

# **ORMOND ANGLING CLUB INC**

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Date: 4 Sept. 2013 Meeting No: 3130

# Minutes of the Ormond Angling Club General Meeting

Meeting opened at 8.02 pm with President Don Ellis in the chair.

Members present: 12 Visitors: Ken and Toa

Apologies: David Hornbuckle, Walt Firestone, Lockie Barker, Harry Sprakes and Gaynor

Morris

# **Administrative Matters:**

Nominations: Nil

Elections: Nil

President's Report: MAA are still working on the questionnaire on the

Recreational Fishing Licence (RFL)

Illnesses: No reports

# **Exec. Committee Actions:**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Executive Meeting for season 2013-14 was held at the OAC clubrooms on Wed.14<sup>th</sup> August 2013

#### Topics discussed were

- Rear external light
- Kitchen update
- Resurfacing of the floors
- New notice Board
- OAC vs. Elwood A/C Competitions
- Financial matters:
- Aggregate trophy money
- Sunday brunch in lieu of Dinner/Movie Night
- Club Person of the Year Award

Minutes are on the Notice Board. Next executive scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> October

# Secretary's Report:

Correspondence In:

AGL Gas A/C

State Rev. Office

City of Glen Eira

Oakdale Angling Club

Davenports

Land tax instal.

News letter

Appreciation Cert.

Payee tax details

Punctual Plumbing A/C for clearing sewer blockage

Correspondence out: Nil

#### **Angling Matters:**

Member's Angling Reports:

Lou fished Beaumaris pier and around 3am, saw a 6.5kg snapper get caught. Also caught was a 7 gill shark. Fish were caught on squid.

John Healey fished Eildon Lake and caught 63cm brown trolling frog pattern Tassie devils. George heard of cod being caught casting spinner baits up against the weir wall.

Don reported plenty of squid caught on Rye Pier. Also reports some people fined by having over 50 undersize squid.

George also commented there is a lot of Salmon between Rye and Rosebud.

It was also noted that Stoney point ramp fees now \$15 and Hastings has gone to \$14.20.

# **Trip Captain's Report:**

Surf S1 comp. Williamson's Beach Report by Peter Manning

Ean Moser picked me up and we travelled to Williamson's Beach.

Being daylight we could see all the rivers that run into Western

Port were chocolate coloured and boiling along- The Powlett River

was flooding to the paddock fence tops

Meet other anglers at the car park then walked to the beach where the sand was almost flat.

The surf was discoloured but fortunately there was not much weed.

Ean and I fished near the track entrance whilst usually we walk another 500 metres.

Water was low but a deep gutter was close in with a moderate wind along the beach.

First cast produced a Salmon of about 700 gms, then 5 more were taken in 6 casts. It was my best day's surf fishing for many years

#### **Angling Secretary's Report**— Trevor Thommers

Last Competition

Comp. Surf S1

- Date Saturday 24 August 2013
- Venue: Williamson's Reach
- Number of members: 9 Visitors: Nil
- Total Bag Weight: 22.965 kg Total Number of Fish caught: 26
- Species caught: Salmon only
- Winner of the comp. was Peter Manning with 5 Salmon weighing 5.365 kg

- Winner of the Trophy was also Peter Manning
- Heaviest fish was a Salmon weighing 2.225 kg and this was caught by Peter Manning

Numbers of members who caught fish was 9 Average fish weight 880gms

# **Next Competition:**

Date: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2013

Venue: Goulburn River (Opening of the new Salmonid season)

Fishing Boundaries 200 metres downstream of the pondage

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Lines down: 6.30 am Weigh-in: 2.00 pm

Weigh-in Location Alexandra Bridge on the Goulburn

Trip Captain: Ian Morris

### **Other Angling Matters**

Inter - Club Competitions against Elwood AC

Trevor Thommers discussed this matter with his counterpart at

Elwood AC. As a result the following points were made

• Gippsland River comp. for the Shell Shield

Elwood AC still wants to continue with the Gippsland Rivers comp,

They have requested that it be held on 17-18 May instead of 24-25 May 2014 as originally programmed

• Goulburn River comp. for the Freshwater Shield

Details of this comp. to be discussed at the next OAC executive meeting

#### Ramp Fees Western Port

It has been reported that the ramp fees for both Hastings and Stony Point Ramps are to be increased to \$15 for the coming season

# **Social Matters:**

Social committee report:

Social Secretary Lou reported due to lack of interest in the movie and dinner night, it was decided to have a brunch at a local café in Bentleigh. 6 members attended and it was well received.

Please don't forget the sinker making day at the club on 15<sup>th</sup> September starting at 10am and finishing off with a BBQ.

