

Bass Outing –Nepean River

When: Saturday morning 13 October
Where: Tench Reserve, Nepean River, Penrith (near the Motorway).
Cost: \$5.00 for BBQ brunch and lucky participant prizes.
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Come and have a pleasant Saturday morning on the Nepean River at Tench Reserve near Penrith. The reserve has a boat ramp where small boats, canoes and kayaks can be launched. From the boat ramp it's a short paddle up or down stream to prime bass habitats around the weed beds, snags and against rock walls.

The plan is to get onto the water at first light (about 5.00am) and get off the water about 10 am for a BBQ brunch well before the arrival of all the water skiers. After the BBQ, the conscientious ones can then go home and mow the lawn while others may wish to stay on and enjoy this pretty river system.

The river is not tidal in this area so you don't have to worry about currents complicating your fishing experience. At this time of the year bass will have just moved up into the fresh water from their spawning grounds further down the river. For those unfamiliar with bass fishing all you need is a 5 to 8wt rod, a floating line, some small Dahlberg divers, poppers, bass bugs or large dry flies and you are ready to go. You can also get bass on variety sub surface flies including woolly buggers, vampires and Clouser minnows. For those with boats, just a couple of minutes upstream you get into spectacular gorge country. It takes a bit longer if you have to paddle to get to the gorge country if you have to paddle but don't worry because you don't have to go far either up or downstream from the ramp to find a bass.

It's going to be difficult to fish from the shore so some sort of watercraft is essential. If you have a boat, or canoe and can't find a partner or alternatively you want to go but need a ride just contact Radge Diakiw.

To book, or get more information about this outing come to the September Club meeting or see the contact details above. We need to know who is coming so that we can get our catering right and match up people.

Directions

From Sydney, take the M4 Motorway towards Penrith. Get off the Motorway at the Mulgoa Road exit (the last exit before the bridge). Turn right onto Mulgoa Road heading towards Penrith, then left onto Jamison Road. At the Nepean River Jamison Road veers left to become Tench Avenue. Follow Tench Avenue until you reach the entry to the boat ramp, which is just short of the Motorway bridge.