

# “Ripples”

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# Southland Fly Fishing Club



## 2021 Competition Results

### 2021 Competition Winners

#### Arthur Gorton Memorial –Fly Tying

|                 |                |           |
|-----------------|----------------|-----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Dave Harris    | 18 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Julie Cook     | 10 points |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Chris McDonald | 9 points  |

#### Allan White Trophy – Heaviest Rainbow

|                 |                |        |
|-----------------|----------------|--------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Dave Harris    | 4 ½ lb |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Chris McDonald | 3 ½ lb |

#### Presidents Trophy - Heaviest Brown

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|-------------------|--------------|--------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> = | Dave Harris  | 6 ½ lb |
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| 3 <sup>rd</sup> = | Chris Cowie  | 5 ½ lb |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> = | Pete O'Neill | 5 ½ lb |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> = | Dave Harris  | 5 ½ lb |

#### Masters Trophy - Best total

|                 |             |         |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Dave Harris | 35 ¾ lb |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Chris Cowie | 24 ½ lb |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Julie Cook  | 22 ½ lb |

#### Bill Brown Trophy - Best Condition Factor

|                 |                |       |
|-----------------|----------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Dave Harris    | 47.02 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Chris McDonald | 45.28 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Julie Cook     | 43.74 |



Winner Dave Harris being presented with the Arthur Gorton Trophy for Fly Tying by Vice President Julie Cook.

## Boat Show by Dave

As we have in the past the Club had a stand at the Boat Show. We have this stand to promote the Club and to promote our activities, especially the next Fly Fishing Course. We have members on the stand tying flies and this attracts quite a bit of attention, especially from children.

The stand has to be set up on the Friday and this year we were on the job before lunch. We use dividers that belong to Fish & Game (and I suspect they hadn't been used since the last Boat Show). We had a good turnout to help load the trailer at Fish & Game and then onto the Stadium to unload the trailer and set up the stand. As normal we were right at the other end of the Stadium from the loading door but I quickly found a trolley and we soon had everything to our site. It was a bit busy and one official started to get a bit upset as there were big boats backing in. He wanted me to move but the big boat was already in the way so I couldn't go anywhere. The driver backing the boat in had no problems getting past anyway.

We got everything set up by about 1:00pm but Julie wasn't happy as there were no photos of ladies in our display. She went and got some more photos printed and went back and put them up. Clearly we need to get some decent photos of ladies fishing so we can have a few more in our display. As well as promoting the Club we had handouts, books and maps from Fish & Game. We managed to give away a few of their handouts but only sold one book and no maps.

The show was quite busy on Saturday morning and that looked good for it being busy all the time. However, Saturday afternoon and Sunday were quite quiet. I am told there were 2500 people through on Saturday.

We gave out a lot of information on the 2022 Fly Fishing Course, a number of Club information sheets/calendars and signed up two new members. Hopefully we will get some Fly Fishing Course enrolments as a result of the show.

We packed up a little early on Sunday and I was able to get the trailer to the nearest emergency exit so we didn't have to take the stuff very far. We soon had it back to Fish & Game and we were away home.

Thanks to Murray, Gerda, Julie, Chris and Jim who helped out with the setting up, manning the show and taking it down again.

## International Women's Fly Fishing Day by Julie

To all Fly Girls out there: This year Saturday September 11th is the second International Women's Fly Fishing Day. We are the most Eastern Fly fishing Club. This means we start it off first with our pictures hitting the website the earliest as the extended angling day rolls around the globe.

This day is about encouraging lady anglers locally and globally to share one day on the water, or tying flies, teaching or anything and everything else relating to fly fishing. The day is then shared on a FB Page set up especially for this event. The link is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/573597536965118>

At Southland Fly Fishing Club we want to contribute to building the ladies fly fishing community and you are very welcome to join in for fishing fun and nibbles.

The plan for Southland Club is to head to Te Waewae Lagoon off Fishing Camp Rd. We will meet up at Te Waewae Lagoon at 10:00am to fish the incoming tide. Should be good for most of the day.

Ring Julie for further details. 0276302949

If weather is not suitable then the alternative will be a fly tying day.

This will also be Covid level related.

Level 4- No Fishing but fly tying at home.

