



NATIVE FISH AUSTRALIA (Vic) Inc.
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30th October 2025

Members & Supporters

Albert Park Lake BBQ & Fish Tuesday 4th November

With the longer daylight & the weather warming up, Native fishing season is about to fire up! One of the first locations to do so is Albert Park Lake. Vic Fisheries Authority have stocked the lake, for a number of years now, with Rainbow Trout, Silver Perch, Golden Perch, Murray Cod, and Estuary Perch and Silver Perch. Golden Perch have been caught at sizes over 60cm, and are getting bigger each year, with most anglers practicing "catch and release".



Golden perch from Albert Park

NFA(Vic) have again organised a BBQ at the lake on Tuesday 4th November for a general catch up and fish afterwards.

BBQ dinner will be supplied by NFA, if you are a financial member but you will need to RSVP -: president@nativefish.asn.au by Monday 3rd November.

If you haven't already done so, please renew your membership via the form downloadable at: <https://www.nativefish.asn.au/home/page/Membership>

If you decide to turn up on the day, simply BYO as we can only cater for confirmed attendees. Un-financial members & guests are welcome to join us, but need to self-cater.

Please find us at Cormorant picnic area at the electric BBQ from around 5:30pm. As a failsafe if this location is already occupied, we will use Grebe picnic area. We will then proceed to fish after dinner till late. We often end up doing a lap of the lake.

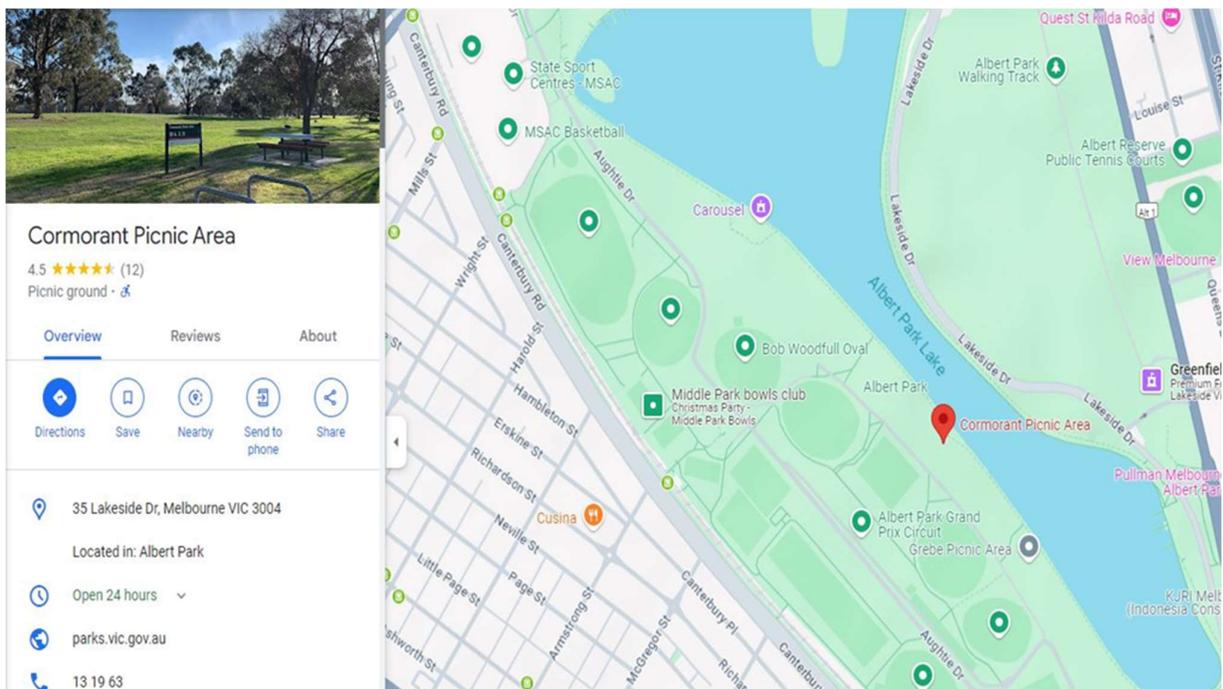
Google Maps link: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/4PqxY6YdCm95LHfP7>

