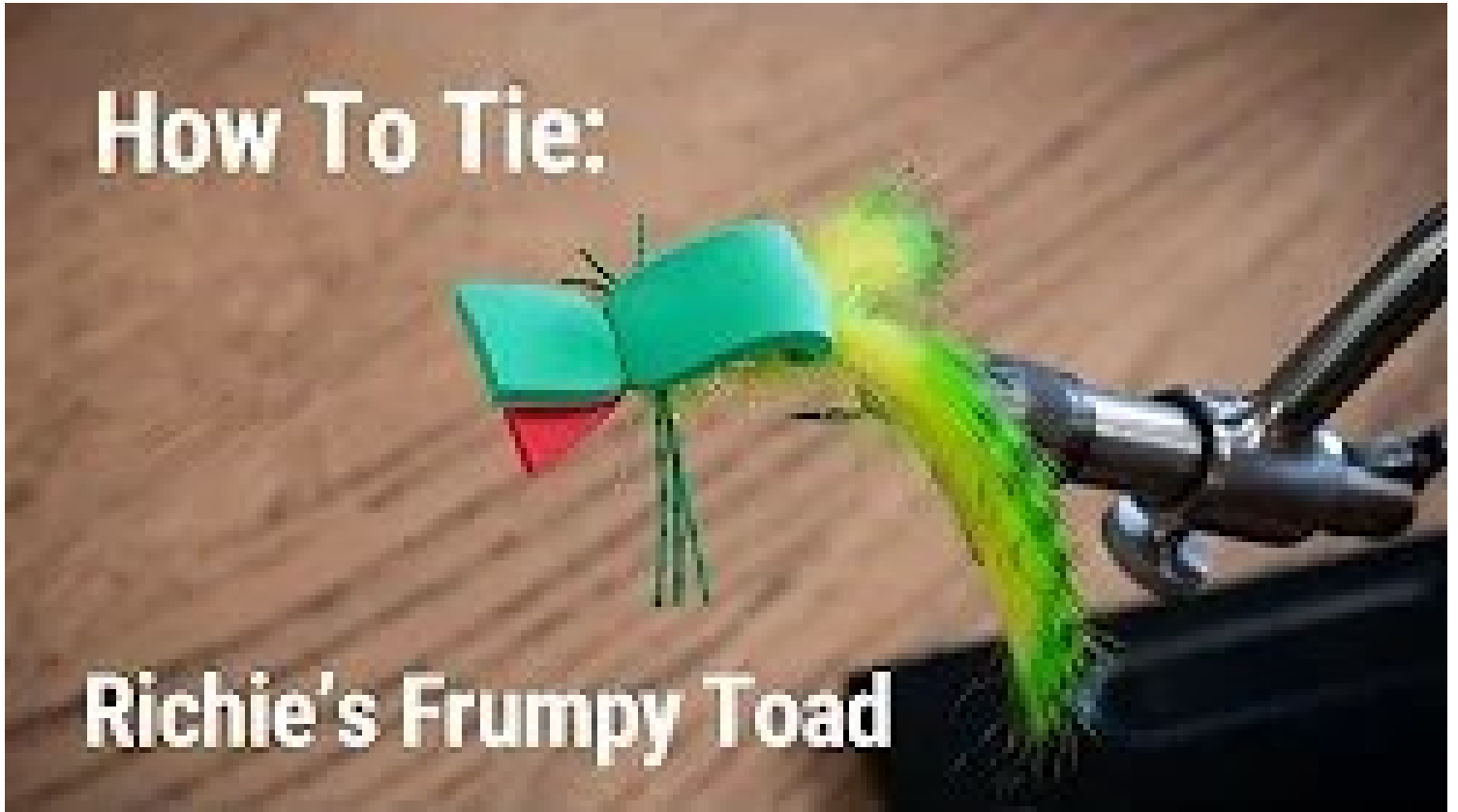
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Fly Tying Competition - 2023 / 24

	February	March	April
			
	Fly: Dobson Fly Channel: Hooked on Flies Australia	Fly: Rubicon Bomber Channel: Troutlore	Fly: Plume Tip Channel: Tom Jarman Fishing
May	June	July	August
			
Fly: Simple Game Changer Channel: Erich Gross	Fly: Carp it Beetle Channel: Martyn White Flicking Feathers	Fly: Balloon Caddis Channel: Tom Jarman Fishing	Fly: Frumpy Frog Channel: Ole Florida Fly Shop
September	October	November	December
			
Fly: Micro Jig Woolly Buggie Channel: Tuckaseegee Fly Shop	Fly: Charlie Boy Hopper Channel: In the Riffle	Fly: The Fully Cicada Channel: Hooked on Flies Australia	Fly: Sand Eel - Chartreuse Channel: Postfly

August 2024 Competition Fly.



