



ORMOND ANGLING CLUB INC

462-464 North Road Ormond 3204
Certificate of Incorporation: A0015487N

President: Don Ellis 9579 1986 E-mail: fishomaa2@iprimus.com.au
Secretary: Ean Moser 9551 1521 E-mail: valeanmoser@hotmail.com

Date: 16 July 2014

Meeting No: 3151

Minutes of the Ormond Angling Club General Meeting

Meeting opened at 8.05pm with President Don Ellis in the chair.

Members present: 12 Visitors: 1

Apologies: David Hornbuckle, Walt Firestone, Gaynor Morris & Tom Nadebaum

Administrative Matters:

Nominations: Nil

Elections: Nil

President's Report: Urgent Matters
New Fisheries regulations on Murray Cod

Illnesses:

Exec. Committee Actions:

No meeting until 13 August 2014

Secretary's Report:

Correspondence In:

Aust. Tax Office

Nab

Minster for Ports

ING

Correspondence out:

OAC members

" "

2013/14 PAYG Tax assessment

Bank statement

Boating Safety & facilities programme

Term deposit & Bank statements

Change to By-law 12/C

Changes to angling Rule 2

Angling Matters:

Member's Angling Reports:

John Healey reported fishing at Lake Eildon 2 Sundays ago and caught two nice trout. One at 34cm and the other at 57cm. Both caught flat lining on Pink lady Tassie devils in Goughs Bay.

George and Judy Green fished Gunnamatta Surf beach on the Monday after the inter club against Oakdale AC with the high tide at approx. 1:30pm. For three hours they never lost a bait. They did see two anglers catch 11 Salmon between them ranging from 1.5-2kg. Chicken fillet the best bait.

Trip Report: Surf inter club comp

Both clubs met at 8 am at the Gunnamatta SLSC

5 members from Ormond and 7 members from Oakdale

Early there was a strong wind along the beach but this eased off

mid morning. A reasonably strong side drift accompanied the wind

The fishing concluded with good fellowship between the clubs

Angling Secretary's Report— Trevor Thommers

Last Competition

Comp. Surf inter club vs. Oakdale AC

- Date Sunday 13 July 2014
- Venue: Gunnamatta Surf Beach
- Number of members: 5 Visitors: Nil
- Total Bag Weight: 9.385 kg Total Number of Fish caught: 13
- Species caught: Salmon
- Ormond AC heaviest bag weight was won by George Green with 6 Salmon weighing 4.485 kg
- Oakdale AC heaviest bag weight was won by Andre with 7 Salmon weighing 4.970 kg

- Ormond AC heaviest fish was a Salmon weighing 0.950 kg and this was caught by Judy Green
- Oakdale AC heaviest fish was a Salmon weighing 1.30 kg and this
- was caught by Mark Dalziel

Ormond AC average fish weight /angler 1.870 kg

Oakdale AC average fish weight/angler 1.120 kg

Therefore Ormond AC was the winner of the Surf Shield

Next Competition: Estuary E1

Date: Saturday 2nd August 2014

Venue: Melbourne Rivers

Lines down: 7.00 am Lines up: 1.00 pm Weigh-in: asap after 1 pm

Weigh-in Location Ormond AC clubrooms

Trip Captain: Peter Manning. Please ring Peter if you are not going to come to the weigh in.

Other Angling Matters

No matters were raised

Social Matters:

Social committee report: If members had any ideas on social functions please see Lou

Tonight's raffle prizes: Lures and hooks

Social functions:

Presentation Night Saturday 19 July 2014

Venue Bentleigh RSL

Current attendees number 36

Last meeting's minutes:

Matters arising from last meeting's minutes:

Robert Gardner was listed as the Trophy Winner for Surf comp S4 in last meetings minutes. It is noted that Robert's Salmon weighed 490 gms whilst minimum comp weight was 500 gms. Therefore Robert was ineligible to win the Trophy

Confirmation of last meeting's minutes

Moved by.....John Healey

Seconded by...Peter Manning

Carried: yes

Delegates Reports:

Hall hire & Pro. Report—Walt Firestone

Walt Firestone was an apology from the meeting

MAA/VR Fish. Representative—Don Ellis

Details on attached Annex

General Business:

Ean Moser mentioned to the members that the new rule changes and change to the bylaws were available at the front table. If anyone wanted a soft copy, please see Ean.

Members Draw:

Number drawn was 11 and George Green was in attendance. George pocketed a cool \$80.00 for being in attendance.

Meeting Summary:

Presentation Night Next Saturday 19th July 2014
Next comp. Estuary E1 Melbourne Rivers Sat 9th August 2014
LD 7.00 am LU 1.00 pm

Please sign the members book

Meeting concluded at 9.20 pm

Guest Speaker or other interest item:

Not scheduled

Passed as a true and accurate record of the meeting:

Signed.....

Date.....

Next Meeting Type General Meeting
 When Wednesday 6 August 2014
 Time 8.00 pm
 Where OAC clubrooms

Next Executive Meeting When Wednesday 13 August 2014
 Time 8.00 pm
 Where OAC clubrooms

Annex

VR Fish/MAA Delegate Report

Victoria's recreational fishers helping protect and improve our valuable fisheries

Recreational fishing licence fees are spent on improving fishing access in the form of new fishing infrastructure along our Victorian waterways. Apart from providing additional fishing platforms, the structures also provide for general public access and activities, such as bird watching. More than \$2 million of our licence fees are spent on education and enforcement by Fisheries Officers every year. Between 2010-2013 more than \$1.8 million of our licence fees was spent on research into Mako sharks, snapper, King George whiting, calamari, black bream.

