



Newsletter of the Lake Pedder Anglers Club Inc

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Winter at Pedder June Long Weekend Competition

Southwest Bulletin



Winner of Heaviest Fish Senior, Matthew Mallinson



Winner Best Bag of 6, Peter Glowacki



Winner of Heaviest Fish Junior, Jacob Rowlands



Bridges Bros Perpetual Trophy



LPAC members at STLAA Dinner



Congratulations to Tubby and Rosie Cooper and David Wright on being awarded the Service to Angling Certificate at the STLAA Dinner on 28th June.

Tiger Trail Competition - Don't miss out on the fun



September 20th – 22nd

Competition on Lake Pedder commencing midnight Friday September 20th

Weigh- in - Lake Pedder Chalet

Saturday Night 6.30 pm

Sunday Morning 10.30 – 11.00 am

Prizes will be awarded for

Heaviest Fish Junior and Adult

Most Fish Junior and Adult

Best Bag of 6 Fish

Competition is free for members,

New members are welcome and will be able to join the club at the competition.

Thanks to our sponsors for this competition

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Presidents Report

We held the clubs second winter competition in June, around 40 members participated in the competition. There were good fish caught in trying conditions at times and we all had a great weekend. Thanks to the members who put ideas forward at the meeting held Sunday night, each year the committee uses the feedback and ideas from this meeting to help plan for the year ahead.

LPAC was awarded the Bridges Brothers perpetual trophy at the STLAA dinner on 28th June. Doug Bridges the founder of Bridges Bros was the first sponsor of our club back in 1976. The Bridges Bros Perpetual Trophy is given in his honour to a club each year for best achievement amongst the STLAA clubs. David Wright has given the trophy a polish up and we plan to place it on display in the Chalet for the year. Congratulations also to Rosie and Ian Cooper and David Wright on being awarded the Service to Angling Certificates at the STLAA dinner on 28th June. They were awarded this for their services to the Lake Pedder Anglers Club.

NNLAA inter club challenge on the river Derwent was held last weekend. I'm pleased to say LPAC came 3rd this year. Thanks to all those members who fished in the competition, I'm sure they had a wonderful weekend.

In September – the Tiger Trail club competition is coming up, we hope to see many of you there, the competition starts Friday night and finishes Sunday morning with a weigh station on Saturday night and Sunday morning. It is hoped this will become the third club competition at Lake Pedder every year.

In November the Club will hold a 2 day event over Friday and Saturday for Able Australia clients at our club pond near Ouse, members and sponsors are welcome to attend these days. The pond has been stocked with rainbow trout and atlantic salmon, donated by Petuna who have generously supported the club to hold a fishing event for the charities we support. Vicki Jones has kindly donated the use of her farm dam and will be joining us with her family at club events. The fish are growing rapidly and the Able Clients and our children are going to have a great time catching fish. The fish are between 2.5 and 4kg at the moment. Volunteers will be needed to assist with setting up marquees and helping with the BBQ on these days. So we don't reduce the stock to quickly, we have decided to place a rule on the pond where only one fish per family may be taken home from these days. People can continue to keep fishing but must release fish caught back into the pond. After talking to Camp Quality, the Camp Quality event has been moved to April 2014 and this will be advertised to camp quality families very soon.

Our Annual General meeting is to be held on the 11th September. All members have been sent a letter regarding the constitution changes proposed by the committee. We hope to see as many of you as possible at the AGM. Also we would love to hear from new people wishing to join the committee. To ensure the club continues strongly into the future, we need younger members to come forward and join the committee. Many of our committee have been supporting the club for many years and as they are not getting any younger we need some others to come forward and start to learn from our long time committee members. We actually have a lot of fun as a group, so have a think about joining the committee for a year to see what goes on in the background.

We are now in full preparation for Back to Pedder 2014. Dates will be Thursday 23rd January til Sunday 26th January 2013. Members present at the June Competition meeting voted to conclude the competition on the Sunday going forward, the reason for this was the school terms have changed and many people are returning to work and school earlier. If any members have obtained new sponsors for the club, please let us know by September so that the new sponsors names can be included in any advertising. We also have letter drafted that you can obtain from Sharon to take to sponsors you wish to approach.

