

**BENDIGO
& DISTRICT FLY
FISHERS INC.**
Inc. No. A00 043 73B



February 2013

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DIARY DATES:

- 3rd March Clean up Day
Harcourt
- 7th Mar Committee Meeting
- 14th Mar Fly Tying
- 21st Mar Fly Tying
- 28th Mar General Meeting

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Sunday March 24th 2013
Goulburn Valley Flyfishers Weekend
at Thornton

For Further Details: Contact Tony Jacobs or
Committee Members
A great chance for new members to gain a few
pointers



John Crane Memorial Fly Tying Competition

Recipes for the final flies for tying and
coloured photos available at flytying.

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Fly casting will commence at the pool
on Saturday 6th April 2013



Clean Up Day Sunday
3rd March at Barkers Creek from
3.30pm
BBQ tea Supplied then fish the
evening hatch

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Third round of Club Championship
March 30/31st at Barkers Creek
Reservoir
Alan Chisholm leads with a 1.3kg fish



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Bendigo & District Flyfishers Inc.
Minutes of Committee Meeting Thursday 7th February 2013
At Brennan Park Clubrooms

The President opened the meeting at 7:40pm.

Present: R. Garlick, J. Willey, T. Jacobs, D. Keegan, L. Crimeen, R. Booth, G. Hellsten, A. Choat, A. Chisholm, P. Bowman and G. Shelton.

Apologies: J. Singe.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed a true and accurate record.

Moved: R. Garlick 2nd: A. Choat **Carried**

Business Arising: To be dealt with in general business.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer table his current report to the committee. P. Bowman moved that the report as tabled be accepted. 2nd by R. Booth carried.

Correspondence:

1. Various FF Club newsletters;
2. Bank Statement; and
4. Various flyers from fishing related companies.

General Business:

1. Jeff Willey to book two cabins for the Goldfields Shield to be conducted on the weekend of the 25th/26th May. Members wishing to attend to ring Jeff Willey by the April meeting at the latest.
2. It was agreed by the members who attended that the Mentoring Day at Barkers Creek Res on the 27th Jan was a success. The President did a sterling job of introducing our youngest member Ben to the insects that inhabit our local water. A second one is to be conducted on Sunday the 27th Feb. A bbq provided by the club will be supplied.
3. The Club has booked a day at the Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre for Saturday the 23rd March. The cost is \$50 and this includes a bbq lunch supplied. Those wishing to attend are to contact Tony Jacobs. Some members intend travelling over on the Friday and staying the weekend and others have indicated that they will stay overnight on the Saturday. Numbers to Tony by the February General Meeting.
4. Al Choat has purchased a sports camera for the club. This equipment will be available for members to borrow. The President thanked Al Choat for doing the leg work in investigating this item.
5. Clean Up Australia Day is on Sunday the 3rd March at Barkers Creek Res. Members to meet in the carpark at the wall at 3:30pm. There will be a bbq supplied at the conclusion of the event followed by a fish.
6. Greg Hellsten reported that Peter Morse is available to conduct a casting course for the club at a cost of \$1500 for the day. The club is to canvas members to gauge interest. The club will be subsidise this event the value to be determined at a later date.
7. Al Chisholm presented the fish stocking recommendation proposed by the Midlands Association. The committee recommend a number of changes which Al will inform the Association of.

8. Greg Hellsten reported that the latest CVFFC meeting was informative. The carp problem continues to be a hot issue. The DSE is to send out a questionnaire to anglers to get their responses to certain issues.
9. Greg also reported that the annual President's meeting will be held on the weekend of the 5/7 April.

There being no further business the President closed the meeting at 9:00PM.

Jeff Willey
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President's Topics

Fishing has been quiet locally on the Fly front however nice trout are still being caught on lures and mudeyes at Hepburn (Andersons) Lagoon. Fish being between 2-6 lb browns and rainbow. At Hepburn I have had a nice fish about 6 lb follow me in on several occasions but he will not take my offerings.

We ventured over to Newlyn on a cloudy arvo where dunns were up spasmodically and Alan Chisholm snared a brown 2lb plus on a pink robin.

Barkers Creek Reservoir is still quiet with the odd trout seen but only reddie taking flies. Our mentoring days were enjoyable with Alan Choat doing BBQ duties on both occasions and Alan Chisholm getting sausages, bread and drink with Les Crimeen providing the condiments.

Thanks to Rob Garlick and those members who assisted on both days to help the newer members with their fishing.

At the moment we have 2 groups fishing in Tasmania and trust they are doing well and look forward to their reports on return.

Keep in mind we have Clean up Day at Barkers Creek Reservoir on March 3rd.

The Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre Trip is on Saturday 23rd March.

See you on the water. Jaco Feb.2013.

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'Join the Fun Day at Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre'

*We have booked a 'One Fly Day' at Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre Thornton.
On Saturday 23rd March 9am until 6pm.*

Only \$50 for the day, with a BBQ lunch thrown in.

Tie a fly, then randomly collect one and fish their private waters for a friendly competition.

If you lose the fly, then you are out of the completion and you can't win the light hearted awards, but you can fish on until dark if you wish.

It's strictly catch and release.

*Please contact Secretary Jeff Willey if interested on 5447 1449.
Petrol subsidies are available.*

Casting Around.

Now Fred was a keen and very passionate fly fisher and frequented his favourite stretch on his beloved Rubibond River, many times throughout the season. This particular stretch had been the spot where Fred had tricked his largest Brown on his special dry The Eichmann. The river was in perfect condition after a recent rain a few days ago and was running gin clear, Fred was just releasing his third small Brown when fishing inspector Wilson walked onto the stretch and headed straight for Fred. Now Fred always kept one or two from his trips and on this occasion he had two reasonable Browns in his bag, legal size as always. "It's been a wonderful morning, the trout were rising freely," said Fred, "I rose seven to my special dry and I've only keep two," "You should have been here yesterday responded" Wilson, "No today has been fine, I've had a wonderful morning on the dry and I couldn't have wished for better" replied Fred. "But you really should have been here yesterday" insisted Wilson. "No no" declared Fred "today was just great as good as it gets, I feel." "Yes that may be, but I'm sorry the season close at 12 last night." Declared Wilson.

Roger Feb. 2013.

Quote of the Month.

"It is better to have hooked up and lost, than never to have hooked up at all."
John Goulden. Tassie Nov. 2012.



One on from the Mersey Bridge Tassie.