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Newsletter for the Members of the  
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## April 2011 Newsletter

To make "Clarence Catchlines" an interesting newsletter the editor is after articles to include each month, so if you have something of interest please forward it to the Secretary; eg if you have a fishy story, a new fly or something to sell, please let us know about it and it will get in the newsletter.

### Next Meeting

**13<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

Our next meeting will be at **Guide Hall, Lindisfarne** at **8.00pm**. The Guide Hall is on The Esplanade on the between Ford Parade and Wellington Road.

**Plinio will speak on using plastics and lures.**



The Committee will meet at 7pm.

### April events

- ❖ Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2011  
- **STLAA's Free Fishing @ Snowy Range Hatchery**
- ❖ Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
- **STLAA Meeting 8pm @ Glenorchy Library**
- ❖ Saturday to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> April  
- **Field trip to Little Pine & Great Lake**
- ❖ Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
- **CLAC Meeting 8pm @ Lindisfarne Guide Hall**
- ❖ Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
- **Eastern Shore Tackle 7pm @ Eastlands G037**
- ❖ Saturday & Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April & 1<sup>st</sup> May  
- **Field Trip to Woods Lake for season close**

### May events

- ❖ Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2011  
- **STLAA Meeting 8pm @ Glenorchy Library**
- ❖ Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2011  
- **CLAC Meeting 8pm @ Lindisfarne Guide Hall**
- ❖ Saturday to Monday 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
- **IFS Trout Weekend Liawenee**

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**Life Members:** Gordon Banks (Patron), Neil Pinkard,  
Ron Ruthven & Geoff Watson

**Fly-tying nights have recommenced.**



## Reports & Articles & Photos

### Dee Lagoon Field Trip

**Dates: Saturday-Monday 12-14<sup>th</sup> March**

With the Canoeing Championship bring held at the Bronte/Brady channel, the levels at Bronte had been much reduced to provide an excellent flow in the channel for the event. As lowering the Lagoon effects trout, Norm moved our w/e to Dee Lagoon.

Dee has a reputation for providing a good head of browns & rainbows with many areas to try our luck.

Gerry & David were first there on Friday evening and camped near the ramp at Spillway Bay. After launching the boats they went up the road a found plenty of timber for the mandatory fire.



Saturday morning more of our crew arrived - Vince early, followed by Peter & his Labrador "Sydney" who acts as the fore-ward hand, keeping tabs on where they go. Later came Bruce, Norm & Neil before Stephen & Cheryl arrived from the Brady's resort with all the comforts of home - fire, hot water, roof etc - a perfect hideaway on autumn nights. We all went out in search of the elusive big one. Most kept to the lower reaches working Duck Bay edges where a number a submerged logs lie—others worked the shore down into Station Bay and around the dam or levee.



**Neil had the prime real estate!**

The anglers working Duck Bay reported seeing large trout cruising, with an occasional one coming up inspecting the well presented fly, sniffing it & then proceeded on their cruise. Norm reckoned that they must be well-educated as they knew the difference between real insects and fake ones.

Might have a point there. By the end of the day Gerry, who had gone up stream to fish plastics around the trees near Duck-hide Bay, returned with a trophy fish measuring approx 600cms weighing 2kg (cleaned 1.85kg). He caught it on a small plastic resembling a Redfin with a red tail.

David had locked onto a nice well conditioned rainbow hen measuring 260cm - catch & release - it will be bigger next year ☺



Sunday, when we were joined by day-trippers Scott & Leigh and Adrian & Ann, was a repeat of Saturday's fortune - lots of effort, plenty of k's under the boats, but little to show. Dee Lagoon was living up to its reputation for being hard. The water was very clear with visibility up to 10 metres away which was just as well because there were some very serious logs lying below. Woe betide any boatman that wasn't paying attention - Mass Welding will have a customer this week! Though the advantages of the logs meant it was an opportune place to fish.



Gathered around the fire on Sunday night the campers had a pleasant relaxing night star gazing and swapping stories before retiring.

