

Club Fly Fishing Trip 'Dog Hill' **Red Tag v Northern (Royal Coachman Trophy)**

Where – Goulburn River and surrounding streams

When – 18th & 19th May 2019

Staying at – Eildon Pondage Caravan Park

10 Eildon Road, Eildon

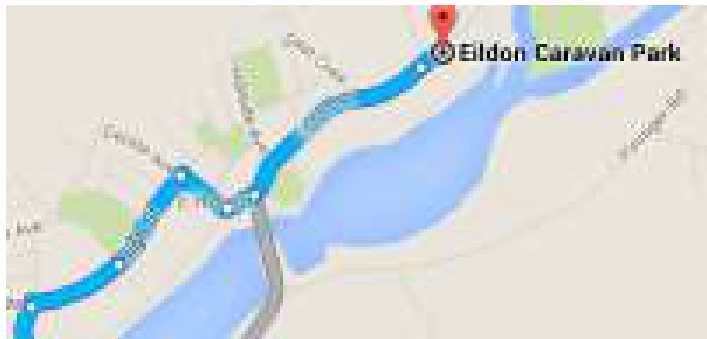
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Cabins, powered and non powered sites available. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SHARING A CABIN PLEASE PUT A NOTE IN THE "COMMENTS" SECTION WHEN YOU REGISTER.

Trip co-ordinator – Barney Stephens

Please register on line <http://www.redtagflyfishers.com.au/trip-registration.html> or contact Barney on 0402 330 852

Non members are welcome to attend the trip and fish with the members however will be unable to be included in the actual competition



This annual 2-day competition against Northern Fly-fishers is as much social as it is competitive. As the irrigation season will have finished, the river should be down to a level where anglers can explore all parts of the stream.

The winner of the Royal Coachman trophy will be the decided by the club of the fly fisher who weighs-in or measures-in the longest salmonoid.

For more information contact Barney Stephens

Trip Description:

Dog Hill was the name of the property owned Norm King. For a number of years Norm generously hosted this regular May trip at his beautiful property in Eildon. Unfortunately, with Norm moving to Tasmania we can no longer use his property.

The trip is conducted as a competition-fishing trip with the Northern Suburbs Fly Fishers club who will also be attending in numbers this year. Red Tag won this highly sought after intra-club trophy the last few years last year from Northern.

Bring your food, drinks and a camping chair, the campfire usually goes long into the night. It is expected that the usual autumn Goulburn River flows below 200 mld (mega litres per day) will kick in around mid May. Wading should be easy but as usual, care has to be taken. Alternatively, there are numerous small stream options nearby offering a very attractive plan B.

Please note the rules for this friendly get-together for the Royal Coachman Trophy

- The competition is for the perpetual Royal Coachman Trophy contested between the Northern Suburbs Fly Fishing Club (NSFFC) and the Red Tag Fly Fishers' Club (Red Tag).
- The Royal Coachman Trophy is awarded to the Club whose member submits a measurement of the longest fish caught during the competition
- It is the responsibility of the winning Club to organise the following year's event
- The competition is to be held the first weekend after the 15th of May or by agreement between the two Clubs

Rules:

1. Only financial members of the NSFFC and Red Tag may compete in the competition.
2. All competitors must have a current Victorian fishing licence.
3. The use of watercraft (boats etc) is not permitted.
4. The hours of competition are from 6 am to 7 pm on Saturday and 6 am to 12 pm Sunday of the competition.
5. Fishing is permitted in the Pondage, the Goulburn River, and surrounding streams.
6. The target fish for the competition are Salmonids only.
7. The competitor can adopt a "catch, measure, and release" or a "catch and keep" method of reporting.
8. The measuring of fish released is based on an honesty system. (no witness required)
9. Fish are to be measured from the tip of the snout to the fork in the tail.
10. The minimum length of a measured fish is 250 mm.
11. Catches must be reported, or presented, at the competition campsite up until 1 pm Sunday of the competition. Reports after this time will not be considered.
12. In the event of a draw, a draw will be recorded.
13. The Trophy is held by the winning Club for 12 months. Even though the event is a fishing competition, it is to be conducted in the spirit of engendering friendships between the two clubs, and improving the fly fishing skills of attendees.