Remember to book in early for club competitions at the Chalet. Many members reported they missed out on a room this year for the June competition. The Chalet already has many bookings for the September and January Competitions so don't forget to book in well ahead. *Matthew Mallinson*

Club Calendar of Events in 2013

September

- 11th AGM at Glenorchy RSL Club 7pm
20th -22nd Tiger trail Festival and Club Competition at Lake Pedder

October

- 9th Committee Meeting, Glenorchy RSL Club 7pm

November

- 1st and 2nd Able Australia Days at Club Pond,
13th Committee Meeting, Glenorchy RSL Club 7pm
16th STLAA Family Day at NNLAA Club Pond

December

- 11th Committee Meeting, Glenorchy RSL Club 7pm

Club Calendar of Events in 2014

January

- 8th Committee Meeting
23rd – 26th Back to Pedder 2014 Thursday January 23rd til Sunday January 26th

March

Eddie Wigston Memorial Competition

April

Camp Quality event at LPAC Club Pond

Editorial

At Last I've found time for our newsletter, it has been a busy few months for me work wise and I apologise for this being so late.

Thank you to our sponsors and members for their contributions, it's great to have your support. If you have a story to share, photos, items to sell, a good recipe or anything of interest for members, please send it for the newsletter. This is your newsletter and your contributions help to make this newsletter a success.

Our next newsletter is due out in early November.

Dates for photos and information submitted to next Southwest Bulletin Publication;

20th October 2013 for October/November 2013 Edition

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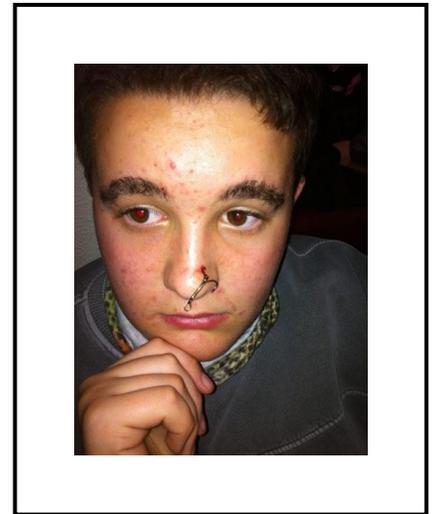
Winter at Pedder – June Long Weekend

40 club members fished the Winter at Pedder Competition with 90 fish weighed in over the weekend. Fishing was fantastic with fish caught being in top condition. Competition for the heaviest fish saw the lead change at every weigh in and finally being won by Matthew Mallinson.

The weather was kind to us and we were treated to ideal fishing conditions with calm but very cold days on the lake. One day we had a storm go through and during this time only the larger boats with cabins were out fishing, all that were out in the storm reported the fish came on the bite in these trying conditions and saw them wet through when winding a fish in. "Ned Kelly's cousin" Peter Glowacki proved he is the man to beat catching 19 fish a fine effort thus winning two senior trophies. Junior winner for both categories was won by Jacob Rowlands. As always our club competitions always seem to attract a story. Last June we were treated to an insight into the ways of the hash house harriers, last January we had fish hooks in Trent Mallinson's calf. So not wanting to hide in the background any longer the Rowlands clan out figured our best competition antics and Jacob accidentally hooked his older brother Tom in the nose with a Tassie Devil. So after surgery at 7pm that night Tom thanks to his grandparents was delivered back to the chalet at midnight. To rub salt into the wounds now that Tom was out of the boat, young Jacob went on to catch fish all day with dad and won best bag and heaviest fish for junior.

Winter at Pedder Results

Heaviest Fish Senior	Matthew Mallinson 1226gms
Heaviest Fish Junior	Jacob Rowlands 838 gms
Most fish by Senior	Peter Glowacki 19 Fish 9008gms
Most fish by Junior	Jacob Rowlands 3 Fish 17
Best Bag of 6	Peter Glowacki 4596gms



The LPAC Annual Dinner was held on the Saturday night and thanks to Sue and staff we had a fantastic meal and get together. A general meeting was held on the Sunday evening which allowed all club members to have input into club events and direction for the future.

To attend this event especially in June is one of the most relaxing rewarding experiences one can have, sure it is pot luck with the weather but so far we have held 2 June competitions and both have been great fun.

