



# Greensborough & District Angling Club



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## Presidents Message

As we head towards the conclusion of another enjoyable and challenging Club fishing year, it is interesting to recollect on some of the highlights and plan for another year laden with more angling adventures.

We have all heard of the exploits of Ron "Shark Man" Mallet and his battles with Mako and Blue sharks off Barwon Heads. Club members were invited by Ron to follow him out to his favourite spots and everyone had incredible success with captures on all boats. This sharing of knowledge and skills is what being a member of a Club is all about and on behalf of the members, I would like to thank Ron for his excellent attitude.

Our Secretary "Bluey" also deserves congratulations. In his first year of angling with the Club, Blue has been in the placing's in most of the competitions he has attended this year. He takes his commitment to the Club very seriously and he loves his fishing, especially when he gets a few. His best effort was at Bemm River where he gave Tim Plummer a head start on the first day of the trip but quickly caught up and nearly beat the Bream master.

Your Committee has been working on next year's syllabus and a draft version is available for comment. Your feedback is most important, so please have a look at the draft and let us know your thoughts.

Russell

## Hall For Hire

Members are reminded that our hall is available for hire for your social functions, Call Cliff Tuttleby on 9439-6305 for more information.

## GDAC Nominations Night

All members are reminded that our nomination night is coming up on the 28th June. Please think about taking on a role in the club. Try and not leave all the positions to the same members to do all the work. If you would like to nominate for a position or would like some details talk to Russell Conway or any other committee member to find out what is involved.

## Upcoming Club Trips

- 5 May - Pinkie Comp
- 20 May - F/W TBA
- 10 June - Working Bee
- 24 June - Surf (Gunnamatta / Anglesea)
- 7/8 July - Bill McDade Trophy (Bream TBA)



## Club Trip Results

### F/W FORGES BEND

1. Allan Moore (1.80 kg)
2. Chris Beckwith (0.990 kg)
3. Tim Plummer / Cliff Tuttleby ( 0.000 kg)

4 members fished

### Barwon Heads

1. Sam Illardi / Anthony Rocca (1.5 mtrs)
2. Marco Caviaggon / Glen Bussey (1.370 mtrs)
3. Chris Beckwith / Rob DallaVia (1.350 mtrs)

8 members fished

### Yarra River

1. No Fish of size weighed

7 members & 1 Visitor

### Port Phillip (Rosebud)

1. Trip only 5 members 3 flathead with Howard Gault weighing one at 610 grms

### Bemm River

1. Tim Plummer (10.80 kg)
2. Howard Gault (6.32 kg)
3. Mark Hall (4.01 kg)

10 members fished Total 28.150 kg

### Western Port

1. Florian Kawacki (600 mm)
2. Mike Hedt (430 mm)
3. Russell Conway (320 mm)

8 Members Fished & 1 Visitor

### Warrnambool

1. Allan Moore (8.860 kg)
2. Tim Plummer (3.79 kg)
3. Russell Conway (1.97 kg)

6 members fished.

## GET WELL SOON

Just a message that we all hope Tom Phillips gets well soon after having his second hip operation.

### *Trip Captains*

Remember, you must provide a brief report on your trip for the newsletter. Your reports help to keep members informed of the Club's activities and some of the more enjoyable and memorable aspects of trips.



## *Bream Fishing*

You need a well balanced outfit capable of handling 2 or 3kg line. Berkley Fireline in 2kg is a good choice for those using braid. You need a line that is tough and abrasion resistant with minimum stretch and Fireline has it all. Long shank hooks and small sinkers will complete your tackle requirements.

Keep your rig as simple as possible for Bream. A small swivel with 30cm of line below it tied to the hook with the sinker free running on the trace is the best rig.

The right bait and berley are the keys when bream fishing. It is fair to say that prawns and sand worms would be the most commonly used bait for bream. Start fishing with the lightest lead that will get your bait down deep in the vicinity of the berley as that is where the fish are.

Another point is do not bury the point in the bait or do as many people do and sew the hook through the bait a couple times. Doing this causes the bait to bunch up in the bend of the hook and you will miss many fish. Use decent size baits and put the hook through the bait once. Big bream just gulp the lot down in one go. If you are getting constant bites and missing you can bet they are probably smaller fish.

Fishing for Bream with soft plastics and hard body lures is a fun and very challenging way to fish . Once you start having success it gets very addictive. The best brands are Ecogear, Atomic, Storm & Squidgies with Berkley Power Grubs also being excellent producers of Bream. A soft plastic bait of 2.5 inches or less is a good choice.

A hard bodied lure in a natural colour and a length of around 65mm is a good place to start. When fishing with lures or plastics cast in close to the bank and have a jerking retrieve. The bream will most of the time hit the lure while it is stationary.



- **What did the fish say when it hit a wall ? DAM**
- **"There's a fine line between fishing and standing on the shore looking like an idiot."**
- **The way to communicate with the fish is to drop them a line.  
To argue on a fishing boat is to have de bait.**

## ***MAFRI - Fish Fax***

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### ***Native fish win over carp in drought conditions***

Victorian waterways may be feeling the strain with the increasing drought conditions; however native fish in the State's north seem to be well adapted to cope with the lowering of water levels and subsequent increasing water temperatures.

The construction of fishways has also aided the passage of native fish and improved their ability to re-establish populations in their natural range. Fishways allow fish the freedom of passage through river systems that may have been previously blocked by a road or weir. This is important for fish to reach different areas so they can complete a range of life cycle requirements.

Further good news is that carp, which are a noxious pest species in Australia and prolific in the Murray-Darling Basin, are dying in record numbers as a result of the drying of wetlands. Anecdotal evidence suggests that carp swim against the flow of water, resulting in the fish becoming stranded and eventually dying on the drying mudflats. This behaviour is unlike native species that migrate with the receding waters.

