



# Clarence Catchlines Clarence Catchlines



Newsletter for the Members of the  
Clarence Licensed Anglers Club Incorporated ("Clarence Anglers")  
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## April 2007 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 or President; 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

**11<sup>th</sup> April 2007**

### **Lindisfarne RSL Club**

### **28 Lincoln Street, Lindisfarne**

The next meeting of members will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2007 at the **Lindisfarne RSL Club** starting at the usual time of 8.00 pm.

At the meeting you will be able to advise how you want the Club to develop, or not, the site at Arthurs Lake. We will also discuss and organise our events for April and May.

Committee members please note that the Committee will meet prior to the event, at 7pm.

### **Subscriptions now over-due!**

Annual subscriptions for 2006/7 were due in July, and are unchanged from previous year:

- Seniors \$30.00
- Juniors \$5.00
- Family membership \$50.00

**If you have not paid your subs, please pay to Treasurer, Ron Stow, soon.**

### **This Weekend!**

#### **Eastlands: 30<sup>th</sup> March 7pm -**

Adam Hill of Eastern Shore Fishing & Tackle has extended a special invitation to all members to visit his shop at Eastlands (Ground Floor near the entrance from the car park at the SW end of the complex) for some socialising and to check out his stock and special prices! See you there Friday night from 7pm.

#### **Snowy Range: 1<sup>st</sup> April 10am -**

A family day at the fish farm will be fun for all. Juniors subsidised, BBQ supplied (gold coin donations), plenty of fish & fun.

This is a great opportunity for your non-angling friends/family to experience the excitement a fish on the end of the line – fly or lure. You can practise your fly-casting too. See attached flyer.

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## **Coming Events and Trips etc.**

See Season 2006-2007 Calendar issued with the July 2006 newsletter

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### ❖ **One Fly or Lure: 15<sup>th</sup> April**

A fun fishing competition & BBQ at Craighourne or another water close to Hobart, eg Meadowbank – organised by Alex and Charlie. Be early so you can get some morning fish as we have a BBQ at 1pm and weigh-in and presentations. Then you can fish for fun for the rest of the day.

### ❖ **Dee Lagoon: 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> May**

A field trip to be organised by Norm Cribbin.

### ❖ **Meeting: 9<sup>th</sup> May 2007 8pm**

8pm at Lindisfarne RSL

### ❖ **Salmon Ponds : Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2007 9am**

The Tasmanian Fly Casting Championships & Tasmanian Lure Casting Championships for 2007 will be coordinated by STLAA at the Salmon Ponds. Peter Hayes will conduct the Fly Casting and Steve Steers the plug casting. Entry to the Salmon Ponds will be free to contestants, who will also be supplied with a light lunch consisting of a BBQ sausage, bread & a drink.

The Club would like to have a team (3 or more) in each as there are great prizes for Clubs & individuals – see minutes. The Club could win \$500 & you could win a quality rod!

Contact Norm.

**PS:** As it is also **Mothers Day** don't forget to give your Mother/Wife breakfast, a kiss & a gift before you leave home. Alternatively, or additionally, why not bring her along to one of Tassie's most delightful locations & treat her to lunch in the Salmon Ponds restaurant. She will enjoy it!

### ❖ **Liawenee : 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

Stall & raffle(s) at IFS Open Weekend.

Volunteers required to take gear up on Friday & to assist with setting-up, selling food & drinks & raffle tickets, food preparation, relief & cleaning-up on Saturday & Sunday. Also, if you plan to come up on Sunday, let us know as we might need someone to bring up more supplies, eg soup, bread, milk, soft drinks

Accommodation is available at the Flytyers' cabin at Miena for Friday & Saturday nights.

Please contact Neil.

### ❖ **Great Lake: 9 - 11<sup>th</sup> June 2007**

Fishing Trip? Nah! There's no water!

### ❖ **Meeting: 13<sup>th</sup> June 2007 8pm**

8pm at Lindisfarne RSL

### ❖ **STLAA Dinner: 13<sup>th</sup> June 2007**

7pm at Polish Club

## **Fly Tying & Gear Maintenance**

This is no longer in recess.