Sharon Mallinson and John Groves





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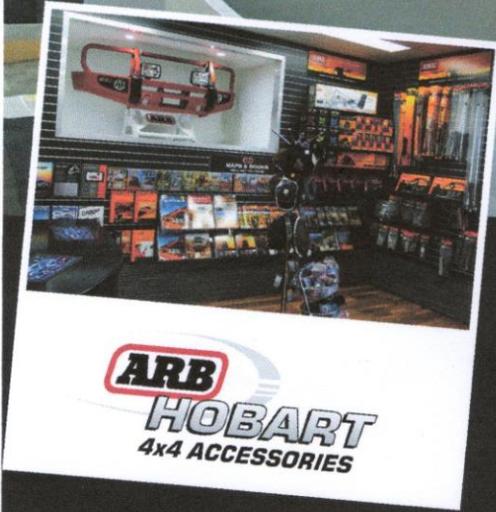
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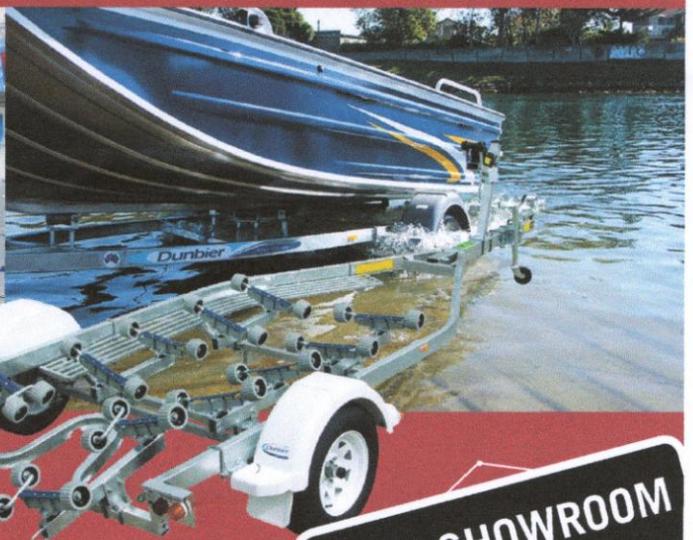
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Brett Brady and the (SLAC) LPAC

I first started working at Strathgordon in 1985 and had only ever fished Pedder occasionally with my aunty and uncle and every Australia day weekend with the Maydena anglers club. I had caught few 7-8 pounders but it wasn't until late in the 90's that I finally got my first 10 pounder from Gordon

I had seen all the big ones at the weigh in's and always dreamed of fishing Pedder for the big fella once I got my licence.

The first 3 years I was in the camp and fished almost every night with the good old fish cakes and a good sized net. The Gabions was the preferred spot for a shore based angler and it almost always produced at least 1 fish (by the time I untangled all those hooks from the net it was too late to catch 2 ha ha) or some good close takes that scared the heck out of a young fella.

I didn't really get involved with the club until later in 87 when I transferred and became a resident of the village. The club was a major part of the small village then with a big annual dinner and children's Christmas party that used to see Santa come with gifts for all the children and usually in the ambulance with lights and sirens all ablaze. My late father Geoff was Santa's helper for 3-4 years and I don't even think his grandkids knew it was him.

The boat hire was still popular back then with 4 dinghies and 2 runabouts available for visitors to hire.

Some of our life members were at the helm of the club then with Greg Lancaster and Tony Nosworthy running things. I became the treasurer in the 90's with William Lane and Lindy Jackson (Philp) as our secretary. It was during my time as treasurer that the Pedder 2000 comps started and the fight to drain the lake fired up again. Luckily for us the drain Pedder campaign was unsuccessful and the fishing continued to be good, especially in the late 90's when Gordon filled and we were seeing some good 4-6kg trout being caught full of small perch. As the lake slowly lost water level so too did the trout lose size and condition.

We also managed with the help of Peter Dumson (Chalet licensee) to secure a sponsorship from one of his suppliers and gained a 750ml bottle of royal swan rum for the biggest fish weighed in each month, with the biggest fish of the season earning a 2 litre flagon. From memory I scored 2 monthly prizes and after a 2 year wait and lots of persuasion I think I might have also ended up with Steve Felminghams winnings. Steve was also a president of the club along with his wife Marie who was also on executive committee.

I haven't missed 1 back to Pedder comp but I have missed out on a fish the last 2 years and with a skeleton crew on site now it is rare that I get a crew together for a fishing trip after work. Most of my fishing is now done in the central highlands on a long weekend. Most people now work here at Pedder and have a home somewhere else so it is a far cry from the social place that it used to be but it is still a beautiful place and we still have one of the biggest annual fresh water comps in the state.

