

**BENDIGO  
& DISTRICT FLY  
FISHERS INC.**

Inc. No. A00 043 73B



October 2013

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## Diary Dates:

- 7<sup>th</sup> Nov Committee Meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> Nov Fly Tying
- 16<sup>th</sup> Nov Goulburn Valley
- 21<sup>st</sup> Nov Fly Tying
- 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> Nov Club Champ
- 26<sup>th</sup> Nov Christmas Dinner
- 28<sup>th</sup> Nov General Meeting

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Annual Christmas Dinner



At Kangaroo Flat Sports Club  
Tues 26<sup>th</sup> November  
6.30 For 7pm Meal Traditional  
Christmas Dinner

### Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November – cost \$50 inc  
BBQ lunch & competition. Names by  
October General Meeting (31<sup>st</sup> Oct) to  
work out accommodation and travel.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Club Championships

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> /Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Nov at Barkers  
Creek Reservoir



### John Crane Memorial Fly Tying competition

Fly recipes and the actual flies to be  
tied available at our flytying nights.

See Alan Chisholm for details

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Our Annual Fees are now due

**Junior Fees \$15.00**

**Senior Fees \$40.00**

**Family Fees \$45.00**



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**Bendigo & District Flyfishers Inc.**  
**Minutes of Committee Meeting Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013**  
**At Brennan Park Clubrooms**

The President opened the meeting at 7:45pm.

**Present:** J. Willey, A. Jacobs, D. Keegan, L. Crimeen, R. Booth, A. Chisholm. R. Garlick, A. Choat, S. Charles, G. Hellsten.

**Apologies:** J. Singe and T. Charles.

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

**Moved:** S. Charles 2<sup>nd</sup>; R. Booth **Carried**

**Business Arising:** To be dealt with in general business.

**Treasurer's Report:** Due to the absence of the Treasurer, Steve Charles presented his report to the committee. It was moved by S. Charles and seconded by A. Jacobs that the report as tabled be accepted. **Carried.**

**Correspondence:**

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

**General Business:**

1. Steve Charles reported that the new site is up and running. The President again thanked Steve for all the time and effort he has put in for this project.
2. The monthly outing for October is Harcourt Res., and this will also be the first weekend for the Club Championship.
3. DEPI have stocked trout into Kennington Res.
4. **Annual subs are now overdue.**
5. The Midlands Shield will be held on Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> November at Lake Eppalock. Cost is \$2 per adult and \$1 for children and a bbq is supplied.
6. Casting has ceased for the year at Brennan Park. The President offered a vote of thanks to Roger Booth and Les Crimeen for making themselves available over the winter months to run this event.
7. The deferred visit to the Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre is on Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> November. Cost is \$50 this includes a bbq lunch. Names required by the October general meeting.
8. The annual Christmas dinner will be held at the Kangaroo Flat Sports Club on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> November. The cost will be \$23 or \$24 per head for a 2 course meal. Names to Jeff Willey please.
9. Al Chisholm has made 2 new fly display cabinets. The President thanked Al for producing 2 quality items.
10. Roger Booth suggested that the Club hold a Come & Try Day in the New Year.
11. The trip to windy Warrnambool dates will be confirmed soon.
12. Any member requiring a new club shirt or jacket let Jeff Willey know asap.

There being no further business the President closed the meeting at 8:30PM.

Jeff Willey  
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## President's report

Last month we had a good turnout at the General meeting for our guest speaker Jim Baumgurtel from Flyfinz. Jim had a great range of tying gear with some innovating gear that would really let the imagination go with tying your own special fly. With discussions I had with Jim at the end of the evening I think I will be able to get him back to actually show how to use some of his tying gear to create very effective flys and a further display of his gear. Stay tuned to this one as could possibly be in the new year.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of October we had 4 members attend the Wastell Shield fishing Cairn Curran, Tullaroop and Harcourt. Cairn Curran was a bit dirty with most fishing Tullaroop. Congratulations go to Tony Jacobs who picked up a nice rainbow of 1.7 kg to come in second only missing out by grams. (mentioned weights are not confirmed as time of writing I was unable to contact the relevant members to confirm but I'm sure they will let me know in no uncertain terms if I'm wrong)

