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President's Report

This autumn edition of the Tight Line Bulletin signals the near end of the current stream fishing season.

Having recently spent 7 weeks in South America, I have missed a goodly chunk of the prime fishing period in Australia, but I can say that was more than compensated for by my fishing experience in the Junin de Los Andes region of Argentina.

The feedback I have received from my fishing compatriots on local fishing conditions, suggests that the rain over the past month (April) revived some streams and marginally lifted the Alpine dam levels.

The fishing has been difficult but some good fish were landed and subsequently released. It was an interesting observation that the larger pools appear to have managed to

maintain good populations of fish despite the long dry spell.

The Monaro region in fishing terms has recovered well from the drought, with a number of streams starting to show signs of fishing better than they have for some time. We hope that they and the Monaro generally will receive follow up rains in order to help restore this area fully.

Our annual Fly Tying night will be held on the 20th June 2008. Expert tyers will be on hand to demonstrate the finer points of creating that special fly. An auction will be held this year (after a break of some years) in conjunction with the fly tying. Various items of fishing tackle and paraphernalia will be offered for sale as will a small but select collection of classic fishing

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The 2007-2008 Season has not ended yet and one may still be tempted to try the Alpine Lakes and Streams. This brownie came out of Eucumbene River down from the Flying Fox. Don't forget the special capture and in possession rules applying at this time of year.

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Letters to the Editor are always appreciated.

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Presidents Report (cont)

books.

The planning and arrangements for our Annual Dinner on the 15th August 2008 are well advanced. The popular angler, author and film producer, Peter Morse has agreed to be our Guest Speaker. The Waterfront Restaurant, near Circular Quay, has been selected as the new venue for what should be a very enjoyable evening for both Members and their guests.

A flyer providing full details of the function will be circulated to all Members closer to the date.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as can make it at the Dinner.

Tight Lines.

Jim Eichler

2008 Oberon Landowners Dinner

A good number of Members and Landowner guests attended the 2008 Oberon Landowners Dinner on 15 March 2008.

The venue was again the Oberon Showground and the results of the Function's Organiser, Richard Livingston efforts were rewarded with an excellent meal courtesy of the local butcher and the ladies from Inner Wheel.

Mike Timbrell kindly deputised for our absent President, Jim Eichler and welcomed and thanked the Landowners on behalf of the Society for their continued generosity in allowing its Members access to their properties and their water.

John Brien responded on behalf of

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the Landowners and explained to us that the ability to catch fish came easily to some (himself included). Just when John looked like he might wish to expound on his theory, an urgent message from his wife, Denise, recalled him to his seat.

The fishing on the weekend was tough. The Lake was considerably lower than it was just in January and the flow in the rivers and streams had slowed. Gerhard and the team staying out at "Penarth" caught some nice fish in the Fish River Creek closer to the weir. A few smaller fish were caught in the Lake but the morning and evening runs of rainbows seen earlier in the season seemed to have passed, presumably because the fry they were then chasing had outgrown that situation. In every way a good weekend.

April in the Monaro

Three legal friends (two RFS members amongst them) asked me to join them on an expedition to Anglers Reach / Lake Eucumbene last week for five days fishing.

Having not been to that part of the world in yonks, I went along. We had lovely settled autumn weather throughout, nice sunny days, cold nights, not much wind. All very angler-friendly!! The Fishing was as follows:

Lake Eucumbene: Was at 19 percent and fell about 3 inches during our stay. Nice clear water, lots of weed growth, but easy and pleasant to fish despite the falling water level. We fished there every evening.

Incoming trollers only had 12 inch rainbows to show, and not many of them either. I managed to catch 3 nice browns, all between 1.0 and 1.5 kgs on black Clumsys,. They were all very short and fat fish in great nick. Nothing bigger was to be had.

Eucumbene River: With Lake Eucumbene at its present level, the Eucumbene River proper starts just above Anglers Reach. We fished from the river mouth upstream to Providence Portal one morning. Its a big river down there, running crystal clear with many lovely pools and runs. We only managed to catch small rainbows up to 12 inches in that lower section, all on grasshopper dry flies. No migrating lake fish were to be seen anywhere, not down here, nor further upstream.