Tonight's raffle prizes:

Waterproof torch – Head Lamp – Burley cages

Social functions:

Next social function is to be a Sinker Making Day on Sunday

15<sup>th</sup> September 2013. Lou Gerardi will email details to club members

### Last meeting's minutes:

Matters arising from last meeting's minutes:

Confirmation of last meeting's minutes

Moved by.....Peter Maning.....

Seconded by...Len Gardner.....

Carried: yes

#### **Delegates Reports:**

Hall hire & Pro. Report—Walt Firestone Walt sent apologies for absence from the meeting

## **Maintenance Report:**

Thanks to Len Gardner for fixing the paling fence where next doors tree was encroaching into our backyard.

Thanks to Ian Morris for replacing outside light above men's toilets.

MAA/VR Fish. Representative—Don Ellis Details on attached Annex

#### **General Business:**

The Goulburn River water level service can be contacted on 57743928 Trophy cabinet was bought by Ian Morris which will house the three memorial trophies the club rooms.

#### **Member's Draw:**

**John Healey** was the lucky **winner** of **\$20.00**. Do not forget that you must be at the meeting **to win the \$20.00 next general meeting.** 

# **Meeting Summary:**

Outline of Goulburn River comp. 8 Sep. 2013

Reminder - Sinker Making day at OAC clubrooms on 15 Sep. 2013

Alex will be giving a talk on tying knots using a special tool next members meeting.

#### Meeting concluded at 9.00pm

# Guest Speaker at our last Member's Night

Was Doug King from Marine Safety Victoria

Topic Navigation and Safety Issues

Doug presented an interesting dissertation on safe navigation for

Small boats. He provided a series of practical tips for boat operators

When fishing in exposed bays in areas of Port Phillip and Western

Port. It was most pleasing to the club that we were able to obtain a Speaker of Doug's calibre.

Passed as a true and accu	rate record of the meeting:
Signed	
Date	
Next Meeting:	Member's Night Wednesday 18 September 2013 8.00 pm OAC Clubrooms
Next Executive Meeting	Wednesday 8 October 2013 8.00 pm OAC clubrooms

Annex

VR Fish/MAA Delegate Report

### Snags survey to guide work on Victorian rivers

Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI) has completed an assessment of the amount of woody habitat in 27,700 kilometres of Victorian rivers using a combination of aerial photography and on-ground mapping. The survey found that most rivers could do with a significant increase in the amount of instream woody habitat (snags) to improve their health and increase native fish numbers.

DEPI's Arthur Rylah Institute modeling shows that the amount of woody habitat in Victorian rivers was an average of 41 per cent below natural levels, which is having a significant impact on freshwater fish species. The areas which had the greatest reductions in instream woody habitat included the southwestern floodplains, Glenelg and the north central floodplain river regions.

The Victorian Government will use this information to prioritise areas for restoration activities such as reintroducing snags and revegetating riparian zones through current river health programs including:

- Victorian Waterway Management Strategy
- Catchment Management Authority Waterway Management Strategy
- Biodiversity Strategy, and
- Fisheries Management Planning.

# Bypass to increase native fish numbers in the Barwon River

Recreational fishing fees have helped the Corangamite Catchment Management Authority (CCMA) build a fishway at the lower tidal barrage to enable fish to bypass the weir and migrate upstream for breeding. The fish passageway is made of a series of concrete culverts forming a ladder in the riverbank. Running water at the opening is designed to entice fish to enter and start their upstream journey.

Surveys have already shown native fish such as tupong and galaxiids using the fishway. Upstream migration is an essential biological requirement for most native fish species and is particularly important at tidal barriers to enable juvenile fish to move upstream and away from predators.

# .Wader Safety Training for Anglers

Victorian fishing licence fees have helped the Ballarat Fly Fishers Club produce a short video about wader safety.

The video aims to demonstrate basic water safety techniques and how to swim safely to shore in waders should you fall in.

With so many of Victoria's stocked trout lakes currently producing great fishing, it's a timely reminder.

The video also contains some handy tips on wading safely in rivers, so take note for trout opening in early September.

#### Fines and fishing bans for illegal fishing at Portsea

Two Cranbourne men were convicted and fined \$3000 and \$4000 respectively and prohibited from fishing for two years in the Frankston Magistrates Court in mid-July 2013 for hindering Fisheries Officers and committing several fishing offences in the Portsea area.

One individual was found guilty of exceeding the catch limit for abalone, hindering and intimidating an authorised officer, and failing to retain abalone in its shell. He was fined \$4000 with a conviction recorded and ordered to pay \$283.56 in costs.

The other individual was found guilty of taking undersize rock lobster, spearing rock lobster, hindering an authorized officer and taking undersized wrasse and sweep. He was fined \$3000.

Both men were placed on orders prohibiting them from fishing for two years and all their equipment and the borrowed van were forfeited.

Anyone who sees or suspects illegal fishing is urged to call the 24-hour fisheries offence reporting line 13 FISH (13 3474).