

## NATIVE FISH AUSTRALIA (Vic) Inc. PO Box 162 Doncaster 3108

23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018

Members & Supporters

Few things that may be of interest!

## Welcome to new members

A warm welcome to new members Ian and Vincent. We hope your memberships will be long and rewarding for both you and Native Fish Australia

### **November General Meeting**

Due to the cup day holiday there is no meeting this month.

### **Hatchery & Netting**

We will be setting the **fyke nets** in the Yarra over the coming weekend (**October 26**<sup>th</sup>-**28**<sup>th</sup>) starting with setting on the **Friday evening at a new site in Eltham**. Nets will be checked regularly over the weekend with any **suitable Macquarie perch taken back to our hatchery** and hopefully used in our **breeding program**.

#### Times as follows:

**Friday Afternoon** (26<sup>th</sup> October) **5pm** at the gate at the Southern end of Reynolds Road Eltham

**Saturday Morning** (27<sup>th</sup> October) **7am** at the gate at the Southern end of Reynolds Road Eltham

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**Timings are strict** as we have to lock the gate after we enter the park

We will be **angling each afternoon** after setting/checking the nets so bring along a rod

If you would like to assist us with the netting or simply come and have a look, please get back to me and register your interest.

### Albert Park Lake BBQ & Fish

The weather is starting to warm up and that can only mean one thing, yes the Native fishing season is about to fire up! One of the first locations to do so is none other than Albert Park Lake. Fisheries have stocked the lake with Trout and Golden Perch for a number of years now, and more recently with Estuary perch. If we're lucky they may have reached a catchable size sometime this summer. The Golden Perch have been caught at sizes over 60cm and are getting bigger each year as most anglers practice catch and release. NFA (Vic) have again organised a BBQ at the lake on **Thursday 1st November** for a general catch up and fish afterwards. Bear in mind that it will be Daylight savings time. BBQ dinner will be supplied by NFA but you will need to RSVP by Tuesday 30th October. If you decide to turn up on the day, simply BYO as we can only cater for confirmed attendees. Please find us at Cormorant picnic area at the electric BBQ. 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 usually end up doing a lap of the lake. Please send Rsvp's to Rob at <a href="mailto:rob5rad@tpg.com.au">rob5rad@tpg.com.au</a> or me on the details below. I have attached a map to help guide you there.

# Cod Opening weekend Gapsted 30<sup>th</sup> November-2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018

NFA (Vic) will again be fishing cod opening weekend on private property on the Ovens River near Gapsted. We have confirmed the location with the farmer. Last year the camp was very successful with almost everybody catching a cod or two. The **number of anglers may be limited** so please register you interest in attending to me now.

## December Meeting / Christmas BBQ Wednesday 5th December

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

We will provide the BBQ and some cooking equipment - you will need to bring everything else

This year we have decided to try a **Buy/Swap & Sell table.** If you have unwanted/unused fishing tackle (lures rods, reels etc) you would like to sell please bring them along on the night. I will be bringing lures, some handmade cod flies and a couple of reels. We will also have a raffle or two across the night so bring some small change.

Would be great to see a good turn up of members & supporters - All welcome

## **Codference 2018**

The Codference is on again in December.

When: Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018, from 9am until 4pm

Where: Eastbank Conference Centre, 70 Welsford St, Shepparton.

More details soon

### **Native Fish Challenge 2019**

The 2019 Native Fish Challenge is fast approaching. **Dates below**. All documents for the challenge will be sent out soon.

### Membership renewals for 2018/19

There are still quite a few members who have not renewed (paid) their membership for this year. Membership/renewal forms can be found at <a href="https://www.nativefish.asn.au/home/page/Membership">https://www.nativefish.asn.au/home/page/Membership</a>

#### **Upcoming Events**

Albert Park Lake BBQ & Fish Albert Park 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018
Cod Opening weekend Gapsted 30 November-2 December 2018
Christmas BBQ La Trobe Uni Wednesday 5th December 2018
Blue Rock Bass Bash Blue Rock Dam 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2019
Native Fish Challenge Yarrawonga 16/17 February 2019
Murray Fishing weekend (with ANGFA Vic) Yarrawonga 9-11 March 2019

Any question please contact me on the details below

Kind regards

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