Other Eucumbene River sections fished: We continued to fish the Eucumbene River up around Denison and again further upstream towards the Flying Fox: The story was the same as lower down. Again we caught only small rainbows there.

Around Sawyers Hut: The dirt road down to the river was open. For those who have not been there it is a well formed dirt track with access technically limited to 4WD vehicles. The Eucumbene River there is much more river like running through deeper cuttings and gorges. The bigger pools have the odd decent sized resident brown. Regrettably we only managed

to catch a few small rainbows there.

Sawyers Hill up to Kiandra Road Bridge: The River up there consists of some lovely pools and runs. We found a few resident browns at home. We hooked, lost, landed a few up to 3 pounds, all on grasshopper dries.

From Kiandra Road Bridge up to Bullocks Head Creek: The river gets very skinny up there, but surprisingly, that was the stretch that held the greatest number of resident browns! Even though it's the easiest stretch to fish, access wise. We caught a few nice fish and kept one, a fat 2 ½ pound male brown, for dinner.

Besides fishing the Eucumbene, we also went to the Murrumbidgee River at Bolaro Station on our last afternoon. The Murrumbidgee there had an entirely different character to the Eucumbene, being mostly very shallow, but home to some big fish there. We fished downstream from the road bridge. I found a large brown cruising under some willows and estimated its weight at between 4-5 pounds. The fish had a few looks at my grasshopper dry but didn't take it. A companion cruiser appeared. It also didn't like my dry fly, so I put on a small black Clumsy. The smaller fish saw the nymph first and ate it without hesitation. I kept that fish, it weighing exactly 1.5 kg and being a male in great condition. Cleaning the fish revealed that it had a gutful of freshly ingested grasshoppers!! Maybe some wise man can explain the ways of trout to me one day.

Gee Bee.

Season Opener at "Penarth", Oberon

The Society has arranged a Field Trip for Members, staying in the cottage at "Penarth", on the banks of the Fish River Creek. The proposed dates coincide with the 2008-2009 season opening weekend - Friday 3rd to Tuesday 7th October 2008. Accommodation is limited to 6 people and charged for at a cost of \$30.00 per night. Participants are required to bring their own food, drink, bed linen and towels. To book, please contact the organiser, Gerhard Benz (tel. 9387 6641)

2008 NSWCFA Interclub Meeting

This year we were slightly up on numbers with forty five keen fly fishers in attendance for the 2008 NSWCFA Interclub Meet at Wallerawang; it was overcast on the Friday, while Saturday and Sunday both started with a crisp frost and then became clear and balmy - perfect Autumn days. Lakes Lyell and Thompson's Creek were much higher than last year while Lake Wallace was down a little.

On Friday evening, Leo Cameron, the Fisheries Technician (Freshwater) from the Narrandera Fisheries Centre, NSW DPI, gave an interesting talk on freshwater fisheries research. His talk was assisted by projection images and was enthusiastically received by the gathering.

On Saturday evening during the Presentation Dinner, the Immediate Past President of NSWCFA, Rodney Tonkin, ably welcomed the fly fishers on behalf of the current President, Bill Spiers, who was an apology. The attending anglers enjoyed the conviviality of mixing with likeminded anglers from other clubs and were treated to the usual excellent dinner by our hosts Rob and Linda Cluff and their Black Gold team. Ken Lawton added some levity by giving a rendition of his experience at milking a cow and during the course of the dinner everyone received a gift supplied by the many generous donors that support the event.

The fly tying competition was judged by Rolf Quaas and Rodney Tonkin with results as follows:

Open:	Ross Salvato	Sydney Fly Rodders' Club
Advanced:	Ken Purcell	NSW Rod Fishers Society
Beginners:	Tony Tribsona	Lakeside Fly Fishing Club
Novelty:	Barry Gentle	Illawarra Fly Fishing Club

Clive Brabham from Fly Fish Bathurst was again the winner of the largest fish with a 50cm rainbow (measured with a stick and because it was a catch and release competition, Clive brought the stick back as proof) which made him the winner of Otto's Fishy Business Trophy for the largest fish caught and released; this fish also gave Clive the largest rainbow prize (which was a pair of secateurs intended to ensure a more accurate measure in the future). John Coles won the largest brownie prize with a 42cm river fish. A total of forty four fish were registered for the Saturday competition.

