

## Singleton Fly Fishing Club Inc.2002

*Promoting the art of fly fishing in  
the Hunter valley NSW Australia*

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## Newsletter August 2011



Welcome to my first attempt at putting a newsletter together. As many of you know two of my greatest failings in life are not knowing how to use a computer and how to take photos which makes me eminently qualified to prepare this newsletter for a while. With this in mind I ask that if you have a story, downsized photos or just some general news you want to share to please email it to me at [glenn16@tpg.com.au](mailto:glenn16@tpg.com.au).

Initially I will do the newsletter every two months but I am confident that with increased member contributions this will increase to monthly.

If I don't get contributions I will be forced to write articles on the perfection of Winston Fly rods and my own fishing exploits and none of us really want that.

May your Winston wiggle and your camping be cozy until we next meet.

Glenn O

## Presidents Report for August 2011



Early in the year, the South Eastern sections of Australia received great rain fall across the spawning seasons for all freshwater fish.

This is a brilliant indicator for fish migration up those systems for breeding and repopulating areas that have been blistered under the drought of the past 10 years.

The rain has continued into the early part of winter across the Hunter catchment. We believe this rain has had an impact on catch rates of our regular winter bass trips to Lake St Clair. The past few weeks have seen some relief with warm days nudging the mid 20's, bringing with it promise of more activity from the fish.

Recently we held our Christmas in July Dinner and presentation of club awards.

Congratulations to Brent, Clubman, Dave T Memorable Moment and Terry for Rookie of the Year.

Bryan Lambert from the Australian Drug Foundation - Good Sports Program attended to award SFFC with Level 3 Good Sports Accreditation.

It was a great night again this year with many laughs shared by all.

Other events coming up on the calendar are Rise Film Festival, membership renewal in October and the Carp Classic.

Look forward to catching up with you soon

Cheers  
Mista' Mik Ewin



Singleton Fly Fishing Club meets on the first  
Wednesday of each month at:-

Singleton RSC, Dorsman Drive, Singleton  
Heights at 7.00pm

## Upcoming Trips

Lake St Clair 19-21 August -Things to bring.

Fly Lines. I would bring an 8 weight floater and sinking lines. The wind should be around by then so an 8# will be your best option.

Flies: The usual trev's and vampires . The trev's if you make a few slightly weighted might just help if you are fishing the deep water which is water over 10 metres.

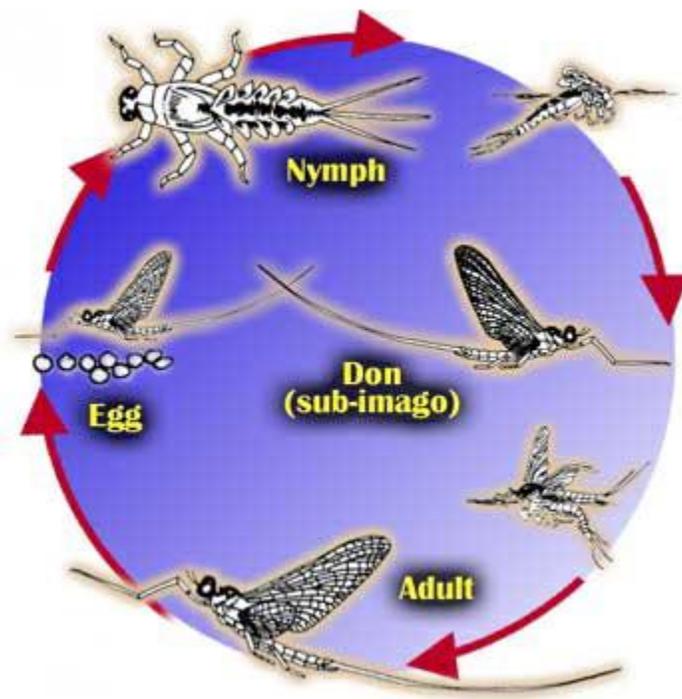
The water hopefully will have cleared by then but if not the fish will be in deep water only. It might be a good idea this time to bring some sort of water craft E.G boat /kayak to access the deeper water.

The club trailer will be there as usual with BBQ and table so no need to bring your cooking gear just your bedding and food plates cutlery etc . I have booked for 15 people at the moment so I need definite numbers in case I need to book additional places .

Regards Gregh



## The Mayfly Cycle



Just in case your parents never had that talk with you all those years ago.

## Thursday Fly Tying Night at Lawrence Blackburn's

Thursday saw some keen club members turn up at Lawrence Blackburn's house for a great night of fly fishing fellowship and creative and adventurous fly tying.



Despite wintery wet conditions, the converted garage was warm with welcome and fly fishing fellowship.

The night was an enjoyable success and there was enthusiastic consensus to have repeat night in the near future.

Thanks Lawrence for putting on the night, cooking a great BBQ, and being a great host.

Thanks to all who attended.

Look forward to the next one-Justin.





## Fishy Links

Welcome to something new. Firstly a big thank you to Terry, Chris, Peter and Greg for supplying me with enough sites to last for several months. While these are great sites I don't want our members to become Fly Fishing Internet Junkies. The internet is never as good as real fishing. With this in mind I will add 5 links to each newsletter. If the link does not work by clicking hold the control key down and click. ENJOY.

<http://winstonrods.com/>

What else did you expect? As the man in the santa hat said at Christmas in July -“while I have the hat my word is it”. Same as he who does the newsletter.

<http://copperfly.net/index.php>

Lots of interesting fly tying and how to use tools. I learnt to use a whip finisher from this site years ago. Have a look at the two streamer flies and tell me they won't work on Aussie bass.

<http://www.stusflyshop.com/>

What do you get when an eccentric Scot moves to New Zealand? You get some great videos and unusual but effective rubber based flies that I'm sure will work here.

<http://goulburnvlyflyfishing.com.au/>

Nice to include an Aussie site. Years ago I tied my first red tag using this site

[diptera.co.uk](http://diptera.co.uk)

Something from the U.K. 350 or so flies including how to tie the infamous adams.

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## Newsletter Wrap Up



Well that's it for this newsletter. Many thanks to Mik, Greg and Justin for their contributions. In the next newsletter, which will be released in mid October, I hope to have all the evidence from Christmas in July, a trip report on the Lake St Clair outing, more fishy links and maybe a prelude to the Carp Classic.

Until then bent rods and remember as a wise man once said "worry weighs a person down but an encouraging word cheers a person up".

