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SINGLETON FLY FISHING CLUB INC. 2002

*PROMOTING THE ART OF FLY FISHING IN THE HUNTER
VALLEY NSW AUSTRALIA*



Newsletter November 2010

November for Singleton Fly Fishing means starting with a new committee following our AGM, congratulations and many thanks to those members who have put their hands up (again)

November is the month that starts the new fishing year for the club. We have a newly elected committee, and we come off the high that was the Carp Fishing Invitational at Lake Liddell.

Looking back over the year just gone, we have some satisfaction at what our club has achieved and enjoyed. Due to the hard work of many members, we now have a club trailer, fully equipped and already well utilised for the benefit of all members.

Fishing highlights for the club included great Bass fishing at Lake St Clair, challenging trout fishing from Jose Crows, and memorable moments from the Tasmanian trip of this time last year.

Looking ahead, our new committee are committed to raising our clubs' profile and enthusing our membership to maximise their enjoyment of fly fishing through participation in our clubs events and enterprises.

It's an old adage; 'that the more you put in, the more you get back', so don't hold back, your contribution is the key to this being a great and enjoyable club to belong to.

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Figure 1 Our feature Member is Dave Thompson showing us all how pleased he is with this lovely Rainbow from Lake Eucumbene, well done Dave

Vice President: Justin Smith
Secretary: Greg Hayman
Treasurer: Lawrence Blackburn

YOUR 2010-2011 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President: Mick Ewin

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Presidents ramble for November 2010.



Presidents Report November 2010.

2010 Annual Presidents Report – Singleton Fly Fishing Club

In October 2009, the Club had a changing of the guard at the AGM. With a fresh team of new and experienced faces focused on the future of the club, we set out to continue to build on past successes.

Shortly after the AGM, the new committee pulled together to coordinate the 6th Annual Carp Invitational Classic 2009.

In a few short and hectic weeks, sponsorship, catering, paperwork, invitations, the site and event details were arranged by our crew. Our gratitude to Jeff Yates and his team at Liddell for their significant contribution to the organisation of this huge event. The success of the event could be felt all weekend.

For me, the highlight was participating with the 60 guests from all over, engaging in sharing our knowledge in all aspects of fly fishing. With my height I was able to view and tune into conversations all over the room! My torment was that I could not be part of each of them simultaneously and I could not think of a way to capture all of those conversations taking place.

The weekend yielded 2 ¼ tonnes of Carp, collected for use by Biodynamics Farmers around the region for use in their secret recipe to rejuvenate their crops.

Our 10th Anniversary dinner highlighted the strength of the club's membership and support. Past and present members gathered to reminisce and celebrate the continuing existence of a Club formed from a group of "baito's" wanting to explore the traditional art of fly fishing.

Our Stocking Program has continued this year with 15,000 Bass, and 30,000 each of Silver Perch and Yellow Belly fingerlings released by the Club into Lake St Clair. Thanks to the guys who distributed the fish, midweek, at short notice.

In February the Club made its annual trek to Eucumbene. This was my first opportunity to participate, and was a new style of fishing for me. I was slow to learning the challenges of lake fishing at night, and this earned me the nick name of "Mista", as in "Missed another one"! It was a great trip, getting away with members, lots of fishing, and the telling tall tales of the ones that got away or that were missed!

In April 2010, Greg and I attended an Inter-Club meet at Wallerawang, to meet and form contacts with other fly fishing clubs from NSW. Prior to arriving at the event, Greg and I were unaware of the competitions involved in the weekend. We threw ourselves into the spirit of the Meet, and brought home the Club Team's trophy, the first time a team other than Lakeside has won the trophy since 2006.

This year the club focused on the challenge of addressing transport and storage of equipment to Club Outings for members. The Club trailer was born from committee enthusiasm, and championed by Greg and Lawrence. Grant money was successfully obtained to bring this idea into reality. The trailer has been kitted out to carry and safely store equipment for Club members attending scheduled outings.

Winter saw the Club concentrating on Bass fishing, usually at Lake St Clair. We have been had a very good season, with some thumping Bass and Yellow Belly caught.

October was again our busiest time, organising and running the very successful 7th Annual Singleton Fly Fishing Club Invitational Carp Classic. Numbers were down this year to about 50 attendees but our planning adjusted for this very well. Fishing was harder with the weed banks being very close to the bank but early reports from the Biodynamics group indicated due to the larger average size of fish this year the tonnage of fish was on track to meet last years harvest record. Feedback from the invited guests has been streaming in thanking us for a great weekend. This thanks all goes to the team coordinated by Greg Hayman for their magnificent work in planning and running the event.

I'd like to thank the committee. They have worked hard, balancing private commitments and overcoming the challenges as we go. We are continuing to plan ahead and implement the shared vision of increasing our outings to fish, sharing knowledge and discovering new places to visit and promoting the art of fly fishing.

Mista' Mik Ewin,

2010 President, Singleton Fly Fishing Club

Next Meeting:

December 1st. 2010 7.00pm Dorsman Drive Singleton Heights

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November 2010 Minutes

The minutes will be communicated separately from the newsletter.

As we all know, the position of Treasurer is a key committee position and it is with great thanks and appreciation that we acknowledge Balinda's efforts in the year just gone and welcome with equal thanks and appreciation, Lawrence Blackburn to the role for 2010-2011.