Monday morning Bruce & David moved off to Brady's to give that a go seeing the reports of Atlantics being released recently - however their luck was no better, after 4 hours no fish! Other boats appeared to have the same result. It must have been the weekend for having a "clean skin".

| Angler  | Fish    | Method  | Cleaned weight gms | Length cms |
|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|------------|
| Gerry   | Rainbow | Plastic | 1850               | 60         |
| Vince   | Brown   | Fly     | 730                | 44         |
| Neil    | Brown   | Fly     | 360                | 34         |
| Leigh   | Brown   | Lure    | 220                | 29         |
| David D | Rainbow | Lure    | 200                | 28         |
| Scott   | -       | -       | -                  | -          |
| Norm    | -       | -       | -                  | -          |
| Peter   | -       | -       | -                  | -          |
| Bruce   | -       | -       | -                  | -          |
| Adrian  | -       | -       | -                  | -          |
| Anne T  | -       | -       | -                  | -          |
| Stephen | -       | -       | -                  | -          |
| Cheryl  | -       | -       | -                  | -          |

## Bug Identification Competition



These are just some of the bugs found in the stomach of Vince's fish. Needless to say, it had a full stomach but that didn't stop it feeding. Whilst that is not unusual, rarely would one find such a variety in a single trout, especially when there were so many gum beetles on the surface.

**How many can you identify?  
Send your list to the editor. Neil Pinkard**

## Ice-box For Sale

### Kookaburra icebox - 52 Litres

Will sell for any reasonable offer, {cost \$170}.  
Proceeds will be donated to Clarence Anglers.  
Contact Vince Coyte 0408506230  
(Selling to get a larger icebox)

## Recipe - Steamed Trout

### Ingredients

- Trout, family sized or several pan-sized ones
- Tomato, sliced
- Onion, medium, sliced
- Butter, 1 tablespoon
- Salt & Pepper
- Herbs, your favourite mixture
- Foil
- Lemon or lime juice

### Method

1. Clean & behead the trout.
2. Place the sliced tomatoes & onions inside the open belly of the trout. Add a small amount of your favourite herbs to taste. Add salt & pepper.
3. Tear off sufficient foil to wrap the trout in, and then rub some butter on the foil, also a light coating on the outside of the trout.
4. Place the trout on the buttered side of the foil & wrap securely.
5. Place in a fry-pan on moderate heat for about 15 minutes or until cooked. This can be checked by opening foil and testing.
6. Whilst trout is in the pan, cook your vegetables and/or rice.
7. Take trout from foil, remove portions of trout & place on plate with vegetables/rice etc. Sprinkle with lemon or lime juice.

Be careful as usual for the bone.

Serves up to 4

*For some time we have been including recipes in our newsletter from the Trout Cook Book, courtesy of Cressy Trout Expo. I would like to include some of our own in future, so "Come on members! Submit your favourite recipe for Trout."*

## Ostrich Herl Dark Brown Dun

*Created by Norm Cribbin*



### Materials

Hook: Mustad 8000N #12 or Kamasan B400 #12  
Thread: Black 8/0 Uni-Thread  
Tail: Hebert Hen Cape – Dark Brown Dun  
Body: Ostrich Herl (Natural)  
Hackle: Hebert Hen Cape – Dark Brown Dun

### Method

Step 1 – Starting 1/3 shank length back from the eye, form a bed of tying thread.

Stop the thread when it is above the barb



Step 2 – Select a large cape feather and strip five or six barbs from the stem.

Offer these up to the hook and trap with the tying thread. Wrap the tying thread forward to secure the barbs and form a smooth bed for the body.

Return the thread to tie-in point of tail, filling any gaps in the thread base.



Step 3 – Select and remove six lengths of herl from the Ostrich feather. Secure the herl at the base of the tail with a few wraps of tying thread.

Wind the thread back to tie-in point.



Step 4 – Grasp herls and wrap around tying thread to form a herl rope.

Do not let go of the herls until step 5 is completed.



Step 5 – Wind herl rope forward forming a tapered body. The taper is achieved by spacing the initial wraps of the herl rope slightly further apart at the start of the wrapping process and then closing up the spacing as you work along the hook shank.

Secure herl 1/4 shank length from the eye of the hook.



Step 6 – Select two suitably sized cape feather to form the wing.

The hackles are prepared by stripping the fibres from the stem.

The stripping point is where the webby part of the barb extends no more than 1/3 up the barb.

Place the prepared feather back-to-back, shiny sides together, and secure with tying thread.

Wrap tying thread over stem bases and trim any excess stem.



Step 7 – Wind the first hackle (the far side one) forward to the eye making four or five turns.

Secure hackle with a two turns of thread.



Step 8 - Wind the remaining hackle forward, four or five turns, by working it through the previously wrapped hackle.