Two of our draw card fly tyers, David Wilson and Peter Hansen, after registering for the weekend, unfortunately could not make the meet. Rolf Quaas and Ross Salvato kindly agreed to fill in for them at the last minute and gave a sterling fly tying demonstration. This segment was, as always a most popular aspect of the weekend. These people are expert tyers and many of us improve our technique by picking up on something that they show us in their demonstrations.

Sunday was a very calm day. Mark Street and Nick Constatinou supervised some very accurate casting in the Black Gold grounds. In favourable conditions, the results of the various events were:

Dry Fly Accuracy Open:	Rodney Tonkin	Orange Trout Acclimatisation Society
Dry Fly Accuracy H'cap #1:	Ross Stanford	Orange Trout Acclimatisation Society
Dry Fly Accuracy H'cap #2:	Jim Gilchrist	Sydney Fly Rodders Club
Distance Accuracy Open:	Kevin Lawton	Orange Trout Acclimatisation Society
Distance Accuracy H'cap #1:	Lewis Williams	Sydney Fly Rodders Club
Distance Accuracy H'cap #2:	Jim Gilchrist	Sydney Fly Rodders Club

The Ross Salvato "World of Tackle" Trophy for the Champion Club was again (continued page 5)

2008 NSWCF A Interclub Meeting (continued from page 4)

comfortably won by Lakeside Fly Fishing Club with Sydney Fly Rodders Club second and Orange Trout Acclimatisation Society/Fly Fish Bathurst third.

The following businesses and people made donations to the event: Ross Salvato (World of Tackle), Steve Hoagland (Derek McKenzie Outdoors), Dave Smith (Fish'n'Trips Mudgee) John Coles (Fly Fishing School), Australian Fishing Network, Sue Colliton, Maggie Moss, NSW DPI Fisheries, Alan Barber (Tiewell), ABC Books, Ken Colmer, Dan Engel, Paul Summerhayes, Ken Musgrove, Peter Hansen, David Wilson and Euan Leckie.

My sincere thanks to the generosity shown by all of the donors and the support that the fly fishers gave. The weekend on my reckoning raised about \$2,600, the final figure to be calculated when the NSWCF A Treasurer returns from overseas (he went away **before** the meet and isn't having a holiday on the proceeds).

My thanks to John Flakelar (photo competition), Ken Purcell, Rolf Quaas and Rodney Tonkin (fly tying competition), David Screen (fishing competition), Mark Street and Nick Constantinou (casting competition), Peter Drinkall (presentation) and Radge Diakiw, who tallied the Champion Club points for the World of Tackle Trophy. Rodney Tonkin and Ken Purcell were extremely helpful to me in other areas and my special personal thanks go to them for that.

On behalf of the all the attendees a big thank you too to Rob and Linda Cluff for their hospitality and support of what was undoubtedly a great weekend.

John Humphries, Meet Coordinator

At the Interclub Casting Competition:
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The Boggy Flat

Before the construction of the Fish River Dam (aka Lake Oberon), the Jenolan Caves Road crossed the river a few hundred yards above where the massive wall now stands. Looking down on the deep waters it is not easy to visualize the stream as it used to be just below the picturesque wooden bridge. This particular stretch was quite different in character to the upper Fish River as a whole. Winding around the bottom of the steep hill, it consisted of a series of shallow little pools separated by rocky terraces over which the water splashed and gurgled. Gums at the base of the hill projected their branches out over the water and leaves hung low to the surface. Ti-tree and other shrubs covered the steep bank, whilst the other side was flat and grassy with clumps of tussocks and the odd small willow. There were some good fish to be found under the shady branches but it was difficult to get a fly over them and because of the lack of depth of water, they were easily put down.

The old bridge was more than a prominent landmark to me. I always paused under the great wooden beams to rest a while and to check my tackle. If the fishing below the bridge had been poor this was often a turning point. For some inexplicable reason I would almost always raise a fish just above the bridge, even under the most unfavourable conditions.