For those interested in tying flies, using plastics, undertaking general gear maintenance or watching fishing videos come to Neil Pinkard's house Thursday evenings from **7.30pm**.

No gear - no problem! There is always a spare vice & plenty of tools, materials & advice to go around. It is a friendly atmosphere and beginners are welcome. If you have nothing to do on a Thursday evening why not come along. We might tie a fly or two, discuss experiences or flies to use, how to set up your gear or watch a video.

**23 Browne St, West Hobart**

*(opposite Pine St)*

*Use back door please!*

## **More Articles Needed**

Members, we need more stories and articles from you, we are all too often relying on the same people to write for the newsletter.

If you have an interesting photo, why not send it in and share it with the members? Send the Secretary some jokes (clean) or pen a short story about your fishing trips.

## **Shacksite Update**

The Committee has asked Stephen Granger to be Planning Coordinator. Pass on your ideas on:

- ❖ Building plans
- ❖ Construction methods & materials
- ❖ Financing & fund-raising
- ❖ Working bees
- ❖ Project management

## Reports & Articles

### **Further Reports from NZ** or "Tasmanian over-stayers"

Hi Neil,  
Geoff asked me to send following photos of bait fish he has been catching and Barbara will follow this up with a story on how good NZ one day cricketers are....

See Photo Gallery

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For Aussie anglers, who still believe size is everything I suspect the following photo tells the story.



This rainbow hen, caught locally last Sunday, weighed in at well over the magic 10 pounds. This is the fifth "double figure" trout landed by our motel guests in the last month. All others were released. The browns have been biggest as usual. Usually the big hogs come up the river first during April-May to secure the best redds to ambush the hens that follow later. As such anglers, looking for a trophy, target these.

What has this to do with photos of Lake Taupo trout caught by Aussie over-stayers Geoff & Babs Watson? Absolutely nothing at all, but I thought you might like to see what Kiwis are catching.

Regards

Ross 13<sup>th</sup> March 2007

Hi Neil,

I suspect the photo of the smiling (?) Tassie overstayer below might be of more interest to your magazine.

Please send it on to your club members who recently lost their way and ended up fishing the South Island - I think they must have landed on the wrong island if they were looking for big browns?

This is why we are sending Geoff & Babs back next month.



It was caught on a smelt fly at the mouth of Kuratau River on Lake Taupo. They caught 11-12 trout yesterday and a similar number today in the same place.

Regards

Ross and Pip Baker 15<sup>th</sup> March 2007

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## Lake Levels

Sourced from Hydro website.

Below FSL as at 28/03/2007 1pm

Lake/Lagoon	Metres from full	Comment
Lake Augusta	1.97	Steady
Arthurs Lake	3.91	Steady
Great Lake	17.6	Steady
Trevallyn Pond	0.51	Falling
Shannon Lagoon	0.16	Rising
Penstock Lagoon	0.14	Steady
Lake Echo	9.78	Steady
Dee Lagoon	0.24	Steady
Bradys Lake	2.53	Steady
Bronte Lagoon	0.85	Steady
Pine Tier Lagoon	2.61	Steady
Little Pine Lagoon	1	Steady
Laughing Jack Lagoon	7.78	Steady
Lake St Clair	1.88	Steady
Lake King William	13.79	Steady
Lake Liapootah	0.19	Falling
Wayatinah Lagoon	0.55	Falling
Lake Catagunya	0.85	Falling
Lake Repulse	0.96	Rising
Cluny Lagoon	0.41	Falling
Lake Meadowbank	0.39	Rising
Lake Pedder	1.41	Steady
Lake Gordon	33.04	Steady
Lake Burbury	6.13	Steady
Lake Plimsoll	3.95	Steady
Lake Murchison	17.62	Falling
Lake Mackintosh	6.31	Steady
Lake Rosebery	0.7	Falling
Lake Pieman	2.14	Rising
Lake Mackenzie	9.14	Steady
Lake Rowallan	11.68	Steady
Lake Parangana	1.73	Falling
Lake Cethana	3.17	Rising
Lake Barrington	2.44	Steady
Lake Gairdner	6.81	Steady
Lake Palooa	0.01	Steady
Woods Lake	2.99	Steady

