

“Ripples”

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August Monthly Meeting - 28th August 7:30pm at Hunting & Fishing, Leet Street.

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Timidity undermines Land and Water Forum Report when boldness required



Fish & Game is disappointed with the just-released Land and Water Forum report, saying it's too timid and fails to provide answers on improving water quality.

The Forum's report is in response to Government questions on how to stop further degradation of water quality, manage sediment and allocate nutrients.

Left: Toxic algae warning on the Selwyn River.

The Forum recommends a range of actions, including establishing a Freshwater Commission, but has failed to reach consensus on a national framework for tackling nitrogen pollution.

Fish and Game Chief Executive Martin Taylor says it is disappointing the Forum's report fails to reach consensus on a national framework for nitrogen allocation.

"This is unacceptable and highlights the divisions among Forum members, particularly the schisms between dairy farmers who want to protect their right to pollute and other land users," he says.

Martin Taylor says the Forum's failure highlights the inadequacy of such collaborative processes. "Fish & Game had high hopes for the Forum but resigned once it became clear that for some Forum members, collaboration meant Fish & Game compromising over its statutory responsibilities."

"After nine years, the Forum's progress on such a vital and important issue is frankly not good enough," Mr Taylor says. "In 2009 when the Forum was established, its chair expressed concern about poor water quality, saying the issue need to be urgently addressed.

"Nine years later, the problem is even worse, despite the Forum making hundreds of recommendations.

"It has been too timid and avoided the hard issues it is supposed to be there to tackle."



Cover Photo August Fly Tying Day by Dave

Nice photo and fly tied by Peder Wigdell

"People get the Politicians and fishing tackle they deserve."

John Gierach

Annual Prize Giving

Presentation of trophies at the AGM was carried out by Life Member Chris McDonald.



Johnny Mauchline won both the Presidents Trophy (Best Brown) and the Masters Cup.



Dave Harris won the Arthur Gorton Trophy (Fly tying) Simon Budd won the Bill Brown Trophy (best condition factor)



Simon Budd and Dave Harris shared the Allan White Trophy (Best Rainbow)

2018 Annual Competition Winners

Arthur Gorton Memorial –Fly Tying

1 st	Dave Harris	21 points
2 nd =	Jason Leishman	12 points
2 nd =	Julie Cook	12 points

Allan White Trophy – Heaviest Rainbow

1 st =	Dave Harris	4 ¼ lb	Mararoa River
1 st =	Simon Budd	4 ¼ lb	Te Anau
3 rd	Johnny Mauchline	3 ¾ lb	Lakes

Presidents Trophy - Heaviest Brown

1 st	Johnny Mauchline	6 ½ lb	Mataura Tributary
2 nd	Simon Budd	6 lb	Wairaki River
3 rd	Johnny Mauchline	5 ½ lb	Mataura Tributary

Masters Trophy - Best total

1 st	Johnny Mauchline	33 lb
2 nd	Simon Budd	31 lb
3 rd	Dave Harris	27 ¾ lb

Bill Brown Trophy - Best Condition Factor

1 st	Simon Budd	66.15	Waikaia River
2 nd	Simon Budd	64.79	Wairaki River
3 rd	Simon Budd	61.96	Waikaia River

Presidents Report by Dave

If you think this edition of Ripples looks a little different it is because editor Johnny has gone away on holiday and didn't get very far with the Ripples before he went. I have taken over to complete this Ripples.

At the end of July we had the AGM and the only change was to add Julie Cook to the executive.

We have completed the calendar for the next year it is now on the web site.

The August monthly meeting will be at Hunting & Fishing in Leet street, 7:30pm. This gives you a chance to stock up on all of the goodies you need for next season.

September is a busy month for us with a Lodge working bee, a couple of fly tying demonstrations at Hunting & Fishing and our casting day at Queens Park. This gives you a chance to get your casting arm working again before the season opens on October 1.

The Fish & Game Council elections are coming up shortly. To either vote or stand for the council you need to be on the roll. To be on the roll you must have ticked the box when you bought your licence last year. If you are unsure you can check with Fish & Game and they can enrol you if you are not on the roll. The F&G Council look after the fishing regulations etc so are an important part of fishing in Southland.

Recently the Southland Fish & Game Council have been discussing "under pressure fisheries" and you should have received a survey by email regarding the Oreti (above Rocky Point), the Worsley and the Clinton River fisheries. If you have not replied to this please do so as the outcome of this survey may have an effect on any controls that are being considered for these fisheries.

