

ECFF Prize winners, 30 April, 31 May and 30 June  
2007

Dear all,

No boet, you are not hearing another tale about the one that got away! It might sound hard to believe, but 'yell, we are in big fish country here.

Would you believe it swaar, we have given away R31 640.00 worth of prizes to our members so far this year? Well, this is no fishing story, it's the TRUTH boet!!! The prizes are in the net. I have proof. The customary 10lb tippet and Mrs Simpson Special just does the trick in these parts.

After eying these prizes for a year and a half, trying to be inconspicuous while our Chapter secretary and treasurer (my wife) was shaking a deep bucket with little strips of named paper on the bottom, my name has finally made it onto the top of the pile. It's been agony, I can assure you. But now I also got a bite at last, it's jerked the slack out of me and the reel is screaming!

I was having a dry spell, and it was a bit like one of those Dog days on the Oakum dam in Maclear when the way the dragon flies hover is the only action worth watching, and that seem to be normal for me! But now I'm off to Cathcart with my family and my packages of flies, to land my prize, thanks very much to Dave Curry and Mike Peterson. I aim to thoroughly enjoy myself and I wish the rest of the winners the best fishing and a most relaxing time at the water. And for the rest of you, make sure your subs are paid up, keep casting, and try varying your retrieve a bit.

(By the way, try that Mrs Simpson again, you never know. They say in Barkley that it's a bad sign if you have any other fly in your box. I've even seen one chap's box that is filled with only one size of that one fly - Now that is what I call CONFIDENCE! Maybe there is a lesson for those of your friends who are not yet members of the Eastern Cape Chapter!)

### April 2007:

- **Martin Fick**, Grahamstown membership number 06-0005 has won a free weekend's self catering accommodation and fishing for two at Lindesfarne on the Klipplaat River in Cathcart valued at **R800** care of Dave Curry. He will also receive a package of 15 flies, courtesy of Mike Petersen of Hairy Fairy Flies, Grahamstown, to the value of **R105.00**.  
**Total prize value: R905.00.**
- **Neville Nel**, Queenstown, membership number 06-0425, has won a beautiful Thomas & Thomas XL4 5wt 4pc 9` Fly rod with a life-time warranty care of Rico Cronje and Murray Peddar, Fly-Fishers Unlimited. The value of the rod is **R4 600**. To top it off and to make the perfect cast successful, Mike Peterson, Hairy Fairy Flies, Grahamstown, has included a package of flies to the value of **R105.00**. **Total prize value: R4 705.00**
- **Antoinette Naude**, Maclear, membership number 06-0038, has bagged a free weekend's fishing and camping for two at Denwood, Queenstown, courtesy of Stuart Tenant, Denwood & QFFC, to the value of **R1 000**. She has also won a package of flies courtesy of Mike Petersen of Hairy Fairy Flies, Grahamstown, to the value of **R105.00**. **Total prize value: R1 105.00.**

### May 2007:

- **Robbie Van Kerkhoff**, Steynsburg, membership number 06-0603, has won a free weekend's guided fishing for two on Mabaleni or selected rivers in Mtata, care of Jurie Venter, Transkei Piscatorial Society, valued at **R1 200**. He has also bagged a package of flies courtesy of Mike Petersen of Hairy Fairy Flies, Grahamstown, to the value of **R105.00**. **Total prize value: R1 305.00.**
- **Dawie Viljoen**, Bloemfontein, membership number 06-0602, bagged a free weekend's fishing with overnight stay for four at Maden, King Williamstown, valued at **R680.00**, courtesy of Shane Ashby, FAS. He will also receive a package of flies courtesy of Mike Petersen of Hairy Fairy Flies, Grahamstown, to the value of **R105.00**. **Total prize value: R785.00.**
- **Anton Zietsman**, Bloemfontein, membership number: 06-0616, bagged a free weekend's accommodation and fishing for two at Aloe Grove, Queenstown, care of Johan van Jaarsveld valued at **R1 000.00**. Mike Peterson, Hairy Fairy Flies, has also sent him a package of flies valued at **R105.00**. **Total prize value: R1 105.00.**

### June 2007:

- **Nic James**, Queenstown membership number: 06-0411, bagged a free weekend's self catering accommodation for eight in a party of 10 at Redcliffe, Winterberg, courtesy of Johnny and Carol Morgan to the tune of **R3 000.00**. He too, will receive his package of flies courtesy of Mike Petersen of Hairy Fairy Flies, Grahamstown, to the value of **R105.00**.  
**Total prize value: R3 105.00.**
- **Greg Baxter**, Q.town, membership number 06-0303, has won a free weekend's self-catering accommodation and guided fishing for two on Stillwaters in Ugie, courtesy Gary Vorster, Elliot

FFC, valued at **R1 500.00**. Mike Peterson, Hairy Fairy Flies, has also sent him a package of flies valued at **R105.00**. **Total prize value: R1 605.00.**

- **Charles Richter**, Queenstown, membership No.: 06-0511, may choose ANY Stealth fly rod of his choice to the value of **R1 500** at Target Line in Vincent, East London. Mike Peterson, Hairy Fairy Flies, has also sent him a package of flies to compliment his choice, valued at **R105.00**. **Total prize value: R1 605.00.**

Well done to you all. You have enjoyment guaranteed right there.

Three more prizes will be drawn at the end of each month throughout the year, so keep an eye open for your name to come up in the draw.

There are still 18 prizes "up for grabs" as they say, so please circulate membership forms to your fly-fishing buddies so we can increase our membership and our effectiveness.

**Martin Fick (Chairman - ECC Fly-Fishing)**