I will continue to support the club and can only compliment the present committee on the excellent work that they are doing.

Brett Brady, 27 year resident of Strathgordon and still a happy fisher with or without a catch to brag about.

Brett has sent many photos in for the newsletter and website. These are two more from Brett's collection.



What a mess



..... and the culprit

Pedder Galaxias

Inland Fisheries Fact Sheet for Pedder galaxias (*Galaxias pedderensis*)

Fishing Status:

This species is totally protected and may not be taken without a permit.

Distinguishing Features:

A medium sized freshwater fish with a slender elongated body and a flattish head. As in all galaxias, there are no scales present. They have a single soft-rayed dorsal fin on their back and the posterior edge of the tail fin is straight. The front edge of the anal fin is behind the midpoint of the dorsal fin. Upper and lower jaws are about equal.

Colour:

Greenish brown, the back and sides covered with distinct but very irregular dark blotches extending to the fleshy bases of the dorsal, tail and anal fins. The belly is off-white. Gold iridescence is often evident.

Size:

Adults usually range in length from 75-120 mm, but may grow up to 160 mm.

General:

The Pedder galaxias is Australia's most endangered freshwater fish species. It is naturally found only in south-west Tasmania in Lake Pedder and its tributary streams, and was reported as common before Lake Pedder was flooded for hydro electricity in the early 1970s. During the 1980s the population sharply declined to the point where the species is now apparently extinct within its natural range. To save the species from extinction, 31 individuals were moved to a nearby lake in 1991-92 and recent surveys by the IFS have confirmed that a small breeding population has established there.

Life Cycle:

Spawning occurs in spring as water temperatures begin to rise. Eggs are laid under flat rocks, aquatic vegetation and submerged woody debris. Breeding first occurs between 3-4 years of age. It is likely that the original lake served as a nursery area for the larvae and juveniles, which live in open water.

Habitat:

Prior to the inundation of Lake Pedder, juveniles could be seen swimming around the lake shores in large schools. Adults inhabited the lake and surrounding swamps and streams. They preferred rock and boulder habitat and were found amongst cover in streams entering the lake. The last collected individuals lived in these tributary streams.

Diet:

Feeds on small aquatic and terrestrial insects and aquatic crustaceans.

Why is it Threatened?:

Destruction of the original habitat; Predation and competition by introduced species. The translocated population is now the only known breeding population.



Brown Trout

Inland Fisheries Fact Sheet for brown trout (*Salmo trutta*)

Fishing Status:

An IFS Recreational Angling licence is needed to take brown trout. Licences can be purchased from more than 130 agents located in retail businesses around the state. Licensing agents are primarily fishing stores but also include most trout guides, Service Tasmania outlets and the IFS head office. Specific fishing regulations for bag and size limits, and fishing technique (bait, lure or fly) may vary between waters.

Distinguishing Features:

Generally an elongate thick-bodied fish. They have a dorsal fin high on their back, and further forward than the pelvic fins. They have an adipose fin, a lateral line and small scales. The mouth extends back past the eyes.

Colour:

The colour is highly variable depending on their age, habitat and life history. Lake populations are generally silver, but often show darker colouration ranging from brown or dark green along the back, with dark spots. River populations are usually darker and often have bright red spots surrounded by pale halos, and sea-run populations are usually silver all over. Spawning fish become darker on the sides and back, with a yellow belly.

Size:

Can reach weights over 20 kg and at least 1400 mm long. The Australian record of 13.3 kg is for a fish caught in the Huon River, Tasmania.

General:

They are native to Europe and have been introduced all over the world. They were introduced into Tasmania from England in 1864. Will spawn only if there is sufficient water velocity and depth over suitable gravel beds. Most lakes and rivers in Tasmania maintain their own populations, but in some cases, waters are stocked solely for angling purposes. Brown trout form the basis of an extensive recreational fishery contributing millions of dollars to the Tasmanian economy annually.

Life Cycle:

Spawning occurs in autumn and winter when spawning fish migrate upstream to gravel-bottom stretches of river. Fish pair up and eggs and milt are deposited into a depression called redds, prepared by the female. These are then covered up by dislodging upstream gravel. The eggs generally hatch after 1 month depending on water temperature, and hatchlings stay in the gravel feeding off their yolk-sacs until they emerge as fry. They initially may form schools, but over the next year or two become solitary and territorial as they move into deeper water.