Fly Tying Day – August 5th by Dave

Our second Fly Tying Day for the year was held at Fish & Game on August 5th. We had a turnout of 5 tyers (plus a wife). Two of the members were new to fly tying so some time was spent trying to get them underway. Unfortunately I was the only one there during the afternoon, with the others all having something else on, so I spent the afternoon trying to perfect a dry fly using a mallard flank feather to form the wings. When it comes out right it looks great but it is a bit tricky. I now have a few duns with these wings to try so roll on next season to give me a chance to try them.

Fly Tying Competition by Dave

July Competition



July fly competition entries



Chris McDonald's winning fly.

The July fly was Chris McDonald's damsel mink with just 5 flies entered. There should have been more but a couple didn't get to the meeting including mine. Clear winner was Chris McDonald and the Hunting & Fishing voucher draw was won by Julie Cook on a second draw after John Day turned it down.

August Competition



August fly is the Spotlight fly. Materials and instructions were handed out at the July meeting. Once again John Day has selected items for the August competition. Tie up any style of fly you wish. Use your imagination and creativity. 4 items must be used as well as the 14B hook and the red thread. If you still need some Chris McDonald has a couple of spare lots of materials.

September Fly Tying Competition by Julie Cook

The Magoo Fly- a variation of the Woolley Buggar

I have had very good fishing on this fly at Sth Mavora Lake. The black and olive/gold combination proved to be like chocolate to the trout with a hook up every 25mins.

Conditions- Being subtle but a little flashy its suitable for slightly coloured water, overcast conditions. Early and late season. I like it because no matter how it lands it looks the same.

I found it excellent with slow long draws, followed by long pauses over the top and side of weed beds.

Materials:

Hook Size 12 - B 170 Kamasan, A 12 Black Magic wide gap, so bead doesn't obscure the end. A short shank hook and long tail maximises movement in the water.

Bead: Orange 3mm – could use tungsten depending on the depth of the water.

Thread: Uni Thread 8/0 Olive

Tail Marabou- Med olive & black plus 2 strands marine green emerald flash

Body Peacock herl - Good to start with 3 strands as then it doesn't matter if one breaks.

Rib 1: Marine green emerald flash

Rib 2: Fine or medium copper wire.

Hackle Black Cock Cape Indian Hackles or whatever hackles you can get, I have found these hard to come by. Just make sure they are not too long.

I have seen the Magoo with a partridge neck hackle (3 turns) but I did not find this necessary.

This fly can be used on a floating or sinking line. Enjoy and have fun. Fly is to be submitted at the September meeting.

Tying the fly:



Orange bead on hook



Tie on the black marabou, not an overly busy tail, then tie on three strands of flash one either side of the hook plus a longer one for the rib. Cut those for the tail to the length of tail.
Tie into tail a few olive marabou tail feathers and tie in copper wire.



Tie in peacock herl using tip end, as they get slightly bigger as you work up the shank towards the butt end. This gives you a slight taper.



Wind the flash forward.



Tie in the body hackle at the front and wind back approx. 4 turns. Tie off hackle with the copper wire and run it forward as a rib. Approx. 4 turns through the feather and tie off. That's it.

The finished item



Coming Events

(MM=Monthly Meeting, CM = Committee Meeting)

29th August	[MM]	Meeting is at Hunting & Fishing, Leet Styreet 7:30pm
4 th September	(CM)	Fly tying
8 th Sept	Demo	Fly Tying demonstration @ Hunting & Fishing
9 th Sept		Club Trip (winter) Fish & Game 9:00am
15/16 th Sept		Lodge Working Bee*
22 th Sept	Demo	Fly Tying demonstration @ Hunting & Fishing
25 th Sept	[MM]	Fish & Game speaker
30 th Sept	Sunday	Casting Day at Queens Park 1:00pm

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Club items for sale

Metal Badges \$15 ea.



Cloth Patches \$12 ea.



Club Meetings

The club meets at 7:30pm on the last Tuesday of each month (except December) at the Fish & Game building, 17 Eye St, West Invercargill, Invercargill 9810. [The February meeting is on the river.](#)

Executive Committee meets on the first Tuesday of the month following the general meeting, except for Dec/Jan, includes fly tying, so come along and bring your gear if you want help with a fly—all members welcome.

Club Resources

The club has an extensive library of Books and Videos, contact the Librarian

A blow up Rubber Boat and a set of five Radio's, which can be borrowed by club members, contact Chris McDonald.

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