### ***Check out our new products page***

Fisheries Victoria has recently published a new web page at [www.dpi.vic.gov.au/fishing](http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/fishing) that describes the different tools that are publicly available to help recreational anglers comply to rules and regulations.

The production of different types of measures, posters, pocket cards, stickers and a ruler has been partly funded by funds raised from the sale of the Recreational Fishing Licences. They have been designed to fit in the average tackle box or stick on a prominent and accessible area of your boat and/or tackle box.

These products can be ordered through the Department's Customer Service Centre by calling 136 186.

### ***2006/07 Native Fish Stocking Summary***

Despite on-going drought conditions in Victoria, the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) has stocked 668,450 native fish into more than 25 waters across the State during the 2006/07 native stocking season. The native stocking season usually extends between January and April each year, which is a preferable time to stock native fish due to water temperatures.

The total number of native fish stocked during the 2006/07 season was:

- Murray cod – 119,350
- Golden perch - 544,100
- Silver perch – 5,000

Funds from the Recreational Fishing Licence (RFL) Trust Fund contribute to the production of native fish. Last year the RFL contributed \$209,892 to Fisheries Victoria's fish stocking budget of \$1.064 million.

### ***Fish production and stocking management***

Fisheries Victoria has a fish production facility located at Snobs Creek, near Eildon in Victoria's High Country. Both salmonid and native fish species are raised for conservation and recreational fishing stocking purposes at this facility.

Prior to 2006, private contractors produced fish for Victorian stockings and DPI's research arm, Primary Industries Research (PIRVic), coordinated the fish liberations. Now, the Snobs Creek fish production facility and all fish liberations are fully managed by Fisheries Victoria, leaving PIRVic to concentrate on their fundamental role as the research service provider for the Department.

The majority of the fish released are produced at Snobs Creek, with only golden perch and silver perch being purchased from a variety of private suppliers within Victoria or New South Wales.

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The numbers of fish to be released and the waters to be stocked are decided at annual consultation meetings held at regions across the state at the beginning of each year. Any submissions for the stocking program can be made through local angling clubs which are then represented by the states recreational fishing peak body, VRFish, at the consultation meetings.

### **Victorian water level update**

#### **Water Capacity**

	<b>17 April 2007</b>	<b>27 March 2007</b>	<b>1 year ago</b>	<b>3 years ago</b>
Batyo Catyo	0%	0%	0%	0%
Blue Rock	53%	56%	79%	71%
Cairn Curran	2%	3%	7%	5%
Eildon	7%	8%	22%	20%
Hume	4%	5%	21%	12%
Lauriston	28%	31%	63%	70%
Mokoan	10%	11%	31%	23%
Mulwala	95%	97%	97%	98%
Nillahcootie	32%	35%	64%	73%
Rocklands	1%	1%	3%	3%
Tullaroop	9%	10%	15%	11%
Wurdibuloc	23%	27%	54%	81%

## **10 Fishing Facts**

**Angler** An obsessed individual who owns a house that is falling down due to neglect, a truck whose colour can best be described as Rust-Oleum, and a pristine boat that he cham-ois' down methodically before and after each trip.

**Knot** (1) An insecure connection between your hook and fishing line. (2) A permanent tangle on your spinning reel which forces you to go out and buy a bigger, better, much more expensive rig.

**Landing Net** A net used to help drag a large wiggling fish, or an inebriated fishing buddy, on board.

**Live Bait** The biggest fish you'll handle all day.

**Quiet Water** Your surroundings after you stop cursing your bad luck and fall asleep at the reel.

**Skunked fisherman** One who returns to the boat ramp many, many hours after his buddies have gone home so that there are no witnesses to his catch or lack thereof.

**Sinker** (1) A weight attached to a lure to get it to the bottom. (2) The nickname of your boat.

**Thumb** A temporary hook holder.

**Treble Hook** Triples the odds of your catching a fish. Quadruples the odds of your getting the hook caught in your thumb (see above).

**Trolling** What you do after you've lost a \$500 rod and reel set-up overboard.

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## **J.V. Fishing World - Premier Angling Centre**

1374 North Road, South Oakleigh 9544 1377

REMEMBER to SHOW your J.V. Marine VIP Card - COURIER SERVICE AVAILABLE

## **Montmorency Tyres**

See Fred Rich or Greg Walker - 10 George Crt Greensborough 9434 1233

## **Ray White Real Estate**

Greensborough 9432 7000

## **Streaker Boats**

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## **Sports Awards**

Ross - 131 Plenty Road Preston 9484 1702

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## **Urban Bins & Skips**

4 Natasha Close StHelena - 9432-5588 ; 0408-548833



# Greensborough & District Angling Club Inc.

P.O. Box 7, Greensborough 3088

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

YEAR 200 / 200

### Applicant Details

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Application Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Phone No: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Business) \_\_\_\_\_

(Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ (Fax) \_\_\_\_\_

(Email) \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous/Other Club Memberships: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type:	SENIOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$45	
	ASSOCIATE	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15	
	PENSIONER	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15	
	JUNIOR (Under 16 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15	Date Of Birth ____/____/____
	FAMILY	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50	

For FAMILY membership, please list names and birth dates of all children.

1. ....	2. ....	3. ....	4. ....	5. ....
DOB .....				

### Boat Details

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Reg No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_ m Colour: \_\_\_\_\_

### Affiliation Fees

ANSA: \$16

NFA: \$10

### Payment Details

TOTAL FEE(S): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Fee + Affiliation Fees(s)

RECEIPT No: \_\_\_\_\_