Habitat:

Newly emerged fry may school up in slow shallow water along stream edges or backwaters. Adults prefer cool well aerated water with adequate cover and shelter.

Diet:

They feed on a wide variety of animals including crustaceans, molluscs, both aquatic and terrestrial insects and small fishes.

Why is it Threatened?:

Low flows prior to the juveniles emerging from the gravel nests; Loss of instream habitat; Erosion leading to increased sedimentation; Overfishing.

Tasmanian Distribution:

Widespread and abundant down to sea level in all major drainages except in the south-west.



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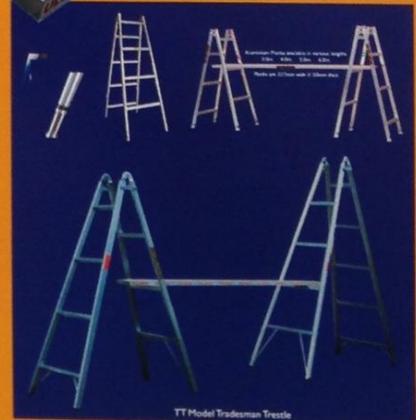
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Opening Weekend Derwent River Interclub Challenge

Saturday started off as sunny great start to for the season opening. We were all keen to hit the water and catch a sea run trout. Club members had been on the phone to each other during the week working out strategies and places to fish. The boys and I hit the water early and first cast we caught a fish. Now as many of you know my last two fishing trips for the opening weekend haven't had the success of large numbers of trout so this fish was met with huge enthusiasm. Sadly this was to be our only fish for the weekend. When the weather changed Saturday afternoon and the temperature dropped we decided to give the camping over idea away and went back home to the warm bed and cosy fire. Talking on the phone to club members that night it was pleasing to be advised that they had fished much better than our group and managed to catch half a dozen for the day. Even Dave Wright managed to snag a few on his trusty old fruit salad lures. So we ventured back up on Sunday morning all keen to make amends but fishing was slow. We thought we had a monster on but all we had was a bald coote bird tangled in the line, thanks to the lovely dog owners allowing their dogs to chase the birds into the river as we trawled past. So after untangling and giving the bird a pat we continued on our way. Around 1.30 we pulled up stumps and headed for the weigh in. The New Norfolk Club had marquees set up and a fire pot burning, pity the fire pot didn't hold half a ton of wood it sure was cold with the weather coming down the river. We got hungry when we smelt the barbie and all enjoyed a couple of burgers. It was good to catch up with our club and other club members to discuss the weekend event. Some good sized trout were weighed in with the winning trout weighing 2.4 kg. Plenty of fish were landed between Bridgewater Bridge and New Norfolk. Many more were caught up river. Overall a great event with our club coming 3rd in the interclub challenge. No doubt we will be back again next year a lot wiser and hopefully better luck. *Matthew Mallinson*



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11.00 am til 2 ish

Sausage Sizzle for lunch

RSVP to assist with catering by 23rd October

LPAC Pond Rules

- This is a catch and release pond
- Bait and lure fishing allowed
- Only one fish per family may be taken home

We hope to see as many of you as possible there.



Thanks to pond sponsors Vicki Jones for her property and Petuna for stocking the pond with fish.

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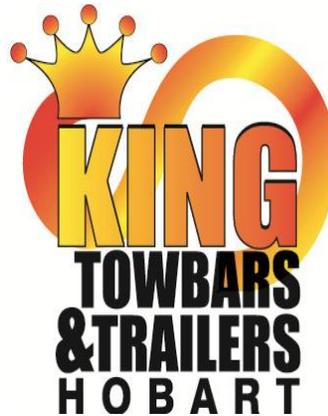
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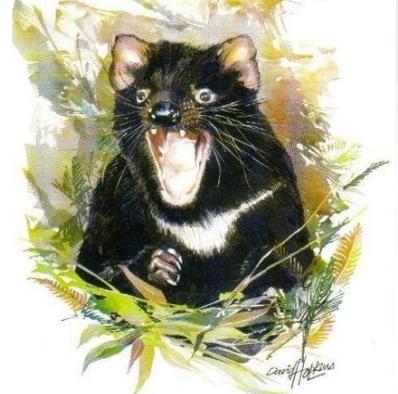
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