Above the bridge the "Boggy Flat" spread out between the hills, the narrow course of the stream marked out only by the occasional willow or large granite rock. The name Boggy Flat was misleading as it was not all boggy. The greater area was in fact quite dry under normal summer conditions and a favourite area for big organised picnics.

Further upstream parts of the flat were quite wet with some permanently boggy sections in keeping with its name. The banks of the river were however mostly dry and the stream so narrow that it could easily be stepped over with ease in many places. The tussocks were high and thick so that they often obscured the water altogether. But the narrow channels were deep and in them big brown trout lurked.

I shall not easily forget the first day that I discovered this great fishing ground. I had not previously fished up to the point where the stream began to narrow, the day always seeming to end before I could get into new waters. But this day I firmly put aside thoughts of the Sawpit and all my favourite spots below the bridge as well as immediately above it. I commenced fishing where I usually left off.

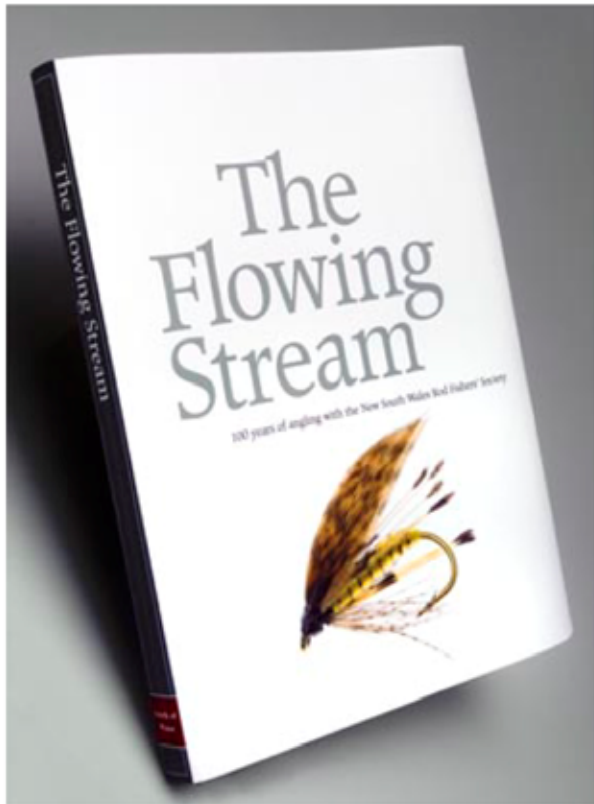
It was a warm day and I fished well up the flat without rising a fish. On reaching the very narrow waters I found difficulty in getting the fly through the overhanging tussocks. To overcome this I attached a small piece of lead shot to the cast just above the fly. This enabled the fly to slip through the tussocks to the water and also caused the fly to sink deeper, an effect I desired because of the absence of rises to this point.

The results were immediate and what results! Fishing with no more than a line the length of the rod, I would drop the line over the tussocks and let it go where the current dictated. When the line stopped moving I would strike and invariably feel the heavy pull of a big fish. In the next hour I hooked six fish, one of which I lost. But the aggregate weight of the five landed was fourteen pounds, the largest being four and a quarter. Then a cold easterly blew up and put an end to the day. In subsequent fishing on that few hundred yards of almost invisible stream I caught an extraordinary number of large fish. I am sure that nothing less than two pounds ever lived there.

There was only one pool of any size on this part of the Boggy Flat. A deep, somewhat sinister looking pool known by the picturesque name of "Tommy Nut". Situated against the hill on the edge of the flat, large granite boulders jutted out from the southern bank forming a deep cavity just below the neck. I always expected to hook something quite enormous in the dark shadows cast by the rock but I never did. My best fish from this pool was not quite three pounds and this I hooked in the narrow bend that comprised the neck. I knew of other anglers catching good fish there but nothing like I fancied that the pool might contain. Surely it held a secret as the Sawpit did but if so, a secret it remained.

It was hard for me to realise that once the dam was built these old haunts would be gone forever. No more would I shelter under the old bridge, stalk the big browns in the narrow waters or cast a fly over the Tommy Nut. No more would I fish the Log Hole or the Round Hole or any other famous pool in The Retreat. And harder still to realise that a new generation now exist that never knew the Boggy Flat.