Fly: Frumpy Frog
Channel: Ole Florida Fly Shop



Instagram

2024 Events Calendar.

Month	Date	Activity	Location	Time	Contact	Number
February	5th	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	6th	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	11th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
March	4th	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	5th	Club Meeting.	Collegians	7:30pm		
	10th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
April	1st	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	2nd	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	7th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
May	6th	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	7th	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	12th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
June	3rd	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	4th	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	16th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
July	1st	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	2nd	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:00pm		
	7th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
August	5th	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	6th	Annual General Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	11th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
September	2nd	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	3rd	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	8th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
October	30 Sept	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	1st	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	13th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
November	4th	Management Meeting - All Welcome	Zoom	7:30pm	Neil	0418 258 146
	5th	Club Meeting	Collegians	7:30pm		
	10th	Casting Clinic	Towradgi Park	10:00am	Peter	0418 956 606
December	2nd TBA	Management Meeting - All Welcome Christmas Function	Zoom TBA	7:30pm 12:00pm	Neil	0418 258 146

Committee Members 2023 / 24



President: Neil Nelson.



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Librarian: Kenneth Gordon

Library.

Our Librarian, Gary Batey, wishes to remind members to return of any outstanding borrowed library items.



The Club maintains a library of books and DVD's, as well as over a hundred magazines including "Fly Life" and a number of English and American trout fishing magazines.

To borrow books etc., see the Club Librarian (Gary Batey) and fill out the appropriate sheet... it's as easy as that. Please endeavour to return your borrowings at the next club meeting.

Our Sponsors.

The Illawarra Fly Fishers' Club is supported by a number of sponsors. Please remember them when buying new gear and support them as they support our club.

- Collegians Rugby League Football Club provides us with the use of the auditorium for our meetings at no cost and a substantial number of gift vouchers that we use in our raffles, so please consider becoming a member of the Club. You also receive discounts on food and drinks with Collegians membership.
- Complete Angler Sydney kindly donates a \$ 50.00 voucher for our monthly club raffle and members receive 10% discount on all purchases.
- BWC Flies



Illawarra Fly Fishers Club Inc.

Application for New Membership / Renewal.



Cost:

Membership fees for the club year (August 1 to July 31 The following year) fall due at the AGM on the first Tuesday in August and are as follows:

- ◆ For Commonwealth pension card holders, holders of Commonwealth disability card, full time students, students under 16 years of age, or non-residents (those members residing a distance greater than 50kms from Wollongong) - \$10.00 per person per year. Under the provisions of the Club's Constitution, a self funded retiree or superannuant is not a pensioner.
- ◆ For all others (including self funded retirees) - \$25.00 per person per year.
- ◆ Where a new member joins on or after the first Tuesday in April, half membership fees apply, i.e.e \$5.00 for a pensioner and \$12.50 for all other members (including self funded retirees).
- ◆ An establishment (joining) fee, in addition to the annual fee, applies to all new members—\$2.00.

How:

To apply for membership, fill out the application below and either:

- ◆ Present it, together with your payment, to the Treasurer at the club meeting, or
- ◆ Email a completed form to: treasurer@illawarraflyfishers.com.au and pay via a funds transfer to

CUA BSB: 814282 Account No: 42098170 Account Name: Illawarra Flyfishers Club Inc

Please ensure your name is entered in the "payment reference" field.

Name:

Please Tick:

New Member

Address:

Renewal

State:

Post Code:

Phone:

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Email:

Please Note: All members personal details are treated in a strictly confidential manner and are not provided to other persons /groups without the express permission of members.

The Final Word.

**MY BANK ACCOUNT
SAYS GO TO WORK,
BUT MY HEART
SAYS
GO FISHIN'**