Secure hackle with a two turns of thread.

Trim excess hackle, taking care not to cut thread.



Step 9 – Using your thumb, index and middle finger stroke the fibres of the hackle back.

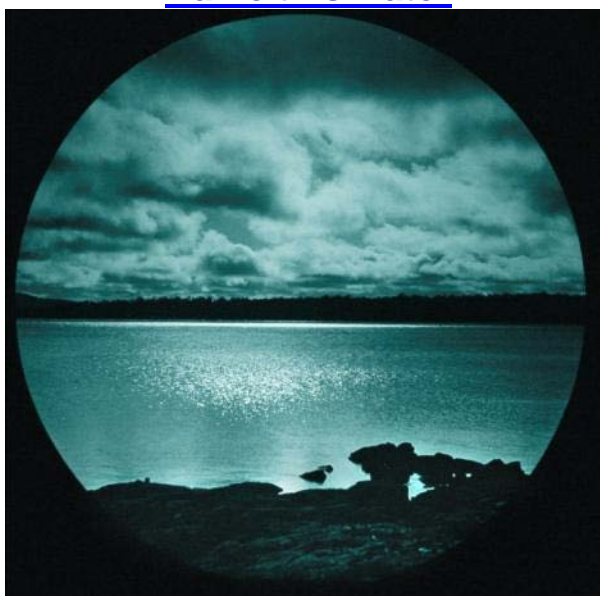
Whilst holding the hackle fibres back form a neat head with the tying thread.

Whip finish, trim thread and apply head cement



The finished fly...  
Ostrich Herl Dark Brown Dun  
Photos by Norm Cribbin

### Name this water



Can you name this water?

(Originally on a glass plate for a stereoscope given by one of my relatives to my former employer)

## Profile of a Club Member

Clarence Anglers has new, & not so new, members who often have a story to tell. As we need to get to know them better, this column attempts to add to your knowledge of your fellow members and provide a platform for you to initiate conversation.

### Stephen Granger

**Age:** 57

**Occupation:** Insurance Premium Funder & owner of Tasmanian Home Inventory

**Marital Status:** Single

**Family:** A daughter & two sons

**Interests:** Music, reading, cooking

**How long fishing?** I caught a cocky salmon at Anson's Bay when I was six or seven

**What started you fishing?** My Mum & Dad; and when I was fourteen reading David Scholes' books

**Fishing Preferences?** Fishing with natural bait

**Favourite Rod:** Diawa Heartland 7'0" spinning rod & Diawa TD Sol 2500 reel

**Special Lure:** Johnson's No. 6, Huey's Spotty Dog & Rapalas

**Favourite Lake:** I have been fortunate to fish in Africa, Canada, England & Papua New Guinea but love Fraser Island. In Tasmania, it would have to be Lake Ina

**Boat:** I fish on "Henry" a 4.55m Makocraft

**Type of Engine:** Evinrude 40 HP Etec

**Fish Alone?** I can quite happily fish alone but I am sometimes accompanied by my partner Cheryl or my children

**Most memorable Day:** Any day fishing with my Uncle Henry

**Trophy Fish:** GT in Rabaul, PNG

**Pet Hate:** (What gets up your nose?) Boat anglers who do not wear life jackets and fly fisherman who think they own a lake

**What can the Authorities do to improve fishing?** I think they are doing a great job with the budget they have. Their work at Lakes Sorell and Crescent has been tremendous

**Your expectations for the future?** Hopefully we will have the cabin on the block at Arthurs Lake within five years

## Consistent Angler points

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| David Driver     | 200.8 |
| Norm Cribbin     | 193.8 |
| Vince Coyte      | 192.7 |
| Leigh Garth      | 90.3  |
| Scott Garth      | 87.1  |
| Alan Shaw        | 69.5  |
| Charlie Harris   | 67.5  |
| Peter Molony     | 67.0  |
| Adrian Tanner    | 52.4  |
| Andrew Simmons   | 52.1  |
| Lynn Simmons     | 51.0  |
| Bruce Andrew     | 43.8  |
| Neil Pinkard     | 42.4  |
| Jeff Freeman     | 38.6  |
| Stephen Granger  | 33.9  |
| Cheryl Wagner    | 33.1  |
| Harold Schiebel  | 30.5  |
| Gerry Fitzgibbon | 29.2  |
| Neale Stewart    | 18.0  |
| Les Hay          | 15.6  |
| Linda Riley      | 15.4  |
| Ted Newstead     | 13.3  |
| David Riley      | 13.2  |
| Wojtek Grun      | 8.3   |
| Dorothy Shaw     | 7.8   |
| Alex Smith       | 5.0   |
| Barry Ritson     | 5.0   |
| Greg Allen       | 5.0   |
| Luke Riley       | 5.0   |
| Madelyn Riley    | 5.0   |
| Tristan Coyte    | 5.0   |