Level 3- Fishing in local area only from shore and in your own bubble.

Level 2 -Fishing allowed.

## August Fly Tying Day by Dave

At the request of a couple of members I arranged for Mike Weddell to come down for our August Fly Tying Day. I also asked Mike to bring down any fly tying materials that he had for sale as we can't get much here in Invercargill.

Normally we have our fly tying days in the small meeting room at Fish & Game but as I expected more people to come along with Mike coming down I decided to have this meeting in the Board Room. This presented the additional problem of having to protect the table from the vice clamps. I set up our table we take to displays along one side in addition another small table and this reduced the number of people who wanted to use vices on the main table and we used some small pieces of MDF and the desk pads to protect the table from vices. Those of us with flat based vices didn't have a problem.

We did have a better turnout of members than usual and this included one who had never tied flies before (he finished the day with a number of usable flies). This resulted in most of the tuition being on very basic flies, hares ear and pheasant tail nymphs.

All those who attended enjoyed their day and I know I managed to get a few flies tied for next season.



Mike showing how it is done

The Fishin' Fridays team all concentrating hard.



## Casting Day - September 26th by Dave

We have our casting day at Queens Park Cricket Ground on Sunday 26th September starting at 1:00pm. Come along and get the rust out of your casting arm or if you are a beginner get some assistance with improving your casting. We will have Mike Weddell down for this event to give us all some pointers on what needs to be improved with your casting.

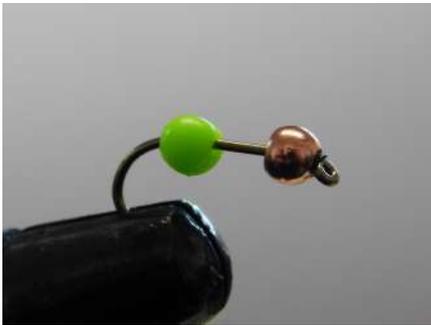
## Competitions by Julie

The July Fly was the Royal Wulff. We had a good entry of six. First equal were Chris McDonald and John Robertson with three votes each and John won the draw for the Hunting & Fishing gift card. The August Fly is the pheasant tail nymph as in last month's Ripples. If the August meeting does not go ahead we will vote on this fly at the next meeting we hold. The September fly is Jim's Pitsford Pea Mini lure as shown below.



The winning flies from July

## Pitsford Pea Mini Lure by Jim



Bring Copper Bead up to hook eye, also at this stage slip green bead up the hook or tie in one turn of chenille in later.



Start thread behind green bead.



Tear Marabou tail to length and tie in



Add two double turns of Green Krystal flash to tail.  
Bring Green Bead down so that it pushes down on the Marabou tail gluing it whilst doing so.  
Alternatively tie in one turn of green chenille on top of the tail.



Tie in the Micro Fritz or similar



Twist Micro Fritz as you run three turns up to the head before tying off at the head.

### Materials:

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| Hook    | Kamasan B-175 size 10 or similar  |
| Thread  | Uni-Thread 6/0 or 8/0 Black   |
| Tail    | Black Marabou (Turkey) and two doubled turns of green Krystal Flash.    |
| Beads   | Head 3/16 in Copper/ Silver/ Gold                                       |
| Abdomen | Green Bead Plastic or one turn of green chenille tied in to substitute. |
| Thorax  | Micro Fritz MF 4 Black Pearl or similar.                                |



## Coming Events (MM=Monthly Meeting, CM = Committee Meeting)

All events subject to Covid-19 alert levels

|                       |    |   |
|-----------------------|----|---|
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug  | MM | This meeting will be held at Hunting & Fishing* |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept  |    | Fly Tying demonstration @ Hunting & Fishing*    |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept  |    | <b>Club Trip (winter)</b> Fish & Game 9:00am*   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | CM | Fly tying                                       |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept |    | International Women's Fly Fishing Day*          |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept |    | Lodge Working Bee*                              |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept |    | Fly Tying demonstration @ Hunting & Fishing*    |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept |    | Casting Day Queen's Park 1:00pm                 |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept | MM | Monthly Meeting - Fish & Game Speaker           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct   |    | Opening day                                     |

\* To be confirmed

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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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