

From the Fisher's Mouth

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School holidays are on us again and the mum's and dad's are about to be inundated with children eager to get out camping and fishing.

These holidays are the perfect time for a fishing and camping expedition. The weather is pleasant, you can usually have a fire at night and the fishing around Easter is typically very good. The recent rains have allowed the grass to grow and our waterside reserves, national parks and other access points are looking very healthy indeed.



One downside of the rain is the population explosion of mosquitoes. Nothing can ruin an evening quicker than a cloud of buzzing, biting mozzies. Make sure that if you're out after dark, that you cover up with long sleeves & trousers, shoes and socks, and use plenty of repellent spray. Whilst we don't have life threatening disease such as malaria carried by our mosquitoes, but they can carry the debilitating Ross River Fever. Children also can swell up after a mozzie bite, so best to be prepared and not get bitten in the first place.

The river is clearing up nicely and bait fishing will be the preferred option for fishing over the Easter break. Grubs, cheese, yabby tails, shrimp and scrub worms will catch you a fish in the river, whilst in the dams, small yabbies and worms will have a redfin or golden perch nibbling away in no time.

When fishing from the shore in our lakes and dams, concentrate your efforts at dawn and dusk. The fish bite better in low light conditions in clear water, whilst the river can see the fish bite at any time throughout the day.

The much anticipated arrival of Riverina Sport Fishing's new boats has come. Our two 5.8m Actioncraft sport fishing boats are currently being fitted out at Wagga Marine and whilst we have some weeks to go before they pass survey, drop in and check out what are very unique vessels.

The popular book *Fishing and Camping Murrumbidgee River Gundagai to Narrandera* is due for a reprint, and to make sure that it has the most up to date information I would appreciate if you could send any anomalies or changes you may have noted from edition 2 to jamin@riverinasportfishing.com