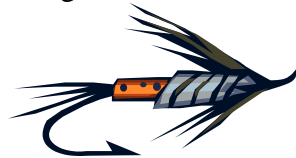
Last weekend saw the 1st round of the club championships. Just after midday on both days saw some mayfly hatches. On Saturday Roger Booth picked up a nice little brown to about a pound and a half. Steve and myself managed to drop a couple on the eastern side on the Sunday on an adams. Yes I know, poor angling. Steve has put a great report of the weekend end on the facebook page, so if you haven't jumped on board please do so. Steve has put some great work into this and into the new website. When I work it out I will be putting a link on the old website or just redirect all enquiries to the new website. If anyone has remote internet access let me know and I might call on a favour and get Steve to do a rundown on what he has done at one of the meetings.

The November trip to Goulburn Valley is fast approaching. Numbers and names to be relayed to members of the committee ASAP. Cost will be \$50 and the day is Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> Nov. Some will be heading over on the Friday to fish the streams so let's see who is going so transport and accommodation can be organised.

Also don't forget the John Crane fly tying. Photos and recipes of the flies are on the website. Get on board and get tying, you don't have to be a world class tier it's about getting in and having a go and improving your tying ability. I would also like to thank Al Chisholm for the effort and work he put into re doing the fly cabinets which are up on display in the clubrooms.

Reminder for the new website, [www.bdffc.weebly.com](http://www.bdffc.weebly.com)

Steve is also looking for photos to be included on the site. So if you have any that you want to put up can you email them to Steve at [bendigodistrictflyfishers@gmail.com](mailto:bendigodistrictflyfishers@gmail.com) for inclusion in the on-line gallery. Any photos sent in **must** be no larger than 500KB.



Damian  
October 13

## FISHING REPORT

The 2013 Wastell showed that there are still some very large trout to be caught in the Bendigo region. The results board on the Saturday night showed Tony Jacobs caught a beautiful rainbow trout of 1768 grams. The winning fish (on Saturday) was a brown trout of 1774 grams. I was not able to check the board on Sunday morning, but I did not hear of any bigger fish caught early on Sunday.

I assume that Tony missed the winning fish by just a mere 6 grams. We were all impressed with Tony's catch.

Tullaroop Reservoir is in excellent condition. The water is very clear. Jenny and I saw many fish jumping to take dragonflies on Saturday afternoon. The day was warm and windy. The reservoir has a lot of small dead trees along many of the edges. The fish were jumping just beyond the trees. A long cast (or deep wade) was required to reach the fish. Interestingly, although Tony's fish was one of the "jumpers" feeding on Dragonflies it had two large yabbies in its gut. Tony caught the fish on a fly he tied himself. The fly was a "cross" between a green woolly bugger and a green machine!!!! I am sure he will be more than happy to tell you about the fly.

As far as I am aware most of the fish caught were from Tullaroop, but I did hear of one fish of a bit over a kilogram that was a brown trout caught at Treloars Bay in Cairn Curran reservoir.

Late October usually means that there are some Mayfly hatches in our local reservoirs. I am often heard to say that Bendigo Show weekend is a good time to go to Barkers Creek reservoir. Roger Booth tested the theory recently. Armed with an emerging nymph he went to Barkers. There were some mayflies hatching and whilst the fish didn't seem to be rising to them Roger did land a Brown of about 750 grams on his emerger. The fish had 15 nymphs and a wasp in its gut. Good evidence that even though the fish are not always feeding on the surface, they do like to eat mayfly nymphs under the surface. Other reservoirs such as Malmsbury Res., Hepburn Lagoon and Newlyn Res., can be expected to have Mayfly (or March Brown) hatches in the coming weeks. Of interest, Roger said that the nymphs and Mayflies at Barkers Creek Res were smaller and darker than usual.

If the weather settles into a warmer pattern then I think we can expect some good fishing locally.

*Joe Singe*



## **'Join in the Fun Day at Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre'**

We have booked 'A Day' at Goulburn Valley Fly Fishing Centre Thornton. On Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am until 6pm. Only \$50 for the day with a BBQ Lunch thrown in

Financial club members will be reimbursed \$10.

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**Please contact Secretary Jeff Willey if interested on**

**5447 1449.**