RSVP to Tim Curmi on President@nativefish.asn.au

Fishing at Albert Park inspiration:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Wv09SH_9sE&list=WL&index=2

Golden perch from Albert Park



November Meeting Guest Speaker – Tuesday 11th November

We have again organised a great speaker for our next general meeting

Ian Rutherford will be presenting on “From degradation to (some) restoration: The journey of Victorian waterways” More details on Facebook

La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary

7 pm: Pre-meeting, greet and stickybeak at our NFA(Vic) volunteer-run fish hatchery for early-comers.

7.30 pm SHARP presentations begin.

Light refreshments provided & a chat afterwards, after all the NFA business is covered.

Please SPREAD THE WORD

All Welcome

Hatchery Working Bees

We have decided to suspend our hatchery working bees until next year. Stay tuned for scheduled dates for 2026.

Codference 2025

The Codference is on again in November.

When: Saturday 8th November

Where: Riverlinks Eastbank – 70 Welsford Street Shepparton

Time: 9am - 4pm

Cost: Free! Register your seat here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/codference-2025-tickets-1763655393759?aff=oddtcreator>

We will have a display at the Codference – come and say hello!

Cod Opening Camp 6/7 December

The Cod opening weekend is on again. We have organised a new location on the Ovens River around Whorouly, again on private property.

The number of anglers is limited. If you are interested in attending, please contact me via text on 0417 419 765. He will have all the details.

December Meeting / Christmas BBQ Tuesday 11th December

The last meeting of the year is our Christmas BBQ. As with all our meetings it will be held at the La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary and will kick off around 6:30pm. It will be great chance for a casual chat with fellow members and catch up on recent activities including our new hatchery.

We will provide meat and salads to financial members – you just need to bring your own drinks

For catering purposes please let me know if you plan to attend.

Hope to see you there!!

Graeme Creed Native Fish Challenge 2026

The 2026 Graeme Creed Native Fish Challenge is fast approaching. Dates are listed below. All documentation will be sent soon.

Ovens River Challenge

The date for the 2026 Ovens River Challenge has been confirmed. It will be on the weekend 20th - 22nd March 2026 and as usual based out of Myrtleford.

Facebook

We have two face book pages – NFA & NFA (Vic). Please check them out and follow them to get up to date information

<https://www.facebook.com/NativeFishAustralia/>

<https://www.facebook.com/NativeFishAustraliaVic/>



Future events

Albert Park BBQ & Fish – Melbourne Cup evening 4th November

Codference Shepparton Saturday 8th November

General meeting La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary Tuesday 11th November - Guest Speaker Ian Rutherford.

Committee Meeting La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary Tuesday 25th November

Cod Opening Weekend Gapstead 6/7 December

General Meeting & Christmas BBQ La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary Wednesday 9th December

2026

General Meeting La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary Tuesday 13th February - Guest Speaker TBA

Working Bee Hatchery Sunday 18th February

Graeme Creed Native Fish Challenge Yarrowonga 20/22 February 202

Committee Meeting La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary Tuesday 24th February

General Meeting La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary Tuesday 10th March - Guest Speaker TBA

Working Bee Hatchery Sunday 15th March

Murray Fishing weekend (with ANGFA Vic) Yarrowonga 7-9 March 2025

Arcadia Open Day Saturday 21st March

Ovens River Challenge 21/22 March 26

Committee Meeting La Trobe Uni Wildlife Sanctuary Tuesday 24th March

Snobs Creek Open Day Sunday 3rd May

We would like to thank our sponsors who have assisted NFA (Vic) over many years with prizes for the Graeme Creed Native Fish Challenge as well as various raffle prizes and assistance in the hatchery.



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A special thanks to the La Trobe University Wildlife Sanctuary for hosting our monthly meetings.

Any question please contact me on the details below

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