VRFish 2014 State Election Wish List -

The VRFish Election Wish List 'Growing Recreational Fishing in Victoria' has now

been circulated to the major political parties for consideration. The Wish List has been developed over a 2 year period through consultation with our members and under the auspices of the VRFish State Council and Board. The Wish List covers a range of issues that, if addressed, will help position Victoria as the premier fishing destination in the State. VRFish believe these issues warrant targeted Government investment over the next 4 years. It covers issues such as governance, co-management, fishing access and infrastructure, fish habitat and environmental management, fisheries research, education, fish stocking and new science to better understand threats to fish stocks in bays and inlets. The document will be available on our website once the various political parties have had time to digest our requests and respond with their policy positions.

Southern Bluefin tuna stocks on the rise

VRFish attended the Australian Fisheries Management Authority recreational fishing forum in Canberra on 17 June. The meeting was attended by leaders of the various recreational fishing bodies from around Australia and is a new initiative to improve consideration of recreational fishing interests in the management of Commonwealth fisheries.

We were presented the latest CSIRO aerial survey results for juvenile southern Bluefin tuna from the Great Australian Bight. The relative abundance of 2-4 year old fish this year is the highest on record and 2 times the long term average. This is great news and a clear sign of further steps towards stock rebuilding.

Greater Alpine National Parks - Draft Management Plan

Parks Victoria has released the Greater Alpine National Parks Draft Management Plan for public comment. The Draft Plan is an important guide to the management of Alpine, Baw Baw, Errinundra, Mount Buffalo and Snowy River National Parks, Avon Wilderness Park, Tara Range Park, and Walhalla, Howqua Hills, Grant, Mount Wills and Mount Murphy Historic Areas.

The draft plan gives recreational fishers an opportunity to contribute to the area's management. VRFish is constructing a submission based on feedback from our members. Comments to Parks Victoria are required by 25 August 2014 and we welcome your comments being sent to info@vrfish.com.au by 1 August.

Parks Victoria and VRFish working together to improve public awareness

VRFish is working closely with Parks Victoria to help improve communication with all users of our valuable natural assets. VRFish is proud of the work that goes back into protecting and improving our fisheries.

Our licence fees are disbursed annually by the Minister for Agriculture and Food Security on a range of vital projects and services that help ensure high quality fishing experiences now and into the future. For example, recreational fishing licence fees are spent on improving fishing access in the form of new fishing infrastructure along our Victorian waterways. Apart from providing additional fishing platforms, the structures also provide for general public access and activities, such as bird watching.

Victorian trout stocks and management under the microscope

VRFish has been working with DEPI and other stakeholders to develop a Draft Trout Response Plan. The draft plan is a direct and collaborative action aimed addressing the current problems facing the trout fishery in Victoria. The draft plan has many components, including research, stock assessment, angler engagement and communication.

On 20 June DEPI held a Trout Reference Group meeting and is developing a plan that will address the following questions:

- Are summer water temperatures adversely impacting river trout fisheries?
- Is there a decline in wild trout breeding?
- Is fishing pressure adversely impacting trout populations?
- Has a reduction in Lake Eildon trout stocking impacted adjacent river trout fisheries?
- Have changes in riparian habitat affected water temperature or the trout fishery?
- Will trout stocking help the wild brown trout river fisheries recover?
- Are current Fisheries regulations adequate to protect or sustain river trout fisheries?
- Is carp or cormorant competition / predator pressure impacting trout fishery?
- How can we reliably measure changes in the performance of the recreational fishery?
- How do we ensure research results are well understood by fishers?

A common view among the group is the need to understand, preserve and where possible, invest in measures to recover of the wild brown trout fishery, rather than seeking to change the nature of the wild trout fishery (e.g. by creating a put and take fishery based on stocking).

The preliminary cost of the response plan is approximately \$500,000 over 3 years, plus other co-investment. A commissioning bid will be presented to the RFL Grants Working Group on 15 July 2014. VRFish will be exploring opportunities for further co-investment. Keep in mind the immense social and economic value of the trout fishery to Victoria, especially in regional townships and there is no doubt we need to act.

2014/15 VRFish Business Plan

We have submitted our 2014/15 Draft Business Plan to DEPI. The Plan outlines VRFish actions for the next financial year. There is much to be done over the next 12 months and a clear and concise business plan is vital for the organisation. The 2014/15 plan differs from the previous one. The new plan highlights that VRFish is more than just a body that consults and represents the views of recreational fishers. We are a crucial part of the fisheries co-management framework that is capable of establishing policy with other users on complex and sensitive issues such as resource sharing. Given our extensive networks throughout the recreational fishing community, we are also an important vehicle to achieve the adoption of responsible recreational fishing practices and behaviors.

New fisheries patrol vessel launched at Portland

Fisheries Victoria has welcomed a new patrol boat to its Portland fleet.

Named 'Doris' after the Greek goddess of the sea's bounty, the vessel will undertake inspections of recreational and commercial fishers from Yambuk to the South Australian border. The powerful 8m rigid inflatable vessel is fitted with a hauler for inspections of commercial lobster pots and is powered by twin 200 horsepower engines. It joins two similar vessels already in operation at Mornington and Altona.

The new vessel will provide a boost to fisheries compliance in South West Victoria

BIA Melbourne Boat Show

Finally, the Melbourne Boat Show was a great success again this year. The VRFish stand was a busy place, with lots of fishers asking questions about issues that are important to them – these included boating infrastructure and access, fisheries research, fish stocking and the status of trout stocks in Victoria.

A major VRFish theme was promotion of the 5 simple actions fishers can take to help improve the survival of released snapper. These are fish shallow to avoid barotrauma, leave snapper in the water for release, minimise handling and netting, use circle hooks or lures and release snapper quickly.