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Friday 20th June 2008

The Rodfishers' annual fly tying & auction night will be held on Friday 20th June at the Union, University & School's Club, Level 2, Bent Street Sydney commencing at 6:00pm.

Last year's event was one of the most successful to date, and we are anticipating a similar outcome this year. Again we will have on hand a number of expert fly tyers demonstrating their skills and providing expert advice and useful tips to those of us who are less gifted.

This year will also see the return of the full auction in place of the silent auctions that lacked enthusiastic support in recent years. Sean McSharry will once again entertain us with his auctioneering skills and repartee. So now is the time to revisit your ever-expanding collection of fly fishing gear and support the auction by bringing along that once cherished, but now sadly neglected rod or reel (please attach a reserve price to each item).

During the auction, a number of books from the Society's library will sold: our library contains some very important and valuable books relating to fishing in Australia and Europe, and we have selected a number of them for the auction, which are duplicate copies or books which may not be entirely relevant to the Australian fishing scene. These should be of interest to any collector of vintage fishing publications.

Finger food and beverages will be served during the evening and all costs for the event will be covered by the Society.

RSVP directly to the Functions Manager, Union University & Schools Club before 18 June 2008

Tel: 8933 7623 or e-mail [julie-anne @uusc.com.au](mailto:julie-anne@uusc.com.au)

Can you help our Library ?

The Council has asked whether any Member(s) is/are able to assist the Society by providing a permanent or temporary home for one or both of the two cabinets used to house the Society's Library. The original cabinet/bookcase measures 1120mm (W) x 445mm (D) x 2050 (H) and the second cabinet/bookcase crafted by former President, Bill Baker measures 1265mm x 430mm (D) x 1300mm (H). Photographs of the two cabinets appear below. Any Member prepared to help out please contact Jim Eichler (tel: 9949 4069)



Form Left to Right: The Bill Baker Bookcase and the Original Bookcase and Cabinet.

Famous Fishing Quotation

"Doing ? What am I doing?

Man, I am an Angler"

Thomas Stoddart 19th Century Scots Angler

Mid Summer in Jindabyne

Last week (first week of February 2008), Daryl Hart and I went once again to Birken Lodge / Jindabyne for a bit of mid-summer dry fly fishing. Hee Haa. We fished the Thredbo River in the pouring rain all day on the Monday we arrived. We got soaking wet but persisted anyway with dry flies (hoppers and cicadas) all day. It was hard to see anything with all the raindrops hitting the water. I think we only caught one fish each.

The next day I went to Thredbo Diggings with Nick Tattersall, who had joined us for two days. The river was up a bit and slightly stained from the rain but boy, were the trout out and about. The sun was out, too, and my first few casts into the head of the big Thredbo Diggings Pool my grasshopper was taken by four big browns in a row. I missed the lot, but it didn't matter. We caught around 15 fish between us that day – Nick got the biggest, a 4 pound brown, and I the weirdest, a 2 pound rainbow. That fish suddenly appeared and took up station next to a streamside rock, on which we were sitting having lunch. I put my beer down, grabbed the flyrod, dropped the fly in front of the fish, which took it gracefully in full view!

Next day, Wednesday, turned out just as good – the river a bit lower and back to crystal clear, with fish moving / rising everywhere. I fished the stretch from Bullocks Hut up to the Diggings. At 1 pm I came to the last big pool before the Diggings, which is skirted by the Bullocks Hut track. At the tail of that pool, next to some overhanging tea-tree bushes, I thought there was a dimple rise or two. I cast my grasshopper that way, and it was gently taken... I saw the fish come up for the fly, it looked big, but only when it started jumping did I realise, how big!! It turned out to be a six pound male brown, 62 cm long. My biggest fish from the Thredbo since the famous ten pound "King Kong" three years earlier in the same company.

That was our last good fishing day. Each of us caught half a dozen decent fish that day. Fishing wise, things went downhill from there. It turned cloudy / rainy again, and COLD. Each morning temps hovered around 5 degrees, and it "warmed up" to about 12 degrees later on. The fish went away and were hard to come by. Not much surface activity, not much more to report except for the odd fish or two. Even had the heater going in the apartment!!