Our Next outing for November is Pejar Dam staying at Gundowringer Shearers quarters 5km north of Pejar Dam on the Crookwell Road.

Please confirm with me now if you are coming, call or email.

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Date; Arrive Friday 19th, Saturday 20th, departing Sunday 21st.

Facilities;

*Fully equipped kitchen, common room, bunkrooms
(bring own sleeping bags etc)*

Cost;

\$30 per head per night (cash) pay when you arrive.

Fishing; Trout, lake and stream (consider mud-eye, smelts, buggers, etc) Canoe access to Lake Pejar (NO POWER BOATS) Prepare as if you were going to Thompsons, but all your gear should focus on primarily lake trout fishing and or river trout fishing.

Accommodation; Gundowringa Shearers Quarters

[http://www.planbooktravel.com.au/accommodation/nsw/crookwell/gundowringa-historic-country-homestead.](http://www.planbooktravel.com.au/accommodation/nsw/crookwell/gundowringa-historic-country-homestead)

Everyone, this is a self catering bring what you need kind of week end. Bring all your food and drink. We have use of a kitchen with fridge. You will need to bring sleeping bags or linen and blankets.

Gundowringa , B&B Farmstay



Gundowringa is situated 30 kilometres north west of Goulburn (250km southwest of Sydney) on the Crookwell Road, 5km from Pejar Dam. Gundowringa is only a leisurely 3 hour drive from Sydney.

Current 2010-2011 calendar:

SPRING SUMMER AUTUM CALENDAR SINGLETON FLY FISHING CLUB		
NOVEMBER 19,20,21	PEJAR DAM - GONDOWRINGER SHEARERS QUARTERS	JUSTIN S TRIP MASTER
DECEMBER 3,4,5	WANGI CAMP GROUNDS LAKE MACQUARIE	BRAD K TRIPMASTER
JANUARY 21,22,23	CLARENCETOWN - CAMPGROUND - SUMMER BASS	MIK E TRIPMASTER
FEB 26-MAR 5	JOSE CROW'S LAKE EUCUMBENE	GREG H TRIPMASTER
APRIL EASTER	5 DAY BREAK TO BE CONSIDERED STAY POSTED	

TALL TALES BUT TRUE, SHORT STORIES, FISHING REPORTS NEWS AND VIEWS

Preliminary report from our Lake Liddell Interclub Invitational,

Hi all; just thought I would throw in a little report prior to publishing a proper story (still coming) reflecting the special event that is the Clubs' annual Lake Liddell Interclub Invitational.

Thanks again to all that attended, and especially those who pitched in helping where they could, to make this year another successful event.

Of particular note, I would like to thank Greg Hayman, who worked tirelessly, cruel but fair, in the Kitchen, co-ordinating all our brilliant meals through out the week end, and long before the event, in planning shopping and transporting.

To the working team who shopped, cooked, cleaned, helped serve and generally made the event flow smoothly, that included the enthusiasm of Jenna Blackburn, Lawrence, Richard, Mik, Brent, Yale, Peter, Jeff, David, Glenn, and those other two who were so quietly efficient, modest and considerate, yes you know who you are, that I forgot your identities.

We were again supported By Macquarie Generation, through Peter Sewall and Grantley Gray, in ways that can not be overestimated. The facilities that are made available, the doors that are opened, allowing over 50 anglers to come and share this experience is truly a unique privilege, and we again express our thanks.

Thank you to our primary sponsor Pro-Angler, Dave and Dave, who have again supported our club and helped make the week end a great success. We hope you enjoyed the week end and look forward to seeing you again.

Our friends from The Singleton Bio Dynamic Society were present to support the Club, and we thank them again, for collecting and making good use of the carp caught and collected over the weekend. Thanks Grantley, Fred and team.



Each year, the opportunity is afforded to members of other Clubs to share this fly fishing week end, and to those members of The Sydney Fly Rodders, The Hastings Fishing Club, The Mid North Coast Fly Fishing Club, who were able to come, thanks again for your support, and we hope you enjoyed the weekend. We appreciate that it is the special camaraderie, created by fly fishing enthusiasts all gathered in one place such as the Lake Liddell Event that makes the invitational so special and unique.



So, did we catch some fish?

Yep, with preliminary estimates at over two metric tonnes;

Despite the close in shore weed beds causing some angst, the fishing was entertaining over the entire week end with the fishing especially on the last day absolutely going ballistic. The multiple number of carp caught on a hook wrapped in strips of Minty Wrapper Paper, bares special mention (Yale well done), but, as hoped, every one caught fish and by all reports had a wonderful time.

We look forward the next event, and hope we can make it even better.

As the primary fund raiser for the club, and as the primary source of our fish stocking program, I encourage all our members continue to pitch in, spread the load, and make this event an on-going success.

Hope to see many of you at our next Club Event, which will be the Pejar Dam fishing Weekend 19-21st November, see details in this newsletter.

Till then or next time,

Tight Lines

Justin

VP and Ed



Liam from Hastings Club is seen here instructing Jenna Blackburn who went on to pick up 20 fish in her session.

Cheers

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FOOTNOTES TO BOOT

That's it for this newsletter.