## Weather & Lake Levels

### 2-Day Wind Forecasts

<http://www.bom.gov.au/tas/forecasts/coastalwinds2days.shtml>

### 4-Day Forecast Charts

[http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/charts/4day\\_col.shtml](http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/charts/4day_col.shtml)

### Central Plateau Forecasts

<http://www.bom.gov.au/tas/forecasts/central.shtml>

### Miena hour-by-hour Forecasts

[http://www.yr.no/place/Australia/Tasmania/Miena/hour\\_by\\_hour.html](http://www.yr.no/place/Australia/Tasmania/Miena/hour_by_hour.html)

### Liawenee 7-Day Forecasts {Elders}

<http://www.eldersweather.com.au/tas/central/liawenee>

### 7-Day Forecast Charts {METVUW}

<http://www.metvuw.com/forecast/forecast.php?type=rain&region=seaussie&noofdays=7>

### Radar Rain Loop

<http://www.bom.gov.au/products/IDR373.loop.shtml#skip>

### Tooms & Leake Lake Levels

<http://www.northmidlands.tas.gov.au/lakes/lake.asp?lake=2&style=>

### Daily River Heights {Bureau of Meteorology}

[http://www.bom.gov.au/cgi-bin/wrap\\_fwo.pl?IDT60129.html](http://www.bom.gov.au/cgi-bin/wrap_fwo.pl?IDT60129.html)

### Lake Levels {Hydro}

<http://www.hydro.com.au/water/lake-levels>

## Lake Levels

Collated at: 30/3/2011 @ 21:00:00

| Lake               | Metres<br>from Full<br>(Trend) | Comment  |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Lake Augusta       | 2.48                           | Steady   |
| Arthurs Lake       | 1.31                           | Steady   |
| Great Lake         | 13.29                          | Steady   |
| Trevallyn Pond     |                                | Spilling |
| Shannon Lagoon     | 0.08                           | Steady   |
| Penstock Lagoon    | 0.25                           | Steady   |
| Lake Echo          | 5.04                           | Steady   |
| Dee Lagoon         | 0.1                            | Steady   |
| Bradys Lake        | 2.09                           | Rising   |
| Bronte Lagoon      | 0.75                           | Steady   |
| Pine Tier Lagoon   | 1.93                           | Falling  |
| Little Pine Lagoon | 0.42                           | Steady   |
| Laughing Jack      | 5.36                           | Steady   |
| Lake St Clair      | 1.76                           | Steady   |
| Lake King William  | 5.64                           | Steady   |
| Lake Liapootah     | 0.3                            | Rising   |
| Wayatinah Lagoon   | 1.15                           | Falling  |
| Lake Catagunya     | 1.19                           | Falling  |
| Lake Repulse       | 0.18                           | Falling  |
| Cluny Lagoon       | 1.14                           | Steady   |
| Lake Meadowbank    | 0.27                           | Falling  |
| Lake Pedder        | 1.46                           | Steady   |
| Lake Gordon        | 20.84                          | Steady   |
| Lake Burbury       | 4.96                           | Steady   |
| Lake Plimsoll      | 4.95                           | Steady   |
| Lake Murchison     | 16                             | Rising   |
| Lake Mackintosh    | 4.56                           | Steady   |
| Lake Rosebery      | 0.89                           | Rising   |
| Lake Pieman        | 2.07                           | Falling  |
| Lake Mackenzie     | 0.16                           | Steady   |
| Lake Rowallan      | 5.36                           | Steady   |
| Lake Parangana     | 1.78                           | Falling  |
| Lake Cethana       | 2.5                            | Falling  |
| Lake Barrington    | 0.31                           | Falling  |
| Lake Gairdner      | 2.93                           | Falling  |
| Lake Palooa        | 1.04                           | Rising   |
| Woods Lake         | 0.52                           | Steady   |

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