The lake fishing was not good – probably too warm. Daryl and I caught a rainbow each fishing off the rocks at Birken Lodge but that was all. We saw no other anglers around the lake, even the trollers were few and far between.

Our total tally for the week was 40 fish of legal size – still on par with previous years' efforts. No one complained! GeeBee.

The six pound brown taken by Gerhard in the pool immediately below the Thredbo Diggings

Who was J R Hartley

A popular UK television advertisement for the Yellow Pages featured an elderly gentleman who having tried numerous bookshops listed in the directory finally finds one selling a book he supposedly wrote entitled "Fly Fishing" by J R Hartley. So realistic was the advertisement that English angling writer, Peter Lapsley, ghostwrote a book of the same name. That book was so successful that Lapsley was encouraged to write a sequel, "J R Hartley Casts Again". They are both good fun books to read but there is still no real J R Hartley.



Membership Drive

As many of you will be aware, the absolute membership level of our Society has been falling for some time and is currently at a near all time low with just over 230 members. The Council recognises the importance of a strong membership base and has allocated this issue priority status.

The Council last year undertook a survey of members with the objective of understanding what members valued in the society and what activities they would like to see added or enhanced. The results of the survey were published in the December 2007 edition of *Tight Lines*. In addition to assisting the Council in determining the planning of future activities for Society members, the information gathered was intended to assist in understanding what would make the Society more attractive to potential new members, particularly younger members. Amongst the respondents the need to advertise more widely was recognised as an important strategy.

To initiate the process, a notice has been placed on the Union, University and Schools Club Notice Board and this is being followed up with a similar notice in the Club's circular to members. Other placements will be considered when the outcomes of this first initiative are evaluated. Interested individuals will be interviewed by council members and nominated and seconded as deemed appropriate. This represents a move away from our traditional practice of members directly introducing and nominating potential members of appropriate character to Council.

The traditional approach remains our preferred process and as such ALL MEMBERS are requested to give some consideration to nominating an acquaintance of suitable character for Society membership. This might be a fishing colleague or perhaps a friend or family member who you would like to introduce to the pleasures and camaraderie of fly fishing and create a source of shared interest for many years to come

Developments in Fly Lines

Two new fly lines have come onto the market. One is a Scientific Anglers line called "Sharkskin". This line flies in the face of convention by featuring a roughly finished external coating. As a result, the line sounds like an undressed silk line as it is worked through the guides when casting but the rough finish means that the line traps additional air to improve buoyancy and offers increased suppleness over traditional "plastic" lines. The second is the Varivas "Airs" fly line. This Japanese flyline is the exact opposite of Sharkskin in that its coating is super smooth and its improved suppleness depends upon its use of an advanced plastic. Tapers are similar, although the Airs line has slightly more weight forward. Both lines will repay your off season investigation.

BP's **ALL NEW HANDY** HINTS

We are all high on enthusiasm when we first arrive at a fishing destination. However, curb your instinctive urge to rush up and put a fly on the water. Keep well away from the waters edge, keep your rod horizontal - **keep the tip down at all times** - stop, look, listen and wait - then wait a bit longer. Look for shadows, under water structures, the edges of runs - foam lines and anything "different" - where a fish might lie.

Above all, look and listen for that wonderful telltale rise, and then be prepared to wait while you identify a feeding pattern, as the fish could be patrolling a "beat". Be very patient and plot this out before you make that careful first cast well in front of the fish. Your first cast will always be your best chance.

When looking for rises on flowing water remember to locate the fish well

upstream from where the rise is first seen, as rings expand quickly as they travel downstream with the current. Identify its location carefully by relating it to something fixed on the bank - a stone, stick, tree, bush or whatever, as the location will always look different if you look away or move, and the moving water quickly masks the memory.

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***Special Note regarding
Monthly Luncheons**

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Union University & Schools Club dress regulations: jacket and tie at all times

Mobile telephones: the use of mobile telephones inside the Union University & Schools Club is prohibited.

Doors for luncheons will not be opened before 12.30 pm. Members arriving early are invited to meet in the Ground Floor Bar where drinks may be purchased.