Disclaimer: These figures as to river flows and water levels are estimates only. River flows and levels are subject to sudden changes, which can be dangerous. While every care has been taken in the preparation of the figures, Hydro Tasmania makes no representation and gives no warranty or guarantee as to their accuracy or completeness and accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage arising from reliance on them.

## Most Consistent Angler Award

Vince continues to lead, but Norm is still on the move! *{These 2 were very determined at Arthurs in March! Ed}* David continues to clock up points through consistency & persistency, whilst Charlie has slipped back to the main pack but may launch a challenge with home ground advantage at Craigbourne. Peter Molony, who has a small break on the 'peleton', is a possible challenger but the distance to the break-away leaders appears too great this late in the race.

<i>Vince Coyte</i>	115.0
<i>Norm Cribbin</i>	97.9
<i>David Driver</i>	81.2
<i>Peter Molony</i>	60.7
<i>Tim Holloway</i>	54.0
<i>Sam Kjorsvik</i>	53.9
<i>Paul Millhouse</i>	51.5
<i>Charlie Harris</i>	47.3
<i>Bert Thunig</i>	46.6
<i>Neil Pinkard</i>	43.6
<i>Bruce Andrew</i>	43.5
<i>Stephen Granger</i>	40.2
<i>Andrew Simmons</i>	35.0
<i>Ron Stow</i>	34.6
<i>Ailene Stow</i>	30.0
<i>Lynn Simmons</i>	30.0
<i>Jeff Freeman</i>	25.0
<i>Greg Brown</i>	22.8
<i>Alex Smith</i>	20.0
<i>Adrian Tanner</i>	17.9
<i>Tristan Coyte</i>	15.7
<i>Harold Schiebel</i>	15.0
<i>Warwick Bonney</i>	15.0
<i>David Riley</i>	10.0
<i>Linda Riley</i>	10.0
<i>Madeline Riley</i>	10.0
<i>Martin Brown</i>	10.0
<i>Michel Granger</i>	8.0
<i>Barry Ritson</i>	5.0
<i>Dan Newbury</i>	5.0
<i>Dylan Brown</i>	5.0
<i>Gary Davy</i>	5.0
<i>Greg Allen</i>	5.0
<i>Peter Vince</i>	5.0
<i>Rick Franklin</i>	5.0
<i>Ron Ruthven</i>	5.0

**Photo Gallery**  
North Island NZ





“Hello there Neil

The fish in the photographs - recently sent- were caught in Taupo stream mouths during the middle of the day over the last 4 weeks till mid-March.

The "smelt" are in and the Rainbows, up to 8lbs, are feeding on them. The Brown trout, which are very visible and large, are gathering to spawn, and are mainly caught at night.

Best flies are simple smelt imitations and I have found the olive green, very slim smelt, possibly 45mm long, are deadly.

The better conditioned Rainbows take a lot of backing as the Lake is very clear and there are no obstructions.

Well that is all the news for the moment.

Bye for now,  
Geoff & Barb - in Turangi NZ”

The picture to the right is what “Oscar” Pinkard (Margaret’s cat) looks like on Thursday night when the chaps come around for fly-tying.

*“They don’t tie many flies. They just yaffle, watch videos & have supper. Last week Norm had some blue-vein cheese. Phew! That smelt worse than the dead rat I found down the hill in the old chook shed. Still I shouldn’t complain as I get plenty of attention, especially when I rub up against their legs. Boy, you should have seen Warwick jump last week when I tickled his legs with my tail - he had shorts on! Hah Hah Hah Hee Hee Hee!” Oscar*

## Liawenee Last Year



These pictures are from Liawenee last year (2006) just to show that we do have lots of fun!



## Oscar dreaming



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