

MARCH UPDATE 2014

Good morning/day/evening SEQ Flyfishers

Please read the March update and hopefully enjoy.

Leave any feedback and be free to ask questions.

Dean.

MARCH MEETING

Those who attended Wednesday night's meeting were treated to a very informative talk on Christmas Island by Duncan O'Connell.

Points of interest were accommodation options, geographical information and the many various fish species that can be targeted like Papuan trevally, triggerfish and targeting big milk fish using large weed flies. Game fishing and reef are also options and of course the premier bone fishing flats. See photos below to see Lando's trip to Christmas Island.

After many years working as an on call mechanic, Lando is now a Tafe teacher currently working one day a week, so now he has a lot more time to go fishing. I'm not envious at all. You bludger Lando.J



Blommy and I are in discussions at the moment on which bank to target for financing our trip to CI and I advised him that the black fish net stockings that he wears in his spare time wouldn't be very useful as they would still be able to see some of his face. Better to go with the normal skin colour ones as your vision is only slightly obscured and our faces will be totally unrecognisable. See below Blommy it won't work with fishnets.



EJ

MAROON WEEKEND FEBRUARY 1st/2nd

The club went down to Maroon for the first weekend of February to fish, socialise, eat and be merry, taking part in fly fishing related activities such as fly tying and an excellent casting session with Peter Morse who was also the weekends special guest. Duncan from fish head also attended and had some product on display available for club members to purchase.

Saturday night was one to remember with a talk on sight fishing from Peter Morse and some videos from outings and trips with the standout being a disturbing image of an underwear only wearing angler fighting a fish while pelvic thrusting the salty air with a crazed look in his eye.

It was a great weekend and a few nice fish were caught as well.



VARIETY BASS

Variety recently had its annual bass shoot out that was held also at Maroon. This once quiet lake is now quite busy with speed boats and water skiers and reports from the competitors report that it was getting a little annoying at times. The once sedate camping ground always seems to be very busy these days and one fisherman told me that when he came back to his campsite after fishing he found that a new arrival had set up his tent right up next to his car and tied off the tent strings onto his cars wheels! Could this be the last Variety Bass at Maroon? Sounds like they had a top weekend anyway and of course the Variety crew always give 110%.

Results:

1ST Stephen Chatterton 2nd Jonno Burgess 3rd Ezvin Sarvin Best Team Stephen Chatterton and Alex Meynink Best Fish at 410mm Alex Meynink

HAPPY BIRTHDAY VINCE

Club legend Vince recently celebrated his birthday, happy birthday Vince. He also dropped some very nice fish photos recently on the forum and never ceases to amaze with the fish that he catches from the seaway.



All respect to the more mature folk in the club but please be aware of the scenarios below.



1. You crave affection so much that you don't care who plays with your tits. And 2. When jumping out of a burning building be sure the fireys don't get distracted by young attractive women.

CLUB CAPS AND STICKERS

Paul will be ordering another run of club camo caps soon due to popular demand so if you want one contact him for your interest. They are\$25 dollars each with \$5 going back to the club. Stickers are also available

CLARRIE HALL OUTING 13TH APRIL

The trophy is up for grabs again with the Brian McDuffie at Clarrie Hall on Sunday 13th April. Gate may be open at 6.00am if arrangements come together and daylight savings will have ended then so it will be the same time at the dam as it is on your watch. This is an all-day event with a lunch around midday to allow for a more relaxed day out, members can start and finish whenever they please or choose to go out for a second fish. With recent rain the fish should be biting and a grand day awaits us. Please don't enter the park before 6.00am or your body parts will be sacrificed to Oden.

JUNE CLUB OPEN FLY FISHING DISPLAY DAY (date to be announced)

On a Sunday in June the club will host a display day open to the public to display what the club is about and to educate the populous of the Gold Coast about fly fishing in this part of the coast. Casting and fly tying, plus workshops, special guests, tackle displays and food. This is a work in progress so if you have any ideas please put forward your thoughts and suggestions our way so we can put the master piece together.

AUSTRALIAN LURE AND FLY SHOW 9TH AND 10TH AUGUST

We will be having a display at the Ipswich Show Grounds Exhibition centre in August to promote the club at this very busy event. The display will have plenty of information about the club with flies being tied, tackle being shown and visual entertainment, if you can spare a day during that weekend and think that you have something to offer put your hand up as we probably need up to 8 volunteers. You'll also receive free entry to the show so you can have a good look around.

See http://lureshow.com.au/information.htm

TROUT ACROSS THE DITCH

Recently some members have been going over to Kiwi Land to enjoy some quality trout fishing. First Peter Nolan gave a talk at the February meeting and showed picture of some quality trout. Brian K has also been over twice so far this summer and came back with stories of guts and glory tragedy and triumph.(that means he bashed himself up again) Jonno got into the act also around the same waters as Brian's second trip and then Gary C gets a sniff and goes to the same location and gets onto some lovely fish. You guys rock



FLY TIEING COMPETITION

This year's fly tying trophy is again up for grabs. The flies that are to be tied are one flying insect (pterygota) and one aquatic insect to be judged as a pair. The two flies don't have to be linked as are mud eyes and dragon flies in the form of metamorphism but for example; you can tie a cicada and a nymph, or a mayfly and a spider that lives in

the lilies, a flying beetle and a stonefly nymph. Other mentions are damsel flies and stone flies ants and caddis. Flies are to be handed in at July meeting. Trophies will be presented at the A.G.M with the names engraved on them and I will also throw in a couple of coffee mugs with the names and some nice images as an added incentive.

RICKS AWESOME CARP VIDEOS

If you haven't checked out Rick Slennett's carp videos on the forum and YouTube do yourself a favour and see how one can fly fish in tight cover, and play fish on high banks. Also observe light presentation as to not spook the fish and stalking fish that are easily spooked and then try to guess where he is as the buildings in the background look a bit familiar. Check <u>http://youtu.be/5728_aGxdos</u> there are plenty more on the forum on Who's Catching What. The background music is adults only style if you get my meaning.

JUST IN, CLUB PRESIDENT'S BIG LONGTAIL

Check this out. Paul and Mark D hit Moreton Bay last weekend and worked hard to get this terrific result and a dream fish to live in their memories forever. That's not to say that there won't be plenty more. As Paul played it Mark chased it with the boat and a huge sigh of relief did Paul experience when this big silver rocket was landed. Congratulations guys, well done



Very happy man.

Thanks for reading,

Dean.