Union University & Schools Club has requested that any of its members attending a NSW Rod Fishers' Society Luncheon should pay the Society for the function on the day. Charges to Union University & Schools Club accounts will not be accepted.

Cancellations must be received no later than 11.30 am on the day of the Luncheon. Later cancellations will be subject to the full Luncheon charge.



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Contact Jim Eichler on tel. (02) 9949 4069 or by e-mail at info@nswrodfisherssociety.com.au.

Rod Fishers' Calendar of Events

Monthly Council Meeting

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Tuesday, 3 June 2008
Time: 6.00 pm

Monthly Luncheon*

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Thursday, 5 June 2008
Time: 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm.
Cost: \$60.00

Annual Fly Tying Night

Union, University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Friday, 20 June 2008
Time: 6.00 pm

Monthly Council Meeting

Union, University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Tuesday, 1 July 2008
Time: 6.00 pm

Monthly Luncheon*

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Thursday 3 July 2008
Time: 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm.
Cost: \$60.00

Monthly Council Meeting

Union, University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Tuesday, 5 August 2008
Time: 6.00 pm

Monthly Luncheon*

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Thursday 7 August 2008
Time: 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm.
Cost: \$60.00

Annual Dinner

Waterfront Restaurant
Circular Quay, Sydney
Date: Friday, 15 August 2008
Time: 7.00pm for 7.30 pm
Cost: tba
Bookings: Richard Levingston 9144 7268

Monthly Council Meeting

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Tuesday, 2 September 2008
Time: 6.00 pm

Monthly Luncheon*

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Thursday 4 September 2008
Time: 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm.
Cost: \$60.00

Annual General Meeting & Casting Day

Manly Dam
Date: Sunday, 21 September 2008
Time: 11.00am for AGM

Monthly Luncheon*

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Thursday, 2 October 2008
Time: 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm.
Cost: \$60.00

Monthly Council Meeting

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Tuesday, 7 October 2008
Time: 6.00 pm

Members Weekend

Geebung Ski Club Thredbo (tbc)
Dates: tba
Cost: tba

Monthly Council Meeting

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Tuesday, 4 November 2008
Time: 6.00 pm

Monthly Luncheon*

Union University & Schools Club
Level 2, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
Date: Thursday, 6 November 2008
Time: 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm.
Cost: \$60.00

Centenary Challenge

Inaugurated in the Society's 100th year, the Centenary Challenge is a fishing awards scheme rather than a fishing competition. The Challenge has four elements and requires a Member fishing in the company of another Member to catch a fish of 2 lbs/1 kg. in the Oberon District (including the New England), a fish of 3 lbs/1.5 kg. in the Monaro District (including Victoria), a fish of 4 lbs/2 kg in Tasmania and a fish of 6 lbs/3 kg. in New Zealand. Each is a good but not impossible fish for its home waters. The completion of each element of the Challenge is marked by the award of specially woven cloth patch (suitable for the vest) and the completion of all four elements by the further award of a gold coloured patch and recognition as a "Compleat Angler". Please let the Editor, Ken Musgrove, know if you have made a qualifying capture so we can officially recognise and mark your achievement.

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Nomination of prospective new Members is to be proposed and seconded by Members of the Society and forwarded to the Honorary Secretary with a cheque covering the joining fee of \$120 plus the first year's subscription of \$66. Application forms are available from the Membership Secretary and from the Society's website. New Members will receive a complimentary copy of our Centenary publication "The Flowing Stream" upon their election.

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Events

Council meetings, lunches, dinners, fly tying nights and other events, unless otherwise notified, are held at the Union Club, 25 Bent Street, Sydney 2000. Dress regulations: jacket and tie are required at all times.

In the next Tight Lines Bulletin

There will be reports on the Fly Tying & Auction Night and formal notice and details of the Society's Annual General Meeting and Casting Day scheduled for 21 September 2008 at Manly Dam.

New Members

We are pleased to welcome the following as new Members of the Society. We hope that you will enjoy your membership and look forward to welcoming you in person at an up coming function: George Mabot, Bruce Harper, Mark Boulter, Sia and Bruno Pisano, David Harris and John Miller.



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