



NEWSLETTER

February 2009

Greetings, Gang!

At our January meeting we welcomed visitors **Cahill Daly, Julian Knight, Andrew Kirby, Robbi Florence, Julian Del Carmen, and Juan Del Carmen**. Of course Juan is an old friend who has visited us a few times but we were pleased to welcome his father who is visiting from Spain.

During the month we welcomed a new Junior Member **Tom Morris**. Tom is a mate of **Harrison's** and sounds like his is just as keen.

This meeting was a "Bibs and Bobs" night when we brought in unwanted gear to sell. We had a bit of gear arrive but I don't think anything was sold.

We heard the bad news that Jeff Christoffel had been taken to hospital with heart trouble but we are happy to hear that after joining the "zipper brigade" he is on the mend. He will be taking it easy for a while but we are happy to have him back.

We had a really good rollup for the One Fly Event. **Denis Shaw** won the event with a Giant Herring, Bream and a Flathead. Well done Denis! Although not a lot of fish were caught it was a great social event. About 25 attended the barbeque which was cooked by as many members as could possibly fit around the BBQ.

Next meeting - Tuesday 17th February

At our next meeting Kevin Ballantine manager of Doug Burt's Tackle World will be our guest speaker. Kevin is a very competent flyfisherman and grew up on the Gold Coast and has fished every drain, creek, river, canal, pot hole and lake. He will take us through by species, the best times, locations and methods.

So bring a note book, sit up straight and make the most of this opportunity

Variety Childrens' Bass on Fly – Maroon Dam

This event will be held on the 7th and 8th March 2009. Entry form and rules will be enclosed at the end of this newsletter.

Where's Andrew??

We had been wondering what had happened to **Andrew Ledger**. We have just heard Andrew and his wife Kirsten have bought a new house and have been working on it for the last 9 months. They went up to Townsville to do some electrical work on Kirsten's parents house and Andrew had a chance to wave the wand for the first time in 13 months at Applens Weir on the Ross River and caught his first wild Barramundi. Needless to say he was stoked!!



Flyfishing Seminar - Tom Boylan

We have arranged for Peter Morse to visit us on March 14th & 15th.

The details are as follows.

- Venue:** Gold Coast Rugby Club, Fremar Street, Broadbeach Waters.
We will have exclusive use this is a charming old clubhouse with every facility, wide shady verandah and of course a huge oval.
- Saturday, March 14th:** At the Rugby Club House, Peter will entertain and educate us with a PowerPoint presentation and discussion of all things fly fishy. Commencing at 7.30pm until 10pm. Drinks will be available at the bar. We will have our club screen and projector. Seating will be theatre style.

Sunday March 15th:

10am until 4pm. Casting and family day at the clubhouse and on the oval with BBQ lunch. Drinks will be available at the club bar. Nial Logan, Gordon Low and Jon Burgess, all FFF qualified casting instructors will be there to assist Peter in improving your abilities and showing off some new products.

The area is large enough to share with the youngsters to conduct a game of touch footy or just play in fully fenced security. But “over there!” “over there !”

To cover the cost of air fares, accommodation, club house access & BBQ we need to make a charge. \$15 for all participants, \$10 for ladies on Sunday and \$5 for nippers.

Bookings are essential. Tickets will be available at our February meeting or you can phone or email your booking to me by March 10th and pay on the day. I would prefer you to buy a ticket so I don't have to get Courty and Lowy to collect your money. Tom

Next Club Fishing Trip

We have been trying to schedule a February outing. Paul has suggested Maroon Dam on Saturday February 21st. We will discuss it at our February meeting.

Quote of the month:

What worries me most about the credit crunch is that if one of my cheques is returned “insufficient funds” I won't know whether that refers to mine or the banks.

Jay Leno

Tight Lines and bent rods!
Scribe

Coming Events



NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, 17th - 7.30 p.m.
Mermaid Beach Bowls Club,
9 Markeri Street, Mermaid Beach

NEXT FISHING TRIP:

21st February
Maroon Dam
Target – Bass

South East Queensland Flyfishing Club Inc. – Contacts:

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March 7th & 8th 2009
Lake Maroon

**Variety Children's Bass on fly
competition**



**Lots of prizes, trophies & giveaways
Briefing Friday night 6th
Venue Camp lake fire
Bookings 07 54636121**

Competition rules

1. Anglers must have current freshwater permits & must comply with all fisheries & boating guidelines
All freshwater permits must be presented when signing in.
2. Fishing is not permitted within defined non-boating or non-fishing areas. Fishing is restricted to the dam only, fishing off the dam banks will be permitted within sight of team member & team boat. Team members must fish out of the same boat.
3. A team will consist of & a maximum of two persons a team may have a skipper but must pay a \$20 donation to Variety Children's Charity.
4. Canoes: will be allowed either as a team of 2 single seaters or one 2 seater, single seat canoes have to be within sight of each other at all times.
5. No other persons are allowed into the vessel other than fully paid entrants (the only exception will be camera crew or official photographers that have been approved by the tournament organisers, or tournament Marshalls).
6. This is a catch and release competition only. All species of fish must be released alive as quickly as possible.
7. No burley of any form is to be used.
8. Only artificial flies to be used only.
9. Only one fly rod in use at any time per angler.
10. The tournament is open to all line classes.
11. No gaffs to be used to capture fish.
12. All decisions made by the tournament organiser's concerning rules, prizes & trophies are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
13. Tournament Marshalls may be allowed to check entrant's compliance with rules at any time while tournament under way
14. Tournament Organisers reserve the right to disqualify anyone acting in such a way as to cause concern for safety of all entrants & public alike, or for a manner which is in conflict with the rules of the competition.

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Entry Form

Team name _____
(if applicable)

Boat registration number _____

1st Team Member _____

Address or email _____

Contact Ph _____

2nd Team Member _____

Address or email _____

Contact Ph _____

Please note: for catering purposes, late entries may miss out on Saturday Night's meal. No reductions on late entries.

Entry fees:

Skipper Nomination: Yes/No	\$20
1 st team member:	\$55
2 nd team member:	\$55
Junior 16 and under	\$30

POLO SHIRTS WITH LOGO SIZES: S M L XL XXL XXXL \$20
LAST ORDER BY 25/2/09

Dinner is included with team member entries, but extra person are \$15 each. Under 16 - \$10
Please indicate how many extra persons..... Adults: _____ Under 16 _____

PAYMENT

Make you cheque/money order payable to: **Variety Children's Fly Fishing Competitions & mail to: Jeremy Wakelin, 81 Macrossan Avenue, Norman Park QLD 4170**

or by Electronic Funds Transfer : Bank - CBA
BSB - 06 4107
A/C # - 10233214

The Kiosk will also have available Food & drinks including:

- Hamburgers
- Hot Dog
- Hot Chips
- Spaghetti & Meat Balls
- Soft Drinks & Water

All Profit goes to Variety Children's