

# THE BOBBIN

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## CHAIRMAN'S CHIRP

Let me start by wishing all our members and readers of the Bobbin a prosperous New Year.

Our Vice Chairman and Bobbin editor has been in the wars. On behalf of all Club members we wish Stelios a speedy recovery. On the plus side Stelios will have countless boxes of fresh flies for future adventures by the time he gets to fish again. I'll let him tell you all about it.

Our last meeting was our Christmas party where Andrew Savides entertained us with a stunning visual presentation of his recently trip to Slovenia. Andrew and Warren Bradfield went on a guided tour hosted by Simon Hunter Bunn. Members may recall Simon tying for us at the previous monthly meeting. Simon and his lovely wife Nina run Hunter Fly Fishing [www.hunterflyfishing.com](http://www.hunterflyfishing.com).



From Andrew's talk I took away several points which I think make this destination a great opportunity for South Africans. Firstly it's affordable, flights are reasonable, the food and beer is great and cheap, the accommodation is great and to boot the scenery is nothing short of spectacular. Secondly the species one can target are many - 25 out of 93 species can be targeted in Slovenia... The rivers have Marble Trout, Pike, Grayling (ladies of the river), Brown and Rainbow Trout. There is also the Hucho Hucho (Danube Salmon) and Barbel (which looks like a Yellowfish). Thirdly there is no time difference to adjust too. Within two hours of landing you can be on a river fishing!

Moving right along, we look forward to an exciting year of fly tying and a few members have taken up the Snowflake weekend which is promising to be a great weekend. We are still looking for someone to organise a salt water trip or even a day out...any takers?

See you soon

## FROM THE EDITOR

This is the shortest and least informative Bobbin ever! Due to a small event that began on New Year's Day, I have been unable to compile this month's Bobbin – sorry about that! To expound, the small event led to a double bypass operation and an uncomfortable convalescence. I have, however, been told that my gutted chest automatically qualifies me for membership of the REAL Zipper Club – but not for that elite Zipper Mouth Club that lurks largely on our KZN rivers. Somehow I filled me the wrong application form. The Bobbin should be back in reasonable form next time round.



## NEXT MEETING

**4 February 2019 /19.00 for 19.30/ Room G1 Westville Library**  
**Raymond Meneses will tie this Natal Scaly Freshwater Shrimp**



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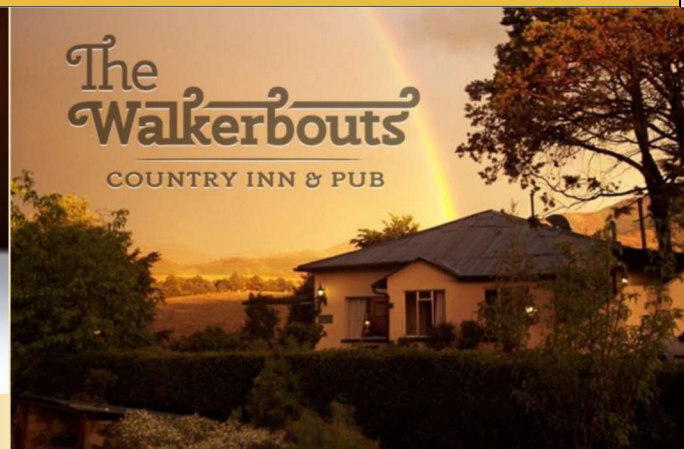
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